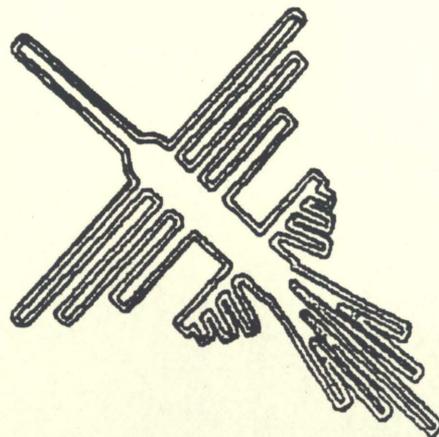
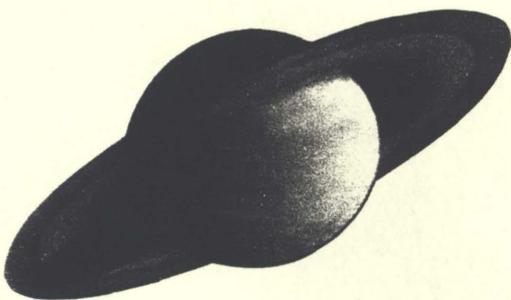
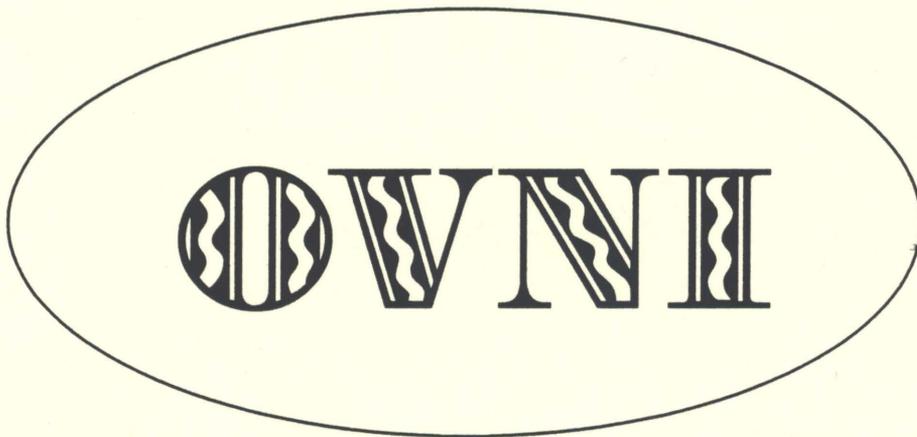
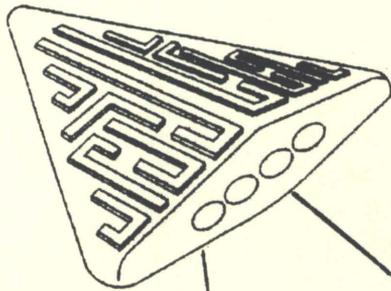


March/April

2005



Journal of the Phenomenon Research Association

£1 +pp UK : 2 Euros incl.pp

"At The Cutting Edge"

Members Free

OVNI

Journal of the Phenomenon Research Association

Group Leader

Omar Fowler
94 The Circle,
Sinfin,
Derby. DE24 9H
Tel: 01332 761464

March/April

2005

E-Mail: Bontor@aol.com

Secretary

Karen Richardson
(Derby)

Tel. 01332 558662

Near Earth Asteroid Reaches Highest on Hazard Scale

by Mitch Battros – ECTV Earth Changes Newsletter February 4th 2005

A recently rediscovered 400-meter Near-Earth Asteroid (NEA) is predicted to pass near the Earth on 13 April 2029. This week, NASA scientists used new observations from the Arecibo Observatory to further pin down the track of 2004 MN4.

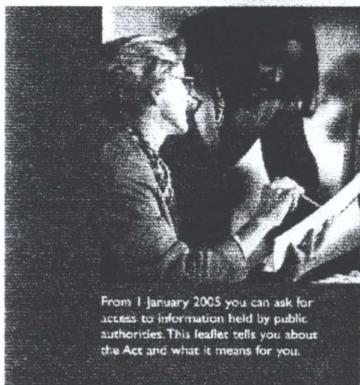
The flyby distance is uncertain and **an Earth impact cannot yet be ruled out** (NASA). The odds of impact, presently around 1 in 300, are unusual enough to merit special monitoring by astronomers, but should not be of public concern. These odds are likely to change on a day-to-day basis as new data are received. It is hopeful, the possibility of impact will eventually be eliminated as the asteroid continues to be tracked by astronomers around the world.

The brightness of 2004 MN4 suggests that its diameter is roughly 400 meters (1300 feet) and our current, but very uncertain, best estimate of the flyby distance in 2029 is about twice the distance of the moon, or about 780,000 km (480,000 miles). On average, an asteroid of this size would be expected to pass within 2 lunar distances of Earth every 5 years or so.

Most of this object's orbit lies within the Earth's orbit, and it approaches the Sun almost as close as the orbit of Venus. 2004 MN4's orbital period about the Sun is 323 days, placing it within the Aten class of NEAs, which have an orbital period less than one year. It has a low inclination with respect to the Earth's orbit and the asteroid crosses near the Earth's orbit twice on each of its passages about the sun.

Freedom of Information Act

Your right to know



www.foi.gov.uk

STATE SECRETS NOW AVAILABLE?

With the 'Freedom of Information Act' now coming into force we are being treated or should I say 'inundated' with a wealth of old UFO reports appearing in the National Press.

