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BRITONS BELIEVE IN UFO'S

A recent public opinion survey reveals an astonishing attitude among Britons about Unidentified Flying Objects. The majority of the British people believe an invasion of Earth from outer space is imminent. They believe it will happen within five years.

The House of Lords pressured the British Ministry of Defense to admit it has given serious attention to UFOs by releasing data to the British UFO Research Association.

Maybe the British people have good reason to believe something serious is going on. UFO sightings have been on the increase over that island nation. During the fall of 1985, reports came in from even the most remote areas. Young and old alike saw strange things in the sky.

The Carleton area was the scene of some exciting events. A 14 year old boy ran home crying hysterically and was temporarily blinded after seeing a brightly lit object. He was treated by a doctor. A similar report was given by an

eight year old boy. Several witnesses reported a UFO hit or nearly hit a radar station on the moor on August 14, 1985. That incident caused several days of excitement around the radar station.

Two taxi drivers watched a UFO over Deeside in late January, 1986. One of the drivers, a Mr. Leonard Parker, said he was driving back to the office when he spotted a brightly lit object about 200 feet above him. He stopped and got out of the taxi and watched as it glided towards him. He said it was cone shaped, had one blue spotlight and lots of yellow lights on the underside. The UFO was totally silent. When he returned to the office he found Paul Jones, another driver, already describing his similar encounter.

During the second week of February 1986, another taxi driver and his young woman passenger spotted three bright orange lights in the sky over the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough.

The driver, Gerry Hum, turned his cab around and chased the lights until they suddenly disappeared. Danielle Mansbridge, the passenger said "there was no noise at all." The lights amazed her. She said "they were blazing orange, very big and bright."

A police spokeswoman described how a number of citizens had become involved with UFOs during the past several months. He told how a Wymondham girl had a close encounter of the scary kind when she was followed home by a bright light. Describing his feelings the policeman said he had just taken a new report and the man making the report "was not th sort to make things up."

What are the Britons seeing? No one seems to be able to provide a satisfactory answer. It is no wonder they are expecting an invasion from space any day now....

Strange object spotted by Coronadans

Strange wonders never cease. Three Coronadans spotted an unidentified flying object land in front of them one night last month as they were coming out of the bingo hall at Sacred Heart Church.

Mona O' Keefe, Rosemary Thelen and a North Island worker only known as "Herb," described the object as a clear plastic "bubble" about three feet

in diameter. On the floor of the bubble were about 80 small lighted candles.

As the man approached the object, it ascended and flew over Orange Avenue to Olive Avenue and out over the ocean in the flight path for North Island, according to the two women.

"It was really something else," said O'Keefe. "At first I thought it was just some big decoration

somebody had for Christmas that had got away.

People we tell about it think we just had a couple of cocktails that night but we didn't," she said.

Police say they had no reports on any unidentified objects. The women said they asked around town, but nobody else said they had spotted the mysterious object.

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UFO seen hovering for 2nd straight night

An unidentified flying object with multi-colored lights, spotted Monday night in the Kingston area, was back again last night "but much farther away," according to an Odessa resident.

June Potter, who operates a greenhouse business in the community about 20 kilometres (12 miles) west of Kingston, said three police officers joined her family to watch the UFO hovering to the south of them for about three hours Monday night.

Potter said they "just about froze" as they stood outside trying to figure out what the hovering object was.

Her daughter, Tracey, 17, said the UFO appeared to be square with lights on each corner. As it got closer they realized the lights were colored, a florescent green light in one corner, a pink light in another, a

bright blue light in the third and a white light in the fourth.

Checks with police and the Canadian Forces base at Trenton failed to reveal what the object might be. They saw an airplane pass while they were watching and it was easy to tell the difference.

Others suggested that it must have been a star, but the Potters say it definitely moved about.

June Potter thought it was less than six kilometres (four miles) away, just to the side of their barn, when they first spotted it. Then it rose above the roof, hovering for long periods of time, before moving south toward Lake Ontario, about six kilometres (four miles) away.

June Potter said the weather was clear both nights so it was difficult to judge the size or tell accurately how far away the object was.

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UFOs hover over county

by Donna Daniels

Bright lights hovering over Green Mountain Reservoir and Kremmling. . .

Twenty-plus calls to the Summit County sheriff. . .

And sightings by the sheriff's department and the police departments of Dillon and Silverthorne.

Science fiction? Even after seeing them, Kremmling police officer Scott Koch would like to believe it is.

On Sunday, April 20, a call came into the Kremmling PD from the Summit County sheriff's department, reporting numerous UFO sightings and inquiring if any similar calls had been received in Kremmling.

Koch, who was on the 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. shift that night, saw stationary, colored lights in the skies directly over Kremmling. He then was informed of sightings near Green Mountain Reservoir, and drove down Colo. 9 to the county line.

There, a large group of law enforcement officers from Grand and Summit Counties was witnessing something stranger than fiction. The lights were viewed over Williams Peak and the Gore, and through a high powered telescope, the objects looked to be triangular in shape, with light on the outer edges. They were observed to hover, then "take off" to the southwest.

The most startling aspect of the occurrence was the evasive action of a jet plane, which all present saw veer around one of the objects. Koch figured they watched for about two hours.

Fact? Fiction? These witnesses were trained observers, professional men who viewed something alien to their natures.

They really don't want to talk about it.

But they don't deny the fact that something truly strange was out that night.

Fireball Something explodes in night sky

The Associated Press

VANCOUVER, B.C. — A fireball as bright as the moon streaked across the nighttime sky and exploded above southwestern British Columbia and northern Washington state, an astronomer here said.

The Washington State Patrol office in the Bellingham-Everett area received a few telephone calls from people who believed they had seen a UFO after the fireball appeared around 9 p.m. Tuesday, said Dean Munday, a patrol spokesman.

"We looked up towards the Big Dipper, and we saw this brilliant magnesium-blue flare-like object streak out of the southeast sky, out of the constellation of Leo, the lion, and pass directly underneath the bowl of the Big Dipper," said astronomer David Dodge of the Southam Observatory.

"As it did, it blew up before our eyes, leaving behind a short-duration red train of light, and there were all kinds of sparkles coming off it, too. It was really, really brilliant."

Dodge said an exploding fireball occurs when a sizable rock smashes into the atmosphere and the friction creates intense heat and light. Known technically as a bolide, an exploding fireball is brighter and more active than a meteor.

Dodge said he doubted that any of the object reached the ground.

"After whooping and hollering for a few seconds, we just shut up completely, hoping to hear any kind of sonic boom, and there was none," he said.

"A boom is a bit of a giveaway. If you've got a boom then it's gotten down into denser atmosphere and it may have survived the plunge, but we heard nothing so it extinguished well up in the atmosphere."

Police received no reports of pieces of molten rock falling from the sky.

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