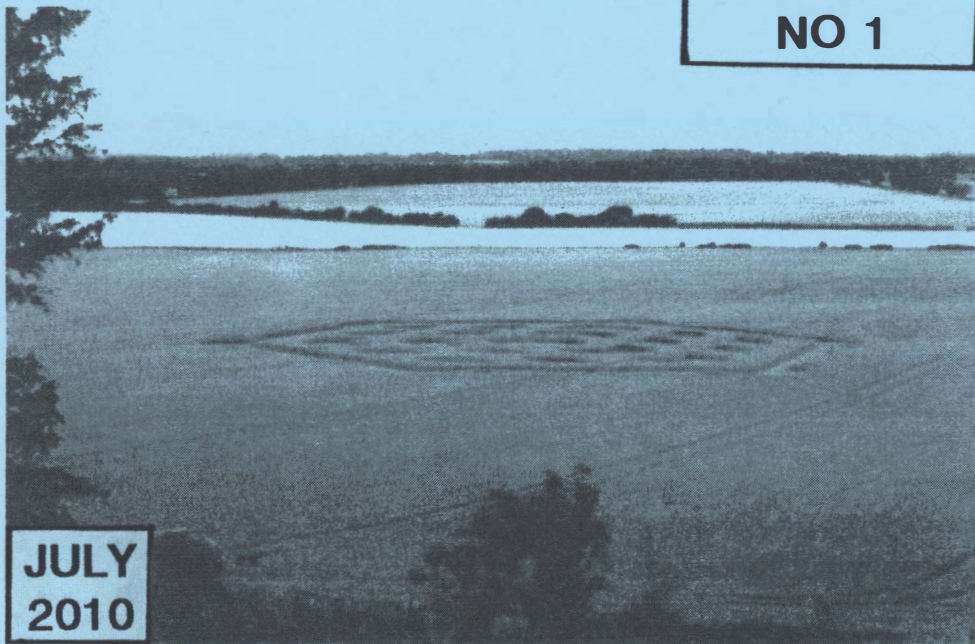


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"MEN IN BLACK" ALERT!

Just before publication, we have been informed by a fellow researcher who has been examining in detail the sensational photograph taken off the Cornwall coast last September (see Vol 30 No3), that the photographer involved was interrogated by teams of covert operatives from the Ministry of Defence within 3 weeks of e-mailing the item to CIUFOR and one other person (*the young man in the centre of the photograph*) and subsequently had his camera and parts of his computer confiscated. As previously mentioned, the CIUFOR investigation was unable to get any more information from the source as he stopped replying to our e-mails from mid-October 2009. He has at last communicated to another researcher acting independently, and reveals that he was warned off sending any more details on the subject on grounds of "national security".

We are somewhat stunned that our usual guarantees of witness confidentiality seemed to have failed and that these "men in black" were able to locate the address of the photographer with ease. As it is, CIUFOR still does not know his address and could not have leaked it. The first public presentation of the photograph appeared in Awareness, in December 2009 - long after these confrontations took place. Later the picture was offered to the "Sun" newspaper UFO desk, who declined to publish it stating it was now "too old". We are of course going through all the details of how we handled the affair last October, and how many people were shown the photograph at the early stages of the investigation.

Based on what we have been told, it points to this particular UFO revelation as being of great significance - what we originally concluded from our team's combined 100 years experience of examining such material. None-the-less the man who kindly sent us the critical shot now wishes he had deleted it as he originally intended to do, since he states that the uninvited guests caused great distress to him and his family. CIUFOR send our unconditional apologies if anything we have done has led to these consequences.

The latest information from Cornwall names the interrogators as men from "U.A.P" and on behalf of "CDS". Within the MOD there is a 'branch' quoted as "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena" - obviously a more highly powered up unit than the now defunct UFO desk that closed on December 1st, 2009. A google search on the Internet also finds another version of "U.A.P" as "The Unidentified Aerospace Phenomena" initiated in 2009 and defines as "a project aiming at facilitating the collection of UAP reports from both amateur and professional astronomers from a dedicated website." It goes on to describe how to differentiate flying objects such as chinese lanterns, fireballs etc. There is no indication that uninvited heavies might appear on your doorstep following a report and confiscate your camera and computer! However this is a typical website that government agencies could be monitoring - if not set up by themselves pretending to be a friendly advice centre until something of particular significance gets reported.

As for "CDS", we assume in the context of which it appeared that the officials were acting on behalf of the Chief of Defence Staff - the most senior person in the MOD. It could also mean the "Criminal Defence Service" which "guarantees that people under police investigation, facing criminal charges can get legal advice and representation." Hopefully our contact has not been approached by the latter organisation!
 We have also heard that the young man who was the main feature in the photograph with

the UFO in the background has been interrogated as well - indicating the intensity of whoever is behind all this. He was the only other person to be e-mailed and CIUFOR ensured his features were blacked out in our publication.

In view of the speed in which this photographer was located there is a realistic possibility that the CIUFOR website is being monitored and e-mails broken into on a regular basis. However, taking it further, nobody from the MOD has contacted the group attempting to ban us from publishing the photograph. Overall we have scant knowledge of what took place in Cornwall and have assumed the contact has given us the full story. In my opinion, whoever is tearing apart the confiscated camera and computer will make little progress unless they have already decided the photograph was hoaxed. Is it possible they have other photographs of similar UFOs?



("MEN-IN-BLACK" to explain to newer readers was an expression used in describing strange looking men usually dressed in black suits who called unannounced on UFO witnesses back in the 1950s warning them not to divulge further information on their experience. Although it was implied that there was something "paranormal" about these people, it was almost certain they were from the British security services or Ministry of Defence and highly concerned about the possible infiltration of aircraft or secret weapons from the Soviet Union at the time.)

The British General Election of May 6th 2010 produced a "hung" parliament with no party achieving a majority which has resulted in a coalition government of Conservatives and Liberal Democrats after 13 years of Labour control. The introduction of Liberals into office for the first time in 90 years may lead to a more positive approach on matters of UFO secrecy. It is noted that the leading investigative MP, Norman Baker (*Lib Dem, Lewes*) is part of the government, although in the rather mundane Transport Ministry. Hopefully some of cover-ups on the Iraq war and the mysterious death of chemical weapons specialist, Dr David Kelly will now be subject to proper and unbiased investigation. Unfortunately it appears there will be no public money available for all but the most basic of services.

THE EDITOR

CIUFOR ARCHIVES HEAD FOR SWEDEN: We are pleased to announce that the Council of Contact International has agreed to assist with a major project directed by the AFU group in Sweden, where the world's largest UFO data base is being collated at Norrköping. Thousands of paper written files going back to the 1950s and earlier will be converted to computer disc formats over the course of several years. This can be done by utilising unemployed individuals to do much of the manual labour with the sponsorship of the Swedish government. Of course this is no surprise as Sweden has always been a forerunner in revolutionary social and economic models, some of which are believed to be followed by the new government in the UK. We have seen video footage of the storage area for the files in a purpose built library which is truly outstanding.

The AFU representatives, Clas Svahn and Håkan Elstrand met up with Geoff Ambler and Fran Copeland at Oxford on May 6th, 2010, in which information was exchanged and some of Contact's earlier files removed for the project. (See photograph below). The intrepid gentlemen from Sweden visited 15 ufologists during their visit to England shipping out no less than 470 kilos of UFO material in one car!



CLAS SVAHN (RIGHT)
AND HÅKAN ELSTRAND
AT OXFORD

Of a number of pending cases discussed, Clas Svahn thinks that the Tromsø spiral incident of December 9th, 2009, was the visual result of a faulty Russian rocket launch as originally suggested, rather than an atmospheric experiment carried out by the nearby EISCAT institution. (See editorial Vol 30, No 4).

ALIEN LIFE ON SATURN MOON? Scientists have found possible evidence of "life" on Saturn's biggest moon, Titan. The NASA probe, Cassini, has analysed the complex chemistry on the surface of Titan, which is the only moon in the solar system to have a dense atmosphere.

Although the surface of Titan is well hidden in a foggy cloud, Cassini has discovered mountains, lakes and rivers there, and most observers regard it as the most Earth-like world so far discovered. Organic chemicals have been discovered on the 3200 mile wide moon. Any liquid there will be methane and not water, which suggests any life form there will be

based on this molecule.

One published paper reports that hydrogen gas flowing down through the atmosphere disappears at the surface suggesting it could be breathed by a life form there. Another paper implies that acetylene gas should be formed by chemicals in the atmosphere interacting with sunlight that then falls to the surface of Titan, but Cassini detects none there possibly concluding that it is all absorbed by life present. Dealing with these matters at such great distances obviously means other explanations are possible not involving "life", but at least this is an improvement on the totally dead rocky planets and moons we are familiar with!

"LINK TO THE STARS" - NEW MARGARET FRY BOOK: We are pleased to announce a new book by our long serving Welsh representative and investigator, Margaret Fry. This looks to be a comprehensive history of her investigations and personal UFO experiences starting with her close encounter at Bexleyheath, Kent, on July 1st, 1955, and covering other major events such as Rendlesham Forest, 1980 and the Berwyn Mountains incident of January 23rd, 1974.

Throughout there are lavish illustrations - many in colour, line drawings and always Margaret's great attention to detail. There are also some cameo portraits of ufologists past and present. This book contains a wealth of information not obtainable elsewhere. Details and Margaret's synopsis are placed below.

