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UFONS Celebrates 40 Years of Circulation!

Thanks to all of our subscribers over the years!

In the Summer of 1969, a young man from Seattle, WA had an interest in the subject of UFOs. At this time, prior to the days of the internet, UFO reports from credible sources were hard to come by. In most cases, they were featured in local newspapers with limited readership and circulation. This made it hard for UFO researchers and enthusiasts to keep up-to-date on UFO-related activity.

This young man, Rod Dyke, took it upon himself to create a UFO newsclipping service under the name "UFO Research Committee" that could fill this need for timely UFO-related news and information. Although he was only 18 years old at the time, Rod spent tireless days and nights month after month physically sorting, clipping, and pasting various newsclippings from around the world. Again, this was before the computer days of "cut-and-paste".



Rod Dyke then and now

Little did Rod realize at the time, but his modest beginnings with eight initial subscribers would lead to a 40-year tradition that lives on today with subscribers worldwide. How many other UFO publications can boast about that kind of track record?

The secret to Rod's success over the years was to rise above the controversies and just report the news. Rod never used the publication as a vehicle for dispensing his own views or opinions – keeping true to the mission of reporting UFO news as it appears in newspapers. Just the facts!

As life changed, the time and resources required by the publication made Rod look for assistance. In the Summer of 1977, long-time UFO researcher, Lou Farish, took over as Editor of UFONS with issue number 99. Rod still continued to work in the background, though. Since then, Lou has become the longest-running Editor of our publication.



Lou Farish then and now

I recently asked Lou if he had any thoughts or recollections he would like to share with everyone regarding his period as Editor. He stated "Thoughts and reflections, eh? I don't have much to contribute, except to say that the 30 years I spent editing UFONS went by pretty quick! I am grateful to the subscribers for keeping me in business for that long and I have to admit that I miss the constant flow of information...I wish everyone well and thanks again for supporting UFONS."

Lou has also organized and hosted the annual Ozark UFO Conference in Eureka Springs, AR that has become a 20+ year tradition in itself. Due to juggling both tasks, Lou eventually handed the editorship back to Rod Dyke for a period of one-year from Dec. 2007 to Dec. 2008. Rod was at it again – copying and pasting! Only now, he was doing it with a computer. However, life had changed since his early years as Editor. Spare time was a rare commodity for him with his business, and, most importantly, his family.

As 2009 approached, Rod looked to replace himself as Editor. He had a "very short list" of people to consider for the role as he conveyed in an email to me from December 2008. It was in that

same email that he offered me the role of Editor. I was excited by the prospect, but also intimidated by the responsibility.

For several years prior to this, I had corresponded with Rod and we had exchanged and purchased UFO-related material from one another. Both of us are avid collectors and each of us has a sizeable collection of historical UFO books, journals, and assorted memorabilia. I remember Rod stating in one of many emails "You know you are probably one of about five people in the world who have a complete collection (of UFONS issues)". Well, virtually overnight, I went from being a subscriber to Editor.

Due to the diligent efforts of my predecessors, I am only the third person to edit and publish this 40-year publication. I hope to honor Rod and Lou's efforts by continuing the tradition they have started.

Of course, we are nothing without our readers. We appreciate your interest in the UFO news we provide and we look forward to continual expansion of our news sources. Our readership itself has also provided many noteworthy news articles for us to share over the years. This tradition continues and we look forward to any submissions by our readers.

In addition, we are always looking for historical UFO information for our "From the Archives" section. Any historical material you have can be donated to our ever-growing library of UFO data.



Small portion of on-site UFO library



Special thanks go out to our friend and regular contributor, Mr. Timothy Good, who has been invaluable in providing news articles from the UK. Timothy is just one of several leading authorities on the subject of UFOs who reads UFONS each month. Our subscribers' list is a veritable "who's who" of UFOlogy.



Current Editor, David Marler (left) with Foreign Contributor, Timothy Good (right)

We are honored that UFONS has garnered such a high-level of appreciation amongst researchers and general readers alike. We take this time to reflect back on 40 years of service and also to look towards the future.

We hope to continue our job of sharing UFO-related news with our readership until the day we come to an understanding of this mystery we call UFOs.

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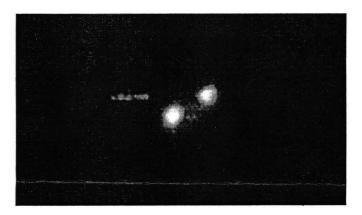
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August 27, 2009

Summer of '09 features "UFO parade" over Murrysville, PA.

Richard Sanner



The witness managed to photograph the object, and the result is illustrated at the left.

Murrysville, Pennsylvania - August 27, 2009

This mostly rural Westmoreland County community, east of Pittsburgh, has been the scene of a rash of UFO sightings throughout the summer, with at least a dozen reports filed since early June. However, this is merely a continuation of similar phenomenon that has been observed in this area for quite some time. The most recent sighting occurred during the early morning hours of August 13th. The witness was taking video of the sky when a crescent-shaped object suddenly appeared in the right side of the screen. The witness went on to describe something cloudlike swooping down from above. The mysterious cloud went into the object causing it to immediately vanish. Other sightings reported include: triangular-shaped objects, a variety of brightly colored orbs, and strange lights not characteristic of conventional aircraft.

Harmarville, Pennsylvania - August 25, 2009

A strange object was seen traveling an easterly direction from the Pennsylvania Turnpike, prior to flying over the famous Oakmont Country Club golf course. The object had mult-colored flashing lights, was silent, and appeared to be flying too low for any conventional aircraft. The object flew low over the golf course and turned on three white lights, revealing its triangular shape. The object crossed over the Allegheny River and appeared to just make it over the tree line on a ridge on the opposite side of the river.

Pittsburgh UFO Examiner Investigates Westmoreland County "cold case"

I had the opportunity to investigate a "cold case" over the recent summer months. I make the cold case reference in that the events actually happened over 40 years ago, and were just now being reported for the first time. I was placed in touch with an elderly gentleman from Florida, who was originally from Pennsylvania. He stated that he used to travel a very rural road just off Interstate 70 in Westmoreland County several times per week to drive his wife to care for an ailing relative. On several occasions, when driving along this particular stretch of country road, he would observe a brightly lit object hovering at a low altitude over a nearby wooded area. The object made no sound, and appeared to be emitting a substance described by the witness as "looking like molten metal flakes" shower down towards the ground. Since the area was set back some distance from the road, the witness couldn't be certain as to the exact location. The object would then take off at an incredible rate of speed until disappearing from sight. He observed the same phenomenon on numerous occasions throughout a period of several months, along the same stretch of country road, and similar locations above the woods.

Since the man indicated he was a retired Air Force veteran, I considered his report to be very credible. His wife, who always accompanied him at the time of the sightings, verified that she had witnessed the same phenomenon as well. The witness further explained that his reason for not coming forth with information earlier was the fear of being ridiculed. What reminded him of his experience was watching an episode of a cable network UFO program that featured the famous Kecksburg UFO crash case of 1965. He knew that Kecksburg wasn't located too far away from the area where he had his experiences, and he had wondered if perhaps there could be any connections between the two events. It is not surprising that the gentleman was reluctant to come forward sooner. His experiences took place in the late 1960's when most UFO witnesses were characterized as "kooks". Far too much evidence, from extremely credible witnesses, has been gathered over the years to lend some substance to the UFO phenomenon.

I encourage any of my readers who may have had past UFO sighting experiences to e-mail me at nyuk50@comcast.net. I will publish your story, only upon receiving your permission, and will maintain the strictest level of confidentiality.

Harold Owen, others tell of UFOs

By Fred Spriggs Webster County Citizen fred@webstercountycitizen.com

Pioneer aviator Harold Owen stopped by the office last week to talk to me about UFOs.

Harold recalled that back in 1954, when the Fordland Air Force Base was operational at what's now the Ozark Correctional Center between Diggins and Fordland, he was training some of the U.S. Air Force if he's still alive or in the loboys how to fly from his airfield northeast of town

boys he was training to fly told him about a large burn spot, perfectly round, located just west of Highway A.

"Those boys wouldn't say much about it, but the Air Force had reported to me that a cousent them out to investigate, ple of calves had been mutiland they told me it was per- ated on their place. fectly round, burned into the ground," Harold added.

for nearly three-quarters of a via e-mail, showing the wounds century, said he also recalled, on one of the calves. although he couldn't remember the date, that Joe Peters told didn't get pictures of the other him that a round spot about 8 calf that had been mutilated burned into the lawn right next critter got to the carcass before "knock your socks off!" to his house.

"There's more to this UFO Harold emphasized.

The "they" he was referring the e-mail to was our government.

Harold also thought he remembered that a local boy was stationed out in New Mexico, area. probably at Roswell Army Air had crashed near the base.



He couldn't remember the name of the local fellow, but cal area, here's hoping he calls He said that a couple of the saw at the base during that landmark period in UFO history.

> this column. I mentioned that some folks in Douglas County

umn, I'm including a couple

They explained that they they documented the crime.

"This is a serious matter thing than they are telling us," when you are losing part of your livelihood," they stated in

I couldn't agree more.

what is doing this in the local

That's why I provided, with Field, back in 1947 when the their permission, details and Air Force announced it had the photos of the mutilations to "captured" a flying disk that Mutual UFO Network inves- saw the Steven Spielberg Actigators Ken Storch and Bob ademy Award-winning movie

when working the crime scene (E.T.s). on a homicide.

Local blogger Chase Davis, human by E.T.s. who writes "The View From office last week to chat with me be occurring today. about monkeys and mountain

stories for me.

perform the same maneuvers, old girl. again without making any noise as it crossed the sky.

mutilation that occurred in 2002 in southern Webster County in which an implant was located who told me about E.T.s reguand turned over to officials.

We need to solve who or on an area north of town that shaking my head. appears to be a hotbed of UFO the unbelievable fourth kind.

