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## Another Year...

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 01 Jan 2012 11:02:04 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 01 Jan 2012 11:02:04 -0500  
Subject: Another Year...

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Happy New Year gentle reader...

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## Judge, I Admit I Was Drinking & Driving...

From: **Giuliano Marinkovic** <[giuliano.marinkovic.nul](mailto:giuliano.marinkovic.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 1 Jan 2012 11:11:49 +0100  
Archived: Sun, 01 Jan 2012 11:21:07 -0500  
Subject: Judge, I Admit I Was Drinking & Driving...

To lighten up the holidays. In the text below:

Source: TheDaltonDailyCitizen.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7ubo5du>

December 27, 2011

Assistant DA: 80 Percent Of Crimes Due To Drugs  
Mark Millican

CHATSWORTH - CHATSWORTH - As a young assistant district attorney fresh out of law school, Scott Minter said he was taken aback by an early case he prosecuted in Murray County Superior Court.

"It was a DUI case, and when the guy got in front of the judge he didn't dispute the DUI," said Minter when speaking to the Rotary Club of Chatsworth-Murray County recently. "He said, 'Judge, I admit I was drinking and driving and I admit that I hit that tree.' But then he started talking about the Secret Service and them using a UFO to shoot a laser beam down that blinded him. He told the judge that's why he drove off the road."

The man received his sentence after the judge rolled his eyes, Minter said, but that was not the end of it.

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## Re: Another Year...

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <[brumac.nul](mailto:brumac.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 1 Jan 2012 12:51:17 -0500 (EST)  
Archived: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 11:35:26 -0500  
Subject: Re: Another Year...

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers - <[ufo-updates-list.nul](mailto:ufo-updates-list.nul)>  
>Sent: Sun, Jan 1, 2012 11:02 am  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Another Year..

>Oh well, another year, no more progress 'cept more petitions. As  
>if they'll help!

>Happy New Year gentle reader...

Don't be such a downer. We know more than we did, for whatever  
that's worth!

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## Re: Another Year...

From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 01 Jan 2012 16:51:00 -0500  
Archived: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 11:36:29 -0500  
Subject: Re: Another Year...

>Oh well, another year, no more progress 'cept more petitions. As  
>if they'll help!

>Happy New Year gentle reader...

And a happy new year to you, Errol, and everyone else here.

Happily, I would not agree with the assessment of no progress. I would be a bit more positive. In particular, exploratory data from this year suggests that human technology has been developed that can remotely create visual objects in the sky. These may range from simple orbs to more complex shapes. So now I pass every reported sighting through that filter before I think it might have an ET origin.

I say that's progress because now many otherwise mysterious sightings have a reasonable probability of being man-made. Also, these reported objects are most likely created by secret military technology that could even be based on a new physics. No one would be able to acknowledge officially that such technology exists. For sure, a mere petition will not make that happen.

It would be interesting to know what others on the list see as progress. Perhaps that might help to focus our efforts this new year.

William

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## Tibetans See UFO Intervention In 2012

From: **Eustaquio Andrea Patounas** <[socex.ufobras.nul](mailto:socex.ufobras.nul)>  
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Source: OutlookTibet.com

<http://tinyurl.com/7wzyjya>

Friday, 15 August 2008

Buddhists See UFO Intervention In 2012  
by Tim Shadey, 2012

Remote viewing is nothing new in Tibetan monasteries. For thousands of years remote viewing in the middle of other spiritual activities have dominated Tibetan culture. What some Indian tourists came to learn from a few Tibetan monasteries under the current Chinese rule is extremely alarming and fascinating.

According to these tourists remote viewers are seeing world powers in the course of self-destruction. They also see that the world will not be destroyed. Between now and 2012 the world super powers will continue to engage in regional wars. Terrorism and covert war will be the main problem. In world politics something will happen in and around 2010. At that time the world powers will threaten to destroy each other.

Between 2010 and 2012, the whole world will get polarized and prepare for the ultimate dooms day. Heavy political maneuvers and negotiations will take place with little progress.

In 2012, the world will start plunging into a total destructive nuclear war.

And at that time something remarkable will happen, says, Buddhist monk of Tibet. Supernatural divine powers will intervene. The destiny of the world is not to self-destruct at this time.

Scientific interpretation of the monks statements makes it evident that the Extra Terrestrial powers are watching us every step of the way. They will intervene in 2012 and save the world from self-destruction.

When asked about recent UFO sightings in India and China, the monks smiled and said the divine powers are watching us all. Mankind cannot and will not be allowed to alter the future to that great extent.

Every human being though their current acts in life called Karma can alter the future lives to some extent, but changing the destiny in that large extent will not be allowed to that great an extent.

Monks also mentioned that beyond 2012 our current civilization would understand that the final frontier of science and technology is in area of spirituality and not material physics and chemistry. Beyond 2012, our technologies will take a different direction. People will learn the essence of spirituality, the relation between body and the soul, the reincarnation and the fact we are connected with each other are

all part of God .

In India and China UFO sightings have increased in many folds. Many say the Chinese and Indian Governments are being contacted by the Extra Terrestrials.

In recent days most UFO activities have been seen in those countries who have indigenously developed Nuke capabilities.

When asked if these extra-terrestrials will show up in reality in 2012, the answers remote viewers are giving is: they will reveal themselves in such a way that none of us scared. They will reveal themselves only if they have to. As our science and technology progresses, we are destined to see them and interact with them any way.

According to the remote viewers, our earth is blessed and is being saved continuously from all kinds of hazards all the time that we are not even aware of. As our technologies progress we will realize how external forces saved us.

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## NZ "Strange Lights" & "UFOs" As 2012 Arrives

From: Sheryl Gottschall <[the.gottschalls.nul](mailto:the.gottschalls.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 2 Jan 2012 10:15:34 +1000  
Archived: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 11:44:45 -0500  
Subject: NZ "Strange Lights" & "UFOs" As 2012 Arrives

Source: WeatherWatch.Co.Nz

<http://tinyurl.com/6s8aj89>

2 Jan, 2012

Reports Of "Strange Lights" & "Ufos" Flood In As 2012 Hysteria Arrives

On a daily basis WeatherWatch.co.nz receives around a handful of eyewitness reports of meteors and other lights in the sky, from nations all over the world. Some busy days we might get 10 eyewitness reports.

However in the past 24 hours we've had almost 80 reports and they are still flooding in at about 10 an hour.

From New Zealand's Otago Peninsula, to Cape Town, Venezuela to the UK, Australia to North America those ringing in the New Year have seen flashing lights, "floating orbs" and "UFOS".

WeatherWatch.co.nz weather analyst Philip Duncan puts the dramatic increase in sightings down to a few things. "Many people around the world have been outside celebrating the New Year. In the US, where most of the sightings came from, conditions were fairly mild and dry in many areas - so more people were outside to see things.

Finally, it's 2012, the year the world is supposed to end according to the Mayans and it seems many are already worrying".

The comments range from normal meteor sightings, to the strange and unusual.

"We were shocked to find that not only have these orbs been seen over the last couple of years, but that they have also been seen all over the world within the last few nights!" wrote Laura B from California.

Another reader, this time from Spain, wrote "My father and I saw them in Spain at 00:45 am, but there were 5 or 6 of them all in a vertical line quite close to the earth....I have no answer to all these questions that we are all asking ourselves and when I think I have an answer it just leads to more questions, so all I have to say is, WE ARE NOT ALONE!"

Nikki B from Arizona wrote "how can we see it here in Arizona and people in Africa and Australia are seeing the same thing? 2012 vibration is freakin me out already! ...I know the news will have some "reasonable and logical explanation" but i'm not buying it!".

Susana, who writes from an unknown location, said "yesterday around 1230 or 1245 there were some red brownish lights first i saw one of them and kind of got my attention and of the sudden there were a BUNCH of them i couldnt count them but i can say there were around 30 lights UFO'S OR CANDLE LIGHTS who knows all

i know i saw those lights and were beautiful.

Are we ready for the 2012? are we enough educated not to panic?"

WeatherWatch.co.nz believes most people witnessed meteors, or shooting stars, chinese lanterns (Which appear as slow moving orange lights) and other normal aircraft such as helicopters and planes.

Link to view other eyewitness reports at site.

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## Moderator's Thanks

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 13:02:16 -0500  
Archived: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 13:02:16 -0500  
Subject: Moderator's Thanks

My thanks to subscribers and readers who continue to financially support the operation of the UFO UpDates List & The Archive.

Since moving the List from Hostmonster to Pair.Com [because of the huge number of files on-line] the cost has skyrocketed to \$337.43 per year from \$137.40 [inclusive of the many sites that I host as my contribution to 'the work']... The bill always comes in during the Christmas Holidays, to boot!

Should the spirit move you, contributions to the cost of the List's on-line presence are gratefully accepted, via PayPal at: [errolbk.nul](mailto:errolbk.nul)

Again, my thanks...

ebk

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## Re: Tibetans See UFO Intervention In 2012

From: Carol Maltby <[carolmaltby.nul](mailto:carolmaltby.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 2 Jan 2012 12:47:03 -0500  
Archived: Mon, 02 Jan 2012 13:03:38 -0500  
Subject: Re: Tibetans See UFO Intervention In 2012

>From: Eustaquio Andrea Patounas <[socex.ufobras.nul](mailto:socex.ufobras.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Sun, 1 Jan 2012 20:29:47 -0200  
>Subject: Tibetans See UFO Intervention In 2012

>Source: OutlookTibet.com

><http://tinyurl.com/7wzyjya>

>Friday, 15 August 2008

>Buddhists See UFO Intervention In 2012  
>by Tim Shadey, 2012

>Remote viewing is nothing new in Tibetan monasteries. For  
>thousands of years remote viewing in the middle of other  
>spiritual activities have dominated Tibetan culture. What some  
>Indian tourists came to learn from a few Tibetan monasteries  
>under the current Chinese rule is extremely alarming and  
>fascinating.

<snip>

>In world politics something will happen in and around 2010.

Eerily prescient!

Carol

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## Triangle Shines Spotlight On Witness

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:02:23 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:02:23 -0500  
Subject: Triangle Shines Spotlight On Witness

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7ro7ju6>

December 29, 2011

Silent Triangle UFO Shines Spotlight On California Witness  
Roger Marsh

A California witness pulled over to get a better look at a silent, triangle-shaped object that was circling a farming area and shining a spotlight to the ground on December 28, 2011, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

While the town is not named in the public portion of the report, the witness reports driving "from the 67 to San Vincente road at 10:30 p.m. and noticed the lights at the 67 and Dye Road intersection.

The witness noticed that the object appeared to be circling and described it.

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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## UFO Film Festival Seeks Entries

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:06:58 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:06:58 -0500  
Subject: UFO Film Festival Seeks Entries

Source: PRWeb.Com

<http://www.pr.com/press-release/380069>

December 30, 2011

UFO Film Festival Seeks Entries

The 2012 EBE Film Festival at the International UFO Congress is now accepting UFO-related films for the February festival in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Tempe, AZ, December 30, 2011 --(PR.com)-- One of the nation's most anticipated UFO-related events, the 2012 EBE Film Festival, is now accepting entries for the February 21-26 events at the Fort McDowell Radisson Resort in Fountain Hills, Arizona.

A celebration of paranormal filmmaking, the 2012 EBEFF includes screenings, social events and networking opportunities, and a closing night Banquet and Awards Ceremony where the coveted EBE statues will be awarded. The festival runs in conjunction with the International UFO Congress which is the largest annual UFO conference in the world.

Narrative short films (30 minutes or less) and feature length (60 minutes or more) completed after Jan. 1, 2010 will be considered.

Deadlines are:

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## New Year's UFO Reports Pour In From Across USA

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:13:33 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:13:33 -0500  
Subject: New Year's UFO Reports Pour In From Across USA

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/8ayf6d3>

January 1, 2012

New Year's UFOs: MUFON Reports Pour In From Across Country  
Roger Marsh

Reports of UFOs filed with the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) are off to a healthy start in 2012 in this review of selected cases filed January 1 with MUFON's international witness reporting database.

The first UFO reports covering both New Year's Eve and the early morning hours of New Year's Day are reviewed in: 2012: First UFO reports describe red spheres over South Carolina, Virginia. An update on monthly UFO alerts is available here: National UFO Alert: Alabama rises to highest reporting state.

A New Mexico witness traveling home from a New Year's Eve party reports a "green-white UFO traveling north at an impossible speed" in Case 34446.

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## Cox Standing Up To The Past

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:18:42 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:18:42 -0500  
Subject: Cox Standing Up To The Past

Source: Billy Cox's Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/774utpz>

Thursday, December 29, 2011

Standing Up To The Past  
by Billy Cox

As we close out another year and hope for the best in 2012, retired Air Force staff sergeant Bill Smith looks forward to resuming his teaching gig at one of Columbia (Mo.) College's 34 nationwide campuses. Smith, an adjunct professor from Arlington, Tex., covers topics as diverse as ethics and philosophy, sociology and criminal justice. But his wide-angle interest is in social change, due in part to what he calls his "unique experience."

On the early morning of October 24, 1968, following several weeks of watching strange lights maneuver across the night skies above a nuclear missile base in Minot, N.D., Smith got an expanded world view. A mobile "camper team" unit reported UFO activity near a launch control facility designated Oscar-6. Smith took a look for himself, saw the reported "large glowing object," and phoned it in to security control with the 91st Strategic Missile Wing.

For the next hour or two, Smith and colleagues would watch the light - or lights - as it changed color, changed direction, and dipped behind a treeline. Exasperated over his superiors' ostensible indifference to this blatant incursion into restricted air space, he tuned in with at least a small measure of relief to radio chatter from a B-52 crew, which confirmed the bogey from above as it made a joke of military security. No culprits were ever held to account, in a complicated case that would also involve trace effects of radiation, an unlocked inner perimeter gate, and a wide open - but unmanned - personnel hatch at an Oscar launch control center. Although Smith filed an AF-117 report, he was ordered never to discuss the incident outside the chain of command.

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## The Hidden Logic Of Deception

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:22:50 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 03 Jan 2012 19:22:50 -0500  
Subject: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

Source: ScientificAmerican.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7fc4dy4>

December 27, 2011

The Hidden Logic Of Deception

Prominent biologist Robert Trivers probes the deep origins of deceit, and offers a solution to the Darwinian paradox of self-deception

By Gareth Cook

We lie to ourselves all the time. We tell ourselves that we are better than average -- that we are more moral, more capable, less likely to become sick or suffer an accident. It's an odd phenomenon, and an especially puzzling one to those who think about our evolutionary origins. Self-deception is so pervasive that it must confer some advantage. But how could we be well served by a brain that deceives us? This is one of the topics tackled by Robert Trivers in his new book, "The Folly of Fools", a colorful survey of deception that includes plane crashes, neuroscience and the transvestites of the animal world. He answered questions from Mind Matters editor Gareth Cook.

Cook: Do you have any favorite examples of deception in the natural world?

Trivers: Tough call. They are so numerous, intricate and bizarre. But you can hardly beat female mimics for general interest. These are males that mimic females in order to achieve closeness to a territory-holding male, who then attracts a real female ready to lay eggs. The territory-holding male imagines that he is in bed (so to speak) with two females, when really he is in bed with one female and another male, who, in turn, steals part of the paternity of the eggs being laid by the female. The internal dynamics of such transvestite threesomes is only just being analyzed. But for pure reproductive artistry one can not beat the tiny blister beetles that assemble in arrays of 100's to 1000's, linking together to produce the larger illusion of a female solitary bee, which attracts a male bee who flies into the mirage in order to copulate and thereby carries the beetles to their next host.

Cook: At what age do we see the first signs of deception in humans?

Trivers:

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## Binnalls Annual Friedman Interview

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 04 Jan 2012 09:28:13 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 04 Jan 2012 09:28:13 -0500  
Subject: Binnalls Annual Friedman Interview

Source: Binnall Of America Podcast

<http://www.binnallofamerica.com/boaa122311.html>

12.23.11

Serving as the perfect companion to egg nog and gingerbread cookies, it's the yuletide tradition like no other: the 7th Annual BoA:Audio Holiday Special featuring the iconic Stanton Friedman. In this jam-packed conversation, we'll get an update on Stan's international travels of the past year as well as his take on the recent spate of disclosure petitions circulating within Ufology, the Skeptical Inquirer's debunking of the Exeter case, the 'malaise' of Ufology in recent years, and the ignorance of academia when it comes to the UFO phenomenon.

Then, we'll turn the program over to BoA:Audio listeners for our traditional "Ask Stanton Friedman" mailbag. This year's installment features a whopping 23 questions from listeners and covers such diverse topics as the world economic crisis, the Kepler findings, the Bentwaters Incident, Bob Lazar, Zeta Reticuli, the Fukushima meltdown, Ball Lightning, the Betty and Barney Hill case, and the Higgs-Boson particle. Plus, of course, tons and tons more

(1 Hour, 55 Minutes)

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## Rectangle UFO Hovered Over Missouri Roadway

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 04 Jan 2012 09:31:56 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 04 Jan 2012 09:31:56 -0500  
Subject: Rectangle UFO Hovered Over Missouri Roadway

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/84cc5a5>

January 2, 2012

Rectangle UFO Hovered Low Over Missouri Roadway  
Roger Marsh

A Missouri witness heading toward midtown Kansas City reports a hovering, rectangle-shaped object "200 to 300 feet above the top of the trees," according to January 2, 2012, testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

"Traveling north on Ward Parkway towards the Plaza lights, I approached an intersection, stopped at the light on red, and started driving when the light turned green," the witness stated. "As I started driving north, I noticed a church on the right with cars parked outside the church on the curb running parallel to the church. I looked up and saw a rectangular object with strobe lights flashing on the left of the rectangle and I could barely see the white strobe light flashing on the far right of the triangle because of the trees. The center strip had an orange glow."

Trees were obstructing some of the view, and the witness reports some of the street lights were blending in with the object's lights.

"This object was as wide as two traffic lanes and about 200 to 300 feet above the top of the trees. I immediately thought it was a traffic helicopter, but soon realized it was hovering. I had the moon roof shield open and watched this object go over my car over the top of the trees, and as I looked to the rear of my car at the object, I soon realized I could still see the orange glow and thought then the glow was coming from under the object."

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## Re: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

From: Steve Sawyer <[stevesaw.nul](mailto:stevesaw.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 4 Jan 2012 07:38:33 -0800  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 05:51:04 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

>Source: ScientificAmerican.Com

><http://tinyurl.com/7fc4dy4>

>December 27, 2011

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Try this link for the SciAm article, instead:

<http://bit.ly/vgdwi8>

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## The Skies Puts Things Bright In Your Eyes

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 05:55:46 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 05:55:46 -0500  
Subject: The Skies Puts Things Bright In Your Eyes

Source: Robert Barrow's Not Your Grandfather's UFO Blog

<http://tinyurl.com/7skycxk>

Monday, December 5, 2011

When A Light From The Skies Puts Things Bright In Your Eyes

It happened previously, and it raises an eyebrow whenever I hear about these instances.

CBS Radio and other sources report that the new "Twilight" movie ("Breaking Dawn Part 1") has caused sporadic episodes of seizures in viewers watching a birthing scene as flashes of red, black and white fire off in rapid succession. Of course, as many of you may remember, the same thing occurred in the nineties as some children watching a TV show went into seizures. Supposedly, TV transmissions of the offending light pattern have been corrected to accommodate what seem to be genetically susceptible viewers. Photosensitive epilepsy is the medical term for this bizarre reaction to certain combinations of light flashes.

These weird little events always make me think about the power of light. Lasers are the best high-tech examples, I suppose, but how interesting it is that mere flashes of light can cause monumental reactions in the brain. Hypnosis obviously comes to mind, and for anybody familiar with alleged UFO abductions and some close encounters, extremely bright lights often seem to play a role. Time and again, abductees and witnesses describe whitish lights of blinding intensity, sometimes in patterns, sometimes in varying colors.

Assuming a high intelligence factor behind whatever force occurs with abductions, as reported in the literature, it's not unreasonable to assume that the influence of light on human brains via wildly unknown optical effects may be substantial, in ways we can only imagine. Under abduction circumstances, does light alter reality? Does it take away knowledge of "missing time?"

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## 'Communion' Author, Reveals More Close Encounters

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Source: HuffingtonPost.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/74ft8xp>

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Whitley Strieber, 'Communion' Author, Reveals More Close Encounters With Paranormal Visitors  
Jeff Ayers, Associated Press

-- Solving The Communion Enigma: What Is To Come  
(Tarcher/Penguin), by Whitley Strieber:

In his new book, Solving The Communion Enigma: What Is To Come, author Whitley Strieber tries to explain the strange happenings surrounding his life since he wrote "Communion" 25 years ago.

Communion chronicled what Strieber claimed was his abduction by alien beings and the events that followed. He wrote two more books about his experiences and received thousands of letters from people who said similar events occurred in their lives. He also became a laughingstock among his friends and lost his financial stability. His wife, Anne, supported him, though it was difficult for her to understand what he was experiencing.

Strieber reveals that brushes with the paranormal haven't lessened over the years. He uses his personal connections and in-depth research to rationalize his experiences.

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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## A Blur Of Drones And UFOs

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 06:09:21 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 06:09:21 -0500  
Subject: A Blur Of Drones And UFOs

Source: Billy Cox's Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/7u47uxa>

Wednesday, January 4, 2012

A Blur Of Drones And UFOs  
by Billy Cox

Evolving technologies are not only overwhelming our legal and ethical systems, they might also endanger aviation safety. At least, that's a concern raised by MUFON research director Robert Powell. Here's the deal:

Powell recently compared two Texas UFO incidents from the evening of Sept. 19, 2011. The first occurred in the vicinity of the Dallas-Fort airport, and the second emanated from Austin, some 190 miles south. The sightings were 90 minutes apart, and what impressed him were the detailed quality and consistency of the witness reports, "one from an ex-military man familiar with military aircraft and one from a practicing engineer".

The Austin observer reported 10-12 triangular shaped, tannish UFOs flying in wingtip formation. He initially thought they were birds, but decided against it because they were moving too fast. The objects roughly matched the Dallas-Fort Worth sighting; assuming they were the same things, that clocked their estimated speed at between 207 and 253 mph.

The problem: They were illuminated solely by a diffusion of ground light as they traveled from north to south.

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## New UFO Reports Near Missile Sites

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Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 06:20:46 -0500  
Subject: New UFO Reports Near Missile Sites

Source: Frank Warren's The UFO Chronicals

<http://tinyurl.com/7y34kj2>

Wednesday, January 04, 2012

New Reports Of UFO Activity Near F.E. Warren AFB's Nuclear  
Missile Sites

At Least Two More Sightings During The Last Half Of 2011  
Robert Hastings

Those familiar with my UFO-Nukes Connection research already know about the long history of UFO incursions near nuclear weapons facilities, including ongoing incidents at various U.S. Air Force ICBM sites.

F.E. Warren AFB, in Cheyenne, Wyoming, has experienced such events since the early 1960s, when the base hosted first-generation Atlas missiles. One witness from that era, then-Airman 1st Class Arthur McEnaney, had been an Air Policeman assigned to the 809th Combat Defense Squadron, which provided security for the 566th Strategic Missile Squadron. One evening in August 1964, McEnaney and his fellow guards sighted a UFO above the four-silo Atlas launch complex they were patrolling.

"We were at Site 1, Pad 1," McEnaney told me during a 2003 interview, "Around midnight we saw an object hovering over the site. It was round and shone brightly. After we reported it to the NCOIC (Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge), we were informed that interceptors had been dispatched from Denver and reported it to be a weather balloon. The only problem with that explanation was that no aircraft were seen in the area, and we were later told to keep quiet about it as it was national security. Our NCOIC, Staff Sergeant Fred Coffey, told us that."

One year later, after the new Minuteman I missiles had been installed at F.E. Warren, UFOs spent several hours maneuvering around some of them during the period of July 31 to August 2, 1965. An intriguing declassified document about those incidents may be found at:

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## Scientists Suggest Moon Photos May Reveal ET

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Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 06:32:25 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 06:32:25 -0500  
Subject: Scientists Suggest Moon Photos May Reveal ET

Source: [HuffingtonPost.Com](http://HuffingtonPost.Com)

<http://tinyurl.com/ck3xkd4>

12/28/11

Scientists Suggest Moon Photos May Reveal ET Visitation  
Alejandro Rojas

Scientists from Arizona State University are proposing that closely examining high resolution photographs of the moon, retrieved by the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO), may reveal "incontrovertible signatures of non-human technology." They argue that such a project is worthwhile and could be accomplished with a small budget.

ASU's Dr. Paul Davies and undergraduate student, Robert Wagner, submitted their paper, "Searching for alien artifacts on the moon", to Acta Astronautica, the official journal of the International Academy of Astronautics. In the abstract they state that the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) has a low probability of success, and should broaden their search from simply listening for extraterrestrial radio signals. They say, "Alien civilizations may have sent probes to our region of the galaxy."

To hunt for these tell-tale signs of alien visitation, they suggest that a project be set up to carefully scrutinize the high resolution pictures being captured by the LRO. In order to save money, they suggest the job could be outsourced to the general public, similar to the SETI.nul and Galaxy Zoo projects. In other words, once the pictures are released to the public, citizens could report anomalies to scientists for examination. According to the Guardian, the LRO has already taken over 340,000 images and is expected to have taken one million by the time it is finished.

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## Re: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 5 Jan 2012 17:24:02 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 12:40:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

>From: Steve Sawyer <[stevesaw.nul](mailto:stevesaw.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Wed, 4 Jan 2012 07:38:33 -0800  
>Subject: Re: The Hidden Logic Of Deception

>>Source: ScientificAmerican.Com

<snip>

>Try this link for the SciAm article, instead:

><http://bit.ly/vgdwi8>

Thanks Errol and Steve, that's a great article. While reading it remembered some recent research results which show that we don't like being 'deceived' - even by Nature - but usually get over it pretty quickly. What we dislike much more is someone else telling us we've been deceived or fooled. And that double-whammy seems to threaten nervous folk more than the rest of us - see

[www.sciencemag.org/content/321/5896/1667.abstract](http://www.sciencemag.org/content/321/5896/1667.abstract)

'nervous people tend to be more dogmatic'

[www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2007/09/070911111852.htm](http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2007/09/070911111852.htm)

'dogmatics/skeptics tend to be blind to unexpected phenomena'

As a result they tend to build up layers of self-deceit to shield them from possibly painful truths. We might see those layers as 'religious dogma', +/- 'political conviction', +/- various 'skeptisisms' and even much of 'economics' and 'accepted science'.

Cheers

Ray D

BTW - you'll see I've re-labelled those articles. For some media/controversy reason they originally had mis-leading 'political' labels for different people, so have tried for objectivity. I.e. terms like 'liberal' and 'conservative' mean different things to different folk - even in the same country.

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## Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.nul-ufo.org](mailto:joe.nul-ufo.org)>  
Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 19:20:19 +0000  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 16:20:30 -0500  
Subject: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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Regards,

Joe  
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This is a new study which will hopefully develop further understanding in UFO belief, specifically with regard to some UFOs having an extraterrestrial cause. Whether you believe, are sceptical, or are unsure.this study is for you!

Research is collected anonymously, by completion of an online survey. So this can be completed at a time suitable to you, anywhere with an internet connection. This may take around 20-30 minutes, and involves some questionnaires and simple tasks.

If you are able to take part can you please contact the researcher via email (putting UFO research in the subject), who will provide you with the survey link and a participant number. Further information will be provided at the start of the survey, so you won't have to decide if you wish to complete it until after that. Thanks!

Contact - [andrew.hodrien09.nul](mailto:andrew.hodrien09.nul)

\* If you have taken part in a previous UFO belief study for me then unfortunately you will be unable to take part.

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## Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

From: **Jerome Clark** <[jkclark.nul](mailto:jkclark.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 5 Jan 2012 15:24:19 -0600  
Archived: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 17:21:11 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.nul-ufo.org](mailto:joe.nul-ufo.org)>  
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Caveat emptor.

Jerry Clark

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From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 23:12:14 +0000  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:25:06 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Jerome Clark <[jkclark.nul](mailto:jkclark.nul)>  
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I'm not quite sure what you are implying here, Jerry? What  
perspective do you think the study is being conducted from?

It may be helpful to know that Andrew is a member of the  
Birmingham UFO Group, of which his brother Dave is the chairman.  
Their web site can be found at:

<http://bufogaboutus.blogspot.com/>

If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact Andrew at:

[andrew.hodrien09.nul](mailto:andrew.hodrien09.nul)

I think any academic attempt to study aspects of ufology are  
worth encouraging.

Regards,

Joe

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From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 20:38:57 -0400  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:27:07 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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Yes, I'm afraid so, Jerry. I guess then I'm supposed to be a  
"believer". Maybe I should make up a shrine or something.

Don Ledger

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## John Lear?

From: **A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO** <[aj.nul](mailto:aj.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 6 Jan 2012 08:29:06 -0200  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:29:49 -0500  
Subject: John Lear?

Dear Listers,

Does anyone here have his current e-mail address? Any other contact info?

Many thanks!

A. J.

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## Reflections Of A UFO Investigator

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:34:46 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:34:46 -0500  
Subject: Reflections Of A UFO Investigator

Source: Kevin Randle's A Different Perspective Blog

<http://tinyurl.com/6ndlydb>

Wednesday, January 04, 2012

Reflections Of A UFO Investigator

For those keeping score at home, Anomalist Books has just published Reflections of a UFO Investigator, a look at my journey through the world of UFOs.

