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Sightings UFO conference descends on Galena



Photo by: Dave Kettering

UFO investigator Sam Maranto, of Orland Park, Ill., organized the Out of This World UFO Conference.

By BEKAH PORTER TH staff writer
Friday, May 29, 2009

GALENA, Ill. -- Richard Dolan says he's seen them twice.

Calling them "strange in-the-light experiences," the New York native brushes off his encounters with UFOs -- or unidentified flying objects. "They are nothing compared with what others have seen," he said.

Dolan has dedicated his life to documenting witness accounts of the unnatural.

The author of "UFOs and the National Security State: An Unclassified History" will serve as one of several guest speakers at this weekend's Out of This World UFO Conference at Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa in Galena. Other speakers include a man who has held Roswell evidence and a chief investigator with the Mutual UFO Network.

Dolan took time between local book signings to talk to the TH about his beliefs:

Question: How does one become a full-time UFO researcher?

Answer: It was in the mid-'90s, and I was working on a degree in history, studying the Cold War. And then I started seeing these documents, and I thought I'd like to look and see if UFOs are a legitimate part of our history. I wasn't trying to determine if UFOs were real. The problem was I got involved in it for a few months, and I decided there was a very good case for the existence of UFOs.

Question: What convinced you?

Answer: There are some 50 to 100 really good documents -- reliable and from government officials. Of course, there are thousands of UFO documents, but these 100 or so are especially compelling. I had to ask myself, how many documents does a person have to read to decide this issue is of serious importance? The amount of physical evidence and data we have to prove there is a genuine UFO phenomenon is overwhelming. There's not just thousands of pages of military documents, but there are many eye-witness accounts. And then there are the scientific analyses of the ground where these objects were, and then there are the leaks galore coming from the military.

Question: How do you define a UFO?

Answer: To me, it's an object that is seen typically in the atmosphere, but it could be in space or it could be underground. But it is an object that is seen doing things that are not conventional or explainable. Now, that does not necessarily mean it is alien. That could be something that is humanly manufactured and is being worked on in secret. But it is entirely possible that some of these UFOs are not of our making and come from other beings or people that are not from our civilization.

Question: Do you think there is a stigma associated with those saying they have seen a UFO?

Answer: I have spoken to hundreds and hundreds of UFO witnesses. Some are brilliant, some are not so bright. Some are educated. Some are not. They are black, white, young, old, rich, poor. It's the entire spectrum. What ties them all together is that very few of them report what they've seen. Want to talk stigma? It's intense.

Question: Do you believe in other life forms?

Answer: They're not just out there. They're down here. They're doing stuff.

See the extended interview with Dolan and the full event schedule at THonline.com.



Photo by: Dave Kettering

Richard Dolan, of Rochester, N.Y., will speak at the Out of This World UFO Conference held today through Sunday at Eagle Ridge Resort in Galena, Ill. Dolan wrote the book "UFOs and The National Security State: An Unclassified History."

The Gilmer Mirror

Gilmer, Texas. May 30, 2009

by JIM "PAPPY" MOORE

UFOs Over Liberty, Texas

FRIDAY NIGHT, May 29, 2009, at 8:09 p.m., a commercial airline pilot who had just taken off from Houston's Bush International Airport reported to the FAA that a UFO which appeared to be a rocket or missile flew directly at his commercial aircraft, flying 100 feet under it. The airliner was flying at 13,000 feet and over Liberty, Texas at the time.

The Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Liberty County Sheriff's Department met on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 to discuss the incident. The FBI acknowledged they are aware of the sighting.

What makes this sighting so intriguing is that it is very similar to an almost identical sighting made over Liberty, Texas a year ago, also by a commercial airline pilot who had also taken off from Bush International.

No source of the rocket or missile has been found in either the May, 2008 or May 2009 UFO sightings over Liberty, Texas.

Many years ago, there was another, more curious sighting in that area of East Texas. On December 29, 1980, a UFO incident occurred over Dayton, Texas, less than ten miles from Liberty, Texas. The event came to be known as the "Cash-Landrum Incident." There were three people in a car - Betty Cash, Vickie Landrum, and Vickie's grandson, Colby Landrum, then seven years old.

AROUND 9 P.M., the trio saw a large UFO overhead that was flying low and producing tremendous light, so much that they stopped the car due to the heat, which was oppressive. The boy remained in the car, while Landrum and Cash got out and took a closer look. They described the object as large, intensely bright, and having a dull metallic luster. It had small blue lights, and occasionally emitted what appeared to be something similar to a flame. It made movements upward or downward.

The heat they felt was intense. Landrum soon returned to the car, but Cash remained, fascinated by the object. Cash said the car surface became so hot, she had to use her coat to grab the door handle to open the car door when she returned to the car. The dashboard was so hot, when she placed her hand on it, the imprint was left for weeks.

The object then began moving to a greater altitude, and as it became a remote light in the sky, Cash and Landrum reported seeing almost two dozen helicopters in the area overhead. Some of those helicopters appeared to be large, military helicopters. A Dayton police Detective, Lamar Walker, and his wife reported seeing about a dozen helicopters in the same area that night.

BETTY CASH came down with a variety of strange symptoms following the incident which predated but predicted The X-Files. She had blisters, nausea, vomiting, and could barely walk. The UFO organization called MUFON had a radiologist who looked at her medical records from the event and concluded that she suffered ionizing radiation.

For some time thereafter, Betty Cash pursued the incident, but appeared to get the run around from the government. It was a wild goose chase, which ended with the federal government denying that any military helicopters had been

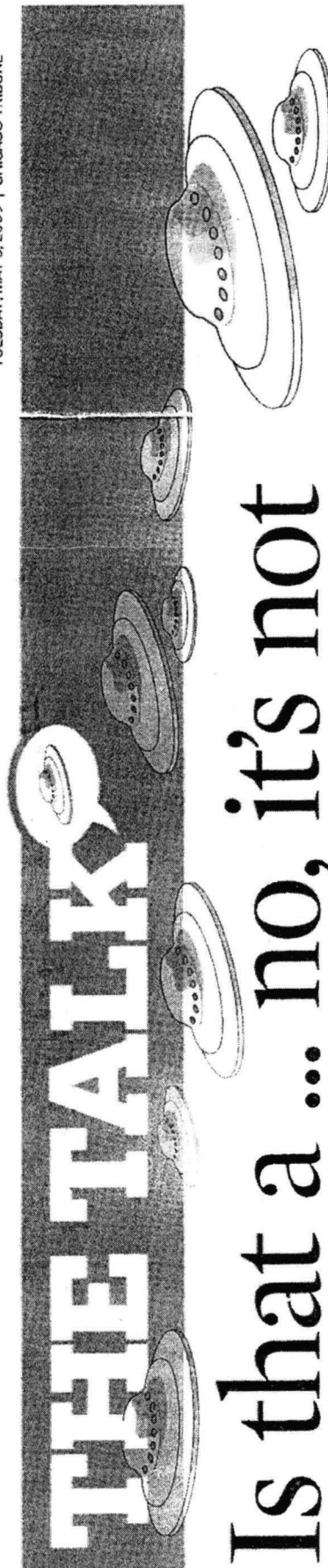
in the area on the night in question.

By definition these things are UFOs - Unidentified Flying Objects. They appear and are reported by sane, often credible witnesses. In spite of that, they are given short shrift, and those who want to discuss these incidents beyond standard government denials are subjected to taunts of "tin foil." But the truth is out there.

Courtesy of CUFOS

Chicago Tribune
Chicago, IL

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2009 | CHICAGO TRIBUNE



Is that a ... no, it's not

International Space Station could be mistaken for a UFO, Joliet planetarium head cautions

As a public service, Art Maurer would like you to know that the bright light you might see skimming across the early-morning sky later this week is not a UFO.

Maurer runs the planetarium at Joliet Junior College, and in that job he hears quite a bit of chatter about extraterrestrials. He's not much of a believer in little green men from Mars, so when he noticed that the Inter-



a flying saucer. It's just our own flying saucer."

The space station added its final two solar panels in March. NASA says the extra energy they generate will allow the station to double its crew to six and to fully power its science experiments.

The panels also added to the brightness of the station as observed from Earth, though NASA spokesman Kyle Herring didn't think the difference was dramatic.

The next prime viewing opportunities in the Chicago area will come early

Thursday and Saturday mornings, when the orbiting lab will be high in the sky and visible for as long as six minutes.

Herring said it will look like "a fast-moving star" but isn't likely to be mistaken for an alien craft.

Maurer, who said he has seen the planet Venus and the star Sirius labeled as UFOs, wasn't so certain. "There are nearly 30 or 40 flying saucers reported every night in this country," he said.

—John Keilman

June 12, 2009

Kansas City UFO Sightings on the Rise

Originally reported by [Less Kuppelman](#) Web Producer Rebecca Sapakie

KANSAS CITY, MO. - Is there life in outer space? Is E.T. making trips to the Kansas City area?

A local group that investigates UFO close encounters said it's getting more reports of UFOs in our area and more interest in the organization.

When you see reports about UFOs on the internet, it's hard to separate fact from fiction. But, that's exactly what a group of UFO investigators in Kansas City is working to do.

On May 31, witnesses saw two unidentified objects near the UMKC campus. A man reported it to MUFON, Mutual UFO Network, and gave investigators a drawing of what he saw.

"He grew up on military bases and couldn't identify it at all," said Margie Kay, Director of KC MUFON.

Kay said sightings like the one at UMKC are on the rise since the start of the year. They used to get one or two sightings a month. Now, it's one or two a day. "It's keeping us all too busy. Yes. At one point a couple of months ago I received 11 reports on the same day," said Kay.

Kay is also noticing a lot more chatter on websites. One message board used to get about 12 posts a month a couple of years ago, in January 2009, it received 129 messages. When someone makes a report, Kay said they interview the person to weed out fake reports. They examine photos or drawings of the close encounter.

"And, then we check radar reports and weather," said Kay.

The government's official stance is that UFOs are natural phenomena like stars and clouds or regular aircraft or even a hoax.

But, Kay said her group will continue to search the skies for answers.

"We want to know what's going on. We want to know the truth behind UFOs," said Kay.

KC's MUFON group is hosting a Mysteries of the Universe conference coming up July 18. It's expected to draw as many as 300 people.

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June 11, 2009

Boardman, Ohio, barbeque interrupted by triangle UFO

A group finishing up a barbeque in Applewood Acres, Boardman, Ohio, watched an object moving slowly above the treeline. The silent object hovered for about two minutes - a triangle-shaped with white/red lights, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

After watching for several minutes, a helicopter moved into the area and close to the strange craft. Then the triangle craft backed away from the helicopter and its "lights got dimmer until we couldn't see it anymore."

Boardman is a sprawling suburb south of Youngstown - home of the first Arby's restaurant in 1964 - with a 2,000 census of 37,215.

Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Ohio MUFON investigates and reports back on this case, I will update this page.

OH, June 6, 2009 - Red and white flickering lights approx 500 yards away just above trees.

On the evening of June 6 at approx 10:30pm EST, a group of 6 friends were wrapping up a barbeque in a backyard in Applewood Acres in Boardman Oh.

The woman across from me was chattering away when she looked over my shoulder and said "OMG! What is that in the trees?" We all ran into the back of the lot and watched this object in the moonlight move slowly above the treeline.

At first, we could only see one light thru the trees but then another appeared as it moved into a clearing between the trees. The object hovered there for about 2 minutes- NO SOUND!!.

We could faintly make out the shape as a triangle, grey color like a shadow, with red/white lights on edges that flickered like a flame or a plasma torch. They weren't solid or predictable like a plane's light, but random.

We watched for about 3 minutes until a helo came close, and it stopped and hovered as if watching too!

Seconds later, the whatever slowly backed up away from the helo and the lights got dimmer until we couldn't see it anymore. The only place that has helo's that is close is the Hospital Life Flight about a mile away.

Just ironic that it would be in the same place at the same time as this "whatever"!! We are all sure of what we saw but can't explain what it would be doing near a strip of land with strings of power lines and residential lots! Mass halucination? Or?

PS---- None of us DRINK!!!

YOUR CLIPPINGS of newspaper items are very welcome. We apologise here for being generally unable to acknowledge these items as the pressure of work on our tiny staff and on our postage resources is too great. However, please do not be deterred by this seeming lack of courtesy. We really do appreciate anything you care to send.



