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Scottish Sighting Reports

From: Dave Ledger <dledger@cableinet.co.uk>
 Date: Wed, 18 Aug 1999 23:49:40 +0100
 Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Aug 1999 14:40:04 -0400
 Subject: Scottish Sighting Reports

Dear Errol & Listmembers,

FYI, here are a few reports and sightings that have been submitted to the UFO Scotland sightings submission page on our website, over the past few weeks or so.

Please note that many of the sightings that we receive cannot possibly be further researched by ourselves due to the location being outwith the Scotland area amongst other things.

Therefore, if any investigators or researchers near the location of any sightings which may be reported by ourselves in the future IE: outside Scotland, could possibly get in touch with the sightees or follow up on the report or provide any assistance and support needed, then the submission would not have been in vain. That is also providing you deem it worthy of further investigation of course.

We do try to weed out any probable hoaxes etc before sending out the reports to you all, but at the same time, we try to remain open minded enough to provide the support needed by the many experiencers also. As many of you who have experienced a real anomalous UFO sighting will already know, it can be a life changing experience and difficult to deal with mentally, especially the closer encounters.

The Scotland reports follow below:

Name : Pamela Hunter
 date: : 28th June 1999
 location: : In the skies above Mayfield In Midlothian, Scotland.
 time : 23.20 or 11.20pm

My_Sighting_Submission : As I am in the flight path for flights going in to Edinburgh airport, it,s not unusual to see head-lights from aircraft etc. However this time , I was having my last coffee in the garden (as it was a clear night where i am,) I was looking at the sky when I noticed a very bright light and very HIGH like a star. It was moving in a straight line. At first I thought it was a plane, but the light was too bright and too far a away i just knew it was different I,ve never seen anything like this before. I followed this light for approx 20/30 seconds then the light dropped from the sky towards earth. It was so fast, it looked as though it dropped 100,s of feet in a very short space of a second or two. Then the light continued in a straight line again then quickly moved of and disappeared. I was taken aback. So much so that I had to phone Edinburgh Airport to report it in case there was something they should have known about. They only knew of the Aircraft ! that had

been on that flight path at approx 11.15pm five minutes before the incident. This I knew about as I had also been watching that aircraft. But this incident happened about 5 minutes after. Airtraffic control were not aware of anything else in the sky. I am absolutely amazed at what I have just seen and feel the need to talk to someone else about this, in the hope that someone else saw this. By the way there was no brandy or whisky in my coffee!!!

Star-like object Sighted in Central Scotland
Source: Eye-Witness Report by LesPeck@aol.com
Date: Friday , 21st May 1999
Time: 11:10 pm approx

Friday, May 21st - 23.10 approx. A small object, same size and colour as a star, crossed the southern sky (West to East). Binoculars did not significantly enlarge the image. It was not a plane - there were no flashing lights; it was just a star-type object, travelling steadily West to East until it disappeared behind clouds. It took about 90 seconds to cross one-third of the sky. Do satellites travel West to East at high speeds?

(Editors Note: After researching my own personal sighting of star like objects. I can tell the readers that "Yes" satellites can travel in almost any direction across the sky and sometimes they do appear to be moving quite fast. However, if the objects either stop or change direction suddenly, as they did during our own sighting in August 1997, then it is highly unlikely that these objects will be satellites.)

Mystery UFO sighting in Dumfries, Scotland.
Date: Friday 21st May 1999
Time: 11:54 pm
Source: Dumfries & Galloway Standard 13th August 1999.
(Forwarded by UFO Scotland member, Mark Fraser at Haunted Scotland)

Driving through Thornhill the other morning I happened to see the ad for the Friday Standard, so here it is below.....

An appeal has gone out for help in identifying a mystery object that zipped across the night-time skies of Dumfries.

Witness Mark McClelland could hardly believe his eyes as the glowing, oblong shaped craft took just seconds to appear and disappear heading west towards the Stewarty.

The incident happened at the end of May but Mark only decided to talk about it this week.

He was afraid of the ridicule that can be associated with UFO witnesses. "I suppose curiosity has the better of me." He said at his home in Cargenbridge Avenue.

"We have had the anniversary of the Moon landings and the Eclipse so I thought this week was the appropriate time.

"I want to know what it was I saw and hear from anyone else who may of seen it."

The sighting happened at 11.45pm on Friday, May 21 in Lochside. Mark was on a Veranda at flats in Lewars Avenue.

By Doug Archibald

"It was moving far faster than any jet I have ever seen in the area- Mach 2 least," he said.

"Its whole body was glowing and its unusual speed made me think it was a Meteor at first. But it had no Vaporisation trail behind or any bright friction glow in front.

"It was a short, thick oblong, almost a mere line, glowing a dull red or orange colour.

"It was hard to be sure but I thought its colour varied in intensity or shimmered slightly along its length.

"Its port dipped 'side' was about 30 degrees but it maintained straight and level flight throughout.

