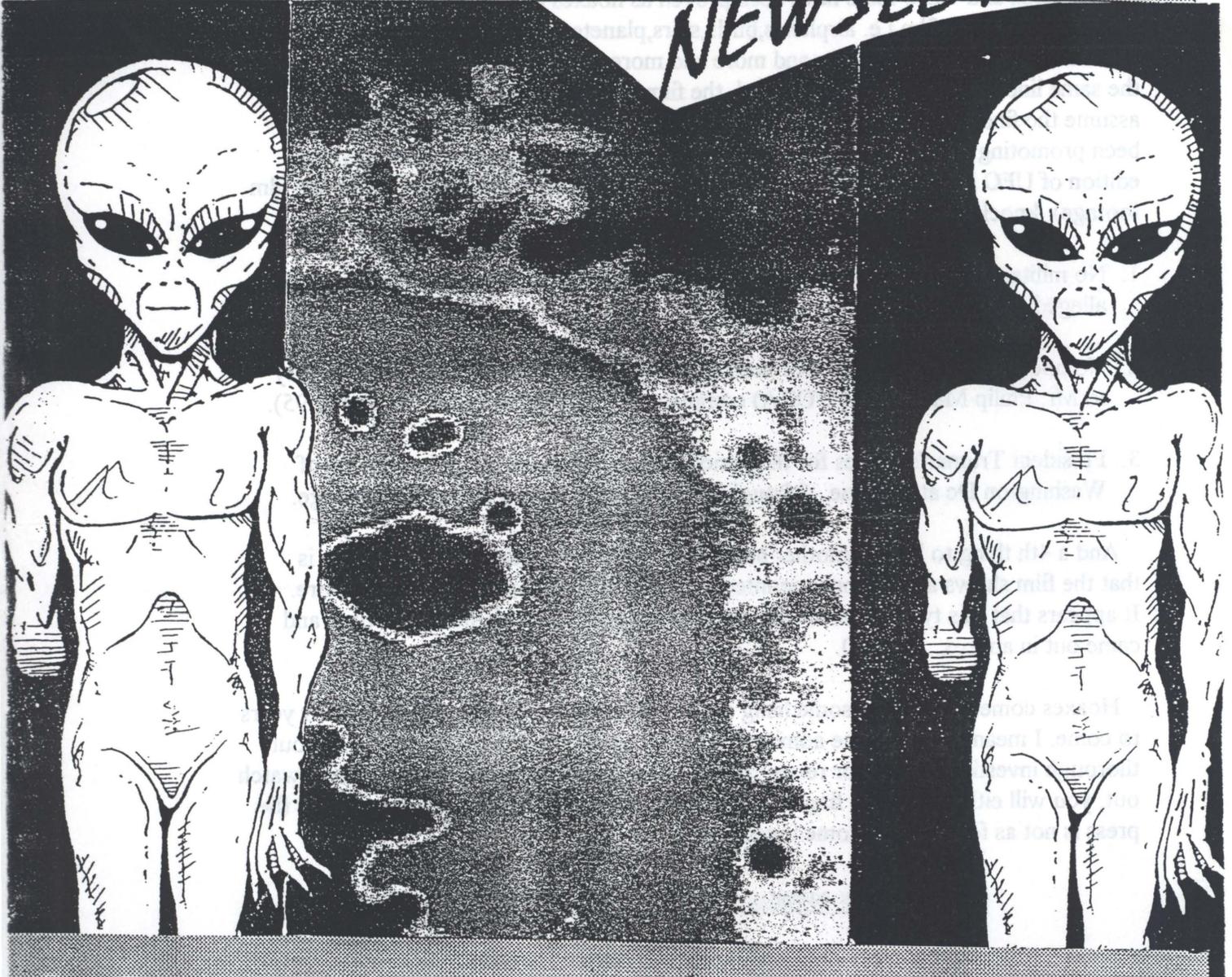


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EDITORIAL.