June 3, 2009

Pilot Reports UFO Over Texas

By Mary Grady, Contributing editor

A pilot with Continental Express reported that an object resembling a missile or rocket flew straight at his Embraer 145 regional jet and passed within 100 feet of it, shortly after takeoff from Houston, Texas, around 8 p.m. last Friday. The pilot told controllers that a "strange object" flew past as he was climbing through 11,000 feet, and it wasn't visible on radar. The pilot didn't take evasive action and the flight continued on to its destination. The local sheriff's office told the *Houston Chronicle* that another Continental pilot had reported a similar incident in the area in May 2008. Officials were checking with local hobbyist clubs to see if any rockets had been fired in the area.

The FBI and FAA met to review the report with the pilot on Tuesday but no conclusions about the event were announced. The FAA and FBI will continue to investigate. "While we have no information to indicate there was a criminal act, we certainly do not rule anything out and certainly would not want to speculate on what it may or may not have been," an FBI spokeswoman told the local media. In a separate incident, an electronic research device suspended beneath a parachute landed at Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport last Thursday. "It's a safety concern when something enters our airspace unannounced, in this case a six-pound box suspended from a parachute," said airport spokesman Brian Sexton. "We want to share with the FAA for their consideration our concerns about how this is being managed." The box was carried up to about 85,000 feet by an unmanned weather balloon and then dropped back to earth as part of a project operated by Space Data

The Daily Sentinel
Nacogdoches, TX
April 9, 2009

UFO hoaxers get fines, community service

MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (AP) — Two New Jersey men who staged a UFO hoax will have more earthly pursuits, such as picking up trash from the side of the road. A judge fined Chris Russo, of Morris Plains, and Joe Rudy, of Chester Township, \$250 each and ordered them to perform 50 hours of community service. Authorities say the pair triggered a flurry of 911 calls when they

lit road flares tied to helium balloons and released them in central New Jersey in January and February. The men said they did it to trick people who believe in UFOs. They posted details of their exploits on a Web site on April Fools' Day. The prosecutor charged them with disorderly conduct, saying the balloons could have interfered with air traffic and posed a potential fire hazard.

VAIL DAILY

Wednesday, May 20, 2009
Vail Colorado

UFOs over Colorado

Vail Valley

Recently there have been reports of Unidentified Flying Objects around the area, including five in Eagle County. As an investigator for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) in this area, I wanted to inform the public and make them aware of these reports, in the hope of finding additional witnesses. In brief, there was a report from Basalt on April 26 where an 18-year-old male walking home at 2:30 a.m. had a close encounter with a craft and entities.

On Monday, May 4, at 3:30 p.m. a witness in Frisco heard a jet going over and saw an F-16 flying low over the valley. Looking towards Buffalo Mountain, he spotted a silvery disc hovering there.

On Wednesday, May 6, a witness riding a chairlift at A-Basin at 3:15 p.m. spotted a fast-moving silent craft overhead and was able to get a quick photo of the object, which he estimated was moving at 1,500 mph.

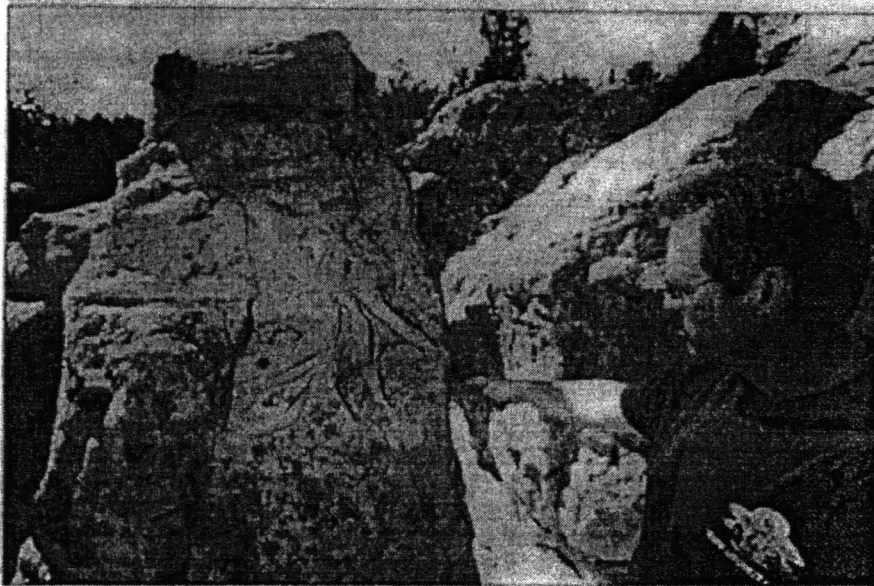
On Thursday, May 7, there were three sightings along the I-70 corridor, with an early morning sighting in Edwards where at 4:30 a.m. a witness observed a disc-shaped UFO with flashing lights that hovered to the northwest. The disc appeared to drop a diamond-shaped object that descended to the ground, and then the disc departed at high speed to the northwest.

That evening about 8 p.m., two witnesses in Avon reported seeing a disc with flashing lights that appeared to be over the main entrance to the Beaver Creek Resort. This disc moved rapidly to the northeast, then went at a slower speed to the east before ascending into a cloud. Later that night a woman in Eagle saw brightly flashing strobe lights in the sky that moved around and did not appear to come from any aircraft.

On Saturday morning, May 9, a witness in Vail saw a white cigar-shaped UFO flying from west to east in the sky north of Vail. The UFO went into a small cloud as it headed east but did not come of the other side. This craft may have been followed by an USAF jet.

Bob Fiske . Vail

CHECKIN' IT OUT: Local ufologist and student of all things paranormal turns his attention to a pair of curious carvings at a Colorado Springs park.



PHOTOS BY KEVIN KRECK, THE GAZETTE

Chuck Zukowski talked about the faces carved in the rocks at Ute Valley Park.

UFO BUFF BUILDING WIDE REPUTATION

BY DAVE PHILIPPS
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UFO field investigator Chuck Zukowski likes to think of himself as a skeptic.

He won't throw his UFO detective gear in his truck (license plate: UFO-NUT) and drive out to the middle of nowhere just because someone says they saw a few glowing orbs over a field.

"Cattle mutilations I'll go out for, but orbs? They have to have some sort of documentation — a photo, a video," he said recently as he pulled his Nissan Xterra up to Ute Valley Park.

There was something at the park that he thought was definitely worth a closer look.

Zukowski is nationally known in sky-watching circles as a meticulous

documenter of the unexplainable. In 20 years as a UFO investigator he has helped organize archeological digs at UFO hot spots near Roswell, N.M. (Conclusion: Sites need more study.) He has inspected a strange stone found in the New Mexico desert, expertly carved with a design that also appeared in a crop circle in England. (Conclusion: Stone needs more study.)

He has appeared as an expert on the Sci Fi Channel and the super-late-night paranormal radio show Coast to Coast a.m.

More important, he says he has seen UFOs himself.

Ask him when the black van is coming for him, and he chuckles

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UFO: Faces to go in unsolved-case file

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and says, "I've seen them around."

Despite his license plate, Zukowski doesn't consider himself a nut.

"My thing is I'm always looking for proof," he said. "If something can be explained by science, great. But if it can't ..."

He trailed off, leaving listeners to infer their own silent replay of the theme from "The Twilight Zone."

Zukowski was at Ute Valley to investigate something strange — maybe related to aliens, maybe not. He found two grotesque faces carved in the park's crumbly sandstone.

"These kids, teenagers, contacted me a while ago when some they saw lights hovering above the park on a number of occasions," he said.

Near the point where the

kids said they saw the lights, Zukowski stumbled on the two faces. One looks a bit like the grinning Janus mask that high school drama clubs always put on their T-shirts. The other's crude features looked a bit more tribal — almost like an Easter Island head.

To the average park hiker, both seemed to be recently carved, probably by a contemporary neighbor, possibly while high.

But you don't get to be a nationally known UFO field investigator by settling for the most likely explanation.

"Sure, these could be recent," said Zukowski, who in his day job designs microchips for devices as varied as cell phones and spy satellites. "But how do we know? How do we know until they are thoroughly investigated?"

Zukowski said he doesn't think the carvings have any-

thing to do with aliens — at least directly.

They are more likely Ute, he said. "Though the style seems more Aztec or Mayan, so who knows?"

It may be an American Indian record of an extraterrestrial encounter. He even says the high neighbor theory is plausible. He has brought rock art experts and a city parks official to the site, but Zukowski wants scientists to take a look and decide for themselves.

For now, he'll keep Ute Valley in his unsolved mysteries file, right next to an incident that happened a few days later.

"I got a report a dark grayish triangular object was spotted last night flying SW to NE," he e-mailed. "I'm going to contact the Sheriff's department this afternoon and see if anyone else called this in."



One of the faces carved in rocks at Ute Valley Park.

June 14, 2009

Multiple Colorado witnesses watch UFO dropping lights to the ground

Witnesses from possibly four locations watched the same orb-like UFO hovering over Colorado skies June 13 as the object dropped smaller lights to the ground, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

At one location, two witnesses first noticed what looked like a vertical line of bright lights. On a closer inspection, it was one large and bright orb "that was dropping something else that was very bright as well."

The larger object then began to rise up from the tree line. While it was described as a bright white light, at some points it appeared to be red.

"As it slowly rose in elevation," the witness stated, "things were either being dropped from the object or falling from it. The substance that was falling from the orb was just as bright as the object itself, but smaller in size. It did not look like there were other orbs falling from it, but almost a liquid-like substance falling at free fall speed towards the ground."

A second witness reported the same object, but they were apparently further away. This witness thought that the object was about 500 feet in the air. Two other witness reports from Colorado reporting a similar object was also entered into the MUFON witness database..

CO, June 13, 2009 - Bright orb hovering and dropping unknown substance/objects. On late friday night into the early hours of saturday my friend and myself were in my back yard observing some party-goers coming from a party on my street. We were facing north, away from the house, standing in the yard watching two people when a vertical line of bright lights caught both of our attention. At this point it was 1:05 am. We both stood up as high as we could to try and decipher what we were looking at. A large tree obstructed our view somewhat at first, until the object rose to a height that was no longer blocked by the tree. At first glance it appeared that it was multiple bright orbs, but we immediately realized that it was one bright orb that was dropping something else that was very bright as well. It became apparent that the object was slowly rising from the treeline. The orb or sphere was a bright white light, and at some moments appeared a red color. As it slowly rose in elevation, things were either being dropped from the object or falling from it. The substance that was falling from the orb was just as bright as the object itself, but smaller in size. It did not look like there were other orbs falling from it, but almost a liquid-like substance falling at free fall speed towards the ground. We never saw anything touch the

ground, the things falling lost their bright light before reaching the ground or trees below it. I questioned running inside to get a camera but decided not to leave. The falling substance/objects appeared bright white and sometimes red as well.

The object was roughly 1 mile to 1.5 miles away from us, and was N,NE from our position. When we first saw it, it was approximately 10-15 degrees off the horizon, but eventually rose to about 30 or 35 degrees. It appeared to be anywhere from 300 to 500 feet in the air

I live SW of CSU campus, and we were looking in the sky just north of the west side of campus.

The object slowly rose for about 2 or 3 minutes, then at 1:08 it stopped rising and hovered in one spot. At this point the object had not moved in a horizontal motion at all, only moving up. The object hovered and the unknown substance was still falling from it. It hovered in one spot for about two minutes. Throughout the encounter the substance seemed to be falling at a constant rate, if i had to guess i would say every 1 to 2 seconds another glowing substance would fall from the orb. The substance continued to fall until about 1:10 AM, when the object's bright light faded. It now appeared to be a much smaller red light, about the size of a very bright star in the distance. It was hard to see now, and it began moving west from its original position. It also appeared to climb in elevation a great amount within seconds, because soon our view was obstructed by clouds. As it faded away, it was extremely hard to keep your eye on it, it looked like a very distant star, and it was a very small red light. The light appeared and then became obstructed by the clouds, only to reappear again but a little further westward. We tried to keep our eyes on it but by 1:15 AM we could no longer see anything.

