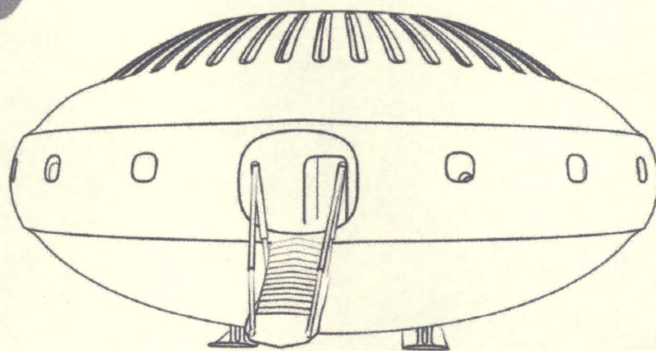
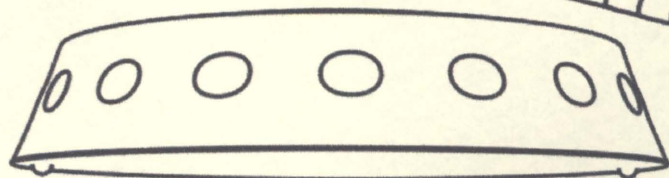
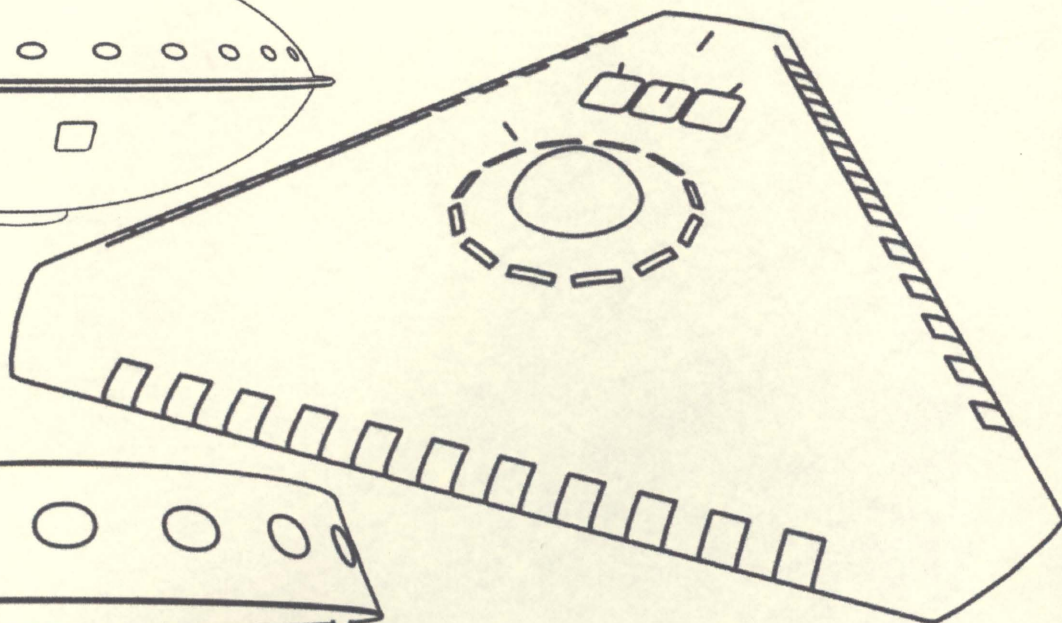
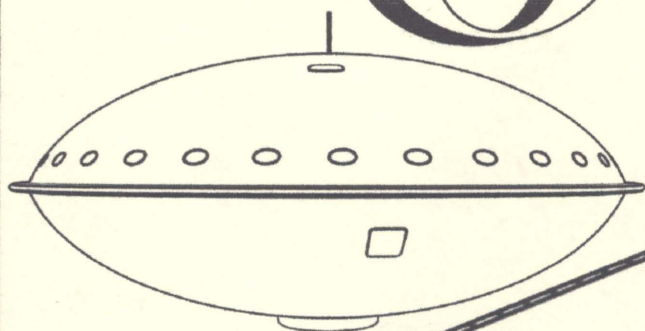


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HOT NEWS! (In more ways than one!)

PAUL PONSSOT the French UFO researcher and lecturer, travelled directly from Paris, in a brief 24 hour stay-over in order to treat members of the PRA to a fascinating talk on the night of June 30th.

The intrigued audience sat in a packed meeting room, with an outside temperature of 30C and just a little lower inside, to listen to Paul's presentation "Who is in charge of the world and the Alien connection".



Paul addressing members of the PRA

The talk which discussed the subtle control of the world population by a select number of organisations. The links between the controlling members of world governments was revealed and Paul's theories, which were akin to the preachings of David Icke and Alex Jones. Organisations similar to and including the Bilderberg Group with their Alien connections were featured. The audience later participated in a discussion of Paul's theories and were overall fascinated by the revelations in his presentation.

The talk was filmed on video and it is anticipated that a 2 hour DVD will be available in the near future.