Whilst going through my press articles for this months newsletter, I came across the articles relating to the famous photograph taken by Gordon Faulkner on the 29th August 1965. The articles from April last year, claimed that the photographs were in fact of a cotton reel and a few other bits and pieces, and another sighting bit the dust (Although most people seemed not to believe the April story). Over the years, many photographs and video films have been proven as hoaxes or a mis-understanding of the object captured on film i.e. airplanes,birds,stars,planets etc... And, I feel that the Roswell film certainly is a hoax and more and more people appear to be **thinking** along the same lines. As previously published, the film has not caught the media's eye as I assume the finder(s) thought it would, and the media has been silent and have not been promoting it. There are many under currents in this case and in the May/June edition of UFO Magazine, Stanton Friedman (Who has been denied access to the film footage), knocks a few more holes in the film :

1. No military records could be found of the 82 year-old American gentleman who allegedly made a secret copy of the film.
2. No body at Kodak has heard or seen anything about this film (Which is contrary to Mr. Philip Mantle's (BUFORA) comments in the National press in March 95).
3. President Truman's diaries for the period showed he made no visits outside of Washington Dc at the time, although he is allegedly shown in the film footage.

And a 4th thing to knock another hole in the already very shaky foundations, is that the film shows a telephone mounted on the wall with a coiled telephone wire. It appears that this type of cable was not used on phones in this period of time and came out in approx. 1949/50.

Hoaxes come and go and some hang around to haunt the UFO investigator for years to come. I mean to say, if one admits that a photograph or video is genuine without thorough investigation and/or research, and takes the footage on its merits, then watch out, you will either get your fingers badly burnt, or even live to regret the day, as the press is not as forgiving as some investigators are.

WHAT THE MEDIA HAD TO SAY IN APRIL 1994.

NATIONAL ARTICLES.

- 9.4.94 : Guardian (The) : Not seen but Herd.
- 15.4.94 : Guardian (The) : Clouding the UFO Issue.
- 15.4.94 : Daily Mail : Why they never Cottoned on to the Thing.

REGIONAL ARTICLES.

- 4.94 : Warminster Journal : Pub Talk.
4.94 : Warminster Journal : Controversy Out of the Blue.
1.4.94 : Wakefield Express : UFO Body Believes 'Sightings Genuine'.
6.4.94 : Leicester Herald and Post : UFO Sighting.
7.4.94 : Ipswich Evening Star : UFO Hunt.
8.4.94 : Dunfermline Press : 'UFO' Photo is Object of some Debate.
8.4.94 : Lincolnshire Standard : Richard's on Trail of UFOs.
8.4.94 : Shetland Times : Mysterious Lights in the Sky.
10.4.94 : Wales on Sunday : Is There Anybody out There ?
11.4.94 : Yorkshire Evening Press : MPs to be Given 'Evidence' on UFOs.
12.4.94 : Kent Today : Hunting for Aliens is a Life Mission.
13.4.94 : Leicester Mercury : Icke aims to Prove UFO Point.
14.4.94 : Hinckley Times : UFO Sighted at Burbage.
14.4.94 : Hinckley Herald : Rise in Number of UFO Sightings.
16.4.94 : Western Daily Press : Identified Flying Cotton Reel.
18.4.94 : Western Daily Press : My UFO Picture is the Genuine Article.
18.4.94 : Ipswich Evening Star : Magic from Framlingham.
21.4.94 : Bucks Herald : 'Extra-terrestrials' Sighted over the Town.
21.4.94 : Yorkshire Gazette : Drawing Attention to UFO Sightings.
22.4.94 : Warminster Journal : The Warminster Thing Still Bobbin' Around.
24.4.94 : Scotland on Sunday : UFO Spotter sees the Light.
27.4.94 : Leicester Herald and Post : Icke's UFO Theory.
28.4.94 : Ilkley Gazette : Friends tell of Nightmare Brush with UFO on Ilkley.
29.4.94 : Warminster Journal : The Thing : 'Hoax' was not the only Sighting.
29.4.94 : Warminster Journal : The 'Thing' : Roger Hooton Tells his side : Letter From Australia.