For those of you who never

Dalicandro, two retired cops "Strange Encounters Of The who employ the forensics-in- Third Kind," third kind encounvestigation techniques to cattle ters involve contact between mutilations just like they did humans and extraterrestrials

Encounters of the fourth kind are the abduction of a

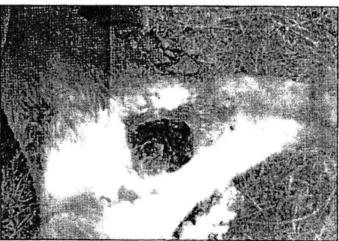
These events started, per my The Country," stopped by the source, in 1994 and may still

Animal mutilations, balls of light that can move through While he was here, I asked houses from room to room and me with some news on what he him if he didn't have any UFO turn corners, massive "mother ships" and traditional shaped Chase recalls that back in flying saucers, as well as the the 1990s, he was at his sister's classic cigar-shaped craft, crop A couple of months ago in house in west Seymour when circles, alien abductions, visits he watched a disk-shaped ob- by several different types of ject with white lights fly slowly E.T.s. including those called over without making any noise. grays, another specie of grays this story is that it doesn't in He added that a few days that look like a praying mantis volve sightings by only one or later, while visiting a friend's and the most human-looking of two people, but by a group of Along with this week's col- farm south of town, he and the aliens, called nordics, and neighbors who all experienced some of his friends and fam- even an alien abduction and Harold, who has been flying of the pictures they sent to me illy watched the same object examination of a little 4-year- the same time.

> child molesters, former pris-One concerns another cattle oners of war even our former enemies. When I conducted the first interview with a woman larly visiting Webster County.

When I got back to the ofactivity ... including encounters fice I told Dan, "This was the of the third kind ... and even most shocking interview I've count of aliens among us ever conducted in my life."

Needless to say, I didn't sleep well that night.



This calf in Douglas County recently was mutilated.

the same otherworldly events at

The virtual cone of silence During my 35-year career these folks, conservatively in journalism, I've interviewed numbering about 30 adults not general officers, politicians, counting their children, was I'm currently following up diplomats. Pulitzer Prize win- self imposed to keep other or 10 feet in diameter had been because a coyote or some other a couple of stories that will ning journalists, murderers, folks from thinking they were a bunch of devil worshippers or just plain old "nuts."

Until my interview, this story was only told to a select few investigators.

I still need to complete a The second event focuses I came out of the interview couple of more interviews before I package this story, so watch upcoming issues of the Citizen for this amazing acright here in Webster County.

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It is unknown whom or what removed the eyes from this calf in Douglas

at fred@webstercountycitizen.

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Aug. 22, 2009

Six Kansas witnesses 'shocked' by low flying black triangle UFO

Six Kansas witnesses near a neighborhood pond first joked about lights in the sky circling around them, but were shocked by the craft's second appearance at close range as they made out "the distinct outline of a very thin triangular shaped black object," according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

One of the friends called out to the others to point out a lit object in the distant darkness. They joked about it being a UFO, one snapped a cell phone image of it, and when it disappeared from view they wrote it off as a blimp.

But the object came back about two minutes later - this time brighter and at close range.

The object was hanging just above the tree line behind them and was described as "the size of a small house." The object hovered, they said, and slowly moved directly overhead

"At this point we could see the distinct outline of a very thin triangular shaped black object. Numerous lights lit up the underneath and a slight hum could be heard, but nothing like an airplane or a jet engine. My friends and I just watched it pass and as we were all in shock, nobody could get out their phone for a closer picture."

After slowly passing overhead, the object increased speed and moved away - disappearing in "the blink of an eye."

The following is the original unedited witness testimony from MUFON. Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Addition investigates and reports back on any of these cases, I will update this page.

KS, August 21, 2009 - Triangular shaped thin black object (about the size of a small house) with numerous lights underneath passed directly over my friends and I just above treetop height.

My friends and I (6 of us total) were visiting the neighborhood pond when one of us called out to point out a lighted object far off in the dark sky.

We watched the object circle around and one of my friends and i had jokingly called out, "Haha look it's a UFO!" Two of the guys with us decided it looked like a blimp judging on the lights positioning.

I snapped a pic of the aircraft on my cell phone while it was still visable.

The object had flown just out of sight behind some trees. We all were stunned at the thought of what that could have been. Finally everyone agreed that it had to have been a blimp.

Approx. 2 min later the lights from before were much brighter now and behind us. We all turned around to see the object from before up close and right in front of us but just above the tree line. The aircraft, about the size of a small house, hovered while continuing to move right above our heads.

At this point we could see the distinct outline of a very thin triangular shaped black object. Numerous lights lit up the underneath and a slight hum could be heard, but nothing like an airplane or a jet engine. My friends and I just watched it pass and as we were all in shock, nobody could get out their phone for a closer picture.

Just after passing us and the small pond, the triangular aircraft increased speed and took off. The object disappeared within the blink of an eye. I was in complete shock as I had never seen anything like this before in my life.

Additional UFO stories forthcoming

By Fred Spriggs Webster County Citizen fred@webstercountycitizen.com

Readers who look in this issue for the news story I promised in this column last week on flying saucers, cattle mutilations and alien abductions in central Webster County don't need to fear when they fail to find the aforementioned story that I was abducted by aliens this week.

this week.

We've found ourselves in a dilemma — too much hard news and not enough editorial space supported by paid advertisements.

The back-to-school list in this issue is provided by the Seymour R-II School District as a service to patrons each year, and that full page comes out of our ad-to-copy ratio.

Also, the brouhaha at Seymour City Hall also forced us take take a look at our space requirements this week.

requirements this week.

The news story I wrote on aliens in Webster County for this issue ran six typewritten pages in length, plus photos and artwork, and my column that accompanies this story are both being held for publication next week.

In the issue of Aug. 19, I've already got two news stories ready to print.



The first concerns a local boy who had his first contact with aliens north of town when he was only in the second grade — a 6-foot-tall "insectioid."

As he grew up in our community, otherworldly events, including numerous sightings of flying saucers and other phenomenon occurred to him.

The second story is an interview with a UFO investigator from Florida who conducted in-depth interviews validating that these events did take place right here in Webster County with the 30 or so adults involved in these strange occurrences.

Watch for the "big bug" story and my interview with Susan Bedell two weeks from now. I promise, this entire package will be well worth your wait!

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Seymour Webster County Citizen
Seymour, MO
August 5, 2009

News clippings are always appreciated!

We encourage you to submit any UFOrelated newspaper clippings to us. Please be
sure to include the name and date of the
newspaper along with the article itself. We
always credit those who submit articles that are
used. Please understand that we may not be
able to use all articles we receive due to space
limitations.

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Crosby, Texas Aug. 20, 2009

Three give chase to triangle UFO over Crosby, Texas

Roger Marsh

Three witnesses traveling through Crosby, Texas, on August 19, encountered and followed a triangle-shaped UFO, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

The group had just been discussing UFOs and how they had seen crafts in this area before, when they came up the object.

As they traveled down Highway 90, they "began to see a light."

"As it came into focus it became clear that it was a triangular craft with white lights on the bottom as well as smaller blinking blue, green, and red ones."

As they observed the object, it made "random changes in direction and have sudden bursts of speed." The group decided to follow it.

They followed the craft for about an hour, and at one point as they were stopped for a passing train, and the object flew directly over them. They lost the craft to the treeline and decided to head home, but back on the highway, they spotted the object again.

The following is the unedited witness testimony from MUFON.

TX, August 19, 2009 - Triangular, Hovering, Silent Craft Over Crosby, Texas. MUEON Case # 18769.

I was in the car with two friends on the way home to Silsbee, Texas from Houston after a comedy open mic night.

When we approached Crosby, Texas my friend Justin said something about UFOs. When I asked him about he said that he had seen them there before. The other friend in the car, Kody said he had seen them also. I did not believe them at first, but as we drove down Hwy. 90 we began to see a light.

As it came into focus it became clear that it was a triangular craft with white lights on the bottom as well as smaller blinking blue, green, and red ones.

The craft hovered very slowly and would make random changes in direction and have sudden bursts of speed. My friends and I decided to follow the craft which we did for nearly an hour and it continued this behavior.

At one point we were chasing it and had to stop for a train when the craft suddenly changed direction and flew very low, directly over us. My friend Kody got out of the car to look and I rolled down the window and looked up. Eventually we lost the craft in the treeline and began to head home. When we hit the highway, we saw it again!

This is the oddest experience of my life. I have no idea what the craft could be. I also don't know how everyone doesn't know about this, especially if it is common enough that my friend could say "Hey there are UFOs here" and then we end up seeing and chasing one. The craft and its prescence had no negative effects on my physical condition but it really gave me the creeps



Ashtabula, Ohio

August 19, 2009

Family spots UFO over lake, near Walnut Beach

ASHTABULA — Joe Mollick and four family members saw an unidentified flying object Tuesday night from the breakwall at Walnut Beach.

They not only watched it, but also it watched and mimicked them.

"My brother-in-law flicked his lighter and moved it a certain way, and it moved the same way," Mollick said. "We watched this thing for two hours, doing patterns in the air, copying us."

Mollick, 37, of Ashtabula, said the strange phenomenon began at about 10 p.m. when the family set out to watch shooting stars.

"We saw this light," he said. "We thought it could have been a plane, but we didn't see any flashing lights."

The object then began moving really fast and changing colors, from white to blue, orange to red, he said. That's when his brother-in-law got out his lighter and Mollick got an idea. He wanted to see whether the object, or its passengers, would respond to them. Mollick flicked the lighter on and began moving it in patterns, he said.

"The UFO followed," he said. "It was far away, but you could tell what it was doing. ... It even made a Slinky pattern."

Then, all of a sudden, it was gone, he said.

"This was definitely strange," he said. "All five of us saw it."

According to Ashtabula Police Department reports, nothing unusual over the lake was reported to police during that time period. Nor did the U.S. Coast Guard's Ashtabula station receive reports of anything unusual in the area, or over the lake, Tuesday night, officials said.

The last UFO sighting in the Star Beacon was a report of a possible crash or meteorite last November in Madison. No wreckage or meteorite ever was found.

Ashtabula resident Mary Standy said she knew the authorities wouldn't find anything in November 2008, aliens or otherwise.

"(The aliens) are gone," she said. "They can take their molecules and separate them."

Standy likened the crash to "Star Trek," where the crew members were "beamed up" into the spacecraft.

BROOMFIELD ENTERPRISE

Broomfield, CO

Sept. 2, 2009

Broomfield UFO sighting lands on Web

By Michael Davidson, Enerprise Staff Writer

Broomfield might need to brace for visitors more worrisome than supercoyotes or plague-spreading prairie dogs.