"There was no visible navigation light of the type you should see winking away on an aircraft at night. Nor did I see any exhaust spikes behind it."

Mark estimated the object was about the size of a jet fighter around 2,000 feet. he said there was no noise and he is absolutely certain it was neither a meteor or a satellite." I have no idea what it was," he said. "But I would like to find out."

A police spokeswoman said there had been no reports of strange craft in the skies at the time.

An RAF spokesman said too much time has elapsed to check whether planes had been flying at that time. " There is no reason why a plane should not have been flying over Dumfries though," he said.

As long as it was above 2,000 feet it is all right. After 11pm low flying stops."

He said a fast flying jet would "almost inevitably make a noise".

Name : James
date: : March 99
location: : Above Inverness
time : 20.30 pm

My_Sighting_Submission : Myself and two friends saw a bright light which appeared to come from the direction of the moon. When first spotted it was stationary and then appeared to head in a Southerly direction, at what seemed a phenomenal speed. It glowed white the whole time, not giving off any noise or any tail wind to show propulsion.

Name : Tony Hughes
date: : 23/06/99
location: : M8 Motorway approx. 1 mile from A720 Ed Bypass
time : 11.40 pm

My_Sighting_Submission : Driving back from Manchester to Fife we were on the M8 heading west (Glasgow direction) into the fading light when I spotted a bullet-shaped object 'hovering' in the air approx 20 feet from the edge of the carriageway and approx 20 feet in the air. I slowed down and pointed it out to my father who thought it looked round, I thought more cylindrical. I didn't want to stop the vehicle. I saw no ropes or lines attached to it tethering it to the ground and it was not moving in the breeze. Once past it we could not see it as it had blended into the background of the black eastern sky.

Subject: Flashes of light and things.....
Date: Sunday, 21st February 1999
From: <MarkFraser@hauntedscotland.freemove.co.uk>

1999.Ayrshire

Sunday evening, 21st February 1999.....These flashes were reported over Ayrshire, from Kilmarnock to Ardrossan. The towns are 15 miles apart and were seen over both towns at the same time by two people who on the telephone to each other. The first reported flashes were around 18.00hrs, until 22.00hrs. One male head loud bangs in Kilmarnock at 21.58hrs straight after one flash. I also saw several of these flashes and would describe them as bright blue in colour\ while others were brilliant white..... lighting the whole sky, somewhat akin to a camera flash.

Thunder & lightning.....!?!

The area often experiences these type of localised flashes of light along with ground rumblings, vibratory noises..... humming..... buzzing sounds, any idea's would be appreciated. Also reported along the west coast are the meteor type UFO's, along with the orangy fiery balls.

Some one put it to me that at Dounray they have some sort of EM weapon, which is often tested in the area and could cause such effects. Would appreciate your comments on this.

Strange lights were also seen over Fenwick recently which I am at the moment looking into and will give you more details if and when I get any.

Subject: Dundee UFO Sighting.
Date: Thu, 29 Jul 1999 20:29:11 +0100
Source: Dundee Courier and Advertiser 29th July 1999
Thanks to "Allan Robertson" (allan@robertson61.freemove.co.uk) for forwarding this report.

"UFO SIGHTING LEAVES BIG QUESTION MARK

It was just another Tuesday night in Monifieth for Jennifer Young and her friend as they sat in her back garden enjoying a chat and a glass of wine.

Average, that is, until they looked skyward and witnessed what they both described as "completely unexplainable" and "straight out of the X-Files."

The sighting at around 9.30 pm appeared to the women as a huge fireball travelling through the sky in a northerly direction, towards Forfar.

But the shape, which was "completely orange, did not seem to have a vapour trail and made no sound," then stopped in its tracks and changed direction, splitting into two vertical, parallel lines."

Bemused and bewildered, the two sat gazing in awe at the sight until Jennifer telephoned a friend in Monikie, who had also witnessed the bizzare shapes.

Jennifer (25), who works in a gift shop in Broughty Ferry, said, "It was amazing. As we watched the shapes, which were still glowing orange, they appeared to alter shape again and bend into a sort of question mark, without the dot.

" I don't know what it was, but I've never seen anything like it before. I don't think there could be a plausible explanation for it."

Neither Mills Observatory in Dundee nor the observatory in St Andrews had anyone on duty at the time of the sighting and equally had no explanation. However, Mills had a report from someone in Tayport who had also seen an unusually coloured shape flying over the Dundee area.

But although the scene was undoubtedly a strange one, there seems to be a logical explanation for it.

A spokesman for the St Andrews Observatory said that a fighter jet, travelling at high altitude would create vapour crystals and cause the plane to take on the appearance of a fireball.

Likewise, the parallel lines could have been caused by the wing tails, which would also account for the change of direction as planes use their wings to alter their course.

The vapour would have then remained in the air and could have easily been blown into the shape described by the friends.