We waited outside and continued to scan the skies for planes or helicopters but did not see or hear anything further. We drove around town in the area under where we thought the object might have been, trying to see if we could see or hear anything unusual but found nothing.

It was a very busy friday night and i am sure that we were not the only ones who could have seen this.

CO, June 13, 2009 - Colorado Post We saw the same thing that the other post described but the distance of the objects seemed to be no less than five to fifteen miles away. The height of the objects seemed to be over 500 feet in the air. It was at the same time on Saturday morning but our location was near Mulberry and Shields.

CO, June 13, 2009 - bright light in the sky

i saw lights falling from a light that hovered in the sky crazy.

CO, June 13, 2009 - Red light blinking with 'shooting star' which fell from bottom of object. Red light blinking with 'shooting star' which fell from bottom of object.

Skeptical Valley newsman wrote about sightings

LANCASTER — Longtime Antelope Valley newsman Len Murnane started out his July 10, 1977 column: "I don't personally buy the 'flying saucer' explanation that has them coming from outer space to visit earth."

Then he proceeded to write about three inexplicable nighttime sightings in late June and early July over the Antelope Valley, one of them that he witnessed with his wife.

About 9:20 p.m. Wednesday, June 29, 1977, Murnane wrote, he and his wife, Lou, watched an aircraft make a wide circle northeast of Lancaster, then appear to fly on a straight line toward the southwest.

"Puzzling factors included an apparent very powerful light that first attracted our attention and appeared as a large glowing white ball that circled once as we watched. Then the big light dimmed, and two smaller white lights appeared and probably marked the wing extremities as the craft headed southwest," Murnane wrote.

"I stepped out into the night to listen for the engines, trying to determine what type of craft we were watching — and was amazed to hear no sound whatever as the apparently huge object (judging by the space between lights) moved past and disappeared. Unlike usual navigation lights, these were white and did not flicker."

Edwards aircraft worker Jack Fisher, who lives on a ranch north of Rosamond, saw the same object at the same time and was at a loss to explain it, Murnane wrote.

Then he wrote about an account of an experience 12 days earlier from Mary Denny, who lived between Rosamond and Mojave.

About 9:10 p.m. June 17, 1977, she, her husband, Calvin, their two children and a guest were driving near Backus Road and Sierra Highway when they spotted a brilliant white ball in the northeastern sky.

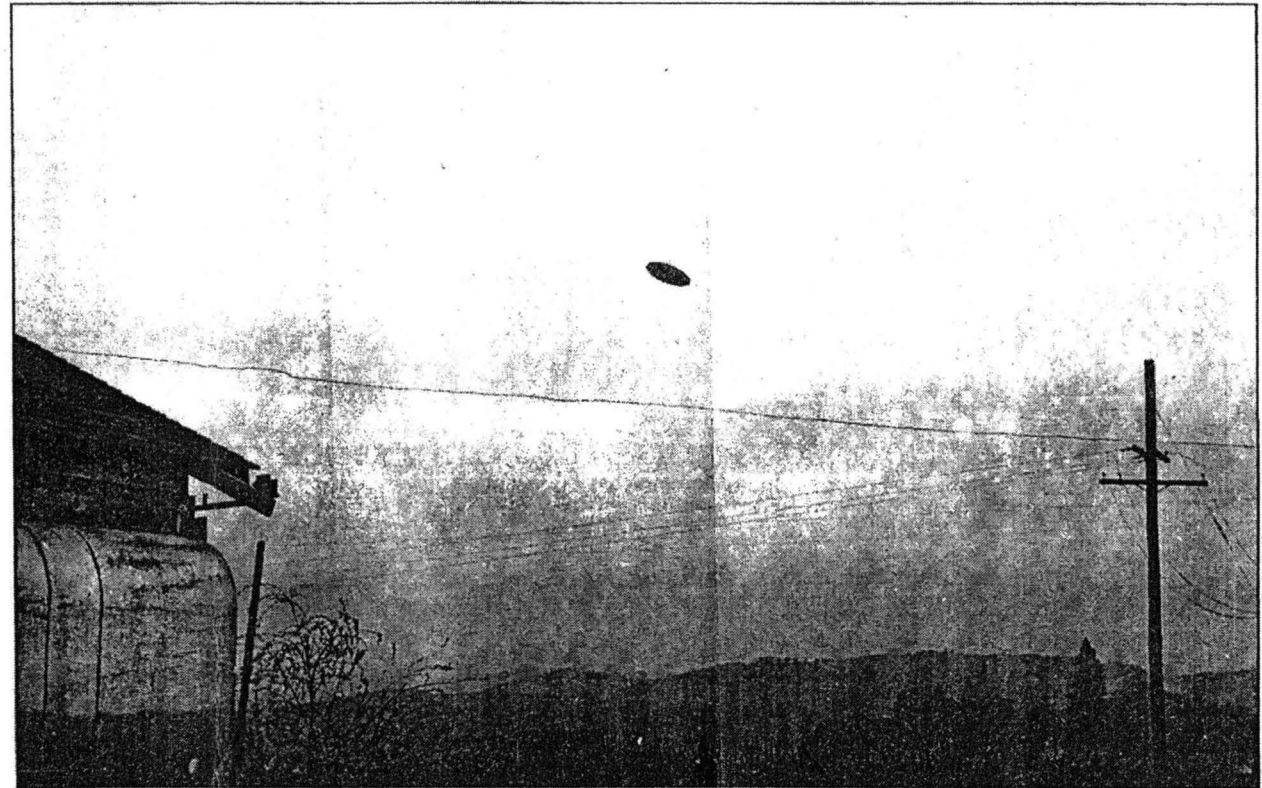
"It remained stationary for a time, then rose straight up, headed southwest and passed directly over their car as they all got out to watch," Murnane wrote. "At that time the object appeared as two white lights, one atop the other, and the lights appeared to alternate between bright and dim, as if rotating. They heard the sound of a motor as it passed."

Calvin Denny reported having seen the same object previously as he drove to work in Mojave. At that time he heard no sound of a motor, Murnane wrote.

The third account came from Rockwell space shuttle worker Clay Baggett, who with his wife, also a shuttle worker, had been riding to work at Edwards on their motorcycle just after 3 a.m. Friday, July 1, or two days after Murnane's sighting.

About a quarter mile from the base's Rosamond Boulevard gate house, they were stopped by an Air Force police officer.

"The man said he wanted us to witness a sight in the sky," Baggett told Murnane. "I'm color blind but there appeared to be a big bright light in the northwestern sky, and as I watched the object suddenly took



ALIEN CRAFT?

This photo of a disc-like object in Oregon in 1950 is one of the disputed images of unidentified flying objects.

Valley Press files

off at very high speed toward the west.

"It was a brilliant light which gave off only a 'whooshing' noise as it passed. As I recall, we were looking west by northwest when the light stopped and remained still. It was there when we left."

As the Baggetts rode through the gate, the guard told them to turn off the

motorcycle's headlight. Baggett said he could see two men taking photos from atop a tall truck.

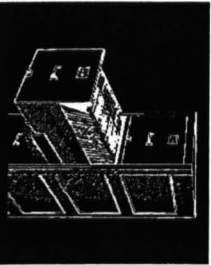
"We were told they were taking infrared pictures of the object. Also, that two chase planes had been sent aloft, but were unable to get near the light," Baggett said.

Murnane wrote: "Public Relations of-

ficials at Edwards Air Force Base reported no orders were issued to account for the ... incident. But they did not flatly deny it happened."

Murnane wrote: "There has to be a logical, simple explanation. Or does there?"

Compiled by Managing Editor Charles F. Bostwick.



SEEN IN MANY PARTS OF NATION

'Phantom Objects' Over U. S. Investigated by Air Force

By Associated Press

WHITE SANDS PROVING GROUND, N. M., Nov. 4.—The Army today reported that a huge, oval object "nearly as bright as the sun" was spotted yesterday hovering near bunkers used in the first atomic bomb explosion.

The sightings were made 17 hours apart by two different military police patrols on this Southern New Mexico missile testing range. The first atomic bomb was touched off on the northern edge of the area July 16, 1945.

The commanding officer of the MP's said none of the men had heard radio reports or seen newspaper accounts of similar sightings in Texas.

Officials at White Sands Proving Ground said the phenomena had nothing to do with any activity at the base.

The report of sightings here was but one of a number from throughout the country received today. They came from a variety of witnesses, many of them officials, and so impressed the Air Force that an investigation was ordered.

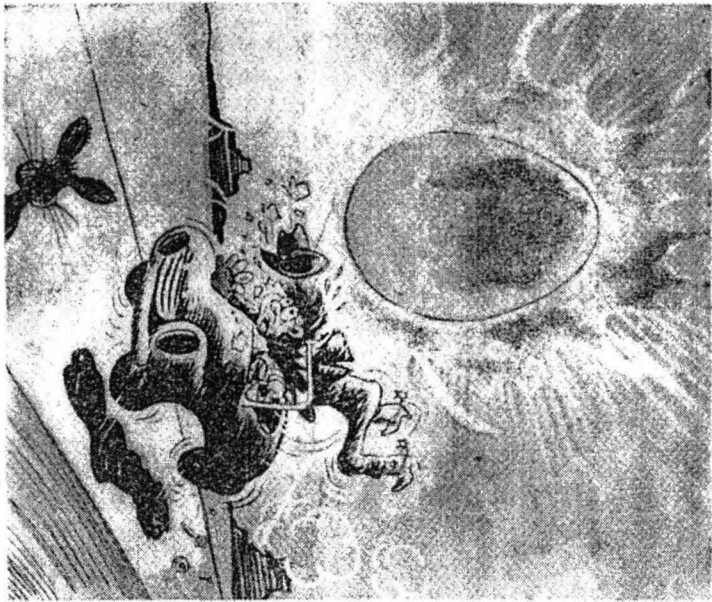
So far, both civilian and Air Force scientists have refrained from speculating on the "phantoms." Nor would they guess whether there was any connection between the phenomena and the recent big-scale power failures such as hit the Grand Central area of New York City and Minneapolis and a large area of Minnesota last week.

LINK TO SUTINK?

Dr. Fred L. Whipple, director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Laboratory, asked if he thought there could be any relation between the first Russian earth satellite and the power failure, said "It seems to be a physical impossibility to tie Sputnik I or II in with routine power failures."

The "phantom," a strangely lighted object or objects, gained nationwide attention yesterday

GLOBE-DEMOCRAT ARTIST VIC VAC hasn't seen the phantom, but this is the way he thinks he'd react if he did see it while cruising through Texas.



when reported by law officers and other witnesses in western Texas.

But there had been earlier reports of "strange" lights in the sky. Last Wednesday night, residents of Oliveville, a suburb of St. Louis, told of seeing a bright red light in the southwest skies that remained stationary for nearly 30 minutes.

AUTOS STOP

Before the White Sands report tonight, three policemen and a fireman at Chicago told of seeing a strange round object glowing in the early morning sky. They said the lights on their car dimmed as they prowled car spot-

light focused on "The Thing." The Texas witnesses yesterday told how their autos stopped and lights went out on the approach of the "phantom."

At Martinsville, Va., Mrs. Ruby Hattison said she and her family saw a strange red glare while driving along the Carolina border last night.

Mrs. Robert Moudy of Covington, Ind., reported that her husband had seen "something" in the sky on Oct. 15, but they did not mention it then because they feared ridicule.

Her husband said the engine of his combine went dead when the

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FLYING OBJECT PUZZLES SCOTCH RADAR OBSERVERS

LONDON, April 6 (AP)—Radar stations throughout Britain were alerted today to look for a mysterious flying object tracked by Air Ministry observers over southwest Scotland.

Three radar operators reported independently that the object flashed across their screens Thursday traveling at 60,000 feet.

The operators said the object suddenly dived to a height of 14,000 feet, made two whirls, then vanished to the south.

"We are investigating the matter," an Air Ministry spokesman said. "We do not know what the object was. Intelligence experts are studying the reports and a detailed statement may be made next week."

The object was sighted by two radar posts in Scotland's hilly Wigtownshire. A Royal Air Force station near Luce bay on the southwestern tip of Scotland also caught it on radar. It last was reported seen heading toward the Isle of Man.

Royal Air Force officials said no planes were in the area at the time.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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'Phantom Objects' Seen Over U. S.