An unidentified local married couple spotted an unidentified flying object around 5:20 a.m. Monday. The witnesses were on their way to work and were driving separate cars west on Dillon Road. According to a report filed by the husband on the Mutual UFO Network's Web site, the craft was 100 to 150 feet in diameter, round and "could not have been more than 100 feet above the road."

"This craft made no sound at all and I was expecting to hear an engine," the witness wrote. "I slowed down to take a look and rolled my window down. By this time it was about two or three blocks ahead of me coming directly towards us," the witness wrote.

After stopping, the husband continued driving to work. "All of a sudden I lost interest. ... I continued to work and did not know about any UFO or having seen one," he wrote.

The man reports traveling several blocks before looking in his rearview mirror to see his wife "had waited and watched with her head out the window as this craft slowly moved over her car."

He kept driving. The wife called him 30 minutes later, jogging his memory.

Ironically the man wrote he had a camera sitting on his car's passenger seat, but "the thought to take it out and get a photograph never entered my mind."

According to the MUFON report, this wasn't the man's first close encounter. "At first I was very excited as I had not seen a UFO this close to the ground since about 1963 in Washington D.C.," he wrote.

An incident report was not filed with the Broomfield police, Sgt. Mark Goodell said. He suggested checking with authorities in Boulder. The Boulder Sheriff's Office also did not receive a report, said Detective Cmdr. Rick Brough.

A story about the report was first posted Tuesday evening on the Denver Web site of examiner.com. The story was written by Roger Marsh, director of communications for MUFON. Commenters on the Web site wondered if the man's memory lapse was inadvertent or induced somehow by the UFO, and also included a joke about alien presence in Washington D.C.

Whether or not the UFO's pilots hail from Broomfield, Boulder or points beyond, they apparently know a few local traffic tips. Like many residents, they chose to travel Dillon Road, thus avoiding paying tolls on the Northwest Parkway.



Spokane, WA Aug 14, 2009

Mysterious lights spotted over Liberty Lake

LIBERTY LAKE - Several families are looking for answers after they saw strange lights in the night sky Wednesday night they swear were signs of a UFO.

Amateur video shot from the scene shows strange lights in the night time sky moving erratically, changing in both color and size. And it wasn't just one or two people who saw the lights. Up to a dozen members of several families say they saw the same thing and now they're trying to figure out what exactly they saw.

These are normal people from a normal neighborhood who say what they saw last night in the skies southeast of Liberty Lake was anything but normal. It started about 8:45 Wednesday evening when they saw two lights far above the horizon, one white and one green, and they weren't moving in concert with each other.

One person described their movement, "was left to right, up and down, hide behind the cloud, then come out."

The lights were moving in a way they've never seen anything move before and they ruled out an airplane because "it would move in one direction" and they ruled out a helicopter because "if it was a helicopter it would stay stationary and you hear a sound."

After about an hour the green light "eventually took off slowly, then fast" and then the "white light started acting up after the green light left ... bigger and smaller."

An hour after the green light vanished from view the white light, "moved across the sky and went north and it stayed stationary, then it changed all kinds of different colors ... like red blue, green" and then disappeared over the horizon.

The residents of Liberty Lake don't know what they saw or captured on video. Was it some <u>Monsters on Maple Street?</u> Doubtful. Aliens looking for directions to <u>Devil's Tower in Wyoming?</u> Probably not. Extraterrestrials who missed the <u>Independence Day</u> celebrations? Not so much.

What has been confirmed is that Fairchild Air Force Base reports they had no aircraft of any kind in the area Wednesday night. The National Weather Service also reported that while the Perseid Meteor Shower was visible Wednesday night there is no weather phenomenon, including a meteor shower, that could produce those types of lights for that amount of time.

So for now the residents of Liberty Lake will have to wait and wonder whether or not the truth is out

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Houston, TX Aug. 14, 2009

Pilots observe red-orange UFO during take-off at Houston airport

A pilot ready for take-off at Houston Intercontinental Airport August 3, 2009, watched "a very bright and large red light" UFO that dropped a smaller light to the ground, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

Washington MUFON Chief Investigator James E. Clarkson, a friend of the pilot, filed the report with MUFON. Clarkson also posted a story at his UFC more stream on web site.

As the pilot and co-pilot watched the object, it faded away - but then reappeared shortly and was seen moving in a northeasterly direction and bringing it closer to their location.

They described the object as being a "very bright reddish orange color that was a steady light with no flickering. It appeared to be oval shaped."

After they were given clearance to take off, the pilot looked out his left cockpit window and watched as the object "suddenly released another smaller red object and again slowly faded away about the time we reached the runway."

The pilot wanted to alert the tower, but the co-pilot urged him not to say anything. As they turned onto the runway, the object should have then been visible out their right window, but nothing was seen. They climbed out toward the Gulf of Mexico and did not see the object again.

The following is the unedited statement the pilot made to MUFON.

TX, August 3, 2009 - Orange-Red Light releases smaller red light; possibly oval-shaped. METON Case # 18062.

The ID of the primary witness is being withheld for professional reasons. The RP is known to me and considered highly releiable and credible. I spoke with the Sr. FI for MUFON in Houston and he recommended I file this report..

I have deleted specific location identifiers at the Houston International Airport. I will act as go-between if follow-up is needed.

Here is the account from the RP:

Last night (August 3, 2009) we were taxing out at about 2130L hours late out of Houston Intercontinental Airport and were taxing heading west to a spot (Number deleted). We were told to monitor ground control for taxi clearance to the runway. While waiting for our clearance "we" spotted a very bright and large red light that was about 20 to 30 degrees above the horizon. It was moving slowly and appeared to be descending also very slowly. While watching this light, we saw it drop a smaller red light which fell a few seconds and vanish.

We looked at each other (we being my co-pilot and a jump-seating commuter airline pilot sitting in the cockpit jump seat), and said, "Did you see that?? A few seconds later the large red light slowly faded away and disappeared. We thought, "Oh that was weird" and then the large red light suddenly reappeared. It had moved in a northeasterly direction and was now closer to us.

We couldn't tell how far this light was but it was very

bright reddish orange color that was a steady light with no flickering. It appeared to be oval shaped. As we were watching it we were given clearance to taxi so I started moving slowly trying to keep this object in view out my left cockpit window. Then it suddenly released another smaller red object and again slowly faded away about the time we reached the runway. I desperately wanted to ask the tower if they were watching this and my co-pilot said "NO, don't say anything!!". So, I didn't. We turned onto the runway which would have put this object out the right window but my F/O said he didn't see anything so we took off on (Deleted Runway Number) and turned to a heading of 125 and climbed out towards the Gulf of Mexico.

This thing was very strange, it was not a police helicopter or military aircraft, there were no nav lights or srobe lights and it was near a very busy airport. I thought it was strange that no one else mentioned this light to the tower. It was very visible and obvious and was very creepy.

I have read similar eye witness accounts and this could not be explained away as mis-identification. I know what it wasn't but don't know what it was.

Thought you might be interested and it might also be interesting if anyone in the Houston area reported this thing.

Submitted by: James Clarkson MUFON Washington Chief Investigator

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North Carolina, August 28th 2009

My family and I were sitting on the beach at Salter Path. North Carolina. I noticed what I thought was a very bright star, but it was moving and appeared to be blinking. It was followed for about 15 seconds by a smaller looking red dot, which disappeared. The first star-like object was making very erratic movements, which appeared to be twirling.

It came close enough to shore that I could make out the outline of a disc-shaped object which was clearly spinning, with red and white lights around the edges of the middle section of the disc.

The UFO then flew further away, but we could still see the light from it which seemed to blink from the rotation of the craft.

A second one joined it, and began to follow it very erratically. The second one then began to ascend to the upper part of the sky very rapidly. After a few minutes, two military planes tore across the sky in pursuit of the craft, which took off. At this point both craft disappeared. By now, we had all been following the craft for 45 minutes. When the two planes (clearly planes, as the flight pattern was very straight and had no inexplicable, rapid fluctuations unlike the other two lights) came in pursuit, the two discs took off. A very low flying plane closely followed the two jets.

About 20 minutes later, we witnessed something hovering stationary over the water for roughly 30 seconds, then slowly move forward towards the beach.

Once it reached the shore, it flew sideways, and then began to move forward again.

It had two red lights, one on the left and right sides of the front of the craft, and a white light in the middle of the two red ones. There was also a white or orange light possibly on the underside of the craft flashing downwards.

My family and I have been going to this same part of Salter Path for 19 years. Never before have we seen anything like this. All of us are used to seeing planes and helicopters flying at night, as there is a military base in the vicinity (Johnson Air Force Base).

The motions of the lights were such that it would be impossible for a plane or a helicopter. Furthermore, we identified a disc-shaped object to be the source of the lights.

Forest Lake Times

Forest Lake, MN Aug. 18, 2009

UFO investigators drawn to Sylvan Lake mystery

Jennifer Larson Staff Writer

The mystery at Sylvan Lake on July 27 remains unsolved after a thorough search by local agencies and now a probing by a nongovernmental group seeking to document such things that seem out of ordinary.

Rich Webb, a field investigator and Star Team member with the Mutual UFO Network, came to Forest Lake from Omaha, NE, last Friday to follow-up on an anonymous report that was submitted to the organization via its website.

As previously reported by the Forest Lake Times, the search and rescue team from Forest Lake Fire and Rescue responded with its airboat to a report from the 100 block of N. 204th Street just before 2 p.m. of a sizeable object landing in the body of water located south of Scandia Trail (TH-97). The Washington County Dive Team also had nine members searching below the surface through murky water to depths of around 26 feet without locating anything.

Webb said the incident met certain criteria for MUFON to open a case file. Although nothing was seen splashing into Sylvan Lake, a credible eyewitness spied the water rippling out 30 to 40 feet from a spot about 165 yards from the caller's shoreline property. The incident report made to the Forest Lake Police Department report included a first-hand description from the resident of a large swirl and it appeared the water was churning.

Webb said two things struck him as unusual: the centrally circular wave moving outward and a 20 foot diameter of air bubbles emanating from the bottom of the lake found by search and rescue. At the center of the circle it appeared to be an area where the water was more turbulent and bubbling more violently. He noted that MUFON studies phenomenon with scientific methods.

It is possible that what was spotted was the release of methane gas, Webb said.

"Odd things happen in nature," he added.

After the fire department left, the county arrived with its side scanning sonar which is used to efficiently create an image of large areas of the sea floor. According to the sheriff's office initial complaint report, something was located.