In many instances 'we' (the UFO fraternity) were well aware of the cases referred to and only now being discovered by journalists who are keen to jump on the current bandwagon.

The news media, including various TV channels have once again discovered the 'UFO subject'. Unfortunately their lack of knowledge has done nothing to advance the public thinking, with such comments as "The Universe is so large, there could well be other life forms out there." We have been hearing similar comments for the past forty years (those of us that remember that far back).

The number of 'released' confidential documents is sufficient to fill numerous OVNI journals from cover to cover. However, two early documents from the United States have been included in this issue, they refer to an early 'FT' sighting (1948). In contrast one of the latest 'FT' reports witnessed by Max Burns can also be found on Page 5.



Exclusive: NASA Researchers Claim Evidence of Present Life on Mars (Abridged to fit OVNI page. Ed)

By Brian Berger

Space News Staff Writer

posted: 16 February 2005

02:09 pm ET

WASHINGTON -- A pair of NASA scientists told a group of space officials at a private meeting here Sunday that they have found strong evidence that life may exist today on Mars, hidden away in caves and sustained by pockets of water.

The scientists, Carol Stoker and Larry Lemke of NASA's Ames Research Center in Silicon Valley, told the group that they have submitted their findings to the journal *Nature* for publication in May, and their paper currently is being peer reviewed.

What Stoker and Lemke have found, according to several attendees of the private meeting, is not direct proof of life on Mars, but methane signatures and other signs of possible biological activity remarkably similar to those recently discovered in caves here on Earth.

Stoker and other researchers have long theorized that the Martian subsurface could harbor biological organisms that have developed unusual strategies for existing in extreme environments. That suspicion led Stoker and a team of U.S. and Spanish researchers in 2003 to southwestern Spain to search for subsurface life near the Rio Tinto river—so-called because of its reddish tint—the product of iron being dissolved in its highly acidic water. Stoker told SPACE.com in 2003, weeks before leading the expedition to southwestern Spain, that by studying the very acidic Rio Tinto, she and other scientists hoped to characterize the potential for a “chemical bioreactor” in the subsurface – an underground microbial ecosystem of sorts that might well control the chemistry of the surface environment.

Making such a discovery at Rio Tinto, Stoker said in 2003, would mean uncovering a new, previously uncharacterized metabolic strategy for living in the subsurface. “For that reason, the search for life in the Rio Tinto is a good analog for searching for life on Mars,” she said.

Stoker told her private audience Sunday evening that by comparing discoveries made at Rio Tinto with data collected by ground-based telescopes and orbiting spacecraft, including the European Space Agency's Mars Express, she and Lemke have made a very strong case that life exists below Mars' surface.

The two scientists, according to sources at the Sunday meeting, based their case in part on Mars' fluctuating methane signatures that could be a sign of an active underground biosphere and nearby surface concentrations of the sulfate jarosite, a mineral salt found on Earth in hot springs and other acidic bodies of water like Rio Tinto that have been found to harbor life despite their inhospitable environments.

One of NASA's Mars Exploration Rovers, Opportunity, bolstered the case for water on Mars when it discovered jarosite and other mineral salts on a rocky outcropping in Meridiani Planum, the intrepid rover's landing site chosen because scientists believe the area was once covered by salty sea.

NASA has no firm plans for sending a drill-equipped lander to Mars, but the agency is planning to launch a powerful new rover in 2009 that could help shed additional light on Stoker and Lemke's intriguing findings. Dubbed the Mars Science Laboratory, the nuclear-powered rover will range farther than any of its predecessors and will be carrying an advanced mass spectrometer to sniff out methane with greater sensitivity than any instrument flown to date.

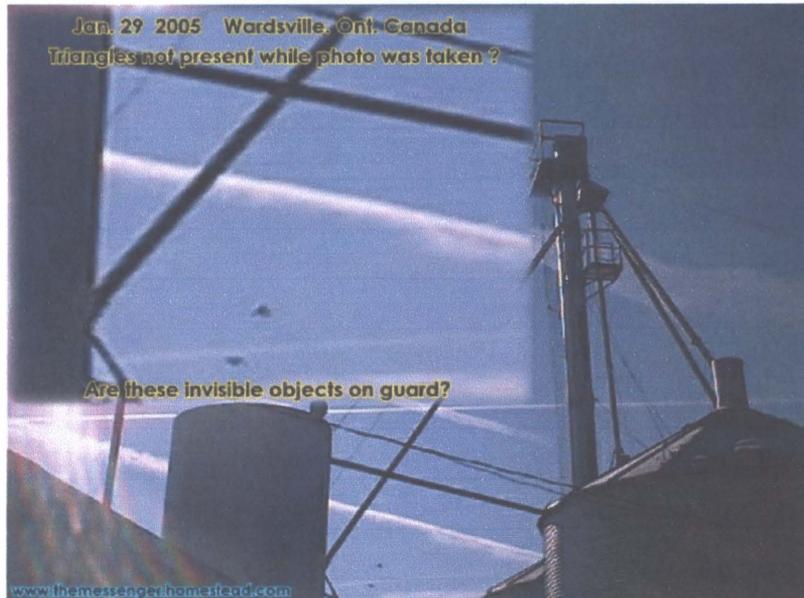
In 1996 a team of NASA and Stanford University researchers created a stir when they published findings that meteorites recovered from the Allen Hills region of Antarctica contained evidence of possible past life on Mars. Those findings remain controversial, with many researchers unconvinced that those meteorites held even possible evidence that very primitive microbial life had once existed on Mars.

