



**SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENT!**



**AND BONUS EPISODE**

1  
00:00:07,010 --> 00:00:03,889  
hey guys Ryan here I'm happy to announce

2  
00:00:09,770 --> 00:00:07,020  
that we are now on Apple premium if you

3  
00:00:12,350 --> 00:00:09,780  
want early access to the main show and

4  
00:00:15,289 --> 00:00:12,360  
want bonus episodes now you can do it

5  
00:00:17,570 --> 00:00:15,299  
right in your Apple podcasts app I'll be

6  
00:00:20,570 --> 00:00:17,580  
uploading dozens of previous bonus

7  
00:00:22,670 --> 00:00:20,580  
episodes in the coming weeks as well so

8  
00:00:24,529 --> 00:00:22,680  
if you're an apple podcast subscriber

9  
00:00:26,810 --> 00:00:24,539  
and you've thought about supporting the

10  
00:00:28,370 --> 00:00:26,820  
show without leaving the app I hope

11  
00:00:31,550 --> 00:00:28,380  
you'll consider becoming an apple

12  
00:00:33,770 --> 00:00:31,560  
premium subscriber today to join just

13  
00:00:35,270 --> 00:00:33,780

click the premium button at the top of

14

00:00:39,350 --> 00:00:35,280

the somewhere in the skies Apple podcast

15

00:00:41,270 --> 00:00:39,360

feed and here is a free bonus episode to

16

00:00:44,030 --> 00:00:41,280

give you a taste of what to expect with

17

00:00:46,610 --> 00:00:44,040

your premium subscription this is the

18

00:00:49,430 --> 00:00:46,620

story of the denchmont woods UFO

19

00:00:52,430 --> 00:00:49,440

encounter where a UFO case became part

20

00:00:54,229 --> 00:00:52,440

of a criminal investigation I hope you

21

00:00:56,389 --> 00:00:54,239

enjoy and I hope you'll consider

22

00:00:59,450 --> 00:00:56,399

becoming an apple premium subscriber

23

00:01:01,369 --> 00:00:59,460

today greetings you have been granted

24

00:01:03,290 --> 00:01:01,379

Pop Secret access to the fall following

25

00:01:07,190 --> 00:01:03,300

content it is for your ears and eyes

26

00:01:15,289 --> 00:01:07,200

only thank you for your cooperation

27

00:01:19,250 --> 00:01:15,299

[Music]

28

00:01:22,249 --> 00:01:19,260

in 1979 in the denchmont woods area near

29

00:01:24,230 --> 00:01:22,259

Livingston Scotland Robert Taylor would

30

00:01:25,789 --> 00:01:24,240

claim to have encountered beings from

31

00:01:28,130 --> 00:01:25,799

another world

32

00:01:31,310 --> 00:01:28,140

and it would be the only case in all of

33

00:01:35,330 --> 00:01:31,320

Scotland where a UFO would become part

34

00:01:38,090 --> 00:01:35,340

of a criminal investigation this is the

35

00:01:39,360 --> 00:01:38,100

dutchmont woods Encounter of Robert

36

00:01:44,810 --> 00:01:39,370

Taylor

37

00:01:48,109 --> 00:01:44,820

[Music]