The anomaly appeared to be an object the size of a dryer or wash machine and man-made in origins, but is not a rounded object. It was surmised that it could be a satellite that had fallen to earth or something similar, the sheriff's report said.

A big question mark remains as to what caused the splash and what lies on the lake bed, said Chief Deputy Mike Johnson.

Webb said that case number 18646 has been closed by MUFON. And whatever it was is still unknown.

While the UFO hunters investigation may have come as a surprise to the parties involved, Webb said the agencies that responded to the call were very professional when relaying the facts to him.

"I don't think there was a giggle factor," Webb said.

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August 23, 2009

Large rectangular-shaped UFO witnessed over Troy, Montana

Two security officers standing along Spokane Avenue in Troy, Montana, watched a silent rectangular-shaped UFO crossing the sky on August 10, 2009, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

The object was described as "a large/huge rectangle shaped object (reminded me of a gigantic gum eraser) with 1-2 constant white lights towards the front & one rotating/blinking(not sure which)red light towards the rear."

Total observation time was 5 to 10 minutes before the object disappeared over a mountain range.

is a city in Lincoln County, northwest Montana, population 957.

The following is the unedited witness testimony from the MUFON database. Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Manual Manual State Director Augustine Fawkes investigates and reports back on this case, I will update this page.

MT, August 10, 2009 - Saw large rectangular shape with 1-2 constant white light in front & one rotating/blinking red light towards the rear.

I was a security officer waiting for my relief to show up at 2345 hours, in Troy, Mt. on August 10, 2009. While waiting for him I looked skyward & saw this object moving left to right across the sky North-South?

About this time my relief arrived & I pointed this object out to him. He claims to have seen UFO's before & when he saw this object he went running down the street to tell two other security officers watching another site. I don't believe the other two security officers witnessed this event, but we did

It was a large/huge rectangle shaped object (reminded me of a gigantic gum eraser) with 1-2 constant white lights towards the front & one rotating/blinking(not sure which)red light towards the rear. Absolutely no noise & stayed at a constant speed. It was probably in view for 5-10 minutes & then disappeared over a mountain range.

The sky was clear & starlit. It appeared to be between the North star & our observation. We were standing on

Spokane Avenue in the middle of the city of Troy, Mt.

Never having observed a "UFO" before I can't tell you what it was, but it WASN'T an airplane and didn't see any wings! My initial reaction was "gee, look at that" The following days up to today I'm starting to get more excited. I'm more of a maybe there is-maybe there isn't type of person. This sighting is pushing me towards a believer. - BM

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Jessup, PA August 21, 2009

'Orange Blob' UFO drops low over Jessup, PA

A Peckville, PA, man driving through Jessup watched a "decending Orange Ball" the size of a car come to within 500 feet of the ground, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

The man said he first noticed the object as it was moving to the ground toward a little league municipal ball park. He got out of his car and heard the sound of an "electonic cracking noise like a mosqueto zapper."

The object was moving downward in a "jerking" motion and the witness felt that the object was aware of him observing it.

He rushed to his car to get a 35mm camera, but a sudden downpour combined with the darkness prevented him from getting a shot.

The man described the object: "1) black nose, 2)then dark red behind that, 3) then orange behind that, 4) then bright white light behind that as it appeared to be a flattend ball mostly dark redish orange! It made no noise with exception to the carckeling zapping and moved very slowly in a floating like motion!"

The complete sighting lasted 5 minutes. Jessup is a borough in Lackawanna County, northeastern PA, population 4,717. The following is his unedited witness statement from the MUFON database.

PA, August 10, 2009 - Orange Blob. MUFON Case #

As I was approaching the top of Hill Street in Jessup, just before the Stop sign at the Luppini Clock, as I looked up straight towards the Casey Highway as it merged with PA Route 247 and I noticed a decending Orange Ball heading toward the little league municipal ball park hidden om the residual storm clouds as it had poured earlier and was about to do so again.

The low lying clouds were up against this part of Moosic Mountain as the Orange Ball glowed through the gray dense fog type atomosphere decending like a parachute almost floating!

My first thought was an approaching plane going into the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre International Airport after clearing the Omni Guidance Tower atop Archbald's Salem Road [elev 2200'] as the Orange Ball was too low [2000'] way under the normal approach elevation!

As it approached me from the East I awaited it to change direction to the South West and it never did!

It was then I realized this was something very different!

The clock was 9:14 PM Luppini time (only in Jessup, PA).

I traveled about 600' or so and pulled over as another car passed me as I was across an inspection station garage.

I got out of the car as it was decending toward the ball parks high tension power lines that cut through the top area of the three field park.

I could hear a electonic cracking noise like a mosqueto zapper uninterupted as it approach in the still quiet night! A sliver in the clouds opened up as I now had a clear shot!

It was headed toward the tops of the high tension lines for sure!

I was now looking straight up under it as if it were an ultra-lite aircraft.

It was stepping downwardly by going forward and slightly upward in a jerking type motion about 50 feet and then dropping down at a steep slope very rappedly and then stopping.) Similar to a moutain climber decending a steep incline).

It was very very cautious and I believe aware of my presence. I observed this for about 8 to 10 downward steps now having decended to about 800' and still coming down!

I rushed back in the car to dig out a 35 mm camera in the box in the back set and tried to get a shot leaving the setting already set on the camer as I had no light to see by!

I missed the low point as it was already stepping back upwardly and I got one shot and rewound and then it down poured unbelieveably!

The clouds immediately closed up and I dove in the car all wet!

It first appeared about 1/2 the size of a car and then at its low point about the size of a car about 500' up in the air!

Multi colored as follows: 1) black nose, 2)then dark red behind that, 3) then orange behind that, 4) then bright white light behind that as it appeared to be a flattend ball mostly dark redish orange!

It made no noise with exception to the carckeling zapping and moved very slowly in a floating like motion!

I think that it was gathering the EMFs from the top of the high tension power line like maybe recharging itself!

Others last forth of July fire works ingroups of 4 and 5 reported a similar event before and after the display!

Over the past 40 years their have been many white blob sightings usually under 200'.

I felt as it it was alive and acted like an animal being feed from your back porch steps as it was so-so cautious and timmed as it knew enough not to contact the electrical high power lines in the fog like low lying rain clouds, but! needed to charge up or possibly die!

I only wish I had my binoculars as I could have really seened the detail at its lowest point [maybe 400']. I went down the hill to the Convient Mart to see if the Police Men were there for their coffee but no one was around!

I then proceed to Frank's in Simpson for a late snack another place were some type of UFO seem to come and go up the Lackawanna River basin toward their head waters in Arart, PA their apparant area of interest when traveling through!

The total time of this sighting was about 5 minutes!

News clippings are always appreciated!

We encourage you to submit any UFO-related newspaper clippings to us. Please be sure to include the name and date of the newspaper along with the article itself. We always credit those who submit articles that are used. Please understand that we may not be able to use all articles we receive due to space limitations.



Port Austin, M1 July 2009

Encounter with UFO in Michigan

Two Michigan witnesses at Port Austin had two encounters with a "translucent" UFO, then watched as the points of light broke up into groups and began sky maneuvers, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

The first object was spotted at Port Austin, although the witnesses stated that they could see through it, but that there was "a shape independent of the lights."

The witnesses were then driving along Oak Beach Road and were several miles from the beach, when they spotted the same or a similar object. They pulled over and then observed that "the lights all separated into pairs."

Each of the possibly three sets of two lights went in different directions. These small, white lights, then began "blinking in rapid, definite patterns" as though they were signaling to each other.

The witnesses watched these maneuvers for about 10 minutes, and decided to leave the area.

As they got into their car, they noticed that directly above them, "very close, four very bright, big lights came on in the sky." They said that the lights were so bright that they should have lit up everything on the ground around them, but "everything around us appeared as dark as it was before."

Finally the lights went off and on in a pattern "making it appear as if it were climbing." Then one of the small lights "took off" and the four bright lights disappeared. As they left, some of the smaller lights remain in the sky and the witnesses felt that when the large lights came on, it was a deliberate attempt by the object to gain their attention.

Port Austin is a one-square-mile sized village along Michigan's "thumb" region with a population of 737.

Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Michigan MUFON Director Bill Konkolesky investigates and reports back on this case, I will update this page. The following report is unedited. You can read my selected cases by type of UFO report at the Later Language Report index gages.

 $MI,\,July~8,\,2009$ - We saw a huge translucent triangle which later seperated into several smaller lights.

VILFON Case # 18151.

On July 8th my fiance and I drove to Port Austin to watch the sun set on lake Huron. Her parents live just a few hundred feet from Magraw Park on M-25, so we parked there and walked to the park.

They were closing the park gates as we arrived at 10:00 p.m. As far as I knowe we were the only people on that section of beach.

As we were watching I started to here a low rumble not unlike a jet engine but much lower in tone. It was a clear cloudless sky. I commented to my fiance about how close the sound was (sounded like it was right above us), we both searched the sky but could not locate the source of the sound.

I am familiar with this particular sound because for some time I have heard that very sound in this area and never saw any craft to cause it. As a child I lived on an airforce base in Arizona, so I am also familiar with the sound of jet engines.

This was different. More slow and steady. The sound seemes like it came from the south, headed north, and faded away.

A few minutes later the sound returned.

I looked behind me to the south and in the sky above the tree line I saw a triangle of lights, three points making each side, and four lights in the center making a square. It turned in place and moved forward to the north, right above us and out over the lake. It was approximately 200-300 feet high, very large.

As it went over us we noticed you could see the triangle, but whatever was behind it you could see as well, like you could see through it. If it passed in front of a star, you could see the star through it. It continued over the lake until it was out of sight.

I would like to add that although the lights made the outline of the triangle it definately appeared that there was a shape independant of the lights.

We decided to leave.By now it was around 10:30. WE left and took Kennedy rd. to Oak Beach rd.. As we were traveling on Oak Beach, just a few miles from the beach, I saw out my passenger window the same craft or one just like it right beside us.

I told my fiance to stop the car. We got out and watched the craft pass us going toward the beach and as it neared the beach the kights all seperated into pairs.

Eacch pair went in a different direction. The pairs, three I think, started blinking their lights as if signalling to eachother blinking in rapid, definate patterns. They were small, white lights. What was odd was that, unlike the beach, we never heard these craft at all.