PRESS CUTTING COLLECTION.

I am keeping a monthly running total of my press cutting collection. If you are after an article(s) for research into a particular sighting etc, then please drop me a line and I will see what I have, that is relevant to your enquiry :

CROP CIRCLES	815
UK NATIONALS	1011
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MYSTERY CATS	22
AURORA PROJECT	3
SEARCH FOR ET	2
LOCH NESS MONSTER	2

TOTAL : 7620

PRESS/TV/RADIO MATTERS OVER THE PAST MONTH 15.5.95 - 15.6.95.

PRESS :

24.4.95 : Portsmouth News : UFO Conference is out of this World :

This is a repeat of the previous article that appeared in the Portsmouth news a few nights previously, but this time there is a different caption, and also a different photograph, showing Margaret Fry, UFO researcher from Wales, holding a T-shirt that was for sale at the conference. Not a lot more to say about this article, as it was reviewed in the last edition of the newsletter.

19.5.95 : Independent (The) : Big Bangs and Barking Bishops.

This is the fifth part of a series of articles that looks at modern beliefs and UFOs get an airing. The item ran as follows :

'For the people who find astrology too rigorous, there is always a belief in UFOs. Once a promising fringe religion, Ufology has become a victim of its own success ; when there are absolutely no constraints on what you can believe, there is no fun believing it. So the savage feuds continue between those who believe the aliens love us and those who believe they vivisect us; between the proponents of large grey men and the supporters of little green ones. But such matters no longer concern the outside world.

There is probably a more sinister explanation. Who needs to worry about malevolent inhuman beings trying to dominate the galaxy when we have our own dear Government, almost all of whose members, even the large grey ones, were in fact born on earth? '

19.5.95 : Southampton Evening Echo : Circle Crops Up :

Crop circle experts have reported the first mystery pattern in a field between Winchester and Basingstoke - a complex formation comprising six circles and straight lines in a field of oilseed rape.

The crop circle riddle has fascinated the nation for years and theories include pranksters, electrified whirlwinds, UFOs, ley lines - mating hedgehogs.

20.5.95 : Southampton Evening Echo : Stalk of the town as circle crops up :

Summer is here - as reliable as the first swallow, the first crop circle of the year has been spotted in Hampshire.

The mysterious pattern cropped up in a field of oilseed rape between Winchester and Basingstoke. Experts are keeping its exact location secret because the farmer is worried about hordes of sightseers trampling his crop.

The complex shape is made up of six circles and straight lines and boffins have already examined it to determine its authenticity.

The riddle of the circles fascinated the nation in the late 1980s and early 1990s with theories ranging from electrified whirlwinds to little green men.

But in 1991 it appeared the mystery had been solved when two Southampton pensioners, Doug Bower and Dave Chorley, claimed to have been making the shapes for years. The duo were rubbished by the experts, and although they announced their retirement, circles continued to appear.

Lucy Pringle, who has been researching the phenomenon for ten years, has inspected the formation - being dubbed a 'pictogram' - on the ground.

'It is a magnificent location and the circle is really very spectacular,' she said. 'There are some broken stems but most of them are not broken'.

Oilseed rape - the yellow crop that is now a familiar sight in the fields in the South - has thick stems similar to 'sticks of celery'.

crop circle experts say it is impossible to bend oilseed rape stems without snapping them. They point to this as a reason why the circles cannot be hoaxed.

22.5.95 : Southampton Evening Echo : Still lord of the Rings :

With the first formation appearing in Hampshire, The Southampton Evening Echo approached the man with the answers in this article. The one and only Doug Bowers, crop circle hoaxer extraordinaire, who gets a whole page devoted to his antics over the years (Although he says he has retired), can we believe him I ask myself !!!!. This article contains nothing new, with a look at his illustrious career as he puts it 'As The Lord of the Rings'. (So remember folks, if you see an old man dressed in funny clothing and running around with two or three little elves in a field, remember, they could be running round 'In Circles' trying to find their way out of the 'Maze' or trying to find a 'Key' to get back to their world.....ED).

