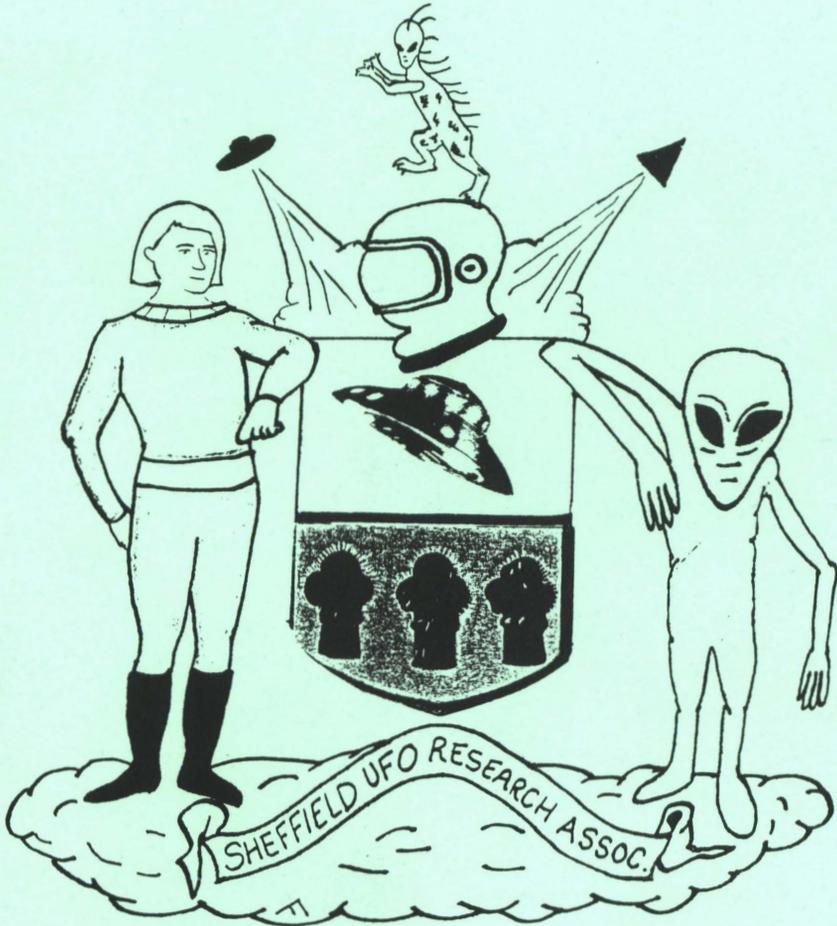


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WORLD UFO NEWSROUND

MANTLE STANDS DOWN

A month ago, Area SI received news about Phillip Mantle and allegations about selling photographs. After careful investigation Area SI can now give you the full story first.

Remember where you heard it first.

Phillip Mantle deposited a number of photographs to a London picture agency (Images) a couple of months ago. (You do not sell photographs to an agency, you 'deposit' them and receive royalties on their usage.) These photographs did not legally belong to him as they were photographs of pictures out books, they also included Ed Walters stunning Gulf Breeze photo's.

Mantle was discovered after The Observer published an article with a photo of the 'Ilkley Alien'. The photo displayed the copyright as belonging to Images not the real owner, Peter Hough. Peter as you probably know is a well known Ufologist and Author. Peter complained to The Observer about the copyright and Mantle was in trouble.

None of the photos belonged to BUFORA and at no time did Mantle receive any money. Andy Roberts and Mike Wooten of BUFORA have checked the archives and none seem to be missing. The photos are now back in Mantle's possession and Mantle acted individually and not on the behalf of BUFORA. (This was written for legal reasons I hope you understand.)

Last week, Phillip Mantle decided to stand down as Director of Investigations of BUFORA and in the future he will be putting Ufology on a 'back burner' to spend more time with his family. (Doing a Malcolm Robinson, see last issue.) This was announced by Sue Mantle last week, whether she is still Press Officer, we don't know.

Gloria Dixon has been announced as BUFORA new Director of Investigations and is also a member of the BUFORA council.

BUFORA are currently organising the "50 years anniversary" conference to celebrate Kenneth Arnold's sighting. Again it will be held in Sheffield but no date has been arranged.

FRIENDS TO HELP..

Our fund raising side is now on-line. The organisation "Friends of SUFORA" are beginning to raise money for UFO research in Sheffield and upcoming conferences. They are currently looking for bric a brac and jumble (clothes etc) and are willing to collect. For details on their fund raising or Jumble sale contact Sue on 0114 249 9531.

MONTH OF UFO'S?

This month has been amazing. Many reports are coming thick and fast, not just here but countrywide. The flying triangles are the culprits, seen in Southampton to Bonnybridge in various colours from luminous pink to green!! (Maybe they have discovered the 80's sock fashions!) Here is a quick rundown on what's been happening.

1st May - Postal Driver scared by massive Flying Triangle.

5th May - Strange craft seen over Wincobank, Sheffield.
Strange Object flying and landed? in Rawmarsh.

6th May - Triangle casually flying over Firth Park, Sheffield

9th May - Bright Silver disk seen near Water tower in
Burton on Trent (OVNI).

16th May -UFO buzzed motorist in Mansfield, six witnesses.

18th May -Uttoxeter- 2 disks seen flying across town (OVNI)

SHEFFIELD UFO CONGRESS

Next meeting is on the 9th July but it will be different. We will be having many special guests - Burnley UFO group, the West Yorkshire BEAMS group and Mansfield UFO group. Hopefully, we should be able to fit in to the room!

CHILE ON UFO ALERT

The entire country of Chile has been officially placed on 'UFO alert' following a spate of major sightings close to the capitol, Santiago. The Chilean military FACH who issued the security alert, is apparently taking the possibility of an Alien Invasion very seriously.

