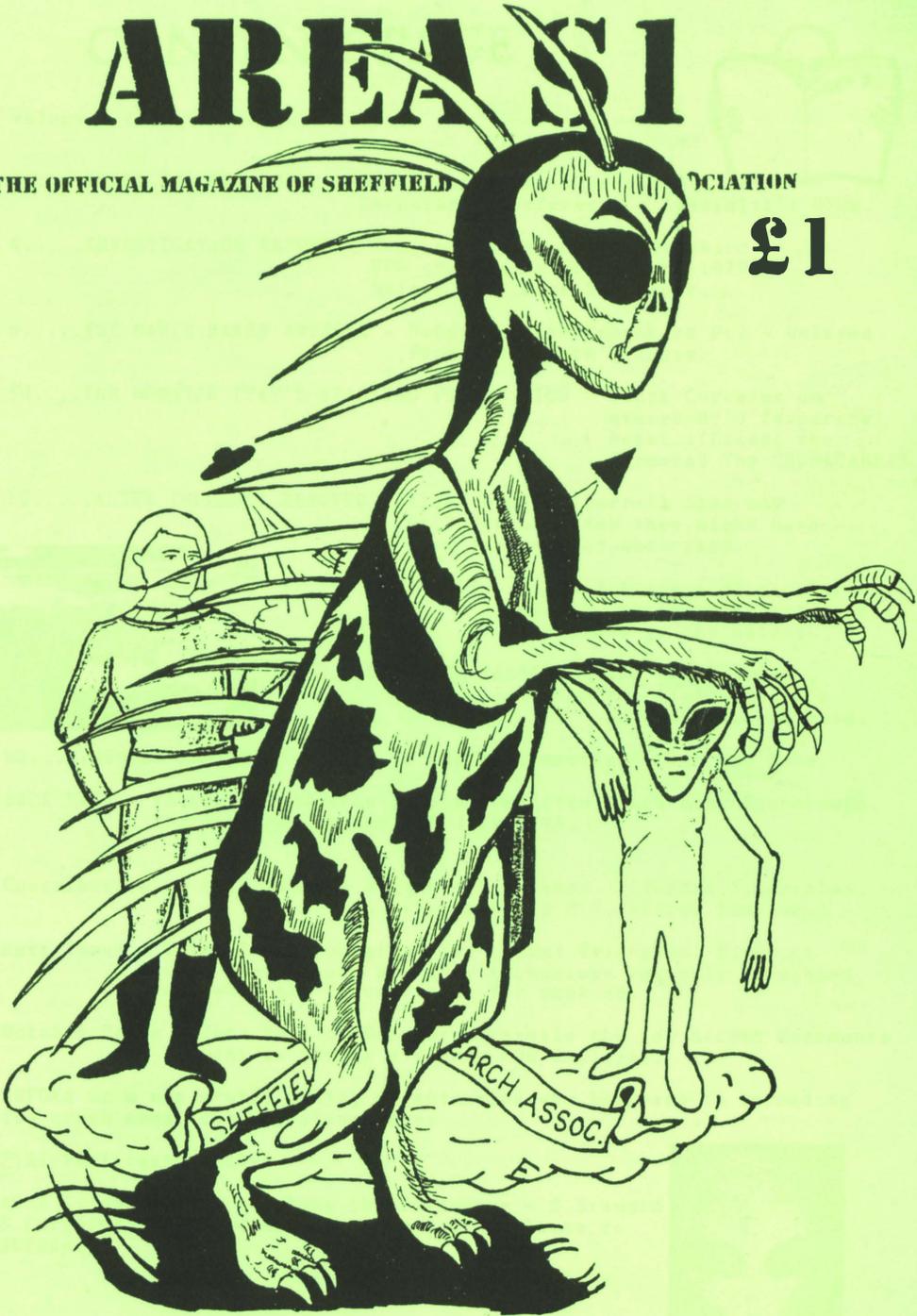


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# WORLD UFO NEWSROUND

## UFO GROUP MEMBERS CHARGED WITH MURDER

Source: New York Times  
Date: June 23, 1996 (1)

RIVERHEAD, N.Y.-Fearing that space aliens had crashed on Long Island and that the authorities were covering it up, three members of a UFO group plotted to assassinate Suffolk County officials with radioactive materials and seize control of county government, prosecutors said yesterday.

"Yes, this all sounds way-out," District Attorney James M. Catterson said. "But when I read the Unabomber manifesto, some of his ideas were just as bizarre. That's why I take this and the imminent threat to the individuals concerned here very seriously."

At a news conference yesterday after indictments in the case were unsealed, Catterson said the defendants had also planned to burn down the county Republican Party headquarters. He added that the leader of the plot, John J. Ford, believed, "in his own way, that his branch of the Conservative Party, which was no branch except in his own mind, could become the balance of power if he could eliminate the Republican leaders and the party's nominating petitions."

Ford is chairman of the Long Island UFO network, and the other defendants are network members.

"When we first heard this, the idea that someone would attempt to introduce radioactive material into someone's food and someone's living area was so bizarre that there was a human tendency to discount it," Catterson said. "But it didn't take very long to realize that this was some of our worst nightmares come true."

The indictments charged Ford, 47, a retired court officer, and Joseph Mazzuchelli, 42, a convicted burglar, with three counts each of conspiracy to murder, trying to hire others to carry out the plot and illegal possession of radioactive materials. A third suspect, Edward Zabo, 49, a government electrical inspector at Northrop Grumman Corp., was charged with 21 counts including criminal possession of a weapon, reckless endangerment, and violating health laws by possessing radioactive materials, which he is said to have sold to Ford.

Catterson noted that Ford recently sent a newsletter to followers claiming that last year's forest fires in the Long Island Pine Barrens were touched off by the crash of a large UFO. In the same newsletter, Ford accused local and federal agents of trying to cover up the crash by starting fires away from the crash site. He also wrote that Mazzuchelli had learned that government agents were trying to kill him and that Suffolk Police were covering up the plot. To expose this conspiracy against him and his UFO research, Ford hatched his plot to seize control of the Suffolk County government, Catterson said.

Ford and his followers plotted to introduce radioactive radium into the food eaten by John Powell, chairman of the Suffolk County Republican Committee; Fred Towle, a Suffolk legislator, and Anthony Gazzola, a leader of the Conservative Party in Brookhaven and chief investigator in the Brookhaven town attorney's office, Catterson said.

Catterson said evidence showed that the three men had begun to put their plot into action. "We caught it at the beginning." The plot was uncovered during an investigation into illegal gun sales. Martin Thompson, chief of the district attorney's rackets bureau, said investigators taped a conversation between Ford and Mazzuchelli discussing their plot. He said Northrop Grumman and the Defense Department were also investigating.

Ford, who pleaded not guilty at his arraignment, was ordered held on \$500,000 bond or \$350,000 cash bail. Mazzuchelli, who came to court without a lawyer,

was ordered to return on Monday with a court-appointed lawyer. Zabo was ordered to return to court next Friday. Bail was set at \$100,000.

"All this convinces me that there is a side to humanity that defies definition," Catterson said, recalling the bombings of the World Trade Center and the federal building in Oklahoma City and the Unabomber. "While we may think of them as kooks and far-outs, the point is that they lead daily lives and are able to get along, but within them they harbor thoughts which seldom, but do surface, so we must be on guard."