****A message from Paul on his return to Paris:** *"Thank you so much for the wonderful evening in Derby, I really enjoyed it and the audience seemed extremely positive people with an extraordinary vibe."*

'BEYOND KNOWLEDGE 2009' 12-13 September

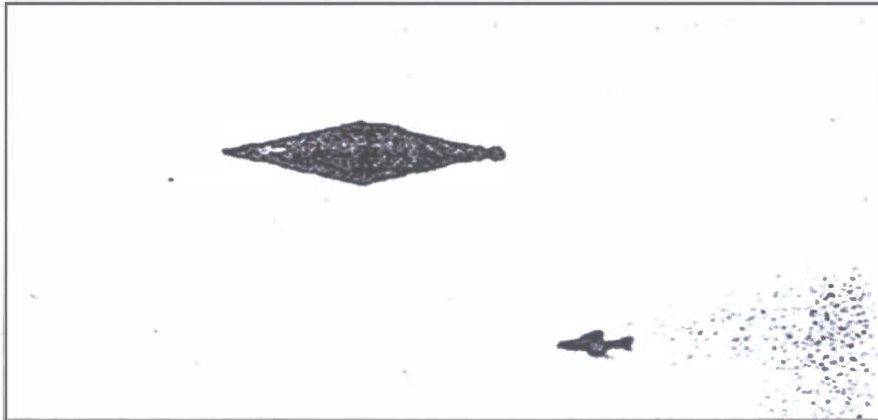
Several members have asked for this advert of what could be a fascinating two day event to be included- Taking place at the Static Gallery, Liverpool and Hosted by Larry Warren, (*Rendlesham Forest contactee and co-author of Left at East Gate*), two days of Cutting Edge information with presentations by Jim Marrs, Steve Bassett, Peter Robbins, Nick Pope, Ian R Crane, Geoff Stray, Ralph Ellis and Neil Kramer.

Information and tickets: www.beyond-knowledge.co.uk

How the government probed Britain's greatest UFO mystery

'Telegraph': Chris Hastings and Jasper Copping Published: 22 Mar 2009

Declassified government files have revealed how Ministry of Defence (MoD) officials launched a top-level probe into a diamond shaped aircraft seen hovering above a Scottish village. The Ministry of Defence are thought to have taken the unexplained sighting very seriously



(Photo: THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES/ PA WIRE)

Officials were so alarmed by the object, which was captured on camera, that they broke with established procedures and referred the sighting to ministers. They also overrode rules prohibiting investigations into UFO sightings not considered an immediate threat to national security, and spent more than a year trying to crack the still unexplained mystery.

The disclosure about the incident is contained in more than 1,000 pages of official documentation, detailing hundreds of UFO sightings between 1987 and 1993, which has been made available publicly at the National Archives in Kew for the first time today.

Their release comes at a time of increased reports of UFO activity in Britain. Figures obtained by *The Sunday Telegraph* show that sightings for the first two months of 2009 have been higher than for any year for which records are publicly available, and are three times higher than the normal monthly average.

Most of the UFO "sightings" contained in the national archives were ultimately explained away. But the Scottish event still remains a mystery. According to the files, the Ministry of Defence first became aware of the existence of the craft when the Daily Record newspaper presented it with six colour photographs of the object.

The UFO seen by two men, one of whom captured it on camera, as it hovered in daylight near the A9, at Calvine, north of Pitlochry, on August 4, 1990. The witnesses said it hovered for about 10 minutes – during which time military aircraft were also seen making a series of low-level passes – before moving upwards, out of sight, at great speed. The files show that officials established from the photographs that the military craft were Harrier jets even though, intriguingly, none were operational in the area at the time.

An MoD minute prepared for the then Armed Forces Minister, Sir Archie Hamilton, and dated September 14, 1990 states: "Under Secretary of State (Armed Forces) may wish to be aware that the Scottish Daily Record may run a story regarding an alleged sighting of a UFO near Pitlochrie [sic] in early August.

Such stories are not normally drawn to the attention of Ministers and the MoD press office invariably responds to questions along well-established lines emphasising our limited interest in the UFO phenomenon and explaining that we therefore do not have the resources to undertake any in-depth investigations into particular sightings. Journalists who quizzed the department were told that "no definite conclusions have been reached regarding the large diamond shaped object".

Mysterious Lincolnshire Triangle reveals UFO hotspot

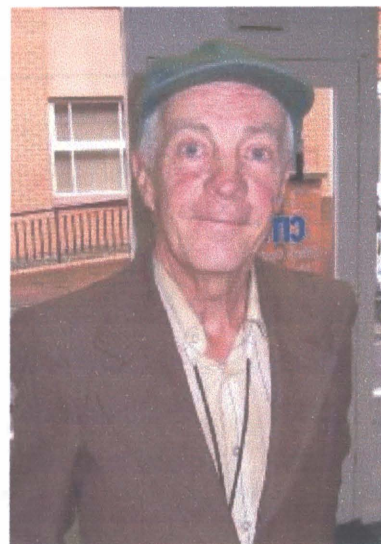
'Louth Leader' Published Date: 18 June 2009 By Gemma Gadd Thursday (*Edited*)

COULD this mysterious Lincolnshire triangle mark out a hotbed of UFO activity in the region? The triangle shape is visible on the Google map on our website pinpointing several of the sightings in the area reported to us. A reader, who wished to remain anonymous, spotted the unusual shape and asked whether there was a strange pattern emerging.

Even the country's leading expert on UFOs dubbed the UK's answer to Fox Mulder has referred to the Louth area as a possible hotspot for UFO sightings. Nick Pope, who worked on the Ministry of Defence's UFO desk in the 1990s told the Leader: "Areas of the country can suddenly become hotspots although there is no logical reason for this.

"Looking at the geography of the Louth area, taking in the coast, it is always possible some people could be seeing secret Russian reconnaissance aircraft, or unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). The Russians could have a new secret craft which they are using to probe at our defences so I think we should be looking into this, and the MOD should be involved."

At the bottom of the triangle is perhaps the most notorious of all the sightings – Brinkhill. It is here that 68 year-old **Eric Goring** (*Photo: Below right*) claims to have repeatedly witnessed 'alien spaceships' in the skies over the village.



Could the mysterious Lincolnshire triangle pinpoint a hotbed of UFO activity in the area?

The triangle then stretches out across the sea off the Mablethorpe area where there have been **sightings of strange craft just off shore.**

Furthest north is the most recent sighting in May - a strange object in the sky witnessed by two children in their back garden who watched it dematerialise before their very eyes. (*Ed: Inter-dimensional?*)

Robert Rosamond of BUFORA has told the Leader the majority of reports they receive regarding orange lights can be explained as flying lanterns, but he emphasized a good portion of these could not be explained.