This book begins with my very first UFO "investigation" and ends last spring, just before I left for the Roswell UFO festival. It describes my UFO "sighting" and it talks about some of the surprising things that I learned as I traveled throughout the country investigating UFOs. It explains what led me to some of the conclusions I have reached, and talks about some of the troubles I have had during those searches.

For those interested, it is available at Amazon and is an ebook through Kindle and at Barnes and Noble.

Yes, this is a commercial announcement, but then you have to learn about the book somehow. Give it a look, and I'll answer your questions about it.  
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## 'Gray Amorphous Mass' Reported Crossing Indiana

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:39:46 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:39:46 -0500  
Subject: 'Gray Amorphous Mass' Reported Crossing Indiana

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7cj4gr3>

January 5, 2012

'Gray Amorphous Mass' Reported Crossing Indiana  
Roger Marsh

An Indiana parent and son report watching a "gray amorphous mass" that moved northeast across the southern horizon for about one minute at a high rate of speed at 3:30 a.m. on January 5, 2012, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

"It passed behind a group of trees and based on previous viewing of aircraft landing and take offs at a nearby airport, I would place the altitude at between 500 to 1,000 meters," the reporting witness stated. "The object quickly accelerated and vanished toward the southern horizon."

The reporting witness described the object.

"The object had no identifiable shape other than blob-like and an empty gray color. It was like looking into a hole that you cannot see the bottom of, but as it moved it did block out the stars behind it."

The son did not get as good a look at the object as the parent did.

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## Triangle UFOs Low Over Connecticut's Route 85

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:42:45 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 07:42:45 -0500  
Subject: Triangle UFOs Low Over Connecticut's Route 85

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7mglyvm>

January 5, 2012

Two Triangle UFOs Cross Low Over Connecticut's Route 85  
Roger Marsh

A Connecticut witness traveling eastbound along Route 85 at 8:10 p.m. on January 5, 2012, reports watching two silent, triangle-shaped objects just 100 feet over the tree tops cross over the roadway, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

"I saw a three-light, tipped triangle cross the road over the tree tops," the witness stated. "I was on the phone with my mother at the time, and stated that I saw some weird lights. It was enormous, easily larger than a commercial, large passenger air craft if it was within 100 feet of the tree tops."

The witness described the object.

"There were no visible lights other than the three bright, white exterior lights on each of the three tips of the triangle. You could not see through the object and the sky was clear."

Just a few seconds later, a second, identical craft moved over the roadway.

"If I was eastbound on 85, both passed me going left to right. At the time I saw the second light, I was literally so blown away I was yelling into the phone. I got off the phone and by the time I got to my home, with wide open sky, I could see nothing. As stated before, the triangles both were enormous and identical, no blinking lights, no sound. As I saw the second triangle, I rolled down my window. If it were commercial aircraft, it would have been so close and so low there would have to have been audible noise. It was completely silent outside, save the noise of my vehicle on the road."

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## Re: New Year's UFO Reports Pour In From Across USA

From: **Martin Shough** <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 6 Jan 2012 15:54:42 -0000  
Archived: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 11:15:32 -0500  
Subject: Re: New Year's UFO Reports Pour In From Across USA

>Source: Examiner.Com

><http://tinyurl.com/8ayf6d3>

>January 1, 2012

>New Year's UFOs: MUFON Reports Pour In From Across Country  
>Roger Marsh

>Reports of UFOs filed with the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) are  
>off to a healthy start in 2012 in this review of selected cases  
>filed January 1 with MUFON's international witness reporting  
>database.

Here we go again, another celebration, another party date, and another rash of floating orange lights bearing a strong resemblance to so-called Chinese- or Thai-lantern fire balloons. Marsh rubbing his hands over this "healthy start" to 2012 tells you all need to know about the marketing of popular ufology in the 21st century: "Stack 'em high, sell 'em cheap".

Some excited readers had seen these same silent orange/red lights at New Year, and their comments at the site tell their own story:

A: "I seen it... with all honesty... it was about 11:15pm on news years eve... we're in Savannah Ga,... me and my partners at the backyard of the restaurant... I happen to see a tangerine orange ball just floated pass at a medium speed... this orb travel from South Carolina... near Hutchinson Island coming from Savannah river side... crossing heading south towards Florida... this lasted about 6 minutes... then it zig-zag slowly then faded away..."

B: "We saw this last night just after 12 in Orlando, FL! I passed it off as burnt-out fireworks. To describe, they were 2 glowing orangish-red balls of light, hovering at exactly the same level in the sky, due west. We watched them, laughing and making joking UFO comments until they just faded away about a minute later... "

C: "look at my video and tell me if it looked like the one I filmed. There are 2 also the second one comes in real clear if you pause it you can see some detail it was filmed on the 4th of July also redish orange

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qjfeuYuT9M>."

B: "That is exactly what we saw, except 2 of them, side [by side] at what appeared to be exactly the same altitude. The fact you filmed it on the 4th [July] makes me wonder, though, if there is a firework that could possibly do that."

C: "I assure you it was no fire works, fire works don't move like that or hover in the sky like that. Look at the shape and if you pause it you can see some detail. I belive it is one of the clearest videos I have seen on u tube."

B: "Believe me, I don't want to doubt it at all. Thinking back

on the whole incident, I can't wrap my head around it. Something so seemingly harmless and still was still so out of place and abnormal. It just bothers me the coincidence of the same thing happening at the same time fireworks go off. Maybe extraterrestrials like colorful bright lights? LOL"

Now we are only waiting for the traditional post from NUFORC alerting us to this latest flap of remarkable orange UFOs.

Martin Shough

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>else could it possibly be?

Yup, right Jerry.

Would like to think I have no 'beliefs' at all, only various  
grades of hypothetical conclusions (there's always the solipsist  
possibility).

However, from reading some of their chaotic and often  
contradictory 'edicts' and 'pronouncements' I suspect that  
many/most skepti-bunkers should have their 'beliefs' thoroughly  
investigated.

Cheers

Ray D

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>I'm not quite sure what you are implying here, Jerry? What  
>perspective do you think the study is being conducted from?

>It may be helpful to know that Andrew is a member of the  
>Birmingham UFO Group, of which his brother Dave is the chairman.  
>Their web site can be found at:

><http://bufogaboutus.blogspot.com/>

>If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact Andrew at:

>[andrew.hodrien09.nul](mailto:andrew.hodrien09.nul)

>I think any academic attempt to study aspects of ufology are  
>worth encouraging.

More psycho social babble, Joe. Consider the topic; Psychology  
Dissertation Study.

Once you posit the belief aspect you are opening the door to the  
prospect of all witnesses having a psychotic event each time  
they have seem something odd in the sky.

Let's not forget that we are always dealing with a group of  
licensed individuals who are working with a pseudo-science that  
has no scientific constant. Catch as catch can is the name of  
the game so there is no sense in introducing this subject as a  
viable aspect to the phenomenon.

I really don't care what group Andrew is working with. They are  
not dealing with hard-core cases; they are attempting to stain  
it by intro- ducing a mental aspect to it-regardless who are  
reporting, what they are reporting- in what detail they are  
reporting and what is backing up the report.

Any damn fool can find the nut cases out there and lump them in  
and poison the whole data pool.

And cut the poor-mouthing Joe; your not fooling anyone. If I ever  
see anything positive/upbeat come out of your postings, it will be  
a day of wonder.

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Groan, and so forth. Whether somebody believes or is skeptical?  
Sounds like the same old approach. Nothing new here. The guy  
must be looking for an easy way to earn his degree. And, yeah  
the website is skewed in favor of belief.

You all know what I require for a study to be scientific. Whoever  
decides to do a real study will need a couple of different degrees  
or a team composed of various degreed academics. Not just a  
well meaning, thoroughly immersed in the mythos individual.

KK

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Hi Jerry,

I blew up at Rick Howe one day on a local radio show (it covers  
Atlantic Canada) over this exact same thing. Drivel. He was a  
bit miffed at me but he called after the show to ask why I was  
so pissed-off.

I went through it with him. Rick is level-headed, politically  
astute so he was worth educating. I'd done his show some 15  
times before. I told him I wasn't going to waste my time on this  
sort of wild eyed crap. Treat me with some respect or don't  
call. They are the ones making the money, not me.

I told him the next time he had to ask an investigator about  
UFOs and his or her involvement; ask them what drew them to the  
study of same in the first place and what they felt was real  
about it.

I warned him that there would be some who would attempt to  
colour the phenomenon with a psychological or cultist taint.

I also tried to get him away from the UFO as an alien artifact  
and back to its real meaning.

Last September he had me on 4 shows in 6 days during the anniversary of the Crash of Swissair 111-because of my book about the event - so all was forgiven.

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This study is obviously about what people do or do not believe  
about UFO reports, which seems a perfectly reasonable idea to  
me. I can't express any opinion about whether it is likely to be  
useful or not, as I have not seen the questionnaire and, unlike  
Jerry and Ray, I find it rather difficult to pass judgement on  
something without knowing all the relevant details.

John Harney

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## More On 2010 UFO Activity At F.E. Warren AFB

From: **Robert Hastings** <[ufohastings.nul](mailto:ufohastings.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 7 Jan 2012 10:40:36 - 0500 (EST)  
Archived: Sat, 07 Jan 2012 11:56:17 -0500  
Subject: More On 2010 UFO Activity At F.E. Warren AFB

James Carlson Gets It Wrong Again:

Reuters Was NOT Paid to Publicize Robert Hastings' Investigation of UFO Activity at F.E. Warren AFB in October 2010

James Carlson's father, Eric, is a former U.S. Air Force ICBM launch officer who was involved, decades ago, in a UFO incident at a missile site operated by Malmstrom AFB, Montana - although the elder Carlson continues to deny it. Nevertheless, I've interviewed other former/retired officers and enlisted men who said that a UFO had indeed been hovering over one of the Echo Flight ICBMs early on the morning of March 16, 1967, when the entire flight of ten malfunctioned. I subsequently published those persons' testimony and, still later, some of the actual tape recordings of their conversations with me - thereby publicly contradicting Eric Carlson's claims of no UFO - involvement in the incident. In response, James has been libeling me all over cyberspace ever since. His daddy is telling the truth, he claims, and all of those other guys are full of it.

My taped conversations with Eric Carlson's former Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander, now - retired Col. Walter Figel, may be heard at:

<http://tinyurl.com/7pfv6y3>

Figel says that he did indeed receive a report from one of his guards of a "large, round object" hovering "directly over" one of the Echo ICBMs seconds before it dropped - off alert status and became unlaunchable.

James Carlson's latest posted nonsense about me is at:

<http://tinyurl.com/cujqbk>

and involves, among other things, his claim that I paid the prestigious Reuters news agency big bucks to publish a summary of, and a link to, my article on UFO sightings during the October 23, 2010 missile communication disruption incident at F.E. Warren AFB. My expos=C3=A9 on that dramatic event may now be read at:

<http://tinyurl.com/7zjrya6>

Carlson claims that Reuters' supposedly paid endorsement of my investigation lent it an aura of legitimacy that it did not deserve. However, once again, James Carlson has only succeeded in demonstrating his inability to accurately state facts, in any given case he attempts to discuss authoritatively.

In reality, I paid PRNewswire, a publicity - for - hire group, to post my press release on the incident at F.E. Warren whereupon Reuters, and many other news organizations, picked it up and distributed it on its merits, even though - as James correctly noted - all of my sources were, and remain, anonymous. (Just as all of the Watergate investigation sources' names were initially kept confidential, until unfolding events resulted in their

identities being made known by Washington Post reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein.)

The original PRNewswire press release is at:

<http://tinyurl.com/42sqkvc>

The Reuters version is at:

<http://tinyurl.com/3hakxb4>

I am perfectly aware that it would have been more credible to cite the F.E. Warren AFB sighting witnesses and my other sources by name, however, I didn't have the option to do so in this particular case. (Approximately 95% of my ex - military sources over the years were identified in my book UFOs and Nukes. Carlson just calls those guys liars or otherwise unreliable. In other words, heads he wins, tails I lose. In Carlson's eyes, none of my sources are reliable when they report their direct or indirect knowledge of UFO activity at USAF nuclear weapons sites.)

Unfortunately, regarding the October 23, 2010 incident at F.E. Warren, the two then - active duty missile maintenance technicians who spoke of UFO sightings on the day of the communications snafu were later discovered and punished. Someone, perhaps the Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), had been monitoring their emails to my go - between, an already - retired ICBM maintenance tech. Consequently, after the two technicians retired in June 2011, a "flag" was put in each of their DD214 folders, chastising them for releasing still - classified information about the incident. This official admonishment effectively bars them from possible employment with defense contractors, a development which troubles me greatly. Nothing like this has ever happened to any of my ex - military sources during my 39 - year research career.

To those who say that I should be far more troubled about the techs' unauthorized disclosures, I will simply assert my belief that the American people deserve to know the facts about UFOs which the U.S. government withholds from us and the rest of the world - including information about ongoing UFO incursions at nuke sites. Furthermore, my opinion is that any military or ex - military whistleblower who reveals his or her knowledge of those facts is a true patriot.

Nevertheless, the information provided by the pair - regarding the actual 26 - hour duration of the comm disruption, the multiple, intermittent sightings of a huge, cigar - shaped UFO concurrent with it, and the subsequent warnings by the missile maintenance commander to his squadron to remain silent about the dramatic events - are all reliable disclosures in my view and I am hoping that other, on - the - record sources will materialize in the future who can substantiate the techs' assertions.

A fuller discussion of this topic, including other examples of James Carlson's unreliable and even bizarre behavior, may be found at:

<http://tinyurl.com/7y34kj2>

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The following excerpt comes from Robert Hastings' book UFOs And Nukes: Extraordinary Encounters At Nuclear Weapons Sites

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David H. Schuur at Minot 1966

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Launch in Progress!

Of all the interviews I've conducted with former or retired ICBM launch officers over the past three decades, this was perhaps the most disturbing. According to the source, David H. Schuur, a UFO once activated the launch sequence in most of his Minuteman missiles.

In August 2007, Schuur told me, "I saw your request for information in the [June 2007] Association of Air Force Missileers Newsletter. I was involved in a UFO incident at Minot AFB in the mid - 1960s. I had read your earlier article [in the September 2002 AAFM Newsletter] but was hesitant to respond." I asked Schuur why he had been hesitant. He replied, "Well, we were basically told, way back when, that it was classified information and, you know, it didn't happen and don't discuss it. I guess I was still operating on that idea when I saw your first article."

Schuur had obviously had a change of heart. He continued, "Anyway, I was a Minuteman missile crewmember in the 455th/91st Strategic Missile Wing at Minot from December 1963 through November 1967. I was a 1st Lieutenant during that period and the deputy commander that night. Since the incident occurred some 40 years ago, my memories are a bit foggy but, based on who my commander was at the time, I would say it occurred between July 1965 and July 1967."

I asked Schuur if he could narrow the time - frame during which the incident occurred, by associating it with another event. He replied, "Not really, but my sense is that the incident occurred toward the end of my duty in the [missile] field, so it was probably during 1966, or '67. I was pulling alert in the Echo [Launch Control] Capsule and was at the console at the time, probably early in the morning when the commander was sleeping. I know I was at Echo because that's where I pulled almost all of my alert duty. My crew commander at the time has died. He was a Lieutenant Colonel at Minot, in his 50s - he was in the reserves, an old Korea veteran, who was recalled to duty in the early 1960s."

"As far as the incident, here's my best recollection of it:

Alpha capsule, which was east of us, reported on PAS - the Primary Alerting System - that their security personnel were observing a large, bright object hovering over some of their missile sites. It was moving from missile to missile. I think the Alpha missile crew also reported that they were receiving 'spurious indicators' on their missile control console, but I'm not certain about that. I do know that a few minutes later our own capsule had spurious indicators - anomalous readings - from some of our missiles.

I asked Schuur to explain PAS. He said, "It was an open line between SAC headquarters and the wing command posts. There was a speaker in each launch capsule and when the command posts issued a directive, or whatever, we were able to hear it. When Alpha had their UFO sightings, they alerted the command post, at which time the command post called SAC headquarters. So, when the report of the sightings went out, we all heard it on PAS.

Schuur continued, "But it wasn't just Alpha and Echo. Over the next hour or so - I don't recall exactly how long it was - all of the flights reported that their [Security Alert Teams] were observing a UFO near their facilities. The path of the object could be followed as it passed over each flight area by the reports on the PAS. The object moved over the entire wing from the southeast to the northwest, following the layout of the wing."

Schuur elaborated, "All of them - Bravo Flight, Charlie, Delta, right on down the line to Oscar - were reporting sightings of this object. Minot's missile field is laid out like the letter 'C'. Alpha is located southeast of the base, and the other flights - Bravo, Charlie and so forth - were south, southwest, west, northwest, then north of Minot. Oscar, the last flight, is at the top of the 'C', north of the base. The object - as far as I know, it was only one object - came across Alpha Flight, then moved all the way around the flights and ended up at Oscar. We could hear that on PAS. At Echo, it didn't come close to the Launch Control Facility, it just visited the LFs (silos), then passed onto the next flight.

"As far as our flight, Echo, a few minutes after hearing the report from Alpha, I received a call from topside security that a large bright light - actually, a large, bright object would be more accurate - was in the sky, to the east of the launch control facility. When the guard called down, he may have used the term 'UFO' but I don't recall. He didn't describe its shape or

altitude because it was too far away. It never got close enough to the LCF to see any detail. At its closest, it was two, three, maybe four miles away from us, near one of the missile sites."

Schuur continued, "However, when the object passed over our flight, we started receiving many spurious indications on our console. The object was apparently sending some kind of signals into each missile. Not every missile got checked [out] by the object, but there were several that did. Maybe six, seven, or eight. Maybe all ten got checked, but I don't think so. As this thing was passing over each missile site, we would start getting erratic indications on that particular missile. After a few seconds, everything reset back to normal. But then the next missile showed spurious indicators so the object had apparently moved on to that one and did the same thing to it. Then on to the next one, and so on. It was as if the object was scanning each missile, one by one. The Inner Security and Outer Security [alarms were triggered] but we got those all the time, for one reason or another. However, on this particular night, we had to activate the 'Inhibit' switch because we got 'Launch in Progress' indicators! After a few minutes, the UFO passed to the northwest of us and all indicators reset to normal."

I wanted to be certain about what I had just been told. I asked Schuur, "So, if you get a 'Launch in Progress' indicator, does that mean the launch sequence has been triggered - that the missile is preparing to launch?" Schuur replied, "That means the missile has received a launch signal. When that happens, we get an indication in the capsule that a launch command has been received by that missile. If that happens, without proper authority, you flip what's called an 'Inhibit' switch, to delay the launch for a given period of time. If an Inhibit command comes in from another launch capsule, that shuts down the launch totally. But if that second command doesn't come in, the missile will wait for a specified period of time and then launch automatically at the end of that expired period - theoretically. Of course, that night, we had all kinds of other indicators coming on from each missile so, in that situation, the launch probably would have aborted itself. I honestly don't know."

I asked Schuur if the "Launch in Progress" indicator had ever been triggered on any other occasion, either before or after the UFO incident, while he was on alert duty. He replied, "No, never."

I asked Schuur if he had heard about missile maintenance teams having to replace components or whole systems in the affected missiles - the ones that generated the spurious readings. He replied, "No, if that happened, I never heard about it."

Schuur said, "Upon returning to the base the next day, my commander and I were met by the operations officer. He just said, 'Nothing happened, nothing to discuss, goodbye.' Our logs and tapes were turned in. Every capsule had a 24 - hour tape that, as I recall, recorded the communications that went over the PAS system, so all the reports would have been on that tape. But we were essentially told that nothing had happened that night and to discuss it no further. It was a non - event. We were never debriefed, by OSI or anyone else. We just went home. Most of the returning missile crews drove back to the base from their facilities, so they all arrived at different times. There was no group debriefing that I know of. I never heard another thing about the incident."

I asked Schuur, "I know that you were given no feedback from your superiors, but what is your personal assessment of the event?" He replied, "Oh, I think something was up there, uh, scanning the missiles, seeing what was going on. Some kind of a scanning process." I asked Schuur whether he thought the launch activation had been incidental or deliberate. He seemed surprised by my question and said, "I think that the scanning just set it off. It set all kinds of things off, we were getting all sorts of indicators. There were some kind of signals being sent [from the UFO] to the missile that inadvertently triggered the launch activation, but I don't think it was deliberate. I hope not! That would have been - ." Schuur didn't finish this sentence. His voice broke and he heaved a deep sigh. Apparently, the thought that those aboard the UFO might have deliberately attempted to launch his nuclear missiles that night had caused him to pause - and probably shudder - over 40 years later.

I obviously accept Schuur's report as credible, but am of course attempting to locate other former members of his squadron who are willing to corroborate it. As Schuur candidly admitted, after reading my first article in the September 2002 AAFM newsletter, he waited some five years before approaching me. It was only after my second published request for information from former/retired USAF missileers, that he decided to unburden himself. This hesitant response is not atypical. Many of my former missile launch officer sources have not readily or easily divulged their UFO experiences to me, for one reason or another.

Importantly, to my knowledge, Schuur's testimony represents the only credible report on record of a UFO temporarily activating a U.S. nuclear missile. However, there is one other reliable report of such an activation - in the Soviet Union. That case will be discussed at length in a later chapter.

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## Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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Date: Sat, 7 Jan 2012 17:49:45 -0000  
Archived: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 18:29:03 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: John Harney <[magonia.nul](mailto:magonia.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Fri, 6 Jan 2012 20:17:17 -0000  
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>This study is obviously about what people do or do not believe  
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>me. I can't express any opinion about whether it is likely to be  
>useful or not, as I have not seen the questionnaire and, unlike  
>Jerry and Ray, I find it rather difficult to pass judgement on  
>something without knowing all the relevant details.

John, a harsher person than me would say those are weasel words  
(deceptive euphemisms), as we can see by looking at the original  
proposal:

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"Request for participation in Psychology dissertation study  
(University of Northampton) on UFO belief

Participants are requested for a Psychology dissertation  
research study, exploring how our beliefs affect the way we  
process new information.

This is a new study which will hopefully develop further  
understanding in UFO belief, specifically with regard to some  
UFOs having an extraterrestrial cause. Whether you believe, are  
sceptical, or are unsure.this study is for you!"

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Clearly the psychologists wanted three easily-labelled cohorts:  
'believers' 'skeptics' and waverers. It's also clear that the  
'investigation' was not at all interested in actual UFO evidence  
or its credibility.

If it had been, we could all recommend available documented  
stuff:

UFO: Black Box UFOs

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=8614351526846808167>

Out of the Blue: UFO Documentary

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fBRX2Ownfy8>

Fastwalkers - UFO Documentary

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhAU3G3M-Nw>

UFO The Greatest Story Ever Denied

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8T0ckf005qo>

and many more official recordings at:

<http://www.perceptions.couk.com/ufo-uap.html>

So no John, sadly it looks like the psychologists are playing the same game as the Gov't psychiatrist during the sighting described below:

US Navy pilot Commander Graham Bethune's encounter with a 300ft discoid UFO in 1951 on the way back from a classified mission to Iceland: "We had 31 people on board and a psychiatrist, we all witnessed it".

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C\\_MyJJ00ikA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C_MyJJ00ikA)

To paraphrase him, in a more relaxed interview he told how he went back into the passenger compartment, where all the passengers (bar one) were glued to the (starboard?) windows, watching the UFO which was still pacing the aircraft. Knowing the importance of the psychiatrist passenger Bethune went down the aisle to his seat at the back of the aircraft.

"Did you see it?" he asked. The psychiatrist replied - "Everybody saw it - but I didn't look - I don't believe in such things" with a conspiratorial smile. I.e. - he was strongly hinting: "They'll try to say you're crazy".

Such is the hypocrisy (and schizophrenia) of most of our western scientific community - as you can see from some of the videos above.

Cheers

Ray D

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## Mutilated Cow Found at Northland Farm

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Date: Sun, 8 Jan 2012 23:53:48 +0100  
Archived: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 18:32:46 -0500  
Subject: Mutilated Cow Found at Northland Farm

Source: Fox-TV 4 Kansas City

<http://tinyurl.com/773bv18>

January 6, 2012

Police: Mutilated Cow Found At Northland Farm

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Police are investigating after a Northland farmer reported that one of his cows had been found dead and mutilated, apparently by someone who a veterinarian says knew what they were doing.

According to Kansas City Missouri Police, officers responded to a call on Thursday morning to a farm near 120th and Brightwell in rural Platte County, just west of KCI.

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From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 23:07:26 +0000  
Archived: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 18:34:17 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](#)  
>Date: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 13:45:42 -0400  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 23:12:14 +0000  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

<snip>

>>I think any academic attempt to study aspects of ufology are  
>>worth encouraging.

>More psycho social babble, Joe. Consider the topic; Psychology  
>Dissertation Study.

>Once you posit the belief aspect you are opening the door to the  
>prospect of all witnesses having a psychotic event each time  
>they have seem something odd in the sky.

Only if you think that there is only one explanation to all UFO  
reports.

>Let's not forget that we are always dealing with a group of  
>licensed individuals who are working with a pseudo-science that  
>has no scientific constant. Catch as catch can is the name of  
>the game so there is no sense in introducing this subject as a  
>viable aspect to the phenomenon.

In this case we appear to be dealing with a student attempting to  
write a UFO-oriented dissertation.

>I really don't care what group Andrew is working with. They are  
>not dealing with hard-core cases; they are attempting to stain  
>it by intro- ducing a mental aspect to it-regardless who are  
>reporting, what they are reporting- in what detail they are  
>reporting and what is backing up the report.

So you maintain that there are zero cases which have a "mental  
aspect" to them? I would argue the opposite - all cases have a  
"mental aspect" to them - whether that aspect is around  
perception, predisposition, or any number of "mental" processes  
a witness goes through in an attempt to identify what it is they  
are observing or experiencing.

>Any damn fool can find the nut cases out there and lump them in  
>and poison the whole data pool.

Ah, so you already know that that is what Andrew is attempting to  
do? Next time you look into your crystal ball, please can you  
send me next Friday's winning lottery numbers?

>And cut the poor-mouthing Joe; your not fooling anyone. If I ever  
>see anything positive/upbeat come out of your postings, it will be  
>a day of wonder.

Perhaps you should review your own input on this list for the

last 3 years or more before you criticise me for being "downbeat". When there is something worth being upbeat about, then I will happily post it - like an academic taking an interest in ufology, for example.

Ufologists often bemoan the lack of academic interest in ufology, then when there is some their reaction hardly encourages further interest.

Regards,

Joe

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## Cox - Another Beltway Yawner

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 18:39:32 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 18:39:32 -0500  
Subject: Cox - Another Beltway Yawner

Source: Billy Cox's Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/8968p75>

Friday, January 6, 2012

Another Beltway Yawner  
by Billy Cox

In an unusual departure for any self-respecting Beltway insider, columnist Charles Krauthammer decided to take a break from the tiresome cacophony on New Year=92s Eve and contemplate life in the universe. Unfortunately, the only thing he proved, once again, is how not a one of these Washington pundits has a clue about how to ditch the script.

If you never look through the telescope, you can never be held accountable for what you fail to see/CREDIT:  
[stonebackastronomers.wikispaces.com](http://stonebackastronomers.wikispaces.com)

If you missed it, Krauthammer=92s piece was an extravagantly premature obituary on the =93profound melancholy=94 of being alone in the universe. He wrapped his argument around the Fermi Paradox, which suggests if there were intelligent life out there we would=92ve known about it by now. Krauthammer says we would=92ve known about it by now thanks to =97 and he=92s serious =97 SETI=92s search for non-random radio signals.

We can argue until our faces explode about the merits of SETI=92s doctrinaire prescription for discovering our galactic counterparts. But Krauthammer=92s larger conventional point is that intelligence as we know it can only attain a certain level of competence before it annihilates itself. Here=92s his kicker:

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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From: **Giuliano Marinkovic** <[giuliano.marinkovic.nul](mailto:giuliano.marinkovic.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 9 Jan 2012 12:38:03 +0100  
Archived: Mon, 09 Jan 2012 06:45:53 -0500  
Subject: Re: Mutilated Cow Found At Northland Farm

>From: Giuliano Marinkovic <[giuliano.marinkovic.nul](mailto:giuliano.marinkovic.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
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I located another video and article on this story from KCTV5.  
Video and rest of the article:

Source: KCTV-5 Kansas City

<http://tinyurl.com/758j42n>

Jan 07, 2012 2:50 AM

Police Investigating After Cow Found Mutilated At Farm

By Laura McCallister, Multimedia Producer - email  
By Betsy Webster, News Reporter - bio | email  
By Micah Bray, Assignment Editor - email

KANSAS CITY, MO (KCTV) -

Kansas City police are investigating a bizarre and disturbing  
crime involving livestock in the Northland. Someone had entered  
a private pasture and cut out a cow's reproductive organs,  
possibly while the cow was still alive.