FEW AND FAR BETWEEN - A NEW BRITISH UFO BOOK

"LINK TO THE STARS"

by Margaret-Ellen Fry

Aeroplanes were a rarity in Margaret's childhood, everyone rushed out to see them, so from an early age she was very conscious of what was in the skies above, but nothing prepared her for the first of many sightings of UFOs, when one actually landed on a road in Bexleyheath, Kent where her family lived. This occurred at mid-day the 17th July 1955 witnessed in all, by well over 130 people including Margaret and her young son.

In 1964 Margaret discovered that UFO Organisations and Groups were beginning to be founded in the U.K. She joined BUFORA, and in 1967 became a founder member of Contact International UK founded by the Earl of Clancarty a Senior Member of the House of Lords. From 1965 onwards Margaret began investigating UFOs in Kent and Southern Counties of England, later in Wales. In all she has researched and investigated UFO reports for 46 years., and Margaret writes about all of these.

Of particular interest to the people of Wales the Berwyn Incident of the 23rd January 1974, which Margaret alone investigated since 1979, later joined by members of the Welsh Fellowship of Independent Ufologists which she co-founded in 1991. In the last six years Scott L. Felton and Margaret have combined to intensively investigate this in areas no one else has thought about, despite outsiders writing poorly researched articles and books. So read all about what really happened that night and where.

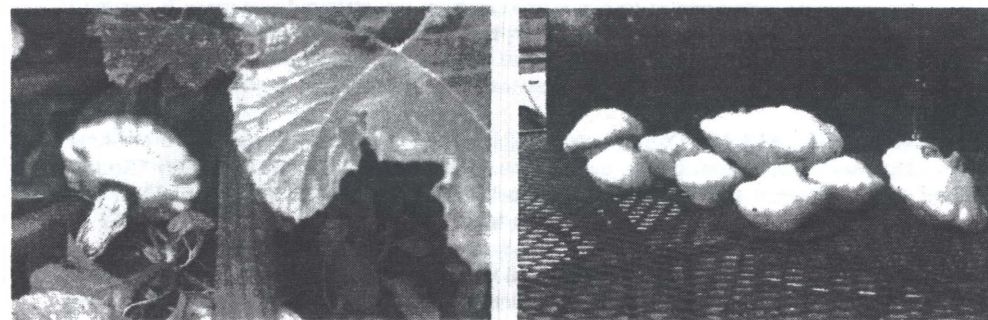
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GARY McKINNON STILL IN "PURGATORY": The man who hacked into the Pentagon computers in 2002 looking for UFO evidence remains free in the UK after countless appeals to prevent extradition to the USA. As members of the new coalition government supported his case when in opposition, it will be the height of embarrassment if the new Home Secretary actually signs off Gary McKinnon to his fate over the Atlantic. The vast newspaper and celebrity appeal system working on his behalf will then ensure mud is thrown from a great height!

On the other hand such is the need for Britain to pay lip service to American requests - being totally reliant on the US to supply most of the hardware for major defence operations at present, and even more so in the future with further cuts at the MOD expected - so it must appear that the British government is willing to assist in the extradition warrant to maintain its long held relationship with the White House. It thus now seems likely that both sides can be appeased by placing the McKinnon case through an everlasting range of appeals until the miscreant eventually dies from natural causes!

We now understand Prime Minister, David Cameron, raised the Gary McKinnon dilemma with President Obama on his first visit to Washington in July with a proposal he served any prison sentence in Britain - which would likely to be only 6 months as opposed to 60 years in American jails! No clear statement has yet emerged from Obama.

UFO INVASION ALERT! Reports are coming in that bright yellow miniature UFOs are emerging from the ground in parts of Oxfordshire. The UFOs develop on pods and then assemble in groups. (See photos below). It is not clear whether they are hostile or not!



OK, joking aside, these remarkable objects are members of the squash family of vegetables known as "patissons" or "custard marrows". A packet of seed of this unusual vegetable was obtained from Lidl stores for only 43p. Each plant looks as if it will yield at least 50 "UFOs", which can be eaten up to the size of a tangerine and cooked in the same way as courgettes. If left to grow bigger they harden and will make a nice free standing decoration or paperweight in the classic shape of a flying saucer.

The concept of UFOs emerging from the ground has been discussed by many authors and taken to extremes in the recent film version of "War of the Worlds" remake, wherein monster robots over 100ft tall crashed through concrete surfaces before going on the rampage. Further ideas on "alien vegetables or plants" came to light in the science fiction novel and film "Day of the Triffids". Hollywood films always tend to create huge motherships and robots, although their aliens tend to be smaller. Is intelligent life dictated

by size alone - or could the whole concept be miniaturized to the size of vegetables seen above?

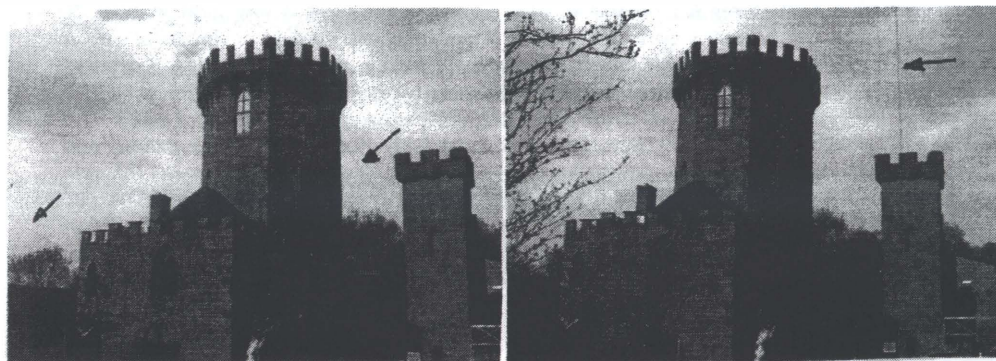
ARE UFOs JUST A CIA CON-TRICK? This headline describes the review of a new book "MIRAGE MEN" by Mark Pilkington which rips up the conventional theories behind our subject. Instead of going to great lengths to make secret all the crash landed spacecraft, alien abductions and underground bases in New Mexico, Pilkington implies these were all created by the US government to keep UFO investigators off the scent of the "real thing".

UFOs make a perfect cover for keeping away revealing information on actual secret aircraft and weapon systems from prying Russian agents and aggressive UFO investigators. Pilkington's ideas are convincing in that many major events such as "Roswell" occurred near US Air Force bases and weapons testing areas. "Flying Saucers" conveniently turned up at the start of the "Cold War", c 1947, and when the US Airforce was beginning to experiment with exotic flying machines with technology no doubt captured from the Germans and Japanese in 1945.

Pilkington suggests that the whole ruse was started by the 1950s head of the CIA, Allen Welsh Dulles, and more recently many leaked faked documents have come from the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, (AFOSI). Amongst those believed to have been fooled are leading author, Timothy Good, who quoted from bogus papers planted in the American National Archives for his bestseller "Above Top Secret", and George Adamski's actual meeting with Orthon from Venus was a stage managed CIA stunt!

Of course to persuade any punter to buy a new book on this stale old material - it needs to be quite outrageous and controversial - so it appears Pilkington has certainly done that. No doubt we will produce a full review in due course. (Pub: Constable £8.99).

PHOTOGRAPHIC ANOMALY AT EDGEHILL: After an afternoon spent at the stately home, Upton House, Warwickshire, the editor and his wife retired to the nearby "Round Tower" inn at Edgehill (18/4/10). This landmark location overlooks the battlefield of the first encounter in the English Civil War in 1642, and might be considered an odd building to house a pub. Three photographs of the round tower were taken - the first two within a minute at 4.30pm show phantom "cables" in the background and the second only has a vertical "lightning conductor" feature which cannot be explained. The last photograph was taken an hour later and still shows "cables". These are illustrated in the darkened images below. No other shots taken with this camera, a digital Canon Powershot A530, set to "Auto" showed these features before or since.



More and more strange objects are appearing on digital camera photographs when processed by computer. Virtually all of these were not seen at the time the photograph was taken. The completely new type of technology involved after 150 years of using film may be throwing up secrets of time and space we were not aware of before.

AGONY CORNER: (Anti-establishment comment on latest scares, cover-ups and conspiracies).

KATYN MASSACRE REPRIS: A quite remarkable event occurred on April 10th, 2010, when an aircraft carrying Polish President, Lech Kaczynski, many members of his government and top generals crashed in thick fog attempting to land at Smolensk military airport in Russia. This high powered contingent were there to remember the 70th anniversary of the Katyn Massacre - one of the worst atrocities of World War II, when 1000s of Polish army officers were shot and buried in mass graves. Initially it was thought those responsible were units of the invading Nazi Germany army, but only in recent years has it been established beyond doubt that Russian dictator, Stalin, had ordered the assassinations.

All 96 persons on board the 20 year old, Russian built aircraft, were killed as it crashed into woodland. Smolensk control tower had warned it was unsafe to land, but the pilot, possibly on the orders of the egotistical Kaczynski, still carried on regardless. Thus the cream of Poland's politicians and military were wiped out at a stroke mirroring the events of 70 years earlier.

A few days later video footage of the crash site was placed on the Internet by sources that claimed there were survivors still clinging to life, but had then been shot by Russian troops or police. The sound of gunfire was supposedly picked up on these clips. Judging from the utter devastation at the scene, it would seem most unlikely that anyone could have survived the crash. Other reports state that a satellite phone owned by the President was missing and credit cards belonging to other victims had been used illegally.

Was there any chance of sabotage? Relations between Poland and Russia were somewhat strained after NATO member Poland had agreed to set up a defensive missile shield on its border with Russia, but this has now been abandoned. Both Russian President, Medvedev and Prime Minister, Putin, were whole hearted in their grief to the Polish people. The aircraft was stated to have been very thoroughly serviced, so overall, we must put down the fate of the Polish elite as a combination of bad luck, stupidity and ill fortune which seems to have fallen on Poland throughout its recent history.