38

00:01:50,450 --> 00:01:48,119

on the morning of November 9th 1979

39

00:01:52,910 --> 00:01:50,460

Robert Taylor decided to pull his

40

00:01:55,190 --> 00:01:52,920

vehicle to the side of the road so he

41

00:01:57,469 --> 00:01:55,200

could stretch his legs and allow his dog

42

00:02:01,130 --> 00:01:57,479

to do the same this would take place

43

00:02:02,990 --> 00:02:01,140

near the M8 Motorway it was around 10 30

44

00:02:04,670 --> 00:02:03,000

a.m as he was walking through the

45

00:02:07,730 --> 00:02:04,680

Woodland with the seven-year-old red

46

00:02:10,070 --> 00:02:07,740

setter Lara it was as he was coming up

47

00:02:13,309 --> 00:02:10,080

on a clearing among the fir trees the

48

00:02:15,650 --> 00:02:13,319

Taylor's morning and indeed his life was

49

00:02:18,350 --> 00:02:15,660

about to take a drastic turn

50

00:02:22,430 --> 00:02:18,360

there in front of him no further than 12

51  
00:02:25,010 --> 00:02:22,440  
yards away was a flying Dome or circular

52  
00:02:27,290 --> 00:02:25,020  
object that was suddenly in his line of

53  
00:02:30,470 --> 00:02:27,300  
sight it appeared to be floating

54  
00:02:32,089 --> 00:02:30,480  
slightly above the tops of the trees the

55  
00:02:33,949 --> 00:02:32,099  
craft was close enough that he could

56  
00:02:36,650 --> 00:02:33,959  
make out the rough sandpaper-like

57  
00:02:40,250 --> 00:02:36,660  
texture of the Black Metallic material

58  
00:02:43,070 --> 00:02:40,260  
in Aroma of burning breaks suddenly

59  
00:02:44,869 --> 00:02:43,080  
seemed to fill the air he noticed two

60  
00:02:46,670 --> 00:02:44,879  
objects that had fallen to the ground

61  
00:02:48,830 --> 00:02:46,680  
from the main craft

62  
00:02:51,350 --> 00:02:48,840  
Taylor would later describe these as

63  
00:02:52,309 --> 00:02:51,360

looking like second world war Naval

64

00:02:55,130 --> 00:02:52,319

mines

65

00:02:56,449 --> 00:02:55,140

each of the strange objects had Spikes

66

00:02:59,390 --> 00:02:56,459

all over them

67

00:03:01,970 --> 00:02:59,400

they headed toward him one to each side

68

00:03:03,830 --> 00:03:01,980

making a strange noise against the

69

00:03:05,869 --> 00:03:03,840

ground as they moved

70

00:03:08,869 --> 00:03:05,879

when they were level with him in

71

00:03:11,449 --> 00:03:08,879

attachment with a spike on the end shot

72

00:03:15,589 --> 00:03:11,459

out of each one and attached themselves

73

00:03:17,869 --> 00:03:15,599

to each leg of Taylor's trousers of more

74

00:03:20,690 --> 00:03:17,879

concern to Taylor he would feel a

75

00:03:23,390 --> 00:03:20,700

pulling sensation on his body as if the

76

00:03:26,509 --> 00:03:23,400

craft was dragging him towards it he

77

00:03:29,449 --> 00:03:26,519

began to panic and pull back from it but

78

00:03:32,630 --> 00:03:29,459

his body didn't respond as this was

79

00:03:35,030 --> 00:03:32,640

happening a rotten choking smell filled

80

00:03:38,089 --> 00:03:35,040

his nostrils immediately weakening his

81

00:03:40,130 --> 00:03:38,099

resistance to the pole as he gagged on

82

00:03:43,190 --> 00:03:40,140

whatever this Aroma was

83

00:03:45,890 --> 00:03:43,200

as he began to lose Consciousness the

84

00:03:48,830 --> 00:03:45,900

last sounds he heard was the unsettling

85

00:03:52,869 --> 00:03:48,840

hissing of the object and the agitated

86

00:03:55,970 --> 00:03:52,879

barks of his dog Lara it was a huge

87

00:04:00,070 --> 00:03:55,980

thing with a big Crown Dome

88

00:04:04,610 --> 00:04:00,080

a very dark gray color

89

00:04:06,589 --> 00:04:04,620

a big flange going all the way around I

90

00:04:09,470 --> 00:04:06,599

could see Adam's

91

00:04:11,149 --> 00:04:09,480

sticking out to this flange with what I

92

00:04:15,710 --> 00:04:11,159

took to be bleeds

93

00:04:18,349 --> 00:04:15,720

on the toe as I stood here there's the

94

00:04:20,930 --> 00:04:18,359

two balls came out two boys I think

95

00:04:24,350 --> 00:04:20,940

there'd be about three feet in diameter

96

00:04:26,390 --> 00:04:24,360

with about six spikes and they were

97

00:04:28,010 --> 00:04:26,400

brawling on these fakes they came right

98

00:04:29,930 --> 00:04:28,020

up beside me

99

00:04:33,129 --> 00:04:29,940

and

100

00:04:37,370 --> 00:04:33,139

I remember feeling a tug at that time

101  
00:04:39,650 --> 00:04:37,380  
and a very powerful smell a choking sort

102  
00:04:41,330 --> 00:04:39,660  
of smell and

103  
00:04:44,210 --> 00:04:41,340  
[h\_\_\h]