NEW ROSWELL EVIDENCE

An American radio show host may now hold the key to what crashed at Roswell in 1947. On 18th April of this year he was sent various pieces of metals and electronic style components as well as a very mysterious letter. The letter claims to be from someone who's grandfather was a member of the retrieval team sent to the crash site after it was reported. There will be a full report next month in Area SI but if you cannot wait go to website:
<http://www.artbell.com/art/ufos.html>.

POPE RELEASES BOOK

Nick Pope (Not John Paul) has released his book Open Minds etc. Calling himself the real Fox Mulder he has appeared on countless tv shows to promote it. Many people have told Area SI how uncomfortable he looks on TV and that he looks like he is relieving himself.(Use your imagination!)

The book available at £14.99 does not deliver the 'goods'. There is no Top Secret files we do not know about, just sightings from the past (Kenneth Arnold, Villa Boas etc) and the present (the triangle situation). Generally one has déjà vu while reading it and one can only remember the good old days of collecting the Unexplained (the magazine series).

Ideal for beginners, if you disagree please write in and we

The Sufora skywatch was a great success even though no UFOs were reported. Over 60 people applied for membership, while 30 appeared at the skywatch of 6th April.

Near Miss Over Mansfield?

Moving forwards seven days to the 13th of April, and following the success of the SUFORA sky watch, I decided to organize another sky watch on behalf of the Mansfield UFO Group. This took place on top of Mansfield Colliery Tip (Also known as Crown Farm), and I had not scaled it before and I was unsure of the safety of the route to the top, so I decided to arrange the start time slightly earlier so we could do our climbing while it was still light.

I was a little worse for wear when finally reaching the top, probably due to a fast ascent, and too much to eat beforehand!!!!

I was amazed myself with the view after reaching the top, the complete view of Mansfield from horizon to horizon, and in the distance we could see the glow of the dome at Center Parcs. I think on the night we might have suffered from low lying mist but we could see as far as Skegby and Sutton, but if it was clearer we might have even seen Derby in the distance.

I did take my video camera just in case we saw something, but I am disappointed that what we did see was beyond the resolution of the zoom on my camera.

We finally climbed the tip some time after nine, and waited and watched the skies for something to happen, and happen it did!

Some time after ten, we had our first bizarre encounter of the first kind. I suppose we were too excited with what was happening to take proper notes of times etc., but the first object was off to the right of the plough and moving towards the plough from east to west. It moved into the plough but seemed to fade into nowhere. The general public tucked up in their beds down in Mansfield were totally oblivious and the booze filled zombies staggering from pub to club in Mansfield town center would also have missed it.

At first I thought it was a satellite, but satellites don't fade when they're directly over head. They fade as they get close to the horizon, but this thing was directly above us when it faded. Not many seconds later the object strangely reappeared in the middle of the plough, but it was travelling in the opposite direction, but on the exact same path.

Satellites do not occur in such close proximity, and if they were aircraft, then for them to fly on the same line in opposite directions with such a short gap between them meant that they would have experienced a Near Miss, since they passed well within the safe limit allowed between aircraft. There was nothing on the news about such an incident though, which would be quite serious thing to happen over a large town like Mansfield.

This was startling enough, but then, the object reappeared, moving in the opposite direction again, also making it even more unlikely that they were satellites. You never get satellite activity that frequent over the same very small area of sky, and I have watched this area of the sky since the event, and have seen nothing as strange as the happenings of that night.

Later in the night, we saw more objects. One thing that I must admit I didn't see was one of the objects seeming to stop when Martin of SUFORA shone his torch up at it, but other people collectively agreed it did, and also one of the objects splitting into two and one of the two halves seemed to stop there and pretend it was a normal star.

Another thing that I did clearly witness was a distinct curved trajectory of one of the objects, which is something you definitely do not see on satellites.

When we came down from the tip and back to the cars a plane came over, with a distinct engine sound, and a flashing red light. The objects we saw were contact lights, and as I said before, the objects around the plough would have been involved in a near miss if they had been aircraft.

I don't think we can conclusively explain what they were, but it was a very strange night, and we are hoping to repeat our success on a skywatch arranged for the 4th of May at Langworth pit tip.

Special Report by Mansfield Investigators Richard Twynning and Kevin Goodwin.

INVESTIGATION REPORT

On Tuesday 16th May 1996, at approximately 11:20pm, two men travelling by car on the A617 between Rainworth (South East of Mansfield, Notts.) and Farnsworth, telephoned the police by mobile phone to say they were being 'buzzed' by a UFO. The officers on patrol in the area were dispatched and met up with the men, just north of Blidworth.

The object was still visible and witnessed by the officers upon arrival at the scene. They were told that the object was circling the men's car and no amount of manoeuvring could shake it off. The object was then observed moving North over Sherwood Forest after one of the police officers shone their torch at it.

At 11:45pm Pc Tony Lewis and a colleague on patrol in the Mansfield Rainworth area were contacted to confirm the sighting, which they were able to do so. They watched the object for around 15 to 20 minutes as it moved north-eastwards towards Worksop before arcing westward towards Chesterfield and then heading north in the direction of Sheffield where the officers lost sight of it.

Pc Lewis described the object as having or being a row of four pulsating lights of orange, red, green with a blue-white strobe light somewhere near the centre. It moved steadily on an even course although the officer was unable to confirm or estimate size, distance or speed.

"The sky was perfectly clear with many stars visible" added Pc Lewis.

As a matter of course East Midlands airport was contacted but no air traffic was scheduled for the area during the time of the sighting.

From the description of the UFO given to me by Pc Lewis, I have initially investigated the possibility of a link with an airship seen in the area on the date in question.

I ascertained that the airship was based at the time at Leeds-Bradford airport, and is now flying from Netherthorpe aerodrome, near Worksop.