But what about the black triangles, are they merely secret military craft on a test flight? After all, the term UFO stands for Unidentified Flying Object – and without identification, they remain a mystery for those who encounter them.

These sightings have been reported to us by a variety of individuals including respected local councillors, children, a psychic and an independent UFO investigator.

Since we started receiving reports of strange lights sighted in the skies last summer, we have been in contact with Nick Pope, leading UFO author Timothy Good, and Robert Rosamond, chairman of the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA).

...But what if they are just Chinese lanterns and terrestrial aircraft?

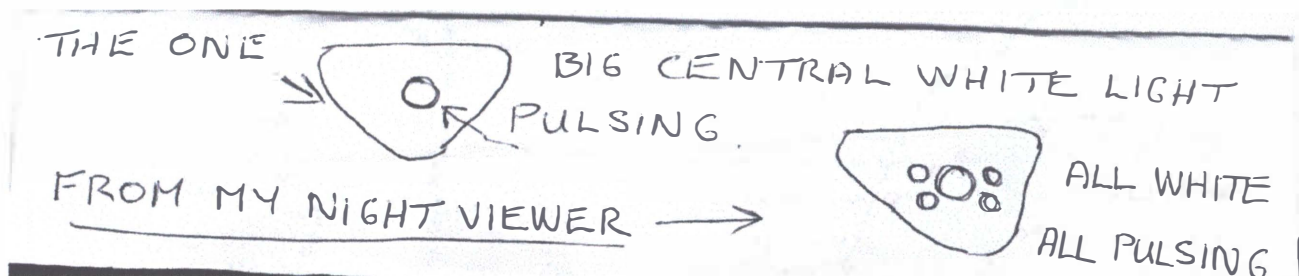
A sceptics view might say the orange lights seen over Louth were merely flying lanterns released at nearby parties, At the time The Priory Hotel in Louth did admit lanterns had been released at weddings held there. (End of press article)

A Local Report From Eric Goring

"Dear Omar, I went out one night to the far side of my village and saw two white/yellow balls of light in a field, they were moving slowly. I went up to the top of the hill and saw the light 2/3 feet above the ground. I was about 150/200 yards from 'it', the light were very orange and bright, but did not go up to it."

"One night, I walked part way up my hill to Green Lane. I walked about 75feet along and saw two triangles (FT's) with red/white blinking lights, going up and down the field."

(Eric recently purchased a night viewer/light enhancer 3x40 See his sketch is below)



"The lights, I know always pulsate which tells me that they are directly driven. They can also vary the brightness in all manner... They can 'float' without any lights on, I have seen this and they are also 'cloaked' (invisible). This is the scary bit, because I know they are there."

"Until they put their lights on, they make no sound at all and then the triangular shape is easily seen."

"One night on the top road, four of them were floating towards me, at the last moment another one joined them, so there were five of them. They were very close together and fully lit up, but not full brightness. They stayed in front of me for 10/15 seconds, then slowly tilted their sides and floated back towards Brinkhill. It's a moment that I won't forget!"

Eric set up a compass on his bedroom wall, to act as a UFO detector (*worth a try*).

Eric has noticed the needle fluctuating from magnetic North by up to 10 and 12 degrees. He now reports that his compass needle has reversed and now points South.. "I have tried the compass all around my room, in my garden but it always points South."

Eric believes that the number of FT sightings is diminishing:

"I believe they are now going away, they don't seem to be low anymore. I noticed this from June 7th. They haven't quite left yet, I still see the odd one or two, but they are around 1500/2000ft."

Ed: We will await further news from Eric and his observations.

PHOENIX CROP CIRCLE MAY PREDICT THE END OF THE WORLD

Telegraph: 12:21PM BST 15 Jun 2009

Crop circle experts believe the latest pattern to be discovered, a phoenix rising from the flames in Wiltshire, may give a warning about the end of the world.



The 400-foot design was discovered in a barley field in Yatesbury near Devizes

Photo: M & Y PORTSMOUTH

The 400-foot design was discovered in a barley field in Yatesbury near Devizes and depicts the mythical phoenix reborn as it rises from the ashes.

Investigators claim more formations are referencing the possibility of a cataclysmic event occurring on December 21, 2012, which coincides with the end of the ancient Mayan calendar.

The Mayans believed civilisation exists within a series of earth cycles of 144,000 days each with the 13th expiring in December 2012, resulting in Armageddon.

Crop circle enthusiast **Karen Alexander**, from Gosport, Hants, said: "The phoenix is a mythical creature which symbolises rebirth and a new era in many cultures across the world."

"Within the crop circle community many believe the designs are constantly referring to December 21 and its aftermath."

"This could be interpreted as the human race or earth rising again after a monumental event. The patterns are becoming more intricate with every find and it is exciting to think how they are going to evolve by the time we get to 2012."