UFO ACTIVITY IN NORTH AMERICA

Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2005 12:38 AM **Subject:** mysterious ufo report (Canada)

NTV News: <http://www.ntv.ca/default.php>

It appears something is floating in the skies above the province and those who have seen it are curious to find out its origins. The first report of the large kite-shaped object was in Marystown on Wednesday of last week. On Sunday, someone reported the object in Dover, and later the same day, Rod Howell and Jim Howell say they spotted the object in Valleyfield. The Police have contacted several agencies including NAV Canada, Environment Canada and Gander Search and Rescue. However, at this point, no one has any knowledge of what the sightings are.



Two FT's photographed over Ontario by our colleague 'AL' May

UFO Over Washington



Feb13 UFO-SkycamCameraWashington2005.jpg

It was caught on a 'skycam' last week in Washington. It was seen in the early hours of the morning when flights into nearby Dulles are stopped. Many say it was a UFO – some people do have doubts, but it's interesting.

LOCAL UFO REPORTS

(Derbyshire Area)

On the 18th January 2005 at 0645hrs. 'Derek' was cycling to work and passing over the railway bridge on Osmaston Road, by Litchurch Lane, Derby, when he happened to glance up and noticed a bright Red/Orange light stationary in the sky. The sky was clear, with the stars visible. The Red/Orange light then shot rapidly overhead, in the direction of the city centre and was soon out of sight.

The observation took place in only 10/15 seconds and no sound was heard from the glowing light as it passed overhead. Derek was startled by his unusual sighting and stated that he thought it was certainly something out of the ordinary!

Editors Comments: It is a little difficult to draw any conclusions about this sighting, in view of the short duration, but there have been reports of moving lights in the sky over Staffordshire on the 7th January and also a report from Burton-on-Trent of similar lights on the 12th January.

This could indicate UFO activity as we believe that surveillance craft often appear as glowing lights, hovering and then moving away at high speed. The reports defy a logical explanation.

Mystery UFO (20 Feb. 05)

(Shropshire Area)

We received reports that Channel 5 had received over one thousand telephone calls recently, after the widespread sighting of a 'UFO' over the Shrewsbury area on Sunday 20th February.

"It was a meteorite" claimed one of the spotters. The report taken from the local Shropshire newspaper is given below.

A mystery object spotted in the skies above Shrewsbury has sparked intrigue today with one woman saying she believed "the huge ball of flame" could have been a meteor.

Diane Steed, of Nobold Lane, Radbrook, said she saw the unidentified shape through her kitchen window at about 10am yesterday.

She said at first she thought the object, which she described as "glowing, white hot" and about the size of a football, was debris from an aeroplane.

But when she went and looked it up on the internet she was excited to see it looked just like a meteor.

Mrs Steed said: "I saw a huge ball of flame, from my perspective it was about the size of a football but it could have been much bigger if it was away in the distance.

"It was flying through the sky and I followed it for about two seconds, it just came down towards the road and exploded in sparks. I looked it up on the internet and I do think it looked a lot like a meteorite."

Shrewsbury police said they did not have any calls from members of the public reporting the object.

Editors Note: The widespread reports could indicate that the "glowing" object was at high altitude and therefore seen over a wide area of the country.

We also have several reports that it was travelling at a very high speed "I followed it for about two seconds", which again would indicate that it was probably a falling celestial body.

The only question is raised over the colour reported as being "white hot", whereas meteorites tend to be seen as a glowing green ball of flame.

I witnessed one myself several years ago as it passed over Surrey, heading West, finally ending up in a Welsh hillside. It appeared as a fast moving glowing ball of flaming green, apparently at high altitude and was visible for about 10 seconds.

'Flying Triangle' Sighted Over The M1

By Max Burns



The text below is the description of the circumstances and the sighting of the Flying Triangle both myself and my colleague witnessed on the 17/11/04.

I can say with absolute certainty that it was not a jet of any description and you will understand how I know this when I have explained to you where I was and what I do for a living.

If you live in the UK. you will be familiar with the M1 motorway please see the location of sighting. The sighting occurred when we were heading southbound as we approached junction 37 (see map).

The object was about two miles away slightly to my left, brightly lit but at that distance I was unable to pick out to much detail. However the object moved across the direct path of the M1 Motorway and was now slightly to the right of the motorway as we approached

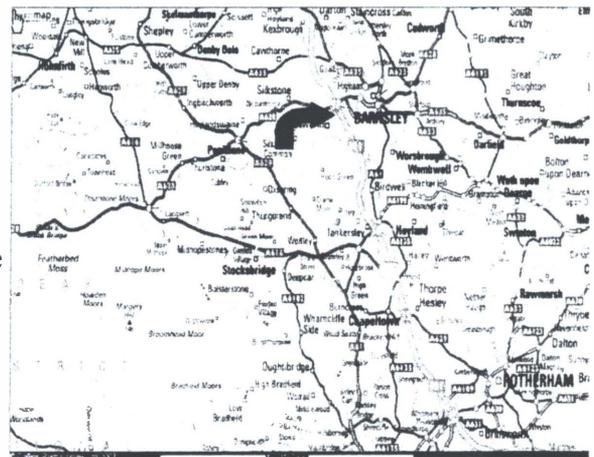
We were heading down the valley south as the object was heading down the other side of the valley northbound. approaching us from the opposite direction as we got closer we were actually above the object for at least 45 seconds. It was very close now. We were just south of the Junction 37 marker of the M1 heading south. shown in blue see map.