## DARKSTAR CRASHES

A prototype of the latest US unmanned spy plane crashed on take off at Edwards AFB in California. The futuristic flying wing carrying a flying saucer shaped body was one of a handful of 'Darkstar' drones designed to provide high altitude reconnaissance. (The Times, 24.4.96)

## CONFERENCE NEWS

For the first time an international UFO conference will be held in Scandinavia. The event is sponsored by UFO Sweden with its 2000 members and the professional conference organisation FMA. The conference will be located at the Toislanda conference centre outside Gothenburg on Sunday 27th October.

Speakers are: Jenny Randles, Paul Fuller (editor of Crop Watcher.), Nick Pope, Kent Jeffrey, Per Andersen (Danish UFO scene) and Ole-Jonny Braenne (Ufo Norway).

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## UFOs - AUSTRALIA

Australia just finished the third week of a UFO flap that shows no sign of dying down. On Wednesday June 19, the Australian national TV network TEN TV, aired video footage of the bright orange UFO that cavorted over the city of Adelaide four days earlier.

The flap hit high gear last week when orange UFOs appeared suddenly over Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide. According to Ross Dowe of Australia's UFO Hotline, his staff received "about a dozen calls" on Friday night, June 14th with excited callers describing "strange bright orange lights" over their neighbourhoods.

On Saturday night June 15th, the lights were seen again in downtown Adelaide, in the Sydney suburbs of Sutherland and Parramatta, and at Kew near Melbourne. In Kew, residents saw "five orange balls going straight up into the sky."

On Sunday June 16th, more lights were seen in Melbourne, and a single glowing UFO was videotaped in Adelaide.

Outlying regions of Australia were not spared either. Orange UFOs were reported at Mudgeeraba in Queensland at Campbelltown in South Australia and over the nation's capital, Canberra.

"We normally receive calls just in one area," Ross Dowe told Sun-Herald.

"But if this is a hoax, it's a hoax that's been done on the national scale over the past six weeks".

On Monday June 17th radio listeners in Melbourne heard the Royal Australian Air force (RAAF) announce the formation of a commission to study "mysterious lights in the sky". However, other correspondents in Australia dispute this report.

On Tuesday June 18th Melbourne saw yet another overflight of orange lights. This was described as a group of 10 orange UFOs arrayed in triangle formation, flying northeast of the city. Several people watched the aerial procession fly over Preston on its way to Eltham.

# INVESTIGATION REPORT

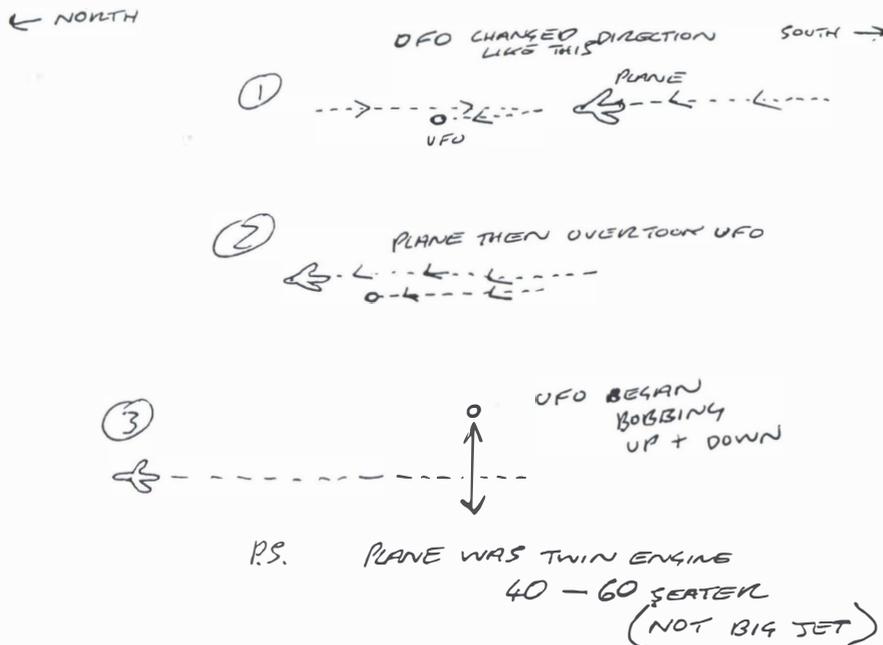
On the 24th July, an article highlighting the current UFO wave over the Manor area of Sheffield, appeared in the Sheffield Star. The response we received was truly amazing, many reporting objects they had seen in the last two weeks. Due to the next issue being a special on the current Flying Triangle situation, these reports will appear in our October issue.

Location: North Allerton, North Yorks

Date: 13th July '96

"I had just sat down watching television and I happened to look out of the window, when I saw an airplane travelling towards Teeside airport. In the airplane's flight path I noticed a silver object, about a third the size of a plane going south, at the speed of an airplane. Both UFO and plane looked like they would hit each other if they maintained their course. Suddenly the UFO instantly changed direction, from south to north and slowed down. The plane then overtook the object, and the object began to hover. After the plane had passed it, the object began "bobbing" up and down at an incredible speed. I went to fetch my camera, but when I returned it had gone." reported to Martin Jeffrey, by Eric Christoffersen.

Once Eric reported this case I telephoned Teeside airport and they told me that there was nothing on their radars at the time. I asked if the pilots had reported seeing anything, and they replied "no comment". This object behaved very much like a weather balloon, so I contacted the Leeds Metrological Office and they too knew nothing about it. I am keeping an open mind about this case, as nothing is definite so it could be a possible IFO.



Location: The Manor

Date: Last year.

John Wilkins went to bed at 12am, all was quiet outside (unusual for the Manor Estate). John began to "drop off" to sleep when a loud humming noise caught his attention. When John looked out on to the back garden, he was shocked to see a UFO.

Hovering over the tree in their back garden (Approx 40ft in the air), was a circular craft with lights traveling around its rim. Flashes of blue, red and yellow were clearly visible, John's girlfriend began to study the UFO. Suddenly, it moved very slowly over the house and towards the front.

"We ran into the front bedroom, it did not come out. So we then looked back into the back bedroom..but it had gone. We believe it had shot straight up into the sky" said the couple.

"The colours were so vivid, that'll stick in our minds forever.."

Investigated by Paula Jordan.

Location: Barnaby Hill, Doncaster.

Date: 1st January 1979

All air traffic was grounded because of the bad weather conditions coming in from Siberia.

Fifteen minutes into the new year, (12:15am) reports were being made to the police and local radio stations from members of the public, a strange looking object had been seen flying over South Yorkshire, also other places in the U.K. had reports of an object, a few hours before midnight.

People knew that all air traffic had been grounded from around mid-afternoon on the 31st of December.

Television and radio stations reported snow drifts six feet and over. A good friend of mine had seen the object flying low, her husband who never believed in such things saw the cigar shaped object for himself, this had raised enthusiasm in Mr.W. forever after that sighting.

The object was reported as cigar shaped, every report that came in from a member of the public, was a cigar shape UFO.

Around 1:15am on the 1st January, a South Yorkshire radio station received half a dozen calls that a cigar shaped object had crashed on Barnaby Hill, outside Doncaster.

A couple radio station reporters were at the scene not long after the crash had been reported, but to their disappointment were unable to take photographs of the crash, these reporters were also barred from talking to any local people, as the M.O.D. was already there at the scene of the crash.