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brilliant object went over their farm.

At White Sands both sightings were in an area of abandoned bunkers used by technicians who observed the world's first atomic explosion.

The bunkers are of reinforced

concrete and dirt and contain no equipment or personnel. The explosion site, levelled and filled in, is several miles away.

First Lt. Miles F. Penney of Port Jarvis, N. Y., commanding officer of the Stallion Site camp about 90 miles north of headquarters said one sighting was made by a two-man patrol at around 8 p. m. yesterday.

Sp. 3. Forest R. Oakes and a Sp. 3 Barlow reported that about that time their patrol saw a

bright light, Oakes thought hanging about 50 feet above the old A-bomb bunker. Oakes said the "large bright light" took off at a 45 degree angle and went up into the sky and started blinking on and off. Then it disappeared.

'200 FEET LONG'

This patrol estimated the object's size as "200 or 300 feet

long."

"It was very bright," Oakes said. He said his patrol was about two or three miles west of the light.

The earlier sighting came at 3 a. m. yesterday. Another two-man jeep patrol consisting of Cpl. Glenn H. Toy and a Pfc. Wilbanks made the report.

Lt. Penney quoted them as

saying they noticed a "very bright object" high in the sky. The object descended until it was about 50 yards above the A-bomb bunkers when it went out.

A few minutes later, Toy said, "the object became real

bright, like the sun, then fell in an angle to the ground and went out."

He described the object as about 75 to 100 yards in diameter and shaped like an egg.

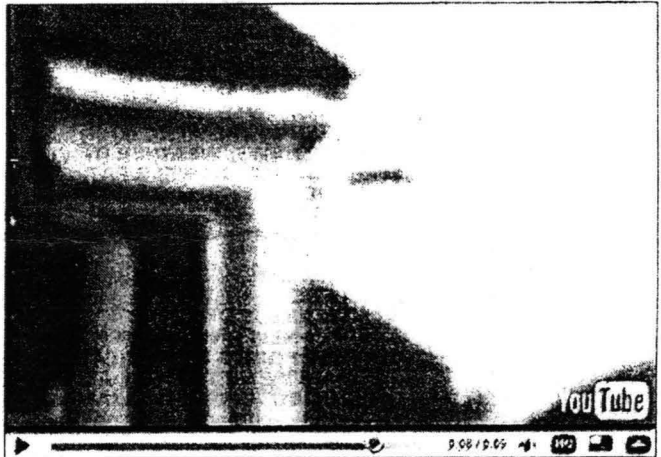


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UFO over Knowle - or just airborne litter?



Flight fantastic: Andy Hadlington's video, which appears to show a UFO making its way across the skies over Knowle

Does Andy's video show space visitor?

IT has been dismissed by cynics as a piece of cardboard blowing in the wind - but others are claiming it to be proof of life from another world.

A video submitted to internet site YouTube showing a UFO flying over Knowle at about 5.30pm on Sunday has left residents divided.

The video was taken by 36-year-old Andy Hadlington who added the comment: "This UFO (or whatever it is) buzzed us twice - managed to get it on my cheap video camera the second time around. Freakiest thing I have ever seen in my life."

Yesterday, Andy, a computer game writer, who lives on Wells Road, said: "All sorts of things went through my mind when I saw it. I was sat in my office and saw it out of the corner of my eye."

"Then I grabbed my camera and it seemed to come around again. At first I thought it was a piece of metal. We're not far from the airport so I thought it could

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even have been a low-flying plane, so I was quite alarmed.

"It was quite exciting - it sort of hovered past the houses, there was no sound. I ran downstairs and out of the garden to see where it went but I couldn't see anything. My fiancée was out at the time but I'm sure other people must have seen it, it was so clear."

Mr Hadlington said he had always been interested in UFOs but had never seen anything like the object he saw on Sunday and is very intrigued as to its origin.

Denis Plunkett, of the world's longest established UFO group, the British Flying Saucer Bureau, based in Winterbourne, was unable to comment on the video but said there were ways to distinguish whether it was a valid UFO.

The 78-year-old, who is the only remaining founder member of the bureau, said:

"There are ways to sort out good from bad. Firstly they are silent, there will be no noise."

"They can also become invisible. They can go in and out of MoD radar. They can change speed, direction and height in seconds. The best thing is if there are multiple witnesses to the sighting. In this day and age, camcorders can be abused and people can make hoax videos for all sorts of reasons. If more people saw this I'd be very interested."

The sighting is not the first made in Bristol. Last November a UFO was filmed in the sky over Dundry, south Bristol.

Pete Kelly, of Horfield, Bristol, saw three bright red lights over the city from Northville Road, near BAC, Filton.

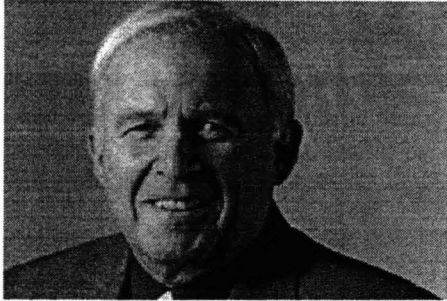
They flew over at about helicopter height and speed at one-minute intervals without any sound. But they weren't helicopters.

Mr Kelly said: "These were very bright red, incandescent lights. They almost floated across. It was surreal really."

Former minister a true believer in UFOs

By Dave Brown, The Ottawa Citizen

June 1, 2009



Photograph by: The Ottawa Citizen

Fantastic things beyond the ordinary ken, from sailing ships to space ships.

Paul Hellyer, a former Canadian defence minister, is an outspoken believer that aliens have in the past, and still are, visiting Earth. He believes the future of our planet could depend on them.

When we sat down together at the Delta Hotel Wednesday, it wasn't a usual interview. No questions. It opened with a statement from the newspaper guy. "I'm a skeptic. Convince me."

An hour later, I had drawn several conclusions. The first being that Hellyer is well north of the sanity line. At 85 he still talks like a politician, easily coming up with names, dates and places. He backs up what he says by throwing in verbal margin notes. He talks about unidentified flying objects (UFOs) without a trace of doubt. They exist. That's all there is to it.

When we parted an hour later, I was still a skeptic, but a more cautious one. It was a discussion of galactic distances that triggered the caution. When our nearest inhabitable planet-neighbour is light years away, it would seem impossible to cross that gap. Hellyer said he didn't have all the answers, but suggested if a body found a way to harness the power of gravity, that may break the speed of light.

Getting the head around that involved going back, and looking at a similar situation faced by another North American skeptical elder, probably in 1497. He must have existed, and he must have wondered if there was another world on the other side, if there was one, of the Atlantic Ocean.

His likely conclusion: It was a moot point. Even if there was another world, people from there could not cross that water. Aside from distance, there were violent storms. No paddlers were strong enough to go the distance, or survive the storms.

That native American had heard rumours of alien visits from people with white skins and flame-coloured hair, going back hundreds of years.

(Lief Ericson in Newfoundland in 1003.) But he had only a verbal history to rely on, and being a wise old man he knew time distorted details and fuelled imaginations. But now there were rumours of huge craft appearing on the horizon, but he hadn't seen one. Nobody he knew had seen one close enough to describe it in detail.

Being asked to commit to an opinion, he probably decided to stay skeptical. Nothing could cross that ocean. It never occurred to him that people could build a canoe big enough to ride out ocean storms, and find a power source by harnessing the wind. Why would it? He lived in a world that had not yet seen a wheel or a horse.

So the wise old man relied on his instincts and the knowledge of his lifetime, and said "nuts," or the equivalent.

A few weeks later he was invited to the seaside to meet a man named Giovanni Caboto (John Cabot, 1450-1498). It would have taken some time to get his head around the size and power of the strange craft. The men on it looked like none he had seen before. Swords. Boots. Hats. Gunpowder.

The new arrivals could have anything they wanted, because they had the power of technology. To the south, the alien invaders would take advantage of the power gap and steal land and gold. To the north, in what would become Canada, they engaged in a layaway plan. Take it now and pay later. We're still paying.

The wise old man, by betting against the impossible, lost the trust of his people.

Five hundred years later, another old man sat at a computer keyboard and tried to make sense of an hour with Paul Hellyer. He had too many answers. His beliefs are almost biblical. Everything he says is backed up by something written, or by witnesses. "People who have seen UFOs now number in the thousands, tens of thousands. They can no longer be denied."

Hellyer is also a conspiracy theorist. He believes a global "cabal" has cornered the market on alien visits. Downed spacecraft have been found and dissected and parts given out to be reverse engineered. These have led to the development of fibre optics and the unleashing of the power of the electron.

He says none of his beliefs come from information available to him during his terms as a cabinet minister. "I wasn't in the loop." He also says he has seen a UFO and, like those Indians of 500 years ago who saw something on the horizon, he knows it's a hard sell. But he's trying.

A spaceship powered by gravity was part of the Dick Tracy comic strip (1931-1977) and so was a villain named Big Boy Caprice, who had the line needed for visitors from space. "Whoever you are, I know we can make a deal."

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UFOs spotted in Cambridgeshire

A number of people claim to have seen UFOs in Cambridgeshire after dazzling orange lights flashed across the night sky.

Witnesses claimed to have seen up to 50 of the mystery bright beams at around 11.30pm in Huntingdon.

Scott Boswell, 37, a former pilot and soldier from nearby Hinchbrook, captured some of the lights on his camera.

Mr Boswell, a banker in the City of London, said: "I noticed three lights floating past our house, probably a couple of kilometres away, and thought nothing of it.

"But then I noticed a big long string of lights coming from the direction of Brampton and heading over the Stukeley Meadows direction. This was about 11.30pm and I got a couple of blurred shots. I'm pretty sure these weren't aircraft.

"There was no noise, no navigation lights and their heading and height was relatively constant until they disappeared out of sight."

The former soldier said he did not think they were flares or weather balloons, the standard explanation for unusual objects in the sky.

Auberon and Suzi Hedgecoe, who run the Braywood Guest House in Huntingdon, saw around 50 orange lights in the sky.

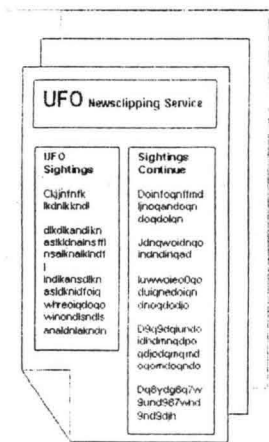
Mr Hedgecoe said: "It was like an armada. There was no sound. They were travelling 15 at a time and every six minutes more seemed to be coming over the horizon.

"They were not planes. These were not balloons. Each one was the size of a building. If they had been balloons, then they would have had to have been huge and they looked weighty."

He said the lights were no higher than 3,000ft.

Mr Hedgecoe said it was so extraordinary that the couple woke up their 10-year-old son Barney and his friend Zac, who was staying over, to see the spectacle.

Another witness said she had counted 35 lights in the sky



EveningStar

UFO mystery hots up over Suffolk skies

SIMON TOMLINSON

Jun 8, 2009

CYBERSPACE has been buzzing with stories of mysterious sightings above the skies of Suffolk as the latest UFO mystery hots up.

One person from Ipswich reported seeing a silent "orange fireball", while another claimed to have spotted bright lights randomly switching on and off as they travelled over Bury St Edmunds.

A flurry of reports have been posted on The Evening Star website after a former soldier said he saw 100 glowing orbs less than two miles above his house near Huntingdon in Cambridgeshire last month.

Responding the serviceman's experience, poster Martin Laurance said he saw something similar.

"I witnessed four very bright separately moving lights travelling in a north-easterly direction on May 16 over Bury St Edmunds," he wrote.

"They did not produce any sound, did not flicker or glow in any way and I was able to see them fly over the full arc of the sky and over the horizon in the north east.

"I have seen Chinese lanterns and these were definitely not those. On April 18, I saw more similar lights, six of them, travelling eastwards from over Bury St Edmunds. On this occasion, these lights were switching off and on randomly. They were very dramatic and an eerie sight in the sky."

Others also wrote in after reading about a 56-year-old man who was left shocked and confused after claiming to have seen 11 bright orange globes flying over his home in Thorpe Marriot, also near Huntingdon, last month.