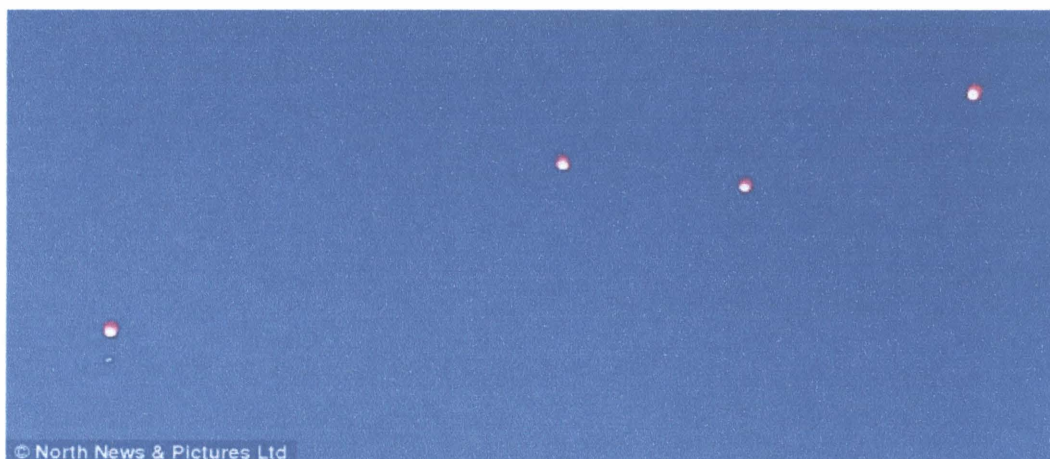
Recent crop circles have included giant jelly-fish and one image discovered in Wiltshire in June which experts dubbed the most 'mind boggling' they had ever come across.

The formation, measuring 150ft in diameter, is apparently a coded image representing the first 10 digits, 3.141592654, of pi.

Campers treated to night-time display as 'UFO' lights move across the sky

By [Daily Mail Reporter](#) Last updated at 5:27 PM on 15th June 2009

Campers were treated to a spectacular light show from a string of glowing orbs which flew in formation across the night sky at the weekend. It is the latest in a series of sightings which have excited UFO spotters across the UK. The lights were seen drifting over the Park Foot campsite in Ullswater in the Lake District on Saturday night. People rushed out of their tents to stand and watch in awe as the lights soared through a clear sky.



Witnesses said the lights seemed to be moving in formation. Camper Paul Haigh, 28, of Darlington, said: 'Most people had turned in for the night but we were woken by a commotion. 'Someone had spotted something and dashed out to get a better look. Soon everyone was outside their tents and looking up into the sky, it was like a scene from *Close Encounters*. 'The lights were amazing and seemed to fly in formation, they were darting around, fading and lighting up again. There was ever more than six in the sky at any one time, but as one faded another lit up, it was a really weird spectacle. 'There were various theories as to what they were, someone said Chinese lanterns, but they seemed to be moving too fast. They looked as though they were being propelled under their own power rather than being blown by the wind, it was a still night.'

Lucy Gray, 26, of [Leeds](#), said: 'They seemed to be dancing around in the sky, not just racing straight across it like clouds. They were moving in formation, keeping a regular distance apart and they'd all shift around at the same time. 'It's the weirdest thing I've ever seen and I can't explain it, unless they were aircraft on a training exercise.'

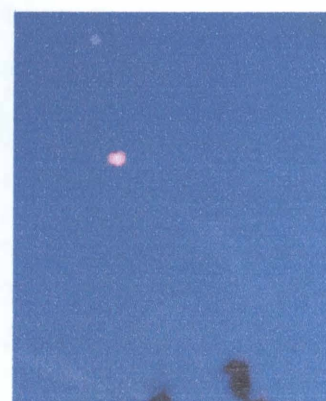
The weekend's display is the latest in a string of sightings across the UK of unidentified flying lights. This month alone, unexplained illuminations have been spotted in Lincolnshire (1) Cambridgeshire (2) and Merseyside (3).



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HAVE YOU HEARD THE 'HUM'? BBC News: By James Alexander 19 May 2009

For decades, hundreds of people worldwide have been plagued by an elusive buzzing noise known as "the Hum". Some have blamed gas pipes or power lines, others think their ears are faulty. A few even think sinister forces could be at work.

"It's a kind of torture, sometimes you just want to scream," exclaims retired head teacher Katie Jacques. Sitting in the living room of her home in the suburbs of Leeds, the 69-year-old grandmother describes the dull drone she says is making her life a misery. Most visitors hear nothing, but to Katie the noise is painful, vivid and constant. "It has a rhythm to it - it goes up and down. It sounds almost like a diesel car idling in the distance and you want to go and ask somebody to switch the engine off - and you can't."

The HUM , a world wide phenomenon? Well, only in Citiesso what is going on ?

