

Crippled UFO crashes with thunderous roar

A crippled UFO left a trail of colored smoke as it struggled across the sky before crashing to Earth with a thunderous explosion.

Government investigators in Argentina say they collected evidence at the crash site and were performing laboratory tests. They would not elaborate on the evidence.

Experts say the object definitely was not an aircraft or meteor — but that it appeared to have been powered by some energy source.

Amanda Ruiz, 76, says the skies near Beriloché, Argentina, are frequently visited by mysterious objects. She says her mother told her tales of the objects the natives call "The Maneaters."

Scores of residents in the area provided identical descriptions of the recent UFO — including multi-colored smoke trailing from the device before it crashed.

Woman confirms monster sighting

A woman who anonymously reported a sea monster last summer has stepped forward to repeat her amazing experience — because no one believed her remarkable report.

Mrs. J.E. Hennaman of Richmond, Va., says she withheld her name in the first reports because she was afraid people would bother her at work.

"I wouldn't change my story in 1,000 years," she says.

She says she saw the monster swimming in the Appomattox River in Hopewell, Va. It was as big as a telephone pole with a head like a giant turtle's.

"It was something like a dinosaur," she says.

'Flying Saucers' — before his very eyes!

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFOs) are aerial objects of doubtful origin. They are often known as Flying Saucers or Flying Saucers, depending on the country from which they are seen.

They have been observed since time immemorial, and there are believed to be UFO references in the Bible. In the book of the prophet Ezekiel in the Old Testament there is mention of a wheel within a wheel with living creatures in it, which came from the sky down to earth and then returned to the sky. At ch. 1, verse 18 'the rings were full of eyes' suggests port-hole type windows. At ch. 1, verse 21 'the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels' suggests the power of the craft.

UFOs were popularised when Kenneth Arnold, in the western USA, observed several disc-shaped objects in June, 1947. He suggested they moved in a similar manner to a saucer which was 'skipped across water.' From this description developed the term 'Flying Saucers' which is still apt for certain types of UFOs. There are, however, several other shapes which come under the broad description 'UFO,' e.g. bell-shaped objects, cigar-shaped objects, etc.

There have been several investigative bodies set up to ascertain the nature of UFOs. Most were of the opinion that the bulk of UFOs were meteorological or astronomical

phenomena or terrestrial or artificial phenomena, but a small number of UFO sightings remained unexplained. Some scientists and engineers thought that a few of the unexplained sightings could possibly be extraterrestrial spacecraft! However, E. Condon, the director of yet another study (University of Colorado) concluded that UFOs were not extraterrestrial spacecraft. This meant that there were mixed views regarding the origin of the truly unexplained sightings.

When UFOs are sighted and mentioned in newspapers, there is a tendency for a spate of sightings to follow. In addition, it has been suggested that, over the years, sightings of UFOs have a tendency to move eastwards across the earth, starting with the western USA in the 1940s, then eastern USA, then Europe, then Australia, and back to the western USA again in the 1960s.

The most common UFOs are of the 'distant variety,' for example lights at night, various shapes in the daytime and radar sightings. Often aeroplane lights, stars and planets, and even reflections from windows have been responsible for some of the UFO sightings.

There are also 'close-up' UFO sightings, these days more popularly referred to as 'close encounters.' These are of three main types: (1) where the UFO does not affect the surrounding landscape at all; (2) where flora, fauna and man-made equipment are affected in some way, such as grass being scorched or car engines failing; (3) where people claim to have made contact with beings from (alien?) spacecraft.

For my own part, regarding the UFO problem, I have observed several objects in the sky which could be classed as UFOs

For instance, from South Shields in February 1961 in broad daylight I saw a slow-moving, silvery, apparently rotating cigar-shaped object. After being visible for two minutes, it disappeared behind nearby rooftops. In 1959 I observed a motionless, small, white, disc-shaped object, which remained visible overhead for about five minutes. Then it disappeared before my eyes!

It is not impossible, however, that these sightings have some 'normal' explanation, such as being an aeroplane and cloud, respectively, viewed in unusual circumstances.

Thus the origin of certain UFOs remains a mystery. UFOs may or may not be physical or extraterrestrial. What is certain is that psychologically UFOs do exist.