Kieren Lewis, from Ipswich, wrote on Thursday: "My parents and I tonight spotted what appeared to be an orange fireball which then turned into a very bright light.

"No noise at all could be heard. It looked as if it was getting further away and appeared to go up into the sky and disappeared."

Alex Prowse added: "On Saturday, May 30, I was driving at about 3.30pm from Ipswich town centre towards Warren Heath. Coming from the left side and ahead of me were two large, white shapes.

"They were too small for hot air balloons and too large for the lanterns which I have used myself in the past. I'm not suggesting they were UFOs. I'm just puzzled by the size of these things."

Have you seen anything mysterious in the skies? Write to Your Letters, The Evening Star, 30 Lower Brook Street, Ipswich, IP4 1AN or send us an e-mail to eveningstarletters@eveningstar.co.uk

Mystery object may have been one we saw earlier

EDITOR - Ref letter in Mablethorpe and Sutton Leader 'Did fighter plane see off aliens?' (Leader April 29).

Such lights observed by your reader at Theddlethorpe could well belong to the mysterious UFO known as the Black Triangle.

These flying machines have been observed in coastal areas for at least 20 years. Many of these sightings are possibly one or more of the US Military black projects.

It's known they have been using Lincolnshire as a flight path for several years and during that time hundreds of people have seen them.

As to the appearance of the fighter plane, in several cases of witnesses seeing supposed UFOs, planes or helicopters put in an appearance during or shortly after the sighting.

My own family witnessed such an aircraft in 1993 flying slowly over the giant mast at Truethorpe.

The triangle was enormous and

moved silently over the top of the mast in the direction of Sutton on Sea.

Shortly afterwards two helicopters came from the direction of Sutton and circled the mast for several minutes with their searchlights scanning the ground around the mast.

These helicopters certainly saw the triangle as it was on the same flight path.

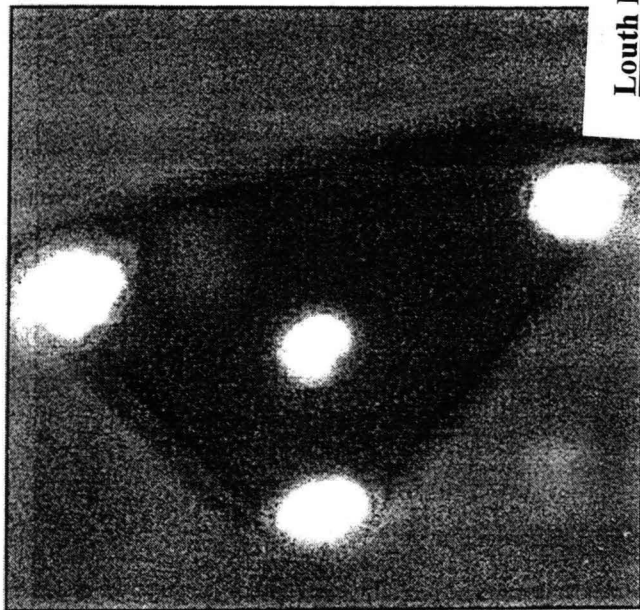
It's my belief they were not looking for the triangle but making sure there were no witnesses to the event.

Perhaps because we had been there for several minutes our presence may have been detected in some way or other?

I enclose this photograph of a Black Triangle taken in June 1990 in Belgium by J S Henrardi

He has released this picture into the public domain.

PETER GREGORY
Mablethorpe



A black triangle UFO photographed in Belgium in 1990

Louth Leader
England
May 13, 2009

Triangle tales

In this column, one of a series, UFO-watcher Oliver Hallen, of Scholar Green, questions the validity of triangular-shaped sightings.

One thing you really notice when examining the large amount of sighting reports is the wide variety of different forms and sizes these supposed vessels come in. Ranging from discs and cigars to the large and small, the diversity in these spans the globe and is a fascinating aspect of the subject.

Logically though, a question that I've gone over many times is if paranormal explanations account for at least some small collection of these cases, why are there many different categories of craft? Again, no concrete answer has been found yet that doesn't stop people playing the guessing game.

While thinking about their physical appearances, I decided to cover one of the more famous types that has been spotted over the years, the triangle. There have been literally thousands of reports made regarding this shape with a good example of the sheer quantity being in the National UFO Reporting Centre database where, at last checking, there was 5,409 counted. What must be understood though, is that statistics like this ultimately prove nothing in regards to an explanation.

What follows is a case drawn from the triangle segment of the "Index by shape of UFO" section of the reporting centre's website. This incident purportedly occurred on 13th July, 1993, at around 9pm in Topeka, Kansas, and lasted five minutes.

Congleton Chronicle
England
May 14, 2009

"Myself and two other people were driving along one of the main streets in our town at night, approximately 9pm. We looked up in the sky and noticed something zooming around very quickly. It had three lights on it and the shape appeared to be triangular. The lights blinked alternately. It was zipping around almost twice as fast as I'd ever seen any other aircraft move, and soon it darted behind some trees. That was the last I saw of it."

(<http://www.nuforc.org/webreports/013/S13334.html>)

When looking at descriptions taken from separate sightings, they can have very similar details. For instance, like lights coloured white and red, the body black or dark in colour, large in size which can sometimes be compared to that of a football pitch, silent or quiet in its running and speedy in its movement.

A rather litigious premise which has persisted for many years is that witness accounts of these objects, or at least some accounts, are actually caused by top secret man-made hypersonic reconnaissance craft known as Aurora, which is alleged to be the work of major defence contractor Lockheed (Lockheed Martin since the merger with Martin Marietta Corporation, approved back in 1995) with it also supposedly being linked to the infamous Area 51 in Nevada.

An issue to highlight though is if this theory is in fact correct, everyone must agree that the task of keeping it secret is performed in a considerably poor fashion.

Even though there's no indisputable data at this time to prove it even exists, let alone anything else, such tales have become a major element in the annals of the field. Although not convinced by the rumour and information that circulate, I personally find it a lot more of a possibility than esoteric arguments put forth.

Shropshire Star
England
April 20, 2009

Residents sight more strange lights

looking into sightings of the triangle in the county on March 30, 1993. Mr Perks said that at about 11pm on the night he had been returning to the Harry Holtspur pub, which his parents owned at the time. He said "As I got outside the pub on Harlescott Lane I saw this big black structure which blocked out the stars on a clear night. It was a triangle moving really slowly from the south."

She said: "I shouted for my son and we both looked up in amazement as it slowly got bigger. "It seemed to stop then, glow red and after a few seconds it turned green then orange as it just shot into the sky and disappeared."

The reports come as Shrewsbury man Darren Perks appeared on a major current affairs programme in Australia over a sighting of a mysterious black triangle which he saw in the county skies 16 years ago.

Mr Perks, from Belle Vue, relived the sighting, which he witnessed as a teenager in Shrewsbury, for the Sunday Night show which aired on Australia's Channel 7 yesterday. Mr Perks, 31, was asked to be on the programme by Nick Pope, a UFO desk officer for the Ministry of Defence from 1991 to 1994. He has been



Triangle - Darren Perks



Ipswich, Queensland, Australia

Ufo encounters keep believers investigating

June 11, 2009

Jospehine Gillespie

WHILE it might have been more than 17 years ago, Rita Haden's close encounter with an unidentified flying object is still burnt clearly into her mind.

Ms Haden has been a member of the Ipswich UFO Group since 1992 after a mysterious sighting on her way home from work.

The Leichhardt resident said she had just come past the One Mile Hotel about 1.50am when she saw a bright light hovering above her.

The strange craft proceeded to follow her along the Old Toowoomba Road "dazzling her" with its light all the way home.

"I bounced out of the car and ran to the door. There was like a humming orange light facing the door," Ms Haden said.

"The little dog next door just wailed and howled. The light was so bright.

"From five past two to 3am, it was hovered outside."

Ms Haden said the unidentified object was a "big craft", about 30-foot-long with no wings or a tail.

"I was in the Air Force, so I know planes pretty well," she said.

"I couldn't see any windows. Unlike normal planes it didn't have a dull surface - it was very shiny.

"It made no noise whatsoever. All I saw was a big shape coming down."

She said the strange craft had left little trace of its visit, but had opened her eyes to the phenomena.

Fellow believer David Keyworth has been a member of the Ipswich group for three years and said he was a keenly interested in exploring the concept of life in space.

"I come from a science background and have always had an interest in UFOs and extraterrestrials," Mr Keyworth said.

The Woodend resident said unfortunately he had not had a close encounter of his own, but remained hopeful.

"I believe in UFOs, but not what everybody sees is a UFO," Mr Keyworth said.

"Ninety per cent of sightings can probably be attributed to planes and stars."

He said unfortunately activity had been quiet around Ipswich lately.

"I might get a phone call a month from someone who thinks they have seen something," Mr Keyworth said.



England

June 2, 2009

Twenty UFOs Spotted Flying in Formation Over England

Stunned families watched as more than 20 UFOs buzzed over awestruck Britain Sunday.

The lights in the sky lined up in a flying formation before disappearing upwards into space.

One close-encounter snap was taken by quick-thinking engineer Paul Slight, on his mobile phone at about 10:30 p.m. local time.

He was coming home from a day out cycling with friends in Lincoln, eastern England, when they spotted the lights in the sky.

The eerie extra-terrestrial crafts were hovering in the night sky over the town, moving in different directions before eventually shooting straight up into the atmosphere.

In a series of stunning images taken over five minutes, Paul, from Lincoln, captured the objects together and even flying in an apparent formation.

Paul, 54, said: "There were 26 of them at first, dodging and darting in between each other like they were playing a game.

"After that, seven more arrived from the right hand side and weaved through the crowd of lights like strange kinds of aircraft. After five minutes of moving around, the flickering yellow objects hung in the air for a second then shot off into the sky and disappeared."

'UFO looked like a big, rubbish bag man

Cyprus Mail, Cyprus

June 16, 2009

A UFO was spotted over Tymbou (Ercan) airport on Tuesday night, Turkish Cypriot press reported yesterday.

According to front page story in Kibris the UFO was seen by a pilot on an Atlas Airlines aircraft on its way from Istanbul at around 8.20pm.

The pilot told Kibris he saw a bright object in the sky "which resembled a big man or a big rubbish bag". The UFO followed the aircraft until it landed and then disappeared, the reports claimed.

Louth Leader

England
June 18, 2009

Mysterious Lincolnshire Triangle reveals UFO hotspot

COULD this mysterious Lincolnshire triangle mark out a hotbed of UFO activity in the region?

The triangle shape is visible on the Google map on our website pinpointing several of the sightings in the area reported to us.

A reader, who wished to remain anonymous, spotted the unusual shape and asked whether there was a strange pattern emerging.

Even the country's leading expert on UFOs dubbed the UK's answer to Fox Mulder has referred to the Louth area as a possible hotspot for UFO sightings. Nick Pope, who worked on the Ministry of Defence's UFO desk in the 1990s told the Leader: "Areas of the country can suddenly become hotspots although there is no logical reason for this.

"Looking at the geography of the Louth area, taking in the coast, it is always possible some people could be seeing secret Russian reconnaissance aircraft, or unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). The Russians could have a new secret craft which they are using to probe at our defences so I think we should be looking into this, and the MOD should be involved."

At the bottom of the triangle is perhaps the most notorious of all the sightings – Brinkhill. It is here that 68 year-old Eric Goring claims to have repeatedly witnessed 'alien spaceships' in the skies over the village.

The triangle then stretches out across the sea off the Mablethorpe area where there have been sightings of strange craft just off shore. Furthest north is the most recent sighting in May - a strange object in the sky witnessed by two children in their back garden who watched it dematerialise before their very eyes.

Numerous encounters have included the now nationally renowned sighting over Conisholme wind farm the night before damage was caused to one of the turbine's blades, a donut shaped UFO, orange lights, a rainbow UFO, black triangles and a 'tentacled' UFO.

These sightings have been reported to us by a variety of individuals including respected local councillors, children, a psychic and an independent UFO investigator.

Since we started receiving reports of strange lights sighted in the skies last summer, we have been in contact with Nick Pope, leading UFO author Timothy Good, and Robert Rosamond, chairman of the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA).