104  
00:04:47,390 --> 00:04:44,220  
that was it the next thing Taylor knew

105  
00:04:49,249 --> 00:04:47,400  
he was alone on the clearing floor the

106  
00:04:51,409 --> 00:04:49,259  
object had vanished

107  
00:04:54,170 --> 00:04:51,419  
as he picked up his face from the dirt

108  
00:04:57,650 --> 00:04:54,180  
and leaves of the forest floor he

109  
00:04:59,150 --> 00:04:57,660  
noticed how severely his legs ached he

110  
00:05:02,030 --> 00:04:59,160  
also realized he couldn't bring himself

111  
00:05:04,189 --> 00:05:02,040  
to speak in an attempt to calm Lara who

112  
00:05:07,070 --> 00:05:04,199  
was still barking somewhere in the

113  
00:05:09,050 --> 00:05:07,080

immediate vicinity after Gathering his

114

00:05:11,990 --> 00:05:09,060

thoughts Taylor Made his way to his

115

00:05:14,689 --> 00:05:12,000

vehicle although sometime it passed it

116

00:05:17,990 --> 00:05:14,699

stood in the spot he'd left it at it was

117

00:05:20,749 --> 00:05:18,000

a short Joy however try as he might the

118

00:05:23,390 --> 00:05:20,759

car would no longer start as if drained

119

00:05:25,850 --> 00:05:23,400

of Power by an unknown source

120

00:05:27,170 --> 00:05:25,860

Taylor would continue his journey on

121

00:05:29,870 --> 00:05:27,180

foot

122

00:05:33,290 --> 00:05:29,880

when he arrived home his family was

123

00:05:35,810 --> 00:05:33,300

aghast at his torn clothing as well as

124

00:05:38,450 --> 00:05:35,820

the cuts and bruising to his face and

125

00:05:41,990 --> 00:05:38,460

arms he would inform his wife Mary

126

00:05:45,170 --> 00:05:42,000

bluntly that he had been attacked by a

127

00:05:47,689 --> 00:05:45,180

spaceship unsure of what to do Mary

128

00:05:50,629 --> 00:05:47,699

informed her husband's employer and boss

129

00:05:52,969 --> 00:05:50,639

of the incident it looked terrible when

130

00:05:55,129 --> 00:05:52,979

he came in the door and he just stood at

131

00:05:58,010 --> 00:05:55,139

the door and I said have you had an

132

00:06:01,850 --> 00:05:58,020

accident with your Lorry and he said no

133

00:06:05,150 --> 00:06:01,860

I've been attacked and I said what with

134

00:06:07,310 --> 00:06:05,160

and he said spaceship and I said oh

135

00:06:10,430 --> 00:06:07,320

goodness me there's no such a thing as a

136

00:06:12,590 --> 00:06:10,440

spaceship I'm going to phone the doctor

137

00:06:15,770 --> 00:06:12,600

you must have failed and hurt your head

138

00:06:18,529 --> 00:06:15,780

it looked quite shocked Andy he was

139

00:06:22,129 --> 00:06:18,539

drained it was ripe white and his face

140

00:06:25,430 --> 00:06:22,139

was dirty and he had a red scarf here

141

00:06:27,890 --> 00:06:25,440

and his clothes were all dirty in his

142

00:06:30,710 --> 00:06:27,900

trousers and then he told me his

143

00:06:33,050 --> 00:06:30,720

trousers had been done Malcolm Drummond

144

00:06:35,210 --> 00:06:33,060

the boss would order a search of the

145

00:06:38,689 --> 00:06:35,220

area where the incident took place using

146

00:06:41,150 --> 00:06:38,699

other forestry workers however there was

147

00:06:42,890 --> 00:06:41,160

nothing on tour discovered that

148

00:06:45,950 --> 00:06:42,900

something had happened to Taylor though

149

00:06:48,230 --> 00:06:45,960

was surely Beyond doubt with this in

150

00:06:50,570 --> 00:06:48,240

mind the Livingston Police were notified

151  
00:06:53,390 --> 00:06:50,580  
of the attack and would shortly arrive

152  
00:06:55,189 --> 00:06:53,400  
at the Taylor home to investigate given

153  
00:06:57,170 --> 00:06:55,199  
that Taylor had been physically attacked