The lights appeared to be doing maneauvers. They would move and change direction in unison. Moving sometimes vertically, sometimes horizontally. After watching for maybe 10 minutes we decided we had seen enough and decided to leave.

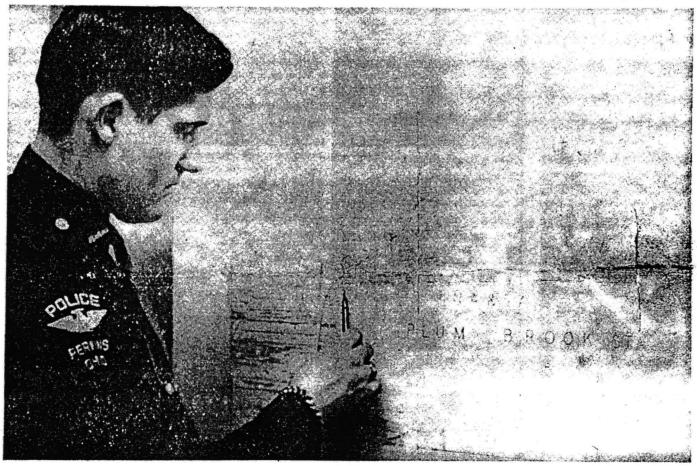
We got in the car and all of a sudden right above us, straight up and down, very close, four very bright, big lights came on in the sky. We were speechless.

It was very strange because the lights looked so bright that they should of lit up everything around us but they did;nt. Everything around us appeared as dark as it was before. The bottom light would disappear and one would appear at the top of the collumn at the same time making it appear as if it were climbing. It did this a few times then one of the small lights appeared at the top of the collumn and it took off straight up and the four bright lights disappeared.

We were pretty spooked at this point and left, but when we did the smaller lights were still up there moving around. We both got the impression that when those four lights came on it was a deliberate attempt to get our attention. I have had other experiences in the past. I would like to speak to someone about them but don't know how to go about it.



FROM THE ARCHIVES



CONSTABLE BUTLER INDICATES AREA WHERE HE SPOTTED UFO ated over "steam cloud" explanation. (Register Photo—Dick McCullough)

Sandusky Register Sandusky, OH Feb. 10, 1967

Sandusky Register Fri. Feb 10, 1967

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"I saw a solid, bluish disc, in the opposite direction of the NASA reactor site. I know enough about physics to judge the difference between gas and solid matter—I just wish I would have had someone else with me to prove I saw

THE ABOVE quote is Per-kins Constable Gary Butler's morning reaction to the uni-dentified flying object (UFO) he witnessed at approximately 3:40 a.m. today while on routine patrol.

Butler told the Register he was working his usual 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. shift and after dinner drove from South Campbell Street to Little Schenk

"As I was coming over a bridge, I noticed an object in the sky. At first, I thought it was the Bellevue railroad lights, but when I drove a little further, I got a better

"THE DISC was approximately two miles from me, I judge it was about 20 feet in diameter and approximately 40 feet off the ground. I stopped my car, turned off the motor but-left my radio the motor, but left my radio turned on—I heard no noise, the object didn't move.

"I sat watching it for a few

minutes and truthfully, I was scared. I've never seen anything like it before and I newver want to see anything like it again. I waited a few minutes and then called the deputies and the patrol.

"AFTER I made the call, the object which had hovered for six or seven minutes began to drop out of sight behind an outline of trees. When the other officers arrived, it was gone."

A deputy at the Erie County Sheriff's Department told the Register he answered Butler's radio call last night. The deputy, who wished to remain unidentified, said "I saw noth-ing at all when I got there just the stars, the moon and some steam clouds coming from a NASA reactor site. I from a NASA reactor site. I retraced the route, but still came up with nothing."

Butler said he was mildly irritated with the steam cloud explanation. "I don't want to say I think it was a flying saucer — honestly, I don't know what it was. But it seems hard to believe it could be to be a compared to the said to be a standard form." have been steam clouds from a reactor a mile or more away in the opposite direction besides, the wind was blowing in a southwesterly direction and would have carried the steam over near Huron. I saw the object in the direction of Bellevue."

ON JAN. 30, the Register learned of an USO sighted over the NASA grounds by Reinhardt N. Ausmus, Erie County Veterans Service Officer and his wife. The couple said they saw the object, described as a briliant light, while driving home; they left their car to watch the object for several minutes. Ausmus is a member of the Early Birds, a club for World War I aviators.

Butler ended his comments Butler ended his comments on last night's spotting by saying, "I know people will probably say I'm some kind of nut, but I really did see something. I have better things to do with my time than to call in fake UFO's."

THE YOUNG officer explained he was "wide awake — I had lots of sleep. I know I saw something, but I just don't know what." Butler usually makes his patrol with another officer, but "unfortu-nately, the other officer was not with me last night.

Butler stated he has talked with many residents around the Plum Brook Station who have supposedly seen UFO's in their area. "Too many people are seeing them, I don't know what to think." Butler also reported he listened to a traffic commu-nication from Bellevue last night after the spotting and said "some Bellevue officers said they also spotted UFO's last night, but they were red in color and disappeared so fast they couldn't get a good look."



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UFO rocks viewers in live telly show

STUNNED viewers saw a UFO streak across the sky during a live TV newscast.

The eerie glowing disc flashed across screens in 100,000 homes as presenter Colin Briggs read breakfast headlines on the BBC's regional news show Look North.

The mystery object in the centre of Newcastle was picked up by a web-cam which the programme uses as a

live backdrop to the news.

The orb hurtled across the River
Tyne towards the city's Gateshead
Millennium Bridge as rush-hour

by EMILY HALL and EMMA WALL

commuters headed for work. Yesterday, former Ministry of Defence UFO expert Nick Pope said aliens could not be ruled out. "It is almost certainly not a meteor or fireball," he said.

Holiday

"At first I thought it was a bird, but At first I thought it was a bird, but I didn't see any of the flapping that you would expect. This flies in the face of the assumption that UFOs are only seen in open countryside."

A BBC spokeswoman said: "The mystery has certainly captured view.

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ers' imagination with over 200,000

watching the clip on our website."

A second UFO mystery was uncovered when Brit tourist Colin Butler found a weird "spacecraft" on his holiday videos.

A glowing purple orb appears to zip across the shot in a shaft of green light as Colin, 40, plays with his kids on a beach in the Costa del Sol.

Shaken Colin, from Camden, north London, did not see or hear anything at the time, but he said yesterday: "It's eerie. I'm more and more convinced it's a UFO."

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Finding the answers mostlv!

FO. Unidentified flying object. This means something flying that we don't understand, not necessarily a flying saucer.
For example, a while ago while
walking round Huddersfield
market, an unidentified flying
object hit me on the back of the

I quickly identified what it was by looking at the ground. It was a

I mention this because I've a good idea who threw it. He's still on the market and should I happen to be walking round with a carrot in my

pocket, watch out. Back in the early 60s, blazing sputniks were reported flying over Huddersfield at hundreds of miles an hour. This shows the imagination of the public when recounting what they've seen.
These Sputniks turned out to be art student Martin Bell's large hot air balloons. Folk would still have



■ UNREAL: A UFO above Slaithwaite in early June

continued believing in these UFOs but the mystery was solved when one landed on the ICI benzene plant causing a panic. Now, this is all forgotten and folk want to believe the hot air Chinese lanterns floating about are evidence of extra terrestrial life. Folk desperately want to believe in extraterrestrial beings. This is not new. At one time people kept reporting they'd seen angels. Even large numbers reported seeing them together.

Remember the Angel of Mons in the First World War? No-one I know of sees them now. Perhaps they've ungraded and are using

space ships.

Misidentification is rife in the UFO. world. I remember a friend of mine outside a pub was convinced he could see red and white lights passing across the night sky. What he was seeing was reflected car lights going along wet telephone cables. He couldn't see the cables, only the reflected lights. He's since had his cataracts fixed. Some UFO spotters are aware of these misinterpretations. I was travelling from London on the train when I noticed the guy next to me was reading Flying Saucer Review. I remarked: "I thought the magazine was no longer published." He told me he was one published." He told me ne was one of the authors and would I like to look at it. I said: "I love to." While looking through I spotted an advert for a radio-controlled Zeppelin. I said: "I think I'll get

one." The chap said, "If you do let us know we don't want another load of false reports."
I did get one, but I've never used

Now, why have I suddenly started on about something I don't believe in? Well, the other day I met Sandra who reminded me of an incident many years ago. I'd just come out of Greenhead Park at the Junction Pub end. I looked back over the park and I saw a horizontal, oval, mirrored silver object travelling slowly across an absolutely clear blue sky. I couldn't believe it. There was no one around to confirm it. I rushed into the garage and got Sandra the In garage and got sandra the manageress to come out. I just said: "Look over there". She also saw it quite clearly. When she reminded me the other day she said from that day to this she never figured out what it was. I haven't either Confused of Kirkburton

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THIS IS WILTSHIRE

July 31. 2009 England

Is this really a UFO over Westbury?

By James Williams »

An amateur photographer from Westbury has taken what he describes as 'a shot in a million' of a UFO seemingly tracking an RAF plane.

The 56 year-old, from The Butts, Westbury, who wishes to remain anonymous, took this photograph at about 3.45pm on July 22 while in his garden looking towards the Westbury White Horse.

The image shows a Hercules from RAF Lyneham being trailed by a mysterious shape in the background.

The photographer said: "I don't believe in things from outer space — I think that kind of thing is ludicrous — but that thing was definitely tracking the plane.

"My neighbour was in the garden at the time and I wanted to shout to them, but I didn't want to say 'there's a flying saucer in the sky' so I didn't say anything in the end.

"I thought at the time this is too good to be true and I didn't think it would come out as good as it has. If I was to say it was a shot in a million I don't think I'd be exaggerating.

"To be honest I find it extremely embarrassing that I've taken this photo but it should be in the public forum for people to discuss.

"I'm just desperately curious to find out what it

"Since I've taken the photo I've been on some UFO websites and there's nothing remotely like this photo with an RAF plane being tracked.

"I rang the RAF to tell them what I had seen but all I got was cynicism, which is understandable."

An MoD spokesman 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."

UFO fanatics will be gathering in the neighbouring town of Warminster from August 29-30 for the Weird 09 festival – billed as Wiltshire's biggest UFO and paranormal event. The event, at the Athenaeum Centre, will include a skywatch at Cradle Hill in Warminster.