...But what if they are just Chinese lanterns and terrestrial aircraft?
A sceptics view might say the orange lights seen over Louth were merely flying lanterns released at nearby parties,

At the time The Priory Hotel in Louth did admit lanterns had been released at weddings held there.

Robert Rosamond of BUFORA has told the Leader the

majority of reports they receive regarding orange lights can be explained as flying lanterns, but he emphasized a good portion of these could not be explained.

But what about the black triangles, are they merely secret military craft on a test flight?
After all, the term UFO stands for Unidentified Flying Object – and without identification, they remain a mystery for those who encounter them.

Could these witnesses be 'delusional' or 'alcoholic' as recently suggested by Sunday Times writer Rod Liddle?

The truth, as they say, is out there...

FOX TV NEWS, USA

EX-UFO RESEARCHER DETAILS BRITISH
GOVERNMENT X-FILES
Tuesday, June 02, 2009

Britain's top UFO expert says there's no smoking gun that proves UFOs exist, but he's seen enough evidence to convert him from skeptic to believer.

Among the evidence, says Nick Pope, who ran the Ministry of Defense's unexplained-encounter section from 1991 to 1994, are:

- a cigar-shaped object that passed so close to an airliner that the jet's pilot was heard shouting "Look out, look out!";
- a USAF pilot who caught up to and almost fired upon a UFO over England;
- a photo of a UFO that British officials worried might actually be part of a secret military project.

There's no government cover-up, Pope makes clear in his posting Sunday on the science blog The X-Journals. But to him, there's enough evidence in the files to convince anyone that more investigation is needed — and that even better material may soon be released.

"The French government's 2007 decision to release its UFO files was a major factor in the U.K. decision," he writes, "as was the fact that the MoD receives more FOI [Freedom of Information] requests on UFOs than any other topic."

In fact, Pope says, the demand for newly declassified UFO files is so overwhelming, the few staffers the Ministry of Defense has on the subject no longer have the time or manpower to follow up on significant encounters.

"Investigations are suffering because of the workload being put on staff due to FOI," he writes, "but FOI is taking priority because if it fails to comply, MoD would be breaching the law."

Hence the decision to start releasing Britain's X-Files en masse in May 2008, followed by a second batch in October. "MoD has received over 11,000 UFO reports to date and case files on major incidents can run to over 100 pages of documentation," says Pope. "The entire process is likely to take 3-4 years."

Pope acknowledges that most UFO sightings have "mundane explanations" — chiefly misidentification of common natural phenomena and man-made objects.

"But some were more difficult to explain," he says, "including cases where the witnesses were pilots and police officers, together with instances where UFOs had been tracked on radar."

In the airliner near-miss case, an Alitalia MD-80 flying over the English coastline was almost hit by something on April 21, 1991. The case was passed to the Ministry of Defense after Britain's Civil Aviation Authority after no one could identify the other aircraft.

"We launched a full investigation and eliminated all the usual possibilities, including weather balloons, military aircraft, etc. We even checked to see whether we had accidentally fired off a missile of some sort," writes Pope. "We drew a complete blank and the incident remains unexplained to this day."

Matt Sims

Why are there so many close encounters on our doorstep?

IN the 15 months I have worked in Wrexham I have had to report on a remarkable number of encounters of a supernatural kind.

For some reason, hard as it is to explain, UFOs seem to love Wrexham. And the people of Wrexham love UFOs.

I can't fathom it. I must have personally written a dozen or so stories recounting how residents – rational people all – have been witness to strange lights in the night sky.

Fortunately for us at the *Leader*, many of those in the thrall of such astounding visions have the presence of mind to grab a camera, or, even better, a video recorder to film the evidence and then email it to us.

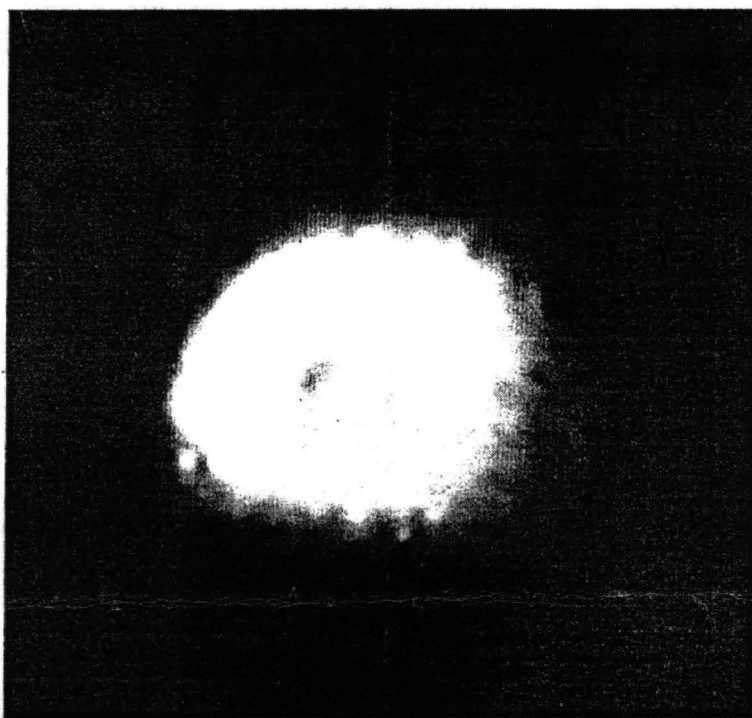
The resulting stories, published in these very pages, then inevitably evoke two very distinct reactions in our readers.

Some will come forward to say they themselves had their own extra-terrestrial experience, while others will criticise us for printing such rubbish in the first place.

If you type in UFO into the search box on the *Evening Leader* website, you'll come back with 1,100 results. I'm willing to wager that no other local newspaper in Britain can boast that sort of number.

As an über-sceptic, I must admit that, in the past, I sometimes have mixed feelings seeing such stories, with my name attached to them, in the paper.

As a teenager I watched the X-Files each week in the grim hope that Fox



'I Want To Believe' Mulder would one day wake up and realise there was no such thing as aliens, and that his sister probably decided to leave home of her own volition to get away from her intolerably smug and oddball older brother. But I was continually disappointed.

When it comes to publishing stories about Wrexham's own X-Files, I used chastise myself for writing such

froth: this isn't serious journalism. But now I'm not so sure.

I don't for one minute believe that aliens have an unhealthy interest in Wrexham.

I like the idea that a spacecraft piloted by little green men would choose North East Wales, out of all the places on earth, to make their presence known – it would be a heck of a scoop for us – but I can't see it

happening. But what the coverage has done is create a talking point – alright, it's probably not Martians flying slowly over Rhosyllen in a triangular formation – but it could be any number of other things.

I think naysayers who deride us for covering the sightings are missing the point slightly – given the quirky nature of the article, it's likely to get read by a large number of people in the way a more traditional story might not.

This is borne out by some remarkable statistics – when we publish a UFO story on the *Evening Leader* website, the amount of 'hits' we get shoots up. And if there are more people visiting, there's more of a likelihood they'll check out other, more worthy stories while they are there.

In the current climate, what with the recession, the killer 'flu, and the fact that honey bees appear to be on the brink of extinction, stories about UFOs, I reckon, provide some welcome light relief, if you'll excuse the dismal pun.

Some will say that this is the place of fiction – novels, TV shows, and films, are supposed to provide the escapism, not newspapers. Newspapers are supposed to report the truth, and hold a mirror up to society.

Well I think there is plenty of space for that stuff as well, and there's no harm in speculating that there may be something unusual going on in the night sky. Even if it is, in most cases, probably just Chinese lanterns.

UFO sighting?

A WALKER and her friend had a shock when they spotted a strange object flying over the moors last week.

Tavistock resident Emma Cockayne witnessed the encounter while out walking with a friend on Whitchurch Down at around 7pm on Tuesday, April 21.

Miss Cockayne said: 'We were walking down to the right of the Pimple, towards the trees.

'We were just chatting away when all of a sudden my friend looked up and pointed to this thing flying in the sky. It was black or grey and shaped like a diamond, with a red light or flame in the middle.

'It was flying lower than a plane, it looked like something you'd see on TV.'

There have been numerous sightings of unidentified objects around the Whitchurch and Pew Tor area this year.

In February a family claimed to see a mysterious orange glowing object flying in the sky in February.

Miss Cockayne added: 'We just couldn't get our heads around what we were seeing, it was totally and utterly intriguing. I have never seen anything like it before.'

A spokesperson for the Ministry of Defence in the South West said: 'The MOD examines reports solely to establish whether UK airspace may have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised military activity.'

'Unless there is evidence of a potential threat, there is no attempt to identify the nature of each sighting reported.'

Tavistock Time Gazette
England
April 30, 2009

Warning over sky lanterns

SURREY Fire and Rescue Service has issued a warning about sky lanterns, currently in popular use to add an element of wonder and excitement to outdoor party celebrations.

Released as a symbol of good luck, the opposite can happen if the open flame within the lantern comes into contact with something or falls to the ground still burning.

The objects, which can travel for some distance, last year led to several reports of UFOs in the local area.

Originating in Southeast Asia, the lightweight paper lanterns rise up into the air on the warmth created by an internal heat source – usually an open flame fuelled by either lamp oil or a wax fuel cell.

Fire investigation manager Bryn Strudwick said:

'While these decorations might appear to be harmless given their delicate nature, they pose an immediate danger to the surrounding environment.

'The potential for these lanterns to start random fires as they fall to earth or come in to contact with something is obvious. Regardless of what the packaging might say, these lanterns pose a substantial fire risk.'

'With the dryer weather set to continue, the service is asking residents to enjoy the Surrey countryside responsibly by avoiding the known risks of wildfire.'

'Sky lanterns can travel hundreds of metres in warm, light winds – the same conditions that can cause a wildfire to spread rapidly. If you don't want a fire to be your fault – don't use them.'

Farnham Herald
England
May 8, 2009

Motorist's sighting sparks fresh UFO plea Expert is hoping for more mysteries

By Suzanne Roberts

A Shropshire UFO expert today issued an appeal for anyone who has spotted strange sightings in the sky to contact him.

Phil Hoyle, who runs the UFO Investigation and Research unit, based in Shrewsbury, made the request following the latest sighting by Fredrick Kershaw, of Llansantffraid, as he travelled home from work. Mr Kershaw was near Llanfechain when he saw the unusual sighting.

Mr Hoyle said Mr Kershaw was travelling home on February 26 at 5.50pm and had just turned on to the B4393 when he saw the UFO in his car's side window.

"It moved from right to left across the front windscreen, suddenly stopped briefly and then moved out of sight very quickly, much too fast to be a conventional jet."

"He estimated the UFO was no more than 700ft in altitude. Fredrick described the UFO as a cigar shape with four red elliptical windows or lights along the side."

"About five seconds later he heard the roar of a jet plane or fighter plane behind him going in the same direction and he had the impression the jet was chasing the UFO."

"He is not a UFO believer as such. He was dumbfounded by it."

Mr Kershaw said: "About half a mile from the village this object with four bright red lights passed in front of the windscreen. I



Phil Hoyle

am a pretty level-headed person and if I thought it was a plane I would say, but planes don't have bright red windows."

He said the object also travelled too quick and too low to be a plane in that area.

Mr Hoyle added: "Many other sightings have been reported over the last few months all along the Welsh borders from Knighton, Newtown, Oswestry right up to Bala in North Wales."

It also follows a sighting filmed by Harriet Rogers, 13, from Bridgnorth, who saw a bizarre light in the sky on February 21.

She said the light was much brighter compared to the stars and on the camcorder they could see it pulsing and changing colour.

Mr Hoyle is appealing for anyone who saw the same UFO as Mr Kershaw, or has any other sightings from the Shropshire/Welsh borders, to contact him at phil.hoyle@yahoo.co.uk or call (01734) 245574.

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Monday, 18 May 2009

Two UFO's crash land in Kazakhstan

Two luminous balls have fallen from the sky into a field near a village in Kazakhstan. The Local Emergency Ministry is studying the objects, believed to be UFOs. Residents of Razdolnoye village in Western Kazakhstan saw the UFOs at night.

"This was around three o'clock in the morning," eyewitness Vladimir Bychkov told Interfax news agency Thursday.