27.5.95 : Southampton Evening Echo : Encounters of the UFO Kind :

This is a book review of the new book entitled 'The Complete book of UFOs' by Peter Hough and Jenny Randles.

'Everything you wanted to know about our green-skinned alien friends who whiz about our ionosphere in saucer-shaped transport is in this book, subtitled an Investigation into Alien Contacts and Encounters.

It's amazing how many sightings of extra-terrestrial activity have been painstakingly documented over the years. And there have been plenty of witnesses about at the time so no scientist can rightly dismiss the idea of life beyond planet earth.

'This is a splendid book and even scary. Some of the 'abduction' stories are funny and nonsensical, some leave you with a hollow feeling in the pit of your stomach.

'What do these aliens want ? Why don't they contact us ? Why do the US and British governments hush up military reports of these phenomena ? Perhaps Joe Public will never know.

'Oh yes, the book says 'almost no alien abductions are known from India, Japan and other eastern countries. Nobody knows why.' I do. Those poor creatures from Ceron 15 or wherever aren't keen on curry or raw fish. Even a blue Betelgeuse burgher loves a burger !

3.6.95 : Independent (The) : UFO prof could find himself alienated :

It appears that DR John Mack, author of Abductions : Human Encounters with Aliens may find himself dismissed for suggesting that millions of Americans may have been unwilling victims of sexual experiments aboard alien spaceships. A special committee was set up last month to investigate his beliefs and consider possible action against him. They are not only concerned with DR Mack's own reputation, but also the medical school is also worried about the welfare of some 90 patients currently under his care.

31.5.95 : Southampton Evening Echo : Light show sparks UFO alert :

A UFO scare was sparked when a couple spotted strange revolving shapes in the skies above their Hampshire home.

Janine Atkinson feared she was witnessing extra-terrestrial craft when she looked skyward as she let her dogs out for late night run in her Bishop's Waltham garden on Saturday.

'You could see a ring of small lights revolving from side to side. Inside there was a larger disk moving very slowly from side to side. I just couldn't believe what I was seeing'.

But the mystery sighting may have a more terrestrial explanation according to Havant based UFO expert Chris Harrison : 'We had four other reports of UFOs on Saturday night in the Portsmouth area which we eventually tracked down to a light show at Southsea'.

A spokesman at Southsea's Pyramid Center confirmed search lights were used for an event at its Frog on the Front pub.

10.6.95 : Southampton Evening echo : Going round in circles (Letter) :

I found the article on mystery crop circles by James Chapman intriguing to say the least.

If Doug Bower and Dave Chorley were the 'First' of the hoaxers with the crop circles that have been baffling the world, I would love to know why neither they nor anyone else have never been caught ?

For many years one has been reading or seeing reports on the TV in various counties, mostly Hampshire and Wiltshire, about the crop circles. What is mystifying is that no-one has ever reported seeing the hoaxers actually making the circles.

Over the years someone surely would have seen two men or even a group, traipsing over private property because even at night a light would be needed to make the circles ?

Farmers and land owners would be vigilant anyway and members of the public would report mysterious sightings, so I feel there is more in it than meets the eye.

OM SETTI Winchester.

TELEVISION :

21.5.95 : Mysteries : Crop Circle Communiqué 2 : Revelations.

Not much to say about this, but is a well made video un-covering the hoaxers, who are filmed carrying out their dirty deed in the fields of merry old England. This is a very interesting video that opens up a whole can of worms. This is available on video from your local video stockists and is well worth a look at.

21.5.95 : Mysteries, Magic and Miracles : UFO's : Are we alone...