The object was illuminated on the top and the sides with white red/blue/green/yellow/ orange strobing lights. the white strobes seemed to be more to the underside but is was very difficult to make out any shape as at this point we were still above the object but as we approached and we were getting very close maybe 600 metres away the object gave the appearance of rising in altitude.

However we were descending. it was also rising up now as it breached the base of the valley

We were travelling in a Mercedes Sprinter van towing as well; south bound at approx 70 miles an hour. At this point the object was now above me and about 20 degrees to my right the object banked and started to come right across my path. The visibility was good because of the extremely low altitude we were at about 600 metres above sea level. An estimate, but I know the area. The object was just below the cloud cover I would have estimated that it was maybe 100/150 metres above the motorway. I estimated that the cloud cover from sea level was 700/750 metres (2200/2400 ft.) That is the reason I would suggest for there being no stars in the sky. The object had been approaching from behind us, but as I had my head protruding out from the window of the van, I could see that it was now directly above us. It then passed through a wisp of cloud and at that point I saw that there were many white strobe lights. At least four all flashed together. The reflection from the strobes off the wisp of cloud reflected back on to the underside of the object and it was at that point that I shouted to the driver to stop the van. My exact quote was" stop the f...g van it's a **Flying Triangle!**" I grabbed the company camera out of the case as we slowed to pull up on to the hard shoulder. We were towing two tonne behind us and it took a little time to stop. Then I jumped out of the van moved to the back zoomed in and managed to get one shot. (see above)

I work on the motorways and I carry out surveys on motorways throughout Britain. I am not colour blind and do not wear glasses. The driver of the van has confirmed the sighting and also added further details.



A Death in New York by Peter Levenda UPDATE

29-Jan-2005



Nicole duFresne

New York radio station 1010 WINS reports that two teens, 19-year-old Rudy Fleming and 18-year-old Ashley Evans, have been arrested and charged with the murder of Nicole DuFresne. Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly says they were able to find and arrest them thanks so tips from a telephone hot line. The accused don't seem to have known DuFresne personally. Instead, her murder may have been part of a "crime spree" they went on with friends, in which several other people were attacked.

Peter Levenda wrote: A few days ago, on the Lower East Side in New York City, a gang of four or five men accosted writer and actress Nicole duFresne and three of her friends. Her fiance, Jeffrey Sparks, was pistol-whipped. Nicole herself was shot in the chest, and died. The men fled. No arrests have been made.

It appeared to be a robbery gone wrong, but, as you will see, it was much more than that. One of the men tried to take the purse of another woman in the company and Nicole stepped in, shoving the man aside, saying "What are you going to do? Shoot us?" Which he promptly did.

Armed robbery by a gang of another group of people on the sidewalks of New York City may not seem strange to out-of-towners, but it is a little strange to a New Yorker.

Normally, thieves and muggers do not accost in groups. Normally they do not attack other groups. Too much trouble.

They wait for the lone walker, the solitary male or female, before they strike. Also, this was on Wednesday night, Thursday morning on the Lower East Side, an area that was a virtual slum twenty years ago but which has since become gentrified and trendy, full of busy night life at all hours.

It was a very strange place to choose for a robbery, and a very strange target for murder.

Nicole duFresne was only 28 at the time of her death, but she covered a lot of ground in those 28 years. A co-founder of the Present Tense Theater Project in New York and a resident of Greenpoint, Brooklyn (another trendy area), she had written and performed in a play entitled Burning Cage. Based on the book about the CIA's mind control projects – In The Sleep Room, by Anne Collins – it explores the relationship between two women patients in a clinic who are subjected to electroshock and LSD treatments as part of a government-sponsored mind control program run amok.

Ms. duFresne is only the latest in a string of tragic and premature deaths involving those who study the mysterious world where government secrecy and the paranormal meet. We are reminded of the death of John Mack, the valiant Harvard professor who took alien abduction seriously, by a drunk driver on an English city street late last year. But there have been many others. Let us take for example the sad end of James Webb, a young, brilliant student of the

occult and its relationship to politics, the author of such masterpieces as The Occult Establishment, The Occult Underground, and The Harmonious Circle (the latter about G.I. Gurdjieff and his followers), on May 8, 1980, of suicide. The thirty-four year-old Scots academic blew his brains out with a shotgun. Or the case of Professor Ioan Culianu, of the University of Chicago and heir to the legacy of his countryman, Mircea Eliade (the famous expert on mythology and shamanism). Culianu, the author of such stimulating and insightful works as Eros and Magic in the Renaissance (a study of occult theories and systems and their relation to politics and psychological warfare, among other things), was murdered on May 21, 1991, execution style, on the campus of the university where he taught. He was only forty years old. The crime has never been solved, but it is rumored that he was killed by members of the Romanian secret police.

Then, of course, there was the murder of Danny Casolaro, an investigative journalist on the trail of what he called the Octopus, a vast conspiracy of intelligence agencies, wealthy families, and multinational corporations going back at least a generation. Casolaro went to a meeting with a potential informant and was found dead in his West Virginia motel room the next day, August 10, 1991 – a little over three months after the murder of Professor Culianu – an apparent suicide victim until further investigation revealed that the shoelace around his neck and the deep gashes in his wrists could not have been the result of a suicide attempt but evidence of foul play. His manuscript – tentatively entitled *The Octopus* and which would reveal a web of conspiracy involving everything from the PROMIS scandal to BCCI to Iran-Contra to the JFK assassination – was missing from his room and has never been found. He was in his early forties. According to one commentator, Casolaro was less an investigative reporter and more a “poet”. Hence the title of this short essay.