"I was near my tractor, and heard guys shouting: 'look, there are flying balls!' They were big balls, and they had sparks falling off them - yellow, red, and green," Bychkov said. The balls were reported to have fallen on agricultural lands.

"We were afraid to approach them at first, but after they fell and cooled down, we came up to them and tried kicking them," another eyewitness, Viktor Dyakov, said.

He said the balls were made from a "weird" material. "We tried beating them with a chisel, but they didn't give in, didn't crease, only gave off sparks."

According to Dyakov, the balls are silvery in color and around 60 cm in diameter. They also have a small hole on one side. Emergency Ministry experts did not immediately give any comments.

Bradford Telegraph & Argus
England
April 13, 2009

no joke for Denise

Close encounters across the district, but is there a very simple explanation?

by Marc Meneaud T&A Reporter

A fleet of strange glowing orbs seen in the skies above Bradford might boost the district's claim as one of the country's UFO hotspots but some believe the real truth is out there.

Sky-watchers in Bradford, Bingley and Keighley have contacted the Telegraph & Argus with reports of up to five red or orange orbs hovering silently in the night sky before quickly disappearing.

Denise Wilson, 52, saw them circling above her home in Moorside, Daisy Hill, Bradford, when she took her dog for a night-time stroll.

But medical secretary Mrs Wilson, insisted it was no joke. She said: "There were four round red or orange glowing lights flying in formation, cruising towards me."

"There was no noise and the conditions were absolutely still. There was no wind, it was a bright night and I said to the dog, 'what the hell is that?'"

"I went to tell my neighbour but before I even got there, a fifth one came

Tribute paid to spotter Tony



Tributes have been paid to a former North Yorkshire police officer, who became a leading investigator in the paranormal.

Tony Dodd (pictured), of Grassington, a police officer for 25 years, has died at 74.

He spent 30 years investigating unexplained phenomena after his own close encounters on the beat.

In 1978 while on duty between Skipton and Steeton he saw a UFO. He went on to write a book

on the subject, a UFO hotline and lectured across Europe on the subject.

Mr Dodd leaves a wife, Pauline, three children, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. His funeral was held in Linton, near Grassington.

A UFO and alien website, crowdedskies, said: "Tony inspired others into looking at the universe with inquisitive eyes and others owe him a great deal for this."

along. They weren't flying very high, not as high as planes and then they disappeared above the trees.

"I don't care what people think of me, I know what I saw and it wasn't normal and it wasn't man-made. It was very, very strange, like something out of Close Encounters of the Third Kind!"

Retired solicitor Peter Knight, the widow of film star Pat Kirkwood, also reported seeing 20 red lights in the sky near his home in Bingley.

Lights were also seen by Derek Spedding, 60, who was visiting friends in Bingley from his home in Barnsley. He saw strange-coloured objects floating in the air as he drove towards the Five Rise Locks from the town centre.

But Mr Spedding, who was with his

wife at the time, said he could have an explanation.

He said: "They were like what we saw in China last year. We were going up the Yangtze River and a local chap had died. When somebody dies, they send up these little lanterns, with a little light under a kind of small hot-air balloon. It is a mark of respect."

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IT HAPPENED TO ME...

I witnessed a UFO

Daily Mail
England
May 9, 2009



Denis Plunkett, 78, a retired civil servant, lives near Bristol with his wife, Maureen, 75. He claims to have seen UFOs in the night sky and now runs a UFO bureau which collates reports of other sightings. Here, he relives the moment he saw something out of this world.

On a wonderful starlit night in June 1966, my wife, Maureen, and I were preparing for bed. I went to pull the curtains and couldn't believe my eyes. For a moment I thought I was seeing things, but then realised it was nine brilliant white lights dancing in the sky.

I shouted to Maureen to come and look, and for an hour we stared in wonderment, transfixed by the lights, which flashed on and off like lights on a Christmas tree. Initially, I assumed it was an aircraft, but I soon dismissed this theory because the patterns they were making were too irregular.

Suddenly, one light left the group and remained in the same position for ten minutes before rejoining the main pattern, which was a loose formation, with the lights constantly changing positions. Then they disappeared, never to be seen again. Maureen and I tried to explain away what we'd seen. We ruled out about ten possibilities, including helicopters, as there wasn't a sound disturbing the balmy night air. We had no explanation and struggled to sleep that night. Where had they come from? Why were they here? Where had they gone?

I didn't feel scared – more a sense of excitement. I wish I'd had a camera or a pair of binoculars to hand, but I'd been afraid that if I diverted my gaze, even for a moment, the lights would be gone.

The next day, local newspapers reported that other people had spotted the lights. But no one gave any explanation. Even the British and US governments denied that there had been any aircraft activity in the area.

The more I thought about the sighting, the more I was convinced they were UFOs. It wasn't the first time I'd seen unidentified flying objects, either. I had sightings on two other occasions, both while completing my national service in the RAF.

The first, in 1952, was in daylight, when I saw lights travelling across the sky like a comet. The second, a year later, happened when I was on the airfield, checking equipment. It was a wet, overcast October day, so I turned my collar up and got on with my work. Later, I looked up and saw a peculiar black cloud, from which a sphere-shaped object emerged. It was like an eye in the sky, watching me, before it returned inside the cloud minutes later.

Even though I didn't report it, I felt sure it was a UFO. But, strangely, orders were soon sent out



“For an hour we stared, transfixed as the nine brilliant white lights danced in the sky. Where had they come from... and why were they here?”

that no one was to report or discuss any aerial phenomenon to the press.

My interest in UFOs predates my own sightings, though. In 1947, my cousin, a radio operator, was on board the airliner *Star Dust*, pride of British South American Airways, which crashed in the Andes. The plane was flying from London to the Chilean capital, Santiago. The control tower at Santiago airport got a message from the captain just four minutes before it was to land, but the airplane never arrived. Strong headwinds were blamed for the crash and a storm was blowing, but I later discovered that UFOs had been reported in the skies over Chile in the weeks preceding the tragic crash.

To me, it seemed unlikely that an airplane could disappear without trace when it was so near the airport. I think a UFO was involved, especially

when you consider that two other aircraft, *Star Tiger* and *Star Ariel*, from the same airline, disappeared over the Bermuda Triangle within two years of *Star Dust* going down. No wreckage was ever found – it was as if they'd never existed. Since then I've been a firm believer in alien life.

In 1952 I spotted a letter in the *Daily Mail* from Albert K Bender, who ran the International Flying Saucer Bureau in the US. He wanted someone to open a UK branch and I applied. Initially, I ran it with my father and, over the years, we dealt with hundreds of enquiries from the public. We still hold public meetings, discussing UFO-related matters.

I've now built up an extensive knowledge of the subject. For instance, not many people realise that, for 12 years after World War II, most of the planet was visited by UFOs, hovering around cities, atomic weapons sites and chasing aircraft and trains.

According to sightings, they come in all shapes and sizes, mainly disc-shaped. But in the upper atmosphere they're also cigar-shaped – so-called mother ships. From these, smaller ships are discharged to carry out surveillance.

I've never seen an alien and I'm not sure I'd like to, but seeing UFOs never frightened me. I'm convinced that I will not only see more of them, but also that they will never harm me.

Since forming the British Flying Saucer Bureau, around 1,000 sightings have been reported to me. Just four months ago, someone phoned saying not only had they seen a UFO, but it was being chased by an RAF fighter plane. And last year, someone said they'd noticed strange lights, at one point hanging above Bristol's Clifton Suspension Bridge. According to reports in the local paper, an hour later they headed towards Wales and the UFO nearly crashed into a police helicopter. Strangely, there had been lots of sightings in northern England earlier that week. The authorities

try to deny their existence because they don't know what they're dealing with – consequently, they don't want panic.

Maureen tolerates my beliefs, and thinks that we saw UFOs in 1966. It seems that people increasingly believe in them. Since the 1940s, a Gallup poll has been conducted periodically, and results have gone from one believer in ten to eight in ten.

There certainly weren't so many believers when I had my sighting in 1966. I never mentioned it to my colleagues at work back then. In fact, for the last 18 years of my working life, spent in the civil service training the unemployed, I should have kept quiet about my beliefs because I'm convinced it affected my career progression. Publishing my views on radio and in the press, including my work magazine, didn't do me any favours. ■

Richard Webber

1992 'UFO sightings' are still a mystery, according to latest Government files

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By Gemma Gadd

SECRET government documents on UFO encounters in our area have been released by The Ministry of Defence.

The files date from 1989 to 1992 and include previously classified reports, letters and newspaper articles kept by the MOD.

One section includes a report from 1992 in which a group of people watched a triangular craft in the skies over the Louth area.

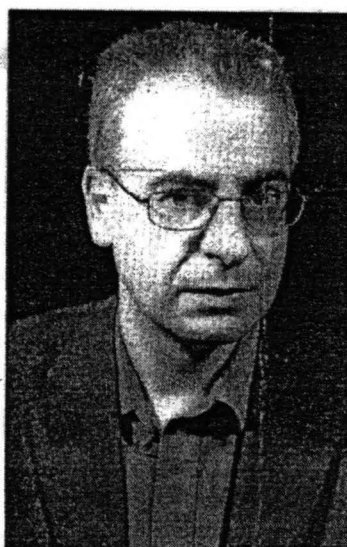
The report recounts how on December 9 at 4.30pm several people 'along a coastal road near Louth' watched three lights forming the shape of a triangular aircraft.

Many people were said to have stopped their cars to look at the object which hovered, turned and then 'shot off at 500mph.'

The report concludes: "Many local people experienced automatic changes in channels on their televisions that evening."

The archives reveal a similar sighting was made by a control tower at Heathrow airport a week later.

We spoke to Nick Pope who worked on the MOD's UFO desk from 1991 to 1994. He said: "I remember the 1992 case very well, not least because I led the investigation. One of the witnesses was the Commanding Officer at RAF Donna Nook, to whom I spoke.



The UK's answer to Fox Mulder, Nick Pope, who worked on the MOD's UFO desk. (Image supplied)

"As far as I can recall, we checked the radar tapes but found nothing unusual. No explanation was ever found for these sightings, which were among the most intriguing to have occurred during my time on the UFO project."

Another section of the archives refers to an incident from 1970 in which US pilot captain William Schaffner from RAF Binbrook, died after supposedly

being scrambled to intercept a UFO.

Newspapers revived the mystery in 1992 after an anonymous RAF 'source' claimed the pilot's aircraft crashed into the North Sea after a mid-air encounter with a conical object.

When the F6 plane was recovered from the water the cockpit was closed, but the pilot wasn't inside.

The mysterious circumstances of Schaffner's death fuelled speculation amongst ufologists the MOD was covering up an alien abduction.

A transcript purporting to be the pilot's last conversation with the RAF station was revealed by the anonymous 'source' appearing to confirm the UFO theory.

This has been revealed as a hoax as the newly-released MOD files include the official transcript and the RAF accident report. This states Schaffner was involved in a training exercise that went wrong when he 'inadvertently flew his aircraft into the sea.'

Nick Pope said: "I was the person who investigated the allegations of a UFO connection when they first surfaced. I obtained the original report and satisfied myself that such allegations were false."

The mystery over the pilot's disappearance remains to this day as his body has never been found.

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IRISH X-FILES EXPOSED

Book to lift lid on UFOs



TWO UFO detectives are writing a book they say will expose the Government's secret files on alien encounters in Ireland.

Carl Nally and Dermot Butler of UFO and Paranormal Research Ireland (UPRI) claim the

SECRETS: Reynolds (left) revealed Irish UFO probes

■ By KEVIN JENKINSON

State has its very own 'X-Files', detailing crashes, sightings and alleged encounters with unidentified flying objects.

Carl Nally said: "We will be revealing a number of things that people

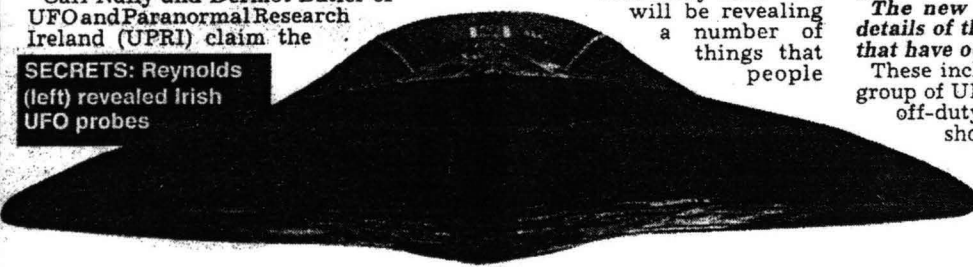
will find very fascinating.