During investigation I have spoken on the telephone to Andy Rackham at Leeds-Bradford airport and in person to Roger Neal, one of the ground crew operating the airship, and both have confirmed that the airship was on the ground and tethered by 4:30pm on the 16th May and also the following day. This definitely rules this particular aircraft out of the investigation, although there is a possibility of another airship known to be operating within flying distances at the time.

The next stage is to identify and interview the original witnesses who first telephoned the police. As of 24th May 1996 the investigation is continuing and the object remains UNIDENTIFIED.

Investigator Jonathan Baker (24th May 1996)

POSTAL DRIVER'S SHOCKING JOURNEY

In the early hours of Wednesday 1 May 96, postal driver Mr T.J. was travelling on his nightly route which runs between Derby, Burton-on-Trent and Swadlincote. It was a journey that the driver had travelled frequently over the previous three years. They were routine journeys delivering parcels between the various postal depots, normally without incident and 'Tom' had no reason to believe that this night was going to be any different.

Tom takes up the story -

I was driving a Post Office mail van along the A50 Swadlincote to Burton-on-Trent road. It was approximately 1.50am as I approached the Stanhope Arms Hotel. It was just after passing the Chesterfield Arms, that I noticed a bright light in the sky ahead of me and slightly to my right. It appeared to be descending and coming in my direction. It was a dark night, but clear. As I passed the Burton golf course, the houses to my right obscured my view of it. For some unknown reason, I stopped at the Bretby lane junction, (I could see up Bretby lane)

The object passed across Bretby lane, over the houses and it appeared to be low. To me, it appeared just above the houses. It was very large, very bright and had lots of bright lights. I noticed a green light at the rear. I thought, it looked like the USA Space Shuttle in shape and size, as I have seen it on TV after it has landed.

I could see some windows, square, but rounded in the corners. It crossed over Bretby lane and to me at least, it seemed to be going very slow, almost in slow motion! It then disappeared behind the houses. It made no noise, it was SILENT. I may be wrong, but to me it appeared to be approx. 200 yards away from me when it crossed over Bretby lane (see map)

Tom's comments on the UFO Sighting Account Form are given below.

I could see on the illuminated watch on the dashboard that I was ten minutes late. I knew this by knowing my normal time at this spot (Bretby lane). The sighting overall was some ten minutes, although the sighting at Bretby Lane lasted only 10 to 20 seconds.

At this point we will pause in and reveal further details of the incident in order to clarify what happened on the subsequent nights of the 2nd (Thursday) and 3rd May (Friday).

Tom travelled on this journey in the early hours of 1 May. On the 2 May, this trip was undertaken by a relief driver (who later arrived at the sorting office in a state of shock). On 3 May, Tom returned to his normal route, Derby, Swadlincote, Burton-on-Trent and had a further frightening experience.

We now continue with Tom's report....The colour of the object was greyish, with lots of very bright lights and a green light at the rear (the same as a traffic light green colour). It travelled very slowly. During the first sighting, it appeared the size of a ten pence piece, but on the second sighting (3 May), it was the size of a U.S. Space Shuttle! The object appeared in the WNW and flew off in the direction of ESE. In answer to the reason why he thought it was unusual, Tom replied: "Firstly the bright light in the sky, descending towards me to my right and secondly when I had stopped, the sheer size of it with all its lights and how slow and silently it was when it crossed Bretby lane." "It could not have landed on Derby football ground, it was too big!"

Tom has also disclosed that he has since suffered a certain amount of trepidation and anxiety about the two incidents.....our investigation continues.

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THE DAVID BAKER ARTICLE

"DEBUNKING THE DEBUNKERS...PART ONE" David Baker

Listening to the same tired old arguments by our old friends in the Debunking fraternity made me realise that many of their 'points' are actually asked by the average person... When anyone asks me these questions, are variations of them, these are the answers I give...

"IF ALIENS ARE VISITING US IN FLYING SAUCERS, WHY DON'T THEY LAND ON THE WHITEHOUSE LAWN, OR DURING THE WORLD CUP FINAL, OR MAKE THEMSELVES KNOWN EN MASSE?"

This is a favourite question of both the "honest sceptic" such as the average man in the street, and the professional debunker such as Carl Sagan.

It makes the rather presumptuous assumption that any aliens would consider us worthwhile meeting. Many astronomers and scientists honestly think that if an alien race did decide to show themselves openly, they would be the first humans the aliens would wish to converse with.

There are of course any number of reasons why an alien race would prefer to remain hidden from us:

1) "Why Should they?"

The late Dr.J.Allen Hynek, founder of the USA's Centre for UFO Studies (CUFOS) used to say that if the floor of the alien's science was higher than the ceiling of our science, the aliens would have nothing to discuss with us. If our most powerful computer was little more than an abacus to them, if our most advanced stealth aircraft was the equivalent of a child's balloon to them, then what would we have to trade? Considering how advanced the aliens must be in order to be here in the first place, anything that the aliens may want that we do have, they could simply take. After all, a bee-keeper does not attempt to communicate with his bees in order to take their honey, so why should aliens ask us if they wish to extract minerals from our earth, DNA from our beasts as we see in the Animal Mutilation Syndrome, or even sperm and ova from abductees? Remember, the word 'abduct' means to take away without someone's will, or kidnap. No alien has ever asked an abductee if they want to be experimented upon or used in hybridization techniques, and no abductee truly wishes to be either. The aliens, be they Greys, Reptilians, Insectoids or Nordics (Blondes) do these things because they can.

2) "We are not worthy."

As a race we spend an enormous amount of time, energy and resources finding new and interesting ways to destroy each other and our environment. It is a clichéd argument but a true one- we are a war-like race, a selfish one and xenophobic to the extreme. The aliens may be afraid of how we would treat them if they made themselves publically known (although it is unlikely we would actually be able to harm them) or may be wary of the damage we could do if we were to reach outside our solar system before we are ready. Therefore it is reasonable to assume that the aliens may be merely observing us until we grow up, for their own sake as well as ours.

3) "They may already have done..."