This was a rather short item (About 10 Mins) and consisted of interviews with DR Frank Strange and Sean Morton (American UFO researcher). The program looked at Roswell, The New Mexico sightings of 1991 and Area 51. Nothing new but is a nice space filler if you have 10 mins or so on the end of a video to fill.

28.5.95 : Mysteries : ET Please Phone Earth.

This is a repeat of the Australian program that looked at SETI and for the search for ET life out in space and who sent a mystery signal from space back in the 70's, that even today remains a mystery.

7.6.95 : Arthur C.Clarkes Mysterious Universe.

Arthur C.Clark looks at the many reports and sightings of Mystery cats from all over the world and offers pictorial evidence (Mystery cat shot on the Isle Of Wight) and a look at such animals as the Tasmanian Wolf (Australia), and concludes that we should not kill these mysterious Big cats, but to try and capture them alive !

11.6.95 : Mysteries, Magic and Miracles. 'Are the Governments keeping secrets about UFO's.'

The answer to this question in my view is yes, they are keeping information from us and to what ends who knows. This program concerned itself with the Roswell case of July 1947 and the crash landing of a UFO and the recovery of dead bodies. There was interviews with people who lived in Roswell at the time and interviews with senator Shipp who attempted to get the American government to come clean over the incident. Not much new in this program, as Roswell has been dragged through the dirt over and over again and films made about it. (Even a film allegedly taken at the time and of the autopsies on the dead Aliens.... Oh.. I must be dreaming again, or was it a nightmare !!!!!... Ed.. !!!!!)

14.6.95 : Arthur C.Clarkes Mysterious Universe.

Arthur C.Clarke looked at the evidence for Alien Encounters and left me with little doubt that he thought the whole idea was absurd and he didn't think we had been visited....Was it all in the mind ? A rather pathetic look at the subject that many people are experiencing and need some sought of guidance and help in explaining the experience and not being branded a fruit and nut cake.... !

MAGAZINE REVIEWS :

1. Enigmas. No 40. May/June 95.

Malcolm Robinsons magazine is as packed as ever with news, views and information. This edition has many UFO reports/sightings from the local area and Malcolm appears to of been very busy with investigations and Tv interviews/appearances. This edition has a large magazine review along with books and video reviews. For a magazine well worth subscribing to, contact : Malcolm Robinson, 41 The Braes, Tullibody, Clackmannanshire, Scotland, FK10 2TT.

2. The Circle Hunter. No 14. May 95.

This special 20 page edition is due to the fact the boys from Scarborough have been busy in the fields of merry England. This edition looks at the Eccleston bubble formation, with photographs of the formation and in-depth examinations of the formations. There is a look at the crop circle formations of Hampshire in 1994 (With some great photographs) and a look at sand circles that appeared on an Oregon beach in 1994. Any serious circle researcher should add this to their collection. For more details, contact : Anthony Horn, 23 Sea View Drive, Scarborough, N.Yorkshire. YO11 3HY.

3. Spiline. No 3. May 95.

The magazines of the Southern Paranormal Investigations Group is growing in leaps and bounds with the new editor and better layout (Although like many magazines, the spelling sometimes goes a bit wayward...Min includd EDD ... Ooops sorry ED).

In this edition, there is a look at Operation Majority, UFO reports, The Good Sightings Guide, Are we true Martians, The Ikley UFO Mystery Solved and a great deal more. For more information, contact : Bob Schindler on Portsmouth 01705 611437.

4. IUFOFRA Journal. Vol 4. No 6. Spring 95.

This is one of my favorite magazines, and is very well presented and very well laid out with drawings and photographs. This edition is crammed full of information, news and reports. There is the world news including Roswell and an Irish UFO Flap, a look at a lost city on Mars?, Miracles and UFOs, Those mysterious Men in Black, The Lubbock Lights, IUFOFRA International Case File, UFOs on the Internet ? and a whole host of other information including Ghosts. For more information, contact : IUFOFRA, P.O. Box 3070, Whitehall, Dublin 9, Ireland.

