

# Night Vision Goggles Bring UFO's Up Close

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A real life person will step out of the pages of Dr. John Mack's latest book, "Abduction," to speak at the meeting of the Gulf Breeze/Pensacola MUFON Chapter this Sunday, June 5 at 2:30 p.m. at the South Santa Rosa County Recreational Center on Shoreline Drive. Dr. Mack, head of the Psychiatry Department at Harvard University Hospital, discusses the case of Paul, an abductee from Boston in Chapter 10. Come hear Paul's incredible story from his own mouth. The meeting is open to the public.

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As Asst. Mufon State Director I receive reports of UFO sightings from all over the state of Florida. The following report drew my attention, so I thought I would pass it along as there are several parallels to the Gulf Breeze case.

*The Reporter*, a Florida Keys newspaper, ran an article by Jim Rubino on a series of sightings by a gentleman named Ron Ellis. The article described those sightings and one method this fellow uses to spot UFO's, night vision goggles. It seems that he has been able to observe them at very short distances.

Mel Tennis, SSD for Dade county is investigating the case. Prior to Ellis' case, Tennis said "we've been conducting an investigation in the Key Largo area for quite some time." Tennis, further stated "as people become more knowledgeable about the sky and what they're looking at, the quality of sightings - legitimate or otherwise - also increases. Within the past year we have had between five and six sightings that seem to be legitimate, they seem to occur about every one to three months."

Ron Ellis is hoping that what he has seen, and what he has to say will garner more legitimate attention than the "cold shoulder" reportedly received by government agencies about a series of recent sightings near his Florida Bay-side home in Key Largo.

What Ellis saw were described as cylindrical, metallic objects that moved across US-1 from the ocean to bay, at times exceeding speeds of 200 MPH. Armed with 'night vision' goggles similar to those used by military reconnaissance, and a laser range-finder device (all incidentally available through most military surplus and arms dealers) he was able to track 'multiple sightings' on April 4 & 5, 1994. "There was no sound", said Ellis, but according to the witness, they came as close as several hundred feet to his residence, at times hovering and at times performing

aerial acrobatics that are beyond the realm of conventional aircraft.

Ellis' first UFO encounter was nearly two years ago, during a lightning storm on July 4. As he and family members waited for storm conditions to clear so they could watch a nearby fireworks display, several arcs of lightening proved to be a good subject for photographs. "I got out my Polaroid and there it was."

Ellis' reports, to then Homestead Air Force Base, went unnoticed as did his sightings last week (*Reporter* article was dated April 14, 1994). In the 1992 incident, some of the objects seen appeared triangular in shape. The descriptions match sightings of others in Key Largo and Tavernier that same summer.

Ellis' pictures are en route to a Mufon photo analyst, the results should be very interesting. I talked to Jim Rubino, reporter for *The Reporter* in Key Largo on May 31, 1994, and he says things there are status quo since writing his article. His contacts with local military have produced very familiar results, they are basically the same as we have experienced here along the pan handle. "they will neither confirm or deny the reports".

I talked to Tennis on Saturday, May 28, Mel says his UFO investigation schedule is still quite busy along the Keys and in the southern Florida area, so it appears that Florida is still on the preferred tour list for your mysterious visitors.

The use of the special equipment by Ellis is quite impressive, especially to one who has logged as many hours as I have looking through a pair of hand held binoculars, a tripod mounted 35 mm camera and, on occasion, a beefed up video camera in my attempt to capture the secrets of the Gulf Breeze UFO. So I guess all I can do is Keep Looking Up and Behind Me until I can find similar equipment.....

1987-1994 saucers hovered over Gulf Breeze because city represents topographical center North/South America, ancient Egyptian Great Pyramid, Planet Earth designs, 1947-1957 UFO-USA measured lines, Independence site, future coming 1,500 miles long space-city New Jerusalem.

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