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## Sheldrake's 'The Science Delusion'

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Date: Mon, 9 Jan 2012 11:34:55 -0000  
Archived: Mon, 09 Jan 2012 06:54:24 -0500  
Subject: Sheldrake's 'The Science Delusion'

Scientist Rupert Sheldrake currently has a series running in the Daily Mail - here's the first instalment from a couple of days ago - I believe there's another today.

<http://tinyurl.com/855udk7>

And here's a News Release from Rupert Sheldrake Online:

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London January 3rd, 2012

My new book *The Science Delusion: Freeing the Spirit of Enquiry* is due to be published on Thursday January 5 in the UK. In the US it is to be published by Random House in May 2012 under the title *Science Set Free: Dispelling Dogma*. In the meantime, people in the US, Canada and elsewhere can buy the UK edition online from the Book Depository, with free airmail delivery:

<http://tinyurl.com/7offjkk>

The science delusion is the belief that science already understands the nature of reality, in principle. The fundamental questions are answered, leaving only the details to be filled in. The impressive achievements of science seem to support this confident attitude. But recent research has revealed unexpected problems at the heart of physics, cosmology, biology, medicine and psychology. In *The Science Delusion*, I show how the sciences are being constricted by assumptions that have hardened into dogmas. In the sceptical spirit of scientific enquiry, I turn the ten fundamental dogmas of science into questions, opening up startling new possibilities.

BBC Radio 3 broadcast a half-hour conversation between me and Joan Bakewell on the subject of belief on Monday, January 2, which is available online in the UK on the BBC web site here:

<http://tinyurl.com/7hjxgqf>

I will be giving a series of lectures on *The Science Delusion* in London in January and February, starting with a lecture and reception to launch the book on January 17 at Kings College, London University, sponsored by the Scientific and Medical Network. Details of these events are on the schedule on my web site here:

<http://www.sheldrake.org/About/schedule/>

I will also be speaking in Dublin on January 26 at an event sponsored by The Irish Times.

I am taking part in a new media initiative called Expert TV, which is being organized by a company called Meovi. This will be launched in January. It involves no advertisements, but is an online subscription service, with a small monthly fee. Subscribers will have access to my short videotaped answers to dozens of frequently-asked questions and will also be able to ask new questions, which I will be answering in a continual series of new recordings. This service will also include the

live streaming of some of my lectures, seminars and dialogues, and live question and answer sessions.

All the material on my web site will continue to be available free of charge.

The latest triologue with Terence McKenna and Ralph Abraham to go online is on "Morphic Fields and Telepathy Within Family Groups", and is available here:

<http://www.sheldrake.org/Triologues/index.html#morpho>

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>"Request for participation in Psychology dissertation study  
>(University of Northampton) on UFO belief Participants are  
>requested for a Psychology dissertation research study, exploring  
>how our beliefs affect the way we process new information.

>This is a new study which will hopefully develop further  
>understanding in UFO belief, specifically with regard to some  
>UFOs having an extraterrestrial cause. Whether you believe, are  
>sceptical, or are unsure.this study is for you!"

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>Clearly the psychologists wanted three easily-labelled cohorts:  
>'believers' 'skeptics' and waverers. It's also clear that the  
>'investigation' was not at all interested in actual UFO evidence  
>or its credibility.

You just don't get it, do you? This is a survey about attitudes  
to UFO reports, presumably to find out what people do or do not  
believe about them. It's about psychology, not about  
collecting and evaluating evidence about UFOs, although it is of  
course possible that any findings from such studies could be  
used to assess the reliability of UFO witnesses.

There are, of course, some reports which are unexplained, or  
which have no generally agreed explanations, and for which the  
psychological aspects seem unimportant. The study of these is  
obviously (to me, at least) not relevant to a psychological  
study. As the purpose of this study is plainly not to pronounce  
on whether or not some UFOs are - to use a ufological buzz-  
phrase - truly anomalous, I can't see why it should provoke such  
indignation from - how shall I put it? - some not-so-sceptical  
ufologists.

John Harney

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## Check Of Psychological Studies [was: Participation]

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 10 Jan 2012 14:33:01 -0000  
Archived: Tue, 10 Jan 2012 18:46:21 -0500  
Subject: Check Of Psychological Studies [was: Participation]

Hello List,

Having expressed suspicions about that 'investigation', here's some ways you can check any finished product for scientific rigour.

1) the shrinks have selected cohorts of 'believers' and waverers (both can be united as a 'free-thinkers' group) balanced by 'skeptics' (or conformists). Previous research has established that free-thinkers tend to be intelligent, stable/optimist, and readily noticing of unexpected phenomena, whereas conformists tend to be less intelligent, more nervous - shading to paranoia, and relatively blind to unexpected phenomena.

Reference Abstracts - warning: some misleading 'political' labels

Neurocognitive correlates of liberalism and conservatism  
(Observation of unexpected phenomena)

[www.nature.com/neuro/journal/v10/n10/abs/nn1979.html](http://www.nature.com/neuro/journal/v10/n10/abs/nn1979.html)

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Political Attitudes Vary with Physiological Traits (Nervous reactions to sudden noises/threatening images)

[www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/abstract/321/5896/1667](http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/abstract/321/5896/1667)

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Evolutionary psychology and intelligence research

(free-thinkers/night-owls intelligent - conformists less so)

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20455621](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20455621)

2) Experiencers - Although not announced by the researchers, a wider-ranging investigation should detect typical psychological change after CE experience(s). Previous research has found that a psychological profile shift often occurs although the final results differ among individuals. Increases in alertness to anomalous phenomena, in intuitive responses and in imaginative facilities have all been noted. [There is speculation whether this is due to 'strangeness' or exposure to exotic radiation.]

So, if the investigation is wide enough and its results include some or all of the above, all well and good. If not, the investigation will have been partial, maybe even rigged to produce a desired result.

Cheers

Ray D

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## Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 10 Jan 2012 14:34:03 -0400  
Archived: Tue, 10 Jan 2012 18:49:57 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](#)  
>Date: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 23:07:26 +0000  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>Date: Fri, 06 Jan 2012 13:45:42 -0400  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>>Date: Thu, 05 Jan 2012 23:12:14 +0000  
>>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

><snip>

>>>I think any academic attempt to study aspects of ufology are  
>>>worth encouraging.

>>More psycho social babble, Joe. Consider the topic; Psychology  
>>Dissertation Study.

>>Once you posit the belief aspect you are opening the door to the  
>>prospect of all witnesses having a psychotic event each time  
>>they have seem something odd in the sky.

>Only if you think that there is only one explanation to all UFO  
>reports.

>>Let's not forget that we are always dealing with a group of  
>>licensed individuals who are working with a pseudo-science that  
>>has no scientific constant. Catch as catch can is the name of  
>>the game so there is no sense in introducing this subject as a  
>>viable aspect to the phenomenon.

>In this case we appear to be dealing with a student attempting to  
>write a UFO-oriented dissertation.

>>I really don't care what group Andrew is working with. They are  
>>not dealing with hard-core cases; they are attempting to stain  
>>it by intro- ducing a mental aspect to it-regardless who are  
>>reporting, what they are reporting- in what detail they are  
>>reporting and what is backing up the report.

>So you maintain that there are zero cases which have a "mental  
>aspect" to them? I would argue the opposite - all cases have a  
>"mental aspect" to them - whether that aspect is around  
>perception, predisposition, or any number of "mental" processes  
>a witness goes through in an attempt to identify what it is they  
>are observing or experiencing.

>>Any damn fool can find the nut cases out there and lump them in  
>>and poison the whole data pool.

>Ah, so you already know that that is what Andrew is attempting to  
>do? Next time you look into your crystal ball, please can you  
>send me next Friday's winning lottery numbers?

>>And cut the poor-mouthing Joe; your not fooling anyone. If I ever  
>>see anything positive/upbeat come out of your postings, it will be  
>>a day of wonder.

>Perhaps you should review your own input on this List for the  
>last 3 years or more before you criticise me for being  
>"downbeat". When there is something worth being upbeat about,  
>then I will happily post it - like an academic taking an  
>interest in ufology, for example.

>Ufologists often bemoan the lack of academic interest in  
>ufology, then when there is some their reaction hardly  
>encourages further interest.

This appears to me to be more about the people who arrive to the table after dinner has been served and the plates cleared away. Those arriving too late must depend on those who actually dined as to what was served, what it tasted like, how it appeared on the plate and what was actually in evidence. Did those arriving late believe those who were actually there as to taste appearance and content?

My question is; who the hell cares what the late comers believe? It's all about what the early arrivers experienced then the accuracy of their reports to the tardy dinner goers. They passed on their reviews of the meal-anecdotal-or shot pictures of the table. They might have even taken samples for later analysis. Someone poking around in the late comer's heads later on to see what they believed has little meaning to the actual meal-does it? Track down the chef and verify the claims of the on-time guests.

If the shrinks want to go after someone, go after those who actually ate the meal, not some after the fact participator in the after dinner conversation.

By concentrating on the second parties your academics are just muddying the waters and damning the experienter with the lame observations of the second and non-involved parties.

Not very 'scientific' if you ask me.

Psychiatry is not an exact science, nor even close to it. When their first observation is that the actual witness's sighting is all in the mind-part of a belief system-my interest fades.

Seems to me they have plenty on their plates with ordinary old fashioned religion that they could examine. Why mess around with the mind-set of a few interested in the phenomenon?

Don Ledger

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## Seti Past Present And Future

From: **Giuliano Marinkovic** <[giuliano.marinkovic.nul](mailto:giuliano.marinkovic.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 10:01:40 +0100  
Archived: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 13:52:14 -0500  
Subject: Seti Past Present And Future

BBC Audio: Seti, the past, present and future

You can download audio and listen at:

<http://tinyurl.com/7pxuurd>

In the first of two programmes, the BBC's science reporter Jason Palmer, meets the researchers behind Seti, the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence and looks at the prospects for success in the face of funding issues and the sheer size of the task.

He talks to Seti's co-founder Frank Drake as well as its current active researchers, including Seth Shostak, Jill Tartar and Doug Vakoch.

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## Horse Mutilated Near Falmouth UK

From: **Giuliano Marinkovic** <[giuliano.marinkovic.nul](mailto:giuliano.marinkovic.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 10:45:59 +0100  
Archived: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 13:55:27 -0500  
Subject: Horse Mutilated Near Falmouth UK

Horse mutilated near Falmouth in west Cornwall

More at:

Daily Record:

Horse Mutilated And Killed 'In Awful Attack', Say Police

<http://tinyurl.com/7bknw34>

BBC: Mutilated Horse Killed In Stithians Field Attack

<http://tinyurl.com/7n8msa2>

BBC: Cornwall Horse Mutilation Probe Continues

<http://tinyurl.com/7czeu5e>

ITV News - use proxy server outside UK to watch:

Horse Killed In Cornwall

<http://tinyurl.com/7vaxpgy>

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## Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone

From: **Martin Shough** <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 16:32:34 -0000  
Archived: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 16:41:34 -0500  
Subject: Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone

"Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone, Engineer Claims"

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/01/iran-ufo-drone/>

Complete lunacy...

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## Triangle UFO Follows Connecticut Vehicle

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 06:50:30 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 06:50:30 -0500  
Subject: Triangle UFO Follows Connecticut Vehicle

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/82u6aft>

January 6, 2012

Triangle UFO Follows Connecticut Vehicle Along Rural Route 49  
Near Voluntown  
Roger Marsh

A Connecticut witness traveling north on Route 49 through Voluntown and Sterling reports watching a blinking light that appeared to be moving low and fast, moved over the vehicle and followed it while shining a flood light down into the vehicle, according to January 6, 2012, testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The witness was heading home from a family function on a clear night and driving through a rural farming area when the incident occurred.

"As I was driving I noticed what appeared to be an aircraft marker light that was blinking brilliant blue/white similar to a halogen light," the witness stated. "It appeared to be flying low and fast. The light came out of the east just above the horizon and was moving west. It became brighter and changed to more like a flashing flood light when it got overhead. I looked west when it got overhead to see what it was. It did not continue west, but instead followed me overhead and was now lighting up the road around me."

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## Cigar UFO Reported Moving Over Lansing Michigan

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 06:55:03 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 06:55:03 -0500  
Subject: Cigar UFO Reported Moving Over Lansing Michigan

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/6tfhv4u>

January 7, 2012

Cigar UFO Reported Moving Over Lansing, Michigan  
Roger Marsh

A Lansing, MI, witness driving east on Michigan Avenue reports watching a cigar-shaped object with no visible lights, tail, wings or contrail, according to January 7, 2012, testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The witness was looking through the front windshield and first noticed a "reflective object in the sky".

"I continued to watch the object as it was heading northwest coming from a southeast direction," the witness stated. "I turned north onto Waverly Road and continued to watch the object, realizing that it had no lights, wings, tail, no chem trail or sound and did not waiver from its path."

The witness described the object.

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## What Are The Mt. Bisbino OVNI Lights?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:00:28 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:00:28 -0500  
Subject: What Are The Mt. Bisbino OVNI Lights?

Source: Gather.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/6tnmxkx>

January 9, 2012

What Are The Mt. Bisbino OVNI Lights?

In the latest UFO news, a video was taken of strange lights over Mt. Bisbino, Italy on January 7, 2012. What are they?

What makes this video unique is the time of day, just before sunset. That means the sky is bright enough to make the unidentified flying objects more visible. And more chilling.

Although the videographer fiddles with the focus a bit too much, it's readily obvious that the multiple objects are not moving like any known aircraft. But it's how they behave aerodynamically which is the most confounding.

In the background of the cloudless sky there is a puff of vapor, behind from which at least two UFOs emerge and fly crazily about. As the video goes in and out of focus, the objects split up and one disappears suddenly. The other then seems to split in two, with four lights shining brightly.

Then, just as instantly as they appeared, the objects disappear from sight. Did they go back inside the cloud? It's a really weird sight.

Here's the video of this latest UFO news:

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## UK Couple Baffled By 'UFO' Sighting

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:05:35 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:05:35 -0500  
Subject: UK Couple Baffled By 'UFO' Sighting

Source: [HarwichAndManningtreeStandard.co.uk](http://HarwichAndManningtreeStandard.co.uk)

<http://tinyurl.com/7za9nzf>

January 9, 2012

Braintree: Couple Baffled By 'UFO' Sighting

A couple believe they saw a UFO on their way home from work.

The pair had been driving along a country lane when they spotted a beam of light in the sky in the Cressing area.

The couple, who wanted to remain anonymous, said: "We came off the main road and were heading home towards Notley when we both saw a UFO in the sky.

It appeared to be round in shape and although it was high up, you could just about make out the shape.

But what caught our attention was the fact that it had a huge bright white beam of light coming from it.

It wasn't beaming down or in front, but straight up into the sky.

"We were so surprised by what we were seeing, we stopped the car to concentrate on it."

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## Gigantic OVNI Chased over Mexico City

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:09:11 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:09:11 -0500  
Subject: Gigantic OVNI Chased over Mexico City

Source: Gather.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/6ns0fpb>

January 09, 2012

Gigantic OVNI Chased over Mexico City  
by Tom Rose

In the latest UFO news, a spectacular video taken over Mexico City shows a gigantic, circular OVNI hovering in the air. It's brilliantly lit and, for the first part of the video, seems to be spinning in the classic "Close Encounters" style.

The video edits jump to a later frame, which shows the lights have gone out, except for one, and what look like airplanes or helicopters buzzing by for a closer look at the unidentified flying object.

The video is taken out the window of a high-rise building which gives a wide open view of the nighttime scene. It's too bad the whole sequence isn't shown, because it's kind of mysterious why the main part of the UFO appears to disappear.

What is this thing which is making UFO news all around the web? Why are aircraft buzzing around it? Is the government hiding something?

Here's the video:

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## UFO Sightings Skyrocket Into 2012

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:22:38 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:22:38 -0500  
Subject: UFO Sightings Skyrocket Into 2012

Source: HuffingtonPost.com

<http://tinyurl.com/6tatwz8>

January 10 2012

UFO Sightings Skyrocket Into 2012  
Lee Spiegel

During the first week of 2012, UFO reports streamed in from around the world as numerous eyewitnesses described and videotaped strange things in the sky.

Whether they were balloons, conventional aircraft or misidentified astronomical objects, the new year of UFO sightings is off and running as the worldwide proliferation of digital video cameras and phone cams makes it easier than ever to photograph unusual sights in the sky above us.

The Colorado-based Mutual UFO Network, the largest UFO investigative organization in the world, received many reports of UFOs during the first week of the year from eyewitnesses in 36 out of 50 states.

The 14 states that haven't reported in so far are Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Hawaii, Maine, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming -- but the year is young.

What's This Object That Slowly Fell Out Of The Sky In Japan?

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## Life On Seafloor Predicts Life On Other Worlds?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:26:20 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:26:20 -0500  
Subject: Life On Seafloor Predicts Life On Other Worlds?

Source: UniverseToday.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/85tmka6>

January 10, 2012

Does Life On The Seafloor Predict Life On Other Worlds?  
by Amy Shira Teitel

Scientists have recently discovered communities of previously unknown species living on the seafloor near Antarctica clustered around hydrothermal vents. This discovery is certainly exciting for biologists, but it's also important for astrobiologists. It begs the question: if life can thrive in the deep, dark oceans without sunlight, could similar life thrive elsewhere in our solar system or the universe?

For decades, scientists assumed the deep oceans were barren; sunlight can't reach the ocean floor, making it an impossible environment for life as we know it to arise. But in 1977, oceanographers from the Scripps Institute discovered hydrothermal vents.

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## Clouds 'Hole-Punched' Over Taiwan

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:31:33 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:31:33 -0500  
Subject: Clouds 'Hole-Punched' Over Taiwan

Source: CNN.Com

<http://ireport.cnn.com/docs/DOC-729071>

January 10, 2012

UFO Or Secret Weapon Over Taiwan?  
By tcoolidge - Tainan, Taiwan

[Video]

This morning, Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 11:00 am local time, people in Tainan City, Taiwan, a city of 850,000 residents, witnessed a seemingly unnatural phenomenon over their city.

The morning was lightly overcast, with a layer of high-altitude clouds blanketing the sky. Sometime between 10:15 am and 11:00 am local time, a large sphere materialized.

More accurately, the clouds were vaporized, leaving a perfect spherical hole measuring at least 6 km in diameter. The sighting left many people wondering about its cause.

Was it a UFO? Was it the testing of a secret weapon resembling HAARP? (If so, be on alert for a serious earthquake soon.) Was it something naturally-occurring? The shape seemed too large and perfectly spherical to be natural. It appeared that the clouds were vaporized by some heat or energy source.

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## Boise's Link To The UFO World

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:34:52 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:34:52 -0500  
Subject: Boise's Link To The UFO World

Source: BoiseWeekly.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/73gqnpm>

Tue, Jan 10, 2012

Boise's Link To The UFO World  
by Andrew Crisp

It was June 24, 1947. Boise businessman and pilot Kenneth Arnold was circling the skies above Washington. He was looking for the downed wreckage of a military plane and perhaps the government's \$5,000 reward for finding the site.

"A bright light lit up the surface before his airplane," his daughter Kim Arnold told Boise Weekly. "It was so bright, it was like a welder's arc."

In an interview with a Pendleton, Ore., reporter, Kenneth Arnold described nine bright-blue flying objects. He would describe them as like saucers skipping across water. When the story went to press the next day, the term "flying saucer" was born—creating skeptics and supporters alike.

"They do exist and they are out there, and so many people have validated their existence," she said. "They've been here since mankind has been here. [My father] just happened to be the man to give 'em a name."

Whether you buy the story or not, Arnold launched the "modern UFO movement," according to his daughter, the 57-year-old president of SAUCERS Inc. On Monday, Jan. 16, she will talk about her father's legacy on Coast to Coast with George Noory and at the annual Women's UFO Symposium in Glen Rose, Texas, in May.

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## Flying Humanoids Compilation

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Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:38:01 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:38:01 -0500  
Subject: Flying Humanoids Compilation

Source: Kithra.Com

<http://www.kithra.com/flyinghumanoids.html>

January 2012

### Flying Humanoids

Stories of Flying Humanoids have been around for an extremely long time, but we have to start somewhere, so I've chosen just a few of the more well-known cases, starting from the middle of the 19th Century. But, of course, if you use Google you'll find a great many more.

1843

This account comes from Quebec, Canada, and is dated as having been the 3rd October. A farmer was said to have seen 3 men flying over Warwick. They were described as being completely white in colour and were flying beneath an unidentified craft. It was raining when the farmer, working in the fields, heard a rumbling sound which he ignored at first. After a while the skies cleared and he looked up to see these men, who appeared to be quite stationary, at about tree-top level. After which they simply drifted out of sight.

1877

On 15th May, 1877, what was described as a flying humanoid was seen in Aldershot, Hampshire, UK. It was wearing tight-fitting clothes and a shiny helmet. Flying over the heads of 2 soldiers on sentry duty they fired on it, but to no effect. Allegedly the humanoid stunned both of them with what they described as blue fire!

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## Re: Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone

From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 01:45:01 -0400  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:40:03 -0500  
Subject: Re: Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone

>From: Martin Shough <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Wed, 11 Jan 2012 16:32:34 -0000  
>Subject: Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone  
  
>"Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone, Engineer Claims"  
><http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/01/iran-ufo-drone/>  
>Complete lunacy...

Absolutely, Martin.

Don Ledger

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## Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 11:29:51 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:42:20 -0500  
Subject: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

Looking back through history you can see the PTB \_always\_ clinging to out-of-date but 'comfortable' views of the universe - like saying the Earth is only 6,000 years old when the geology clearly indicated otherwise.

Yesterday I was struck by a curiously low BBC estimate of the number of stars in the Milky Way - so today looked up the same story on Al-Jaz and it's still way too low:

[www.aljazeera.com/news/europe/2012/01/201211201855732166.html](http://www.aljazeera.com/news/europe/2012/01/201211201855732166.html)

More Planets Than Stars Found In Milky Way

"We used to think that Earth might be unique in our galaxy," said Daniel Kubas, a professor at the Institute of Astrophysics in Paris, and a co-leader of the study. Now it seems that there are literally billions of planets with masses similar to Earth orbiting stars in the Milky Way."

Now here's what I remembered from a few years ago:

[www.astronomycafe.net/gadir/g76.html](http://www.astronomycafe.net/gadir/g76.html)

"to find out how many stars [in the Milky Way] you have to divide by the average mass of a star ...say 0.3 solar masses, to get an estimate for the number of stars which is well into the trillions!"

Which seems to mean there are (several?) trillion planets in the Milky Way - is that too scary for some folk?

Cheers

Ray D

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## Re: What Are The Mt. Bisbino OVNI Lights?

From: **Geoff Blackmore** <[geoff\\_184.nul](mailto:geoff_184.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 01:17:07 +1300  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 07:44:01 -0500  
Subject: Re: What Are The Mt. Bisbino OVNI Lights?

><http://tinyurl.com/6tnmxkx>

At the 35 second mark, if you look closely, you will see the lights suddenly, and simultaneously, shift in relation to the other content, as if they were 'bumped'. My guess would be that the video is looking out through a window or glass door, and the lights are reflections being shone on the glass from inside the building. Maybe whoever was holding the lights bumped into a table or something at the 35 second mark?

Geoff

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## Raritan Township UFO Encounter Group Meet

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 08:19:46 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 08:19:46 -0500  
Subject: Raritan Township UFO Encounter Group Meet

Source: NJ.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/82h3x24>

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

UFO Encounter Group To Meet Jan. 20 In Raritan Township  
By Hunterdon County Democrat Hunterdon County Democrat

In 1995 the Hunterdon County UFO Encounter Group was formed, facilitated by Sally Miller in response to UFO abduction confessions by one of her Frenchtown Commons neighbor. The group attracted UFO sighters, abductees, and investigators of and authors about the alien phenomenon. Meetings ended when Miller was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 1996.

The UFO-Encounter Group is again meeting after seventeen years. Facilitated by Miller, now director of Boxelder Basin Wellness Retreat in Raritan Township, this first meeting in 2012 is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 20, at 8 p.m., at the center on Johanna Farms Road. Doors will open at 7:30 for light refreshments and mingling. All are welcome to the initial formational meeting.

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## 10 Billion Planets Could Support Life?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 08:29:37 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 08:29:37 -0500  
Subject: 10 Billion Planets Could Support Life?

Source: TheStar.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7lxlu9c>

Wed Jan 11 2012

How Many Planets In The Milky Way Could Support Life? How About 10 Billion?

Kate Allen - Staff Reporter

For his 70th birthday last Sunday, physicist Stephen Hawking wished that humans would hurry up and colonize new worlds in outer space.

Happy birthday, Stephen: that just got a lot more likely.

According to new research published Thursday in the journal Nature, there are billions of planets in the Milky Way that could support life.

"People have been speculating for hundreds of years: Are planets like the Earth the rule, rather than the exception?" says Uffe Graae J=F8rgensen, a study author and an astrophysicist with the Niels Bohr Institute in Copenhagen.

"Now, for the first time, we have a statistically robust number."

One in 10 stars has an Earth-like planet in the "habitable" orbit range, in which water could exist, according to the study, which was conducted by an international research team.

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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## Re: Boise's Link To The UFO World [Corrected URL]

From: **Martin Shough** <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 16:11:14 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 12:17:52 -0500  
Subject: Re: Boise's Link To The UFO World [Corrected URL]

>Source: BoiseWeekly.Com

><http://ireport.cnn.com/docs/DOC-729071>

>Tue, Jan 10, 2012

This link goes to the Taiwan hole-punch cloud story.

MS

[Thanks Martin... corrected link --ebk]:

<http://tinyurl.com/73ggnpm>

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## LIFE Module/GRUNT Update From The Planetary Society

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 22:04:08 +0000  
Archived: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 08:19:42 -0500  
Subject: LIFE Module/GRUNT Update From The Planetary Society

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Dear Kathy Kasten,

First of all, thank you for supporting our Living Interplanetary Flight Experiment (LIFE). It was and is a remarkable idea for testing the viability of Earth-borne living things in the cold, zero-g, and radiation-filled environment of deep space.

As you probably know, the Zenit-2SB rocket took the Phobos-Grunt spacecraft into Earth orbit successfully but has remained in a low orbit there. The system built to take the spacecraft toward Mars has failed.

Neither the Russian nor any other space agency has been able to establish useful communication and send the Phobos-Grunt spacecraft with our LIFE biomodule on its way to Mars' moon Phobos

Our most likely outcome is that most of the spacecraft will explode high in the atmosphere. Its fuel is in aluminum tanks, which are expected to literally burn up at high altitude. Any debris from such a burst will probably flutter to the Earth's surface somewhere at sea, as most of our planet's area is covered in water.

There is a possibility that some portion of the spacecraft will come down on dry land, where parts of it may be recovered. Our biomodule is quite durable and was designed for an even faster reentry speed than what it will have in the coming days reentering from a low-Earth orbit.

If we can manage to get our LIFE biomodule back from space, you can count on our doing a thorough analysis of the module itself as well as our microorganism passengers. We may learn something surprising.

We will know more in just a few days. Please follow our updates on our blog.

It's another unexpected event in space exploration, always a risky business. Rest assured that The Planetary Society will continue to press forward and seek answers to those deep questions: Where did we come from, and are we alone?

Thank you again for your continued support.

Bill Nye  
CEO, The Planetary Society

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## Re: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

From: David Rudiak <[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 14:16:51 -0800  
Archived: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 08:21:43 -0500  
Subject: Re: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

>From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 11:29:51 -0000  
>Subject: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

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>"to find out how many stars [in the Milky Way] you have to  
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>get an estimate for the number of stars which is well into the  
>trillions!"

>Which seems to mean there are (several?) trillion planets in the  
>Milky Way - is that too scary for some folk?

Continuing with the numbers game and using very, very  
conservative estimates, if Earth were even a one-in-a-billion  
Goldilocks, "just-right" planet in terms of right-type sun,  
mass, element composition, distance from star, etc., etc., such  
that intelligent life and civilizations could evolve like on  
Earth, there would still be several thousand "Earths" out there  
in the Milky Way alone.

A more reasonable and less conservative estimate would be  
"one-in-a-million", in which case the number of "Earths" could  
number in the millions.

This also fails to take into account the very distinct  
possibility of interstellar migration and colonization by some  
civilizations much older and more advanced than ourselves, in  
which case the number of populated planets could easily run into  
the billions.

I remember having these exact same arguments on Usenet 15 years  
ago, when the debunkers were then claiming that there was no  
conclusive evidence of extrasolar planets, therefore they must  
not exist, therefore Earth must be unique and alien spacecraft  
impossible.

It's a really dumb argument, a classic "absence of evidence is  
evidence of absence" line of illogic.

David Rudiak

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## Re: Sheldrake's 'The Science Delusion'

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 22:55:36 +0000  
Archived: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 08:25:12 -0500  
Subject: Re: Sheldrake's 'The Science Delusion'

>From: Dave Haith <[visions1.nul](mailto:visions1.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Mon, 9 Jan 2012 11:34:55 -0000  
>Subject: Sheldrake's 'The Science Delusion'

>Scientist Rupert Sheldrake currently has a series running in the  
>Daily Mail - here's the first instalment from a couple of days  
>ago - I believe there's another today.

><http://tinyurl.com/855udk7>

>And here's a News Release from Rupert Sheldrake Online:

<snip>

I want to thank Dave Haith for the link to Sheldrake's  
Dialogues.