The few locals who had reported the crash to the police, were told to keep their mouths shut about the incident. These were strict orders from the MOD. If they mentioned one word to anyone including radio and television stations, then these people could expect trouble from the MOD.

Barnaby Hill was a no go area for a month after the crash had occurred the MOD kept a close watch and a keen eye on the locals and passers by.

Investigated by Adam Hancock.

# THE DAVID BAKER ARTICLE

## DEBUNKING THE DEBUNKERS part two.

In the first part of my article published in the June issue of area S1, I pointed out that many of the sarcastic comments made by debunkers are echoed in a more honest manner by the average man in the street. In this month's article I intend to show the areas where the true debunker differs from those who are merely sceptical, or just innocent of certain aspects of ufology.

Firstly we must be clear on how a "sceptic" differs from a "debunker". A sceptic is someone who is difficult or even impossible to convince about a particular idea or event, but who is content to have their own opinion and leave it at that.

A debunker is someone who actively sets out to "explain" UFO reports in a "conventional" manner, using any means necessary including misinformation, outright lies and even the systematic ridicule of witnesses and investigators. Many times, if a debunker cannot find a conventional, scientific answer to explain a UFO sighting, they will simply declare the witness as ignorant, drunk, or incompetent. The debunker seems to be desperate to prove their own point of view: many of them actually seem angry, as if the very notion of UFOs as anything that cannot be explained is anathema to them. They spend an awful amount of time, energy and emotion arguing over something they claim has no basis in reality. The question we must ask is: why? If a person does not believe in UFOs, why do they feel the urge to force their opinion on others? Why not leave the "idiots" who do believe in them to their beliefs and get on with their own interests? It is similar to the people who complain that a programme contains too much sex, violence or bad language: My answer is, if you don't like it, there is always the off switch..Turn away, and leave it to the people who do like it.

Of course, some debunkers are actually quite sincere in their beliefs, and would be offended if they were to be branded as a debunker. Dr.Susan Blackmore, psychologist of Bristol University is the author of an article entitled "Alien Abduction" in New Scientist magazine and also appeared in the Horizon documentary "Close Encounters" on BBC2. She has also made numerous television and radio appearances including the UFO episode of "The Paranormal World of Paul McKenna".

Dr.Blackmore's explanation for Alien abductions is a mixture of 'sleep paralysis', 'temporal lobe phenomena' and later on when abductees are working with investigators, 'false memory syndrome', brought on by the use of regressive hypnosis. However, for all her appearances on TV and in print, she admits, "...I am not an expert on abduction experiences, although I do know a lot more about them now than when the Horizon producer first asked me to present their programme. I know even less about UFOs and am not in a position to make judgements about radar sightings, effects on car engines and so on." I do believe that Dr.Blackmore is sincere in her beliefs but I also believe that you cannot adequately investigate alien abductions without also studying the UFO phenomenon: it is a little like studying pathology without an understanding of chemistry.

The famous author and inventor of the communications satellite Arthur C.Clark presented "Arthur C.Clark's Mysterious World" and, later ".....Mysterious Universe" but only appeared as a figurehead through all of the programmes, opening each episode and finishing it with his personal views on the subject at hand. Mostly, Clarke was sceptical, but his comments concerning the worldwide cover-up of UFOs had me rolling around the floor in hilarity. Clarke said, "...if there is a Governmental Cover-up concerning UFOs, I would know about it." Why? Does he honestly believe that he is important enough to be privy to information that even top government ministers are kept in the dark about? Admiral of the Fleet, the Lord Hill-Norton GCB, Chief Of Defence Staff 1971-3 has tried on numerous occasions to penetrate the secrecy surrounding the government and UFOs without any luck whatsoever. If someone of his military standing is not granted clearance to the truth, why should an author, admittedly a celebrated one?

So, Dr.Blackmore and Arthur C.Clark may be considered debunkers in the fact that they appear in the media voicing their negative thoughts about UFOs and abductions etc. but are honest in their scepticism. The targets of this article however are the debunkers whom I believe have an agenda of their

own, people like Phillip J.Klass, Carl Sagan, James Oburg and others. These are the people whom I term "rabid" debunkers, those who will use lies, misinformation, scientific techno-babble and their so-called "respectability" and position, and any other means necessary to discredit ufology. It is possible that some debunkers have slotted themselves into a comfortable niche from which they can become minor celebrities, write books, make television and radio appearances and most of all, make lots of money. Even if they were presented with enough evidence that the UFO phenomenon was real, regardless of whether the explanation was extraterrestrial, ultraterrestrial, time travellers from the future or any of the myriad possible explanations,

they would still retain their position purely for business reasons; programmes like *Kilroy, Esther, The Time, the Place, Oprah, Strange-But True?*, etc, always need a negative voice simply for a balance. And it is generally the same debunkers who are wheeled out with their smug self-righteous explanations.

Others need to be treated with more suspicion. There is no doubt that as part of the Government's disinformation policy, there are those who are secretly acting for the government as spokesmen against the reality of the UFO phenomenon.

Dr.Donald Menzel was the author of three books debunking ufology. He was the Professor of astrophysics 1939-1971 at Harvard University and the Chairman of the Department of Astronomy 1946-1949. He became known as the 'arch-enemy' of UFOs from the 1940s onwards.

And yet...if the controversial Majestic-12 papers are to be believed, Menzel's name is included as one of the 12 members of the ultra-secret group set up to deal with the UFO "problem" in the aftermath of Roswell in 1947. This would mean that at the height of his status as the 'arch-enemy of UFOs' he was actually in the midst of investigating all manner of UFO evidence including the vehicle or vehicles that crashed in New Mexico and alleged corpses of alien crew, and was a leader of the immense cover-up that has continued ever since.

Many people such as Phillip Klass point out that Menzel's name has been added by the hoaxer responsible for the MJ-12 papers to add to their authenticity, but UFO researcher Stanton T.Friedman has discovered through many hours of painstaking research that Menzel had a double-life and was involved in all manner of "black projects" and espionage groups, including the CIA.

It is quite possible that some of Menzel's successors as prime debunkers may well hold similar positions to the one he did, if rumours that a variation of MJ-12 exists today.

Where debunkers fail, and where we can actually ease the tension and anger felt at their attacks is in their so-called rational explanations. Often, these are amusingly less likely and unbelievable than the possibility that what a witness reports actually happened as they claim it did. And here is where the debunker's weakness lies. They can all to often be dismissed, rejected, or themselves be de-bunked. Consider these following examples:

### Kaikoura, New Zealand, 31 December 1978.

This celebrated radar/visual sighting was also filmed, and the case has recently been on an episode of *Strange- But True?* Briefly, during a minor UFO flap, an Australian film crew aboard an aeroplane actually looking for UFOs filmed via a telescopic lens UFOs which were also tracked on radar at Wellington, NZ. The film shows an object around 100ft in diameter with a bright orange top and a deep red on the bottom, which was shown to have a translucent dome when the film was later examined. This object made a giant loop in 1/20 of a second discernable only on the film. Other objects, including a smaller object resembling the space shuttle, and four others visible only as dots could be seen near the main UFO.

But how did the debunkers explain this multi-witnessed, filmed, radar-detected sighting?

\* Mutton birds flying inland for mating. ( The objects were clocked at 5 miles per second...)