STH WOODFORD: 'Jellyfish UFO' spotted again

July 20, 2009

By Daniel Binns

A "JELLYFISH-LIKE" unidentified flying object (UFO) raised eyebrows when it was apparently spotted over the skies of South Woodford on Friday (July 17).

Three witnesses said they saw the object at around 10pm.

Erick Harding, one of those who claimed to have seen the mysterious craft, wrote on a UFO website: "[It] looked like a jelly fish with a fire at the bottom.

"[It] went off into the west and then came back once more."

It comes a year after the Guardian reported a similar sighting over Charlie Brown's roundabout on the border between Woodford Green and South Woodford, by the Gross family of Baddow Close in Woodford Green.

Have you seen a UFO over the skies of Wanstead or Woodford? Email us at dbinns@london.newsquest.co.uk

MIDWEEK HERALD

Devonshire, UK

July 03, 2009

Third UFO sighting in a week

A FURTHER UFO sighting has been reported in East Devon - the third in a week.

The latest phenomenon was spotted over Raymonds Hill, near Axminster.

Eye witness David Kenning, of Cunningham Avenue, said: "Myself, my partner and a friend saw several orange lights in the sky, which seemed to be between Axminster and Raymonds Hill looking from Millwey.

:At first we thought them to be helicopter lights, but they were jerking about at right angles.

"They seemed to disappear then re-appear a few moments later in a different part of the sky.

"The movements were not normal for aircraft.

They also seemed to stay still in the sky one minute and shoot in another direction the next.'

Other recent UFO sighting have been over Payhembury and Sidbury.

Evening News

Scarborough, UK August 23, 2009

Students report UFO above castle

By Ian Duncan

MORE strange objects have been spotted in the sky over Scarborough.

Several people contacted the Evening News with reports after earlier this week we published an article detailing recent unexplained sightings.

Lecturer Pat Argent said two groups of his foreign exchange students spotted an unexplained flying object (UFO) above Scarborough Castle at 9.45pm on Tuesday.

He said one group had been at the top of the steps at the side of the Grand Hotel and the others were sitting on the beach at the time of the sighting and they all saw it.

"It was like a big fireball. It started to go up from the castle area and it was moving up in the sky with a straight trajectory. After a few minutes it stopped and it became fixed for around five minutes. Then it disappeared," he

Mr Argent said he saw a UFO in November 2007 and the Spanish students had been sceptical - but now they were convinced about them after witnessing it for themselves.

The students who saw the object were Sergio Guindas Garcia, Ana Maria Checa Sanchez-Oro, Guillermo Bautista Ruiz, Alvaro Lozano Carneros, Carlos Remiro Hernandez, Tomas Rodriguez Huescar and an unknown French student.

And 61-year-old Carol Buxton said she also spotted a yellow ball above the houses in Wain Close in Eastfield on Sunday at about 10pm.

She said it had a number of red lines extending from the ball and was travelling at about 30mph in an easterly direction. She said: "My daughter, Katie Barker, said 'Look at that in the sky' and we all got up to have a look. It was just above the houses. It was going quite slowly."

She added that it could not have been a helicopter because there was no noise and they watched it for three or four minutes before it just disappeared.

There was also a spate of sightings in the Filey area with witnesses reporting bright orange lights - and even flying saucers. Earlier this month, holidaymaker Barry Liles reported a large white object about 50ft above the ground in Muston.

Russ Kellett, of Filey, who has recently been appointed as the vice chairman of the British Flying Saucer Bureau, said he had received a lot of reports lately including one from a woman who lives in Hunmanby.

He said: "On Sunday night at about 11pm she said she saw three orange lights in formation and a red light that seemed to be following behind.

"They came over near Hunmanby then went out across Primrose Valley and when they got out there they went north up the coast."

He said the same woman claimed to have seen a "flying saucer" land in a field near her home about three weeks ago. "She said it had a lot of fairy lights round it in all different colours."

Sightings of **UFO** similar to those 16 years ago

Shropshire Star England July 31, 2009

Fresh sightings of a large V-shaped craft with flashing lights spotted over Shrop-shire are similar to those which sparked an Ministry of Defence probe 16 years ago, a former head of the Government's UFO project said today

Government's UFO project said today.

The first new sighting of the UFO was spotted over the Sutton Farm area of Shrewsbury on Saturday, before later being seen on Sunday near Oswestry in a separate incident.

separate incident.

One witness described seeing a large V-shaped object with four lights down each side of it.

Nick Pope, who ran the Ministry of Defence UFO project from 1991-4, said the sightings of the craft appeared similar to one he investigated in 1993.

He said: "These latest sightings certainly sound similar to the 1993 sightings I investigated, which culminated in the direct overflight of RAF Cosford and RAF Shawbury, witnessed by sev-Shawbury, witnessed by several members of the RAF.

"The official MoD report, which was sent to the assistant chief of the Air Staff, concluded 'There would seem to be some evidence on this occasion that an unidenthis occasion that an unidentified object (or objects) of unknown origin was operat-ing over the UK'."

UFO mystery

ON SEVERAL nights earlier this month I was alerted to a noise while in bed, a noise like a lorry/motorbike/jet.

On one occasion I witnessed some kind of aircraft circling the sky. In one quarter the lights on the aircraft were white, another quarter green/blue, and the other red, then it circled again flashing red. It was 3am and people were even in the street watching and

pointing.

The aircraft flew right over my house and I could see that it wasn't shaped conventionally but like a missile with two lights, a bright white one directly on the rear end and a blue/green one slightly further up.

This aircraft was clearly metallic as I could see light reflecting. It did not have wings and was not moving conventionally, nor moving in a straight line, but diagonally. Has anybody else seen this in the Weston Village area?

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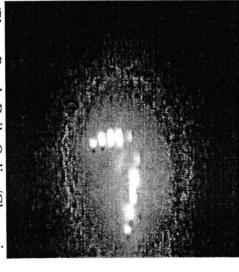
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China August 30, 2009

UFO hovers in China for half an hour over Chongqing



(Photo: People Daily Online/Chongqing

At about 10 pm on the evening of August 23, a UFO appeared in the sky above Beibei Binjiang Road in Chongqing. The UFO was "V" shaped and its color changed in the order of red, blue, green, yellow and white at short intervals. Hundreds of people watched but no one heard any sound produced by engines or propulsion Evening)

During the half hour that the UFO appeared, a civil airplane passed by. Witnesses compared the civil airplane to the UFO and discovered that the UFO was obviously

After hovering for about half an hour, the periphery of the UFO began to twinkle and then it disappeared in the night

Powys a hotspot for UFO sightings Llanfair Caereinion with his daughter. It was 11pm when they came across three orange lights hovering in the sky, two of the lights moved off very fast and disappeared, the other light was left just zig-zagging. "Further afield, Ian Hawkins was camping in late May at Shell Island when he sighted three orange spheres coming over the sea towards him, they were totally silent before two of the three

spheres ascended into the clouds. "Another witness, Mr Ian Welch, from Bala, North Wales, claims he has been in contact with beings not of this world and has many high quality photographs depicting totally unconventional aerial craft.

"The message related to this encounter witnessed by the occupants of these crafts is very clear and profound, mankind must stop its relentless pursuit of material gain and its favourite past time of tribal warfare and work for the unification of all nations and work in harmony with the planet and its life

"Also at Bala a Breakdown Mechanic, Andy Carter, was travelling alongside Bala Lake, en-route to a stranded vehicle. His attention was drawn to a bright orange light, irregular in shape, and resembled something in flames or burning.

"Many people are still of the belief that all these orange spheres are no more than Chinese lanterns but if they are lanterns they must be built by NASA as many do not conform to any conventional type of aircraft and display intelligent control and advanced technology."

As more and more sightings are being reported a picture is developing indicating areas where the UFO activity is concentrated, if any reader would like to report their own sightings contact Phil Hoyle by email at phil.hoyle@yahoo.co.uk or by phoning 01743 245574.

By RICHARD JONES richard.jones@countytimes.co.uk

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"What is also very interesting is that farmers in these areas are observing odd lights in the sky at night above their farms and bizarrely discovering the next day their animals dead.

"What is going on is there a connection to these strange animal deaths and the unconventional lights in the sky.

"Kay Jones, who lives on the out-skirts of Welshpool saw three spheres appear in succession at 10.45pm on a Saturday night, but unlike the Newtown sightings, they were not orange, but an incredible shade of vivid green.

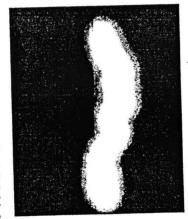
"The lights seemed to pulsate and were almost in the bedroom with her. She told me how it left her too shaken to move for a few minutes, and when she looked at her bedside clock it appeared to have lost an hour.

"Since that experience Kay has had a persistent headache on one side of her temple, which she is unable to get rid of."

At 11pm on Sunday, July 12, Susan Blake, of Bettws Cedewain, told me how she witnessed a large shining bright light approach her house, and as it got closer she could clearly see a disk shaped object with a dome on top. She said it appeared to land behind trees and it was silent, definitely not a helicopter.

"I have checked with RAF Shawbury and Nesscliffe and they had no known operational flights at that time.

"Emma Richards, of Trehafren, Newtown, observed orange spheres in groups of three, which then tripled in size and became translucent. They then shot through the sky and disappeared above a field



by her house. "Her husband also sighted three similar orange spheres while driv-ing on the A470 over the Brecon Beacons between Builth Wells and Rhayader and managed to take photos of them.

"By examining these reports for colorations sometimes it's possible to create a projected flight path of the spheres and many reports that the Brecon Beacons are a hot spot activity and even might be the origin of some of the orange spheres.

"On May 28, another bloke I have met up with, James Hall, was travelling back from Dolanog towards

Get in touch

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ALLNEWSWEB

September 2, 2009

UFO seen Ħ Ukraine

Michael Cohen

home by a UFO late at night: ail to us describing a rather odd from the town of Vinnitsa in and a friend were followed

the Ukraine, claimed that she

A reader recently sent an email to us UFO experience. The reader, from the

'It was at around 11pm on Friday of July 31 when myself and a friend were walking home from a night out. We were walking through a rather dark street and we noticed that it was lighter than usual. We looked up and saw a large white light hovering above us. As we walked it seemed as if it was following us and we started to run away. Then it vanished instantly. It was much larger than a star and it was

We have no idea whether this event really inventor of alien origin or not but thought we might share a translation of the email with our readers so that they can make up their own minds. Reports of UFOs are relatively are in most of the ex-Soviet event really involved a UFO

Calgary Herald

Calgary, Alberta, Canada. August 13, 2009

A Record number of Albertans report UFOs

157 sightings recorded in the province last year

By Tamara Gignac,

CALGARY - From fireballs to flying saucers, Alberta is a hot spot for extraterrestrial tourists suggests a record number of people in the province spotted mysterious objects zooming through the sky last year.