Some ufologists theorize that there has been a conspiracy between the aliens and the U.S. Government since 1947, the year of the Roswell crash and the advent of MJ-12. There are rumours of a meeting between aliens and military personell at Holloman Air Force Base in the 1960s which was filmed. John Lear and others speculate that aliens and the military work together in vast underground bases such as those believed to exist at Area 51. If the Government(s) had entered a pact with the aliens, be it sinister or benevolent, it may have been agreed between the two sides to continue the world-wide cover-up and denial of the reality of UFOs and their crews, or to undertake a slow and careful indoctrination of the general public, to slowly prepare humankind

for the most momentous event in Man's history.

"WHY IS IT THAT SO MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF UFOs ARE REPORTED: TRIANGLES, DISCS, CIGARS...DIFFERENT SIZED CRAFT, AND A MULTITUDE OF DIFFERENT ALIENS? IF 'THEY' WERE REAL, SURELY PEOPLE WOULD ALL REPORT THE SAME THING?"

We need only to look to our own society to the answer to this oft-asked question. Consider a hot-air balloon, the Goodyear Blimp, a Chinook helicopter, a hang-glider, Concorde, a Gypsy Moth, a stealth bomber, and a Hawker Harrier Jump Jet. They are all aircraft but look and act completely different in our skies. It is not too strange that there should be many different types of craft operated by aliens, either for different tasks, or by different species.

The same argument applies to why there are so many varied descriptions of aliens. If a number of delegates gathered from around our planet were dispatched in separate craft to an alien planet and were sighted by independent alien witnesses, imagine the confusion they would bring if those delegates consisted of; a seven-foot tall Matusi warrior, a buxom blonde Swedish woman, a dreadlocked Rastafarian, a sumo wrestler, a pygmy, a body-builder, an old Korean woman, a Native American teenager, and a long-haired, bearded hippy. To an alien race, all of these people could be thought to be of entirely separate species. Could it not be that if just one civilization is visiting us, similarly different looking races might exist.

Of course the answer could be simpler than that. Ufologist Robert C. Dean has claimed that there could be as many as a hundred civilizations watching us, from many planets and even from other dimensions and realities.

Other ufologists believe that through some mental control we do not yet understand, the occupants of UFOs appear to witnesses in the form that the observer subconsciously expects an alien to take; if a witness expects an alien to be three-feet tall, with blue skin and tentacles, then that is how the alien will appear. Another possibility and one which has been supported in the abduction phenomenon is that the strange variety of aliens reported may be the results of screen memories. For example, an abductee under regressive hypnosis reports that her captors are the race known in ufology as 'the Blondes' or the 'Nordics'. She describes them as such, but only seems to be able to 'view' them from the front. The hypnotherapist asks her to tell him how the alien being's hair looks from the back. Puzzled, the abductee explains that she cannot see the back of any of the aliens as they are all facing her. The hypnotherapist waits until the abductee speaks of one of the beings walking away on some task, then repeats the question. How does his hair look from the back? The 'screen' then falls away, and showing confusion the abductee explains that she cannot describe his hair because he does not have any; the abductee no longer sees the beautiful Blondes, but a typical crew of Greys.

This does not mean that only the Greys exist, but it does show that sometimes, for reasons we can only speculate, the aliens wish to confuse the abductees, and us.

"IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO TRAVEL FASTER THAN LIGHT, SO IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY ALIEN RACE TO VISIT US."

This assumes that aliens are from another planet; there is no tangible evidence to prove that they are. The aliens may be from other realities or planes of existence, or even from our very own planet.

If aliens are from another planet, they are sure to be hundreds, if not thousands of years in advance of us. It is impossible to imagine what kind of technology they may take for granted. Stanton Friedman has written extensive papers supporting the extra-terrestrial explanation for UFOs. Our own technology follows a snowball effect; one advancement leads to two more, and another and another. We have made more scientific and technological advancements in the last fifty years than in all of history before. At one time it was believed man would never fly, and that the human body would explode if it travelled faster than 20 m.p.h. We can only speculate where our own space programme will be in twenty years time, let alone a thousand years.

ANCIENT UFO STORIES

Waupee or the White Hawk, was a North American Indian, who lived in a remote part of a forest. One day he had gone beyond any point which he had ever before visited. He travelled through an open wood, he beheld a light breaking through the foliage of distant trees, which made him sure that he was on the borders of a prairie.

It was a wide plain covered with long blue grass and enameled with flowers of a thousand lovely tints. After walking for sometime without a path enjoying the fragrant breeze, he suddenly came to a ring worn among the grass and flowers (as if it had been made by footsteps moving lightly). There was not even a crushed leaf or broken twig, nor did he find the least trace of a footstep approaching or retiring.

So wondering, he thought he would hide himself and lie in wait to discover if he could, what the strange circle meant. He heard faint sounds of music in the air and on looking up, he saw floating a small object like a little summer cloud that approaches down from above the earth. At first it was very small, but it rapidly grew as he gazed upon it and the music every moment came clearer and more sweetly to his ear. As it neared the earth it appeared as a basket, it was filled with twelve sisters, of the most lovely forms and enchanting beauty. As the basket touched the ground they leaped out and began to dance around the ring, striking a shining ball with a silver stick which uttered ravishing melodies.

The White Hawk from his concealment gazed with delight upon their graceful forms and movements. He admired them all, he was most pleased with the youngest. He longed to be at her side, to embrace her, to call her his own. He rushed out and endeavored to seize her, but the sisters saw him and leaped back into the basket with the swiftness of birds, and were drawn up into the sky. He returned the next day and lay in wait hiding by a hollow log hoping for their return. It was not long before the sisters came down again. They gathered near the log and struck it, out ran some mice, the sisters chased them and killed them. The youngest sister raised a silver stick to put an end to one, the form of the White Hawk rose, he clasped his prize in his arms. The eleven sisters sprang into their basket and were drawn into the skies.