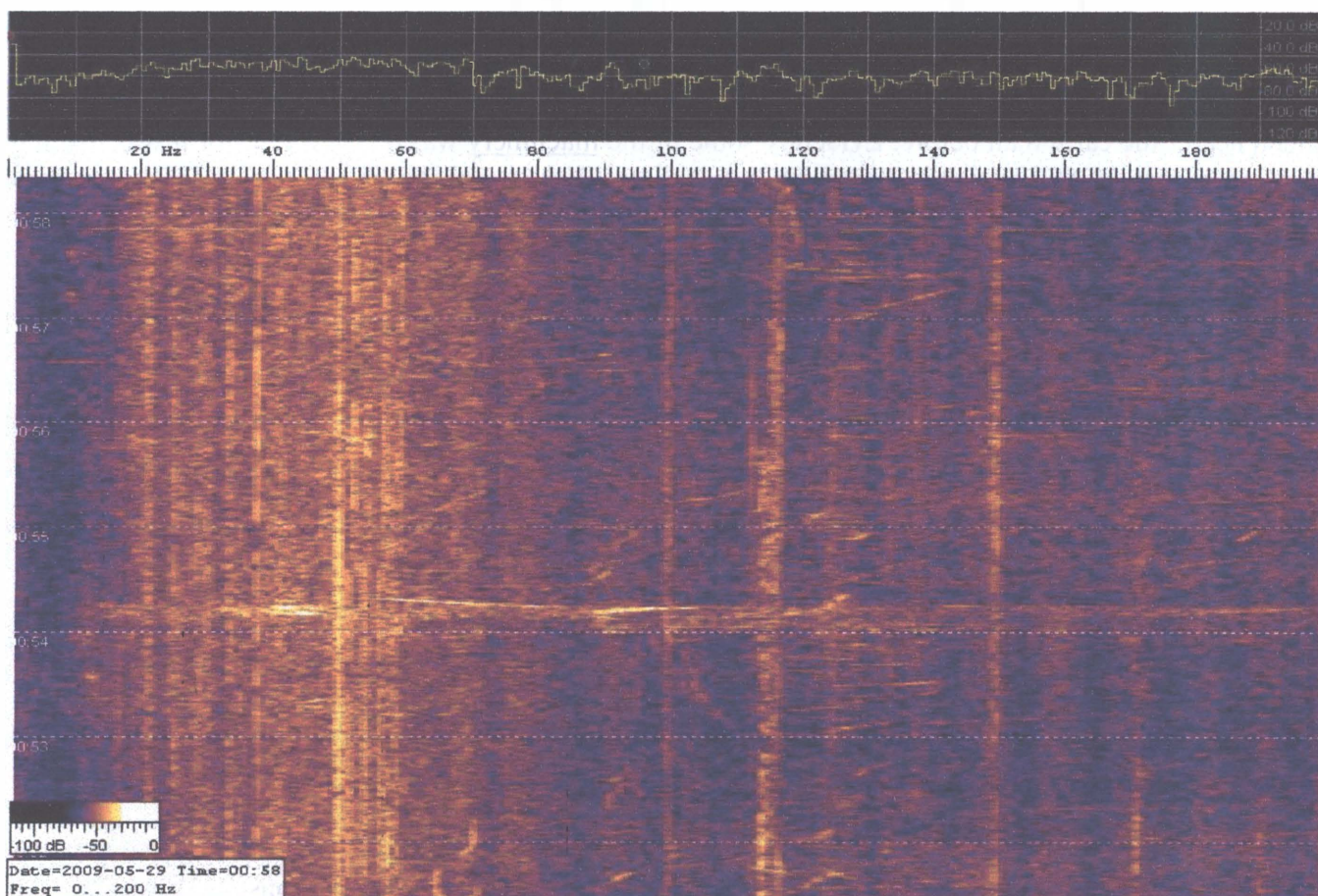
Some folks , mainly women over 50 hear a very horrible and disturbing Hum or deep rumble. Many theories exist , some blame the national grid system ! Almost all Cities have a hum or rumble and Derby is no exception.

Below, there is an audio spectrograph taken at 00.56 on 29 may 2009 in Derby. (By 'Paul' PRA)

If you listened outside at night it seems very quiet, you or I wont hear a thing except a little wind noise now and then, **but look what the microphone picks up !**

The spectrograph indicates that there is a terrific rumble from 20Hz up to 60Hz , also some odd narrow band noise at 110 Hz and 145 Hz. We cant hear it , but it is there !

The main block of the rumble / Hum is caused by cars buses and vehicles moving about the city , probably some industrial noises. So there we have it , you can see very distinct columns of noise , I really do not know what generates them all, some are continuous at a fixed frequency. It is very odd and so far unexplained!



UFO's of the 19th Century

Article by [Cristina Aguilar](#) Mar 23, 2008 (Abridged)

For decades, these UFO sightings have been explained away as meteors or other things. But what is interesting that before the Wright brothers launched an airplane, flying crafts were already visible in the skies. None of these crafts could really be explained away as weather balloons or meteorites, to witnesses of the 1800s the crafts were not from this earth.

Reports of UFOs were recorded in [newspapers](#) of the 19th century, among the most famous was written in the St. Louis Democrat, Oct. 19, 1865., bringing more public awareness to UFOs. The account was of an old Montana fur trapper by the name of James Lumley who saw a UFO fly over him and crash into the forest, exploding like a rocket.

Most fur trappers may tell tales of Indians, or bears, or [mountain lions](#), but Lumley's account of a flying saucer that crashed into Cadotte Pass was among the most explicit and remains a mystery to this day. It is said that debris from the crash may still be up there, but few there has been no findings since. Nevertheless the story has remained one of the most mysterious of the 1800s. Lumley was about 175 miles above the Upper Missouri in Great Falls Montana. He was on his way back to his camp site when he saw a "bright luminous body in the heavens." It went rapidly into an eastern direction and was plainly visible for about five seconds. As it flew Lumley saw it burst into an explosion in the sky and he later heard an explosion. It was shortly followed by a strong wind through the forest like a tornado, and the event left the air smelling like sulfur.

The next day, after walking two miles, he saw a path "several rods wide" made through the forest. He followed the path and discovered an object or rather a stone on the side of the mountain. What was unusual about this stone is that it had strange hieroglyphics and glass in it. Lumley felt the fragment he had found had come from an immense body and that the hieroglyphics must have been used for some purpose and made by human hands.

One of the most famous of all UFO sightings and crashes in the late 1800s was recorded in **Aurora, Texas**. Although no evidence has been found to substantiate the story, the local newspaper account reads as follows: "About 6 o'clock this morning, the early risers of Aurora were astonished at the sudden appearance of the airship which has been sailing around the country. It was traveling due north and much nearer the earth than before. Evidently some of the [machinery](#) was out of order, for it was making a speed of only 10 to 12 miles per hour and gradually settled toward the earth." The craft later crashed into a windmill, bursting into pieces. Some of the material recovered by townspeople revealed material sketched with a type of hieroglyphic.

United Press International, which is now defunct, then picked up the story and it spread throughout the borders of Texas. There were a number of eyewitnesses who all agreed on the basic facts: An unknown craft crashed into the town, and strange debris was found along with a "being not of this world was found in the wreckage."

The townspeople of Aurora discovered the remains of the pilot, or rather extraterrestrial along with the strange debris and gave the creature a "proper burial," respect was due to him as well since he resembled a small man, or humanoid to the town folk. The alien body has long disappeared along with the grave-stone after military personnel came to Aurora to "investigate" the incident. The story was so famous it was later made into a movie: "The Aurora Encounter" in 1986 starring Jack Elam. The incident is still being studied today.