I have been listening to Ralph Abraham, Terence McKenna and  
Rupert discuss the Crop Circle phenomena. My, my, what can pop  
up if the science community decides to look into so called  
fringe subjects.

Not only were the discussions truly interesting and engaging but  
I sure as hell miss Terence McKenna's sense of humor. When he  
decides not to take himself, or anyone else, seriously he is  
very funny. What a fearless guy. Truly a representative of what  
a scientist should and could be.

KK

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## Re: Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 22:59:43 +0000  
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>>"Iran's Flying Saucer Downed U.S. Drone, Engineer Claims"

>><http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/01/iran-ufo-drone/>

>>Complete lunacy...

>Absolutely, Martin.  
>

>Don Ledger

Dear List:

I see the Iranian attempt to provide disinformation regarding how, and even if, they brought down a U.S. drone.

Sounds like the usual cover used in the U.S.: 'Oh, of course, it was just another UFO. Nothing to concern yourselves with; nothing to see here.'

Maybe, the Iranian military intelligence in time will get as sophisticated as the rest of the world at obscuring what really happened.

KK

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Subject: Greek UFO Sightings

Source: [UnMyst3.Blogspot.Com](http://UnMyst3.Blogspot.Com)

<http://unmyst3.blogspot.com/2011/12/greece-ufo-sightings.html>

Dec 30 2011

Greece UFO Sightings  
By Tripabit

The Greek government finally revealed a case of UFO sightings that occurred on November 11, 2007. The incident started when the pilot of Olympic Airways 266 departed from Athens to London reported an unidentified flying object (UFO). Other pilots of flight 730 and 770 confirm the same unidentified object. The sightings also detected by the radar of Athen Airport and the object seemed headed to Karystos, a small town on the island of Euboea, Greece. Unfortunately, the mysterious object has disappeared before two F-16 fighter planes that assigned to intercepted it arrive at the destination. On February 2009, document on this subject disclosed to the public, including records of communication between the pilot and the airport officials

Eyewitnesses describe that the UFO was similar with a big star moves erratically and the shape always changes. Beside the pilot, there was two passengers that also saw the mysterious object.

A spokesman for Olympic Airlines confirm the incident and the Greece authorized officials said it was not detected on any radar. They concluded that the object is probably Planet Venus on the autumn night.

However, later the Greek military confirm that their radar station at the top of Parintha mountains near Athens detected an object moving with extraordinary speed and does not matched with description of any other plane on earth. The staff at the radar station also said that the UFO is very large, it has unusual shape and very bright.

Actually the incident on 2007 was not the first UFO sightings reported by the pilot and aircraft passenger in Greece. A documents issued by the Ministry of Defence last year mentioned that a plane of Alitalia Airlines almost failed to land at Heathrow airport on 1991.

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Source: Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/6pykqg6>

Thursday, January 12, 2012

For UFOs So Loved The World...  
by Billy Cox

Last week UFO investigator Alejandro Rojas spliced together a Great Taboo year-in-review roundup of celebrity quotes, tweets and vids. It was a substantial list with disparate takes from the likes of George Clooney ("Now that every single human being on earth has a camera phone, where are all those UFO pictures?"), Sigourney Weaver ("I think there's a department in our government which is exclusively dedicated to quashing reports about aliens"), and Christie Brinkley ("=97 and then all of a sudden all four lights shot over the mountain to the other side of Crete!").

Rojas hoped this informal sanction by the glitterati might signal the beginning of an evolutionary societal shift. "Even though celebrities are known for being wild and crazy, even this rowdy bunch has seemed reticent to talk about UFOs in the past," he wrote. "Those days seem to be over, and I say good riddance."

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Subject: Anecdotal Testimony & Scientific Observation

Source: Kevin Randle's A Different Perspective

<http://tinyurl.com/7a5wcjf>

Thursday, January 12, 2012

Anecdotal Testimony And Scientific Observation  
Kevin Randle

Here is a question that will become increasingly important in the coming years. When does anecdotal testimony become scientific observation? Or conversely, when does scientific observation deteriorate into anecdotal testimony?

We have been gathering data in the UFO field for decades (I'm not sure when a real effort began because we have divided everything into periods... The Great Airship of 1897, the Foo Fighters of WW II and the Ghost Rockets in Europe in 1946.) During some of those periods serious scientific investigations were attempted. The Foo Fighters were of intelligence interest during the war and were taken quite seriously by the military according to the good work done by Keith Chester. The Ghost Rockets were investigated by Lieutenant General Jimmy Doolittle in 1946, and the Air Force began a serious look at UFOs in 1948.

We have seen, in scientific enquiry where what would be considered in our world as anecdotal testimony has become scientific observation. Back in 1803, French naturalist, Jean-Bastiste Biot undertook a study of rocks that had fallen from the sky. The French Academy of Sciences, just the year before, had suggested that there were no rocks in the sky.

Here's what is significant today.

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UFO Sightings On The Rise?

LAKE MARY, Fla. (WOFL FOX 35) - The National UFO Reporting Center (NUFORC) says more than 1,000 new reports of UFO sightings have been received since October 25, 2011.

A large number of reports have flooded in just this year, with increased sightings in 36 of the 50 states. Over a hundred sightings were logged by NUFORC on New Year's Eve with 13 sightings reported in Florida.

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Subject: Cigar UFO Moved 50 Feet Over Vehicle

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/8xlrjxp>

January 12, 2012

Cigar UFO Moved Over Deland, Florida Vehicle At 50 Feet  
Roger Marsh

A DeLand, FL, witness driving east along SR 44 reports a cigar-shaped object moved over the vehicle just 50 feet above the highway and appeared to be landing nearby on January 12, 2012, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The witness had just increased the vehicle's speed to 70 mph.

"This object flew right over the driver's side of the car," the witness stated. "Less than 50 feet off the ground . It was moving about 80 mph."

The witness described the object.

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I think you mean "uninterested", Joe. The list of things that  
"a large proportion of society [is] totally uninterested in" is  
immense. Why not study them? Such broader uninterest also  
characterizes just about everything that happens to interest me,  
quite aside from anomalistics (oh, excuse me, "the paranormal").

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>on.

My original point - about the use of the ideologically loaded  
word "belief" to characterize all sympathetic views of UFOs (and  
by implication other anomalies) - remains. In fact, the  
paragraph above, which never mentions "evidence" but focuses on  
irrational and nonrational factors, neatly underscores my point.

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>which is why I don't understand the apparent revulsion and/or  
>suspicion expressed by the three of you.

Curious. I on the other hand have no trouble whatever  
understanding why you would favor a study focusing not on  
reading of evidence but on embracing of "belief."

I hadn't planned to participate in this discussion beyond a  
couple of short initial postings, but the appearance of my name

here draws me in, I hope for the last time. This subject seems to have beaten itself to death. Since everybody has expressed his or her opinion (excuse me, "belief"), maybe now it's time to move on.

Jerry Clark

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They hacked into the control signals and brought the UAV in for a landing, apparently. Probably overrode some commands that made it imperative that the UAV land itself. They are autonomous for the most part and are programmed before the mission as to route, destination and altitude, etc. Bombing and live fire is carried out by the operators back in their bunkers in Arizona. The captured UAV is in pristine shape and likely is being analyzed by the Iranians. Expect copies in the next few years and limited deployment.

BTW-the bandwidth required to operate these things is very large and limits operations to some extent as the satellite feeds to the UAVs (plus some ground-based transmissions in the cases of limited range border security drones) is strained. Signal is channeled through ground-based transmitter/receivers, satellites, loitering aircraft in friendly territory and benign drones in safe territory.

Recent releases by the USAF/USN/US Army indicate they need more satellite comm to control their UAVs. One current UAV utilizes half the bandwidth (approx. 500Gbs) of the total bandwidth employed by the US Armed forces during Desert Storm in one day. UAVs are not flown un-neccesarily and like the limited amount of

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B-2 (19) and the pretty much grounded F-117As precludes sightings of same as possible culprits for UFO reports.

Lots of Chinese lanterns however.

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Revulsion?

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buy into the psychology based ideology-as if they really bring  
anything to the table in any field let alone the UFO phenomenon.

Your second mistake is associating the wild-eyed fringe with  
those of us who have been around this field for so many years  
then blithely inform me there is a lot of evidence to support  
the study of fairies and trolls-or whatever. But the movies tend

to support wild-eyed (ghosts, demonic possession, vampires) TV series with trolls, etc. so you are on safe ground where the movie (TV) going numbers support you.

I really don't care about interest levels. Much of what I see regarding interest is those who buy into every nocturnal light that flies by. Am I jaded? Yes.

But as to your question re the questionnaire; why should I waste time on some study by a researcher who is still wet behind the ears and is coming at the phenomenon with the same tired old "all in their minds" premise?

It is not science based if it's coming from the field of psychology; simple as that.

Take from that what you will and 'believe' what you chose to 'believe', Joe.

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>>From: Don Ledger<[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>Date: Tue, 10 Jan 2012 14:34:03 -0400  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>>From: Joe McGonagle<[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>>Date: Sun, 08 Jan 2012 23:07:26 +0000  
>>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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>suspicion expressed by the three of you.

No one has mentioned an apparent methodological issue that  
should hamper interpretation of the results. That is, the  
respondents to the questionnaire are self-selected. The research  
will only be able to evaluate intercorrelations among the  
questionnaire items (e.g., via factor analysis), and these may  
be biased by unknown characteristics of the sample set.

Stratified random sampling of the population would average over  
those unknown characteristics given a large enough sample size.  
Without that, it will be impossible to tell how the responses  
to the questionnaire measure up to those of the general  
population or any particular subset.

The suggestion that the study may be repeated to evaluate  
changes in responses over time, etc. is particularly  
problematic, since there would be no guarantee that the  
population sampled is the same from one study to the next.

There may be some cause for the expressed concerns, since  
methodologically bad research is often used to justify  
unwarranted conclusions, especially by the press.

William

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## Yugoslavian Space Programme Trailer

From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 21:44:38 +0000  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:03:51 -0500  
Subject: Yugoslavian Space Programme Trailer

It looks interesting. According to the clip, Yugoslavia initiated its own secret space programme in 1948 and by late 1960 the Yugoslavs had operational space-flight technology. The entire Yugoslavian space programme was secretly bought out by the US Government in March 1961, and in May of that year was Kennedy's announcement that the US intended to send a man to the moon.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EfJiNPZ38kY>

Joe

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From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
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Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:04:55 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 14:56:43 -0400  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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>Take from that what you will and 'believe' what you chose to  
>'believe', Joe.

I believe that some people's minds are very closed....

Regards,

Joe

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From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 17:01:06 -0500  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:06:03 -0500  
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>It is not science based if it's coming from the field of  
>psychology; simple as that.

Don, I can't let such a blanket statement go by unchallenged. You must have a very simple-minded understanding of the field of psychology. Some of the research, for example in the study of perception and cognition, use as rigorous a methodology as you'll find in physics. Other areas, such as social psychology, deal with systems where there is a great deal more uncertainty, but the methodology is still scientific. There are theories followed by experiments to test them.

Perhaps your understanding of psychology is limited to clinical psychology where theorizing is more loosey-goosey and harder to support with experiments. Yet even here there are impressive theoretical frameworks that accommodate and 'explain' otherwise disparate observations of human behavior.

You would do better to criticize the present study on the basis of the methodology employed rather than the field with which it is associated. For example, ask what is the theoretical rationale for the study. If there is none, then ask what is the justification for throwing together this particular questionnaire?

If you know the theoretical rationale, then you would also know the nature of the conclusion that will be drawn, even before the data is collected. The difficulty here is that the experimenter might be concerned about biasing the data if the theoretical rationale were known by respondents beforehand. But one should certainly expect it to appear in a report on the research.

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## Re: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 22:03:38 -0000  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:08:29 -0500  
Subject: Re: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

>From: David Rudiak <[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Thu, 12 Jan 2012 14:16:51 -0800  
>Subject: Re: Is Galactic Reality Too Scary For The PTB?

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>A more reasonable and less conservative estimate would be  
>"one-in-a-million", in which case the number of "Earths" could  
>number in the millions.

>This also fails to take into account the very distinct  
>possibility of interstellar migration and colonization by some  
>civilizations much older and more advanced than ourselves, in  
>which case the number of populated planets could easily run into  
>the billions.

<snip>

Right David, and when we consider that the `experts' definitions of life-capability and habitable zones were based on being above the freezing-point and below the boiling point of water - which they took to be the universal solvent for life, we can see how events have both disproved their conclusions and immeasurably widened the horizons for life in the universe (even only Earth-type life):

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-16493787>

Cayman vents are world's hottest

"The vents' features suggest the water is warmer than 450C - hot enough to melt lead.

Nevertheless, the springs are teeming with new species including a type of pale shrimp with a light sensing organ on its back."

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"The greenhouse effect is one of the things that made life on Earth possible; without carbon dioxide, Earth would be a frozen lump of ice" - Profs. Jack Cohen & Ian Stewart - 2002

Cheers

Ray D

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Hello Joe,

Your wish for a wide-ranging and informative check of 'interest, knowledge and representation in the population' does you credit and is entirely admirable.

Calmly looking at the proposal let's see if they plan to a) use a true cross-section of the population; b) impartially check interest, knowledge and conclusions about UFOs in the population:

"Participants are requested for a Psychology dissertation research study, exploring how our beliefs affect the way we process new information.

This is a new study which will hopefully develop further understanding in UFO belief, specifically with regard to some UFOs having an extraterrestrial cause. Whether you believe, are sceptical, or are unsure. this study is for you!" -

We can see that the answer is "NO" to both questions.

a) they could more reasonably have divided the population into i) informed pro-UFO folk; ii) un-informed pro-UFOers (believers); iii) informed skeptics (debunkers), iv) un-informed skeptics (disbelievers). Instead they've chosen to class all who've formed a pro-UFO conclusion as 'believers' (perhaps hinting at an assumption that "UFOs don't exist"); that's an agenda to label all pro-UFO folk regardless of the source of their conclusions.

b) they only intend to "explore how our beliefs affect the way we process new information". Therefore, given that they have purposely mis-labelled half of the pro-UFO cohorts as 'believers' (see above), you can only expect further misrepresentation from any testing under that protocol.

If they continue with that plan then, using my 'test' for outcomes -

<http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2012/jan/m10-001.shtml>

I suggest we will see only a skewed and uninformative set of partial results lending itself (purposely?) to media misrepresentation.

Cheers

Ray D

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From: Eleanor White <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 18:50:52 -0500  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:12:30 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

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>suspicion expressed by the three of you.

As a 16-year activist working to expose and stop another deemed-  
by-psychologists/psychiatrists as an "all in the head"  
phenomenon (organized stalking and electronic harassment,  
OS/EH,) I really understand Don's and others' reluctance  
regarding a study about beliefs. Really under-stand.

My thoughts on such a study as suggested by Joe above are that  
it could be done in such a way that it might not discredit the  
hard work of serious UFO researchers.

First - there must be zero association with either psychology  
or psychiatry. Psychologists and psychiatrists have been  
damning our members for years with the same crap, that if you  
report harassment by more than one perpetrator, you are mentally  
ill. They are toxic to truth, period, and they themselves  
have earned that status with their own behaviour. No one has  
unfairly labelled them.

Second - if such a survey were done by a commercial polling  
company, that would demonstrate distance from serious UFO  
research, and psychologists/psychiatrists as well.

Periodic commercial polls could well provide data of interest, I  
suggest, without harming ufology in the public's eye.

There may be some academic arenas where such surveys would not  
be harm credibility - a faculty of journalism, for example.  
Sociology? Not so sure. Astronomy would be a good host  
discipline for such surveys, and with all these Earth-like-  
planet statistics popping up, astronomy faculties might be more  
inclined to look favourably on such surveys than in the past.

So I think there are ways to get the data of interest without  
being all that harmful to serious UFO research.

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## A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

From: **Eleanor White** <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 19:03:24 -0500  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 05:17:01 -0500  
Subject: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

First: Thumbing through an old encyclopedia, printed in 1986, I found this entry:

"Viking Mission: Exploration of Mars by two U.S. space-craft landing in the summer of 1976. The mission included experiments to search for evidence of life."

Does anyone on this List know how those evidence for life experiments turned out?

I ask because sometimes, older information hasn't been as censored as more recent, particularly when the topic is sensitive.

Second: Nick Balaskas might be interested in this.

I came across this link showing one of those circular 'punch hole' openings in a solid overcast, at this link:

<http://englishrussia.com/2006/10/25/tornado-in-moscow>

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From: Dave Haith <[visionsl.nul](mailto:visionsl.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 10:26:37 -0000  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 06:09:38 -0500  
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Sorry to snip everything so far in this long running debate but I thought it might throw some light on the topic if I tell you that I wrote to Andrew Hodrien when this first surfaced on this List.

I didn't name the List or the debaters but gave him some idea and a couple of quotes to illustrate the nature of the concerns.

I received an e-mail back from Hodrien in which he offered an explanation of the survey and he promised to send me the questionnaire. I immediately wrote back asking for permission to post his remarks on this group.

That was a week ago and no response or questionnaire so yesterday I wrote again but still no response.

So I've decided to post his e-mail anyway - there's nothing in it I'm sure that he wouldn't want everybody to know.

I doubt that it will settle anything but might shed some light...

(The sarcastic comment he refers to is Jerry's original remark about the word 'belief')

Here's his e-mail:

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Hi Dave,

Thank you for alerting me to this issue, which is - yes, sadly a misinterpretation. I say sadly, because I hadn't expected the details on the original advertisement to be misinterpreted and am now concerned this could happen for others. However, it is important for me to be aware of such issues in the research process. Unfortunately, as the study has already begun I think I'm unable to change the advertisement (unless there is a subtle adjustment I'm allowed to make).

I shall explain in the best way possible, but hope you can appreciate I can't tell you too much, otherwise you would be unable to take part (whilst there is no deceit as such, we have to control for participants knowledge on the expectations of the study - ironically this appears to be the current issue, but with the person having false expectations of the study).

The study itself isn't considering anything to do with the validity (or non-validity) of UFO experiences, it is literally about the nature of beliefs, but (and perhaps this is where the issue arises from) this also includes scepticism as part of that term. It is only psychological in the sense that it is about beliefs, but it is not attempting to say anything about the nature of UFOs. Also, if the sarcastic comment was read

literally, it is the type of criticism from debunkers of the UFO phenomenon (not true sceptics) used to challenge believers unfairly. This is something I am attempting to tackle, particularly in the discussion of my dissertation.

It is a shame that from a participant's perspective they will most probably only get to see the study itself, and not the wider discussion it forms part of (however, I have had some requests from individuals to read about it after completion).

I am actually more aware than most, about how the previous bias in psychological research towards explaining away paranormal or ufology-related phenomena, can put people off taking part in such studies.

Without revealing my own views, I can assure you that my research is not following this tradition. However, I'm sure you can appreciate that in terms of the results of the study, to a certain degree I have to interpret them fairly (however they go). But, as mentioned already, they form part of a wider discussion about beliefs and scepticism. I did attempt to make my study explicitly mention that it is being conducted from a 'neutral' position, but encountered some issues with doing that. On a personal note, if you need anymore assurance, perhaps knowing that I have studied the UFO phenomenon for around 20 years, and have studied psychology for the last 5 years, which puts me in a relatively rare position in psychology.

Sorry for the long e-mail, this is just something I am passionate about, ufology and conducting research properly. I'd like to (if possible) correct any misinterpretations a person could have about the study (regarding its intentions) and therefore not participate, but more importantly avoid a person automatically thinking this study is imposing a view of UFOs having no validity.

Hope the above helps resolve this but please let me know if you have any other questions about it (that I can answer without stopping your participation! - of course I'm happy to discuss anything after the study too).

Would you mind letting me know the group where these issues have been raised? Is it posted on a specific forum or is it an e-mail List discussion? Unfortunately I'm extremely busy at the moment but want to try and clear this up as soon as possible. Based on this, if you are happy to take part let me know and I will provide you with the details (don't forget, you won't actually provide consent until after you have read some more study details in the survey and people can withdraw if they wish to).

Best regards,

Andrew Hodrien

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The drooping whisps of cloud are commonplace, in fact they will  
\_always\_ occur at some stage of the formation of the hole,  
because they are ice crystals falling out of the the cloud to  
\_create\_ the hole. They are called virga, or "fall streaks". If  
you google images for "hole punch cloud" you will see thousands  
of them.

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## Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

From: Terry W. Colvin <[fortean1.nul](mailto:fortean1.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 18:03:03 +0700 (GMT+07:00)  
Archived: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 06:17:52 -0500  
Subject: Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>From: Eleanor White <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 19:03:24 -0500  
>Subject: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>First: Thumbing through an old encyclopedia, printed in 1986, I  
>found this entry:

>"Viking Mission: Exploration of Mars by two U.S. space-craft  
>landing in the summer of 1976. The mission included experiments  
>to search for evidence of life."

>Does anyone on this List know how those evidence for life  
>experiments turned out?

>I ask because sometimes, older information hasn't been as  
>censored as more recent, particularly when the topic is  
>sensitive.

<snip>

Hi Eleanor,

Bill Corliss at his Science Frontiers newsletter has several  
mentions of the Viking Landers on Mars in 1976. Here is one:

<http://www.science-frontiers.com/sf048/sf048p03.htm>

There are 18 results searching "{Viking Landers 1976}":

<http://tinyurl.com/6uhap84>

Terry

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From: [deardorj.nul](mailto:deardorj.nul)  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 08:57:58 -0800 (PST)  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:25:16 -0500  
Subject: Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>From: Eleanor White <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 19:03:24 -0500  
>Subject: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>Second: Nick Balaskas might be interested in this.

>I came across this link showing one of those circular 'punch  
>hole' openings in a solid overcast, at this link:

><http://englishrussia.com/2006/10/25/tornado-in-moscow>

>The Russian photographer or editor called this a "baby tornado".  
>He was referring to the swirl-pattern wispy clouds dropping down  
>from the 'punch hole'.

>This is the first time I've seen such a cloud pattern in a photo  
>of a punch-hole.

>I have seen, live, in the sky here in Ontario, many small clouds  
>which are wispy like the old "cirrus", but are shorter and  
>instead of the strands running horizontally, they run either  
>vertical, or horizontal with the cloud forming a right angle  
>bend. Those formations are new to me.

>But I thought the Russian "punch hole" might be of interest to  
>List members who have investigated UFO occurrences associated  
>with such holes.

>Eleanor White

Eleanor,

Regarding those cloud-hole pictures, they, especially the first one over Moscow, does have an appearance of what a cloud physicist would probably be happy to say is a natural occurrence of happenstance cloud seeding in a supercooled alto-cumulus layer. I.e., an ice crystal or cloud-seeding particle happens to occur within the thin supercooled cloud layer, which then converts the adjacent supercooled water droplets into ice crystals in an ever expanding circle.

The converted ice crystals then (somehow?) coalesce into crystals large enough to slowly fall out - the ones below the center of the hole have fallen farthest because they got started falling the soonest when the hole was smallest. So a downward pointing cusp shaped fibrous cloud forms below the hole. This cusp may become curved or slanted downwards because of vertical wind shear. I couldn't detect any tornadic swirl in those photos, and one wouldn't expect any in absence of a thunderstorm cloud.

Those cloud holes may be naturally occurring also because their edges weren't nearly as cookie-cutter sharp as in some photos I've seen, and because their shapes weren't too perfectly circular. One would expect irregular edges in naturally occurring holes because the supercooled cloud layer into which the hole is growing has variable cloud-droplet densities and

perhaps even cloud-free gaps within itself. However, without photos showing the hole(s) in earlier stages of formation, I can't be at all certain that they were naturally occurring.

An example of two cloud-punch holes occurring in 2003, which I definitely regard as unnatural or of alien make, is at:

[http://www.coasttocoastam.com/photo/view/sky\\_circles/43615](http://www.coasttocoastam.com/photo/view/sky_circles/43615)

Jim Deardorff

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From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 13:09:45 -0400  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:26:43 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 21:54:23 +0000  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 14:56:43 -0400  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

><snip>

>>Take from that what you will and 'believe' what you chose to  
>>'believe', Joe.

>I believe that some people's minds are very closed....

Don't be so hard on yourself. I'm sure you still have some free  
will left.

Don Ledger

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From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 17:17:47 -0000  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:28:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>From: Eleanor White <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 19:03:24 -0500  
>Subject: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>"Viking Mission: Exploration of Mars by two U.S. space-craft  
>landing in the summer of 1976. The mission included experiments  
>to search for evidence of life."

>Does anyone on this List know how those evidence for life  
>experiments turned out?

<snip>

Hi Eleanor, here's some stuff

'Viking's Mars-life Experiments Were 66% Positive'

By criteria established before launch, two of the three Viking microbiology experiments seem to have yielded positive results. First, when Martian soil was mixed with a sterile organic soup from Earth, something in the soil chemically broke down the soup - almost as if there were respiring microbes metabolizing a food package from Earth.

Second, when gases from Earth were introduced into the Martian soil sample, the gases became chemically combined with the soil - almost as if there were photosynthesizing microbes, generating organic matter from atmospheric gases. Positive results in Martian microbiology were achieved in seven different samplings in two locales on Mars separated by 5,000 kilometers.

p. 147 "Cosmos" - Carl Sagan

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Commenting on 1976 Viking experiments:- Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe said - "I have not the slightest doubt that Life exists on Mars. In fact the 1976 Viking explorations of Mars probably established the presence of life. The results of the Viking experiments, to this day, have not been fully understood except on the basis of life."

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<http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/1724685/posts>

Viking Landers May Have Missed Martian Life [more details at page]

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Cheers

Ray D

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From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 14:41:13 -0400  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:30:20 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](#)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 17:01:06 -0500  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 14:56:43 -0400  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>>>To: [post.nul](#)  
>>>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 02:21:43 +0000  
>>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>><snip>

>>It is not science based if it's coming from the field of  
>>psychology; simple as that.

>Don, I can't let such a blanket statement go by unchallenged.  
>You must have a very simple-minded understanding of the field of  
>psychology. Some of the research, for example in the study of  
>perception and cognition, use as rigorous a methodology as  
>you'll find in physics. Other areas, such as social psychology,  
>deal with systems where there is a great deal more uncertainty,  
>but the methodology is still scientific. There are theories  
>followed by experiments to test them.

"Simple-minded", huh. I don't suppose I could have looked into  
the profession for many years or been associated with its  
practice to some degree as an observer?

Don Ledger

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## Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 19:01:01 +0000  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:33:03 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: Dave Haith <[visions1.nul](mailto:visions1.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 10:26:37 -0000  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 02:21:43 +0000  
>>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>Sorry to snip everything so far in this long running debate but  
>I thought it might throw some light on the topic if I tell you  
>that I wrote to Andrew Hodrien when this first surfaced on this  
>List.

<snip>

>Would you mind letting me know the group where these issues have  
>been raised? Is it posted on a specific forum or is it an e-mail  
>List discussion? Unfortunately I'm extremely busy at the moment  
>but want to try and clear this up as soon as possible. Based on  
>this, if you are happy to take part let me know and I will  
>provide you with the details (don't forget, you won't actually  
>provide consent until after you have read some more study  
>details in the survey and people can withdraw if they wish to).

Well, I am happy to know that Andrew understands informed  
consent will be required. And, realizes that ICF will be requested  
after the experimental subject has been informed of the details  
of the study.

However, Andrew's not doing follow-up with a member of the  
public with whom he intends to interact? Does not bode well for  
the outcome of the study. The excuse of being too busy is a bit  
lame. Unless, of course, behind the scenes Andrew is busy making  
changes to his protocol before he presents it to whichever  
Review Board he plans on contacting for approval.

KK

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## Re: Yugoslavian Space Programme Trailer

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>To:  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 20:10:27 +0000  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 19:56:59 -0500  
Subject: Re: Yugoslavian Space Programme Trailer

>From: Joe McGonagle <[joe.mcgonagle.nul](mailto:joe.mcgonagle.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 21:44:38 +0000  
>Subject: Yugoslavian Space Programme Trailer

>It looks interesting. According to the clip, Yugoslavia  
>initiated its own secret space programme in 1948 and by late  
>1960 the Yugoslavs had operational space-flight technology. The  
>entire Yugoslavian space programme was secretly bought out by  
>the US Government in March 1961, and in May of that year was  
>Kennedy's announcement that the US intended to send a man to the  
>moon.

><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EfJiNPZ38kY>

Wow, if true, it implies that the U.S. bought a ready made, off  
the shelf, space program and module. It means that Yankee  
ingenuity was heavily supplemented by Russian block technology.  
But, we all have to wait until 2013 when the documentary is  
released.

Let's hope this documentary doesn't disappear behind  
the curtain.

KK

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## PRG Update - January 14, 2012

From: **Stephen Bassett** <[PRG.nul](mailto:PRG.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Jan 2012 16:24:56 -0800  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 20:00:21 -0500  
Subject: PRG Update - January 14, 2012

PRG  
Paradigm Research Group

PRG Update - January 14, 2012

Disclosure Petition II - the Rockefeller Initiative

[www.disclosurepetition.info](http://www.disclosurepetition.info)

We the People

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/petitions#!/petitions>

The second Disclosure petition will be resubmitted to the White House "We the People" project very soon accompanied by much mainstream and social media promotion. Notices with the direct link to the petition will go out the same hour the petition is submitted to "We the People." [Note: this is a "resubmission" because the "We the People" site broke down in December preventing any petitions from achieving 25,000 signatures.