\*The spruce budworm moth. Apparently, when placed in an electronic field, insects can produce light. The moths in question can swarm in clouds up to 100km long and 25km wide, and according to a US Government laboratory, this cloud could have generated enough light to be mistaken for a UFO. (This explanation has made an appearance on the X-Files episode, *War of the Coprophages.*)

- \*Lights from Japanese squid-boats (at 10,000ft!)
- \*Venus (the debunkers' favourite)
- \*moonlight reflecting from a field of cabbage leaves.
- \*owls covered with luminous fungi

### Boianai, Papua, New Zealand- 26-28 June 1959

The Reverend William Bruce Gill and a total of 37 witnesses saw UFOs hovering over their mission over three consecutive nights. On the first night a UFO hovered above the mission directing a blue beam of light at an angle into the sky. Four "men" came out onto the deck of one of the UFOs and moved around the object as if making repairs. The next night a UFO reappeared as did the "men" onto the deck of the craft. This time the Reverend, a nurse and others from the mission waved at the "men" and received waves in return. Gill did attempt further communication by flashing a torch at the UFO but the figures merely continued to wave.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek and Jacques Valee considered the case one of the strongest CEIII ever reported. Donald Menzel, however made a report which stated he believed that Gill and the others had seen Venus. Gill, and a teacher Stephen Gill Moi suffered from myopia and were not wearing their spectacles, and therefore Venus appeared distorted and elongated; the figures waving at them on the deck of the UFO was caused by their blinking. The other witness were unreliable natives who signed a report without understanding what they were signing or why.

Royal Australian Air Force investigators concluded that at least three of the UFOs seen over the three nights had been planets.

(In actual fact Gill had observed and correctly identified Venus at the time of the sighting. He was wearing correctly prescribed spectacles during the sightings, and at certain times during the many sightings, the UFOs appeared beneath heavy cloud cover.)

### Carl Sagan and UFOs

Sagan surprised just about everyone when he published an article in March 7, 1993 issue of *Parade* magazine entitled "Are They Coming For Us?" (A distinguished scientist takes a hard look at reports of extraterrestrial beings, UFOs and alien abductions) in which he made an astonishingly vehement attack on the subject of ufology. He claimed that there had never been a convincing sighting made by a reliable witness and that there was not a single piece of film, video footage or still photograph of UFOs that could not be explained away. His final conclusions are that all UFOs are hallucinations and that alien abductions are merely dreams. He cites the classic Betty and Barney Hill case as an example suggesting they both dreamed the same thing. He also asks of abductions; "Where is the physical evidence? No abductee has taken an authentic photograph of the interior of the ship or come back with detailed scientific information unknown on earth. These failures surely tell us something."

Sagan is utterly wrong on all of his conclusions. Thousands of the best documented cases were witnessed by military pilots, scientists, astronomers, engineers, lawyers, policemen, judges, astronauts...how more reliable can you get? There are hundreds of photographs and pieces of film which have undergone rigorous examination and still remain unexplained, such as the Trinadade Island photographs of 1958, the Trent photographs of 1950, and the many videos taken in Mexico City during the July 11 1991 eclipse of the sun.

His comment about abductees is ridiculous when looked at in the context of what we know about abductions; people are taken against their will, others around them apparently 'switched off'. The aliens, or whatever they may be are not going to allow an abductee time to grab their pentax before they leave, or allow them to take an extraterrestrial bathrobe home with them. Sagan is not stupid. However, he is heavily involved with both SETI, and more importantly, the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP) which publishes debunking material in *The Skeptical Inquirer*.

### Phillip Klass and Stanton Friedman

Much debate has raged about the MJ-12 papers, none more so than between arch-enemies Phillip J. Klass for the debunking fraternity and UFO investigator Stanton Friedman. Klass, for instance claimed that the typeface used in one of the MJ-12 papers, known as the Cutler-Twining memo, was not in use at that time and offered to pay Friedman for every example of the same typeface he could find from that time period. Friedman found enough examples for Klass to pay him \$1000. Strangely enough, although Klass had publicized widely his criticism, he made no mention of losing his bet with Friedman.

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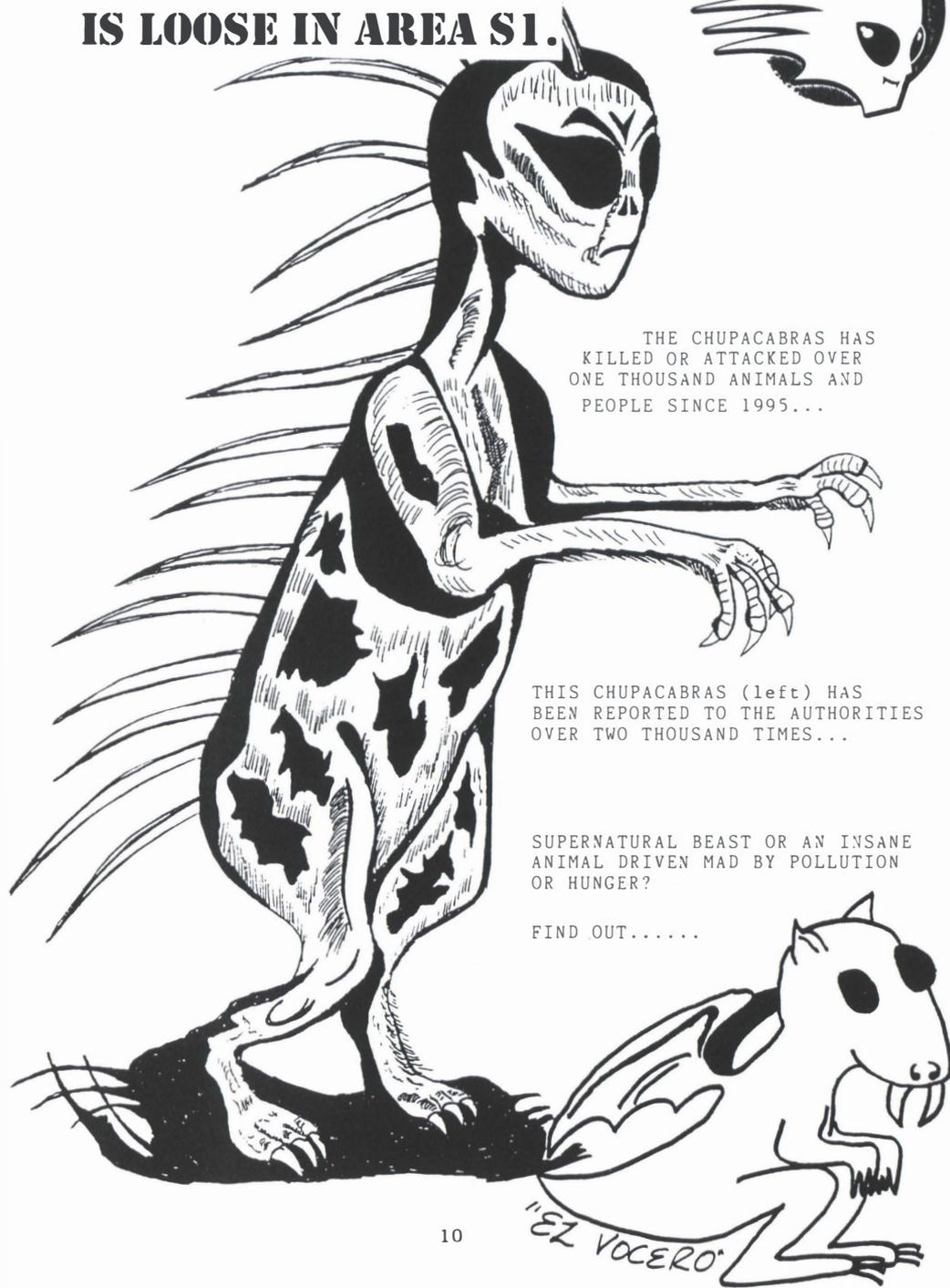
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THIS CHUPACABRAS (left) HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THE AUTHORITIES OVER TWO THOUSAND TIMES...