And then there were the UFO investigators. We remember the brave scientist, Dr James McDonald, who insisted before a Congressional committee in 1968 that the government dismissals of UFOs as “swamp gas” or meteorological anomalies were grossly in error. He was ridiculed for his testimony – which was based on scientific data and not on prejudiced belief – and after relentless attacks by Phillip Klass among others, including the planting of false stories in political journalist Jack Anderson’s column – he took his life on June 13, 1971. He was fifty-one years old.

And the suicide of Morris Jessup, another UFO investigator, who took his own life in a Miami-Dade parking lot on April 20, 1959. He claimed he had descended into a nightmare world of unreality, swept along in a stream of “coincidences”, and that he could only appear insane to the rest of the world even as he battled with forces beyond his understanding. He was fifty-nine.

These were all serious people, in most cases professionals with academic backgrounds, who probed a little too deeply behind the curtain of consensus reality and saw a web of conspiracy and coincidence involving government agencies, criminal elements, arrogant scientists and politicians and their flacks, and some of the most important events of our generation, from assassination to mind control to the UFO phenomenon.

To study the Qabala, according to Jewish tradition, one must be male, at least thirty-five years old, and married. The idea seems to be that one must be securely in the world in order to gaze outside it, or beneath it. One needs to be grounded emotionally, and surrounded by the mundane concerns of everyday life in order to successfully resist the glammers of the Other World. This, at least, should preserve one from the temptations of suicide when confronted by a set of laws and concepts that seem insane or nightmarish.

But what can save the doomed poet from murder and assassination? There are events and ... relationships ... that some of our public servants wish to keep, well, private. Mostly, these seem to concern the involvement of government agencies with studies of the paranormal and the unconscious mind. In this day and age of ubiquitous electronic eavesdropping and the Patriot Act, it is possible that the very next frontier for government and science will be the recesses of our own minds, and the strange powers that lie concealed therein. Those of us who study the technologies of the mind with a view towards expanding its powers and abilities may come under increasing scrutiny in the months and years to come. Those who dare to expose these technologies – and especially the abuse of these technologies – will be in increasing danger of having their lives disrupted, perhaps permanently.

I do not know if Ms duFresne was one of these. Quite probably, her death was just one more cruel factor of life in the big city; but after years of studying this phenomenon I have come to the conclusion that these seemingly random events – like the “coincidences” that drove Morris Jessup insane – may be evidence of darker forces at work in the world. In any event, I have a feeling that she was greeted on the Other Side by John Mack, Danny Casolaro, James McDonald, James Webb, Morris Jessup, Ioan Culianu and many, many other dead poets who dared to peek behind the curtain. And rend the Veil of the Temple.

* Peter Levenda is the author of *Unholy Alliance*, and the upcoming *Sinister Forces*.

WORLD WAR 2 UFO EXPERIENCE IN THE PACIFIC 1944

With thanks to our colleague Harvey Cooke of the Tauranga U.F.O. Investigation Group, New Zealand.

1944 June, 12.30pm. R.N.Z.A.F. Bougainville Island, Solomon, South Pacific

While serving with the R.N.Z. Air Force as a fitter with service unit 10, a companion and I used to borrow the Engineering Officers jeep during lunch breaks to go swimming at Torinka Beach, Empress Augusta Bay.

On this occasion we were towelling down after our swim when my companion, then standing on my left side, facing west out to sea, put an arm around my shoulder and with his left arm extended, pointed up into the sky and said "What's that?"

I looked up to see a huge dark-grey, seemingly metallic bulbous mass hanging out of a large cumulus cloud. It moved silently, with its outline fading into the misty cloud and out of sight.

Sometime later, in the 1950's, my wife and I owned a General Store in the King Country. One lunch-hour break I was listening to the BBC News direct, when an item came over saying that some BOAC pilots flying the Atlantic on the New York-London flight had spotted several 'flying objects' of unknown origin moving in and around their air space.

This was my first knowledge of UFO's. It was sometime later that I saw an article in the Auckland Star newspaper that mentioned the BOAC episode, but also outlined a book authored by Desmond Leslie and George Adamski entitled 'Flying Saucers Have Landed'. I decided to send for the book.

When it arrived and I started flicking through the pages, I noticed opposite page 176. (illustration No.10) a cigar-shaped spacecraft, the author called it a giant carrier, possibly 2 or 3 miles in length or even 5 miles...then in a flash, my memory took me back to the beach at Bougainville...1944...and the sighting of the huge bulbous mass disappearing into the cloud.

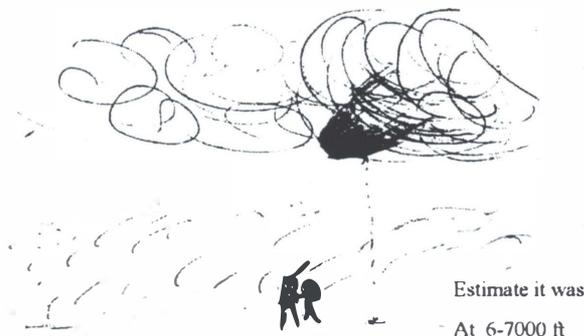
It could have been a Zeppelin or R101 airship, only it appeared more like a R2001, if you get my meaning, it was a sudden total recall!