If 25,000 signatures are secured within 30 days from the date of submission, a formal response from the White House will likely come in late February. This petition will pose a serious challenge to the White House. More importantly, if the 25K signature threshold is reached, it is going to generate significant global news coverage. The first Disclosure petition drew more media coverage than all the other posted petitions combined.

If you do not already have an account with "We the People, go to the link above: 1) select any petition, 2) click on "create an account", 3) provide your first name, last name and email address (zip/mail code is optional), 4) check for a return email from the White House, 5) click on the verification link in the email, 6) use the password provided in the email to log in at "We the People" and sign any petitions you choose. [Note: the browsers which work best with this site are IE, Firefox and Safari.

When Disclosure Petitions II is active, you will then be able to sign in seconds.

The wording of the second Disclosure petition has been somewhat modified from the earlier December submission for clarity and effectiveness. It will read as follows:

"WE PETITION THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION TO immediately investigate UFO/ET Disclosure efforts during the Clinton administration - the Rockefeller Initiative."

Disclosure Petition II

The Obama administration has formally stated, "The U.S. government has no evidence that any life exists outside our planet, or that an extraterrestrial presence has contacted or engaged any member of the human race."

If true, what was Clinton's Office of Science and Technology Policy investigating from March 1993 to October 1996 in concert with billionaire, Clinton friend, Laurance Rockefeller?

Those who knew and have not spoken publicly of this initiative include: President Bill Clinton, Sec. of State Hillary Clinton, Obama transition chairman John Podesta, Sec. of Defense Leon Panetta, Vice President Al Gore and Gov. Bill Richardson.

Confirming Documents:

<http://tinyurl.com/8x7k9lf> & [www.presidentialufo.com/bill-clinton](http://www.presidentialufo.com/bill-clinton)

Alone? Not.

<http://tinyurl.com/7tngfax>

<http://tinyurl.com/79r98sc>

(Feb) [www.space.com/10982-kepler-alien-planets-billion-galaxy.html](http://www.space.com/10982-kepler-alien-planets-billion-galaxy.html)

Back in February of 2011 scientists working with the Kepler space telescope announced the results of a sky survey indicating there are 50 billion planets in the Milky Way Galaxy with 500 million of these planets in a life supporting orbit. At the time PRG indicated this number would almost certainly go up.

It has. Three studies released Wednesday in the journal Nature and at the American Astronomical Society's conference in Austin, Texas, project about 1.6 planets per star system on average. That would be 160 billion planets. That would represent approximately 1.6 billion planets in life zone orbits.

As of now any argument there is no other life in the Galaxy (let alone the universe) save for Earth is as substantive as arguing the Earth is flat. If there is other life, there is other intelligent life, and that would lead directly to the fundamental question: Has intelligent life from elsewhere visited Earth? To determine that, you would look for any evidence on or about the Earth for such visitations. When you do, you find the evidence is everywhere, both in the present and the past.

Case closed. Time to grow up as a species and demand government leaders take their head out of their.....out of the sand and reveal what they already know about these visitations and the agendas involved. If they will not do this, they must be replaced by leaders who will.

Conferences Upcoming

[www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/conferences.html](http://www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/conferences.html)

Conscious Life Expo - LAX Hilton - February 10-12

This could be the biggest CLE ever. It's 2012. Stephen Bassett will present.

International UFO Congress - Fountain Hills, AZ - February 22-26

The second year at the new, outstanding location near Phoenix. Intl. Conf. on Future Energy - College Park, MD - Feb 29-March 3

Serious look at the key transformative technologies ahead MUFON Texas Conference - San Antonio, TX - March 3

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## This Week INEXPLICATA - 15-01-2012

From: Scott Corrales <[lornis1.nul](mailto:lornis1.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 06:05:56 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 20:16:22 -0500  
Subject: This Week INEXPLICATA - 15-01-2012

The Journal of Hispanic Ufology

January 14, 2012

Costa Rica: Authorities Cannot Ascertain Source of Midnight "Explosion"

Source: La Nacion (Costa Rica)

[www.nacion.com/sucesos](http://www.nacion.com/sucesos)

Date: 09 January 2012

San Jose (Hilda Miranda =96 Newsroom). The loud noise resembling that of an explosion was heard by dozens of people around midnight yesterday hitherto lacks any explanation by officialdom.

Neither the National Meteorological Institute (IMN) nor the OVISCORI (Costa Rican Vulcanology Observatory) have any records of a phenomenon that could have been responsible for the loud reverberations.

According to hundreds on the social networks, a powerful report - lasting more than five minutes =96 was heard around midnight yesterday.

Reports from readers of La Nacion on Facebook suggest that the reverberations were heard in parts of San Jose and in more remote communities such as Turrialba, San Ramon, Coronado, Heredia, Escaz=FA and others.

According to the IMN, the atmosphere=92s behavior in recent hours was normal. "Experts checked the satellite signal and no record of any anomalous situation was found," stated Mario Sanchez, the agency=92s press officer.

Similarly, the Observatorio Vulcanologico y Sismologico de Costa Rica (OVVICORI) informed that there was no record of any strong tremor that could have given rise to the loud buzzing.

Another version that made the rounds held that the explosions were from festivities in the town of Zapote, but the parties in charge of the celebrations dismissed this conjecture.

"The fireworks were normal. We are aware of that noise, but we don=92t believe that it has anything to do with the festivities at Zapote, because people heard it in places far from [the community]," said Rafael Arias, an advisor to the San Jose city hall.

Arias further noted that the closing cannonade was at approximately 9 p.m., but that unauthorized parties discharged a series of "bomblets" around 12 a.m. "But it wasn=92t a loud sound either," he noted.

Some readers also stated that lights in the sky accompanied the loud noise.

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Special thanks to Alex Astua

#### Argentina: Seven UFOs Reported Over Resistencia

Date: 08 January 2012

Source: Diario NORTE

<http://diarionorte.com/noticia.php?numero=3D77133>

Strange flashes in the skies over Resistencia attracted the gaze of residents of different sections of the provincial capital, who reported the presence of numerous unidentified flying objects (UFOs) coming out of the south and heading north. The sighting occurred on Thursday noon, when the sun was at its fullest.

Residents of Villa San Mart=EDn spread the word so that several would be able to see the seven objects moving through the air unhurriedly, some of them flashing lights.

Availing themselves of the cellphones, some managed to capture images showing small circles in the sky. One of [the witnesses] recounted the episode to NORTE, claiming that it occurred once more yesterday.

While choosing to remain anonymous to avoid being laughed at by those who know him, the young man =96 who only managed to take a few photos =96 stated the following: "Along with other residents of Villa San Martin, we saw objects on 5 January, only a few minutes before noon. First there were three. They were triangular in shape and reflected the sun like mirrors. We could see them clearly, since they were flying relatively low and traveled north apparently very slowly. It was later possible to clearly see other similar ones, for a total of seven, moving at the same speed and heading."

While some of the objects issued a very strong white reflection, at certain moments it was possible to tell that they "were shaped like boomerangs."

"It all happened very quickly, and amid the astonishment, I was able to take a few photos. Unfortunately, under such conditions, one regrets not having had better equipment to show the objects in detail," reported a neighbor, who approached us to discuss the events.

The incident was later subjected to comments through social networks in the hopes that other citizens who may have seen the UFOs may make their own remarks, and if possible, contribute new images.

In their own discussions, the local residents dismiss the possibility that the sighting may have been part of meteorological studies, due to the shape of the object. They also explained that they were following a given course and moved at a similar speed, never making any abrupt movements as has been described in many cases. In any event, while some skeptics are to be found, others claim that these are indeed UFOs.

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Sunday, January 08, 2012

#### Mexico: A Fireball over Sinaloa

Source: analuisacid.com.mx

Date: 05 January 2012

#### Mexico: Fireball over Sinaloa

Local residents reported seeing a fireball in the sky that split into three parts before disappearing.

The phenomenon took place yesterday afternoon, Wednesday 04 January 2012.

Tatiana Kokima and Emiliato Teran, astrophysicists with the State Science Center (Centro de Ciencias del Estado), who form part of the search team, dismissed the possibility that it could be a meteorite given that the Sinaloa's Seismic Network did not pick up any impact.

According to the Civil Protection agency, it could be "space junk".

On the other hand, NASA confirmed detection of a heavenly body that entered the atmosphere at 18:50 hours on 04 January, and which could have crashed somewhere in the Sierra de Sinaloa on the border with Chihuahua, or in the municipalities of Salvador Alvarado and Mocorito.

No official story has been put forward.

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Special thanks to Ana Luisa Cid)

#### Argentina: A High Strangeness Event from 1986

Our friends at Grupo G.A.B.I.E. have shared the following report from the mid-80s that suggests a possible abduction experience or at least a high-strangeness incident that is being made known only now, nearly 30 years later.

#### Narrative:

The event occurred on 24 December 1986

Experiencer's age: 10 years old

Name: Luis Sanchez

Location: Tucuman, Argentina

Source: Grupo GABIE [grupo gabie.nul](#)

"Christmas Eve, surrounded by family and after the celebrations, time was 02:30 in the morning approximately - that I'll never forget.

"The Christmas toast went by, people's mood was cheered by celebration - a lovely recollection. I finished launching the rockets that my father would buy for me while they were seated around the table, from beneath a gallery in front of the house. I headed to the door. We always had a large backyard with plants, trees, etc.

"As I stood at the door, I heard a noise, but I thought it was the sound of little bottle rockets. But the sound didn't stop - it was constant, like the sound of a cave with whistling wind or something like it, like a turbine. It was something that buzzed in my ears.

"I looked upward, as the sound came from above, and I saw something. It looked like a car without wheels, slab-shaped (its lower section, which was visible to me, had a rectangle similar to a small door). It also had color. It was a strange color, grey mixed with light blue, clearly visible in the part I could see. It had two lights in the rounded forward section; a light that wasn't painful, but was a beam of straight light. Upon seeing it, I was paralyzed for a brief moment. It was as if they wanted me to see them. I felt connected - and happy.

"It hovered above my house, going from the door to the back, crossing the entire house, at a height over the street light wires, the lamp posts, a slow speed that I can't estimate. It was like an old lady walking, very slow...it was really low, some 15 to 20 meters at least. I ran to the back of the house, since I supposed it would appear there. As I ran, I told my brother Eduardo, age 8, to come with me to see this thing! I was fascinated. He ran with me and we came out to the backyard. We covered approximately 14 meters (45 feet). I looked to the sky, thinking the object would appear.

"After that, I don't remember anything at all.

"That very same night, I woke up in my bed. I was in my room. Right next to the place where waited for the object. The time was around 4 in the morning when I woke up. I went to my mother, and asked her: "Where's Eduardo?" Sleeping, she replied. I never knew what happened. That's all that was left in my mind.

"The next day I asked my brother, and he told me he only saw a light, and remembered nothing else afterward.

"I don't know what happened, but strange events like this began to occur [in my life]. I will tell you more later on."

Let's hope that G.A.B.I.E.'s enigmatic correspondent indeed decides to share his subsequent experiences. We will keep our readers abreast of further developments.

Saturday, January 07, 2012

Argentina: UFOs Caught by the Camera's Eye, Yet Never Seen

Quequen (Necochea): UFOs Caught by the Camera's Eye, Yet Never Seen  
By Guillermo D. Gimenez, Contributing Editor, Inexplicata

On January 6, 1981, around 10: 45 a.m., a photojournalist named Juan Carlos Lima and a staff writer, both from the El Atlantico newspaper (Necochea desk) headed toward a residential district under construction in the vicinity of Quequen's Irurzun Hospital for an article regarding the progress on housing erected for victims of the 1980 floods, when the great Quequen River overflowed as a result of torrential rains throughout Buenos Aires, flooding and destroying homes, bridges and sweeping away animals and an array of objects.

Having secured photos of the neighborhood and the newspaper article completed, they returned to the lab to develop the roll of film. At the lab, Lima noticed that one of his photos presented a spot. Thinking that it was debris on the film, he redeveloped it, but was startled to see that it wasn't a spot. Rather, he had photographed a UFO without seeing it.

Analyzing the Case

The photographer, Juan Carlos Lima, took the negative to a photo laboratory with a wider range of equipment to confirm the identity of the object he'd captured, studying it under powerful magnification with a colleague. Both men were able to make out its contours, shape and the resemblance to two plates joined at their edges (or a hat shape). This is the circumstance that determined the reality of the photograph. He had indeed photographed a UFO.

The next day, "El Atlantico published the photograph, but providing an entirely incorrect version and twisting the information.

Troubled by what was published, the photographer wired the newsroom at the TELAM news agency and on 08.01.81, Buenos Aires's "Cronica" newspaper published the story supplied by Juan Carlos Lima under the title "UFOs Also Enjoy the Summer". Over many long years of research, ufologists have detected that the press in 1996 on certain occasions provide another form of dissemination that differs from the events that truly occurred in order to provide a more sensational slant to the story.

The Photo

The photo was taken with a Pentax camera, using a 21 DIN black and white roll of film. Shutter speed was set at 1/240 and an f8 stop. Most of the other photos had already been used in journalistic pursuits.

The distance between the photographer and the building under construction, visible in the photo, is approximately 70 meters (230 ft.) with the sun visible high in the sky (bear in mind that the time was nearly 11:00 a.m.) with some clouds on a full summer day.

## The Witness

The witness was interviewed four (4) times throughout the length of this investigation by this author, as well as a colleague from Buenos Aires, and was perceived as an honest and sincere person. He displayed no interest in the subject, but firmly believed that he had photographed a UFO.

Juan Carlos Lima=92s sincerity is further evidenced in his interest in providing the accurate version of the events upon seeing a completely false version published by "El Atlantico" in Mar del Plata (on 07.01.81), prompting him to write a news agency with the exact story of how he had come to take a picture of the object ("Cronica", Buenos Aires, 08.01.81).

## Similar Cases

Throughout worldwide photo case histories we have come across incidents similar to this one, with three mentioned by way of example:

1. April 1, 1970: Mr. Eduardo Stukert takes photos at Urca, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Upon developing the roll, he notices the presence of four (4) highly luminous and cigar-shaped objects (mother ships). The photographer had not seen them.
2. April 21, 1973: Palmar de Colon, Entre Rios, Argentina. Ms. Zulema Martorelli photographs birds flying in an unusual way, startled by this incident. Upon developing the roll, the presence of a large object that had been invisible to her was revealed.
3. November 11, 1977: Near Montevideo, Uruguay. Photographer Escribana Alicia Volante de Zito captures another UFO on film that was undetected by her eyes.

## Other Sightings

That very same day (06.01.81) several local residents approached the newsroom of "El Atlantico" to report on a strange tubular object, bright yellow in color, which flew over the city that afternoon.

In downtown Necochea, three other witnesses (whose information is on file) saw a UFO the size of a coin, yellow-white in color, heading west at around 21:30 hours on the 6th of January. The object made an abrupt descent to vanish from the sight of witnesses. The event lasted only a few minutes. When sources were consulted about flights on 06 January by helicopters and/or airplanes, they indicated that no flights other than those proper to the city=92s air facility had taken place.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 05, 2012

Argentina: The New UFO Museum

Source: Diario Victoria

Date: 01.03.12

<http://www.diariovictoria.com.ar/2012/01/se-inauguro-la-nueva-sede-del-museo-ovni/>

Argentina: The New UFO Museum (Museo OVNI)

Last night was the official inauguration of the Museo OVNI in the city of Victoria, at which provincial and local authorities were on hand.

This new site is located at Calle Sarmiento between Alem and 25 de Mayo streets, being more centrally located and spacious than the former facility.

A more tourist-oriented approach is offered to visitors, including such amenities as, for example, being photographed while "traveling" aboard a flying saucer. It is also possible to

find journalistic material, photographs, curios, information on cattle mutilations, crop circles and other strange phenomena.

The inauguration was presided by Ruben Dario Garcilazo, intendente(mayor) of the City of Victoria, who praised the efforts made by Silvia Perez Simondini. "This is important for both Victoria and Silvia, a way of appreciating her research endeavors, which she has carried out with great seriousness. It pleases me that this result has been achieved," beamed the mayor.

Furthermore, Garcilazo took the opportunity to add: "We hope that this helps to bring visitors to Victoria, and to this end, we shall be aiding and supporting this new attraction for the city, so that it may be declared of municipal interest and appreciated by tourists to Victoria.

The "Museo OVNI" is the result of years of virtually pro-bono dedication on the part of Silvia Perez Simondini, her relatives and friends, who came to Victoria as a result of public awareness of the phenomenon in the vicinity in late August 1991.

Raul Gonzalez, the provincial secretary of tourism, confirmed that the opening of the Museo OVNI in the "city of the seven hills" is a new alternative of great worth for tourism. "This is a new stage for family-oriented tourism visiting the city of Victoria," assured the provincial official.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 04, 2012

Argentina: A Landmark UFO Case from 1972 is Disclosed

Marcos Barraza of Nuestro Pasado Extraterrestre shares with us this document from 1972 - the first official report by Argentina's "Gendarmer=EDa Nacional" concerning a UFO incident.

He writes the following in his blog: "It was on January 2, 2010, during the inauguration of the Nuevo Museo del OVNI (the New UFO Museum) in the city of Victoria that the research staff of VISION OVNI startled the authorities and the public with what is the FIRST OFFICIAL UFO DOCUMENT from Argentina's Gendarmer=EDa Nacional. It is important to examine this document with care. It includes the information, names and surnames, places and details of an encounter between a Gendarmer=EDa Aircraft and a UFO, but [particular importance must be given] to Page 4, which explains: "This form... and has the purpose of informing the senior ranks of the Institution for the preparation and an orderly and updated file of phenomena of this nature (!!!)." Today, thanks to the VISION OVNI team, we are sharing with you this first document, corresponding to the Gendarmeria Argentina. Stay tuned for more!"

We would like to extend our thanks to Marcos Barraza for making us aware of this development on his Facebook page and to SYLVIA AND ANDREA PEREZ SIMONDINI for their tireless work toward ending UFO secrecy in Argentina.

Without further ado, here is the translation of this landmark 1972 sighting:

Supreme Army Command

Report on Unidentified Flying Objects

Information pursuant to the event:

Time of the sighting: 02 November 1972, 20:30 hours

2. Sighting location: Province of Buenos Aires - Campo de Mayo -  
- in flight.

3. Atmospheric conditions:

a) Skies: Clear and starry - Lunar altitude: Moon not visible

- b) Atmosphere: diaphanous
- c) Adjacent soil: Low and damp.
- d) Soil under the observer: Observers were in flight.
- e) Visibility: Normal nocturnal flight conditions.

4. Circumstances surrounding the phenomenon.

a) Activity being conducted before the phenomenon was observed: Nocturnal flying instruction since 19:20 hours.

b) Activity carried out at the time the sighting took place: Nocturnal landing and takeoff instruction from header 36 of the Campo de Mayo runway.

c) Persons accompanying observer at the time of the sighting: 1st Ensign D. Alejandro Urs Vogt, Gendarmerie pilot, reviewing the Flight Squadron, and Mr. Jorge Torrecilla, Gunnery Instructor at the Gendarmerie and of the Joint Senior Staff for "Police Training", also a civilian pilot.

d) Location with regard to the observer and the phenomenon.

1. Observer's geographic location: Over Campo de Mayo.

2. Relative position of the place the phenomenon occurred with regard to the observer and the cardinal points: 320 degrees with regard to Campo de Mayo (runway 36-18).

3. Representation of the initial position of the phenomenon observed in the panoramic display: See drawing attached in Exhibit 1.

4. Indicate in the display the phenomenon's trajectory using dotted lines, marking its progression with increasing numbers: See drawing in Exhibit 1.

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Indicate the distance from the observer: 35 to 40 approximately.

a) Angular altitude of the phenomenon with regard to the horizon, from 0 to 90 degrees: 25 degrees, approximately.

b) Angle of the vertical plane running through the observer and the phenomenon in an N-S direction: 320 degrees.

General description of the event:

a) Total observation time for the phenomenon: 40 minutes, approximately.

b) Total time it remained in the each position occupied: The object remained static, accompanying the movement of the Gendarmeria Nacional aircraft, registration GN 7E during a 10 to 12 minute period.

c) Physical shape and characteristics of the phenomenon or object witnessed: See drawing and description in Exhibit II.

d) Manner in which the sighting occurred: Plain sight and through the portholes and windshield of the single-engine Cessna 182 aircraft.

e) Description of the phenomenon. See Exhibit II, Part 2.

f) Attitude of the complainant with regard to the sighting of the phenomenon: The Flight Instructor of the pertinent Gendarmeria Nacional squadron, 2nd Commander D. Ramon Hector Flores, decided to head toward the phenomenon in order to observe it, requesting authorization to do so from the Campo de Mayo control tower.

6. Traces, evidence or clues that may have been left behind or taken.

a) Disturbances experienced (engine, radio, battery, etc.): None.

b) Marks, signs, or damage that may have been left behind in the vicinity (over homes, etc.): None.

c) Traces or clues arising from the event which may have been collected (material, etc.): None.

d) Photographs, films: None taken due to a lack of equipment.

### III. Information Related to the Reporting Party

#### 1. Personal information.

a) Ramon Hector Flores, Second Commander, Gendarmeria Flight Squadron, based out of Campo de Mayo.

b) Age: 35

c) Education: Secondary, Escuela de Gendarmeria Nacional, Escuela Nacional de Aviacion Civil (civil aviation school - 3 years)

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Obtained commercial pilot's license with rating for instrument and nocturnal flying, crop-dusting and flight instruction.

a) Work locations for the past 10 years: Campo de Mayo, Formosa and Flight Squadron.

b) Home Address: Tomas Edison 1076, San Miguel, Province of Buenos Aires 656-0302 and 656-0425.

#### 2. General Information (psychological profile)

a) Has the informant witnessed objects or events of an unknown or hard to explain nature? (evil lights, wolfman, ghosts, etc.): Never.

b) Reading material, movies, magazines and television that he customarily reads or views: Reading material related to aeronautical subjects or current events.

c) Hobbies and specialties: Recreational shooting and sports.

d) What does he understand "the beyond" to mean?: The informant believes that he is unprepared to define the possibility of life on other worlds. Does not believe in spiritism and extra-sensory perception.

e) What was his opinion to this day of those who claimed to have had, or participated in, UFO experiences?: In most cases, they were stories from people who had truly seen something, not dismissing the possibility that psychological influences and the lack of technical knowledge may have lead people to believe they had witnessed alien spacecraft.

f) What does he think of his recent experience?: Personally, he believes that it has been interesting, yet unable to speak as to the nature of the phenomenon. He therefore restricted himself to providing an objective report of what was seen.

g) What was the reaction of his escorts?: The reaction of the informant and his escorts was one of complete calm, proven by the decision to try and ascertain the nature of the phenomenon by moving in for closer inspection.

h) Was he smoking, or were any of his companions doing so?: He does not= smoke and his escorts did not smoke throughout the proceedings.

Signed  
RAMON HECTOR FLORES 2nd Commander  
Informant

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IV. Opinion of the commanding officer regarding the informant's personality: Brilliant and outstanding officer who has merited a grading of 90 points.

V. Opinion of the commanding officer about the facts reported:

Bearing in mind the seriousness and professional and moral capacity of 2nd Commander D. Hector Flores, I fully accept his version of the events reported.

Campo de Mayo, November 5, 1972.  
{SEAL- Commander in Chief of the Army - Flight Squadron -  
SHIELD - Gendarmeria Nacional}

Signed

Brig. Alberto Thomasset - Commander - Flight Squadron.

REMARKS: This form must be filled out by the immediate superior of anyone who attests to the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object and has the purpose of informing the senior ranks of the Institution for the preparation and an orderly and updated file of phenomena of this nature, observed by personnel of its branch. This is an authentic copy of the original in four pages.

#### 5. General Description of the Event

##### c. Physical Shape and Characteristics of the Phenomenon or Object Observed:

At the time that the sighting occurred, the object looked like an enormous half-moon with an irregular bottom edge, with a small light with bluish edges apparently hanging from this bottom edge. It subsequently disappeared after Campo de Mayo tower gave permission for the phenomenon to be examined more closely. The crew ascended toward it.

At a distance of approximately 12 kilometers, it was possible to see the object more clearly. It had a nearly spherical shape and well-defined shape at the time (see drawing in Exhibit II, upper). The bluish light vanished and the object's reddish hue became dim (a shade resembling borravino). It maintained this shape and color until the observers came within 300 meters approximately. At this time, a left turn maneuver was executed to avoid a collision at 1600 meters to the southeast of the city of Campana, Province of Buenos Aires.

##### e. Description of the Phenomenon:

Proceeding with the description initiated in the preceding point, the observers added that with the intention of improving their sighting, they turned off the aircraft's instrument and navigation lights (statutory external lights).

While making the left turn, it was possible to see that the object was approaching the aircraft, bringing about the need for this maneuver, until the object in question remained behind the aircraft's tail (stern). As the aforementioned maneuver was executed, two or three lights became visible. These were small, average-sized and of even size in the object's lower third (see drawing in Exhibit II, lower section).

The referenced turn was terminated with an approximate heading toward Campo de Mayo. At that moment, Mr. Jorge Torrecilla (civilian escort to the pilots), who was seated behind the pilot, noticed that the object was located 10 degrees to the left of the airplane's tail (stern), acquiring a more muted tone, maintaining its shape and distance with regard to the airplane.

The crew initiated a new left turn to try to see the object in more detail, but it lost itself from sight momentarily.

Once the maneuver was completed, and unable to see the vehicle, information was requested from the Control Tower to ascertain its presence. At that time, 1st Ensign D. Alejandro Urs Vogt noticed that the object was directly above the aircraft, prompting the crew to make a pronounced spiral dive down to an altitude of 600 meters. Two course changes were made at this altitude with 90 degree angles. In spite of this, the object remained constantly over the aircraft. All of this was reported to the Campo de Mayo Control Tower, which ordered the aircraft to return to base immediately, while it cleared other aircraft in flight from the area to enable a prompt landing.

The crew continued its straight line descent to Campo de Mayo, getting ready for final approach.

During this maneuver, the onlookers temporarily lost interest in the object. When they tried to locate it again, they were unable to do so. They asked the Control Tower for more information.

The tower reported that they had stopped seeing the referenced phenomenon. The crew then requested authorization to make a 360 degree turn to try to place the object once more, which was not feasible.

Upon returning to the base, they were welcomed by Army personnel for debriefing.

Throughout the proceedings, the crew kept permanently in contact with the control towers at Campo de Mayo and La Plata, respectively, advising them of their radio-electric location, altitude and other required information. The crew was also able to listen - over the radio - that an Aerolineas Argentinas airliner reported having the phenomenon in sight. Aside from all this, pilots from the Moron Air Base operating in neighboring areas were also made aware of the circumstance.

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## Arizona Domed UFO With Missing Time

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Source: UFO Examiner

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January 13, 2012

Domed UFO Reported In Arizona With Missing Time Element  
Roger Marsh

An Arizona witness reports watching a "silver colored UFO with a dome and brass colored ports hovering over the Colorado River" during an incident on January 12, 2012, with 20 minutes of missing time, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The witness began a walk around an RV park at 4:11 p.m. and soon encountered the object in the sky between 700 and 800 feet in altitude above the river.

"It was silver with a dome that had brassy portholes on it," the witness stated. "It was about 40-50 feet in diameter."

The witness described the object's movement.

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## Third East Coast Cylinder UFO Report

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January 13, 2012

Third East Coast Cylinder UFO Report In Past 24 hours  
Roger Marsh

A Pennsylvania witness filed the third East Coast report of a cylinder or cigar-shaped UFO in the past 24 hours, according to January 13, 2012, testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

This latest witness reports a "white cylinder with a broad, black band around the mid-section," a detail that frequented cigar-shaped UFOs in 2011.

The witness stepped from a vehicle into a parking lot at 9:15 a.m. on January 13, 2012, and noticed the object.

"I saw the cylinder immediately," the witness stated. "The sky was bright blue and relatively cloudless, as strong winds were blowing that day, and it had hit a period of momentary clearness where I was."

The witness was first reluctant to report the incident, after having seen one this past October.

[More at site... ]

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Source: Billy Cox's Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/6lmjq24>

Friday, January 13 2012

Maybe Add A Powerball Lottery?  
by Billy Cox

Four years ago this week, the anniversary of a UFO event in Texas that would've been a national security scandal had the MSM bothered to study the radar evidence passed once more with little fanfare. Not even National Public Radio, which did such a superb job on the front end, reported how the drama involving jet fighters on Jan. 8, 2008, ended at the doorstep of President Bush's ranch in Crawford.

Today, a We The People appeal demanding a White House explanation is quietly tanking and, by the time its 30-day deadline to acquire 25,000 signatures expires late this month, it'll join all the other UFO petitions in the dead letter office. But those results hardly absolve the feds from accountability.

"No, I do not think it's plausible that if you have an unknown object, without a transponder, heading for the home of the President of the United States, as it's being chased by F-16s, that the FAA automatically destroyed those records," says UFO historian Richard Dolan. "That makes no sense."

