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It occurred some years ago in England on a military base.

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Okay, I'd like to hear about it.

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Let's see, it was about 64 or 65, 1964, 65, at RAF Chick Sands.

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RAF Chick Sands in Bedfordshire, England.

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I was a military dependent and the base is a satellite communications base.

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And it was in the afternoon in the daylight and a friend of mine and I were playing badminton in the backyard on the base.

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And we were shouting and laughing and carrying on and then we realized that we couldn't hear each other.

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There wasn't any sound at all.

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And we stopped and tried to talk to each other again and still couldn't hear each other and looked around and right above us, at the top of the trees,

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they were very old oak trees so they were maybe 40, 50 feet high I guess.

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Was a large dark object and we couldn't really tell anything from it because we could only see the bottom.

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We were scared, we were just 14, 15 years old and she went inside the house to get her dad and inside the house he could hear her.

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And he came out to look at it and we couldn't hear him talking to us either and he couldn't hear us when he was outside.

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So he went back inside and alerted the post.

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And when he went back inside it started moving off above the tree tops and as soon as it wasn't right above us we could hear again.

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And I heard the siren, the post went on alert.

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And he came back out and watched it go off over the trees and it was moving very slowly and it moved over maybe, I don't know,

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three or four houses away and they were housing units so it was still fairly close.

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Okay, mom's on the phone right now, okay.

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Like I said, they were calling me alert and he told me to go home and I lived about two blocks away.

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So I ran home and my father who was senior NCO on the base was just leaving.

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And all the people on alert went down in what we called the hole. All the satellite communication stuff was underground.

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And they went down in the hole and the base was closed to all traffic.

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Whether you lived there or not, they closed the whole base and he didn't come back until in the morning.

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My father didn't.

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And when he came back I asked him what it was and he said, I can't tell you.

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He said all I can say is that it wasn't ours.

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And I said, do you mean ours, ours or do you mean the earth ours?

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And he wouldn't say anything else.

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Later, some years later when we were talking about it in the family, I asked him again and he said it wasn't ours.

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And I said, I know that.

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And he said, well there are seven bases like the one we were on in the world, seven American bases like that.

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And he said there were sightings at all seven that same day.

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Yeah. Those bases are very small, extremely small.

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There's maybe at the top, there's maybe 50 families there.

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Plus, you know, a number of non-family people, unaccompanied people.

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Everything that's military is underground except the satellite antenna.

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And it's, we called it the elephant cage.

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It's a great big circular structure and it looks like a big round circus cage.

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And around the outside of these big white things that kind of look like nipples, but they're not nipples.

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It was a close post at all times except, you know, if you had some reason to go on and the AP's, the police would let you on and off.

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You had to have some business there. It wasn't just open to the public.

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Okay. What shape did that object have?

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It was round. It was round from the bottom anyway. And it was dark.

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I'd say, you know, dark black, but it was not shiny. It was just a dusky dark color.

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Was there any estimate of size?

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It didn't seem very large. I'm not very good at size and distances, but I'd say...

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I'd say it was maybe 60 to 80 feet across.

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Stop that, see?

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I'm on the phone. I want you to be quiet.

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I should add, the reason I never mentioned this before was we were told not to talk about it.

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And my father, in that line of work, was in a very sensitive position and it was not uncommon for us to be told that things that happened on base were not for public consumption.

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My father's me and I know it's verifiable because other people saw it and the base went on alert.

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Dad said it was tracked on their equipment.

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So, how close would that have been to you?

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How close was it to me?

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I said it was right at the top of an old maple tree, an oak tree.

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But not quite overhead?

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It was overhead first and then it started moving off slowly.

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And then it...as I was running home, I looked back because I was really scared.

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And it was moving off very quickly then. It just went zip.

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Before that, it was not moving like an airplane or helicopter or anything like that and there was no noise from it.

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But it would move to the right, you know, 100 yards and then over a little bit, always on a level movement.

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Okay, and where did you get our number?

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I called the operator. There was a piece on the editorial page in the Oregonian today about UFO

sightings and it said any witnesses of sightings should contact UFO Reporting Center in Seattle.

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Oh, great. Well, we sure appreciate you're passing that on.

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Well, I'm glad I finally told somebody.

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Feels better.

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Well, if you come up, remember any information that you haven't passed on to us, we'd like to hear from you.

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