From unusual lights to unexplained aircraft manoeuvring in mid-air, "Albertans are definitely seeing some unusual things," said Chris Rutkowski, a Winnipeg-based "ufologist" who has spent the past two decades studying reports filed by more than 15,000 witnesses coast to coast.

The number of UFO sightings in Alberta last year was the highest ever, with 157 residents spotting unusual celestial activities.

That doesn't surprise Rutkowski, who believes a combination of factors, including the ease with which people can report their observations to UFO-themed websites, has contributed to the uptick.

Flying saucers -- once the standard mode of transport for alien life forms--have apparently fallen out of vogue, with more people characterizing their observations as a fireball or mysterious blob.

"It's not egg-shaped, spherical or triangular in shape, but something with protrusions and the lights seem to change shape as you're watching," said Rutkowski. "The Hollywoodstyle flying saucer is really passe, in some ways."

Numerous sightings occurred in Calgary, including one in December, in which two people reportedly saw a yellow object moving over the city at 11 a. m. It was small and witnesses said it didn't behave like an aircraft.

A week earlier, another person allegedly saw a UFO-like object following a helicopter at 8:12 p. m.

Calgarian Jim Moroney spends much of his spare time meticulously logging these sorts of extraterrestrial encounters for his Alberta UFO Study Group, an organization that keeps track of sightings it deems credible.

People were once shy to come forward for fear of being ridiculed but they're increasingly comfortable sharing their stories, said Moroney.

That could explain the recent spike in the number of reported sightings --not just in Alberta, but across the country, he noted.

There were 1,004 UFOs recorded in Canada last year, compared with 141 in 1989.

"The public is demanding more open discussion and debate around the issue," said Moroney.

"It's one of the reasons why I maintain a website to allow for a venue for people to report sightings."

Of the 8,600 unusual observations logged in Canada during the past two decades, about 14 per cent were deemed "unexplained," meaning they don't seem to be aircraft or fireballs.

Skeptics say weather is often a factor in many mysterious sightings -- and lenticular clouds are a frequent culprit in Alberta.

"They are saucer-shaped and usually occur along the foothills," said Global TV weather expert Paul Dunphy.

"People that really want to believe in UFOs have in the past reported seeing a bunch of them hovering near the horizon for hours."

But if more people are catching a glimpse of visiting aliens, they aren't reporting it to the UFO Sightings Hotline in St. Paul.

The northern Alberta town--famous for its 12-metre-high landing pad for flying saucers -- has recorded a steady drop in calls over the years.

"This area used to be quite active. Maybe it's getting old," said tourist information officer Duane Zaraska.

The majority of UFO sightings are actually stars and planets, admits Rutkowski -- but some are less clear.

"There are always a residual number each year that we simply can't explain," he said.

He estimates that one in 10 Canadians have spotted a UFO-like object in their lifetime and many cases go unreported.

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EL MERCURIO CALAMA

Sunday, June 28, 2009

UFO sighting in Tierra del Fuego



Great expectation was caused by a UFO sighting in the skies of Tierra del Fuego. A short time

ago in Chile, the profile of subjects related to extraterrestrial experiences was lowered. But this

new case again places the subject in the category of a national contingency.

The events were clear. Professional cameraman Danilo Breskovic Essedin, 30, witnessed a sighting in 1998. Up until that time he had never believed in the existence of extraterrestrials.

The encounter was in San Juan and the sighting had a luminous white smoke like shape, and a strong burning smell. At that time he was carrying a camera which he did not hesitate to use and record the strange phenomenon.

But his experience did not stop there and this year, to be precise on Sunday, June 7, he had another sighting.

Together with his friend, attorney Juan José Arcos, they were returning from Tierra del Fuego. They were going to make a video. They arrived at the Caleta river in a jeep after midnight. They decided to get off and walked some 600 meters into the woods.

At that time the strange experiences began. There were two circles on the sand, a meter in diameter, as if something had landed there.

But it was hours later while driving, that they saw a light in the sky. At first they thought it was a plane or chopper and thought no more about it. But when they entered the highway the clouds had dispersed somewhat and the light started to be more steady. Breskovic quickly took a couple of photos, but did not know the magnitude of the shapes the light was taking. As if this were not enough, with the jeep moving again, the radio went silent for ten minutes. Later on this was accompanied with some environmental alterations, which made this pair of friends leave the area.

Brescovic felt vulnerable by this unknown event and quickly went to the local media in search of an explanation. After reviewing all the photos it was evident that the images were very strange. They don't resemble planes or any weather phenomenon. To this must be added the experience these two friends had, when the only thing they wanted to do was to finish a video job.

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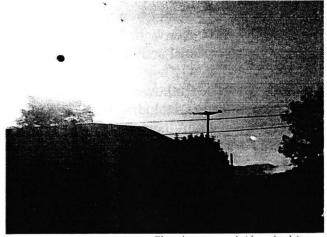


Wednesday, August 5, 2009

UFO in downtown Salta?

The picture was sent in by a reader. It happened last Monday at the corner of O'Higgins and Dean Funes.

Pamela Franco is a regular reader of El Tribuno. Last Monday, while she was working in downtown as usual, she stopped at the corner of O'Higgins and Dean Funes delighted It was 9.30 am, the sun was shining high above the hills that surround the city, a few clouds called her attention. She snapped a picture with her cell phone which is not the latest generation, as a keepsake.



The image and the doubt

Some hours later, while quietly at home, she recalled the event and searched for the image on the phone. To her surprise, the hill came out very small and could hardly be seen. But there was a black, circular spot over the upper left margin which she did not remember having seen at the time she took the photo.

"It's UFO" said one of her small daughters. Her husband Juan Carlos immediately sent the image to El Tribuno Digital "to find out if any other readers saw something the same day".

Members of the paper's Photographic Edition department concluded that "the photo does not seem to have been altered with any photo editing software". However, they remarked that it could be an "effect of the sun on the camera", or else a reflection. On the other hand they did not reject the possibility of it being "a small debris stuck to the lens". In any case, the professionals would not dare to give a final verdict.

ALLNEWSWEB

25 August 2009

UFO events in Nigeria

Michael Cohen

The question is sometimes asked as to why UFOs are not seen often in Africa.

The answer is simple: They are seen. All the time and as much as anywhere else.

Much of Africa's population still live traditional lives in isolated rural areas. Most Africans simply do not have access to the Internet, Communications networks or media outlets that westerners take for granted. Most do not own mobile phones with or without camera's. As a result virtually all UFO sightings remain unreported but by no means forgotten by those that experience them.

Some sighting reports do make it to the west and Nigeria is one nation that is known to experience high levels of UFO activity.

Recent Nigerian sightings include:

'On February 27 of this year one witness to a UFO event alleged in a report made to MUFON: 'I was showing my family the crescent moon with Venus and was trying to figure out if Venus was the bright star we noticed the night before, so I thought I'd just watch the sky for a while to see if any other bright star would become visible...as I was staring at the moon...a very bright star SUDDENLY appeared on the left hand side, parallel to the moon! As I gasped it started travelling to the left in a flash and an absolute straight line, so I called my husband over to take a look (he was seated 5feet away from me and the window), he got there just in time to see it and in another flash it vanished. In detail, when it appeared it was golden/whitish and stationary like a huge star, then started suddenly moving very fast to the left and travelled a very short distance horizontally and seemed to swell with a greenish tinge and what looked like the beginning of a tail when it suddenly stopped and ...gone..Vanished! NO sound at all! NO smoke at all! NOTHING! Like it was never there!!! I am still stunned!'

Last year on the 1st of May the following most interesting event was reported to MUFON:

'My wife and I were both coming (walking) from my brother's place who just relocated to vicinity close to my place which is the same address written above. As we were walking, I looked at the sky (which I usually do just as a hobby) then, I saw two objects in the sky moving around. They were oval-disc like is shape and silverly (luminous) in appearance's noticed they were darting around but one was more active than the other. Quite surprised at their movement, i realised what we saw were obviously aircrafts. To my knowledge, these crafts were unlike any man-made machine as they did not make any sound at least to our hearing.

It was dark when we eventually got home but to my surprise, my neighbours had also seen it, they didn't really know what they were. But due to my knowledge on it (I have read and seen documentary) i knew they were UFO. At a point one was relatively stable but the second kept moving, darting around as if on observation mission. There was no public power supply so the sky was quite clear. I was awed by the reality facing me, all what I have read and seen on documentary seems to be facing me that night. I watch till two minutes after 9 pm before going to bed.

The following evening, my brother in-law with his

girlfriend visited us from Mile 2, a place where my wife's parents live. I told him about what I saw the previous night and he corroborated it that they saw it too. I later showed him the illustration in my Longman dictionary. He agreed that what they saw was very similar to the UFO illustration.

But funny enough no media reported it.

I would have posted this UFO observation earlier but due to how things are, am just gaining access to an internet.'

One suspects these reports are the tip of the iceberg as far as African sightings are concerned and as they illustrate, the location on the globe has little effect on descriptions given by witnesses.

THIS IS GUERNSEY

Guernsery, UK August 24, 2009

'UFO was no Chinese lantern'

By Thom Ogier

Chinese lanterns are often to blame for UFO sightings - but not this time, say the Le Patourels.

A COUPLE claim to have spotted UFOs over Guernsey.

Kerry and Lorraine Le Patourel, who live in St Sampson's, said they were returning from a barbecue on Saturday 8 August when strange, glowing orbs appeared in the sky.

Mrs Le Patourel, 32, raced to get a camera ready, but by the time she had, the objects had moved further away.

'At first we thought they were flares, but they were the wrong colour and they came up slowly from the east, then seemed to change direction and disappeared quite quickly to the south,' she said.

Her husband, Kerry, a 31-year-old carpenter, dismissed the idea they could have been Chinese lanterns, as recent sightings in the UK have proved to be.