The soon-to-be-defunct petition in question also links to MUFON's reconstruction of the so-called Stephenville Incident using civilian radar records recovered via FOIA request, which covered a 4-8 p.m. window on 1/8/2008, as the massive UFO beelined for the "Western White House" no-fly zone. The FAA claimed it had routinely liquidated all records subsequent to 8 p.m., which was better than the military could provide (no records at all).

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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Dark Side Of The Moon Revealed: Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter's  
LAMP Reveals Lunar Surface Features

ScienceDaily (Jan. 13, 2012) =97 New maps produced by the Lyman Alpha Mapping Project aboard NASA's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter reveal features at the Moon's northern and southern poles in regions that lie in perpetual darkness. LAMP, developed by Southwest Research Institute, uses a novel method to peer into these so-called permanently shadowed regions (PSRs), making visible the invisible. LAMP's principal investigator is Dr. Alan Stern, associate vice president of the SwRI Space Science and Engineering Division.

The LAMP maps show that many PSRs are darker at far-ultraviolet wavelengths and redder than nearby surface areas that receive sunlight. The darker regions are consistent with large surface porosities - indicating "fluffy" soils - while the reddening is consistent with the presence of water frost on the surface.

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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January 14, 2012

Goldilocks Moons  
by Mike Simonsen

The search for extraterrestrial life outside our Solar System is currently focused on extrasolar planets within the 'habitable zones' of exoplanetary systems around stars similar to the Sun. Finding Earth-like planets around other stars is the primary goal of NASA's Kepler Mission.

The habitable zone (HZ) around a star is defined as the range of distances over which liquid water could exist on the surface of a terrestrial planet, given a dense enough atmosphere. Terrestrial planets are generally defined as rocky and similar to Earth in size and mass. A visualization of the habitable zones around stars of different diameters and brightness and temperature is shown here. The red region is too hot, the blue region is too cold, but the green region is just right for liquid water. Because it can be described this way, the HZ is also referred to as the "Goldilocks Zone".

Normally, we think of planets around other stars as being similar to our solar system, where a retinue of planets orbits a single star. Although theoretically possible, scientists debated whether or not planets would ever be found around pairs of stars or multiple star systems. Then, in September, 2011, researchers at NASA's Kepler mission announced the discovery of Kepler-16b, a cold, gaseous, Saturn-sized planet that orbits a pair of stars, like Star Wars' fictional Tatooine.

This week I had the chance to interview one of the young guns studying exoplanets

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>>Sorry to snip everything so far in this long running debate but  
>>I thought it might throw some light on the topic if I tell you  
>>that I wrote to Andrew Hodrien when this first surfaced on this  
>>List.

<snip>

>>Would you mind letting me know the group where these issues have  
>>been raised? Is it posted on a specific forum or is it an e-mail  
>>List discussion? Unfortunately I'm extremely busy at the moment  
>>but want to try and clear this up as soon as possible. Based on  
>>this, if you are happy to take part let me know and I will  
>>provide you with the details (don't forget, you won't actually  
>>provide consent until after you have read some more study  
>>details in the survey and people can withdraw if they wish to).

>Well, I am happy to know that Andrew understands informed  
>consent will be required. And, realizes that ICF will be requested  
>after the experimental subject has been informed of the details  
>of the study.

>However, Andrew's not doing follow-up with a member of the  
>public with whom he intends to interact? Does not bode well for  
>the outcome of the study. The excuse of being too busy is a bit  
>lame. Unless, of course, behind the scenes Andrew is busy making  
>changes to his protocol before he presents it to whichever  
>Review Board he plans on contacting for approval.

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## What If ET Ever Phones Our Home?

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Source: BBC News

<http://tinyurl.com/7p3rrdu>

15 January 2012

Alien Hunters: What If ET Ever Phones Our Home?  
By Jason Palmer Science and technology reporter, BBC News

For decades we've been sending signals - both deliberate and accidental - into space, and listening out for alien civilisations' broadcasts. But what is the plan if one day we were to hear something?

If we ever detect signs of intelligent alien life, the people likely to be on the receiving end of a cosmic signal are the scientists of Seti, aka Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence.

This loose band of a couple of dozen researchers around the world doggedly listens to the cosmos in the hope of catching alien communications. It's often in the face of scant funding and even ridicule.

They watch signals coming from the world's largest radio telescopes, looking for anything unusual, or even the flashes of laser "lighthouses" designed to catch our attention.

Seti started as one man using one telescope dish in 1959. Today computers are used to sift through the cosmic radio traffic, flagging up to astronomers any potential calls from extraterrestrial life.

But what might happen if one of those computers found a bona fide alien phone call?

[More at site... thanks to Diana Cammack for the lead]

[Listen: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00mp4b1> ]

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## Planetary Society Report On Phobos-Grunt

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 16 Jan 2012 18:32:31 +0000  
Archived: Tue, 17 Jan 2012 05:35:28 -0500  
Subject: Planetary Society Report On Phobos-Grunt

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Dear Kathy Kasten,

According to the Russian military, Phobos-Grunt, carrying our Phobos LIFE biomodule, fell into the Pacific Ocean 17:45 UT today.

More detailed information will be available over the coming days, and we will continue to share the updates with you via our website and blog.

We applaud you and the scientists and engineers involved with this mission. Rest assured that, with your continued support, The Planetary Society will press forward and seek answers to those deep questions: Where did we come from, and are we alone?

Thank you!

Bill Nye  
CEO, The Planetary Society

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## Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

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Date: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 18:40:49 -0000  
Archived: Tue, 17 Jan 2012 05:38:37 -0500  
Subject: Re: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>From: Eleanor White <[ewraven1.nul](mailto:ewraven1.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Jan 2012 19:03:24 -0500  
>Subject: A Couple Of Possibly Interesting Items

>"Viking Mission: Exploration of Mars by two U.S. space-craft  
>landing in the summer of 1976. The mission included experiments  
>to search for evidence of life."

>Does anyone on this List know how those evidence for life  
>experiments turned out?

<snip>

Hi Eleanor, here's some stuff...

'Viking's Mars-life Experiments Were 66% Positive'

By criteria established before launch, two of the three Viking microbiology experiments seem to have yielded positive results. First, when Martian soil was mixed with a sterile organic soup from Earth, something in the soil chemically broke down the soup - almost as if there were respiring microbes metabolizing a food package from Earth.

Second, when gases from Earth were introduced into the Martian soil sample, the gases became chemically combined with the soil - almost as if there were photosynthesizing microbes, generating organic matter from atmospheric gases.

Positive results in Martian microbiology were achieved in seven different samplings in two locales on Mars separated by 5,000 kilometers.

p. 147 "Cosmos" - Carl Sagan

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Commenting on 1976 Viking experiments:- Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe said - "I have not the slightest doubt that Life exists on Mars. In fact the 1976 Viking explorations of Mars probably established the presence of life. The results of the Viking experiments, to this day, have not been fully understood except on the basis of life."

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<http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/1724685/posts>

Viking Landers May Have Missed Martian Life [more details at page]

Thanks for this Ray, but I'm a trifle mystified. It looks like they are saying that the samples are behaving as though life is present within them, but they are not saying that they have found any life-forms within the samples, or even that they have looked. Why would that be? Don't they have microscopes? Or is it a case of "Life Jim, but not as we know it"?

Gerald O'Connell  
<http://www.saatchionline.com/gacoc>

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## Gemini Mission Images Restored

From: Terry W. Colvin <[fortean1.nul](mailto:fortean1.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 17 Jan 2012 15:12:50 +0700 (GMT+07:00)  
Archived: Tue, 17 Jan 2012 05:40:44 -0500  
Subject: Gemini Mission Images Restored

<http://tothemoon.ser.asu.edu/gallery/gemini>

Date: Jan 17, 2012 6:51 AM

Gemini Mission Images Restored

NASA's freshly-restored film images of the Gemini missions are now online. The classic shots of spaceship exteriors and Earth from orbit are breathtaking. Yet the weird misfires, such as unfocused shots of instrument panels, have their own otherworldly charm.

Terry W. Colvin  
Ladphrao (Bangkok), Thailand  
Pran Buri (Hua Hin), Thailand  
<http://terrycolvin.freewebsites.com/>  
[Terry's Fortean & "Work" itty-bitty site]

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## Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

From: **Cathy Reason** <[Cathym.nul](mailto:Cathym.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 15 Jan 2012 11:37:22 -0000  
Archived: Tue, 17 Jan 2012 15:41:56 -0500  
Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>From: John Harney <[magonia.nul](mailto:magonia.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Mon, 9 Jan 2012 16:23:34 -0000  
>Subject: Re: Participation In Psychology Dissertation Study

>You just don't get it, do you? This is a survey about attitudes  
>to UFO reports, presumably to find out what people do or do not  
>believe about them. It's about psychology, not about  
>collecting and evaluating evidence about UFOs, although it is of  
>course possible that any findings from such studies could be  
>used to assess the reliability of UFO witnesses.

>There are, of course, some reports which are unexplained, or  
>which have no generally agreed explanations, and for which the  
>psychological aspects seem unimportant. The study of these is  
>obviously (to me, at least) not relevant to a psychological  
>study. As the purpose of this study is plainly not to pronounce  
>on whether or not some UFOs are - to use a ufological buzz-  
>phrase - truly anomalous, I can't see why it should provoke such  
>indignation from - how shall I put it? - some not-so-sceptical  
>ufologists.

Here's why. From Rosenhan and Seligman (1989):

'...the effects of context are demonstrated in a study in which  
clinicians were shown a videotape of a young man talking to an  
older, bearded man about his feelings and experiences in various  
jobs (Langer and Abelson, 1974). Some of the mental health  
professionals were told that the young man was a job applicant,  
while the others were told that he was a clinical patient.  
After seeing the videotape, all were asked for their  
observations about the young man. Those who saw the "job  
applicant" found him "attractive and conventional looking",  
"candid and innovative", "an upstanding middle-class citizen  
type" Those who saw the "patient" described him as a "tight,  
defensive person", "dependent, passive-aggressive", and  
"frightened of his own aggressive impulses".

'In this study, the different labels - "job applicant" and  
"patient" - created not only a context for perceiving the person  
but also for explaining his behavior. The therapists were asked  
"What do you think might explain Mr Smith's outlook on life? Do  
you think he is realistic?" Those who saw the "patient" offered  
such observations as "Doesn't seem to be realistic because he  
seems to use denial (and rationalization and intellectualization)  
to center his problems in situations and other people", "seems  
afraid of his own drives, motives... outlook not based on  
realities of objective world". But those who saw the "job  
applicant" explained the identical behavior in a quite different  
way. "His attitudes are consistent with a large subculture in  
the US... the silent majority", " he seems fairly realistic,  
fairly reality-oriented; recognizes injustices of large systems  
but doesn't seem to think that he can individually do anything to  
change them."

DL Rosenhan and MEP Seligman (1989) "Abnormal Psychology" (2nd  
Edn) -WW Norton & Co

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Hi Gerald & Eleanor,

It confused me also at the time. Looking back it seems the 'high  
command' of NASA/JPL decided (and immediately broadcast) that  
'No Life Has Been Found on Mars' and produced some quibbles to  
justify a claim that the experiments were 'misleading'.

And that meanwhile, scientists 'on the ground' at NASA and  
others observing were fairly sure that life had been found,  
but their opinions were initially not reported, for one reason  
or another.

As to "Why?" - your guesses are as good as any.

Cheers

Ray D

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Dave:

I think the uproar over this study is because individuals who  
want to "bring forward" the opinion and views of "witnesses"  
usually are half-hearted (as you point out) and don't get to the  
what is really happening.

Look, while I was still on UCLA's Human Subject Protection  
Committee, I reviewed Dr. John Mack's questionnaire developed by  
his PEER group and found it wanting.

I wrote to Harvard's HSPC providing my notes concerning the ICF.  
That's right, I guess I was one of the opinions that was heard  
by his institution and he was brought up for questioning by that  
institution.

Bottomline: I thought Mack's questionnaire was skewed just as

your comment about this particular study under discussion.

KK

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## The Conspiracy Meme

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Source: CSICOP.Org

[http://www.csicop.org/si/show/the\\_conspiracy\\_meme/](http://www.csicop.org/si/show/the_conspiracy_meme/)

January 2011

The Conspiracy Meme  
By Ted Goertzel

Skeptical Inquirer 2011, Volume 35, Issue 1 January/February

Many of these theories are clearly absurd, but some are plausible and others actually contain elements of truth.

Conspiracy theories are easy to propagate and difficult to refute. Having long flourished in politics and religion, they have also spread into science and medicine. It is useful to think of conspiracy theorizing as a meme, a cultural invention that passes from one mind to another and thrives, or declines, through a process analogous to genetic selection (Dawkins 1976). The conspiracy meme competes with other rhetorical memes, such as the fair debate meme, the scientific expertise meme, and the resistance to orthodoxy meme.

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## A Small UFO Matter

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 05:54:41 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 05:54:41 -0500  
Subject: A Small UFO Matter

Source: The Big Study

<http://tinyurl.com/79ecsug>

January 13, 2012

A Small UFO Matter  
by Michael Swords

Hi, folks. Jumping back in here quickly with something that fell in my lap, and I don't want to forget it, so a small posting. This has to do with sightings of UFOs from aircraft. The data come from the internet's best English-language UFO information site: NICAP, hosted by Fran Ridge.

NICAP has many, many good things on it, and one feature is various catalogs of sighting types. Fran sent me and the rest of "the boys" a catalog-in-progress of sightings from aircraft. This is truly in-progress so the data are certainly very incomplete, but so is everything in the field. Also, collections of data like this are very sociologically determined [ex. cases tend to be reported in different eras and in different locations according to strong dependence on sociological factors such as ease of reporting, less stigma attached, and so on]. Therefore, I normally wouldn't pay too much attention to bulk numbers in such matters yet... but these numbers were so striking that I believe that there's something there despite the data's prematurity. So... here it is:

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## Scientists Confirm Rocks Fell From Mars

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Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:02:02 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:02:02 -0500  
Subject: Scientists Confirm Rocks Fell From Mars

Source: ABCNews.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7wonlva>

January 17, 2012

Scientists Confirm Rocks Fell From Mars  
By Seth Borenstein

They came from Mars, not in peace, but in pieces. Scientists are confirming that 15 pounds of rock collected recently in Morocco fell to Earth from Mars during a meteorite shower last July.

This is only the fifth time in history scientists have chemically confirmed Martian meteorites that people witnessed falling. The fireball was spotted in the sky six months ago, but the rocks weren't discovered on the ground in North Africa until the end of December.

This is an important and unique opportunity for scientists trying to learn about Mars' potential for life. So far, no NASA or Russian spacecraft has returned bits of Mars, so the only samples scientists can examine are those that come here in a meteorite shower.

Scientists and collectors are ecstatic, and already the rocks are fetching big bucks because they are among the rarest things on Earth =97 rarer even than gold. The biggest rock weighs over 2 pounds.

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## Making Close Encounters Of The Third Kind

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:36:45 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:36:45 -0500  
Subject: Making Close Encounters Of The Third Kind

Source: Blu-Ray.Com

<http://www.blu-ray.com/news/?id=7977>

January 15, 2012

Making Close Encounters Of The Third Kind  
by Robert Siegel

Close Encounters of the Third Kind was recognized as a motion picture phenomenon. From its first openings, critics were awed. Audiences responded in record numbers. There was vital renewed interest in UFO phenomena, and even that phrase, Close Encounters of the Third Kind became part of our language. A Columbia Presentation in Association with EMI, it came to the screen with impeccable credentials.

The writer and director was Steven Spielberg, director of Jaws, among the all-time worldwide boxoffice champions. The producers were Julia Phillips and Michael Phillips, producers of the Academy Award-winning "The Sting" and Columbia's explosive Taxi Driver. Special photographic effects were created (from Spielberg's concept) by Douglas Trumbull, who fashioned the visual imagery for Stanley Kubrick's 2001 A Space Odyssey.

The Technical Advisor was Dr. J. Allen Hynek, the outstanding authority on UFOs in the world. The musical score was composed and conducted by John Williams, who had scored both Jaws and Star Wars. Backed by an advertising- promotion-publicity campaign, steeped in the excitement of the movie itself, Close Encounters generated enthusiasm and acclaim.

Versions of the Close Encounters of the Third Kind laserdiscs, DVDs and Blu-ray contain many extras about the making of the film. When compiling this column, I tried to find other information that may not have been part of some of those extras but that certainly pertain to the film. Enjoy!

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## UFO Author In Line To Be MEP

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:45:26 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:45:26 -0500  
Subject: UFO Author In Line To Be MEP

Source: BBCNews

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-16594668>

January 175, 2012

UFO Book Author Rupert Matthews In Line To Be MEP

A Conservative politician who was in line to succeed an outgoing Member European Parliament is under scrutiny by his own party over his books on UFOs and aliens.

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## Two 'Alien Aircraft' Sightings In One Week

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:49:23 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:49:23 -0500  
Subject: Two 'Alien Aircraft' Sightings In One Week

Source: The Daily Mail

<http://tinyurl.com/717lyah>

17th January 2012

Close Encounters Of The Home Counties Kind: Two 'Alien Aircraft'  
Sightings In One Week In 'UK's UFO Hotspot'  
By Charles Walford

They hover in close formation against the backdrop of a cloudy  
Kent sky.

The two mysterious bright lights were photographed on January 6  
floating over Chatham.

Less than a week later four similar lights were seen over Essex,  
shining brightly against the dawn.

The remarkable sightings were made just 30 miles apart in an  
area now dubbed the country's UFO hotspot.

The first image was captured by Ernestas Griksas, 21, who was  
taking a picture of a cherry-picker outside his home in Chatham  
at around 1pm.

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## MUFON HQ Moving To Cincinnati

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:56:27 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 06:56:27 -0500  
Subject: MUFON HQ Moving To Cincinnati

Source: GreeleyTribune.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7sv65bs>

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

Greeley's UFO Investigative Group Is On The Move - All The Way  
To Cincinnati  
By Meagan Birely

Greeley's Mutual UFO Network office will soon be moving on, but  
not to a planet far, far away. Just as far as Cincinnati.

Clifford Clift, who has been the international director of the  
UFO investigative and research group for two years, said Tuesday  
he will step down at the end of the month. Two other employees  
will also lose their jobs in the transfer, but the group's local  
monthly meetings will continue. A new director has been chosen  
in Ohio.

Clift said he will step down because of personal and family  
commitments that require his full attention.

"There are some wonderful people that are involved with this  
organization and I will miss my interactions with them, but it's  
time for me to move on," Clift said.

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## Re: The Conspiracy Meme

From: **Gerald O'Connell** <[goc.nul](mailto:goc.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 14:13:59 -0000  
Archived: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 09:45:56 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Conspiracy Meme

>Source: CSICOP.Org

>[http://www.csicop.org/si/show/the\\_conspiracy\\_meme/](http://www.csicop.org/si/show/the_conspiracy_meme/)

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## Re: The Conspiracy Meme

From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 15:16:32 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 19 Jan 2012 05:39:52 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Conspiracy Meme

>From: Gerald O'Connell<[goc.nul](mailto:goc.nul)>  
>To:<[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
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And so is selective ignoring of evidence by the "establishment"  
that conflicts with the spin it desires. This was especially  
true in the case of 9/11. The rise of the "truther" movement  
occurred mainly because the official "establishment" conspiracy  
theory ignored witness testimony and physical evidence that it  
could not explain. Or silly explanations were given, like all  
the missing building wreckage was on a boat to China. (We are  
familiar with that ploy in the "UFOs are marsh gas"  
explanation.) A competing conspiracy theory can be a healthy  
response to such obvious inconsistencies, as well as to  
manipulation by those in authority (e.g., the false rationale  
presented to the UN for the war with Iraq). The alternative is  
blind acceptance, i.e., "my country, right or wrong".

Goertzel says that "The first step in testing claims of  
conspiracy is to establish precisely what is being claimed".  
This was done by Judy Wood in her book, "Where did the towers  
go?", in which she carefully analyzed the physical aftermath of  
the attack. When this remarkable analysis is ignored by the  
"establishment", one can reasonably conclude it has no desire to  
question the validity of the official conspiracy theory. And so,  
we have an impasse.

Conspiracies are a part of life in a competitive society, from  
politics to business to social relations. They can happen on  
both sides of any given issue. Yet Goertzel does not appear to  
acknowledge that the "establishment" can have its own vested  
interests in promoting certain theories. He appears to believe  
that only the dissenters from the mainstream view are capable of

arguing that the earth is flat.

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From: **Steven Kaeser** <[steve.nul](mailto:steve.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 18 Jan 2012 16:59:05 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 19 Jan 2012 05:43:50 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Conspiracy Meme

>From: Gerald O'Connell <[goc.nul](mailto:goc.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
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I believe this definition of a "Meme" is too narrow. I'm not an expert, but I believe that a "Meme" represents a 'concept', and not an 'invention', which seems to imply that some sort of 'thing' is passed from one generation to the next. It is more of a non-verbal transmission of a concept, such as images of the 'Devil' or the 'Swastika', which have taken on meanings that are understood by different cultures with different backgrounds.

IOW, the concept (or meme) is part of the psychology of the society, and not a conscious thought being passed along. Even Spock, on Star Trek, was almost cut from the original show because his pointed ears were too much like the meme of the devil, but thankfully Gene Rodenberry won the argument.

I have not read the article in question, but for CISCOP to come up with a psychological reason for those who don't trust authority is a bit self-serving, IMO.

Steve

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From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 19 Jan 2012 01:22:27 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 19 Jan 2012 05:47:27 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Conspiracy Meme

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>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
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Hi Gerald,

That 'central logic' is rubbish - no speculation is needed to be  
aware of corruption/conspiracy.

Two obvious examples (esp. in US/UK) concern drugs and race:

CIA World Fact-Book - UK  
<http://tinyurl.com/76ljvs4>

"producer of limited amounts of synthetic drugs and synthetic  
precursor chemicals; major consumer of Southwest Asian heroin,  
Latin American cocaine, and synthetic drugs; money-laundering  
center"

I.e. although most police and courts actions in London are  
directed against ordinary people and their (usually) soft or  
herbal recreational drugs, most actual criminality - consumption  
of hard drugs and money-laundering - is carried out by members  
of the privileged classes and their hangers-on;

"![Patricia A Turner - 'I Heard It Through The Grapevine'  
Berkeley and LA University of California Press 1993] shows how  
black rumors of coordinated white hostility are usually more  
than justified" -- Peter Knight 'Conspiracy Culture' p 145

I.e. although "co-ordinated" can often mean unconscious  
conspiracy due to racial biases, the effects on the victims are  
the same as a conscious conspiracy of police, judges, politicians  
etc. (see Stephen Lawrence scandal in UK - not yet played out).  
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To reliably detect conspiracy, one first makes detailed  
enquiries, then does the analysis:

<http://www.perceptions.couk.com/methods.html>

[Begin Quote]

## Methods of Inquiry

1 - the first step is 'Boole's Logic' or "truth tables" (John le Carr's 'George Smiley' used the same method, only based on paper-records, to find the moles in MI-6 - SIS) I.e. - basically it's collecting the data - on what the system does, and when.

2 - the next step is quantitative statistical analysis of the results you got from (1). Warning - league tables of hospitals, education systems, police forces etc, claim to show the relative efficiencies of those systems. Mostly, that's not true - as seen below.

3 - the last step is qualitative or ontological analysis of the results you got from (2) by double-checking claimed or raw data outcomes against those predicted (demanded) by the 'Law of Large Numbers' and then by Bayes' Theorem. Because politicians' promises and outcome results can often lie when viewed as 'raw data'.

[End Quote]

[An indication that it scares the PTB is a recent decision by UK High Court judges to ban Bayesian analysis - (Step 3 above) - precisely because it can tell the truth and shame prosecution lawyers/bent cops - see:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bayes'\\_theorem#Drug\\_testing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bayes'_theorem#Drug_testing)]

And as for that 'reluctance to confess mistakes, errors and ignorance', the opposite is (usually) the case; that is authority is almost always claiming "mistakes, errors and ignorance" to cover-up conspiracy:

[www.perceptions.couk.com/answers022.html#cock-up](http://www.perceptions.couk.com/answers022.html#cock-up)

[Begin Quote]

If 'mistakes' were being made, in education, policing, taxation etc. then they would happen randomly - sometimes taking from ordinary people, sometimes adversely affecting the rich and powerful.

But that doesn't happen!

All the so-called 'mistakes' adversely affect ordinary people, by unjust edu policies, by grossly unfair taxation, and by oppressive, brutal (or murderous) policing decisions. And all profit the rich and the political class.

That is statistically impossible for 'mistakes' - which only leaves corrupt conspiracy as an explanation.

[End Quote]

Finally here's Adam Smith (1723-90) in 'The Wealth of Nations' - "People of the same trade seldom meet together, even for merriment and diversion, but the conversation ends in a conspiracy against the public" - confirming, as if we needed to be told, that conspiracy is the default condition for those in almost any kind of authority and/or power.

Cheers

Ray D

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## David MacDonald MUFON's New International Director

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Leadership Change At Mutual UFO Network: Welcome David MacDonald  
Roger Marsh

GREELEY, CO - The Mutual UFO Network's (MUFON) International Director Clifford Clift announced he was stepping down with Kentucky State Director and board member David MacDonald taking on the leadership role.

Clift said his decision was based on a need to spend more time with family.

"MUFON has come a long way in a positive direction and I'm excited to say that the Mutual UFO Network is in good hands with David," Clift said. "His level of dedication and his leadership skills will be an incredible benefit to our organization. David will be a very effective International Director for MUFON."

MacDonald is no stranger to MUFON and the organization's mission. He currently sits on MUFON's Board of Directors, is Assistant Director of Investigations, is MUFON's STAR Team Administrator, and he is the conductor of testing for new field investigators.

As a businessman over the years MacDonald has had numerous successful operations. Currently he runs a school for pilots and aircraft dispatchers. He ow

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NASA Debunks Mysterious Triangular 'UFO'  
Life's Little Mysteries Staff

Once again, alien conspiracy theorists have attempted to use publicly available NASA images to prove that the space agency must be engaging in an elaborate UFO cover-up. And, once again, they've been foiled by the laws of physics.

This time, they called attention to peculiar new footage captured by a telescope onboard NASA's STEREO-B spacecraft - one of a pair of probes parked on either side of the sun which, together, provide a 360-degree view of the inner solar system. The footage shows Venus, Earth and, on the opposite side of the field-of-view, a mysterious triangular object headed our way.

"Comparing it for size to the planetary objects that are seen in this telescope, if my calculations are correct, that thing is enormous", said YouTube user "BeePeeOilDisaster" in his video commentary on the footage, which was captured Dec. 27-29. Talk of a cover-up quickly followed when, a few days later, NASA scientists updated the STEREO website to display newer images.

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## Increased Drones In U.S. Airspace & UFOs

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In light of the new provisions of the NDAA - allowing the military to act as a domestic policing agency with the ability to arrest an American citizen, hold them indefinitely in a military compound, it will mean there will be more 'UFO' activity which needs to be attributed to drone flights over populated areas. And, who knows what other exotic aircraft flights will be flying the skies to 'observe' American citizens.

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### Army Foresees Expanded Use Of Drones In U.S. Airspace

The Army issued a new directive last week to govern the growing use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or "drones" within the United States for training missions and for "domestic operations."

"The Army's unmanned aircraft systems represent emerging technology that requires access to the National Airspace System," wrote Army Secretary John M. McHugh in a January 13 memorandum.

Towards that end, the Army produced a revised policy on UAS operations to support "expanded UAS access to the National Airspace System." A copy of the new policy was obtained by Secrecy News. See Army Directive 2012-02, January 13, 2012.

Much of the Army's UAS activity will be devoted to UAS operator training conducted at or near military facilities, the policy indicates. But beyond such training activities, the military also envisions a role for UAS in unspecified "domestic operations" in civilian airspace, according to a 2007 Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of Defense and the Federal Aviation Administration, which regulates domestic air traffic.

The 2007 Memorandum, which is appended to the new Army directive, was said to "allow, in accordance with applicable law, increased access for DoD UAS into the elements of the NAS [National Airspace System] outside of DoD-managed Restricted Areas or Warning Areas."

The 2007 agreement was intended to "ensure DoD UAS assets have NAS access for domestic operations, including the War on Terror (WOT)... This guidance applies to all DoD UAS, whether operated by Active, Reserve, National Guard, or other personnel."

A prior edition of the Army's "Unmanned Aircraft System Flight Regulations," which will be updated to incorporate the latest policy, can be found on the Federation of American Scientists web site here.

The Electronic Frontier Foundation last week filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit seeking information on domestic drone operations.

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## Who Needs UFOs?

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Thursday, Jan 19, 2012

Ask The Pilot

Who Needs UFOs?  
By Patrick Smith

There are plenty of other spectacular views from the cockpit window, like the northern lights or shooting stars

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As pilots are sitting up there for hours, often late at night, or above the cloud level, have you ever seen anything really weird or fantastic?

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Weird or fantastic? I know what you're thinking. I know what you're thinking and the answer is no.

A reader once asked me about a supposed "tacit agreement" between pilots in which we will not openly discuss UFO sightings out of fear of embarrassment and, as the reader put it, "possible career suicide." I had to laugh at the notion of there being a tacit agreement among pilots over anything, let alone UFO sightings. And although plenty of things in aviation are tantamount to "career suicide," withholding information about UFOs isn't one of them.