Waupee exerted all his skill to please his bride, he wiped tears from her eyes, he was constant in his attentions. Winter and summer passed rapidly, as spring drew near the presence of a beautiful boy in their lodge. What more earthly blessing was there for them to enjoy?

Waupee's wife, however, was a daughter of one of the stars, the scenes of earth began to pall on her sight, she sighed to revisit her father. One day she constructed a wicker basket, collected a few rarities from Earth, she thought would please her father. While Waupee collected a specimen from each kind of animal and bird, when all was ready Waupee, his wife and son went to the circle, entered the basket and were drawn up, into a country far beyond the flight of birds, or the power of mortal eye to pierce. Great joy manifested upon their arrival. As all assembled for a feast, the Star Chief proclaimed to each one to select of the earthly gifts such as he liked best. Some chose a foot, a tail or a wing, some a claw. Those who chose tails and claws were changed into animals and ran off. Others assumed the form of birds and flew away. Waupee chose a white Hawk's feather, his wife and son followed his example, each became a white Hawk. They descended with the other birds to Earth, where they are still to be found.

ECLIPSE BRINGS UFO SIGHTINGS

The eclipse quite often has unusual effects. After the Earth had eclipsed the moon it changes in to a fantastic blood red colour. While this happens the surrounding stars appear brighter producing a blanket sky of glitter. On April 3rd there was an eclipse that brought in a few UFO reports too....

Location: Hupper Haugh, Wentworth.

Jenny and Sandra heard on the news that tonight an eclipse would take place. At 11:30pm they decided to skywatch and look at the moon. Around midnight the moon did not seem fully covered so they began to scan the neighbouring stars.

Suddenly, they noticed a strange bright star to their right (Venus was far right). After looking through the binoculars they realised the star was infact a craft. Jenny describes the craft as oval shaped with "rays of coloured lights" being released from it's below.

After a while they decided to watch the eclipse and when they looked back for the craft, it had shot off out of sight. The craft had hovered in the same place for about one hour.

Next day Jenny and Sandra scanned the sky again at 11:30pm and it was there again until it shot off.

Location: Solent, Hampshire.

A woman on the Isle of wight spotted a flying triangle.

Location: Gloucester.

Baffled residents could not believe their eyes when they saw a UFO hovering in the sky on 3rd April.

Tony Miller(69) one of six witnesses to have seen the dome shaped object said it could not have been the comet.



"I was in the garden at about 9:00pm when I saw something hovering over Robinswood Hill, it was far too big and close to have been a star".

Mr Miller called his neighbour to see the strange object. It had one main light with a peanut shaped red light beneath it surrounded by blue and green lights.

They stood and watched it for about two hours, while it travelled towards Tuffley at 11pm.

Neighbour Barbara.P. said "I saw the same thing a few weeks ago, I am not a nervous person but after seeing what I saw I am not so sure. You just do not know what is out there."
(Source: The Citizen.)

Location: Stubbington, Southampton.

The eclipse of the moon proved out of this world for stubbington sky-gazers. For as the pair of astronomy enthusiasts gathered on the village green they spotted what they described as a triangular shaped UFO. The un named duo from Gosport reported the sighting to the police at Park Gate.

Inspector Russell Bray said "They said they first saw an orange star over the Isle of Wight which remained static for about ten minutes. It then moved closer at high speed before turning into a triangular shaped object"

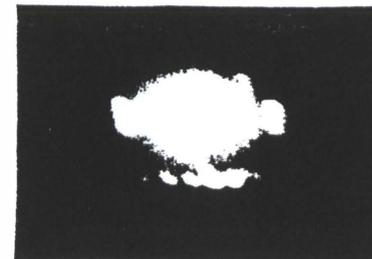
The UFO was apparently last seen heading off in a south easterly direction said the Inspector.
(Source: Southampton Evening Echo)

The eclipse brought UFOs but is it unusual? During the solar eclipse of July 11 1991, seventeen different people, unknown to each other, in four different cities,captured a shiny hovering unidentified craft on videotape.(Mexico).

That day started what has become the longest ongoing UFO flap in history. It was also the day that a city of over 100,000 people that 90 per cent of them saw a UFO.

But will it bring sightings for Sheffield? I believe it has, during May the amount of sightings has drastically risen. I am also receiving reports that this is true for all the country.

MJ-24.



Mexico 1991- A UFO.

REPORT FROM.....

WEST YORKSHIRE.

Orange Ball of Light Seen Over Crow Wood Park, Sowerby Bridge.

At around the beginning of April, an Orange Ball of light was seen over the Crow Nest Park in Sowerby Bridge. The sighting lasted for about 10 minutes. The following witness assures me that there are no street lights in the park. The witness also tells me that the light just suddenly vanished, just as it appeared.

The following sightings come from the Scammonden area. I've been receiving reports from that area for some months now, but the Triangular UFO has now been reported. Something wonderful is happening in this window area.

On Saturday the 28th of April, I was at home, when at 11:20pm, 2 friends of mine, Carla and Steven, came running into the house telling me to get up to Scammonden right away, as they had seen what they thought to be a disc-shaped object covered in lights. The lights were spinning around the object. They both told me that they saw the object disappear into the ground. They both set off up to Scammonden. Anne, Barry and myself set off 5 minutes later, as I had to gather up my equipment.

As we were driving over the M62, all 3 of us in the car noticed a triangular object hovering over the M62. It had 3 bright white lights on each corner, with red, blue, green and orange lights in the middle. We saw the object hovering for approximately 5 minutes. Carla and Steven had observed the object for 10 minutes, when it began to move very slowly towards our car. It was as if the object was following us. The object kept on moving slowly then speeding up, then just stopping and hovering in the sky. It then disappeared behind a cloud and didn't reappear.

We all parked up in the car park where Carla and Steven had seen it originally. We were in the car park for half an hour when all 5 of us saw an orange ball of light appear in the Todmorden direction. This went on for 10 minutes.