5. Northern UFO News. No 170. May 95.

Jenny Randles magazine should be in any serious Ufology researchers collection, as it is often packed with up-to-date information, that you may not read about anywhere else. This edition looks at Roswell : The *real* movie, magazine reviews, books of the moment, Media matters, more Welsh wonders (Case reports), a new twist in the Allingham Affair and more. For more information, contact : Jenny Randles, 11 Pike Court, Fleetwood, Lancashire, FY7 8QF.

6. UFO Magazine. Vol 10. No 3. May/June 95.

The only trade stand magazine devoted to the subject of UFOs that is available in this country. I for one enjoy the magazine, although I may not agree with all that they report and investigate. This edition is packed with news and information, and the Roswell film is in for a bit of a hammering by Stanton Friedman. There is a look at Adamski - the Great Pretender ?, Area 51 : The Watchers, Keith Basterfield (Australia) and Kelly's Abduction, Triangular UFO Photographed ?, Roswell Archive Film (See Editorial), Area 51 - Welcome to the Real World, Airships : Part 1 : Identified flying objects and a whole lot more. The magazine is available through W.H.Smith newsagent outlets, or contact : UFO Magazine, Subscription Dept, P.O. Box 2, Grassington, Skipton, N.Yorkshire. BD23 5UY.

7. Cenap Report. No 222. 1995.

This magazine is for those of you that can read German and is certainly well worth subscribing to if you can. This edition concentrates on 'UFO' shown on RTL2 Television, A look at press reports concerning UFO reports from the German press, UFOs in Russia, and a whole host of other reports, information etc. For more information, contact : Werner Walter, Eisenacher Weg 16, 68309 Mannheim, Germany.

8. Enigma (Independent Research Center for Unexplained Phenomena). No 6. 1995.

This edition contains an article by David Icke, A look at the Roswell film autopsy, conclusion to the timeline events at Roswell in 1947, Crop Circles and their meaning, Apollo 11 The missing two minutes and an update on the 1995 formations. For more information, contact : Paul Vigay, 104 Manners Road, Southsea, Hampshire. PO4 0BG.

9. BUFORA Newsfile.. Nos 26 - 28 1995.

If you want to keep abreast of what the press is saying about UFOs and Crop Circles, then subscribing to the above is well worth it. Each edition contains 5 pages of double-sided A4 sheets of articles and I find that they are very useful in filling the gaps that other press cutting services appear to miss. Great value and well worth considering subscribing to.

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I have the following 4 video's for sale at £8 each & £1.00 postage and they are each 3 hrs long.....

- A) Contact UFO : Alien Abductions (1hr 25mins), Summit University Forum : The UFO Connection and The Unexplained.
- B) Abduction Roundtable (60 mins). Mysteries of the skies (2 Hrs).
(I have two copies of the above video left)
- C) Australian Ufology. The Unexplained - Roswell reconstruction and Texas Ghost Lights. Thats Incredible. Tim Good on Gloria Hunniford Show.
(I highly recommend tape C)

FDR ROOSEVELT SIGHTINGS. (PART 2).

In the second part of this series, and would like to look at a previous sighting from the FDR Roosevelt that occurred on the 26.7.56.

At the time of the sighting, the witness was RD3 and was duty P.O. in the radar shack - C.I.C. on anchor detail - 0000 to 0400 hrs. One other 3RD class was with him. 4 lookouts were topside. While at anchor in Rio-De-Janeiro, Brazil, only surface radar was on line. Our VL radar was down (Height radar). One lookout then another called in that two strange objects were in the air but did not know what. I put a VL into operation - went topside to see for myself. What you see in the enclosed sketch is what I saw that night 35 years ago. I called for the duty officer of the day and he in turn called others.

These 'Things' were watched by many for about 5 - 7 minutes. All possible reasons for these objects proved wrong other than the fact they had no reason to be there.

The witness does not state whether the objects were tracked on the VL radar and from reading through the letters that were sent to the Defense Dept. etc, the sightings were hushed up. In the next part of this article, I will look at the replies from the Defense Dept. in respect to both sightings....ED...