SUPERNATURAL BEAST OR AN INSANE ANIMAL DRIVEN MAD BY POLLUTION OR HUNGER?

FIND OUT.....

## The Monster that's stalking Puerto Rico By Scott Corrales.

For more than a century, the Puerto Rican peasantry has fervently sung Libranos, señor, de este terrible animal! ("Deliver us, Lord, from this terrible beast") Folklorists dismiss the possibility that there might be anything to these lyrics other than a fervent Christian urge to be delivered from the devil, who is described in bestial terms. But Puerto Rico's long history of paranormal phenomena can lead even the sternest doubter to read between the lines.

### A Wave of Mutilations

A new wave of mutilations has disturbed the normally peaceful Puerto Rican spring. It is different from the classic 1975 wave investigated by UFO investigator Salvador Freixedo, who lived on the island at the time. Only a few of the current cases include the extruded organs that characterized the 'mutes' of the American Southwest. The gruesome new cases in Puerto Rico usually involve animals left entirely bloodless through a single neat perforation found on some part of the body.

Investigator Jorge Martin's research results have recently appeared in a special edition of his magazine Evidencia Ovni, which was dedicated entirely to the mutilation phenomenon. The mutilation wave included a strong high strangeness component. Bizarre humanoids resembling grey aliens were seen. One of these creatures was spotted early in the flap at Orocovis.

A police officer investigating a dead sheep on Enrique Barreto's property became aware that something was staring at him from the shadows. The creature was humanoid in appearance, three to four feet tall, and had orange yellow eyes. Ordering his partner to stop the squad car, the police officer jumped out and pursued the creature, but suddenly, he was overcome by nausea and a pounding headache. He was rendered so helpless that his partner had to come to his rescue.

At 6:00am on March 26, 1995, Jaime Torres encountered a similar creature in the field where Barreto's sheep were kept. Torres, an avid UFO enthusiast, had come to the area the previous evening in hope of learning more about what was going on. He and his brothers had been repeatedly seeing UFOs from their home in Orocovis' Barrio Gato since December 1994. A skywatch, he felt, provided a good chance for seeing more UFOs.

In the early morning hours, Torres spotted a round headed creature resting on a nearby tree branch. The creature had elongated black eyes, a fine jaw, and a small mouth. This unusual being had chameleon like pigmentation, alternating from purple to brown to yellow. Its face was a dark grey-ish tone.

According to the lone witness, the creature made a curious gesture, moved its head from side to side, and produced a sibilant hissing sound that caused Torres to feel faint. Overcoming the sensation, he managed to watch the creature drop from the tree, and rush into the dense foliage.

On May 19, 1995 the inhabitants of the beautiful lake town of Patillas were dazzled by a UFO that flew over the Valle Real urban development. According to Moises Picart, the vehicle lit up the hillsides and disappeared shortly afterward. It did not correspond to any known commercial or military craft.

Earlier that same week, an elderly sugar cane cutter hard at work in the fields suffered a heart attack after fending off an attack by a monstrous winged creature in broad daylight.

On the morning of May 22, Don Francisco Ruiz, a cattle man in the town of Humacao on Puerto Rico's eastern shore, was stunned to discover that three of his goats and their young had been found dead, without a drop of blood in their bodies. Officer Stephen Alvarez, a spokesman for the police department, said that the dead animals were found in the Punta Santiago section of Humacao. Puncture marks were found on the goats' necks, foreheads and legs.

The results of Ruiz's crude autopsy on his animals, performed on the spot, demonstrated beyond a doubt that the carcasses had been completely emptied of blood. This was the first case to take place outside the mountainous central municipalities of the island, but it would be by no means be the last.

### **Fortean Monsters**

Is the chupacabras merely another of the winged weirdos - ranging from pterodactyls to Mothman like creatures - that have typified the fortean nature of Puerto Rico's cases? Apparently winged monsters retain their fondness for their old stomping grounds in the mountains, as exemplified by the following case.

A resident of the town of Naranjito, in the island's interior, informed Jorge Martin that his mother had run into a being that she first thought was a child, since its height and build resembled that of a three year old boy. The being was standing next to some hedges, and upon closer inspection, the woman realised that she was staring at something she had never seen before. It had a large head and eyes, a flattened nose, and a delicate jawbone that appeared to be connected to the creature's body.

Creature and woman held each other's gaze until the woman began feeling faint and nauseous. Taking advantage of her discomfiture, the being fled the area with stunning speed. The small intruder apparently belonged to the same order of beings seen earlier in Orocovis. Two weeks earlier, the woman had also witnessed a flight of gigantic birds over the area. One of the immense birds was described as having a hump on its back. Being familiar with eagles and the native guaraguao (a kind of hawk), she assured her son that the birds did not resemble either. One of the animals landed on the branches of a tree, causing it to bend from the weight.

The woman also found 47 of her chickens dead, adding a touch of horror to a strange situation. One of the dead hens had a large puncture mark on it, wide and deep enough that a finger could be stuck into it.

### **A Creole Bigfoot?**

During the earlier wave of cattle mutilations in the mid 1970s, Puerto Rico was also visited by ubiquitous big hairy monsters. Many who witnessed these Bigfoot type creatures described them as ranging in height from four to five feet, with black or brown fur, a generally humanoid appearance, and a penchant for destroying plantain and banana trees. One witness managed to fire his pistol at one of these rampaging creatures without effect. An issue of *Enigma!* magazine featured a photo taken of this apparently vegetarian smallfoot, who was christened *El Comecogollos* (the Banana Tree Eater) by the irreverent island media. The creature's existence and exploits became a regular feature on certain local comedy shows.

Another monster nearly caused a resident of Rexville, a suburb of San Juan, to have a heart attack. In the summer of 1991, Eduardo Velasco stepped into his backyard one day to discover that 18 rabbits he kept in neat hutches had been ripped to pieces by the fury of some powerful, unknown entity. It had torn its way right through the resident wire of the hutches to reach its prey.

### **The dog that got away.**

Suki looked like a dog sprung from a cartoonist's pen, with elongated black and white body surmounted by a floppy eared head with gleaming eyes - the product of a dachshund and the hardy island mutt known as a sato. The spunky puppy was a celebrity and didn't know it. Suki had held off the Chupacabras with its sharp barking and thus avoided getting "goatsucked". I heard Suki's tale of canine bravery while accompanying Martin as he conducted research on the phenomenon. It could not have been a better location: the dog owner's rural home overlooking the southern slopes of El Yunque near the town of Juncos.

Maria de Gomez, a housewife in her mid fifties, a resident of Barrio Valenciano Abajo on the outskirts of Juncos, told us how her dog's barking alerted her that something was wrong on the high terrace overlooking her backyard (a plantation spanning several acres). When she checked on the cause of her pet's excitement, she was startled beyond belief. An ashen grey creature, weighing 75 pounds and standing four feet tall, loomed over the defiant animal in silence, as if trying to browbeat it into submission.