DR KELLY - THE PLOT THICKENS: It seems likely that the new coalition government will re-order an investigation into the 2003 "suicide" of Dr David Kelly, Britain's leading technical expert on chemical weapons.

The widely held belief is that the results of the Hutton enquiry published in January 2004 was a "whitewash" and particularly difficult is the fact that Hutton ordered that all medical records pertaining to Kelly's death should be kept secret for 70 years. Now why should he do that? It is normal for close relations of a deceased in these circumstances to have access to a report on a post mortem - but Kelly's daughters would be over 100 years old by the time this was allowed! Nothing about this 70 year ruling was mentioned at the time of publication of the report.

A group of leading doctors are campaigning for a coroners inquest to be held, and have spent a year compiling their own medical report. They dispute that Dr Kelly could have died by slitting his wrist with a blunt knife which had no fingerprints on it, and there was minimal blood loss found at the scene on July 18th, 2003. It seems quite remarkable that no inquest was held at the time of death.

Furthermore Dr Kelly's translator on his Middle East missions, the American, Mai Pederson, has come forward and stated that it was most unlikely he could have swallowed 29 co-proxamol pain killers as claimed by the Hutton enquiry, as he suffered from "dysphagia", a condition that prevents pills from being swallowed. She also knew that Kelly had a weak arm due to an old injury and could not even cut steak - let alone his wrists. Although Ms Pederson was interviewed by British detectives shortly after the death, none of her evidence was used by Hutton as she could not make a court appearance due to the secret nature of her work in US intelligence. It would have been unlikely that her controllers in Washington would have agreed to this.

It does seem that too much evidence the other way is being triumphantly exposed by the press, so we await conclusive proof that all the above claims are accurate.

SWINE FLU - THE PANDEMIC THAT NEVER WAS! Earlier comments on this subject in Awareness pointed to an hyped up notion of a pandemic generated by profit seeking drug companies conning the World Health Organisation and governments around the globe. These companies are mostly of vast size having amalgamated over the years from smaller groups, and of course have the PR and marketing knowhow to foment a mass panic.

Originally Britain's top medical man, Sir Liam Donaldson had ordered the NHS to expect 65,000 deaths with up to 350 a day at its peak. A third of the population of Britain could be expected to go down with the disease. Special call centres were set up manned by an army of 2,000 students and temps which spent most of their time playing cards! Contracts for vaccines were signed worth £540 million.

For the UK the actual number of deaths was less than 500 and many of these could be due to other causes. Millions of unused vaccine shots are now being sold off to any takers in the Third World. Pharmaceutical companies profited to the tune of £4.6 billions on vaccines alone! A billion pounds was spent by the NHS just on preparations for a mass hospitalisation. (*Deaths due to seasonal flu are around 6,000, and for the last big outbreak in 1999-2000 the figure rose to 20,000.*)

One point not fully realised at the time in spring 2009 is that the World Health Organisation reconsidered its definition of a "pandemic" and downgraded it a few weeks before declaring the Swine Flu outbreak as a pandemic. This is strongly believed to have been pressed on the WHO by drug companies who needed to sell vaccines they had spent billions on developing during the previous "Bird Flu" panic. British MP, Paul Flynn, has been charged with the job of investigating the handling of the Swine Flu outbreak in the UK and states: "It doesn't make any sense as to why they should have changed the definition a month before declaring an outbreak. In this case it might just not be a conspiracy theory, it might be a very profitable conspiracy."

WHO spokesman, Gregory Harti, said: "There is no question of this being a fake pandemic. It fits the criteria for a pandemic, which is a new virus to which human beings have little or

no immunity and which has spread around the world.

It spread from zero to 74 countries in 9 weeks - that's a pandemic."

One suspects that a real pandemic will arrive without warning and do its damage long before the authorities can create mass panic! (*Reports: Daily Mail, April 7, June 5, 2010.*)

SECRET MIND EXPERIMENTS: It is always a source of conjecture whether Joe Public is being experimented on by nasty people working for the defence services in secret laboratories. Events from the early 1950s have been and are being investigated. We know that volunteer servicemen were subjected to the effects of nerve gas at Porton Down having been told it was a cure for the common cold. Other personnel down in Australia were placed within a few miles of a full blown nuclear bomb test - was it to find out how deadly the radiation from fallout might be, or were the scientists behind the blasts equally as ignorant?

Recently an incident from August 1951 has been brought to light. A sleepy French village, Pont-Saint-Esprit, on the banks of the River Rhône had been unchanged by progress since medieval times. Then on a rainy Saturday, August 16th, the peaceful environment was shattered by a terrible phenomenon - without warning local people of all age groups and sexes went mad en masse. Many ran demented through the streets claiming flesh eating demons were destroying them; people jumped out of windows; boys tried to strangle their mothers. By the time the local police arrived from surrounding towns, 5 people had died and almost every family in the 4,000 population was effected by lunacy. Hundreds of folk had to be cornered and captured like animals and were herded away to asylums never to return.

A massive investigation ensued by detectives and forensic scientists from all over France. They concluded that the village had been subjected to the medieval curse of ERGOT poisoning caused by a fungus found in bread making rye flour. This well known cause of madness had been virtually eliminated by 1800, but it was now re-emerging in 1951 and the local baker, Roch Briand, was pin-pointed as having used a contaminated batch of flour. This came from a mill at Poitiers which supplied hundreds of village bakeries, but no other outlet had reported such extreme activities.

The basis of ergot poisoning is known to be similar to that of the mind altering drug LSD, which the CIA were actively experimenting with at the time. It is clear that an enemy could be eliminated or severely disabled by covertly injecting their food with this substance. A branch of CIA known as MKULTRA was dealing with this, and was lead by a maverick, alcoholic intelligence agent, Sidney Gottlieb. Gottlieb secretly tried out the drug on prisoners-of-war, students and prostitutes - even setting up his own brothels. He was reputed to have attempted to get the Cuban leader, Fidel Castro, poisoned. A member of MKULTRA, Frank Olson, was believed to have been murdered when threatening to expose the activities of the unit. He was officially declared to have committed suicide.

Although there is no definite link to CIA involvement at Pont-Saint-Esprit, investigative journalist, Hank Albarelli, has found mountains of evidence referring to the event having eventually unearthed many secret CIA files and White House Papers, which show more than a passing interest in the case. Gottlieb died in 1999 with no confession.

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Leicestershire Appeal

A keen ufologist in the Leicestershire Area is willing to meet like minded person/s who is a member of Contact International with a view for discussions of a ufological nature.

Please contact Mr Johnathan Barker on 01162675441 or text on 07852954360 if you are interested.

SIGHTINGS

By Data Research

On Friday 16th April 2010 at 10.15pm Mrs MP of Northampton went outside to put her car away in the garage. She noticed to her left two very bright lights in the sky and as she turned to face them they came closer. Their shapes seemed to be as an up-side-down saucer, were equidistance apart and travelling silent.

She called her husband to come out and look, he could not make out what they were but he could see a dark shadow that seemed to join the two lights therefore he concluded it made just one object Mrs MP had not noticed this.

The object/s seemed to hover for about a minute or two and then moved off to their left heading North to NorthWest at great speed and disappeared in a few seconds.

Mrs MP knocked on her neighbour's door but by the time they arrived the objects were out of sight.

A young man walking along the street asked them if they had just seen the lights in the sky and appeared quite stunned by what he had witnessed and was relieved after speaking to Mr & Mrs MP because they confirmed what he could hardly believe he had seen. After they telephoned the local paper the next morning it was confirmed that no other reports had been received.

The evening was very clear with no wind which made the objects stand out because of the speed they were travelling. The colour was of bright yellow which turned to orange the closer they became then as they moved away in unison they appeared quite a distance apart although level with one another.



On 18th April 2010 Mr MY of Birmingham saw at 03.55 as he was approaching a T Junction two objects in the sky. They were coloured bright yellow with a hint of amber and were flying slowly in an arched direction towards Birmingham Airport. They made no noise and he observed them for at least 30 seconds. At this particular time the whole of the UK was in a state of NO FLY ZONE due to the ash cloud from Iceland and it was this curiosity which made Mr MY report the sighting. Mr MY knew they were not helicopters as there was no noise

Visibility was perfectly clear there were no clouds in the sky and it was dry. The objects appeared round in shape and were travelling eastward.



Contact received an e.mail from Mrs SD who had seen an article in the local Citizen newspaper in Gloucester regarding UFO sightings and she sent her husband's encounter of his UFO sighting.

"Earlier this year in 2010 (sadly I can't remember the date) my husband was walking the dog in Quedgeley. It was approximately 10pm and whilst he was walking a light appeared ahead of him in the sky but so low that it seemed to be just above roof top level. It was oblong in shape and approximately 1½ times the length of a car.

The light was not particularly bright and there was no sound. As it was a misty/foggy night there were no stars visible. The object seemed to glide over my husband's head. He stood and watched it amazed at what he was witnessing and also trying to understand exactly what he was looking at. He was convinced it had been there for some time and interpreted it as some type of UFO and even checked the time when he came in as he felt something had happened. He has never seen anything like it before and did not feel scared or threatened by what he saw. He has spoken to some friends but they do not take him seriously. I am hoping you might be able to shed some information on this"

Unfortunately CIUFOR has not received any other reports from the area so are unable to confirm what exactly Mr D witnessed.