But Jennifer refutes the explanation. "If you'd seen what we did you would have a very hard time accepting the fact that it was a jet. "I see jets flying over my house all the time. "It looked like nothing I've ever seen before."

Subject: Grangemouth UFO? Date: Friday, 31st Jul 1999 Source: UFO Scotland member "Jim horne" (raydyak@freezone.co.uk)

Tonight at 10-45pm,I had an anomalous sighting!! yellow/orange light ,bright , it was definately not an aeroplane of any kind. This is my 3rd anomalous sighting in two years , and in the same piece of sky. I was all a fluster!!! trying to find binoculars!!! some things going on?

Subject: Bathgate UFO?
Date: Friday 31st July 1999 at around Midnight
Source: UFO Scotland member "David Colman" (David@supr.freeseve.co.uk)

Hi Dave, Some quick supporting info on this one.

David Colman Jnr and his friend also witnessed a large yellow/orange/red ball in the sky above Boghall (a suburb of Bathgate). David tells me that a man approaching his house triggered off a security light and as the light came on the boys were stunned to see the light flare in the sky. David said, " It was as if the light in the sky had responded to the security light, it was really strange" I have as yet not interviewed the second witness. More when I speak with him. D. Colman (senior)

Date: Mon, 9 Aug 1999 15:27:46 -0400
From: David Clarke <crazydiamonds@compuserve.com>
Subject: Mystery Bang in Scotland
To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>

The following item appeared in the Daily Telegraph (London), 31 July 1999

"TOWN HIT BY MYSTERY TREMOR

"EMERGENCY services in Stornoway received a stream of calls yesterday after buildings were shaken by a tremor.

"Coastguards in the Western Isles town said they even had a call from a boat at sea after the crew felt severe vibrations. A spokesman at the Royal Navy base at Faslane said there had not been an earthquake and that the tremor must have been caused by an explosion at sea, a supersonic aircraft or a missile.

"Glen Ford, a seismologist with the British Geological Survey in Edinburgh, said: "We get about six of these mysteries a year."

Interesting to compare this with the mystery explosion and plane crash which triggered a massive search of the Atlantic northwest of Lewis in October 1996.

I predict that soon we shall be hearing more rumours of strange objects retrieved from the sea in great secrecy by the military...claims about top-level cover-ups and other hokum.

Either way, the RAF must be getting very careless with their Tornados nowadays - this must be the second one they've lost to the Flying Triangles in as many years.

Wonder where the pilot bailed out - as there's not many passing minibuses to hitch rides on in the North Atlantic!

Intelligent flashes in the Ayrshire skies?
Date: August 12th 1999
Time: Aprox 4:00 am
Location: Ayr, Scotland.

I received this e-mail post/report recently from a very good and trusted friend of mine who wishes to remain anonymous for the time being. I can tell you all that I trust this person 100% and

have no reasons personally to doubt their report.

Dear Dave,

Just a note to tell you of this..... you can use it if you feel it worthy enough, but leave my name away for the time being as I am quite perplexed.

This occurred at 04.00hrs apprx Thursday morning (ED: that would be August 12th 1999).....we have all heard of flashing your torch at the heavens to attract a UFO, to be honest I always quite chuckled at this.

Well I work nights, this night\ morning was beautiful and clear and at 03.30hrs I was quite frankly bloody bored and went to sit on the roof to watch the sky and began flashing my flashlight into the sky at a stationary star to the left of Venus.

To my utter astonishment the star (0341hrs) flashed back three times and then began moving to the North East. I continued to flash my light and every now and then it would flash back, until it disappeared from my view.

I continued to flash my light into the sky and at 03.55hrs I received another series of flashes from what I thought to be an empty sky. I could not at first see what they were coming from, but then I saw a moving light way high above, moving in more or less the same direction as the first.

This also flashed a further twice in response to my torch. As this light headed away into the night sky, another light came in from over the coast in the west. This was at a much lower altitude and as I watched it, it just blinked out of existence.

As I said it was a clear, crisp, star filled night without a cloud in sight - several shooting stars appeared now and then. The air traffic left long contrails, and I observed several satellites in the hour that I was on the roof, before I unfortunately had to go out on patrol, by then it was light.

To be honest I am quite perplexed. Have you tried this, and if so have you had any results. What do you reckon the explanation could be.

Because they were not satellites.....it was not reg air-traffic, nor were they shooting stars. They were most definitely, I am sure responding to my flash-light and if so they must have bloody good eye-sight even though I use a very powerful maglite and spotlight.

Best wishes, look forward to your response....

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If you see someone without a smile.....give them one of yours :)

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THE TRUTH IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!.....BUT HOW FAR?
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"The sands of time are trickling away from our dear mother Earth and yet we continue to fight amongst ourselves and destroy our natural environment, leaving all the mess for our children and their children's children to inherit when we're gone."

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