The Denison Daily [News](#) of Denison Texas reported another famous sighting in 1878, when a farmer, John Martin saw a spacecraft 'saucer'. Martin described the flying saucer as a dark object he saw in the sky. The object moved close to him the whole time he watched.

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UNUSUAL CLOUDS



Fallstreak holes Image: *The cloud collector's handbook* by Gavin Pretor-Pinney

These are crisp gaps in mid or high-level cloud layers, below which dangle trails of ice-crystals. To form a fallstreak hole, the cloud layer must consist of supercooled droplets - that is, water is in liquid form - even though temperatures at cloud level are well below 0° celsius. A fallstreak hole forms when one region of the cloud finally starts to freeze, starting a chain reaction. All the moisture from the supercooled droplets in the area rushes to join the ice crystals, which quickly grow big enough to fall below. A form of "virga", the trail of ice crystals doesn't tend to reach the ground, but evaporates away before doing so.

14-year-old hit by 30,000 mph space meteorite

A schoolboy has survived a direct hit by a meteorite after it fell to earth at 30,000mph.

Published: 7:15AM BST 12 Jun 2009



Gerrit Blank, 14, was on his way to school when he saw "ball of light" heading straight towards him from the sky. A red hot, pea-sized piece of rock then hit his hand before bouncing off and causing a foot wide crater in the ground.

The teenager survived the strike, the chances of which are just 1 in a million - but with a nasty three-inch long scar on his hand. He said: "At first I just saw a large ball of light, and then I suddenly felt a pain in my hand. "Then a split second after that there was an enormous bang like a crash of thunder." "The noise that came after the flash of light was so loud that my ears were ringing for hours afterwards. "When it hit me it knocked me

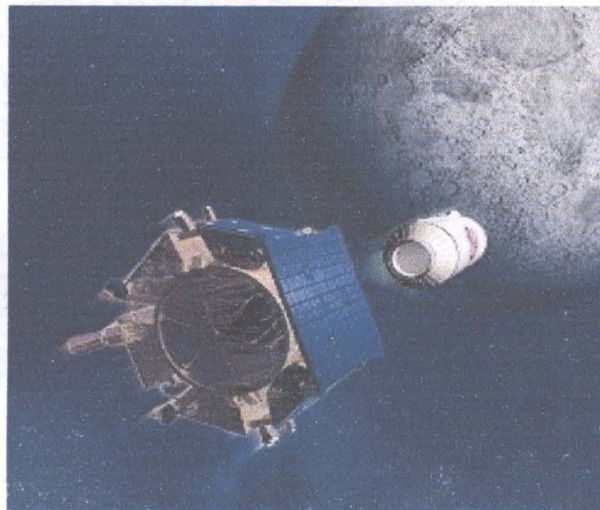
flying and then was still going fast enough to bury itself into the road," he explained.

Scientists are now studying the pea-sized meteorite which crashed to Earth in Essen, Germany. "I am really keen on science and my teachers discovered that the fragment is really magnetic," said Gerrit. Chemical tests on the rock have proved it had fallen from space. Ansgar Kortem, director of Germany's Walter Hohmann Observatory, said: "It's a real meteorite, therefore it is very valuable to collectors and scientists. "Most don't actually make it to ground level because they evaporate in the atmosphere. Of those that do get through, about six out of every seven of them land in water," he added.

The only other known example of a human being surviving a meteor strike happened in Alabama, USA, in November 1954 when a grapefruit-sized fragment crashed through the roof of a house, bounced off furniture and landed on a sleeping woman.

NASA moon bombing violates space law & may cause conflict with lunar ET/UFO civilizations

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Commentary: The planned [October 9, 2009 bombing of the moon](#) by a NASA orbiter that will bomb the moon with a 2-ton kinetic weapon to create a 5 mile wide deep crater as an alleged water-seeking and lunar colonization experiment, is contrary to space law prohibiting environmental modification of celestial bodies. The NASA moon bombing, a component of the [LCROSS mission](#), may also trigger conflict with known extraterrestrial civilizations on the moon as reported on the moon in witnessed statements by [U.S. astronauts Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong](#), and in witnessed statements to [NSA \(National Security Agency\)](#) photos and documents regarding an extraterrestrial base on the dark side of the moon.

If the true intent of the LCROSS mission moon bombing is a hostile act by NASA against known extraterrestrial civilizations and settlements on the moon, then NASA and by extension the U.S. government are guilty of aggressive war which is the most serious of war crimes under the U.N. Charter and the Geneva Conventions, to which the U.S. is subject.

[The U.N. Outer Space Treaty](#), which the U.S. has ratified, requires that "The moon and other celestial bodies shall be used by all States Parties to the Treaty exclusively for peaceful purposes. The establishment of military bases, installations and fortifications, the testing of any type of weapons and the conduct of military manoeuvres on celestial bodies shall be forbidden." 98 nations have ratified and 125 nations have signed the U.N. Outer Space Treaty.

NASA's LCROSS (Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite) mission

The NASA LCROSS (Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite) mission, which departed on Earth on June 18, 2009. According to [one report](#), "Flying over the moon's southern hemisphere, LCROSS will use its high-precision instruments, as well as close-up images of the terrain gathered by the lunar orbiter, to seek out a crater just shallow enough and dark enough to be a prime bombing target. "There, acting as what the Ames team calls its "shepherding spacecraft," LCROSS will guide an empty Centaur rocket weighing two tons toward its target. The rocket will crash into the crater at 5,600 mph, creating a new crater - perhaps as large as 5 miles wide. The crash is scheduled to occur Oct.9."