On the following Sunday night, we were out on a Skywatch. There were myself, Anne, Steven, Carla and her brother. It was about 9:30 when Steven, Carla's brother and I all saw this bright object moving very fast in the sky. The object then stopped all of a sudden and started to flash blue and green. The object was a perfect sphere. It was hovering over the Golcar area of Huddersfield. At the same time we were watching this, Anne and Carla observed a triangular object above Anne's car which the two were sat in. The object was about 50ft above the car with bright coloured lights on the underneath of the object. They both said that there looked to be a disk shaped object on top of the triangle. As Carla leapt from the car to tell myself and the others about it, it suddenly shot vertically into the sky at high speed. So myself and the others never got to see this object for some reason our eyes seemed transfixed on this other object.

Taken from Mark Gibbon's BEAMS West Yorkshire Newsletter No.5
Thanks alot!

DID I SEE THE ROSWELL DISC?

1947 - The year of the Flying Saucer. That is what it will always be known as and always will be. On June 24th 1947, businessman Kenneth Arnold while flying over the Cascade Mountains, Washington, he saw a bright flash then saw his "Flying Saucers". A month later the world would be astounded at the news that a Flying Saucer had actually crashed in the New Mexico desert.

But what about England? Didn't England have it's own UFO wave? Some sightings were recorded from Southern England areas especially Sussex and Essex. Apart from that there wasn't many, not even in Sheffield. I didn't really expect to receive a UFO report from that year until Sylvia Dean phoned me...

Sylvia Dean lived on the Manor Estate during the 1940's, she had lived there through the blitz and watched many of Sheffield's landmarks being destroyed. Her experience took place in July 1947, she knows this because not long after her experience her Dad told her about the flying saucer crash in Roswell.

Here is Sylvia's sighting as told in her own words.

"I am fourteen years old and enjoying the beginnings of a lovely summer. Everyday I would call for my friend who lived at 61 Manor Oaks Close and then we would play "ball". On this day while waiting for my friend outside her house I noticed a disk hovering really high in the clear blue sky. Not knowing what it was I carried on bouncing my ball but frequently looking up at this disk." She told me.

I asked Sylvia to describe the disk more.

"Well, it was really bright silver, like stainless steel. It could have had a dome on top but I'm not sure, it also made no noise."

Sylvia continued with her story.

"After about 5 or 8 minutes the disk just shot off to my left, heading towards what my Dad said the direction of Germany was. The UFO shook me, nobody knew about flying saucers back then and it's incredible speed...I was genuinely shocked."

I asked her what she thought she had seen.

"At first I thought it could have been a balloon but the speed it travelled, no way. I have never seen anything that fast. I can't be sure what I saw but all I know is that it flew higher and faster than any aircraft I have ever seen."

(Reprinted from: Report on UFOs: The findings of Martin S Jeffrey.)



MORE THAN A SIGHTING.....

Jean Ford had seen two blonds in a flying saucer. Now had they returned in her hour of need?

Jean could sense someone behind her. "What's happening?" she thought.

Then she felt a very heavy hand on her head. She was startled, but not frightened. It's fingers gently massaged her scalp and very slowly, it started vibrating.

"The hand felt warm and it filled my head with pins and needles".

The fingers seemed to sink into her head sending a surge of power through her body. After a few seconds, the hand disappeared and Jean felt relaxed.

"I thought to myself its the aliens"
Still in an eerie silence, she fell asleep.

Next morning, she awoke and looked through her window. For weeks she had been ill with worry but now she felt rejuvenated. As she looked up into the mornings sky she whispered "Thank - you".

Tom came downstairs, she told him what happened. "Sounds like a dream to me, we don't get UFOs in Sheffield!" said Tom. "They knew I was suffering and they came down and helped me" she said.

The day of the operation dawned but Jean knew there was nothing to worry about. Her operation was a success, she was a little sore but she'd never felt better. The doctors were amazed how quickly she recovered.

The story does not end here...

Four years later Tom and Jean were driving to Skegness, as they passed Sherwood forest, a flash in the sky caught their attention.

"At first it looked like a shiny black ball, I think the sun's reflection was the flash - when the object reached our level we could see it better, it was boomerang shaped with a cylinder in the middle."

The UFO passed from right to left and hovered in a clearing next to them - approximately 10ft off the ground..

"Jean carried on driving while I hung out the cars window and watched it for a good 5 minutes. Since Jean had migraine she didn't want to stop. Then we lost sight of it as we went deeper in Sherwood Forest".
Before the incident Jean sensed something was going to happen. While arranging the holiday plans Jean tried to get Tom's working hours changed but to no avail.

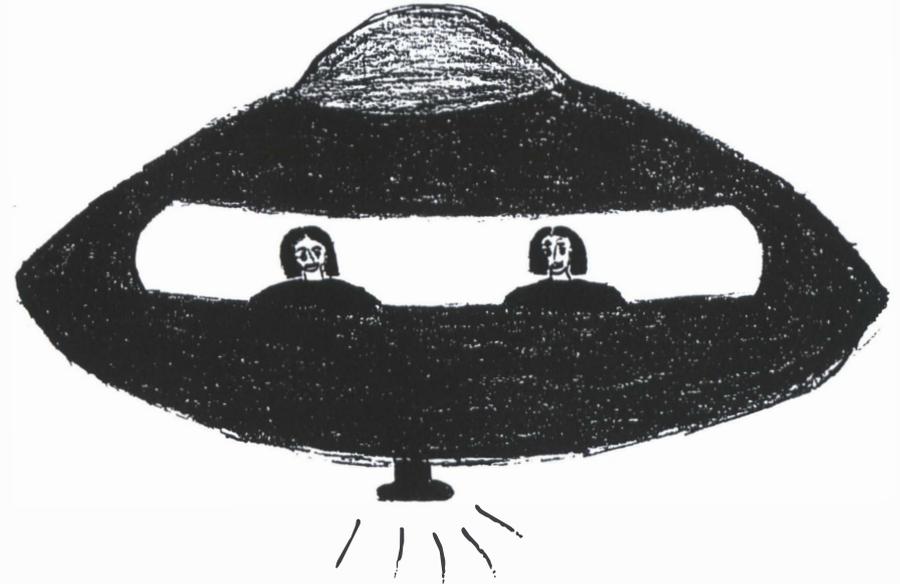
"He thought I was mad until he saw the UFO himself...now we both realise that there are visitors on Earth from other planets."

