

UFOs Over the Indian Point Nuclear Plant

📅 April 30, 2023 👤 admin



by Charles Lear, author of “The Flying Saucer Investigators.”

Beginning on New Year's Eve, 1982, there was a series of sightings throughout the Hudson River Valley north of New York City by hundreds of people willing to go on the record. They reported seeing boomerang-shaped craft the size of 1, 2, and 3 football fields, that moved slowly, hovered, and turned on an axis. This is according to the first comprehensive book on the sightings, *Night Siege*, which was co-authored by J. Allen Hynek, Philip J. Imbrogno, and Bob Pratt, and published in 1987. One of the standout incidents in the book, covered in Chapter Eleven titled, “Close Encounter at Indian Point,” is a sighting by what are said by the authors to be security guards (they are all un-named) over the nuclear power plant on Indian Point, on the shore of the Hudson River in Buchanan, NY, just south of Peekskill, NY. [Read more →](#)

1
00:00:02,760 --> 00:00:11,020
foreign

2
00:00:32,410 --> 00:00:16,310
[Music]

3
00:00:38,090 --> 00:00:35,209
UFOs over the Indian Point Nuclear Plant

4
00:00:40,790 --> 00:00:38,100
by Charles Lear beginning on New Year's

5
00:00:42,950 --> 00:00:40,800
Eve 1982 there was a series of sightings

6
00:00:44,930 --> 00:00:42,960
throughout the Hudson River Valley North

7
00:00:46,970 --> 00:00:44,940
of New York City by hundreds of people

8
00:00:49,130 --> 00:00:46,980
willing to go on the record they

9
00:00:51,770 --> 00:00:49,140
reported seeing boomerang-shaped craft

10
00:00:54,770 --> 00:00:51,780
the size of one two and three football

11
00:00:57,229 --> 00:00:54,780
fields that moved slowly hovered and

12
00:00:59,150 --> 00:00:57,239
turned on an axis this is according to

13
00:01:01,069 --> 00:00:59,160

the first comprehensive book on the

14

00:01:03,529 --> 00:01:01,079

sightings night Siege which was

15

00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:03,539

co-authored by JL and heineck Philip J

16

00:01:09,410 --> 00:01:06,240

and bronio and Bob Pratt and published

17

00:01:12,050 --> 00:01:09,420

in 1987. one of the standout incidents

18

00:01:14,510 --> 00:01:12,060

in the book covered in chapter 11 titled

19

00:01:16,190 --> 00:01:14,520

close encounter at Indian Point is a

20

00:01:18,410 --> 00:01:16,200

sighting by what are said by the authors

21

00:01:21,109 --> 00:01:18,420

to be security guards they are all

22

00:01:23,270 --> 00:01:21,119

unnamed over the nuclear power plant at

23

00:01:25,789 --> 00:01:23,280

Indian Point on the shore of the Hudson

24

00:01:28,190 --> 00:01:25,799

River in Buchanan New York just south of

25

00:01:30,590 --> 00:01:28,200

Peekskill New York Knight Siege is

26
00:01:33,170 --> 00:01:30,600
mainly an account of the investigation

27
00:01:35,270 --> 00:01:33,180
carried out by imbronio and team of

28
00:01:37,850 --> 00:01:35,280
local field investigators with the

29
00:01:40,429 --> 00:01:37,860
center for UFO studies of which heineck

30
00:01:42,830 --> 00:01:40,439
was the director the other investigators

31
00:01:46,190 --> 00:01:42,840
on the team are identified as Fred

32
00:01:48,410 --> 00:01:46,200
Dennis Sheila Sabo Who is credited as

33
00:01:51,830 --> 00:01:48,420
one of the silent authors of the book

34
00:01:53,450 --> 00:01:51,840
Chris Clark and George lesnake heinic is

35
00:01:56,210 --> 00:01:53,460
said to have flown in from Evanston

36
00:01:59,270 --> 00:01:56,220
Illinois to assist he died before the

37
00:02:01,490 --> 00:01:59,280
