

2010. Sept 1st. 00.20. Cleveland.

The witness finished work late and then had to travel to Hobart, to collect a friend from the airport. Near Cleveland the witness noticed a red light and assumed it was the tail lights of a car on the brow of a hill on the road ahead. However, as he came closer he realised it was a blue and red light above the ground to the right of the highway. The lights looked to be only a few metres away from the fence and he now noticed there was a bright spotlight shining a beam across the highway. The beam seemed to be erratically scanning the ground in the paddock to his left; the area lit up was only some 5 metres from the highway fence.

The witness slowed his car to almost a complete stop, as he did so the blue and red lights became one single light. The lights did not seem to move but there was no indication of what they could be attached to as they hovered over the paddock.

The witness continued on his way, looking in the rear view mirror as he drove off. The beam continued to shine across the road until it was obscured from view. Our intrepid Northern Investigator (Phil) soon visited the sighting location but was unable to uncover any local explanation (such as big irrigation sprinklers that do carry night lights).

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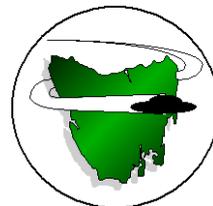
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YEAR IN REVIEW 2010

It has been a disappointing year for the Centre. Incoming calls at 45 for the year are well down on years gone past. The UFO content of 4 does not sound that much, but it is about the average percentage relative to the year's investigations. A distinct lack of local UFO news has meant nil exposure for the UFO subject and of course the Centre. Phil Polden in Launceston has been on radio and the ABC website, maybe that is why most of our recent UFO events have been up north. Another recent change has been the wide use of digital cameras; more photographs of alleged UFOs have come to our attention in recent times. The problem is, the photographer never sees anything at the time the picture is taken. Later a dark spot, shape etc: is noticed in the picture, invariably due to a speeding bird being caught in the field of view. Searching for UFO news on the internet gives a different picture. UFO sites elsewhere in the world seem to indicate almost daily sightings around the globe.

However, the UFO subject would not gain much credibility from

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some postings. A UFO expert (it never says who) in England claimed that an earth tremor in the Lake District was generated by aliens. A mystery mass death of birds in the USA had a UFO explanation in one story. The birds had run into the protective shield around a UFO. No wonder science, does not bother to involve itself in the UFO subject. It is hard to ascertain if any UFO cases being reported on the internet sites are ever actually investigated. It is interesting to see a number of countries around the world continue to release their UFO files, New Zealand being the latest addition. If we can believe the media, Argentina's Air Force is to establish a commission to record and investigate UFO sightings in that country. What have they been doing in the past 50 years?

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TUFOIC STATISTICS 2010	
Unidentified	4
Astronomical	23
Aircraft	3
Satellites	7
Balloon /Fireworks	2
Others	6
TOTAL	45

Sightings 2010.

2010. June 18th. 20.40.

Kingsmeadows. The witnesses’ description.....”It was a wet night as my wife and I were driving from town (Launceston) to Kingsmeadows along the Southern Outlet. There was a bit of drizzle as we both noticed a bright light behind clouds. I though it may have been aircraft lights although I did think at the time the lights were very low.

We approached the off ramp from the Outlet to Kingsmeadows. My wife yelled “Oh my god, look at

that”. I looked and saw a huge craft up in the clouds, but not fully obscured by them. It had at least five large square windows which were emitting a very bright light. My wife wanted to stop the car, but as we were on the exit ramp I thought it would be dangerous to do so. I pulled up at the bottom of the ramp as the craft went behind clouds and disappeared”.

The sighting lasted two minutes with the object being described as larger than a 737 aircraft. Its shape was like a curved cylinder with the bright square windows along the length of the cylinder.

The witness provided detail of the event. Investigation to date has not uncovered an explanation.**2010. June 23rd. 17.10.South Launceston.** The witness’ description.....

”I came out of the Supermarket and noticed an aircraft approaching from the north. Whilst crossing the car park I realised it had no lights. I reached my car and had a better look, there were still no lights and I decided it was a light aircraft. By the time it was overhead I was confused by its form which seemed to be changing. It receded more to the south west and started to get much smaller. It was at this point faint lights could be seen at its left and right extremities. There was no noise at any time”. The incident lasted 2 or 3 minutes. The black to brown object was diamond shaped.

Nothing unusual was logged at Launceston Airport Control. The report remains unexplained.

The Kingsmeadows and South Launceston case are in close proximity to each other.

2010. August 22nd. 05.00. Coles Bay.

The witness initially contacted UFO Research (NSW); they in turn passed on the witnesses’ email and contact address to TUFOIC. Witnesses email.....I am writing to you to report a UFO sighting at the Freycinet Peninsula on the 22 August 2010 at 0500 hours.

My wife awoke me to come and have a look at the object in the sky. It was initially a small cluster of stars. There were two at the top, four in the centre and two beneath. The stars would go out to be replaced by four lights that lit sequentially along the length of the disc. Also visible were two lights at each end of the disc.

These lights would then go out and the disc would blaze with light illuminating itself clearly in the clear dark sky. This would last for about three seconds and everything would then go dark. About five seconds later the sequence would start again. The object was moving very slowly in a northerly direction. I would estimate its size, based on the

distance it was away to be at least as large as a football field. It made no sound and after twenty minutes my wife and I decided to return to bed, even though the object was still in the sky.

Following contact with the witnesses further information was gained on the sighting. The lights which were in the north-east were on a shape resembling a child’s old fashioned top. The lights on the perimeter of the object were white, whilst those across the centre at the widest part were all yellow. The object which was illuminated in the bright light was grey. No sound was noted at any time. The object had an apparent size of a quarter-moon. The husband though there was some movement to the north. However, after some 20 minutes the flashing sequence had not altered and the witnesses were feeling cold so they returned inside and the lights were not observed again.

Contact was made with Hobart and Launceston Airport control. Both airport towers were un-manned at the time but advised they were not aware of any air traffic in the area. Investigations also ruled out helicopter and air ambulance movements. Due to the length of the sighting astronomical causes also seem highly unlikely.