Mr H from Old Marston, Oxford, UK on 1st July 2010 wrote to us saying he saw 8 round objects floating across the sky. They featured many lights which were white and there were 6 witnesses who saw them. The sighting lasted for half an hour and he described the basic shape as round with multi internal lights. He was unsure of their size but he stated they were moving slowly and there was no noise.

Mr AW of St John's, Worcester, UK saw on 4th July 2009 3 spherical shaped objects moving South West to North East. There was no noise, they were moving extremely fast at helicopter height around 500/1000 ft. He described them as ball shaped with three shapes inside each of them (very similar to the shuttle space launch rockets when it is taking off).

The balls travelled in a straight line and he first saw them from his front bedroom window which is south facing and then as he watched they continued over the house and he watched from his landing window which is east facing.

His reaction was "Wow what was that" and is anxious to know if any other person saw this same spectacle.

This next sighting was on 30/6/2010 and was seen by two young men in Oxford Road, Horspath, Oxford UK at 01.30hrs. They declined to give us their address but obviously they are local to the area and this was their report.

The two young men were in their car when they saw a round object through the windscreen whilst they were driving along. They said they saw it for several seconds. The basic shape of the object was round, the edges did not appear solid or have clearly defined edges. They could see it was a bright white light and it did not emit or release anything. They watched as the object/light moved across the road almost above their heads and then it disappeared. It was moving quite steadily and quite slowly with no sound. The weather conditions were perfect with very clear sky and no clouds. They were quite certain it was not a low flying aircraft as said they could tell the difference between an aircraft and what they had seen and this was no aircraft.

On 11th July 2010 in Guildford, Surrey UK at 22.00 hrs a male witness with two friends saw an unusual flying object going down through the atmosphere. They stated it looked like really big fireball and they at first thought it was an aircraft on fire – the skies around had turned a deep yellow colour. As they looked up the object stopped burning and they could then see the exact shape of it which was triangular with something like rotating or flashing red light or lights. It looked a bit like a laser with really bright and sharp red points around the object. It was going down at a tremendous speed and it became quite scary. The principle witness stated that he was an amateur pilot and knew the behaviour of planes, their lights and sounds but this was something totally different.

CHINESE LANTERNS

By Mr Bill Foley (CIUFOR Hotline Investigator)

Saturday 19th June 2010 at approx 23.00 hrs my wife and I were walking home from a party. I must insist we were not under the influence of alcohol but had consumed some drink during our evening with friends. Whilst at the junction of Kingsclere Road and Villiers Road in Bicester, Oxfordshire we observed nine orange balls of light. I say balls of light but they gave the impression of being balls but more blurred than a round shape. I could not see if the lights were solid or in fact just lights with no structure. I could not see what was behind the lights. The lights passed directly overhead at one minute intervals in a straight line. My wife and I stopped and watched the lights pass over at approx 1000ft and about the speed of a light aircraft travelling from North to South parallel to the A41/A34 towards Oxford.

Eight of the lights blinked out as we were watching them and one passed behind a small cloud and never re-appeared. All the lights seemed to go out in the same area of the sky we could almost predict when they would go out after the first two lights went off. As each light passed overhead I could see the light flickering, the flicker was only visible when the light was directly overhead. It was a quiet, calm night with only the odd car passing by. I made a point of listening to see if any

noise could be heard coming from the lights but there was nothing. The size of the objects would be a garden pea held at arm's length.

About 5 minutes earlier we had left my brother and sister in law at the junction of Villiers Road and Kennedy Road so that when I arrived home I called my brother to see if they had seen the lights but they had not.

A couple passing walking their dog were shown the lights and they asked if they were UFO's I replied I think they are "Chinese Lanterns".

Weather conditions: Slight wind from North to South, sparse cloud at the time of sighting with heavy cloud concentration in the distance.

Observational Comments: The one thing that I cannot understand is the wind was almost static, just a breath discernible on my face but the lights were travelling as fast as a light aircraft, - does the wind travel faster the higher you go or were they in fact UFO's?

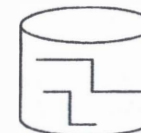
I now understand why people are so excited when they call the hotline, to see these orange lights pass by is an amazing sight and I hope I get the chance one day to see them again and to compare them with what I have just described.

Fran Copeland's sighting: After hearing about Bill's comments on his Chinese Lanterns I happened to be with my sister in Poole, Dorset from 24th June to 27th June having a few days break and we were in the habit of walking after our evening meal. Whilst one evening we walked along the cliff top path of Alum Chine heading towards Poole we stopped to look at the rising moon and to our right came at intervals Chinese Lanterns presumably released somewhere in the Poole area.

It was a sight to see – we stood with others watching them and even I was struck by the speed at which they travelled although being so high up ourselves we could clearly see they were flickering lanterns. They travelled steadily out to sea and as it was incredibly hot during the day (temperatures in the 80's) there was no wind even in the evening, everything seemed still even though coastal you usually get a sea breeze and that was the interesting factor as to how fast these things were travelling.

My sister and my husband had actually found one of these similar lanterns during the day alongside the River Thames earlier in the week and my husband remarked how blackened it was as he was about to pick it up and they was quite surprised how large these lanterns were as well he also described there were symbols similar to Chinese writing all over the outside of it.

If all the "orange light" reports we receive at Contact are Chinese Lanterns then there must be a lot falling from the sky littering our countryside.....

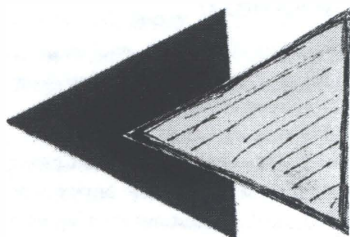


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TRIANGLES - ORIGINAL REPORT

After reading your advert in Nexus magazine, I thought you might be interested in an event that happened on 13th August, 2009. I was at my neighbours' house in their back garden, having heard there was to be a meteor shower that night. We spent the early part of the evening with our heads skywards observing stars, shooting stars, planes and possibly a satellite or two moving through the dark space. (I mention this detail to verify that what I saw later was definitely none of the above and to my knowledge, not a meteor).

At 10pm my friend's wife and children went inside the house to watch the TV programme "Big Brother". The rest of us stayed outside in the hope of seeing the meteors. About 15 minutes had passed and with cloud starting to cover the sky, I suggested we call it a day. Suddenly my friend pulled my arm and pointed to the sky. I turned round and looked up expecting to see tiny lights or something similar, but I was totally shocked to see two triangular shapes, the likes of which I had never seen in books or on film or described by anybody before. (Please see diagram).



Through a gap in the cloud the two triangular shapes moved from east to west completely silent and in unison. At first I thought it could be a projection from somewhere because the shapes had no defining edges like a solid man made structure - it was hazy, translucent, almost like smoke. The nearest triangle was lighter and the one sat behind it, darker, almost like clouds. There were no windows or doors; no lights or beams, but just as it passed right above us like a jetfighter they moved together, so I am not sure if they were fixed as one object or separated as two.

It continued back and forth until it disappeared through clouds in the west taking about 7 seconds to cross the sky. I would estimate it was the height of a helicopter travelling at roughly the same speed. The triangles were 50-60 ft across and about 10-15 ft apart. This was definitely not a projection, a trick of the light or my mind hallucinating after drinking a few ciders that night! My friend and I both recollect the same event and we would like to know if anyone else has seen the objects or something similar has been reported.

Location: Hockwell Ring, Luton, Beds.

EDITOR: The normal reporting of "triangles" usually describes lights in the 3 corners with a very dark central mass - so this concept of two unlit triangles moving in echelon would appear to be new and unusual. Unfortunately the description of the objects as being "hazy and translucent" does suggest that it could result from a laser beam being operated several miles away and producing odd effects, and of course being totally silent.

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CROP CIRCLES 2010 - THE ANCIENT PAST CONNECTION

by Geoff Ambler

Following the very cold winter weather in early 2010 it was not expected that any crop circles would appear as early as April, and, in fact, the first known arrival in England arrived at the ancient hillfort of Old Sarum on Salisbury Plain, May 5th. This rape design was followed by 3 others in May and the first barley formation was at the regular location - Silbury Hill, near Avebury on May 31st. Wheat crop circles started on June 21st in the Vale of Pewsey, Wilts.

The overall picture for 2010 to date is that numbers for the UK are well down on 2009 and much more widespread. Nearly all the circles for May and June 2009 were located within 5 miles of the Ridgeway path from Devizes, Wilts to White Horse Hill, Oxon, with a high concentration close to Avebury. This year activity has pushed further west near Stonehenge with only a few examples around Avebury - much to the relief of the farmers there no doubt! There has also been a couple of very good designs near Warwick, (a new area from 2009), and a return to activity in Yorkshire after several blank years. The full analysis for 2010 will be given in the next edition of Awareness.

What is apparent is that the batch of formations to the west are nearly all sited close to prehistoric hillforts or long barrows. Is there some purpose in this? There is a distinct advantage for viewers in that if a crop circle is created on low ground below a steep escarpment a very good view can be obtained from the high levels. This apparent deliberate or necessary positioning reached a point of high significance when a large, perfectly formed formation of 20 circles or rings, arrived at a very isolated location in Somerset, known as Stoney Littleton Long Barrow on June 7th. What is more remarkable is that the marked crop was BROAD BEANS - the first time that anything has appeared in this animal food which seems to be increasingly grown by farmers, and the formation virtually hugged the long barrow. The list below of the known formations in May and June 2010 shows those next to a prehistoric site denoted by *. Of course any circles close to Avebury/Silbury Hill will be deemed to fit this description automatically such is the number of ancient sites in this area.