MSJ.

Thank you to Tom and Jean (who are now members) for one of the most interesting encounters I have ever known.

Opposite Page: Jean's drawing of her first UFO. Below: Sherwood Forest UFO.

The first UFO in Jean Ford's sightings..notice the two 'blonds'.



This was witnessed by Tom and Jean hovering approximately 10ft above the ground. Sherwood Forest 18-8-93

U.B.H.'S

UNIDENTIFIED BLACK HELICOPTERS

In 1995, in Fallon, Nevada, a black helicopter flew over a couple's rural property spraying some unknown substance. By the following day, 13 of the livestock were dead. Six months later the property - wide swath of dead and shriveled plants was clearly visible. Federal Aviation authorities and the military denied knowing anything about the black helicopters.

After three decades of official denial by American and British governments, mysterious helicopters continue to travel across our skies. They have chased terrified motorists. Sheriffs and rural police units have given these aerial intruders futile chase in various automobiles.

British Encounters

Most of Britain's helicopter sightings happened between 1971 and 1974. Here is one typical account:

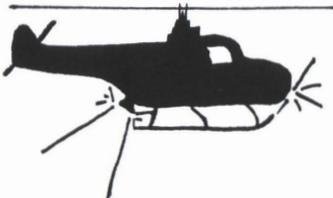
10th May 1973, at 9:15pm at the stone tower atop Hartshead Pike hill on the moors above Oldham. A young couple were parked in their car at this popular beauty spot, only to be disturbed by a strange object. Superficially it resembled a helicopter as it drifted towards them - it was dome like, with plenty of what appeared to be window space. It approached in total silence and then hovered over the Pike, rotating in a clockwise direction and then reversing, appearing not dissimilar to a lighthouse beacon. It emitted beams of red, green and white through metallic slits. After several minutes of floating, just a hundred feet above them it moved away, accelerating rapidly and melting into the dark.

During 1971 and 1974 encounters plagued the North, especially Todmorden, Yorkshire and Lancashire. There was also cases in Staffordshire, Southern Derbyshire and the North Midlands. One thing known about these helicopters, that they tend to occur most often in Winter - when the nights are very dark.

Around 26 October 1973 the helicopters was very active in the Southern Pennines. Witness also reported a light cigar-like object which moved eastwards across the hills. Reports came particularly from Sheffield and Buxton. Many witnesses did not usually describe what they saw as a helicopter. Indeed one of them, Terry Jones said "I would not have said that it was a helicopter". Their reasoning is simple enough. What can move very low and fast across hilly terrain, and yet outpace anyone who chases it in a car? Not an aircraft, but two possibilities:

1. A UFO / ET Craft.
2. A Helicopter.

(Officialdom denies UFOs exist so it must be a helicopter!)



Baring that in mind David Rees (Manchester UFO investigator) interviewed Richard Hansen, a helicopter pilot at Ferranti Engineering. Richard commented "Helicopters are unstable, and at night, with no horizon, there is no possible way of hovering above the ground".

But the helicopters was hovering.

On a sinister note, an epicentre for helicopter activity was Todmorden, the same place where Zigmund Adamski disappeared for five days before being found dead. Dumped in a coalyard (no one saw it appear) with a strange burn on his head that oozed a brown substance. Could it be related? A few days before his disappearance many UFO sightings were recorded so who knows?

America's Encounters.

Some sightings have been even more strange. In early autumn of 1976, a hunter in the Red Mountains area, near Norris, Montana, saw a black helicopter without identification (later identified as a Bell Jet Ranger) parked on the ground. Seven men in civilian clothing who apparently came from the chopper were climbing the hill and heading towards the hunter. Then, as he saw the group more clearly, he was surprised to see that the men were all orientals. They were speaking a language he couldn't understand. The men turned and headed back to the helicopter. The hunter attempted to follow, and they began to run. They reached the chopper with the hunter still in pursuit and quickly took off.

While UFOs have been reported extensively in the media, not a word has been said about Black helicopter sightings. Does this mean that the black choppers are too sensitive a subject for the media to report on? Does it mean that major media sources have been told to keep quiet about Black Helicopters?

Cattle Mutilation Connection

The answer to a substantial percentage of the cattle mutilations, many connected with black chopper sightings, is what the most likely evidence points to: SECRET TESTING OF BIOLOGICAL WARFARE VIRUSES. (The FBI admitted releasing flu germs in open tests in major urban areas in the 1950s and 1960s..Ed). This would also offer a clue to the precise cuts that are sometimes observed in the mutilations; if anyone is likely to possess the kind of laser or other high technology tools necessary to create these kinds of incisions, it would be the American government.

What do we know about these helicopters?

1. A wide range of sizes and types of helicopters are seen flying in apparent violation of federal regulation.
2. The helicopters harrass people.
3. They have sprayed unknown chemicals and their occupants have shot at people.

Beyond this, it is largely guesswork. We don't know who is operating the choppers, it is hard to know their purpose. They could be a legitimate part of national defense or getaway vehicles for high-tec crooks or they could be engaged in activities as un-fathomable as those ascribed to UFOs.

JFK SHOT DUE TO UFO TALK?

President John F. Kennedy intended to inform the American public and the world at large that the US government had made contact with aliens from deep space. But before he could deliver the speech on Nov,22,1963. the beloved leader was to be cut down by Oswald's bullets.