"It was the ugliest thing I'd ever seen," Gomez explained. "All that stood between me and it was the screen door leading to the kitchen. A baseball bat, which my husband leaves here in case a prowler should come around, was all I could have used against it."

But something as remarkable as the puppy's defiance happened next. The housewife stared the creature down, thinking aloud, "If you're the Chupacabras, you're a pretty sorry excuse for a creature." The entity slowly covered its pointed face with its wings, as if hurt by her rebuff. It moved away from its position, slinking against a wall and half hiding behind a washing machine. Eventually, the chastised Chupacabras took awkward steps toward the railing surrounding her terrace, jumped on it, and flew off into the dark sky.

Gomez was able to add a curious detail to the story. The creature's eyes were somehow able to light the entire terrace with a clear, whitish light like that of a bulb. She had no problem making out the physical details that she had included in her testimony. She added that since the strange encounter, she felt her eyesight had diminished.

Beyond the tree covered plantation was a pond that had been used by a local industry to dump chemicals. It was eventually used to dump every kind of waste, to the point that it would have been impossible to sit on the terrace without being nauseated by the odour. At this point the strange events began. One day, while tending the vegetable gardens at the far end of the property, Gomez and her daughter had seen greys running toward the contaminated pond. As Martin's research has proven, many cases involving supposed alien activity in Puerto Rico revolve around environmental and ecological issues, a concern for how humans appear to be determined to pollute and destroy their own world. Could this case have followed the pattern?

### **Hand to Hand Combat**

We next travelled to the nearby town of Gurabo, the place where the fanged mystery bird of 1989 made its debut, causing a sensation that filled local and international newspapers.

The Chupacabras had also been seen in Gurabo, and many had experienced losses, including Jesus Sanchez. A devout man belonging to one of the many Protestant churches that are claiming an increasing number of followers in this

traditionally Catholic country, Sanchez's experience with the creature could only be described as hand to hand combat.

"I'm still affected by what happened," Sanchez told us. "I haven't been myself since the encounter, as my wife and daughter can testify." The predator had landed in his backyard one evening and killed the rabbits Sanchez raised there, opening the cages and leaving characteristic puncture marks on their bodies. Fearing that the creature would return, since attacks were still being reported throughout Gurabo, Sanchez decided to mount a watch in the hope of overcoming the creature and capturing it. His wish came true. A repeat visit came at 4:00am only days later. Sanchez blinded the creature with a light bulb, causing it to seek shelter from the light behind a tree. When the light was turned off, the predator raced past Sanchez out into the darkness, allowing only enough time for the terrified man to deliver two stiff machete blows against the creature's skin. Shuddering at the recollection, Sanchez added, "the blow sounded like a hit on a drum."

In spite of the state in which his close encounter with the Chupacabras left him, Sanchez is guardedly hopeful that the creature will come back for more. He has promised to capture the creature despite a threat levelled at him by an official with the Department of Natural Resources, who warned him that the agency would prosecute him if he killed a protected creature. The defiant Sanchez riposted that a creature that is said to not exist cannot be protected by anyone, and that any action taken by the agency will only point to its complicity in the hundreds of animal killings that have plagued the island since the beginning of the year.

We left Puerto Rico much wiser and more informed, but no closer to unravelling the mystery than before. The Chupacabras, Jorge Martin has observed, belongs to the same phenomena that surround not only the cryptic domain of El Yungue, the mountain rain forest, but also all other UFO manifestations on the island. Clearly, we could be dealing with a genetic experiment of some sort, since everything from Thalidomide to Agent Orange to radiation has been tested on the unsuspecting Puerto Rican population.

The fact that this hemoglobin dependent organism can breathe the mix of gases in our atmosphere without any trouble and move around (on land or in the air) unaffected by our gravity would suggest a terrestrial origin, yet who can dismiss the alternative - that of a paranormal origin, which has characterized winged mystery creatures throughout history?

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SURGEON TELLS FIRST RESULTS OF IMPLANT ANALYSIS  
Sims, Leir Say They Might Have Hard Evidence of Abduction  
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This story summarizes information presented by hypnotherapist Derrel Sims and physician Roger Leir at a public meeting in Thousand Oaks, California on February 23, 1996, sponsored by the local chapter of MUFON (the Mutual UFO Network). Acknowledgement to ISCNI\*FLASH.

by Debra L. Lindemann  
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Dr. Roger Leir is a California surgeon who has removed what may be actual alien implants from two people brought to him by hypno-anesthesia therapist and abduction researcher Derrel Sims of Houston, Texas. Sims was the main speaker at a MUFON meeting on Feb 23 but turned the podium over to Dr. Leir for the medical part of the presentation.

On August 19, 1995, several alleged "implants" were surgically removed from two abductees who have been working with Sims. If preliminary findings are confirmed by further laboratory testing, these implants might provide hard evidence that the abduction phenomenon is a reality.

Dr. Leir removed a total of three objects, two from one patient and one from a second patient. Both specimens in the first patient, a woman, were located in her large toe, one on each side of the toe. The third object was removed from the back of the left hand of the second patient, a man, slightly above the web area between the thumb and the index finger.

According to Sims, these people were originally unaware that they had the implants. The objects were accidentally discovered on x-rays taken for unrelated reasons. At the time, these individuals were seeing Derrel, as there were indications that they had a history of abduction. After extensive interviews were taken by Derrel, he ordered copies of their medical records and these objects came under scrutiny. There was no pain associated with these implants, and neither patient had any prior sensation of foreign objects in the body. Another peculiar fact is that these implants also left no sign of entry into the body; if there was an initial incision, it healed so perfectly that there was no outward scar.

To help locate the implants more specifically prior to surgery, Dr. Leir used a stud finder and a gauss meter. A gauss meter measures electromagnetic fields. When the gauss meter was put near the object in the man's hand, the meter "went crazy." Dr. Leir first tested the man with the gauss meter indoors, then took him outdoors away from all other magnetic influences. The results were the same. Similarly, when he used the stud finder, it lit up brightly over the man's hand, so they knew there was something there.

Prior to the surgery, both individuals received a type of local anesthetic which would normally anesthetize the area of surgery for up to six hours. While Dr. Leir was searching within the woman's toe for the first implant, he accidentally touched the object and the patient "almost jumped off the table." Dr. Leir explained that the only time a surgeon gets this type of pain reaction under anesthesia is when something, in this case the object, is in close proximity to a nerve fibre. This is because the nerve fibre arouses the sensation of pain directly in the patient's brain, outside of the field of anesthesia. This happened in all three spots with both patients. When the objects were extracted, both patients had the same painful response. Dr. Leir concluded that these objects were somehow attached to nerves.

The first object removed was flat and approximately triangular in shape, about half a centimeter on each side. Though metallic inside, it was covered

with a thick, dense gray membrane. Dr. Leir tried to cut into the membrane with a scalpel, but couldn't.

When foreign objects have been in the human body for a long time, they get covered with a dense fibrous coating, but usually such material can be scraped off with a blade. In this case, however, the membrane was nearly impossible to remove. A similar coating was found on all three objects.

Derrel Sims took the implants back to Houston for further analysis, while Dr. Leir sent samples of surrounding tissue to a local pathologist. When the objects were taken out, Dr. Leir had noticed that the tissue around them was a discolored gray tone, not the color normally seen in tissue inflammation surrounding a foreign object. He received three reports back from the pathologist, one for each of the tissue samples. He was excited to see that none of the samples showed any signs of inflammation.