To this day, I cannot remember the name or the look of my swimming companion of at least some weeks acquaintance or of ever having told anyone at the time, or even later of this sighting. I am still fascinated by this 'memory blank', but I can still remember the sighting as clear as a bell.

Since then, I have had a healthy enquiring attitude to UFO's, having belonged to a couple of groups, but I soon left after factual substance was overtaken by the 'Belief' scenario and was detrimental to ones development and a block to greater knowledge.

A senior Pilot whom I know very well has experienced UFO encounters, but will deny, on the Bible if necessary, his knowledge of any incidents if I tell anyone else.

David A.K. Norris, Papamba, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand



1948 'Flying Triangle' Report

With thanks to our colleague Daniel Wilson of Ohio USA

This sighting below is not far from where Thomas Mantell died in the crash of his F-51 fighter plane chasing a "UFO" in Kentucky on the same day, January 7, 1948.

This report from Wilmington, Ohio, USA has now been declassified and copies of two of the original documents are included in this article. Ed.

UNCLASSIFIED

CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48b
2. Time 1920 EST
3. Location Clinton County Army Air Field, Wilmington, Ohio
4. Name of observer James H. Hudson
5. Occupation of observer Corporal, on duty in Control Tower
6. Address of observer Clinton County AAF.
7. Place of observation Control Tower, Clinton County AAF
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer some 15 to 20 miles
10. Time in sight 35 minutes
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Hovered then moved with great speed
13. Direction of flight South West SW
14. Tactics Changed shape on ascent and descent - when it climbed it was right side up - (point up) when descending the point turned down
15. Sound none
16. Size larger than star
17. Color White changing to red to green
18. Shape Triangle
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction surrounded with burning gas or something that emanated light
21. Exhaust trails When ascending & descending it appeared to trail a green mist
22. Weather conditions light scattered clouds with a haze toward the SW
23. Effect on clouds Could be seen thru the cloud which passed under it.
24. Sketches or photographs 4 penciled sketches
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared on SW heading at great speed
26. Remarks: (over)

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

The object when first sighted appeared white then it turned red. Its real shape could not be distinguished until it descended. It then took the form of a cone or up-side-down triangle. (See sketch "A")

Sketch "A"

When it ~~descended~~ it was right side up (Sketch "B")

On ascending and descending it appeared to have a green mist following it
See Sketch "C" — green mist

Speed could not be determined in miles per hour for it appeared to hover at spots, then, when it moved, it moved with great speed. After making a vertical descent and ascent it headed due SW at great speed and disappeared at approx 1955 EST. Distance from the field when first sighted was some 5 to 15 to 20 miles. There was no sound. The trail, maybe from exhaust, was green (at least thru the field glasses it appeared green) During the time it was under observation a cloud passed under it and the light shown thru.

According to this observer the object was not a balloon, a comet, star or any known aircraft. The light did not come from an aircraft's running lights. The whole object appeared surrounded with burning gas or something which emitted a light.

See also: 48, 48a, 48c, 48d & 33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e, 33f and Incidents 30 and 32.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVAL
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5209.10

UNCLASSIFIED

The other documents, not included in this report, refer to the initial sighting of the FT at some 15/20 miles distant and giving the appearance of "the complete wing of an aircraft on fire". Initially showing white in colour, it changed to red and then green, before returning to its original colour.

The description of the object was that of a "cone" or an "upside down triangle". It was watched through field glasses during the entire period of the sighting and although stationary at first, was then seen to perform several manoeuvres which consisted of gaining and losing altitude rapidly.

No sound was heard during the period of the sighting and the 'FT' finally moved away at "great speed" in a south-westerly direction.

This must rate as one of the earliest 'Flying Triangle' sightings and precludes an advanced aircraft of the period. Ed.



**Your # 1 Source for
EARTH SCIENCE NEWS**

Breaking News | World News | Biology News

March 8th 2005 **Mount St. Helens Unexpectedly Explodes**

At 5:25 PM (Pacific) Mount St. Helens erupted spewing ash and rock six miles into the sky. Airlines have been ordered to stay clear of a 20 mile radius. The ash explosion happened around 5:25 p.m., about an hour after a 2.0 magnitude quake rumbled on the east side of the mountain, said Bill Steele, coordinator of the Pacific Northwest Seismograph Network at the University of Washington.

Steele said he did not believe the explosion had increased the risk of a significant eruption and noted that recent flights over the volcano's crater did not reveal high levels of gases.

Steele said the ash burst may have been triggered by partial collapse of a lava dome in the crater, which has been growing steadily over the last several months. "Until we get a better view in the crater we won't know," Steele said.

Steele said there had been no increase in quake activity before the explosion. "The seismicity had been continuing just as it had been," she said.

On May 18, 1980, the volcano 100 miles south of Seattle blew its top, killing 57 people and covered the region with gritty ash.

The University of Life

(A non-profit organisation)

The 10th annual Spring Conference on

“Unexplained Mysteries”

UFO's, Crop Circles,

Government Conspiracies & other related topics.

Sunday 10th April 2005 09.45am to 6.00pm

At The Corn Exchange, Dorchester, Dorset. (Registration 08.30 to 09.30am)

Richard Lawrence (UFOs) Andrew Johnson (Anti-Gravity)

Isabelle Kingston (The Watchers) Marcus Allen (Secrets of Egypt)

John Martineau (Solar system) & David Kingston

ENTRANCE FEE is £20.00p per ticket (inclusive of a programme),

(non-refundable) (Keep your ticket for the FREE RAFFLE)

Tickets, if available, and purchased on the day will be £25 each

There are a limited number of tickets & programmes each year.