That is the astonishing claim of JFK researcher Professor L.Merrick, author of an upcoming blockbuster book "Killing the Messenger: The death of JFK".

"We know the real reason why JFK was assassinated - some individuals within the government were determined to maintain secrecy surrounding captured UFOs - and decided to silence the President before he could speak"

Prof.Merrick says he began a search for the undelivered speech after learning the President's original handwritten notes had fallen into the hands of Texas Governor John Connally - who was riding in JFK's death car that fateful day in Dallas.

"I was surprised to find that JFK handed Connally the speech, which was on 5x7 note cards, to look at, shortly before the motorcade set off at 12:55pm"

The Governor himself was badly wounded in the gun attack.

"Connally became terrified for his own life"said the historian."He placed the bloodstained index cards in a safety deposit box with orders to a trusted aide that the contents not be revealed until his death"

When Gov.Connally died in 1993,the aide removed the cards and held on to them.

Last year, Prof Merrick tracked down the aide, who passed the speech on with a guarantee of anonymity. Prof Merrick was shocked when he read the cards. He took them to five handwriting analysts, who agreed the speech was "95 per cent certain" to be Kennedy's.

Excerpt from what is claimed to be JFK's note cards..
Citizens of this Earth, we are not alone. God, in his infinite wisdom has populated the universe with other beings - intelligent creatures such as ourselves.
How can I state this with such authority?
In the 1947 our military forces recovered from the dry New Mexico desert an aircraft of unknown origin. Science soon determined that this vehicle came from the far reaches of outer space. Since that time our government has made contact with the creators of the craft...

Whether this is true or not is a different matter but please keep an open mind especially about the above article.



More UFO sightings at Shieldhill? another 2 videos taken

On the night of 26th Nov.a telephone call from a friend, who lives in the heart of the Bonnybridge area. There was new UFO activity over the area of the Westerglen transmitting stations' giant masts,collectively known as the 'goalposts'

Unfortunately, I had just purposely drained the battery on my video camera the previous day and had to leave without it. I arrived just as the activity had apparently stopped (Sods law). Undaunted I suggested that we get to where the action was and brave the cold night air. Four of us went out into the darkness and set up camp at 9.30pm. Although the night was cold, the sky was clear with sparse patchy cloud.Thankfully it was not raining. The ground, although damp, was not too wet. Conditions were fine enough for a skywatch. A few planes flew past in various directions, nothing sinister..... so far .

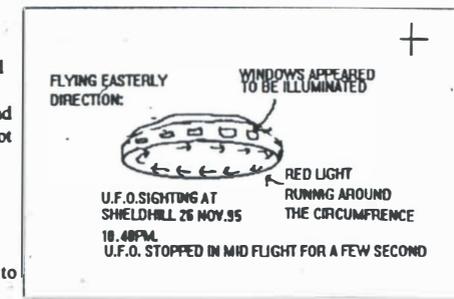
One particular 'plane'appeared and began to fly slowly back and forth .It appeared to fly in a westerly direction then return to an easterly,then westerly direction again.This went on for a time and caused a bit of debate among us.I believed it to be a regular, if not suspicious,plane.(This area is RUMOURED to have M.O.D.surveillance most of the time, and Scottish Power fly a small helicopter checking cables.) therefore I found nothing strange in a plane behaving bizzarely. After a short while the plane appeared to be slightly closer to us this time around and astounded us by suddenly stopping dead still in flight. Needless to say the scramble for binoculars was instant.

Through the binoculars I first saw what I took to be a row of small rectangular windows on an aircraft. I quickly realised that the craft, slightly tilted upward, and was disc shaped.

A red light that ran around the circumference of the disc.After a period of no more than sixty seconds, the disc resumed its easterly path in a somewhat comfortable manner, and was lost to sight as it flew past a low contour which was in silhouette against the night sky. Judging by that fact and approximating the distance, the disc must have been flying only a few hundred feet up and appeared to be of considerable size..There was general agreement that the we 4 -had all witnessed the same thing. The time was now 10.40pm.

As you skywatchers will understand, my appetite for further sightings increased, and I returned again to the scene on the 28th.November 1995 with nothing to report. Undaunted I returned again on the 29th. November and again had a strange sighting.This time 2 bright lights appeared and remained stationary. On this occasion I had my video camera with me. I managed to spot one of the lights drop something to the ground. This exact scene is very similar to a video sequence in Strange Harvest by Linda Moulton-Howe. Unfortunately this was the first time I had managed to catch activity on video camera and did not make a good and steady film. I believe however that there are enough steady shots on the video to see clearly what is happening.

I returned again on the 5th. December 95' at exactly 8pm., and there they were.just as before,hovering over the same area. Again I managed to video them in action,this time with some suspicious activity on the ground. My belief is that, despite what the bonnybridge critics say, (and there are many, due to the over zealoussness of some investigators), If you are prepared to wait long enough in the area, you will have a high probability of seeing something strange. I subscribe to the belief that central Scotland, including the Bathgate/Bonnybridge triangle, holds some interest for our visitor friends from 'Zeta Reticuli'or whatever part of the galaxy they may come It is also a belief that many of the new hi-tech factories came to the Bathgate area because of the particularly soft water to be had. 'Could' this be a possible reason why that the central belt has a high rating of UFO activity? You will have to ask the Japanese that one.Updates on these videos in issue 3.



Report from David Colman's Cover up 2.



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NEXT MEETING-----

Tuesday 9th July - Doors open 6pm
meeting begins at 7pm
meeting ends at 10pm

Location : Nelson Mandela Building, Pond Street, Sheffield.

SKYWATCHES-----

Saturday 15th June 1996 - 8:30pm to 12am
Location: Please meet at the Morrisons Car park. (Hillsboro')

Saturday 6th July 1996 - 8:30pm to 12 am
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