According to [NASA](#), "The Mission Objectives of the Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) include confirming the presence or absence of water ice in a permanently shadowed crater at the Moon's South Pole. The identification of water is very important to the future of human activities on the Moon. LCROSS will excavate the permanently dark floor of one of the Moon's polar craters with two heavy impactors in 2009 to test the theory that ancient ice lies buried there. The impact will eject material from the crater's surface to create a plume that specialized instruments will be able to analyze for the presence of water (ice and vapor), hydrocarbons and hydrated materials."

THE DEATH OF PAT DELGADO : 23 May 2009



(Photo by Omar Fowler)

Pat Delgado and Daughter 'Jan' at an early Crop Circle discussion meeting in Alresford, Hants. 1985

It was during the early years of Crop Circle investigations, that I made the acquaintance of fellow researcher Pat Delgado, an ex-NASA scientist who had previously spent some time working on the Mariner Project at the NASA Deep Space Network Station in Woomera, Australia.

Pat brought the benefit of his scientific mind to the investigation of the crop circles and pictograms that were now becoming evident. His friendly and constructive attitude was often accompanied by a joking reference to the crop circle subject. It was the public appearance of 'Doug and Dave', (the primitive crop circle makers) that at that time resulted in public confusion as to what was really going on.

Together with researcher Colin Andrews, Pat Delgado produced the first scientific book on the crop circle phenomenon. 'Circular Evidence'. This became a best seller and a bench mark in crop circle research. Although I moved to Spain in 1986, we continued to keep in touch and discuss our various theories on how the pictograms were being formed, including the involvement of microwave radiation.

His passing brings the personal loss of a long standing colleague. I was pleased to be able to attend his funeral and pass on my condolences to his Wife Norah, Daughter Jan and Grandson Guy. Omar Fowler

Posted Noon 23 May 2009. Colin Andrews

Pat Delgado, famous for being the person who started serious research into what became known as crop circles, passed away at 8.30 AM (U.K.) today in Winchester Hospital, Hampshire, England.

Pat was a very young 90 years of age, when cancer struck and took a very rapid toll in recent weeks. He was a compassionate sensitive human being, an excellent engineer and reputable healer. He was a dear friend and my co-author who was largely responsible for one of the happiest periods of my life.

I send my deepest and most sincere condolences to Norah his Wife, Jan his Daughter and Guy his Grandson, who showed such love and caring and did all they could in such distressing circumstances.

Colin Andrews full dedication can be read at:

<http://www.colinandrews.net/Research-Dedication-PatDelgado.html>

Another chapter in the crop circle mystery has closed with the passing of Pat Delgado on Saturday 23 May 2009.

From: Busty Taylor

Pat was a very enthusiastic person who always got stuck into a mystery and would not let it go until he had an answer to the questions that he thought off while investigating the mystery. I can remember him saying, "The world loves a mystery that cannot be answered". We spent so many years out there looking into circles with the help of the farmers in the 80s, Pat, Colin, Don, Terence, myself would spend all day from 7.00 in the morning until 8.00 at night at the weekends and in all weathers trying to find answers the crop circle mystery.

At the end of the day we would stop at one of the local pubs to have something to eat and chat over a pint of beer about the things that we had found and seen that day out there in the fields. Strange noises, cameras stopped working or photographs with marks on them from the previous weekend sortie. Yes these were all good times together.

I send my most sincere condolences to Norah his Wife, Jan his daughter and Guy his Grandson.



Circle Researcher and Aerial photographer Busty Taylor (left) talking to Grandson, Guy at the late Pat Delgado's funeral. (Photo Omar Fowler)

I was deeply saddened to learn today of Pat Delgado's passing.

From Peter Davenport

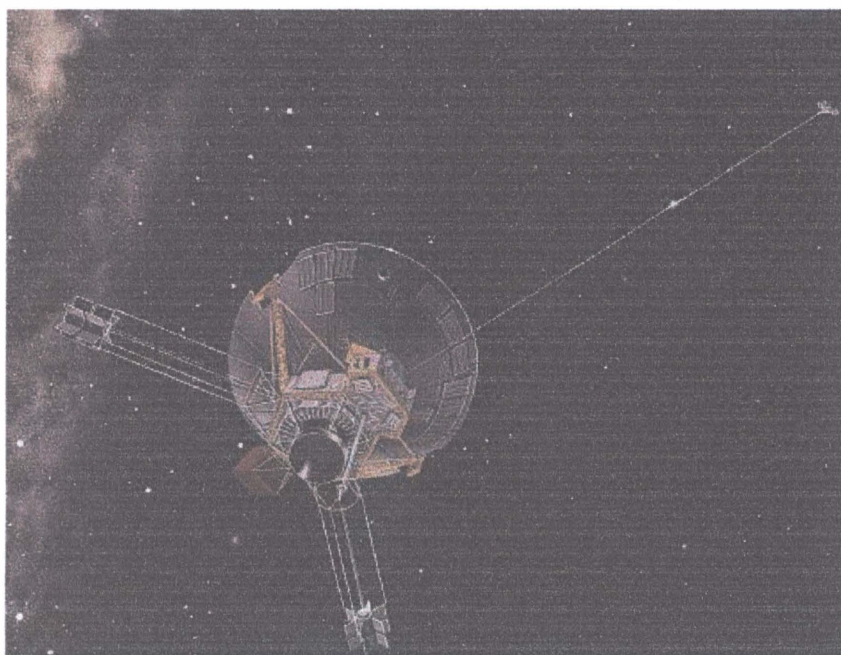
I am left with the fondest recollections of the man, and of his generous contribution to our understanding of the crop formation phenomenon. I enjoyed what I felt was his measured approach to the subject, and I very much liked his "old school" style, which I felt shone through during his media presentations.

