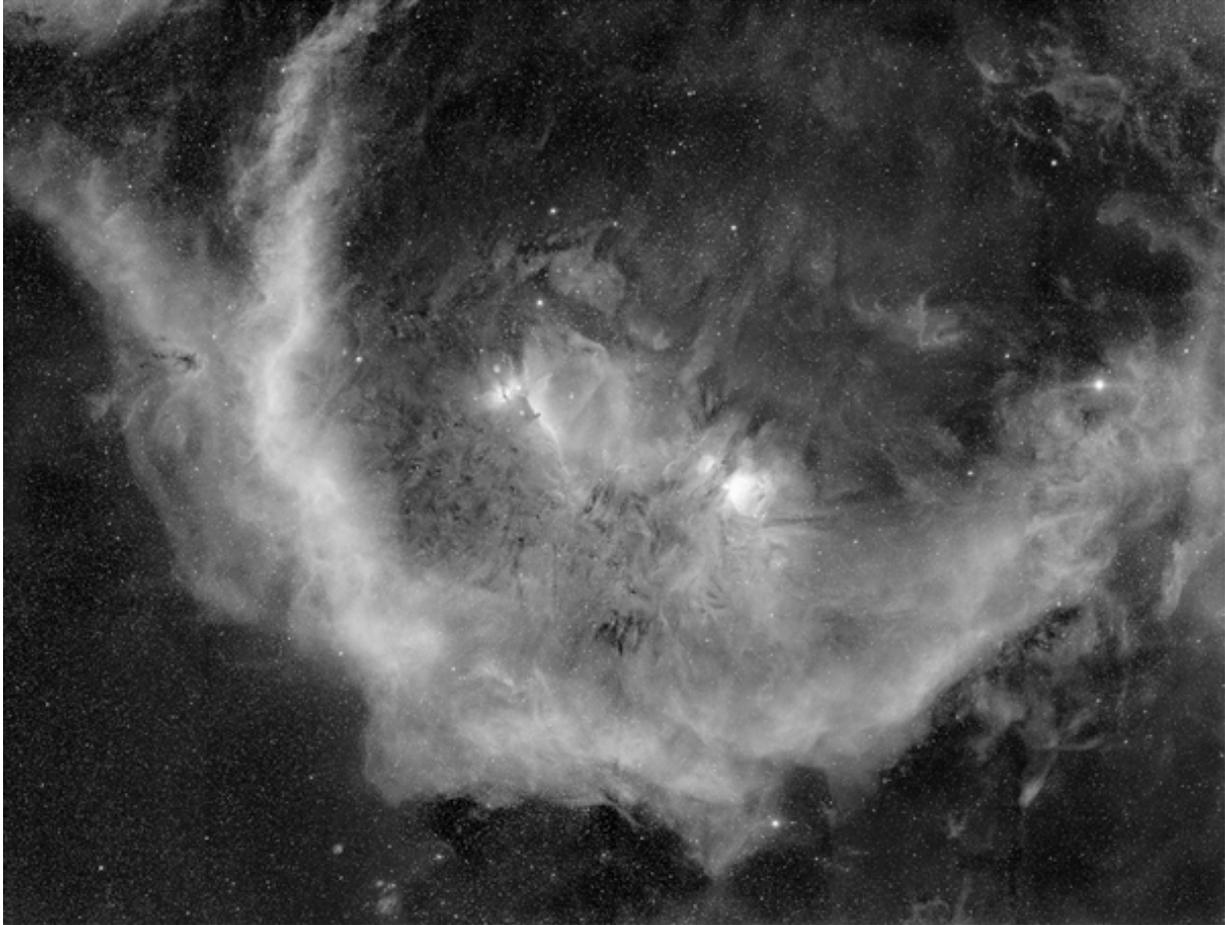


It takes as much courage to have tried and failed as it does to have tried and succeeded.

Anne Morrow Lindbergh



**Barnard's Loop around the Horsehead Nebula**  
Credit & Copyright: [Drew Sullivan \(Ancient Starlight\)](#)

**Explanation:** Why is the [Horsehead Nebula](#) surrounded by a bubble? Although hard to make out, the famous [Horsehead Nebula](#) is the slight [dark indentation](#) in the bright streak just to the left of the image center. Glowing like an [emission nebula](#), the origin of the [bubble](#), known as [Barnard's Loop](#), is currently unknown. [Progenitor hypotheses](#) include the [winds](#) from bright Orion stars and the [supernovas](#) of stars long gone. [Barnard's Loop](#) is too faint to be [identified](#) with the unaided eye. [The nebula](#) was discovered only in 1895 by [E. E. Barnard](#) on long duration film exposures. The [above image](#) was taken in a single [specific color](#) emitted by [hydrogen](#) to bring out detail. To the left of the [Horsehead Nebula](#), visible as a small dark indentation, is the photogenic [Flame Nebula](#).

**onerous**

VAH-nuh-rus\   
*adjective*

[Play Podcast](#)

## Meaning

- \*1 : involving, imposing, or constituting a burden : troublesome
- 2 : having legal obligations that outweigh the advantages

## Example Sentence

Christy considered driving her sister to ballet practice to be an onerous task.

## Did you know?

"Onerous," which traces back to the Latin "onus," meaning "burden," has several synonyms. Like "onerous," "burdensome," "oppressive," and "exacting" all refer to something which imposes a hardship of some kind. "Onerous" stresses a sense of laboriousness and heaviness, especially because something is distasteful ("the onerous task of cleaning up the mess"). "Burdensome" suggests something which causes mental as well as physical strain ("the burdensome responsibilities of being a supervisor"). "Oppressive" implies extreme harshness or severity in what is imposed ("the oppressive tyranny of a police state"). "Exacting" suggests rigor or sternness rather than tyranny or injustice in the demands made or in the one demanding ("an exacting employer who requires great attention to detail").

\*Indicates the sense illustrated in the example sentence.

Best Regards,

**Ron Van Alstyne**

## Ready, Willing & Able

The WebSmith Team  
We Build WebSites, Make Changes & Updates  
9860 Southern Blvd.  
West Palm Beach, FL 33411 USA-Earth

 (561) 798-2010

 (561) 798-3339

 [rva@GotoWebSmith.com](mailto:rva@GotoWebSmith.com)

 please consider the environment before printing this email

**Confidentiality Notice:** This message (including all attachments) is privileged and confidential, intended only for the named recipient and may contain information that is privileged or exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If you are not the intended recipient, you are notified that dissemination, distribution or copying of this message is strictly prohibited. If you receive this message in error, or are not the named recipient, please notify the sender at either the address or telephone number above.

**Opt Out Notice:** If you do not wish to receive email communications from us, please reply to this email, using the words "Remove Me" in the subject line or simply click this address: [opt-out@gotowebsmith.com](mailto:opt-out@gotowebsmith.com).