(Source www.cropcircleconnector.com)

MAY

- *5/5 Old Sarum, Wilts, Rapeseed.
- *9/5 Stonehenge, Wilts, Rapeseed.
- *16/5 Yarnbury Castle, Wilts, Rapeseed.
- 28/5 Wilton Windmill, Wilts, Rapeseed.
- *31/5 Silbury Hill, Wilts, Barley

JUNE

- *2/6 Liddington Castle, Wilts, Barley.
- 3/6 Codford St Peter, Warminster, Wilts, Barley.
- *7/6 Stoney Littleton Long Barrow, Somerset, Broad Beans.
- *12/6 Walbury Hill, near Combe, Berks, Barley.
- 16/6 Chirton Bottom, near Urchfont, Wilts, Barley.
- 21/6 Vale of Pewsey, near Oare, Wilts, Wheat.
- 22/6 Hawton near Newark, Notts.
- 23/6 Savernake near Marlborough, Wilts, Wheat.

*25/6 White Sheet Hill, Mere, Wilts, Wheat.
25/6 Ufton, near Southam, Warwicks, Wheat.

DESCRIPTION OF SELECTED PREHISTORIC SITES: *Source, "A Guide to Prehistoric England", by Nicholas Thomas, 1960.*

16/5 YARNBURY CASTLE, Wilts, near Winterbourne Stoke, SU035404. Iron Age hillfort and "Celtic Fields" described as "perhaps the most rewarding site in Wiltshire with massive outer earthworks (2 banks and ditches with a slighter third band and ditch) having a very elaborate inturned entrance to the E, enclose an almost circular area of 28.5 acres."

2/6 LIDDINGTON CASTLE, Wilts, SU209707, 5 miles SE of Swindon. Iron Age - "This roughly oval hillfort, 7.25 acres in extent, has a bank, ditch and counterscarp bank. Sarsens may have been used to face the main bank. There is one entrance SE. This site was built probably in the 3rd century BC."

7/6 STONEY LITTLETON LONG BARROW, Somerset, ST735572, 3 miles NE of Radstock. Neolithic chambered long barrow. - "an elaborate and well-restored example of the Cotswold series, Stoney Littleton is 107ft long and 54 ft wide. It is wedge shaped and oriented SE/NW; it has a max' height of 10ft."

12/6 WALBURY HILL, Berks, near Combe, 3 miles SW of Kintbury, SU374617. Iron Age hillfort - "This enormous enclosure has an area of 87 acres. It is trapezoid in plan. Its defences consist of a slight bank and ditch with entrances on the SE and NW sides. The latter appears to be slightly inturned. Date c1st century BC."

25/6 WHITE SHEET HILL, Wilts, near Mere. Neolithic Camp and Bronze Age round barrow, ST802352. "The camp consists of a single bank and ditch, the latter with about 21 causeways across it, oval in shape and enclosing 4 acres---- Pottery from the ditch bottom shows that this site was built about 2500BC."

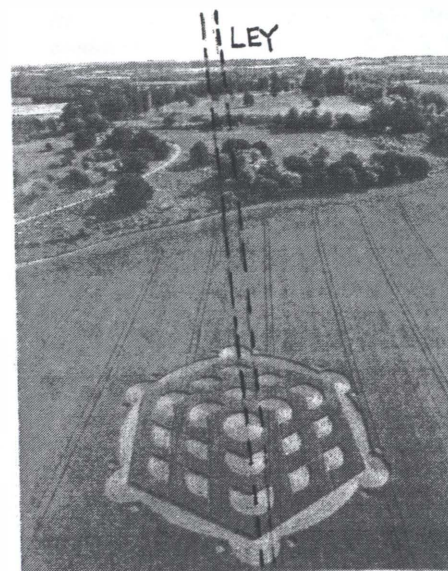
From extensive fieldwork carried out at various sites, there is always an energy line or lines passing through the central area which can be located by dowsing. For instance the most significant ley lines in southern England - the intertwined "Michael" and "Mary" lines intersect at Wittenham Clumps near Didcot Oxon within the confines of Sinodun hillfort. These are considered lines of "positive" energy, but elsewhere there are other leys of "negative" energy which can manifest in bad health for people who happen to live in homes built over the top of them. Our Neolithic, Bronze Age and Iron Age ancestors may have known the secret of the "life force" or "chi" to the Chinese, which may have emanated along the positive leys - thus they were careful to live and bury their dead on or close to such places.

By the same token, the forces designing the complex crop circles found at the above sites and elsewhere may need energy extracted from the energy line or leyline for creation to take place, but I would rather bet the positioning is more like a clue as to where this is all coming from - like the designs themselves are open to many interpretations. The implied suggestion from the "circlemakers" is "seek and ye shall find". As there have been thousands of formations over the years which do not appear to be close to ancient sites or ley lines one assumes that the second option is the more likely. In 2010 the emphasis on placing circles at these ancient locations - many of which are unfamiliar to the writer - has again raised the question of what is the link? Those suggesting that every circle is man made will have difficulty in explaining the subtle way in which these places have been selected, many of

them being in remote areas.

An investigation on site of a formation at Danebury Ring, hillfort near Andover, Hants on July 10th (described as: "This is claimed to be the finest hillfort in Hampshire. It is probably the most complex in Britain--- It consists of three complete rings of bank-and-ditch with an outer entrenchment on the S side. Roughly oval in plan, its innermost ramparts encloses an area of 63 acres; its outer rampart 27 acres---" Iron Age or late Bronze Age, c1000-800 BC, SU 323377).

A distinct ley was dowsed through the prehistoric site and judged to pass right through the centre of the crop circle in the field below from a further position found on the nearest road on the opposite side of the crop circle. (See photographs and drawing below.) In all this energy line was detected in 4 positions. This formation was particularly well formed on July 6th and shows 3-D effects on the aerial photographs.



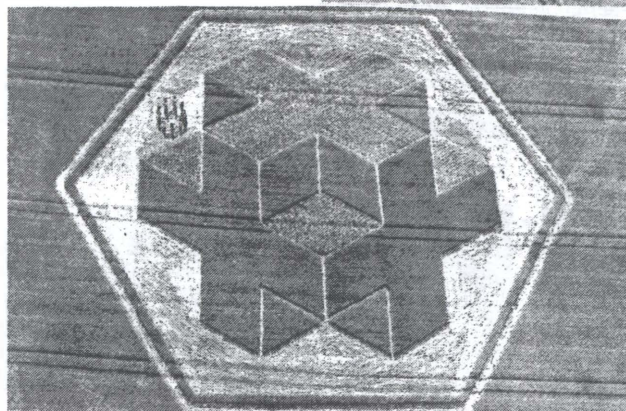
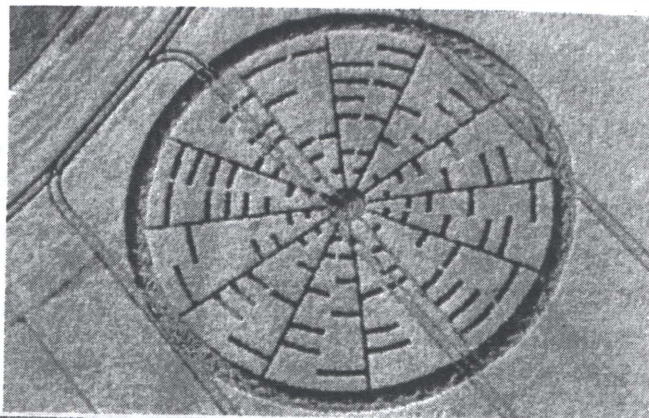
(Daily Mail)



(Geoff Ambler, also see P. 28)

2010 DESIGNS: Mathematicians claim binary codes were used on some of the designs this year - an early example being at Wilton Windmill, Wilts in rapeseed crop on May 22nd. Later designs are showing 3-dimensional effects with the brilliantly executed "linked cubes" at Cley Hill near Warminster on July 9th. It can be seen that the tops of the cubes are "stippled" rather than flattened which gives the contrast and 3-dimensional appearance. To fold the wheat in this way would be outside the scope of "plankers". (See overleaf).

**BINARY CODE?
AT WILTON WINDMILL
EULERS THEOREM?**
(Daily Telegraph)



3-D CUBE AT CLEY HILL
(Daily Mail)

PARTY POOPERS CORNER! The following are "Luddite" comments relating to crop circle events of 2010.

From Gavin R A Davies, Farm Manager at Oare, Pewsey Down - placed on the Internet after discovering a formation on his land, June 21st. "I have this morning noticed the circle on land that I manage. I do not support this vandalism, and demand that the circle, and the location are not reported on your web-site. We will be posting notices on the field stating we do not allow access to the circle, and will regularly monitor the field to see this is obeyed. At this stage, the crop remains harvestable, and as a result, we will leave the circle intact. If visitors to the site ignore our notices, and continue to walk into the crop, we will mow out the circle. I will be taking advice from the local police, and legal advice from our solicitors to counter this act of vandalism. Please let the teams behind the circles know, they are not welcome here. If we get anymore, we will forced to mow them out to avoid the hassle. I thank you for your assistance."

(Crop circles have appeared on land in this area, every year for nearly 25 years, so this farm manager should be aware that only one self-confessional publicity seeker has been taken to court in this time - so why not help the local economy and retrieve the cost of any lost crop by marking the route and charging an entrance fee for the thousands of visitors from all over the world who wish to see the phenomenon.)

Description in Daily Mail on July 12th referring to the 3-D cube design at Cley Hill, Wilts,

as illustrated. "It looks like the result of a close encounter of the 3-D kind. Sadly this sophisticated 200ft-wide crop circle at Cley Hill near Warminster, Wiltshire, will have been the work of some very human pranksters. But that did not deter a spiritual group gathering (top left) to try to pick up vibrations from the circle".