KNOCKIN ON ODINS DOOR!

At the end of last year I put pen to paper and gave your editor my feelings about the 1994 Crop-Circle season having visited nearly 50 formations and many night watches around the active areas. The 1995 season has begun late compared to last year but already there has been more formations than this time last year, although tell-tale damage has appeared suggesting less mystical forces are at work, so I'll leave that can of worms alone for the time being and concentrate on Crop-circle related matters. One of the most famous fields for Crop-circles not only in England but who could argue, the world, has to be the large field near Alton Barnes called East Field. During 90 - 92 this field graced many of the world tabloids with it's breathtaking pictograms including the early double pictogram, the huge 'Dodman' or snail of 1992 and the suspicious 'Eye' of last year to name a few. Is there any reason why this area is so active during the summer nights? Perhaps a team of shy expert hoaxers picked East Field out of a hat some years ago and the legend has grown around this, however, I think more of a clue lies in the past.

As is well known one of England's most famous tracks - the prehistoric Ridgeway passes near the field overlooking the village's of Alton Priors and Alton Barnes. The whole area around Alton Barnes is littered with Barrows, Hillforts, Camps and Stone Circles, the importance of this land to our ancestors is hard to imagine although many signs still remain. This land was and in some ways still is for a few, a Sacred and wondrous area, I always feel very eager to return when coming home from the area after a day or night spent nearby. It certainly has an atmosphere. Overlooking the 2 villages stands the viewpoint of Adams Grave at the top of Walkers Hill, this peak was called Woden's Barrow or Wodensbury, however Adams Grave seemed more acceptable to a people who were being lured away from the old religion for the benefits of the Christian world order.

Woden or Odin was essentially a Norse god, who upon stormy nights would career across the sky, his pack of hounds in tow, his purpose was to abduct anyone who crossed his path and to transport them to another land (against their will I presume !) to divulge of this encounter ment death to the poor victim. Long before this the Celts had the same belief, Woden's equal then was Annwn. Flying across the sky, abducting people who he came across, sounds familiar ? A little north from here lies the 12 mile earthwork called Wansdyke, the name derived from Wodens ditch, and no doubt the hill near Silbury called Woden Hill has the same link. Knapp hill like Adams Grave is another good viewpoint (if you can ignore the arctic conditions that sometimes inhabit these two hills at night !). The importance if this hill being so near to East Field is worth a further look. There was a hill camp there some 2,500 B.C. years ago near the top of Knapp Hill where today near its summit can be seen ridges where the corpses of those ancient people were left to 'Return to nature' before being interned in one of the many barrows in this sacred area.

Without trying to sound like a guidebook, I hope it can be seen that the importance of this area, which is one of a number in our land was of vital significance to these religious early peoples.

I wonder are those who go to these places during the year and particularly the 'Crop' months of summer, searching for the same answers to the questions we are constantly told are absurd or science fiction and that there is for want of a better word, a doorway to another dimension that can at a certain place, a certain time, under certain conditions, open and allow contact with 'them' whoever they are. If this is so then we can consider ourselves also in contact with the very people who lived there some 5,000 years ago.

(Suggested further reading : Andy Collins - Alien Energy)

The WHEATEAR..

Circle Update....

The following formations were notified to me from various sources, and I have not been to them to confirm locations, descriptions etc :