book was published and his widow Mimi is

38
00:02:03,830 --> 00:02:01,500

thanked for reading the manuscript and

39

00:02:06,109 --> 00:02:03,840

making suggestions according to the

40

00:02:09,290 --> 00:02:06,119

authors we had just taken part in a

41

00:02:12,350 --> 00:02:09,300

radio talk show the edge of reality with

42

00:02:14,809 --> 00:02:12,360

host Lee Spiegel on wnbc in New York

43

00:02:17,210 --> 00:02:14,819

City Spiegel gave out the team's phone

44

00:02:20,030 --> 00:02:17,220

number and the phone began to ring

45

00:02:22,010 --> 00:02:20,040

almost immediately one caller who said

46

00:02:24,290 --> 00:02:22,020

he was a New York state Power Authority

47

00:02:27,229 --> 00:02:24,300

police officer who worked at the Indian

48

00:02:29,869 --> 00:02:27,239

Point nuclear reactor complex as a

49

00:02:32,270 --> 00:02:29,879

security guard reported that he and 11

50

00:02:34,190 --> 00:02:32,280

other officers had had a UFO site

51
00:02:35,589 --> 00:02:34,200
getting while on duty on the night of

52
00:02:39,170 --> 00:02:35,599
July 24

53
00:02:41,990 --> 00:02:39,180
1984. according to him a huge UFO

54
00:02:44,030 --> 00:02:42,000
hovered over one of the reactors for

55
00:02:46,550 --> 00:02:44,040
more than 10 minutes the team was

56
00:02:49,490 --> 00:02:46,560
excited by this because that same night

57
00:02:52,070 --> 00:02:49,500
a UFO was caught on videotape about 20

58
00:02:55,729 --> 00:02:52,080
miles away by Brewster New York resident

59
00:02:58,130 --> 00:02:55,739
Bob pacioli Witnesses in Peekskill also

60
00:03:00,890 --> 00:02:58,140
reported that they'd seen a UFO over

61
00:03:03,050 --> 00:03:00,900
Indian Point that same night the caller

62
00:03:04,850 --> 00:03:03,060
given the name Carl in the book said

63
00:03:07,070 --> 00:03:04,860

that he and the others saw in the

64

00:03:09,830 --> 00:03:07,080

author's words something decidedly

65

00:03:12,170 --> 00:03:09,840

unconventional hover less than 300 feet

66

00:03:14,690 --> 00:03:12,180

above the exhaust Tower at reactor

67

00:03:17,330 --> 00:03:14,700

number three according to Carl the shift

68

00:03:20,030 --> 00:03:17,340

Commander was ready to give the order to

69

00:03:22,430 --> 00:03:20,040

shoot the object down according to the

70

00:03:24,530 --> 00:03:22,440

authors they asked if Carl would meet

71

00:03:26,869 --> 00:03:24,540

with them and Carl told them he'd need

72

00:03:28,729 --> 00:03:26,879

to get his supervisors okay he called

73

00:03:30,890 --> 00:03:28,739

the next day and said they were cleared

74

00:03:33,770 --> 00:03:30,900

to meet with him and some of the other

75

00:03:35,690 --> 00:03:33,780

guards at reactor number 5 although no

76

00:03:38,449 --> 00:03:35,700

tape recorders or cameras would be

77

00:03:40,610 --> 00:03:38,459

allowed the next day Carl called and

78

00:03:43,550 --> 00:03:40,620

said the meeting had been canceled by

79

00:03:46,009 --> 00:03:43,560

orders from State headquarters the team

80

00:03:48,050 --> 00:03:46,019

applied pressure to the plan manager by

81

00:03:50,509 --> 00:03:48,060

threatening to give the story to ABC

82

00:03:53,270 --> 00:03:50,519

news with which they had a relationship

83

00:03:55,369 --> 00:03:53,280

the manager relented and it was agreed

84

00:03:57,410 --> 00:03:55,379

that they could meet the guards but not

85

00:03:59,990 --> 00:03:57,420

on the grounds of the plan and a

86

00:04:02,330 --> 00:04:00,000