Normally there is an inflammation response to any foreign object in the body. This results from white blood cell activity in the area, attempting to rid the body of what it considers garbage that doesn't belong there. If the object is something soft, like a splinter, the body is able to disintegrate it and take it away one piece at a time. If the body can't remove the foreign object, it does the next best thing. Thousands of cells join together in a process called differentiation, changing form and surrounding the object to wall it off and separate it from the rest of the body. Any type of foreign object placed in the body -- whether by accident, such as a splinter, or something surgically inserted by a doctor -- will show this type of inflammation. So it was extremely strange that the pathology reports on these objects showed no inflammatory cells at all.

Similarly strange was the discovery that in the tissue around each implant, there were numerous nerve endings that didn't belong there. None of the investigators could say why these nerve endings were there, but it suggests the possibility that the implants act as some kind of monitoring device through attachment to the nervous system.

When Derrel Sims got the objects back to Houston, his first test was to expose them to ultraviolet light. He found that they all glowed brilliant fluorescent green. Derrel has found in his research with abductees that patches of some substance, invisible to the naked eye but fluorescent under black light, sometimes show up on the abductee's body following an abduction. He suspects that whatever this substance is, it could result from direct physical contact with the body of the abductor. With this in mind, he said he was not surprised to see that the three removed objects were fluorescent.

Later, Derrel dried out the three objects, and the membranes surrounding them became brittle. He was then able to scrape some of the membrane material off and send it back to Dr. Leir for analysis. After scraping off the brittle membrane, he found a highly magnetic, metallic, shiny black material inside.

When Dr. Leir received the three different scrapings of the membrane coatings from Derrel Sims, he sent them out to three separate pathologists. When the reports came back, it turned out that the main ingredient in this very tough membrane was something simply made from blood. In this bloody mass were some brown granules. The pathologists did an iron stain test and found that these brown granules were made of oxygen-carrying pigment from human red blood cells. Besides this, they also found a material called keratin, which comprises the outer layers of human skin, hair and fingernails.

Dr. Leir pointed out that if medical science could figure out how to duplicate this membrane, we would solve one of the biggest problems in medicine, that of transplant rejection. The membrane around the objects was apparently composed of material from the patients' own bodies BEFORE the objects were inserted. If we knew how to do this, we could put almost anything into the human body and have absolutely no rejection.

Leir and Sims illustrated the structure of one of the implants taken from the woman's toe. When first removed, it was flat and triangular. When the

outer membrane was removed, inside were two separate pieces of shiny black metal, tightly joined together in the shape of a "T". Apparently only the membrane itself held these two metal pieces in alignment.

On February 22, the first preliminary lab reports came back on the metal itself. Leir and Sims both said they would await the final reports before announcing any details. They stressed that they had sent the samples for testing to highly specialized labs and had not indicated anything about where the samples came from. Dr. Leir told the Thousand Oaks audience that the preliminary findings are "mind-boggling," and that the first metallurgist simply said: "Wow, you guys really found something here." Dr. Leir stated that as soon as they get final reports from all three labs, they will make their findings public. "I think you're watching history," he said in conclusion.

Prior to working with Derrel Sims on this project, Dr. Leir had been an occasional consultant for MUFON, but had not been deeply involved. Now, he says, this project "has literally changed my life."

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The above article was taken out of the SIGAP magazine Pegasus.

#### My Theory....

Defense condition? Is this planet at war with an alien race? Or alternatively is our planet and another planet at war with yet another?

I suppose the answers to these questions lay in the hands of men with extreme power well beyond that of prime ministers and presidents alike.

I think it would be a safe bet to assume that a great many people now believe in the existence of extra terrestrials. The question now is why are they here, not if they are here!

Another frustrating question is why doesn't the government tell us what they know?

I am of the opinion that the governments of the world are kept in the dark as much as we are! And the ultimate truth is known only by secret services and very high ranking military persons. It is my belief that at least one extra terrestrial race is visiting our planet and infact been given land to use, by someone!

But what is their purpose and intention? Is it to help mankind over come all its downfalls, for example war, famine, economic and ecological problems etc? Or is it to inevitably deal the final blow that will smash mankind into oblivion?

Most people who have tried to dominate the world have tried to do it in one quick swoop, but the enemy I speak of is more intelligent than that.

They have been watching and manipulating us for hundreds, if not thousands of years, they have been encountered by people, not as you may think by accident.

No. I believe the people who see their craft or have been abducted are deliberately chosen. The purpose behind this, I am not sure of but I think it is a process of conditioning, no slur on the honesty or integrity of these people but I believe these are to be the fifth columnists/colaborators when the final move is made. But why, I hear you ask, would an alien race wish to overrun us and destroy our way of life?

Well, truthfully there are many reasons and I admit that the ones I am about to give you are purely speculative, firstly could it be possible that the visitors are searching for natural resources, food, fuel, minerals etc that might be non existant on their own world, or could they be merely exploring scientists, using our world as a giant laboratory and consider us as lab animals? Or is there in something even more sinister?

I base this massively shortened thesis on evidence I have acquired over many years of investigation and research.

By Leigh Arkwright, Head of Barnsley Branch

# SKYWATCH RESULTS

Saturday 8th June 1996.

We have held our skywatches at Lodge Lane, Rivelin but a number of members suggested moving to Redmires Reservoir car park. Redmires is well known in Sheffield for its paranormal activity, strange reports have filtered in over the years including: Ghosts, UFOs and even a suspected sighting of a Pteradactyl. When we arrived at Redmires many members felt sensations of electricity, an eeriness and indeed a fear of the woods. Later four people would be seen in the woods sat in a ring. They wore blue 'all in ones' and black boots.

At 10:10pm a large amber light appeared hovering in the direction of Sheffield. Through my 20x50 binoculars the object looked round and not like a star at all. After ten minutes the object disappeared. Twenty minutes later (10:40pm) while we scanned the reservoir, a huge light coming out of the clouds caught our eye. We ascertained that the object was travelling at high speed, the sighting lasted about 5 minutes until it slowly vanished up into the night's sky. Some of our members had been walking up to the top of Redmires and also confirmed our sighting when they returned.

The sightings ceased for a while and a good job too or we might have been ran over by the over ambitious young drivers, zooming up and down the road.

At 11:10pm, we were talking until some one shouted "UFO!" Slowly, over the hill, rose an amber ball. (Most noticed a discharge like snow underneath.) After hovering for a few seconds it began to travel into the direction of Manchester. Behind the ball a blue light was visible, but it was the intensity of the amber ball that caught our eye. To the left of the UFO was a plane also travelling in the direction of Manchester after a few seconds the ball of amber light had passed the plane, and on to its unknown destination. The amber ball had jerkily travelled the sky in less than half the time a plane would. The sighting lasted less than two minutes, but it had electrified us all. Then suddenly another ball rose above the hill, traversing the same flight path as the original UFO, this time it disappeared over the horizon as fast as it came. By this time we were stood in the middle of a bog, as in the excitement, we had ran towards the UFOs. (No common sense, I know..) After all the excitement we waded back to the car park, sharing our experiences and a cup of hot tea.

Later that night as everybody was beginning to pack away, a strange white light flew from the woods and up towards Sheffield. The UFO travelled at a tremendous speed and was seen for only a minute, but this made us stay for another hour.

Soon everything died down, we saw a few moving stars, (like satellites but they can move a distinct right angles.) Overall it was a great night out, which was packed with a friendly atmosphere, thanks to all who took part.