The "very human pranksters" seems to be have been conjoured up by some Fleet Street hack who has probably never left the confines of the concrete pavements of the City of London. Although the Daily Mail has placed many crop circle pictures on their pages over the years this comment always seems to arise making one wonder if they have instructions from above telling them not to put a positive spin on the phenomenon. If not, let's have some names or proper evidence if you have details of human activity at the Cley Hill site - but see the well reasoned response below in a subsequent letters page:

NOT BY HUMAN HAND: "Obviously some are sceptical of the origins of crop circles such as the spectacular 3D one featured recently (Mail) and inclined to think they're produced by pranksters 'with building planks and bits of rope'.

But if you have a good look at the pattern, it's difficult to believe it could have been produced by any number of men or women with any known equipment. These patterns are laid out with a degree of accuracy of which any chartered surveyor would be proud. They're executed in one night, in complete silence and in near total darkness. There are never any errors. If you have ever stood in a cornfield, you'll know that having taken just a few paces, it comes impossible to see where you're going, or more particularly, where you've been , even in daylight. It surely makes you think.

I've always been interested in these circles and in UFOs, but you rarely see a serious article, feature or film about these, as yet, unexplained phenomena, which prompts me to assume that it reflects a sort of journalistic whistling in the dark".

GILES THOMPSON, Harrow, Middlesex.

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ENGLAND 2010 - HOW THE STRANGEST REPORTS ARE NOW

HIDDEN

by Michael Soper

England is sensible, historied and stands for something clear and desirable - the EU is already a corrupt mess trying to bind itself together using 210,000 statutes, all member states are expected to obey, having lost 95% of its top level bookkeeping. Just as proselytization is a phenomenon natural to a declining ideology (that in earlier there was no need for), so passing tiny statutes is the political first sign of failure - the second being foreign police and jackboots on our soil. This is said not as a political statement - just as observed fact actually.

The 6 major media corporations have in the past been very keen to lock up UFO reports inside "silly season", guffaw time - though latterly at national level (as investigator Nick Pope has pointed out) this policy is diminishing, and UFO reports are being treated like "phenomena" reports with, in fact, a conference being held on August 7th at Leeds attended by both astronomers and ufologists. (exopolitics).

In 1968 the following free and legal radio stations operated on the AM wavelengths - the numbers in brackets being the tuning position in "millimegahertz". Radio 390 (774), Radio Invicta (845), Radio City (1034), Radio 270 (1115), Radio London (1137), Radio Caroline South (1187), Radio Scotland (1250), VoA Ship Courier (1259), Radio Manx (1295), Radio Tower (1272), Radio England (1322), Radio Essex (1353), Radio Caroline North (1520) and Radio Veronica (1562). In order to receive these 14 stations at all a top quality portable radio was needed (Roberts transistor portable 1968 was one). Most of the currently available small portables can only receive 6 MW stations at midday. Some of these stations are back on satellite and very good indeed not having to "rapp" their heads silly. Now how does this relate to the question of coverage for phenomena and UFO events. As one colleague has pointed out often UFO sightings reported at 6 am and 6.30 am bulletins, vanish by 7.30 and do not appear at all usually on independent music radio - though on one of Talk Sport's nightfiller chatshows the info. rather growlingly may appear amid insults, obscenities and impossible to understand accents!

Consider 1970, the year before Britain was pushed into the EEC by then Prime Minister, Edward Heath. At that time internationally illegal laws were passed to outlaw these maritime stations around England, Norway and Greece - stations in fact that the average listener could not receive. An average quality transistor at noon needed an external aerial or earth to receive them inland but it was slightly easier on the coast.

So desperate was the state to close down these independent broadcasters they acted illegally by sending coastguards into international waters to what amounted to acts of piracy. Obviously it was not just to prevent the Small Faces or Monkees being heard, but given their independent voices the people cannot be lied to. At the time it has been disclosed that Heath's civil servants were penning thousands of letters praising the EEC to the press at a cost of £461,000 now revealed by the Freedom of Information Act. A number of the off shore stations, Radio England, Radio Scotland, Radio London and Radio Manx were voicing anti-EEC feeling which could not be tolerated.

Precisely the same issues control UFO coverage - the thousands of animal mutilations (evidently not thugs or cults) that happen in Shropshire and near Bristol are never fairly and adequately covered by the national media. The 4,000 UFO landings in GB - nothing; the thousands of abduction accounts - nothing; high strangeness or near Moon objects - nothing. Maybe aerial objects which could be aircraft will get reported. Clearly in terms of the media the 6 biggest players control everything and despite its starchiness, the system here was much more open back in 1967. I would suggest the following methods for the individual to free themselves: Indulge in Skywatching; watch Edgemedias TV debates; Showcase TV; Prufos Netsite; Net Browsing; and reading Fifties UFO Classics, with combining visual+language+building in personal projects.

EDITOR: I have no idea how accurate some of the author's figures are. Four thousand UFO landings in Britain would seem a tad too many - I can recall less than ten! What appears in newspapers is governed by market forces, and ufology has a very small market at present. It would be nice if the 30-40 pages devoted to football in the scandal sheets every day might be utilised better, and the daily picture of certain over developed females shown a little less often! Radio and TV reporting also caters for majority interests, but just every so often UFOs raise their game.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES - PROJECT BLUEBOOK

EDITOR: The following is a detailed report of activities and data collected by one of the US Governments largest investigations into UFOs. It is dated 1 February 1966. Like all previous projects, BLUEBOOK never established any threat to US airspace and was abandoned. Apologies for the poor quality and print size of this copy.

PROJECT BLUE BOOK

The United States Air Force has the responsibility under the Department of Defense for the investigation of unidentified flying objects (UFOs). The name of this program, which has been in operation since 1948, is Project Blue Book. It has been identified in the past as Project Sign and Project Grudge.

Air Force interest in unidentified flying objects is related directly to the Air Force's responsibility for the air defense of the United States. Procedures for conducting this program are established by Air Force Regulation 200-2.

The objectives of Project Blue Book are two-fold: first, to determine whether UFOs pose a threat to the security of the United States; and, second, to determine whether UFOs exhibit any unique scientific information or advanced technology which could contribute to scientific or technical research. In the course of accomplishing these objectives, Project Blue Book strives to identify and explain all UFO sightings reported to the Air Force.

HOW THE PROGRAM IS CONDUCTED

The program is conducted in three phases. The first phase includes receipt of UFO reports and initial investigation of the reports. The Air Force base nearest the location of a reported sighting is charged with the responsibility of investigating the sighting and forwarding the information to the Project Blue Book Office at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

If the initial investigation does not reveal a positive identification or explanation, a second phase of more intensive analysis is conducted by the Project Blue Book Office. Each case is objectively and scientifically analyzed, and, if necessary, all of the scientific facilities available to the Air Force can be used to assist in arriving at an identification or explanation. All personnel associated with the investigation, analysis, and evaluation efforts of the project view each report with a scientific approach and an open mind.

The third phase of the program is dissemination of information concerning UFO sightings, evaluations, and statistics. This is accomplished by the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Information.

The Air Force defines an unidentified flying object as any aerial object which the observer is unable to identify.

Reports of unfamiliar objects in the sky are submitted to the Air Force from many sources. These sources include military and civilian pilots, weather observers, amateur astronomers, business and professional men and women, and housewives, etc.

Frequently such objects as missiles, balloons, birds, kites, searchlights, aircraft navigation and anticollision beacons, jet engine exhaust, condensation trails, astronomical bodies and meteorological phenomena are mistakenly reported as unidentified flying objects.

The Air Force groups its evaluations of UFO reports under three general headings: (1) identified, (2) insufficient data, and (3) unidentified.

Identified reports are those for which sufficient specific information has been accumulated and evaluated to permit a positive identification or explanation of the object.

Reports categorized as Insufficient Data are those for which one or more elements of information essential for evaluation are missing. Some examples are the omission of the duration of the sighting, date, time, location, position in the sky, weather conditions, and the manner of appearance or disappearance. If an element is missing and there is an indication that the sighting may be of a security, scientific, technical, or public interest value, the Project Blue Book Office conducts an additional investigation and every attempt is made to obtain the information necessary for identification. However, in some instances, essential information cannot be obtained, and no further action can be taken.

The third and by far the smallest group of evaluations is categorized as Unidentified. A sighting is considered unidentified when a report apparently contains all pertinent data necessary to suggest a valid hypothesis concerning the cause or explanation of the report but the description of the object or its motion cannot be correlated with any known object or phenomena.

TYPES OF UFO IDENTIFICATIONS AND EVALUATIONS

There are various types of UFO sightings. Most common are reports of astronomical sightings, which include bright stars, planets, comets, fireballs, meteors, auroral streamers, and other celestial bodies. When observed through haze, light fog, moving clouds, or other obscurations or unusual conditions, the planets, including Venus, Jupiter, and Mars have been reported as unidentified flying objects. Stellar mirages are also a source of reports.

Satellites are another major source of UFO reports. An increase in satellites reported as UFOs has come about because of two factors. The first is the increase of interest on the part of the public; the second is the increasing number of satellites in the skies. Positive knowledge of the location of all satellites at all times enables rapid identification of satellite sightings. Keeping track of man-made objects in orbit about the earth is the responsibility of the North American Air Defense Command Space Detection and Tracking System. This sophisticated electronic system gathers complex space traffic data instantly from tracking stations all over the world.