For the record, I have never met a pilot who claims to have had a UFO sighting. Honestly, the topic is one that almost never comes up, even during those long, dark flights across the ocean. Musings about the vastness of the universe are one thing, but I cannot recall ever having had a conversation with another pilot about UFOs specifically. Neither have I ever seen the topic discussed in any industry journal or trade publication.

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Chilean Air Force General To Speak At UFO Conference

General (Ret.) Ricardo Bermudez will make a special announcement about official Chilean UFO Project at the 2012 International UFO Congress this February in Fountain Hills, Arizona.

Tempe, AZ, January 20, 2012 --(PR.com)-- Chilean Air Force General (Ret.) Ricardo Bermudez, Director of Chile's official Committee for the Study of Aerial Anomalous Phenomena (CEFAA) will address the International UFO Congress in Fountain Hills, AZ this February. This is the first time ever in the USA when a high-ranking military officer who runs an official government sponsored UFO project talks about the subject at a conference open to the general public.

"This is an incredibly exciting opportunity for us," says conference co-organizer Maureen Elsberry, "this is the first time in the U.S. that such a high-ranking government official has spoken to the public about an official government sponsored UFO project. It shows how serious other countries take the subject of UFOs. It's something they feel is worthy of official investigation."

General Bermudez served as commander of the Third Air Brigade in southern Chile, Director of the Technical School of Aeronautics, Deputy Director of the Air Force Academy, and Air Attach=E9 in London. He became Director of CEFAA shortly after Chile's Directorate of Civil Aviation created this office in 1997.

CEFAA collects UFO cases mostly from commercial and military pilots. "The policy of CEFAA is to pursue solid cases with adequate scientific data," stated Gen. Bermudez, "but only if there is an indication that the safety of the aircraft might have been at risk."

Gen. Bermudez will outline the history, methodology and some of the best cases collected by CEFAA up to now. He is also expected to make an announcement about the need for an exchange of UFO data among different countries and between official and civilian research groups, to better understand this puzzling phenomenon.

"The CEFAA's official position has always been to recognize that something is happening in our skies, but we, as yet, do not know what it is", he said.

Gen. Bermudez will speak on Saturday February 25th at 1:00 P.M. at the Fort McDowell Resort & Conference Center in Fountain Hills, Arizona. More information about his presentation can be found at [ufocongress.com](http://ufocongress.com).

CEFAA's official website in Spanish is <http://www.cefaa.cl/>

About the International UFO Congress:

The International UFO Congress is an Arizona based organization dedicated to the dissemination of information related to many areas in ufology. It was established in 1991 and hosts an annual conference which is the largest of its kind in the United States. It features presentations given by authors, researchers, experts, enthusiasts, and those who have witnessed paranormal or anomalous phenomena from all over the world. It also provides a forum to discuss the experiences and findings. This event usually has over 20 Speakers, a Film Festival, tons of vendors as well as experimenter sessions. Topics generally covered are abduction, UFO sightings, UFO crashes, crop circles, paranormal experiences, government conspiracy and much more.

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## UFO Dances With Airplane

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UFO Dances With Airplane  
Alexandra Holzer

"To this day, I do not know what we saw, but it is clear that it was under intelligent control and coincided, as to time and place, with what was seen by 70 people on the ground, and neither of us new that the other had seen this stuff for 40 odd years" says retired Pan American World Airways Pilot, Captain Ralph Loewinger. When I asked him if he believed in different levels and forms of The Supernatural and why he responded, "I am not sure at this point in my life. I will NOT discount it however." On October 3rd, 1967, Ralph was the copilot of PAA Flight 160, a Boeing 707 cargo ship out of New York headed to London.

This is a FIRST hand, eyewitness account from the pilot himself who today feels that "no other pilots care, many strange things have been reported across the bar." Today, there are a bountiful rising amount of informal looks into UFO and ET Phenomenon not just in Canada but other global spots as well.

They were approaching Yarmouth, Nova Scotia at approximately 33,000 feet when the strange occurrence had hit. The night was described by Ralph as "clear, moonless and the lights of the south coast were plainly in view." He was the first to observe a formation of lights that sat at eleven o'clock position and a bit high.

"It appeared to be another large transport, showing all lights, heading straight for us in a left bank which would take it across our bow. I announced to Captain Curt Olsen and flight engineer Mike Littlepage to 'watch this guy!'" All eyes were on deck watching what became known as and referred to as 'The Lights'. Both pilots went onto the control yokes to avoid collision. The lights hung at a 45 degree angle downslope left to right.

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## UK Animal Mutes - Fact or Fiction?

From: Dave Haith <[visions1.nul](mailto:visions1.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 19 Jan 2012 23:27:51 -0000  
Archived: Fri, 20 Jan 2012 15:59:10 -0500  
Subject: UK Animal Mutes - Fact or Fiction?

Back in May 2010 Dr David Clarke ran a piece on his blog, mocking the UK based Animal Pathology Field Unit - set up by Phil Hoyle and David Cayton to investigate cases of animal mutilation.

Blog link here:

<http://tinyurl.com/7lcvvkq>

Under the heading 'Ewe couldn't make it up' he questioned why The Sun newspaper followed by others, had run stories about mutilation incidents without naming any farmers involved

He wrote "Who are these farmers and why isn't a single source - apart from Hoyle - named in the story?"

His blog piece added that his own basic enquiries established that an animal health team which is part of DEFRA (the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) hadn't received a single complaint from farms or an unexplained animal mutilation report in the past five years.

David asked "But why let the facts get in the way of a good story."

I came across David C's blog this week while looking into new horse mutilations being reported in Wales and the West Country, so contacted David Cayton with David Clarke's reported criticism casting doubt on the accuracy of his unit's reports.

A couple of links here about Hoyle and Cayton's APFU.

<http://www.apfu.org/index.html>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DW-zl-WdJwHM>

In the interests of 'balance' - which journalism lecturer David Clarke appears to have neglected in this case - I will paste here Cayton's response to Clarke's comments (which he describes as a "debunking rant")

Cayton writes:

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"Clarke just doesn't understand so much about farmers and their uneasy and unhappy views about DEFRA!!!! Over the years, farmers have said that they would only engage with them if something serious like foot & mouth broke out on their premises. If they 'invited' them on to examine an animal mute, they are likely to pass it off as something normal and confiscate the carcass AND I know of 2 cases where the farmer has been seriously threatened if he talks to media or the likes of us!! Typical 'threat', is to warn that they will 'review' their government 'subsidies'! This could lead to serious financial problems and at worst posing their home and livelihood entirely!

Further if they 'invite' these people onto the farm, they go sniffing around looking for items of criticism leading to

possible penalties being imposed! DEFRA personnel are seen as bad news!

In our collective experience, farmers will more often than not, demand complete anonymity to be agreed by us, before they will liaise and allow us to examine and photograph their animals!

The very recent ongoing horse and pony mutilation deaths are prime examples of the operations of certain cells of DEFRA and/or other high level government departments /units, who are the agencies behind warning the police, RSPCA and the vets to wrap up their enquiries and promulgate stupid responses like normal sick animals as the cause, or natural predation, cults and the like!! Many Veterinary Practices around the U.K. are directly controlled by DEFRA as they are VLA accredited (Veterinary Laboratories Agency). This is one vital way that enables DEFRA to keep their finger on the pulse re the animal mutilation problem!! Also they will try all ways possible to keep these attacks off the public radar and concoct all manner of silly explanations for it if and when there is a leak to the media in some form, eg. Horse & Hound magazines etc etc!!

Pressurising a vet to then refuse the horse owner to have a second opinion or independent autopsy and even, as now get the police to refuse the horse owner photographs of their own animal!!!!

Clarke is just another of the detractors being constantly used by the media to throw cold water on any 'dangerous' factual information which could cause members of the public to stop and seriously consider these events as likely evidence of alien intervention on our planet! We have little doubt that he and a few others are actively 'encouraged' to do this and at the same time 'appear' to represent serious ufology!!

Only last night, he was at it again, along with Ian Ridpath and Mark Pilkington, all invited by the BBC to make 'their' dubious contribution to the Stargazers Live Program, broadcast from Jodrell Bank RT in Cheshire, fronted by Prof. Brian Cox!!!!!! These 3 'gentlemen were required' to help 'put to bed' any serious studio discussion that aliens are actually here on a regular basis.

Ironic that at 10pm on Sunday August 18, 1996, a cigar shaped UFO was seen= by credible witnesses, stationary for over an hour directly over the Lovell= main dish, beaming down a wide NON DIVERGING, soft beam of whitish light, directly into the dish! I was refused a look at their daily log by an officious and unpleasant female spokesperson! I knew the telescope was in use at the time, so assumed it was seen, a mere 300 feet above and /or also= the beam may have interfered with the operation of the telescope??

Richard Hall covered this item on his RP 'Starship TV programs, under the banner of 'The Cayton Files'. Still on his website I believe? DVD's also available."

End Cayton's statement.

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Whether or not the recent UK mutilation cases are anomalous or simply some ritualistic or perverted horse ripper - I know not.

But here is a link to the Welsh case:

<http://www.horseandhound.co.uk/news/397/311039.html>

And here is a web posting from the daughter of Linda Mann, the horse owner...

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"I'm Nicola, the daughter of Linda. Thanks for the lovely supportive comments. As you can imagine this is devastating. Barney was a rescue pony and the sweetest gentle little soul. I'm reading the news reports that the "police are doing an investigation"..well that's just not true...they took two hours to respond to the call, didn't even bother to go and look at his body on Thursday when it was reported and only did on Friday

when my brother and I insisted that they do so.

Since then the police have never once asked any questions or showed any interest in the mutilation of Barney. A two foot long by one foot deep cut deep cut has been made along Barney's stomach and his genitals (he was a stallion) have been removed, his eyes, ears and mouth were cut. I asked the police who attended on Friday why they haven't treated this as suspicious when anyone can see with an untrained eye that the wound to his abdomen was foul play. Her comment....."it was dark when we saw the pony's body" It was evident that boot prints and other evidence were around the scene. Now another poor stallion in Cornwall has been taken under the same fate. Can anyone help us get the word out about how serious this needs to be treated? We really need help to stop this happening again and find the people who did this to these two stallions.

To date I have =A3500 reward for anyone giving information leading to a conviction..so please if you think you may know anything please contact us. Please email me with any help or information you might have [missmann2001.nul](mailto:missmann2001.nul) I just wont stop or let these thugs sleep easy until we have justice for our dear friend Barney. Thanks again for your heart warming messages. Nicola"

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I gather the police have now concluded their investigation of this Welsh case and state that the horse died from 'natural causes'

Dave Haith

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The security I feel to know that the government is watching and  
protecting at all times is beyond words. I'm hoping that someday  
they will place cameras in all our homes to insure our safety.

What a Brave New World.

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The New Philosophy Of Cosmology  
By Ross Andersen

What existed before the big bang? What is the nature of time? Is our universe one of many? On the big questions science cannot (yet?) answer, a new crop of philosophers are trying to provide answers.

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Last May, Stephen Hawking gave a talk at Google's Zeitgeist Conference in which he declared philosophy to be dead.

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In December, a group of professors from America's top philosophy departments, including Rutgers, Columbia, Yale, and NYU, set out to establish the philosophy of cosmology as a new field of study within the philosophy of physics.

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One of the founding members of the American group, Tim Maudlin, was recently hired by New York University, the top ranked philosophy department in the English-speaking world. Maudlin is a philosopher of physics whose interests range from the foundations of physics, to topics more firmly within the domain of philosophy, like metaphysics and logic.

Yesterday I spoke with Maudlin by phone about cosmology, multiple universes, the nature of time, the odds of extraterrestrial life, and why Stephen Hawking is wrong about philosophy.

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Andersen: I recently came across a paper about Fermi's Paradox and Self-Replicating Probes, and while it had kind of a science fiction tone to it, it occurred to me as I was reading it that philosophers might be uniquely suited to speculating about, or at least evaluating the probabilistic arguments for the existence of life elsewhere in the universe. Do you expect philosophers of cosmology to enter into those debates, or will the discipline confine itself to issues that emerge directly from physics?

Maudlin: This is really a physical question. If you think of life, of intelligent life, it is, among other things, a physical phenomenon -- it occurs when the physical conditions are right. And so the question of how likely it is that life will emerge,

and how frequently it will emerge, does connect up to physics, and does connect up to cosmology, because when you're asking how likely it is that somewhere there's life, you're talking about the broad scope of the physical universe. And philosophers do tend to be pretty well schooled in certain kinds of probabilistic analysis, and so it may come up. I wouldn't rule it in or rule it out.

I will make one comment about these kinds of arguments which seems to me to somehow have eluded everyone. When people make these probabilistic equations, like the Drake Equation, which you're familiar with -- they introduce variables for the frequency of earth-like planets, for the evolution of life on those planets, and so on. The question remains as to how often, after life evolves, you'll have intelligent life capable of making technology. What people haven't seemed to notice is that on earth, of all the billions of species that have evolved, only one has developed intelligence to the level of producing technology. Which means that kind of intelligence is really not very useful. It's not actually, in the general case, of much evolutionary value. We tend to think, because we love to think of ourselves, human beings, as the top of the evolutionary ladder, that the intelligence we have, that makes us human beings, is the thing that all of evolution is striving toward. But what we know is that that's not true. Obviously it doesn't matter that much if you're a beetle, that you be really smart. If it were, evolution would have produced much more intelligent beetles. We have no empirical data to suggest that there's a high probability that evolution on another planet would lead to technological intelligence. There is just too much we don't know.

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## Why White House UFO Petitions Keep Failing

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Source: [GralienReport.Com](http://GralienReport.Com)

<http://tinyurl.com/7gbeseq>

January 18, 2012

Reason White House UFO Petitions Keep Failing  
by Micah

By now, we've already seen a number of attempts at gaining UFO disclosure through the popular "We the People" petitions offered by at the White House website. Early attempts at garnering public interest in UFO and extraterrestrial disclosure were spearheaded by Stephen Basset of the Paradigm Research Group, and though this earliest attempt did manage to garner the required number of signatures to receive a response, many felt the official White House statement had been dismissive, if not dodgy (that wasn't necessarily our take on the matter, however).

At present, another lesser-known petition is within days of expiring, having received a negligible 187 signatures.

Titled, Provide The Public An Honest Explanation Into The 2008 Sighting of an Unknown Aerial Object Above Stephenville, Texas, the latest petition seeks to address the famous case of UFOs seen over Stephenville, Texas back in early 2008. "Radar data confirms Unidentified Aerial Objects were flying above Stephenville, Texas on January 8th, 2008," the petition reads, "The witnesses were experienced pilots, law enforcement, and dozens of citizens. To this date they still have not been given a full explanation." Furthermore, the wording of the petition makes use of the story that "unknown flying objects were on a direct course to President Bush's Crawford ranch" around the time of the sighting, which "did not have required transponders, and exhibited strange flight characteristics beyond civilian or military aircraft."

There is obviously a lot of passion about this subject among members of the UFO community, and surely there are more than a few hundred disclosure advocates out there with serious interest in getting commentary from government officials on the matter. So why do these petitions continue to fail, despite the obvious interest they must gain from supporters?

Here are a few possible reasons why the efforts have continued to be so remarkably dismal regarding disclosure petitions:

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Friday, January 20, 2012

Welcome To The Jungle  
by Billy Cox

The book is thin, 85 pages, self-published =97 not that there=92s anything wrong with that, especially in these shabby illiterate times. It has been languishing beneath a ton of desk clutter since November, unsolicited, thank you, Vantage Press.

The title is disproportionate to its size: The Mysterious Lindsey Lights: One Family=92s True Encounters with Strange Lights in the Sky Near Lindsey, Wisconsin. The author is Betty May Ockerl. On the glossy back cover, Betty May tells readers only what they need to know, that she is =93a longtime resident of Lindsey, Wisconsin,=94 who has =93engaged in extensive research to better understand the causes of the mysterious Lindsey lights.=94

The foreword is written by a neighbor named Diane Luchterhand. Diane qualified on account of her own confession that she once saw a UFO during summer camp in the 1960s. Diane praises Betty May for =93giving me the opportunity to write the foreword=94 and commends Betty May=92s =93bravery for writing about a subject that most people would find uneasy to talk about.=94

Betty May writes about a series of nocturnal lights in the sky in rural Wisconsin, mostly from 2004-07, and mostly with her teenage daughter Amanda. She illustrates it with sketches of the lights they saw, hovering above stick-figure trees, arranged in various chevron, diagonal, and horizontal formations. In 2006, after being alerted to a sighting by the roar of military jets, she picked up the phone, her =93heart pounding,=94 and reported it to the U.S. Army base at Fort McCoy Garrison. The PIO asked if she had photos. Betty May said no. She has no photos from any of her sightings.

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## Compact Microwave For Vehicle Immobilization

From: Rick Nielsen <[nilthchi.nul](mailto:nilthchi.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 20 Jan 2012 21:37:41 -0800 (PST)  
Archived: Sat, 21 Jan 2012 20:50:20 -0500  
Subject: Compact Microwave For Vehicle Immobilization

High-Power Compact Microwave Source for Vehicle Immobilization:  
Final Report

Eureka Aerospace has developed a compact single frequency high-power electromagnetic system (HPEMS) for remotely immobilizing vehicles using microwave energy to disable/damage vehicle's electronic control module/microprocessor which controls engine's vital functions.

More in .pdf at:

<https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/236756.pdf>

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## Deception Detection Software Applied To UFO

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Subject: Deception Detection Software Applied To UFO

Some smart people at the Stevens Institute of Technology claim to have developed an algorithm to detect deceitful content in plain text. Here are some links to see for yourself what this about.

More at:

<http://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread787920/pg1>

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Date: Sat, 21 Jan 2012 20:06:05 +0100  
Archived: Sun, 22 Jan 2012 21:56:07 -0500  
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Check here for more info on the co-operation between CEFAA and NARCAP:  
<http://tinyurl.com/7owd81b>

Excellent coverage of CEFAA was also presented in June 2000 in special issue of French magazine VSD (the same magazine that originally published the Cometa Report) when Bernard Thouanel was Editor in Chief.

There are also some recent Chilean articles that should be mentioned as:

La Tercera, January 29, 2011 (in Spanish)  
Department of Aeronautics looks at anomalous aerial phenomena reports  
<http://tinyurl.com/77bugrz>

Las Ultimas Noticias, June 1, 2011 (in Spanish)  
Expert are analyzing the latest sightings in Chile  
<http://tinyurl.com/7xycs5v>

plus an English article:

OpenMinds, Antonio Huneeus, July 29, 2011  
New video from Chilean government UFO Committee  
<http://tinyurl.com/3zvd2fj>

Here are more details about upcoming conference and Bermudez participation:  
<http://tinyurl.com/7acfke6>

Readers could be also interested in these additional sources:

CEFAA's Official page:  
<http://tinyurl.com/724vqpl>

Leslie Kean, UFOs; Generals, Pilots, and Government Officials go on the Record, (New York, NY: Harmony Books, 2010) p. 189-197.

UFOs Close Encounters, National Press Club Conference, Washington DC, November 12, 2007 - Rodrigo Bravo Garrido's Statement:  
<http://tinyurl.com/7zt5np9>

UFO UpDates, Richard Hall on National Press Club Press Conference, November 12, 2007  
<http://tinyurl.com/6txl8b9>

OpenMinds - Chilean Army officer publishes book on pilot UFO cases  
<http://tinyurl.com/7awup66>  
<http://tinyurl.com/6qk5she>

Rodrigo Bravo Garrido's twitter:  
<http://twitter.com/ecobufon>

Rodrigo Bravo Garrido's Facebook:  
<http://tinyurl.com/84p43lj>

Rodrigo Bravo Garrido's Book:  
Ufologia Aeronautica  
<http://tinyurl.com/6mhfor5>

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20 January 2012

What If There Were Another Technologically Advanced Species?  
Natalie Wolchover

What if Neanderthals, who bit the dust just 28,000 years ago, had instead wised up and were now living next door? Or what if, during all these millennia that humans have been evolving, some unrelated creature had evolved cognitive and technological prowess in keeping with our own? Another scenario: what if humans had split into two separate species =97 the original gangsters, and a successful evolutionary offshoot?

These are all perfectly reasonable histories of the world that would have resulted in two advanced species of Earthlings living side-by-side today. They're just not the histories that happen to have happened.

But what if they had? Would we break bread with our brainy cohabitants or be locked in a constant battle for supremacy?

Oh, them =96 just ignore them

In this hypothetical world, there would be three possible relationships between humans and "others," said William Harcourt-Smith, a paleoanthropologist at the American Museum of Natural History. The most likely one is that competition for resources would cause us to fight, constantly.

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Dear Listers

This is a must see, as the official is really a great speaker

and has an enormous knowledge of the UFO Phenomena. I have been a friend of General Ricardo Bermudez for over a decade and can assure that he is a very serious man who is also very serious and open towards the UFO subject.

Very few people in the UFO community in States or Europe realize that Chile has an \_official\_ committee for UFO investigations since 1997, operating under the National Aviation Department. It is the Centro de Estudios de Fen=F3menos A=E9reos An=F3malos (CEFAA).

And not only that, but Uruguay has a similar committee for UFO investigations since 1979, it is, the committee was formed only 3 years after the French initiatives. It is called Comisi=F3n Receptadora y Investigadora de Denuncias de Objetos Voladores No Identificados (Cridovni).

Both entities are open and composed by both civilian UFO researchers and military personal, without any skeptical position, but rather critical.

I have interviewed for over 4 hours the commander of the Uruguayan committee, Coronel Ariel Sanchez, in November 2010, and will interview Bermudez in Santiago next March.

A. J.

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Monday, January 23, 2012

An Island That's 'Odder' Than UFOs  
by Billy Cox

Airline pilot Patrick Smith writes wonderfully entertaining Ask  
The Pilot columns for Salon.com, but Thursday's piece - "Who  
Needs UFOs?" - was a bit facile.

He responded to a reader who asked if, while airborne, Smith had  
"ever seen anything really weird or fantastic?" Smith wrote "I  
know what you're thinking" and said no, he'd never seen any  
UFOs. Nor had he ever met a pilot who'd seen one. Smith itemized  
the infinitely more "spectacular" things he'd witnessed, such as  
meteors, boreal lights, and a concluding image of lonely Sable  
Island, populated by wild horses, 200 miles east of Nova Scotia.  
"How staggeringly vulnerable it appears from 38,000 feet," he  
noted. "Odder, even, than a UFO".

This is like a freighter captain saying "I've been around the  
world 30 times, and neither I nor any other seaman I know has  
ever seen a giant squid, but let me tell you about how cool  
whales and dolphins are." Meh. Come on - for Sable Island to be  
odder than a UFO, it would have to show up on radar, pace his  
airliner, reverse direction on a dime, and spray his comm system  
with bursts of static. But that can't possibly happen because  
neither Smith nor his colleagues have reported seeing any of  
that stuff. And it's not because of some paranoid notion that  
pilots have a "tacit" agreement not to discuss UFOs, Smith  
reassures us: "Although many things in aviation are tantamount  
to 'career suicide,' withholding information about UFOs isn't  
one of them."

Say what? How could not talking about UFOs amount to career  
suicide? Furthermore, the reader's reluctance to directly employ  
the dreaded acronym in his/her question says a lot about our  
collective insecurities. Dear Salon.com Readers: There are  
pilots who openly talk about it, but they're usually not  
American. Leslie Kean's 2010 bestseller UFOs: Pilots, Generals  
and Government Officials Go On the Record argues aviator  
reluctance to address The Great Taboo is a cultural phenomenon  
unique to the U.S.

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I wonder if any mention will be made of the 1956 Chilean Antarctic expedition at the conference?

To me this 1956 report is an overlooked ufological gem. I am sure if it had been properly researched and published at the time, would have gone a long way in clarifying the UFO phenomenon.

Four scientist over two days with two cigar craft over their heads. Numerous photos taken as well as theodolite readings. Departure speed of 24,000 mph all jaw dropping stuff.

To read the original report that I have uploaded for UpDates subscribers only please go to:

With thanks to Martin Shough for trolling through his UFO magazine collection to find this report.

Kind regards,

Joe Faccenda (Scotland)

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## Article About UFOs In Brasilia

From: **Thiago Luiz Ticchetti** <[ticchetti.nul](mailto:ticchetti.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 24 Jan 2012 11:34:18 -0800 (PST)  
Archived: Tue, 24 Jan 2012 18:08:24 -0500  
Subject: Article About UFOs In Brasilia

Hello List,

I invite you to read my article (alread published in the UFO MATRIX magazine) at the UFO Digest site.

<http://www.ufodigest.com/article/ufology-braslia>

Thank you

Thiago Luiz Ticchetti  
Coordenador da Revista UFO Brasil: [www.ufo.com.br](http://www.ufo.com.br)  
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## NUFORC To Turn ICBM Site Into HQ

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 08:39:28 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 08:39:28 -0500  
Subject: NUFORC To Turn ICBM Site Into HQ

Source: HuffPo

<http://tinyurl.com/7p2t5yf>

01/23/2012

National UFO Reporting Center Plans To Turn ICBM Site Into HQ  
Lee Spiegel

Over the Cold War years underground missile sites were built in the United States to house weapons to defend America from attack by outside forces.

In an odd twist, one such decommissioned site in Davenport, Wash., might end up becoming the future home of the National UFO Reporting Center.

For many years, the center's director, Peter Davenport, dreamed of relocating his organization in a missile site and even living there himself.

He explored several decommissioned ICBM sites in Washington state until someone decided to sell one in 2005: Atlas E Missile Site 6.

The site, shown in a 1960s image below, fell under the jurisdiction of Fairchild Air Force Base from 1961 to 1964.

"It was the first underground ICBM... site in the U.S. arsenal, decommissioned in 1964," Davenport told The Huffington Post via email.

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## UFO Sightings As Fighter Jets Fly Low

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 08:54:25 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 08:54:25 -0500  
Subject: UFO Sightings As Fighter Jets Fly Low

Source: KentOnline.Co.UK

<http://tinyurl.com/6v2fzsq>

Monday, January 23 2012

UFO Sightings As Fighter Jets Fly Low Over North Kent  
by Rachel Hovenden

People have reported seeing UFOs in the sky after hearing fighter jets flying above north Kent at the weekend.

People across Gravesend and Dartford reported hearing the low-flying fighter jets on Saturday evening.

Some took to a UFO sighting website to report bright lights being chased by fighter jets.

Adrian and Jessica, from Istead Rise, posted on the site: "We looked out on the patio toward the sky and saw a reddy orange shaped object (which was very low in the sky) and was an oval shape but quite large.

"It was moving in an unusual pattern (unlike conventional aircraft) and did a tight abrupt circle before shooting off in such a fast fashion that the two jets that appeared were too late to catch up with it."

Matt, from Dartford, also posted, saying: "I see LOTS around 50 [sic.] what appeared to be bright lights / stars, at first glance in the sky.

"Upon closer inspection, they appeared to be moving, then a loud rumbling noise of fighter jets whooshed past very very low....

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## UFO Buzzes ICBM Launch Capsule At Minot AF

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 09:07:19 -0500  
Archived: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 09:07:19 -0500  
Subject: UFO Buzzes ICBM Launch Capsule At Minot AF

Source: Frank Warren's UFO Chronicals

<http://tinyurl.com/837xn92>

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

UFO Buzzes ICBM Launch Capsule At Minot AFB:  
The Commander's Control Panel "Lit-Up" Indicating Missiles Away!  
by Robert Hastings

I have spent 39 years investigating the UFO-Nukes Connection. During that period, a number of former or retired U.S. Air Force officers have confirmed their involvement in incidents where UFOs had hovered over their Minuteman missile launch control facilities, sometimes shutting down or even temporarily activating the missiles. A few of those individuals participated in my September 27, 2010 press conference in Washington D.C., which CNN streamed live. The full-length video of that event may be viewed below:

In 2005, I posted a series of messages on the Yahoo missile\_talk group's bulletin board, summarizing my research. My hope was that some of the group's members, largely made up of U.S. Air Force missileers, would be encouraged to come forth and discuss their own experiences. A few of them, including Larry Manross, did just that. He wrote, in two emails combined here:

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## Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 18:21:03 +0000  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 07:47:27 -0500  
Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>From: Kay Wilson <[kaywilson.nul](mailto:kaywilson.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Tue, 24 Jan 2012 12:40:20 -0600  
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Kay: I have some questions about your opinions regarding interacting with a professional health professional. But, based on past attempts to engage you in a dialogue, I already know you will not respond. Therefore, I believe you have a policy of not entering a dialogue with someone unless they are totally sympathetic to your worldview, your take on the events. In my estimation, this informed your opinion regarding your attempts to "get healed" through conventional transactional analysis.

Frankly, if it is your intent to make the public aware of just what the abduction experience might be, cutting off dialogue will not further the public's understanding your position.

Of course, the above is solely my opinion and is based on my own lifetime experiences.

KK

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## Molten Blobs Create Moon Flashes

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 07:51:38 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 07:51:38 -0500  
Subject: Molten Blobs Create Moon Flashes

Source: ScienceNews.Org

<http://tinyurl.com/792qlzy>

Wednesday, January 25th, 2012

Molten Blobs Create Moon Flashes

Mysterious lunar lights are the superhot remains of meteorites pelting the surface

By Nadia Drake

Meteorites colliding with the moon sometimes set off tiny lights dancing across its surface. Now scientists think they know what powers these lunar lightbulbs, in the absence of any atmosphere that would otherwise set incoming meteors ablaze: The flashes result from superhot material kicked up by the tiny objects striking the moon's surface.