We all will miss his presence among us, and it is my sincere hope that he has been treated to a heavenly explanation of what it is we are dealing with, in our pursuit for an understanding of the crop formation phenomenon. Please convey my condolences to his family, when you are next in touch with them, and please let them know how many of us held him in such high regard.

Peter (Davenport) NUFORC National UFO Reporting Center

Pioneer 10: The First 6 Billion Miles

Credit: [Pioneer Project](#), [ARC](#), [NASA](#)



March 3, 1997

PIONEER 10 SPACECRAFT THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY AND END OF MISSION

Question: What was made by humans and is 6 billion miles away? *A:* Pioneer 10 - and [yesterday was the 25th anniversary of its launch](#). More than 9 light hours distant, [Pioneer 10 is presently](#) about twice as far from the Sun [as Pluto](#), bound for interstellar space at 28,000 miles per hour. The distinction of being the [first human artifact to venture beyond the Solar System](#) is just one in a long list of firsts for [this spacefaring ambassador](#), including; the first spacecraft to travel through the asteroid belt and explore the outer [Solar System](#), the first spacecraft to [visit Jupiter](#), the first to use a planet's gravity to change its course and to reach solar-system-escape velocity, and the first spacecraft to pass beyond the known planets. [Pioneer 10's mission is nearing an end](#) - now exploring the distant reaches [of the heliosphere](#) it will soon run out of sufficient electrical power to operate science instruments. [However, the 570 lb. spacecraft will continue to coast](#) and in 30,000 years or so it will pass within about 3 light years [of a nearby star](#). The star itself, a faint red dwarf known as Ross 248, is just over 10 light years distant in [the constellation of Taurus](#)

A major milestone for humanity's most distant and longest-lived interplanetary explorer will occur on March 2, 1997, when NASA's hardy Pioneer 10 spacecraft reaches its 25th anniversary in space. "Pioneer 10 exemplifies the American pioneering spirit of exploration far beyond the frontier," said Dr. Wesley T. Huntress, Jr., Associate Administrator for Space Science at NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC. "Not only has it made many major scientific discoveries in the far reaches of space, we're proud that it has managed to stay alive almost ten times longer than the original mission called for, a tribute to the designers and builders at TRW, and the operators at NASA's Ames Research Center.

"NASA operated the Pioneer 10 mission as long as it had enough power to return science data about the conditions in space as far from Earth as possible. We will end the science mission at the end of March because the power has finally become too weak to do significant science," Huntress said. Launched from Cape Kennedy on March 2, 1972, aboard an Atlas Centaur rocket for what had been planned as a two-year mission to Jupiter, Pioneer 10 is now so far away that its radio signal, traveling at the speed of light (186,000 miles per second), takes nine hours and ten minutes to reach the Earth. Currently twice as far from the Sun as Pluto, Pioneer is returning data about the farthest reaches of the Sun's atmosphere.

TALE ENDERS

UFO-HQ...HIGH WYCOMBE— Since the beginning of January 09, all UFO sightings have been handled at RAF High Wycombe, a move welcomed by extra-terrestrial experts, who described it as 'significant'.

DERBY 20th June 09 I believe to have recorded a ufo in Derby last night, in my back garden in Chellaston... 10pm to 11pm . 4 separate bright objects, all took the same flight path one at a time.. the 2nd one went dark, and then only showed 1 light, and started spinning around

The camera hasn't picked it up, it was dark though... and the 4th one I have recorded which remained bright the whole time. Thanks Neil

SEATTLE USA-- I was just walking my dog when I saw a shooting star on April 30, 2009, that caught my eye. I looked up into the sky to see if I could see more of them. Then something else caught my eye. It was a dark mass with three very dark red orbs or dark areas that appeared to be orbs went over. I could not see the craft but I could see it blocking out the stars behind it.

I could make out that it was a triangle shape, but no detail to it other than the three dark reddish orbs. The object made no sound at all and it moved smooth like a disc on a table hockey board. I watched it fly past until it was out of site. Thanks to MUFON CMS (#26 Filers Files)

SUNNINGDALE , Surrey - I have been a pilot instructor for 35 years and was awakened on May 30, 2009, at 1.30 AM, by flashing storm lights. I got out of bed to draw the curtains, and I saw an enormous disk with rotating lights that was at least one mile across. The lights slowly rotated in a controlled sequence around the periphery of the disk. It seemed to follow the outbound southern track from Heathrow airport. No central core of the disk was defined and the disk gradually disappeared into the low clouds. There was no sound what so ever. I have witnessed various kinds of atmospheric phenomena, and every kind of aircraft. This was not any kind of aircraft, but a controlled craft. I went into work the next day and a pilot was describing that multiple witnesses had seen the huge disk from a pub in Ascot, Berkshire, five minutes away. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director <http://www.ufocenter.com/> a different angle. Thanks to William Puckett UFOS Northwest <http://ufosnw.com>

A STRANGE LIGHT IN DERBYSHIRE 1969

This story concerns several people who were travelling through a Derbyshire Dale. One woman who was driving back from her home in Manchester in 1969, was shocked when the whole sky lit up like daylight!

She described seeing all the features of the terrain so clearly— everything was illuminated.

The light stayed for quite a few minutes as she completed her journey and was still there when she raced into the house to call her husband.

He immediately came out, but the light was gone (of course) but curiously, the bonnet of the car was coated in ice, even though she had just finished a long journey! (*Source: James Darley*)

LATE NEWS: We have just heard of the sudden death on July 1st of our American colleague and UFO researcher **BILL FOSTER**: Co-author of 'The Black Triangle Abduction' relating his abduction experience. Bill's death is a shock to us all and we will mourn his passing. Omar Fowler

THE NEXT PRA MEETING

Will be held at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, Derby, 8pm on Tuesday 28 July.

A DVD Presentation

The UFO Hunters ' **Underground Bases in New Mexico: Dulce** '

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