Other space surveillance activities include the use of ballistic tracking and large telescopic cameras. ECHO schedules are prepared by the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center at Greenbelt, Maryland, and schedules of the South/North equator crossings are prepared by the Smithsonian Institution at Cambridge, Massachusetts. From the data produced by these agencies, satellites mistakenly reported as UFOs can be quickly identified. Some of these are visible to the naked eye.

Aircraft account for another major source of UFO reports, particularly during adverse weather conditions. When observed at high altitudes and at some distance, aircraft can have appearances ranging from disc to rocket shapes due to the reflection of the sun on their bright surfaces. Vapor or condensation trails from jet aircraft will sometimes appear to glow fiery red or orange when reflecting sunlight. Afterburners from jet aircraft are often reported as UFOs since they can be seen from great distances when the aircraft cannot be seen.

The Project Blue Book Office has direct contact with all elements of the Air Force and the Federal Aviation Agency civil air control centers. All aerial refueling operations and special training flights can be checked immediately. Air traffic of commercial airlines and flights of military aircraft are checked with the nearest control center, enabling an immediate evaluation of aircraft mistakenly reported as UFOs. However, since many local flights are not carried, these flights are probable causes of some reports.

Balloons continue to be reported as UFOs. Several thousand balloons are released each day from military and civilian airports, weather stations, and research activities. There are several types of balloons - weather balloons, rawinsondes, radiosondes, and the large research balloons which have diameters up to 300 feet. At night, balloons carry running lights which cause an unusual appearance when observed. Reflection of the sun on balloons at dawn and sunset sometimes produce strange effects. This usually occurs when the balloon, because of its altitudes, is exposed to the sun. Large balloons can move at speeds of over 100 miles per hour when moving in high altitude jet windstreams. These balloons sometimes appear to be flattened on top. At other times, they appear to be saucer-shaped and to have lights mounted inside the bag itself due to the sun's rays reflecting through the material of the balloon. The Balloon Control Center at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, maintains a plot on all Military Upper Air Research Balloons.

Another category of UFO evaluations labeled Other includes missiles, reflections, mirages, searchlights, birds, kites, spurious radar indications, hoaxes, fireworks, and flares.

Aircraft, satellites, balloons, and the like should NOT be reported since they do not fall within the definition of an unidentified flying object.

CONCLUSIONS

To date, the firm conclusions of Project Blue Book are: (1) no unidentified flying object reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security; (2) there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings categorized as unidentified represent technological developments or principles beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge; and (3) there has been no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as unidentified are extraterrestrial vehicles.

The Air Force will continue to investigate all reports of unusual aerial phenomena over the United States. The services of qualified scientists and technicians will continue to be used to investigate and analyze these reports, and periodic reports on the subject will be made.

The Air Force does not deny the possibility that some form of life may exist on other planets in the universe. However, to date, the Air Force has neither received nor discovered any evidence which proves the existence and intra-space mobility of extraterrestrial life. The Air Force continues to extend an open invitation to anyone who feels that he possesses any evidence of extraterrestrial vehicles operating within the earth's near space envelope to submit his evidence for analysis. Initial contact for this purpose is through the following address:

PROJECT BLUE BOOK INFORMATION OFFICE
SAFOI
WASHINGTON, D C 20330

Anyone observing what he considers to be an unidentified flying object should report it to the nearest Air Force Base. Persons submitting a UFO report to the Air Force are free to discuss any aspect of the report with anyone. The Air Force does not seek to limit discussion on such reports and does not withhold or censor any information pertaining to this unclassified program.

TOTAL UFO (OBJECT) SIGHTINGS

(Compiled 17 Jan 66)

YEAR	TOTAL SIGHTINGS	UNIDENTIFIED	SOURCE
1947	122	12	Case Files
1948	156	7	Case Files
1949	186	22	Blue Book, page 108
1950	210	27	Case Files
1951	169	22	Case Files
1952	1,501	303	Blue Book, page 108
1953	509	42	Case Files
1954	487	46	Case Files
1955	545	24	Case Files
1956	670	14	Case Files
1957	1,006	14	Case Files
1958	627	10	Case Files
1959	390	12	Case Files
1960	557	14	Case Files
1961	591	13	Case Files
1962	474	15	Case Files
1963	399	14	Case Files
1964	562	19	Case Files
1965	886	16	Case Files
	10,017	646	

STATISTICAL DATA FOR YEARS 1953-1964

TOTAL CASES BY CATEGORY

(Compiled 1 Nov 65)

	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	TOTAL
Astronomical	175	137	135	222	341	231	144	235	203	136	85	123	2167
Aircraft	73	80	124	148	218	106	63	66	77	68	73	71	1167
Balloon	78	63	102	93	114	58	31	22	37	19	28	20	865
Insufficient Data	79	103	95	132	191	111	65	105	115	94	59	99	1248
Other	62	56	65	61	120	93	75	94	77	65	58	88	916
Satellite	0	0	0	0	8	18	0	21	69	77	82	142	417
Unidentified	42	46	24	14	14	10	12	14	13	18	14	19	237
TOTAL	509	487	343	670	1008	627	390	557	591	474	399	562	886

ASTRONOMICAL SIGHTINGS

	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	TOTAL
Meteors	70	92	79	88	179	168	100	187	119	95	57	61	1295
Stars and Planets	101	44	52	131	144	56	40	45	78	36	23	55	805
Other	4	1	4	3	18	7	4	3	6	5	3	7	67
TOTAL	175	137	135	222	341	231	144	235	203	136	85	123	2167

OTHER CASES

	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	TOTAL
Hoaxes, Hallucinations, Unreliable Reports and Psychological Causes	15	6	18	16	37	29	14	13	17	11	16	34	226
Missiles and Rockets	2	1	1	3	2	6	14	12	13	9	13	7	63
Reflections	4	6	4	3	2	7	11	9	3	3	0	2	54
Flares and Fireworks	1	4	6	6	8	3	5	4	4	3	3	7	59
Mirages and Inversions	3	2	4	1	5	2	4	5	6	3	0	2	37
Search and Groundlights	9	8	14	9	12	8	5	6	1	3	2	6	81
Clouds and Contrails	6	3	2	1	9	5	3	4	5	4	5	0	47
Chaff	0	2	0	1	2	6	1	4	3	5	2	1	27
Birds	4	7	2	6	1	1	0	3	2	2	2	4	34
Radar Analysis	15	7	1	8	27	3	8	6	9	0	1	2	87
Photo Analysis	1	1	2	4	1	7	4	6	3	2	3	6	40
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Satellite Decay	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	4	3	23
Other	1	7	4	0	9	5	3	3	4	2	4	6	48
TOTAL	62	58	65	61	120	63	75	64	77	65	58	88	916

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	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
ASTRONOMICAL	10	8	11	4	2	10	27	82	30	27	22	12	245
AIRCRAFT	11	8	14	11	14	7	32	61	20	13	14	5	210
BALLOON	3	2	1	3	0	3	7	6	2	7	0	2	36
INSUFFICIENT DATA	5	4	2	4	4	2	18	24	15	5	3	1	85
OTHER	11	8	7	8	5	6	9	42	7	9	11	3	126
SATELLITE	4	5	5	5	15	5	42	41	24	3	0	3	152
UNIDENTIFIED	1	0	2	1	1	0	2	4	4	0	1	0	16
PENDING	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	2	6	4	2	17
TOTAL	43	35	43	36	41	33	135	262	104	70	35	28	887

ASTRONOMICAL CASES

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Meteors	5	5	8	2	2	4	14	26	13	6	5	5	101
Stars and Planets	3	1	3	2	0	5	10	55	18	20	13	7	135
Other	1a	1b	0	0	0	1c	3d	1e	1a	1f	0	0	9
TOTAL	10	7	11	4	2	10	27	82	30	27	12	12	245

(a) Solar Image (b) Moon (c) Reflected Moonlight, Parhelia, Moon (d) Reflected Moonlight (e) Comet Image-Seen

OTHER CATEGORY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Hoaxes, Hallucinations, Unreliable Reports and Psychological Causes	5	1	4	1	2	1	2	12	1	3	0	0	34
Missiles and Rockets					1			3	1	1	3	1	10
Reflections						1	1	2	1	1	1		7
Flares and Fireworks					1		1	1					4
Mirages and Inversions							2	3					5
Search and Groundlights	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	9
Clouds and Contrails	1							1	1			1	1
Chaff								3	1	1	1		11
Birds	1	2		2				1r	1w				3
Physical Specimens		1c											6
Radar Analysis				1e		1g		3gmn		1=			12
Photo Analysis					1d	1j	2k	2	0	1j			8
Satellite Decay	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	8
Miscellaneous	2ab			2bf		1h		4sbbb		1b	2=		13
TOTAL	11	7	7	8	5	6	6	42	7	6	11	3	128

(a) Tracer Bullets (b) Misinterpretation of Conventional Objects (c) Metal Ball (d) Developer Smear (e) Animal Propagation (f) Kites (g) Electronic Counter Measures (h) Debris in Wind (i) No Image on Film (j) Poor Photo Process (k) Free Falling Object (l) False Targets (m) Weather Reports (n) Emulsion Flaws (o) Plastic Bags (p) Man on Ground (q) Lightning (r) Chemical Trails from Research Rocket (s) Missile Launch Activity (t) Gourd

BOOK REVIEW: "UFO WARMINSTER, CRADLE OF CONTACT"

by Kevin Goodman, Swallowtail Books, Southampton, ISBN: 978-0-9551190-1-9.