(11:10pm, June 8th.)



Drawn (Badly) by M.Jeffrey.

Saturday 29th June 1996

This skywatch was cancelled due to the bad weather, later it cleared up and four of us went up to Redmires. While waiting for the sun to fully set, a number of skyflashes were seen, I imagined that we were going to see a flying triangle, but no such luck.

Everything was quiet and peaceful until 10:35pm when we saw an amber ball hovering over Sheffield. Slowly it came closer until we were able to tell that it was indeed a glowing flying saucer. Through my 20x50 binoculars we all saw the typical Adamski type flying saucer. At the same time a plane flew in front of the UFO, heading towards the East Midlands airport. Once the airplane had flown by, the stationary UFO began to move towards the plane at an alarming speed. It manoeuvred to a close distance to the plane then flashed. The flash emanated from the bottom of the saucer, a few seconds later it did it again. Suddenly, Lindon noticed three white lights rising from the trees towards the UFO, which was now stationary again and together they shot up into the clouds.

Two more skyflashes came at 11:05 and 11:10, these were also seen by Eileen Fletcher at Bradfield.

Nothing happened the remainder of the night but we were happy with what we saw.

Photographic evidence.

On the 8th June, Lesley Parkin took six photographs of the incidents, when she received them back from the developers they were missing. The negatives she had, were completely clear as if someone had wiped them off.

I myself took 12 photographs (Four in daylight) and again none turned out. The interesting part of this is that I had taken 12 before the skywatch, and 12 after, these developed but not the 12 skywatch ones.

Recently, Myself and four other witnesses saw a Flying triangle over Redmires. I took over 6 photographs, and again they have not turned out. My camera is not faulty, neither is Lesley's, so what is happening? Could it be a 'radiation' from the UFO or a government cover up? I don't know the answers to these questions but I promise I will keep trying.



Flying saucer? This photograph was taken by Willis Bridges at Redmires.



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NEXT MEETING-----

September 10th - Nelson Mandela Building, Pond Street Sheffield.  
Meeting starts at 7:00pm

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SKYWATCHES

International Skywatch weekend - To be announced...

31st August 1996 - Meet at the Sportsman Pub on Redmires Road or go  
to Lodge Moor Road, first car park on the right.

7th September 1996 - Same arrangements as above.

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HELPLINE..

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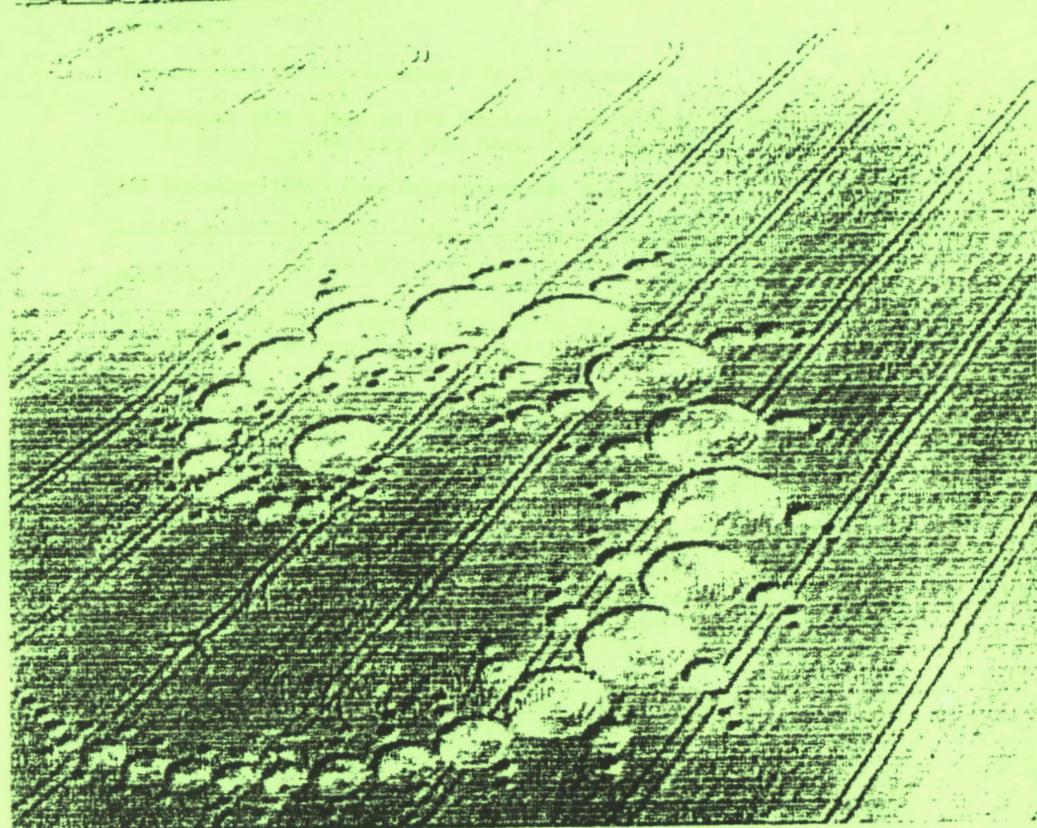
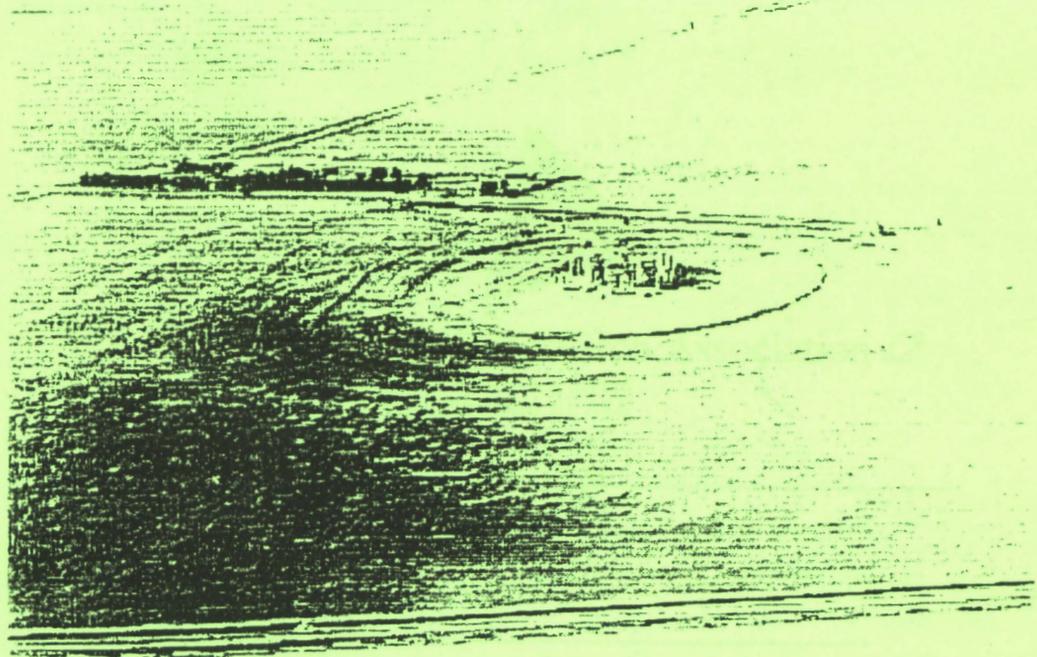
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