'The first one appeared to stop, then changed direction and moved off - I can only describe it as an orb,' he said.

'I have seen lanterns and satellites and stuff in the sky before, but this was totally different. It was definitely not a lantern, no way. And then the second one appeared on the same route as the first and also changed direction.'

A Guernsey Met Office spokesman said nothing untoward had been observed that evening.

'Our best guess would be a fast moving aircraft coming up from France,' he said. 'This would appear slow moving as it flies towards the observer and with its lights on appearing orange, as it's low in the atmosphere - similar to the way the moon appears orange and magnified when it is close to the horizon. As the aircraft then turns away from the observer, it would appear to speed up.'

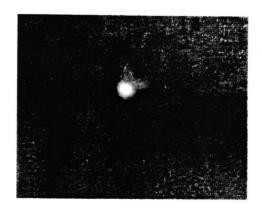
* Anyone else who saw anything suspicious in the sky on Saturday 8 August can contact Thom Ogier via

oglaring better i-press com.

Rutland & Stamford Mercury

Stamford, UK

14th August 2009



Picture: Is this a UFO?

TWO UFO sightings have been reported in the area. Basil Donnor took a picture of a bright round object in the skies in Ryhall on August 1 while Alan Banks spotted two orange balls of light over his home in Thurlby on Friday night last week.

Mr Donnor initially went into his garden in St Tibba Way, Ryhall, to photograph a beautiful sunset but spotted the object on later inspection of the photograph on his digital camera.

When the photograph was blown up the following day on his 43-year-old daughter Sarah Donnor's computer in Parker Road, Stamford, a bright round object with a tail effect was seen.

Retired Mr Donnor, 74, describes the object as being a veil with a knot in it and believes it could be an interdimensional space ship.

He said: "I know people make ridicule of people who see UFOs. If it is not explainable, people can't accept it but I took a picture of it and I have evidence."

Mr Banks saw the balls at about 10.35pm when he had a cigarette outside his home in Chapel Lane.

He said one shot up before they both disappeared. Mr Banks, 63, believes it was not plane having worked for 40 years at Aviation Traders.

He said: "It certainly wasn't an aeroplane.
"I really don't know what it was. I have had the mickey taken out of me and I really don't know. I have never seen anything ike this before."

People all over the country have been enjoying shooting stars thanks to the Perseid meteor shower over the last week.



US NEWS TODAY

Aug. 12, 2009, USA

An amateur photographer believes he captured a UFO tracking an RAF Hercules as it approached RAF Lyneham in Wiltshire.

John Powell, 56, claims an unusual silver orb was following the military craft as it came in to land at the base.

The retired school teacher was gardening at his home in nearby Westbury when he noticed the sun glinting off the circular surface.

"I don't believe in things from outer space but that thing was definitely tracking the plane," he said.

"My neighbour was in the garden at the time and I wanted to shout to them, but I didn't want to say 'there's a flying saucer in the sky' so I didn't say anything in the end."

Mr Powell, who taught computer sciences in Belfast for 30 years, added: "I thought at the time this is too good to miss but I didn't think the picture would come out as good as this.

"If I were to say it was a shot in a million I don't think I'd be exaggerating. I'm desperately curious to find out what it is.

"Since I've taken the photo I've been on some UFO websites and there's nothing remotely like this with an RAF plane being tracked."

The incident happened as John was gardening at 3.45pm on July 22.

RAF Lyneham is the military base where the bodies of fallen British soldiers are flown back into the UK on Hercules planes but there were no repatriations that day.

Ministry of Defence bosses said they would not be investigating because they so not consider it a "potential threat".

A spokesman 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."

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FORTEANA NEWS

Seattle Times Seattle, WA Aug. 13, 2009

Crop circles lure visitors to Wilbur

A wheat-field mystery grew, briefly, in Eastern Washington

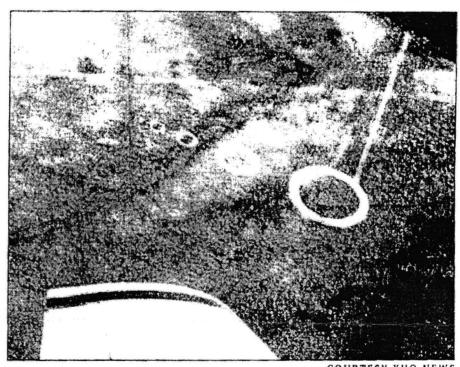
BY JONATHAN MARTIN Seattle Times staff reporter

WILBUR, Lincoln County -The Chamber of Commerce in Wilbur paused last year to give special thanks to an uncommon type of visitor who doesn't come around much but makes each visit count

"Thanks to the Aliens who made Wilbur their Vacation Destination!" reads an award of appreciation.

Wilbur, a no-stopligm wheat town (population 960) 65 miles west of Spokane, is on the way to becoming the Northwest's hub for the extraterrestrial-obsessed. For the second time in three years, crop circles have mysteriously appeared in wheat fields, generating curiosity, jokes and coffee-shop debates of the "Big

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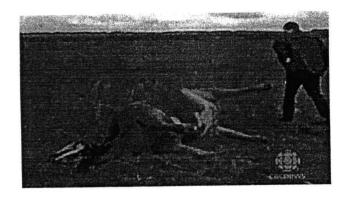
Crop circles sprouted in the wheat fields on the Haden family farm in Wilbur, 65 miles west of Spokane, in late July.

CBC News Saskatchewan, Canada

August 19, 2009

Slain cow may have been mutilated: farmer

This cow, discovered by Neil Bartsch in a pasture north of Saskatoon, sustained a number of unusual injuries. (CBC)



A farmer north of Saskatoon is concerned that one of his cows may have been subjected to a cruel mutilation after discovering the slain animal had sustained highly unusual injuries.

Neil Bartsch told CBC News that he discovered the animal in his pasture on Wednesday morning. There was a large amount of blood around the cow, and several gruesome injuries.

He said he had never seen anything like it in 25 years of raising cattle.

Bartsch said cuts on the cow looked very smooth and did not resemble tear marks that he would associate with a predator, such as coyotes.

He noted that entire parts of the animal seemed to have been carved away and that half of the animal's head was missing.

Bartsch notified police who went to the scene Wednesday afternoon to investigate.



WHEAT-FIELD MYSTERY

Farmer jokes about formations, and yet ...

Question."

The most recent appeared in late July on a remote hill-side of the Haden family wheat farm just south of Wilbur. Five rings of declining size, plus one circle, were crushed into ripe wheat. "This is the one where they put the spaceship landing pad down," said Keith Haden, pointing to the circle, and struggling to keep a straight face.

His friendly skepticism is the prevailing local mood. Depending on your belief in the supernatural, crop circles are either a mysterious sign of extraterrestrial contact or a clever hoax that has risen in popularity since the mid-1970s. Southern England has been ground zero, but at least three formations have been reported in Eastern Washington farmland since 1993.

Before Haden's formation. the most recent and celebrated was an elaborate set of nine circles found in June 2007, amid 120 acres of green wheat northwest of Wilbur. That sighting was widely reported, and the Llewellyn farm was soon inundated with out-of-state tourists in saris and tinfoil-covered helmets, scientific researchers from the University of Washington and — in at least one case - a group of naked dancers. Billy Burger, a local institution, put an Alien Burger and Invasion Fries on the menu.

"I thought the less you said, the more it would go away," said Jim Llewellyn, owner of the farm. "But the next thing, there were planes flying overhead and people all over the place. It spread like wildfire."

Looking for signs

Craig Haden, owner of the land where the most recent crop circle was found, hoped to avoid such a scene. After



Source: ESRI, TeleAtlas

A. RAYMOND/THE SEATTLE TIMES

The combine levitated as I went over it; the electric instruments went haywire."

BRAIDY HADEN

Describing, not so seriously,
what happened when he plowed
over the crop circles on his
family's farm

seeing the circles while inspecting his land on a motorcycle, he told his son, Braidy. They found no sign of tracks through the ripe wheat or footprints between the rows.

"It makes you think," said Braidy Haden, a 23-year-old wearing striped overalls and sporting a soul patch.

The sighting wasn't widely reported, but word leaked out locally and ad hoc roads soon were cut through the fields. A woman recently dropped by with a metal detector. Keith Haden, Craig's brother, offered the woman's husband the tinfoil hat that a friend had dropped off.

Among the people who arrived was Peter Davenport, who runs the National UFO Reporting Center from a former military missile bunker in nearby Davenport.

"As to whether it is a genuine formation, I am not able to pass judgment with any certainty," he said. The wheat stalks at the Haden crop circles were sharply crimped and the formation's edges were ragged, both signs it was man-made.

But the Llewellyn crop circle, Davenport said, was "very interesting." A team from BLT Research Team, a Cambridge, Mass.-based group that investigates crop circles, came away believing it was the "real McCoy," according to a summary of its

research on the group's Web site. Among the evidence: bent — not crimped — stalks and cavities blown out of the wheat stalks, interpreted to mean they had been pushed down by a pulse of energy.

The researchers made a case that "makes a skeptic like me think," Llewellyn said, talking on his cellphone from his combine. "It wasn't the high-school kids from Wilbur. This was a professional job, somebody who knew what they were doing."

Debunking the mystery

Joe Nickell, a former magician, has investigated crop circles for decades and has a conclusion:. "One hundred and two percent of crop circles are fake," said Nickell, a writer for Skeptical Inquirer magazine, in Amherst, N.Y.

Two British hoaxers admitted in 1991 they came up with the idea at a pub decades earlier. Their techniques have been replicated for a Discovery Channel documentary that sought to debunk the mystery. Massachusetts Institute of Technology scientists found similarities between unexplained formations and crop circles known to be man-made.

There will be no such tests on the Haden crop circle because the Hadens plowed the field last week. "The combine levitated as I went over it; the electric instruments went haywire," said Braidy Haden, with a straight face.

The night after it was found, he and a buddy drove out to the formation at night to look for unexplained lights. When their headlights crossed the reflectors of an old piece of farm equipment, the pair jumped. "Scared the hell out of us," he said.

On a tour of the field this

On a tour of the field this week, the circles — the largest at 120 feet across — were visible amid the stubble. Braidy and Keith Haden wondered how the circles were made so straight, how the equipment was brought in and how they were made without leaving tracks.

"It'd be tough to do," said Braidy Haden. "I'd like to get some friends together and give it a try."

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