To reserve yours **write to:** (enclosing an A5 S.A.E for a ticket & programme)

“Conference” 26, Rex Lane, Chickerell, Dorset. DT3 4AY

Cheques made payable to V. Kingston

Telephone Enquiries: 01305 830057

HOT NEWS FROM LAS VEGAS

(From an internet UFO witness)

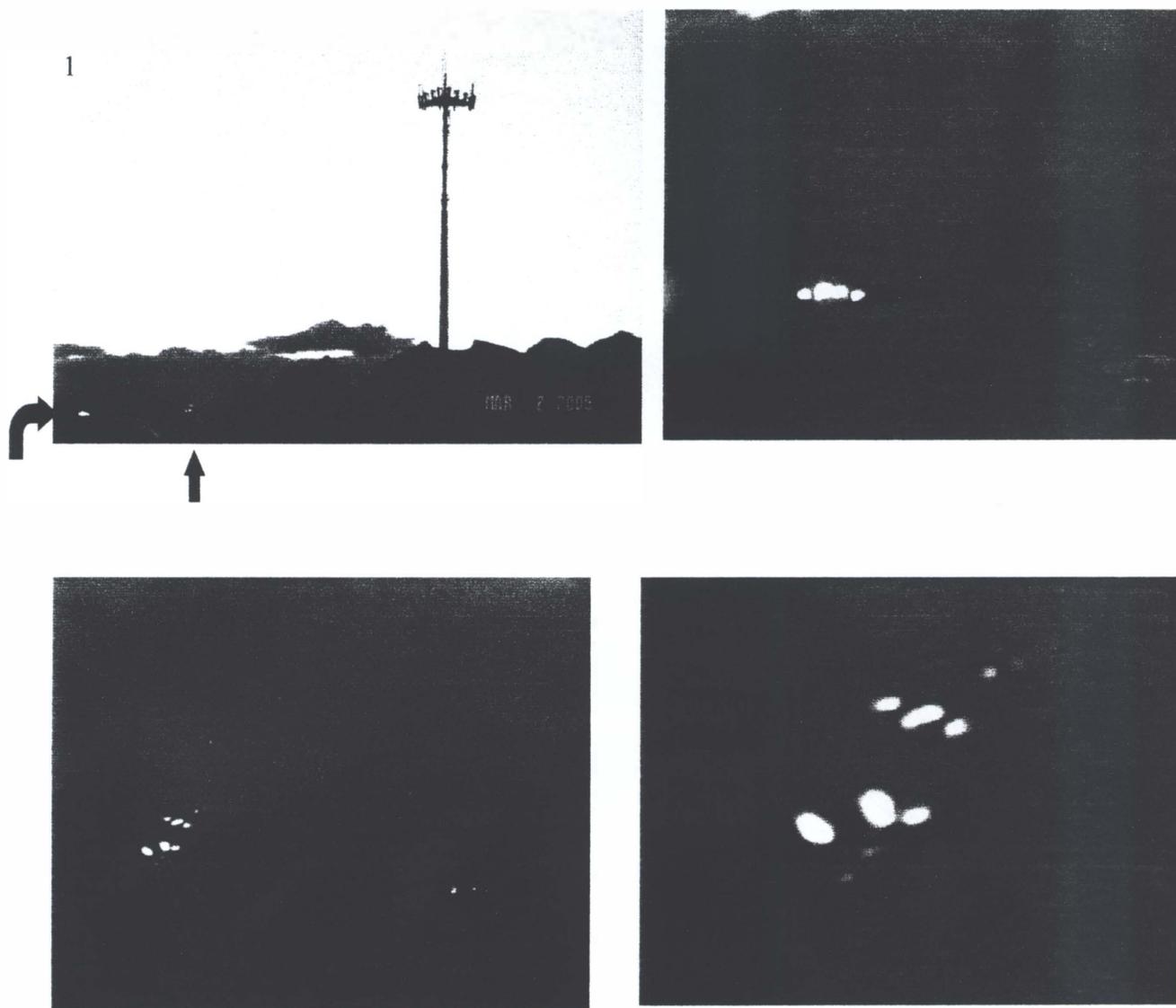
I was driving home from work around 5:20 PM, enjoying the sunset while driving. I noticed a strange object manoeuvring among the contrails in the sky and thought I would snap a photo while driving.

This photo (1) was taken at the corner of Tenaya Way and Cheyenne Road outside of Las Vegas, on March 2, 2005. I was on Tenaya getting ready to turn onto Cheyenne.

When I got home, I noticed I didn't get that craft but got something else in the lower left-hand corner. The weird thing is, the area where the lights appear in the photo is a flood control basin, so there aren't any lights there.

If this is what I think it is, it's mind boggling. There are what I believe to be 3 craft that are distinctly visible. I would be very interested in what others have to say about this photo. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Scott - "Trainspotter"
vegasufo@yahoo.com



The Evening Sky March 2005

By Walter Berg

The opening weeks of March offer the last opportunity to view the magnificent Orion star constellation before it disappears until Autumn. By the second half of the month, Orion is sinking into the twilight haze of the south-western sky. The sky at this time is very much taking on its 'Spring' aspect with only dim constellations on display into the late evenings. Of the 88 star constellations visible from Earth, Hydra, the water snake is the largest and is due south around 9 o'clock.