154  
00:06:59,689 --> 00:06:57,180  
and he had these shredded clothes and

155  
00:07:02,029 --> 00:06:59,699  
marks to prove it the police would treat

156  
00:07:04,309 --> 00:07:02,039  
the incident as a crime

157  
00:07:06,350 --> 00:07:04,319  
they had Taylor take them back to the

158  
00:07:08,090 --> 00:07:06,360  
site of the encounter so that they could

159  
00:07:10,850 --> 00:07:08,100  
see it for themselves

160  
00:07:12,469 --> 00:07:10,860  
headed by detective inspector Ian work

161  
00:07:14,689 --> 00:07:12,479  
that would discover strange

162  
00:07:16,909 --> 00:07:14,699  
ladder-shaped Impressions on the ground

163  
00:07:18,469 --> 00:07:16,919

where Taylor claimed the incident had

164

00:07:20,689 --> 00:07:18,479

unfolded

165

00:07:23,089 --> 00:07:20,699

furthermore they also noted two

166

00:07:25,790 --> 00:07:23,099

indentation rows right where Taylor

167

00:07:28,129 --> 00:07:25,800

claimed the two spiked objects had moved

168

00:07:30,290 --> 00:07:28,139

towards him on either side

169

00:07:32,689 --> 00:07:30,300

in this seemingly corroborated his

170

00:07:34,249 --> 00:07:32,699

version of events of being dragged

171

00:07:36,650 --> 00:07:34,259

towards the object

172

00:07:38,809 --> 00:07:36,660

his torn trousers went off for

173

00:07:41,029 --> 00:07:38,819

scientific analysis

174

00:07:42,589 --> 00:07:41,039

the conclusion being that the damage

175

00:07:45,050 --> 00:07:42,599

appeared to be in line with a

176  
00:07:45,950 --> 00:07:45,060  
machine-like object gripping and pulling

177  
00:07:49,730 --> 00:07:45,960  
him

178  
00:07:51,850 --> 00:07:49,740  
in short every indication so far was

179  
00:07:54,290 --> 00:07:51,860  
that Taylor was telling the truth

180  
00:07:56,749 --> 00:07:54,300  
although they might not have necessarily

181  
00:07:59,330 --> 00:07:56,759  
believed Taylor was attacked by a

182  
00:08:02,570 --> 00:07:59,340  
vehicle from outer space the police were

183  
00:08:04,249 --> 00:08:02,580  
very much in belief that he was attacked

184  
00:08:06,710 --> 00:08:04,259  
by something and a criminal

185  
00:08:09,230 --> 00:08:06,720  
investigation was opened

186  
00:08:11,629 --> 00:08:09,240  
track marks of the machines and vehicles

187  
00:08:14,330 --> 00:08:11,639  
used by forestry workers in the area

188  
00:08:16,070 --> 00:08:14,340

were all examined in an attempt to

189

00:08:19,010 --> 00:08:16,080

locate a match to the markings in the

190

00:08:21,110 --> 00:08:19,020

clearing where Taylor was attacked none

191

00:08:23,150 --> 00:08:21,120

of them matched

192

00:08:26,089 --> 00:08:23,160

flight records of the airspace over

193

00:08:28,369 --> 00:08:26,099

Livingston were also examined no

194

00:08:30,710 --> 00:08:28,379

helicopters or small airplanes were

195

00:08:32,510 --> 00:08:30,720

overhead that day

196

00:08:35,149 --> 00:08:32,520

the ground surround where they incident

197

00:08:37,190 --> 00:08:35,159

had taken place were even examined in

198

00:08:38,690 --> 00:08:37,200

the event that evidence of a crane that

199

00:08:41,930 --> 00:08:38,700

might have lifted some kind of machine

200

00:08:43,909 --> 00:08:41,940

into the clearing might be found no such

201

00:08:46,250 --> 00:08:43,919

evidence was uncovered

202

00:08:48,050 --> 00:08:46,260

and with the ground being soft from the

203

00:08:49,670 --> 00:08:48,060

rain these markings would have been

204

00:08:51,650 --> 00:08:49,680

clear

205

00:08:53,750 --> 00:08:51,660

ultimately although they could not

206

00:08:56,329 --> 00:08:53,760

explain the encounter the police were