supervisor had to be present under these

87

00:04:05,149 --> 00:04:02,340

terms the team met twice with Carl and

88

00:04:07,009 --> 00:04:05,159

five other officers the first meeting is

89

00:04:09,289 --> 00:04:07,019

described as taking place on the night

90

00:04:11,690 --> 00:04:09,299

of September 12th in a restaurant in

91

00:04:13,970 --> 00:04:11,700

Peekskill and the authors neglected to

92

00:04:16,189 --> 00:04:13,980

identify the location or date of the

93

00:04:18,590 --> 00:04:16,199

second meeting due to the lateness of

94

00:04:20,689 --> 00:04:18,600

the hour during the first meeting the

95

00:04:23,510 --> 00:04:20,699

investigators only talked in depth with

96

00:04:26,270 --> 00:04:23,520

Carl and two of the five others Carl is

97

00:04:28,550 --> 00:04:26,280

described as talking for 45 minutes on

98

00:04:30,590 --> 00:04:28,560

tape for much of it during both meetings

99

00:04:33,409 --> 00:04:30,600

according to him he'd add a prior

100

00:04:35,930 --> 00:04:33,419

sighting on June 14th describing the

101
00:04:37,969 --> 00:04:35,940
June 14th sighting Carl said he was on

102
00:04:41,270 --> 00:04:37,979
patrol at reactor number three at around

103
00:04:43,730 --> 00:04:41,280
10 15 p.m and saw lights with a white

104
00:04:46,550 --> 00:04:43,740
and yellow Hue coming towards him from

105
00:04:48,290 --> 00:04:46,560
the Northeast moving Southwest he said

106
00:04:50,930 --> 00:04:48,300
he looked over at the next door Con

107
00:04:53,810 --> 00:04:50,940
Edison complex and saw 10 people there

108
00:04:55,730 --> 00:04:53,820
looking at the same object Carl called

109
00:04:58,249 --> 00:04:55,740
for someone to come out to where he was

110
00:05:01,070 --> 00:04:58,259
so he could get some confirmation and

111
00:05:03,050 --> 00:05:01,080
help if he needed it two guards came and

112
00:05:05,330 --> 00:05:03,060
they observed what they described as a

113
00:05:07,850 --> 00:05:05,340

boomerang pattern of lights that hovered

114

00:05:10,249 --> 00:05:07,860

for about 15 minutes he said the lights

115

00:05:12,110 --> 00:05:10,259

were about 10 times brighter than the

116

00:05:14,510 --> 00:05:12,120

security lights and that there was a

117

00:05:16,550 --> 00:05:14,520

dark Mass behind them that blocked the

118

00:05:18,830 --> 00:05:16,560

lights of a plane that passed behind it

119

00:05:21,890 --> 00:05:18,840

he estimated the object as being about

120

00:05:24,170 --> 00:05:21,900

300 feet across the object moved off

121

00:05:26,749 --> 00:05:24,180

towards peakskill at around 10 miles per

122

00:05:28,310 --> 00:05:26,759

hour Carl dismissed the idea that it

123

00:05:31,249 --> 00:05:28,320

could have been a formation of planes

124

00:05:33,590 --> 00:05:31,259

because of the 25 knot winds and the

125

00:05:36,350 --> 00:05:33,600

intensity of the lights he described it

126
00:05:39,170 --> 00:05:36,360
as turning as if it was lying on a wheel

127
00:05:41,870 --> 00:05:39,180
and that it moved with its apex leading

128
00:05:44,689 --> 00:05:41,880
Carl then described as July 24th

129
00:05:47,270 --> 00:05:44,699
sighting another guard saw it first and

130
00:05:50,270 --> 00:05:47,280
called out on his radio hey here comes

131
00:05:52,850 --> 00:05:50,280
that UFO again Carl another guard and

132
00:05:55,070 --> 00:05:52,860
two supervisors came out and the five of

133
00:05:57,050 --> 00:05:55,080
them observed what Carl described as

134
00:05:58,909 --> 00:05:57,060