The ringed planet Saturn is high and easily visible as dusk descends. Giant Jupiter rises around mid-evening. A few days either side of March 12th, Mercury makes a brief appearance, setting around one-and-a-half hours after the Sun. Pink/red Mars remains an early morning object and is still quite dim, while Venus is still lost on the far side of the Sun.

The vernal or Spring equinox occurs on March 21st. At precisely 12:34 the Sun will cross the celestial equator heading northwards. On the day of the equinox the hours of daylight and the hours of darkness are equal. After the equinox the hours of daylight exceed those of darkness. UK clocks move one hour forward on Sunday March 17th (from Greenwich Mean Time to British Summer Time).

Zodiacal Light, a diffuse triangular glow produced by the scattering of sunlight from dust particles in the inner solar system, is visible as dusk ends at this time of year. However a dark observing location with clear western skies is required. The best time to look for Zodiacal Light will be in the week leading up to the New Moon on March 10. Zodiacal Light is visible around the time of the equinox due to the steep slant of the ecliptic, relative to the western evening horizon.

Full Moon occurs on March 25th. The Moon, and to a lesser extent the Sun are responsible for creating the world's ocean tides. High tide or Spring tide usually occurs within 36 hours of a New or Full Moon. The Spring tide is always higher at the time of the equinox.

The Earth's rotation is actually decreasing at a rate of around 2 milliseconds per day, due to the friction of the tides on the Earth's surface. When a time difference of one-second is reached, a 'leap-second' is added (usually on December 31st) to align the Earth's rotation with 'real' time. The maximum possible tide occurs every 1600 years when the Earth is closest to the Sun, the Moon is closest to the Earth, the Moon is Full or New, and both the Sun and Moon have zero declination.

The patterns, rhythms, circles and cycles of nature and the cosmos significantly influence life on our wonderful little planet.

Walter Berg - walterberg@theeveningsky.co.uk

The new look website has been released, with lots of great new features including forums for you to discuss the latest edition of The Evening Sky. please visit the new website at <http://www.theeveningsky.co.uk> and take a look for yourself!

TALE ENDERS

Powerful radio pulses puzzle astronomers A mystery object near the centre of our galaxy is sending out powerful pulses of radio waves. It is unlike any known source. A team of astronomers led by Scott Hyman of Sweet Briar College, Virginia, US, detected the mysterious source using the Very Large Array radio telescope in New Mexico.

The pulses are coming from a spot just to one side of the galactic centre. Each pulse lasts about 10 minutes, and they repeat regularly every 77 minutes. If, as the researchers think, the source is near the centre of the Milky Way, it would be one of the most powerful emitters in the galaxy. The shape and timing of the pulses rules out most known sources, such as radio pulsars.

To find out more, the team is studying it using the Green Bank radio telescope in West Virginia, and hopes to use NASA's Chandra space telescope to see if it is also spitting out X-rays.

Journal reference: *Nature* (vol 434, p 50)

NEXUS CONFERENCE 2005 13th-14th-15th May 2005 Grand Krasnapolsky Hotel, Amsterdam, 3 Days of Cutting Edge Information on:

- * The Mysterious Origins of Oil * Secrets of Mary Magdalene's bloodline * The Covert Agenda to Weaponise Space
- * The Electrical Nature of our Cosmos * Earth Resonance & Mind Control * Exopolitics and UFO Disclosure
- * Billy Meier & the Henoah Prophecies * Russian UFO uncoverups * A planet on the other side of the Sun?
- * The Out-Of-Body Experience * Geopolitics, Oil and the future * Earth Energy Grids * UFO Crash Retrieval Coverups
- * Hi-tech ancient civilisations * Big Brother and the New World Order * Alternative health suppression & Codex
- * Vedic Maths & Sacred Geometry

[The 2005 NEXUS Conference is sponsored by Elanra Therapeutic Ionisers (www.negativeions.com)]

3,000 + EARTHQUAKES RECORDED off NW Coast - by Mitch Battros - ECTV 6-3-05

This story has caught fire. Seismologist and Geologist are rushing in from all over the world to witness this event. At this time the only press release is "Don't worry; the earthquakes are not large enough to create a tsunami." That being said, the excitement is more about witnessing a growing "volcano" right off the coast of Vancouver Island where they suspect an underwater eruption is under way.

Recent studies of past earthquakes indicate a natural cyclical pattern. Although it may be a natural periodic occurrence, no one knows exactly when, how and where the next round of seismic events will unfold. It appears the most vulnerable areas are U.S. Midwest (New Madrid), eastern Canada, Australia and Germany.

CHESTERFIELD MYSTERY. On the 5th February 05 at 1710hrs. A glowing object was seen making multiple passes of the famous 'crooked spire' in Chesterfield. It is believed that a short sequence of video footage was taken by a witness, using his mobile phone. The PRA is investigating...

COMING SOON! Our French colleague Paul Ponsot has been busy researching newly discovered 'contactee' cases over the last few months. Paul has disclosed details of some astounding claims and will be visiting us in April with full details of several new and exclusive French cases.

NEXT PRA MEETING

Will be held at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, Derby, at 8pm on Tuesday 29 March 05.

A new video from the latest Australian Conference will be shown.

Valery Uvarov (National Security Academy, St.Petersburg) discusses the

'Secret Alien Bases in Siberia'

A selection of free UFO videos will be available plus a free UFO Book raffle.

Non-members welcome: £1 on the night.

Articles and opinions printed in the OVNI do not necessarily reflect the views of the PRA. Unless otherwise stated ©, articles from the OVNI may be reprinted with due acknowledgement to their source.