207

00:08:59,210 --> 00:08:56,339

certain of Taylor's credibility

208

00:09:01,490 --> 00:08:59,220

inspector Lark stated that they had no

209

00:09:03,650 --> 00:09:01,500

reason to doubt anything about what he

210

00:09:05,090 --> 00:09:03,660

was telling them

211

00:09:07,430 --> 00:09:05,100

perhaps because of the police

212

00:09:10,070 --> 00:09:07,440

involvement public interest in the

213

00:09:13,190 --> 00:09:10,080

encounter soared with local and National

214

00:09:15,889 --> 00:09:13,200

media coverage as you can imagine with

215

00:09:17,630 --> 00:09:15,899

the intense interest many theories and

216

00:09:21,050 --> 00:09:17,640

suggestions as to what actually happened

217

00:09:23,090 --> 00:09:21,060

that November morning also surfaced

218

00:09:25,550 --> 00:09:23,100

take out the possibility that Taylor

219

00:09:27,889 --> 00:09:25,560

witnessed a genuine extraterrestrial

220

00:09:30,949 --> 00:09:27,899

vehicle of some kind what else might

221

00:09:32,810 --> 00:09:30,959

explain this most bizarre event

222

00:09:35,449 --> 00:09:32,820

some would suggest that Taylor merely

223

00:09:39,410 --> 00:09:35,459

suffered an intense illusion possibly

224

00:09:42,110 --> 00:09:39,420

due to an epileptic fit however there is

225

00:09:44,269 --> 00:09:42,120

no evidence of such seizures in Taylor's

226

00:09:47,269 --> 00:09:44,279

medical history and even if something

227

00:09:49,009 --> 00:09:47,279

had triggered this one-off fit it's

228

00:09:51,590 --> 00:09:49,019

highly unlikely that he would have

229

00:09:54,170 --> 00:09:51,600

recovered sufficiently as quickly as he

230

00:09:55,910 --> 00:09:54,180

did in order to walk home where the

231

00:09:58,190 --> 00:09:55,920

incident occurred

232

00:10:00,350 --> 00:09:58,200

there have also been suggestions that

233

00:10:02,810 --> 00:10:00,360

ball lightning might be responsible for

234

00:10:05,269 --> 00:10:02,820

the incident with Taylor perhaps coming

235

00:10:07,610 --> 00:10:05,279

too close and ultimately confused by

236

00:10:11,750 --> 00:10:07,620

what he was seeing however this

237

00:10:14,150 --> 00:10:11,760

explanation is hardly concrete not least

238

00:10:16,670 --> 00:10:14,160

is Taylor specifically recalled seeing a

239

00:10:19,130 --> 00:10:16,680

metallic machine-like craft as opposed

240

00:10:22,009 --> 00:10:19,140

to ball lightning which even then would

241

00:10:24,230 --> 00:10:22,019

have been easy to identify

242

00:10:26,269 --> 00:10:24,240

there are others who wonder whether the

243

00:10:29,269 --> 00:10:26,279

machine witness that day was some kind

244

00:10:31,250 --> 00:10:29,279

of top secret military vehicle if this

245

00:10:34,670 --> 00:10:31,260

was the case though where was it

246

00:10:36,949 --> 00:10:34,680

produced by who and whose was it

247

00:10:39,710 --> 00:10:36,959

what's the purpose of the attack on

248

00:10:41,930 --> 00:10:39,720

Taylor Milly to allow this futuristic

249

00:10:44,030 --> 00:10:41,940

vehicle to escape

250

00:10:46,430 --> 00:10:44,040

if this was the case however we might

251  
00:10:48,170 --> 00:10:46,440  
expect that something very similar would

252  
00:10:49,550 --> 00:10:48,180  
have entered the public domain in the

253  
00:10:51,350 --> 00:10:49,560  
decades since

254  
00:10:53,870 --> 00:10:51,360  
and it hasn't

255  
00:10:56,870 --> 00:10:53,880  
of course there are some who believe the

256  
00:11:00,290 --> 00:10:56,880  
incident to be a very clever hoax

257  
00:11:02,569 --> 00:11:00,300  
one designed to attract UFO tourists to

258  
00:11:03,710 --> 00:11:02,579  