1. Dundry, Bristol, Ringed circle and grapeshot.

2. Windmill Hill on the road to Knoll Down, Wiltshire. A Spiral formation found in Barley.
3. Telegraph Hill, Cheesefoot head, Winchester. A circle, around 90ft across with center circle 30ft across, 20ft circle of standing crop, and a 30ft of flattened crop. The crop in the center circle flows from the outside clockwise, but the flow is then described as changing to anti-clockwise in an 'S' pattern. In the 20ft wide band of standing crop are 4 smaller circles in the form of a Celtic cross (N,E,S,W). (More on this formation in next months magazine and all is not what it seems.... !!)
4. Avebury Trusloe, Wiltshire. Formation in Barley, 50ft across and surrounded by 8 rings. But on closer examination, the '8' rings, was in fact a continuous spiral. The formation appeared on about the 29th May 1995.
5. Alfreton, Sussex (The second formation to be found in Sussex this year), and found/appeared on the 1.6.95. 250ft ringed galaxy with 4 arms. (From the drawings that I have seen, you could describe the formation rather like a Catherine wheel... ED) and was found in Barley.
6. At Alton Barnes, a rather scruffy formation of a circle and a smaller circle.
7. I have read in the Circle Hunter No 15 June 1995, that maybe the first crop circle formation outside of the UK has been found. The formation appeared on a farm at Lebanon, Oregon and consisted of an 11ft ellipse. It had an anti-clockwise swirl with a 3ft standing tuft.
8. Cowdown Farm, Andover : This formation only appeared on the 14/15 June 1995 and was tucked away off the beaten track. The formation is approx. 90ft in dia, and consists of an outer flattened circle, a central circle of standing crop and 3 small circles within the central ring of standing crop.... The crop is probably Barley. The strange thing about this formation, is that it is not completely flattened, but only the top of the crop has been flattened (The first 2 inches or so).... !!!!

If you the reader know of anymore formations, then please let me know and I can add them to my ever growing list of around 20 or so formations that I am aware of...

MUFON JOURNAL MAY 1995.

(COPIES OF ARTICLE(S) AVAILABLE ON REQUEST)

The Roswell film footage is certainly rolling along in America, and one or two people are still chasing shadows in my view. Mr. Philip Mantle (Bufora) wrote an open letter to Mr. Santilli and The Merlin Group asking if he can visit the alleged photographer in America and interview him. On reading the letter, I asked myself the following questions :

1. Who is/or What is The Merlin Group.... ?

2. Mr. Mantle says that two companies have agreed to analyze the film, one being Kodak (I fear not, as they deny all knowledge of the film, then why suddenly agree to analyze it ?) and Hasan Shah Films (Who ?).
3. An historian to visually check the film (Well we already know that the telephone is not of the era.... ?)
4. Mr. Mantle wants to interview the alleged photographer and '*Has the appropriate funds in order to visit him*'... I ask myself are these his *own* funds or are they Bufora's funds. If they are from BUFORA's funds, then I assume that not only has the Committee agreed to it, but also the members, as the amount of money involved would be on the somewhat large size, and would it be worth it. Why can't the photographer come here on Santilli's/Merlin Group funding.. Just think of the publicity and the headlines 'Man who filmed aliens visits Otley'... What an earner and with the conference coming up in August (and I did hear rumors that the camera man may appear at the conference (MUFON UFO Journal May 95).. so why go to all the trouble and expense of going to see him !!!...) what a crowd puller !!!!

In the same magazine, Stanton Friedman's '*Challenge to Ray Santilli*'.....

'As a scientist who was the first investigator of the Roswell story and is still actively investigating it, I am very concerned that, despite the almost 4 months that have gone by since the first public noise about the footage, you have provided no evidence whatsoever to substantiate any of numerous claims.....

Stanton goes on to say that there are at least 11 points of interest and or data that should have been provided and in short, it seems to me (S.F) that you should put up or shut up.....(Couldn't of put it any better myself.....ED).

Badges For Sale.

Margaret Fry (Ex Bufora Researcher) has just started a venture and needs our help to support it. Margaret has had some badges made that she would like to sell to UFO researchers, at a very reasonable price. I have reproduced them below as best I could and I must admit, they are very eye catching, a nice size and well worth the money. For more details, contact Margaret Fry, Frys Croft, Parc Aelas, Llangernyw, Clwyd, North Wales. Or send your order to me at the editorial address and I will pass them on to her. The cost of the badge is : £ 2.50 plus postage.....