being shaped like an ice cream cone

135
00:06:01,310 --> 00:05:58,919
there was a semi-circle of light

136
00:06:04,070 --> 00:06:01,320
changing from yellow to White and a red

137
00:06:06,110 --> 00:06:04,080
blinking light pretty far back the

138
00:06:08,749 --> 00:06:06,120

object blocked out the stars behind it

139

00:06:11,510 --> 00:06:08,759

and appeared to have a solid body about

140

00:06:13,370 --> 00:06:11,520

the size of three football fields it

141

00:06:16,010 --> 00:06:13,380

moved about five to ten miles per hour

142

00:06:19,189 --> 00:06:16,020

and took about five minutes to pass over

143

00:06:21,770 --> 00:06:19,199

them Carl said they were in awe of it

144

00:06:24,590 --> 00:06:21,780

according to him an order had been given

145

00:06:27,050 --> 00:06:24,600

to get ready to shoot it down and they

146

00:06:29,990 --> 00:06:27,060

had shotguns and were waiting for the

147

00:06:32,390 --> 00:06:30,000

final word to fire on it another officer

148

00:06:34,850 --> 00:06:32,400

described observing the object on a

149

00:06:37,670 --> 00:06:34,860

security Monitor and said he had to pan

150

00:06:40,370 --> 00:06:37,680

the camera almost 180 degrees to cover

151
00:06:42,590 --> 00:06:40,380
the entire object from front to back and

152
00:06:44,990 --> 00:06:42,600
another added there was this series of

153
00:06:47,689 --> 00:06:45,000
Lights in the shape of a boomerang and

154
00:06:49,189 --> 00:06:47,699
behind it was this dark structure and

155
00:06:51,350 --> 00:06:49,199
there were these two things on the

156
00:06:53,749 --> 00:06:51,360
bottom that looked like Hollow spheres

157
00:06:55,670 --> 00:06:53,759
of some sort according to the authors

158
00:06:58,490 --> 00:06:55,680
their notes from the two meetings

159
00:07:00,350 --> 00:06:58,500
contained additional information they

160
00:07:02,390 --> 00:07:00,360
report that the plant security system

161
00:07:05,029 --> 00:07:02,400
and the computer controlling security

162
00:07:06,830 --> 00:07:05,039
and communication shut down during the

163
00:07:08,749 --> 00:07:06,840

sighting and that the guards were told

164

00:07:11,029 --> 00:07:08,759

to forget about the sighting and that

165

00:07:13,189 --> 00:07:11,039

there was a security shake-up after a

166

00:07:15,529 --> 00:07:13,199

visit from the U.S nuclear Regulatory

167

00:07:17,749 --> 00:07:15,539

Commission the authors tried to get more

168

00:07:20,749 --> 00:07:17,759

information from the plant management to

169

00:07:23,390 --> 00:07:20,759

no avail according to them however Jerry

170

00:07:27,110 --> 00:07:23,400

culliton a reporter for the Mount Kisco

171

00:07:28,909 --> 00:07:27,120

New York radio station wvip did manage

172

00:07:31,249 --> 00:07:28,919

to get an acknowledgment from Carl

173

00:07:33,830 --> 00:07:31,259

Patrick of the plants information office

174

00:07:36,469 --> 00:07:33,840

that there were sightings but Patrick

175

00:07:39,050 --> 00:07:36,479

added that four Cessna Pilots had been

176

00:07:41,150 --> 00:07:39,060

arrested after an investigation by New

177

00:07:43,309 --> 00:07:41,160

York State Police according to the

178

00:07:45,770 --> 00:07:43,319

authors there were no arrest records to

179

00:07:48,409 --> 00:07:45,780

back this up the story hit the papers

180

00:07:52,490 --> 00:07:48,419

with an article by John Craig published

181

00:07:54,710 --> 00:07:52,500

on January 12 1985 in both the Nyack New

182

00:07:56,749 --> 00:07:54,720