the area for the financial betterment of

259  
00:11:06,350 --> 00:11:03,720  
the region

260  
00:11:09,290 --> 00:11:06,360  
however many point out that this notion

261  
00:11:12,949 --> 00:11:09,300  
is fanciful simply because the area was

262  
00:11:15,710 --> 00:11:12,959  
largely industrial Urban Scotland and

263  
00:11:18,050 --> 00:11:15,720

essentially not Loch Ness

264

00:11:19,790 --> 00:11:18,060

besides business opportunities were

265

00:11:22,610 --> 00:11:19,800

already well on their way to becoming

266

00:11:25,430 --> 00:11:22,620

Scotland's silicon Glen home to computer

267

00:11:28,370 --> 00:11:25,440

and Associated Industries

268

00:11:31,250 --> 00:11:28,380

one skeptic of the case Stuart Campbell

269

00:11:33,710 --> 00:11:31,260

claimed in his book the UFO mystery

270

00:11:35,930 --> 00:11:33,720

solved that the markings discovered on

271

00:11:38,269 --> 00:11:35,940

the ground were likely from equipment

272

00:11:40,250 --> 00:11:38,279

being used in the area by Water

273

00:11:43,009 --> 00:11:40,260

Authority workers

274

00:11:45,829 --> 00:11:43,019

however when he spoke to these workers

275

00:11:48,230 --> 00:11:45,839

who had indeed operated in the nearby

276  
00:11:50,030 --> 00:11:48,240  
area they claimed that none of the

277  
00:11:52,970 --> 00:11:50,040  
equipment had been stored in the region

278  
00:11:55,850 --> 00:11:52,980  
Taylor had its encounter in despite this

279  
00:11:58,250 --> 00:11:55,860  
Campbell persisted that he suspected

280  
00:12:01,069 --> 00:11:58,260  
they were not being truthful further

281  
00:12:02,690 --> 00:12:01,079  
suggesting further suggesting they might

282  
00:12:04,670 --> 00:12:02,700  
have used the area to store gertman

283  
00:12:07,310 --> 00:12:04,680  
without permission

284  
00:12:10,130 --> 00:12:07,320  
in short the encounter remains both

285  
00:12:13,190 --> 00:12:10,140  
unexplained and difficult to dismiss

286  
00:12:15,829 --> 00:12:13,200  
convincingly there is no doubt that the

287  
00:12:18,170 --> 00:12:15,839  
Livingston incident is one of the most

288  
00:12:20,389 --> 00:12:18,180

intriguing and credible on record

289

00:12:22,730 --> 00:12:20,399

whatever the truth of the sighting might

290

00:12:25,069 --> 00:12:22,740

one day prove to be

291

00:12:27,530 --> 00:12:25,079

something strange happened to the 61

292

00:12:30,710 --> 00:12:27,540

year old Taylor that cold morning in the

293

00:12:33,769 --> 00:12:30,720

denchmont woods is surely Beyond doubt

294

00:12:36,530 --> 00:12:33,779

Taylor Made next to nothing financially

295

00:12:38,389 --> 00:12:36,540

out of this incident and never tried to

296

00:12:40,910 --> 00:12:38,399

capitalize on his Fame

297

00:12:43,009 --> 00:12:40,920

he even became thoroughly fed up with

298

00:12:44,509 --> 00:12:43,019

the persistent interests people had in

299

00:12:48,290 --> 00:12:44,519

the incident

300

00:12:50,329 --> 00:12:48,300

Robert Taylor passed away in 2007 but

301

00:12:52,490 --> 00:12:50,339

there remains an interest in his story

302

00:12:54,370 --> 00:12:52,500

not least because of its apparent

303

00:12:56,990 --> 00:12:54,380

authenticity

304

00:13:01,190 --> 00:12:57,000

Taylor would not alter his version of

305

00:13:03,650 --> 00:13:01,200

events at any point after the incident

306

00:13:07,610 --> 00:13:03,660

and the denchmont woods close encounter

307

00:13:09,590 --> 00:13:07,620

remains a staple both in UFO history and

308

00:13:12,710 --> 00:13:09,600

in all of Scotland

309

00:13:16,480 --> 00:13:12,720

well I'm pretty certain that that day