Warminster, as we all know, was a hub of UFO activity in the late 1960s mainly generated by the reporting of one, Arthur Shuttlewood, for the local newspaper. Others working for the defence services in the Salisbury Plain area totally disagreed that anything unusual was occurring in the skies above the Wiltshire town. None-the-less the strength of the rumours rather than evidence lead to many UFO fans stalking the hills above Warminster for years afterwards. Their graffiti on the stiles around Cradle hill probably remains to this day.

It comes as some surprise that this newish book (pub: 2007) and mainly promoted by the author at conferences has appeared over 30 years since any UFO activity of note has been reported from Warminster. It transpires that a youthful Kevin Goodman and several of his friends made trips to Warminster in the mid-late 1970s from their homes in the West Midlands for the usual purpose of spotting UFOs. What happened there seems to be a diary of relationships between these teens and twenties lads and the people they stayed with, rather than a full blown account of UFO activity.

Apparently well known 1970s ufologist, Peter Paget, and his wife Jane were domiciled in the town at "Star House" which they turned into a sort of B&B for UFO enthusiasts and named it the "Fountain Centre". A related publication known as the "Fountain Journal" describing the UFO experiences of the visitors ran for about 12 issues, and was an invaluable source of material for Goodman's research. For most of their visits, the Goodman team stayed at the Fountain Centre.

Kevin seems to have made trips to Warminster about every 3 months with a selection of friends which came and went according to their work schedules, so the narrative tends to get rather confusing as to who is who sometimes. The relationship with Peter Paget gradually deteriorates with time, and finally Paget decamps to Pembrokeshire where he spent some time researching the UFO flap there in 1977 producing one of the two books on the "Dyfed Enigma".

Very little in the guise of structured or solid flying objects appear to have been spotted on the various visits to Warminster - except lights that suddenly change direction. However the crux of the book seems to be some form of alien contact which befell one of the friends, Colin Rees, on his inaugural trip. A 3 man team, (including the author) had been skywatching on Cradle Hill in heavy, misty conditions. Although nothing was seen, Colin Rees felt a "presence" standing behind him as they were about to return to the town. Back at Star House they were unable to get in through the front door, although this was almost always unlocked. Whilst shuffling around in the gardens looking for another way in, Colin again felt the presence and stated it was like being pushed over by an unseen force but could see no human form. His colleagues eventually found him terrified and shivering on the ground.

No further revelations came to light at Warminster on this visit, but on his return to the Midlands, Colin Rees claimed he had been visited by the "presence" in his own bedroom at 3.10 am. A dull red glow appeared in the room and then a middle-aged, male humanoid figure manifested. Though totally human in appearance as judged by Mr Rees's drawings of

him which are included in the text, (page 56), the visitor claimed to be an alien named "Lenston". It is assumed that the Warminster force field and the full revelation of Lenston back in the Midlands are one and the same thing! There is also another contact known as "Nine" which manifested later and is described as a form of "anti-christ". This entity is illustrated on page 98. Thereafter Mr Lenston is brought back on the scene via sessions of hypnotic regression which members of the team manage to acquire the skill for.

The messages from Lenston appear rather vague, but his home planet and living arrangements are described in an appendix at the end of the book. Incidentally why is it that virtually all contacts of this type seem to represent the male gender? This point conveniently leads me on to my belief that any form of intelligent alien life would be totally unlike our own, so how come we have a not terribly unusual looking man claiming to be an alien when he would not generate a second glance across a crowded room?

I am studying the possibilities that most of these humanoid types are "thought forms" created by groups of people with a strong common aim - in this case finding UFOs and extraterrestrials. Although the Goodman team only numbered 3 on the crucial visit to Warminster where contact was made, there were no doubt thousands of previous UFO hunters who trudged the same ground at Cradle Hill with a common mind-set and built up a residual bank of thoughts. It might seem hard to believe but these residual energies might have created Lenston and then linked into Colin Rees, who as a rookie skywatcher might have been more susceptible to contact. By the same token, extreme devotion to religious beliefs may generate "BVMs" - manifestations of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the phenomenon of "stigmata". Oh, don't ask me how it works - the human mind, particularly the subconscious area, is something we know very little about.

Mr Goodman's book is interesting in some respects, but I still have doubts as to just what the "contact" was and whether alien visitation is the answer. Centres of claimed high UFO activity may have initially been visited and well publicised as in the case of Shuttlewood at Warminster, but subsequent reports from follow up visitors and skywatchers tend to lack objectivity due to the need to go home with a positive sighting. At Rendlesham Forest down on the East Anglian coast and scene of the "British Roswell" in 1980, I have received reports of all sorts of weird activity from the many investigators who still hang about there. Is this related to the one off original event or a process of human created "thought form" as discussed above?

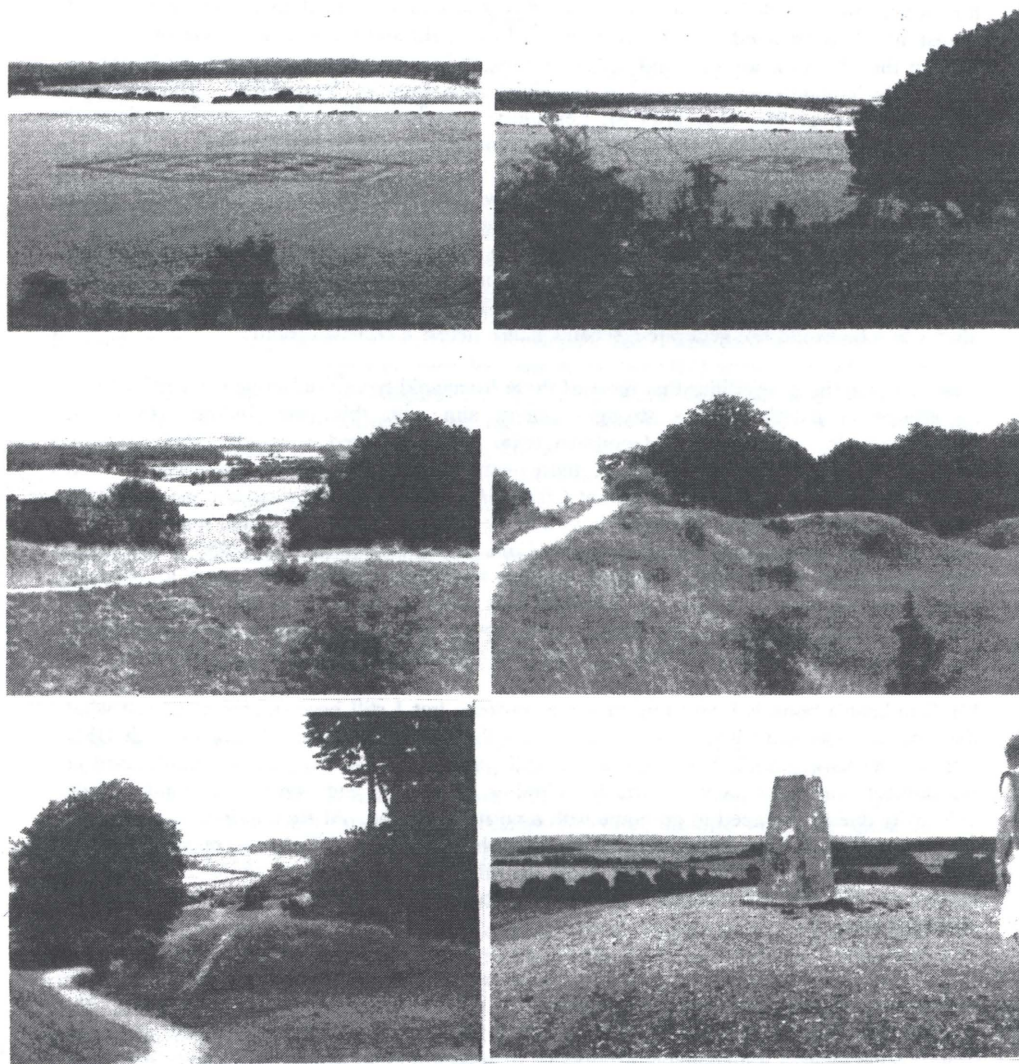
Finally one wonders why it has taken 30 years for Kevin Goodman to write up these experiences when, in fact, the writer himself was not the subject of the main "contact". He devoted the book to his late wife, Helen, who unfortunately died of cancer at the early age of 47. Sometimes a life changing experience focuses the mind in new areas and sets goals which have not been previously considered when in a cosy domestic environment.

Reviewed by Geoff Ambler

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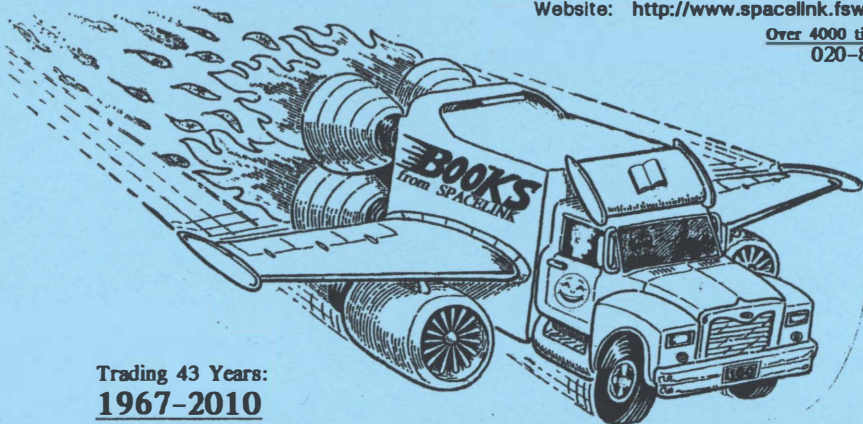
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