York Rocklin Journal News and the White

183

00:07:59,150 --> 00:07:56,759

Plains New York reporter dispatch

184

00:08:03,170 --> 00:07:59,160

headlined nuke plant guards report

185

00:08:05,870 --> 00:08:03,180

hovering UFOs in the news and UFOs did

186

00:08:08,390 --> 00:08:05,880

aliens buzz Indian Point plant in the

187

00:08:10,189 --> 00:08:08,400

dispatch in bronio is the main source

188

00:08:13,189 --> 00:08:10,199

but Craig interviewed several people

189

00:08:15,830 --> 00:08:13,199

Patrick confirmed there was an incident

190

00:08:18,650 --> 00:08:15,840

but added it's a six-month-old story

191

00:08:21,529 --> 00:08:18,660

Craig got a second-hand witness Larry

192

00:08:24,589 --> 00:08:21,539

rossback a resident inspector with the

193

00:08:27,110 --> 00:08:24,599

NRC saying he heard guards talking about

194

00:08:30,230 --> 00:08:27,120

the incident the next day who said they

195

00:08:32,690 --> 00:08:30,240

saw the object as for the shotguns Craig

196

00:08:35,329 --> 00:08:32,700

quotes John brancifort a power Power

197

00:08:37,790 --> 00:08:35,339

Authority security Commander saying we

198

00:08:39,829 --> 00:08:37,800

just don't do things like that at the

199

00:08:41,930 --> 00:08:39,839

time many papers covering the Hudson

200

00:08:44,209 --> 00:08:41,940

Valley sightings were including the

201
00:08:47,449 --> 00:08:44,219
explanation that pranksters flying

202
00:08:49,610 --> 00:08:47,459
Cessna 152s were responsible and that

203
00:08:52,370 --> 00:08:49,620
was the opinion of two New York state

204
00:08:55,550 --> 00:08:52,380
police officers Patrick and Kenneth V

205
00:08:57,829 --> 00:08:55,560
Spiro according to Patrick in spite of

206
00:09:00,530 --> 00:08:57,839
the night Siege author's insistence to

207
00:09:03,050 --> 00:09:00,540
the contrary he didn't know of any

208
00:09:05,509 --> 00:09:03,060
regulations that restrict the airspace

209
00:09:07,490 --> 00:09:05,519
around Indian Point Craig credits

210
00:09:09,829 --> 00:09:07,500
culliton with breaking the story on the

211
00:09:11,990 --> 00:09:09,839
radio that week and then closes with

212
00:09:14,570 --> 00:09:12,000
quotes from Joan Holt of the New York

213
00:09:17,150 --> 00:09:14,580

public interest research group the group

214

00:09:19,250 --> 00:09:17,160

was opposed to nuclear power and Holt

215

00:09:22,250 --> 00:09:19,260

said that's a new angle I never thought

216

00:09:24,350 --> 00:09:22,260

about the risk of UFOs she said the

217

00:09:26,930 --> 00:09:24,360

incident brought up the concern of how

218

00:09:29,509 --> 00:09:26,940

to in Craig's words secure the plant

219

00:09:31,670 --> 00:09:29,519

from pranksters and wondered if the lack

220

00:09:33,949 --> 00:09:31,680

of an official statement for six months

221

00:09:37,430 --> 00:09:33,959

meant that the incident was taken too

222

00:09:39,110 --> 00:09:37,440

lightly or too seriously bolt added we

223

00:09:42,290 --> 00:09:39,120

have enough known dangers at Indian

224

00:09:44,329 --> 00:09:42,300

Point without having unknown dangers

225

00:09:46,370 --> 00:09:44,339

thanks to Linda Zimmerman for her

226

00:09:49,009 --> 00:09:46,380

thoughts she has researched Hudson

227

00:09:51,410 --> 00:09:49,019

Valley UFOs extensively and written

228

00:09:54,290 --> 00:09:51,420

multiple books on the subject Charles

229

00:10:00,470 --> 00:09:54,300

Lear is the author of The Flying Saucer

230

00:10:00,480 --> 00:10:08,990

foreign