"There are people in powerful positions who have access to information in this and other countries in relation to the UFO phenomenon.

"We know that they have investigated several strange incidents."

The new book will also include details of the latest UFO encounters that have occurred in Ireland.

These include the pilot who saw a group of UFOs over Galway and the off-duty garda who saw a UFO shooting red lasers at the ground and filmed it on his phone.





The Trinidad Times Independent

Trinidad, CO

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Tests can't identify death cause in cattle mutilations

By **RANDY WOOCK**

Staff writer, *The Times Independent*

An examination of tissue samples taken from two of the three cattle mutilated in Las Animas County last month resulted in an inconclusive verdict as to the exact cause of death for the cattle, though the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratories at Colorado State University in Fort Collins did note that the cuts had not been cauterized yet showed no signs of bleeding.

The samples were collected and delivered to the laboratory by Chuck Zukowski, a field investigator out of Colorado Springs with the Mutual UFO Network, and were taken from the first two of the three reported mutilations. The samples consisted of tissue samples from the vaginal area of the first mutilated cow and the area around a removed ear from the second cow.

"What they were looking for

was unusual cutting," Zukowski said.

The lab report stated that in both samples, "...the observed lesions occurred (after death) as there was no hemorrhage or evidence of (after death) tissue changes," backing up observations made by witnesses as to a lack of blood around the animal carcasses.

Zukowski noted in his own report on the cattle deaths that, "To fully understand cause of death, the lab would have needed to do a complete necropsy on both animals."

He added that a lab technician from Colorado State University had offered to possibly accompany him to next mutilation for a field investigation.

The first mutilation reported last month occurred March 8 to a cow owned by Trinidad School District No. 1 instructor Mike Duran. That cow had been discovered lying dead on its side by a stream at his winter grazing pastures west of Weston. Its udder and uterus had been removed. The second mutilation was discovered March 17 by owner Tom Miller on his ranch east of Hoehne. The week-old calf was reported by Miller to only still possess some hide, its forelegs, neck and head. All the rest of the internal organs were reported by Miller as missing, and the hipbones were broken.

The third reported mutilation occurred March 14-15 on a ranch about 12.5 miles southeast of Walsenburg. The mutilated cow

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was found at about 1:30 p.m. on March 15 by owner Jim Garren's ranch manager; its udder apparently surgically removed.

The two-and-a-half year old Kobe and Angus crossbreed had last been seen at feeding time the previous day. It had also given birth to a calf that night that was discovered hiding in the brush about 50 yards from the carcass.

Miller and Duran both reported a previous mutilation as having occurred in their herds in the mid-to-late 1990s. Garren said the March 21 mutilation was his first.

"Garren didn't purchase his farm till the late 1990s, so he may have missed it (the 1990s mutilation trend) since he wasn't there," Zukowski said.

It was also noted in the report that, following the examination of the ear from the Miller calf, "...the ear was examined under dissecting scope and all layers of the haired skin through the auditory canal could be visualized suggesting there was no cautery-type process occurring."

"That tells us the animal was dead before the ears were cut off," Zukowski said.

Cauterized cuts have been found on other mutilated cattle, though Zukowski asserted that it was a proportionally small number of cases. "It's generally a clean cut, though not a smooth cut," he said.

"Even on the Miller case, with all the car-

nage done to that poor calf, there wasn't any blood in the area," Zukowski said.

Zukowski also provided *The Times Independent* with a police report dated April 7, 1993, concerning a similar series of cattle mutilations that occurred from 1992-1993 in Fyffe, Ala. That series of mutilations was also the focus of a documentary by investigative journalist Linda Moulton Howe, *Strange Harvests: 1993*.

Among other things, the police report had noted that, at the time, more than 10,000 cases had been reported in the United States since 1963 and that, "All of this has been accomplished on these thousands of animals with no evidence of blood present at the incision, in some cases the entire blood supply of

the animal had been drained..."

The police report also listed conditions the cattle had been found in, mirroring the missing udders, apparent incisions and missing internal organs prevalent in the March mutilations in Las Animas County.

The cause of the cattle mutilations — a worldwide, ongoing phenomenon — is still unknown. Local cattle mutilation investigator and former sheriff Lou Girono told *The Times Independent* during a March interview that his more-than-30 years investigating the mutilations had left him with UFOs as culpable parties to the mutilations, a hypothesis also espoused in Howe's books and documentaries.

Howe has credited Girono — an investigator for the district attorney's office when

Howe interviewed him for the 1980 cattle mutilation documentary, *A Strange Harvest* — with being the first authority figure willing to go on the record about possible UFO connections with the mutilations.

Girono had said during the March interview that his first hypothesis during the early years of his investigation was that the mutilations were the work of occultists, though he no longer believes so. "That was the first thought; nothing to indicate it was, no occult signs, no devil worship, anything," Girono had said. "Then we said, 'it's the government;' that would be really stupid with the millions of acres the government own and they're leasing this land to ranchers for their cattle; why would they go in a guy's backyard and do this?"

Girono had gone on to say that, regardless of the explanation, the bottom line of the phenomenon was that ranchers were being deprived of their rightful property.

Zukowski's report came to a conclusion similar to that of Girono as to the empirically important aspect to the mutilations; that, cause known or unknown, private property was being destroyed. "If an animal is found dead with no apparent cause and extreme damage has occurred not resembling any type of familiar predator or scavenger evidence; then one needs to understand why," Zukowski wrote. "Ongoing research and investigations are required on future cases resembling these, in hopes to resolve these possible criminal acts."

Letters to the Editor

Show on cattle mutilations raises questions again on implants

Dear Editor:

This is to comment on my surprise appearance on *UFO Hunters*, Wednesday, April 29, 2009 on a program dealing with cattle mutilations. This was due to a mutilated cow (Missouri Ranch, don't remember rancher's name) that must have happened early 2009 (I missed the first few minutes of said program) that researchers Ken Storch and Chuck Zukowski were on the scene shortly after said cow was discovered, six hours was the time frame, but I haven't been able to get specifics as to time elapsed. There was an insinuation of an "implant" in said cow via metal detector readings by Mr. Storch. There was also evidence as to a "re-visitation," the next night by the perpetrators of said mutilation for more "parts" from the carcass, this is something new to me as I had never heard anything like these things before.

The comparison between my implant and the bovine's were that "they" showed movement with the carcasses involved but mine wasn't quite as profound with range of distance. This raises an interesting

question with me though, "if these were the exact same type of implants, would I've been mutilated in the same manner?" Now, don't get me wrong, there's been some "mutilation" with me also, you just can't see it, but it's there. Now, if I had known the UFO Hunter's were going to have me in this category, I would have to them that The Yuma Pioneer had several articles (historic record, April 1978) of cattle mutilations and strange lights around the same time I believe I was

abducted/implanted (the Monk boys weren't even born yet, Richard). This would correlate with said program very well with strange lights also being "involved."

As to the "govt." cults or predators being the perpetrators, these factions can have all but the STRANGE mutilations. What kind of coyote (four legged) uses an "implant?" "MIB/Govt coyote?"

Now if it is the "govt," don't they have any cattle, couldn't they go to a slaughterhouse and get blood, eyes, tongues, rectums and udders. They would know who's cattle they were, ect as to specific

information on said critters. But then "they" would have to pay, but there is an article in *Time* Mag April 20, 2009 pg. 28 (The village elders like to joke the Americans may be infidels but at least they are honest infidels. If a cow gets caught in a mortar attack, the soldiers pay for it. The hope is that such transparency will be emulated by local leaders. "The locals are justifiably frustrated with corruption in their government. That has got to change.") If "our govt/military" are responsible for the cattle mutilations here, I think I have made my point clear.

Bill Birnes made an addendum on this program as to the fact that there was another mutilation in Missouri (same rancher) and three in Colorado after said program was "put in the can." The three in Colorado were in Las Animas county. The Pueblo Chieftain March 25, 2009 has an article. This is in an area where the US Army has significant land holdings. Why wouldn't the military dispose of said carcasses on some of their ground, nobody civilian would

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Politicians can help find some answers

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probably ever find them, no one would be any wiser if they were the "true culprits."

Cattle have been mutilated, with some in the business electing to find another profession due to this factor. With the Colorado implications, mine and the most recent, perhaps someone in the political arena will "cowboy up" and help me find some answers. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is from the San Luis Valley, real close to Las Animas County, is also notorious for these types of

events, looks like an "interior" issue to me. What do you think? Greg, Cory? Help me saddle up with Mr. Salazar! I'd even be open to having Gov Ritter along too (and the rest of my elected Colo. representation). Let's ride!!

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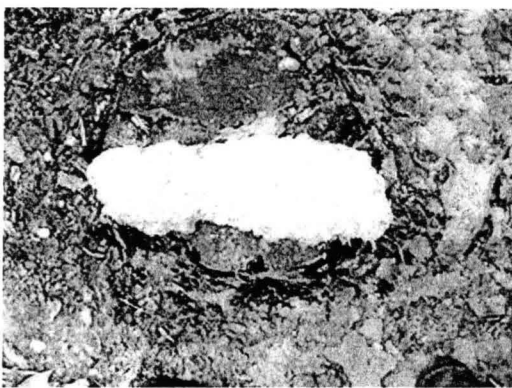
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Researchers believe they have found recent Bigfoot print in Oklahoma

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HONOBIA — Researchers believe that a footprint they discovered over the weekend in the Kiamichi Mountains of southeastern Oklahoma is that of the elusive creature Bigfoot.



Researchers with Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center took this cast of what they claim might be a footprint of the elusive Bigfoot in the Kiamichi Mountains in southeastern Oklahoma. A group of about 30 researchers spent Memorial Day weekend looking for evidence of the creature..

D.W. Lee, global director of the Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center, said the print was discovered about five miles into the woods. They were able to make a cast of the print, which measured 15¾ inches long and 5 inches wide.

"The toes were clearly visible on the cast after it was lifted up," Lee said.

In addition to tracks, Lee said they heard "vocalizations" in the woods that they recognize as the tell-tale mocking calls of Bigfoot.

Whoop sounds, "attempted imitations" of whip-poor-wills, and mimicking of dove and owl calls were heard, he said.

One crew member was hit by a rock during a night hike just moments after two large animals were spied through a night scope walking on two feet across a logging road.

"A lot of people, it doesn't really dawn on them when rocks land near them," that Bigfoot could be responsible, Lee said.

Lee and his crew are evaluating hundreds of photographs and hours of video recordings taken over the weekend by about 30 researchers.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Scott Simmons said he has not been involved in any Bigfoot-seeking expeditions but that people are capable of collecting and analyzing data and have been doing so for years.

in fascination of the possibility of an unknown apelike species.

"I'm not going to tell someone they did not see or did see something," he said.

Scholar writes book on Bigfoot

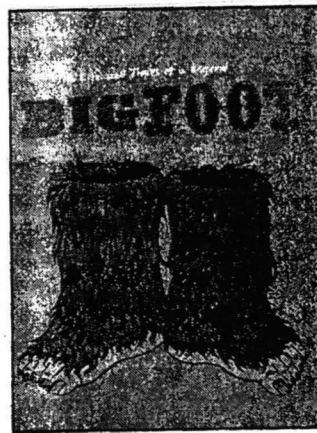
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CHICAGO — Author Joshua Blu Buhs has written the latest book about Bigfoot.

"Bigfoot: The Life and Times of a Legend" (University of Chicago Press, \$29) will be released on May 15.

The 304-page book features myriad black-and-white illustrations. It traces the wild and wooly story of America's favorite home-grown monster, said Buhs, who begins the book with 19th century accounts of wildmen roaming forests of the United States, treks to the Himalayas to reckon with the Abominable Snowman, then heads to Northern California in 1958 with reports of a hairy hominid loping through the remote wilderness. The book includes sections on Hoopa and Willow Creek.

Buhs is an independent scholar and the author of "The Fire Ant Wars," also published by the University of Chicago Press.



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