"You have just a small piece of cometary material or asteroid, about 10 centimeters, that can do a very bright flash visible from the Earth," says study coauthor Sylvain Bouley, a planetary scientist at the Paris Observatory.

The study, which will appear in March in *Icarus*, settles an old debate about where the twinkling lunar lights come from. Observed for more than half a millennium, lunar impacts occur hundreds of times each year. Meteor showers, like the Leonids in November, can dump as many as 20 objects on the moon in one night.

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## Remote Viewers 'Apollo 16 Astronauts Found Alien

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:05:08 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:05:08 -0500  
Subject: Remote Viewers 'Apollo 16 Astronauts Found Alien

Source: NewsDiscovery.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/6nusneo>

Tue Jan 24, 2012

Psychics Say Apollo 16 Astronauts Found Alien Ship  
Analysis by Ray Villard

Over the past 50 years, billions of dollars have been spent visiting our nearest neighbor in space, the moon. It's the only extraterrestrial body humans have ever walked on. Besides the United States and Russia, Japan, China, India and the European Space Agency have all sent robotic spacecraft moonward.

Probably the most prolific of these missions, NASA's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO), is stockpiling close to 1 million pictures of the lunar surface that are so sharp, you could see a coffee table nestled among the boulders.

Astrobiologist and physicist Paul Davies recently said that LRO's public-accessible photos should be perused by a citizen science program to look for any alien artifacts left on the moon.

ANALYSIS: SETI to Scour the Moon for Alien Footprints?

But why bother? says a group of parapsychology sleuths who accuse NASA of hiding evidence of aliens on the lunar surface. Their wild tales sound like an amalgamation of Hollywood sci-fi movies: "Apollo 18," "Minority Report" and "Alien."

They say that a psychic technique called remote viewing allows people to take an armchair visit to other planets. The mind-travelers draw images of alien-looking things that are supposedly transmitted from a definitely out-of-body experience (potentially) millions of miles from Earth.

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## Two Virginia 'Cigar' Sightings

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:08:36 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:08:36 -0500  
Subject: Two Virginia 'Cigar' Sightings

Source: UFO Examiner

<http://tinyurl.com/83zbmh5>

January 25, 2012

Cigar Reports Continue: Two Virginia Sightings Add To Testimony  
Roger Marsh

Two additional reports of an east coast cigar-shaped object were reported following five similar reports from the same region in January, according to January 25, 2012, testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

This latest report from Virginia recounts a January 12, 2012, sighting on a "calm and clear night" in a country setting when two objects were watched "gliding very slowly with no noise or trail" during a 7-minute observation.

"I moved to the yard for view as they crossed over house and lost sight," the witness stated. "Objects appeared to be 100+ feet apart and equidistant laterally - one on left was diagonally behind the leader. Objects were traveling in southeast direction."

No town name was mentioned in the public portion of the report, which was filed on January 25, 2012. No images or videos were included with the report. The above quotes were edited for clarity.

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## 'Time Stood Still' After Observation

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:11:22 -0500  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:11:22 -0500  
Subject: 'Time Stood Still' After Observation

Source: UFO Examiner

<http://tinyurl.com/7rtspo8>

January 25, 2012

California UFO Witness: 'Time Stood Still' After Observation  
Roger Marsh

An Arizona witness reported that "time stood still" after family members observed a group of "shimmering white-silver lights" that changed from a rectangular to star-like appearance about 7:45 a.m. on January 24, 2012, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The objects "stayed in one place and rapid movement of lights made it hard to get a fix on any more detail," the reporting witness stated. The observation "lasted about three minutes, was witnessed by four family members, and instantly disappeared as we viewed - just poof and it was gone."

The witness went outside about 10 minutes later and felt that the air was "electrically charged."

"The air seemed electrically charged, fresh and had a lightness about it. I noticed the clarity of landscape, colors and sounds of many birds seemed more vibrant and enhanced. This lasted about one minute or so, although the residual effect on me personally lasted throughout the day as far as feeling charged up. At first we felt a bit stunned by what we were seeing and we just viewed it in awe of how beautiful it looked as if time stood still - almost as if it was a normal occurrence. What we observed was clear and beautiful."

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## Secrecy News - 01/25/12

From: Steven Aftergood <[saftergood.nul](mailto:saftergood.nul)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 08:45:10 -0800  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 08:15:39 -0500  
Subject: Secrecy News - 01/25/12

SECRECY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
Volume 2012, Issue No. 6  
January 25, 2012

Secrecy News Blog:

<http://www.fas.org/blog/secrecy/>

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Domestic Use Of Drones Is Well Underway

The use of unmanned aerial systems (UAS) within the United States is certain to increase in the years to come, as a new Army policy has recently made clear. ("Army Foresees Expanded Use of Drones in U.S. Airspace," Secrecy News, January 19.) But in fact the use of unmanned aircraft or drones within U.S. airspace has already advanced to a degree that is not widely recognized.

As of 2010, the Federal Aviation Administration had already issued hundreds of "certificates of authorization" (COAs) for the domestic use of drones.

"Right now, today as we sit here, we have 251 certificates of authorization for unmanned aircraft, 140 of them are DOD related," said Hank Krakowski of the FAA at an informative Senate hearing in September 2010. "We have not rejected or denied any DOD COAs in 2010, and we keep moving forward."

On the other hand, Mr. Krakowski cautioned, "While UASs offer a promising new technology, the limited safety and operational data available to date does not yet support expedited or full integration into the NAS [National Airspace System]. Because current available data is insufficient to allow unfettered integration of UASs into the NAS - where the public travels every day - the FAA must continue to move forward deliberately and cautiously, in accordance with our safety mandate."

"Unmanned aircraft systems [were] originally and primarily designed for military purposes," he noted. "Although the technology incorporated into UASs has advanced, their safety record warrants caution. As we attempt to integrate these aircraft into the NAS, we will continue to look at any risks that UASs pose to the traveling public as well as the risk to persons or property on the ground."

See "The Integration of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs) Into the National Airspace System (NAS): Fulfilling Imminent Operational and Training Requirements," Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Technology, September 13, 2010 (published September 2011):

[http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2010\\_hr/uas.html](http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2010_hr/uas.html)

In the 2012 National Defense Authorization Act, Congress included language requiring a report on "the integration of

unmanned aerial systems into the national airspace system."

The legality of the use of drones in CIA targeted killing programs is among the topics that is explored in the brand new issue of the Journal of National Security Law and Policy on the subject of covert war. It can be read online here:

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## Those "Noises" And MSM

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 14:06:30 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 09:51:30 -0500  
Subject: Those "Noises" And MSM

Hello List

Just did round-up of news stories and here's results: most of MSM is keeping away from the "Noise" story (waiting for 'permission?'), except for some local press who've had the folk (and the mayor, in one case) pester them - have put a list of those at bottom.

Interestingly though, and esp. if anyone tells you it all started recently or is "viral marketing" - you can dismiss that!

Here's a young guy from New Jersey, Saturday May 21st 2011:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bju3pHUL45w>

And a couple from Florida, March, 2011:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvnHyU8e1c8>

be sure to read their account, esp. re: Police statements

[Begin Quote]

"I called 911, They said they didnt know what it was, But that there were MANY calls coming in about the noise. They said they were sending patrols out to check it out... I called the News Station also, They told me it wasn't a Tornado, And that the police had told them to tell people it was an airplane revving it's engine at the airport. I live 4 miles from the airport, And I have lived here for 20 years, I have never heard an An airplane rev its engine at the airport, that was just insanity.

... \_And\_, on the 11 o'clock news that night, the weather man made a comment about all the calls that had come in about the noise, He said, Dont worry, It wasn't a Tornado, and it was confirmed that it \_wasn't\_ an Airplane, \_all\_ You were hearing was \_thunder\_!!! If anyone has ever heard Thunder that was anything like that, Please let me know. It is just so Strange to me that the Stories kept changing... Like we are stupid or something and dont know what Thunder sounds like.

[End Quote]

(you can hear the lady making one of those calls toward end of clip)

They gave a link to:

[www.wctv.tv/home/headlines/Tornado-like\\_Sounds Wor](http://www.wctv.tv/home/headlines/Tornado-like_Sounds_Wor)

Here's list of the saner small-Press reports so far: from

news.com.au  
<http://tinyurl.com/8yswkn4>

theborneopost.com  
<http://tinyurl.com/7ulavop>

huffingtonpost.com  
<http://tinyurl.com/7jtz3bt>

examiner.com (re Aus)  
<http://tinyurl.com/7u69qt9>

examiner.com (re: Canada Pt1)  
<http://tinyurl.com/76465z6>

examiner.com (Pt2)  
<http://tinyurl.com/7dbmwbk>

ctv.ca (re: Saskatoon)  
<http://tinyurl.com/7y9hmj9>

and "Yahoo Sports Minute" accidentally broadcast it live from a baseball game:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v5YjbOFIIVs>

Cheers

Ray D

BTW - have posted some maybe useful info regarding 'harmonic analysis' of sounds at:

[www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises4](http://www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises4)

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From: **Martin Shough** <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 17:26:06 -0000  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 13:35:06 -0500  
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This is weird stuff. The nearest natural thing might auroral sounds, which is interesting given the current solar maximum and strong visible aurorae seen from many places recently. Auroral sound is itself still controversial but a lot of specialists accept it even though there's no good theory as to how it happens. But the sound is almost always reported to be like a hiss or swish or crackle - i.e. high frequency, not like most of these recordings (a possible exception is old Eskimo stories of aurorae "howling"), and also pretty quiet, certainly not vibrating the ground. On the other hand v.low frequency infrasound has been detected from aurorae, though only by instruments and again not associated with loud roaring the human range. Lots of info in a 113pp Helsinki University of Technology Masters thesis here:

<http://lib.tkk.fi/Dipl/2005/urn007898.pdf>

One possibility often considered is electrophonic noise. This would put auroral sounds in the same category as the meteor sounds that people sometimes hear simultaneous with large fireball events, caused by sensations directly induced within the ear by electromagnetic waves. But again these sounds are high-frequency and elusive, and what explains being able to record them on camcorders and phones along with witnesses' conversations? The only possibility would be that electromagnetic energy reaching the ground is being transduced by something in the local environment, maybe telephone or power lines that would be conductors long enough that even small power gradients might excite significant currents. Might this effect also explain stories of power failures etc associated with

meteor fireballs and Viktor Golubik has suggested (eslewhere)?

This sort of thing is certainly not new and unique to 2012. Here's a story 137 years old, from the Daily Alta California, Volume 27, Number 9073, February 4, 1875, p. 2:

"A PHENOMENON

Yesterday, at about half-past ten o'clock a. m., while some topographical students were out on the Presidio, and while adjusting their instruments, suddenly they heard a sharp whistling in the direction of the northwest. The sound increased, and as it passed overhead as if a shell or rocket, a whistle at first, increasing to a scream, then as a park of artillery rapidly rolling over a rough road, it dwindled into silence, passing to the southeast. Nothing was visible in the air. But the most curious thing about it was, that before the sound the needle of the compass pointed two and three-quarter degrees to the west of north. But, when the sound had ceased, and the students with pale faces gave their attention to their theodolite, it showed a variation of twenty-two and three-fourth degrees to the east. Who can explain this curious phenomenon? Gradually the needle returned to its former position. Here is a nut for some of the members of our Philosophical Society to crack." --Posted recently by Rod Brock on the Magonia Exchange List

There are plenty of recordings of VLF and ELF auroral electromagnetic emissions which get into the range of audio frequencies. Here these peculiar "choruses" have been artificially transduced into sound. But it's conceivable that if this could happen "in the wild" then it might sound at least a little like some of the noises recorded recently. Compare these for example

<http://www-pw.physics.uiowa.edu/mcgreevy/30a1652.wav>

<http://www-pw.physics.uiowa.edu/mcgreevy/24a1500.wav>

But as for the vibrating buildings, and those strange regular rhythmic low frequency components... I don't know. Worth considering though.

Martin Shough

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Best wishes,

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From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 18:43:29 +0000  
Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 15:05:51 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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>[Begin Quote]

>"I called 911, They said they didnt know what it was, But that  
>there were MANY calls coming in about the noise. They said they  
>were sending patrols out to check it out... I called the News  
>Station also, They told me it wasn't a Tornado, And that the  
>police had told them to tell people it was an airplane revving  
>it's engine at the airport. I live 4 miles from the airport, And  
>I have lived here for 20 years, I have never heard an An  
>airplane rev its engine at the airport, that was just insanity.

>... And, on the 11 o'clock news that night, the weather man  
>made a comment about all the calls that had come in about the  
>noise, He said, Dont worry, It wasn't a Tornado, and it was  
>confirmed that it wasn't an Airplane, all You were hearing  
>was thunder!!! If anyone has ever heard Thunder that was  
>anything like that, Please let me know. It is just so Strange to  
>me that the Stories kept changing... Like we are stupid or  
>something and dont know what Thunder sounds like.

>[End Quote]

>(you can hear the lady making one of those calls toward end of  
>clip)

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<snip>

You mean this was a sound people were hearing around the U.S.?

I sat out on my patio on January 16th-17th and heard what I thought was a heavy duty wind making its way across the desert. I waited and waited, but nothing happened. Just the noise. Then, I decided it must some experimental air craft being tested. But, nothing flew over head. The noise just continued.

The next night I was listening to Coast to Coast AM - a nightly ritual for me while sitting out on the patio with a good cigar. Whit Strieber was being interviewed and he was reporting on The Noise he and Anne heard. Well, I be damned. Was my response. Nobody knows what caused The Noise.

I would place money on a very serious change below the surface of the Earth. Some creaking and groaning. Gaia, I would guess, is trying to let we Earthlings know we getting too heavy.

KK

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## Lou Farish Passes

From: **A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO** <[ajgevaerd.nul](mailto:ajgevaerd.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 09:55:51 -0200  
Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 07:25:52 -0500  
Subject: Lou Farish Passes

Dear Listers,

I just got this message from Jerry Blackburn and perhaps a more of Lou's friends on the List have got it too. I am copying to let all know that Lou Farish passed away yesterday.

As most of you will remember, Lou was very helpful to all UFO researchers much before the internet era with his legendary UFO Newsclipping Service, collecting news about UFO sightings from papers all over the world. What a job he did!pers all over the world. What a job he did!

Lou Farish played his part in the development of Ufology very well and deserves to be remembered forever.

RIP

A. J. Gevaerd

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## UFO Was Inches From Car Say Elderly Couple

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:11:35 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:11:35 -0500  
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Source: [TeesdaleMercury.co.uk](http://TeesdaleMercury.co.uk)

<http://tinyurl.com/7v2nzmd>

Jan 26, 2012

UFO Was Inches From Car, Say Elderly Couple

Two Barnard Castle pensioners say a flying saucer hovered inches from their car as they drove home at night.

Bruce and Priscilla Wetherill, both 84, have described the brief encounter, which happened between Gainford and Barnard Castle, as "frightening".

They pair say they saw something strange in the sky as they drove past a wooded area near Arlaw Banks.

Mrs Wetherill said: "We saw this thing heading towards us - it was coming right at us and was as low as the car and huge. It was very frightening.

"Bruce kept driving but we both ducked down, expecting it to hit us. I thought, 'This is it, we've had it'."

[More at site... ]

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Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:13:38 -0500  
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Hello Martin, thanks for all those references, interesting stuff.

Disregarding obvious hoaxes, and taking the others at face value, I was looking for a rare but large scale 'force' which could be responsible for such world-wide phenomena.

Trying to think of any 'once in a lifetime' changes happening right now, could only come up with the behaviour of the Sun over the last five years or so, and the current steep decline in the Earth's magnetic field (over last century or so, but maybe accelerating now).

There may be complex interactions between these types of event, but we won't know about them precisely because such a conjunction is so rare.

To forestall too much gloom though, 'Science Blogs' at:

<http://tinyurl.com/dlscmk>

seems to say that a pole-flip is probably some way off, although 'Earthexplorer' at:

<http://tinyurl.com/6pv7834>

adds that the biggest extinction (End-Permian) did coincide with such a reversal (yet most others didn't seem to).

Cheers

Ray D

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From: **Jim Deardorff** <[deardorj.nul](mailto:deardorj.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 14:02:25 -0800  
Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:17:17 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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Martin, Nick and List,

We should by no means rule out the UFO possibility, which was included in the ITN news report above. They at least had the nerve to mention "cloaked UFOs".

There are numerous people around the world who know about the witnesses hearing the very loud, eerie sounds in Switzerland from the "beamships" visiting near Meier's place, and the beamship sound demonstration they allowed him to record in 1977.

They must think it as strange that ufologists are baffled over the sounds as it is that SETI specialists can't accept what UFO reports are all about.

Here are URL's, mostly to my website collection, that give witnesses' accounts of the beamship sounds:

[http://www.tjresearch.info/Stevens\\_Recordings-of-spacecraft-sounds.htm](http://www.tjresearch.info/Stevens_Recordings-of-spacecraft-sounds.htm)

The well known recording of it is at:

<http://www.tjresearch.info/sirren.mp3>

[http://www.tjresearch.info/Proch\\_Experience](http://www.tjresearch.info/Proch_Experience) during a contact in 1977.htm

<http://www.tjresearch.info/witnessa.htm#20Feb77>

<http://theyfly.com/PDF/UFOsoundRecordings.pdf>

[http://www.tjresearch.info/Krukowski\\_loud-beamship-siren.htm](http://www.tjresearch.info/Krukowski_loud-beamship-siren.htm)

[http://www.tjresearch.info/Bieri-E\\_Billy's-contact-of-1-June-1981.htm](http://www.tjresearch.info/Bieri-E_Billy's-contact-of-1-June-1981.htm)

[http://www.tjresearch.info/Waechter-E\\_For-strangers-inconceivable.htm](http://www.tjresearch.info/Waechter-E_For-strangers-inconceivable.htm)

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From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 18:48:34 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:18:46 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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In 2000, the UK MoD wrote a paper expressing its interest in a technology which creates plasma balls at a distant location. I presented an argument last year that some recent sightings could be the results of such a research program. The sighting locations suggested that a number of countries such as the UK, Italy, and the USA are involved in the research. An updated version of the paper making this argument is at

<http://www.treurniet.ca/bigpic/orbtech/orbtech2.pdf>

I suspect that this technology is related to the scalar technology that Tom Bearden has been talking about. According to him, the new physics allows energy to be pulled from the vacuum at a distant location, and this has been used to make both offensive and defensive weapons.

I suggest that tests of such devices are creating some unexplained phenomena in the atmosphere, such as the plasma ball structures as well as these strange sounds that are being recorded. I think Nick's proposed explanations in the video are an indication that he, as an ex-MoD employee, knows more about this than he is letting on. First, he suggests that the sounds are an atmospheric phenomenon involving thunder. Then he suggests that an electrical phenomenon is involved - making a humming and crackling sound.

I think Nick's proposal is entirely consistent with a technology that creates an electrical effect like a plasma high in the atmosphere. Then turning the effect on and off at audio frequencies would create audible compression waves in the atmosphere.

I don't know if Nick added the prop himself, but I like the added touch of the alien figure beside him during the interview. Could he have intended this as a clue that we're talking about a level of secrecy that parallels the secrecy around UFOs and aliens?

In videos of the strange sounds from Kiev and Manitoba, there are tonal sequences that remind me of the audio communications with the UFOs in Close Encounters of the Third Kind. Maybe some researchers have a sense of humor, or maybe it's a serious attempt at communicating with someone not of this world - a case of life imitating fiction.

<http://www.treurniet.ca/temp/ManitobaTune.wav>

<http://www.treurniet.ca/temp/KievTune.wav>

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## Divers Find Large Object On Baltic Seabed

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:25:10 -0500  
Archived: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:25:10 -0500  
Subject: Divers Find Large Object On Baltic Seabed

Source: News.Yahoo.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7upu7nq>

26-01-12

Divers Find Large, Unexplained Object At Bottom Of Baltic Sea  
By Eric Pfeiffer

A team of salvage divers has discovered an unexplained object resting at the bottom of the Baltic Sea near Sweden.

"This thing turned up. My first reaction was to tell the guys that we have a UFO here on the bottom," said Peter Lindberg, the leader of the amateur treasure hunters.

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"Could this be the Star Wars Millenium Falcon, a plug to an inner world or a marine version of Stonehenge?" asks CNN's Brooke Bowman:

[Video]

[More at site... thanks to Terry Colvin & John Sweet ]

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## Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

From: Jack Brewer <[brewer.jack.nul](mailto:brewer.jack.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:23:30 -0800 (PST)  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:15:32 -0500  
Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>From: Kathy Kasten <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
>Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 18:21:03 +0000  
>Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 07:47:27 -0500  
>Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>Kay: I have some questions about your opinions regarding  
>interacting with a professional health professional. But, based  
>on past attempts to engage you in a dialogue, I already know you  
>will not respond. Therefore, I believe you have a policy of not  
>entering a dialogue with someone unless they are totally  
>sympathetic to your worldview, your take on the events. In my  
>estimation, this informed your opinion regarding your attempts to  
>"get healed" through conventional transactional analysis.

Hello KK,

I would be interested in reading your perspectives on the roles health professionals can play in the lives of self-described alien abductees. As your time allows, I would appreciate reading your take on such issues as psychoanalysis, the manners psychoanalysis and mental health professionals are typically viewed within the UFO community, and similar such dynamics as they relate to the abduction phenomenon.

What are the pros and cons? What are the dangers of discouraging people from visiting psychiatrists and medical doctors?

I would also appreciate reading commentary from others who might choose to respond to such questions and their related issues.

Regards,

Jack Brewer  
[www.ufotrail.blogspot.com](http://www.ufotrail.blogspot.com)

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## Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 16:31:41 -0000  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:17:16 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 20:14:45 -0000  
>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

<snip>

>Trying to think of any 'once in a lifetime' changes happening  
>right now, could only come up with the behaviour of the Sun over  
>the last five years or so, and the current steep decline in the  
>Earth's magnetic field (over last century or so, but maybe  
>accelerating now).

>There may be complex interactions between these types of event,  
>but we won't know about them precisely because such a  
>conjunction is so rare.

Sorry List,

Forgot the rapid acceleration of 'pole-shift' movement in last  
decade or two (maybe confused it with the Earth's magnetic field  
change (a decline) - which is entirely separate (or so they say)  
but which is also accelerating).

So we now have three 'once in a lifetime' events (or even  
rarer) all happening right now. From the little I've seen of the  
records, this precise conjunction might be unique in the last  
few thousand years, or even the last few tens of thousands of  
years.

From 'The Watchers' site, here's the graph of pole-shift  
movement over the last 420 years - quite surprising:

<http://tinyurl.com/6mboku3>

from their page on that subject

<http://tinyurl.com/4jf6tfk>

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So - To recap, here's the NASA page (w/illustrations) on the  
Sun's strange behaviour in last five years:

<http://tinyurl.com/2d4zqej>

and also the Wiki page on the (Earth's) Geomagnetic Field:

<http://tinyurl.com/6qudsev>

Cheers

Ray D

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## Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

From: David Rudiak <[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 09:43:35 -0800  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:19:01 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 14:06:30 -0000  
>Subject: Those "Noises" And MSM

>Just did round-up of news stories and here's results: most of  
>MSM is keeping away from the "Noise" story (waiting for  
>'permission?'), except for some local press who've had the folk  
>(and the mayor, in one case) pester them - have put a list of  
>those at bottom.

>Interestingly though, and esp. if anyone tells you it all  
>started recently or is "viral marketing" - you can dismiss that!

>Here's a young guy from New Jersey, Saturday May 21st 2011:

><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bju3pHUL45w>

>And a couple from Florida, March, 2011:

><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvnHyU8e1c8>

>be sure to read their account, esp. re: Police statements

>[Begin Quote]

>"I called 911, They said they didnt know what it was, But that  
>there were MANY calls coming in about the noise. They said they  
>were sending patrols out to check it out... I called the News  
>Station also, They told me it wasn't a Tornado, And that the  
>police had told them to tell people it was an airplane revving  
>it's engine at the airport. I live 4 miles from the airport, And  
>I have lived here for 20 years, I have never heard an An  
>airplane rev its engine at the airport, that was just insanity.

>... And, on the 11 o'clock news that night, the weather man  
>made a comment about all the calls that had come in about the  
>noise, He said, Dont worry, It wasn't a Tornado, and it was  
>confirmed that it wasn't an Airplane, all You were hearing  
>was thunder!!! If anyone has ever heard Thunder that was  
>anything like that, Please let me know. It is just so Strange to  
>me that the Stories kept changing... Like we are stupid or  
>something and dont know what Thunder sounds like.

Before everybody wigs out and attributes such sounds to  
'paranormal' origins or secret guvmint project, the most likely  
reason for such mysterious sounds is a heat inversion layer,  
i.e., air temperature gets warmer as one goes up from ground  
level. These are more common in winter.

Temperature inversions can cause sounds to be heard at much  
greater distances than normal, the sound equivalent of optical  
mirages. Thus somebody might ordinarily be too far from an  
airport or busy freeway or thunderstorm to hear the sounds, but  
if conditions are right, the sounds can be reflected off higher,  
warmer air layers back to the ground and be heard many miles  
away.

I remember being in Baja a few years back in wintertime, being

camped by the water, and hearing a loud rumble every hour or so. It sounded a bit like a jet taking off, but we were in the middle of nowhere. Finally I figured out it WAS jets taking off. We were about a dozen miles from the nearest airport, but the conditions were just right for the sound to travel across the water. I probably could have been another dozen miles from the airport and still heard the rumble of jet engines revved up on takeoff.

Because such inversion layers are usually not the norm, people start hearing sounds they ordinarily would not and are often mystified or weirded out by them.

David Rudiak

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## Re: Lou Farish Passes

From: Kay Wilson <[kaywilson.nul](mailto:kaywilson.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 12:59:13 -0600  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:20:56 -0500  
Subject: Re: Lou Farish Passes

Dear Friends of Lou:

For more information, please refer to the links below.

In Sympathy,

Kay Wilson

[http://alienjigsaw.com/Whats New/Whats\\_new.html](http://alienjigsaw.com/Whats New/Whats_new.html)

Celebrate Lou's life by sharing your photographs and read the tribute from his good friend, Jerry Blackburn:

<http://alienjigsaw.com/Whats New/LouFarishPasses.htm>

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## Re: Divers Find Large Object On Baltic Seabed

From: Steve Sawyer <[stevesaw.nul](mailto:stevesaw.nul)>  
Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 21:35:52 -0800  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:22:48 -0500  
Subject: Re: Divers Find Large Object On Baltic Seabed

>Source: News.Yahoo.Com

><http://tinyurl.com/7upu7nq>

>26-01-12

>Divers Find Large, Unexplained Object At Bottom Of Baltic Sea  
>By Eric Pfeiffer

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>alone. Nearby on the sea floor is another, smaller object with a  
>similar shape. Even more fascinating, both objects have "drag  
>marks" behind them on the sea floor, stretching back more than  
>400 feet.

<snip>

Hi, Listerions

Wasn't this same story, with similar "preliminary" findings,  
circulating several months ago? How and why has it now  
"resurfaced" (pun intended)?

After a little digging, I guess this is the answer:

See: <http://tinyurl.com/3gywjpl>

Seems, based on the earlier C/NET story at the link noted, that  
this story first emerged in August of last year, but is only now  
being cited again as Peter Lindberg, the guy behind the original  
blip of publicity created by his "Ocean Explorer" ship's  
discovery of the two "round" objects imaged by synthetic  
aperture radar (SAR) from a sonar "drone" linked to the Swedish  
group of salvagers' ship, is now saying that they  
"...originally had no plans to return to the spot, but the spike  
in interest from the public has led them to begin planning a  
return trip." That "spike" was six months ago, btw.

From the SAR images, it seems much less likely a 'UFO', the term  
Lindberg used initially (sounds like a publicist's promo), than  
either an anomalous geological formation or possibly a submerged  
archeological site. Maybe. I await breathlessly the next  
exciting installment of Lindberg's belated return and subsequent  
uncovering of something... mundane.

Steve

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## Re: Lou Farish Passes

From: Terry W. Colvin <[fortean1.nul](mailto:fortean1.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 12:58:08 +0700 (GMT+07:00)  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:25:38 -0500  
Subject: Re: Lou Farish Passes

Loren Coleman's tribute to his friend Lou Farish is most heart-warming.

Fortean Friend Lou Farish Dies

<http://www.cryptomundo.com/cryptozoo-news/farish-obit/>

Terry W. Colvin  
Ladphrao (Bangkok), Thailand  
Pran Buri (Hua Hin), Thailand  
<http://terrycolvin.freewebsites.com/>  
[Terry's Fortean & "Work" itty-bitty site]

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## Maybe If He Wears An ET Mask - Cox

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:32:28 -0500  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 10:32:28 -0500  
Subject: Maybe If He Wears An ET Mask - Cox

Source: Billy Cox's Blog De Void

<http://tinyurl.com/7zyzccp>

Thursday, January 26, 2012

Maybe If He Wears An ET Mask...  
by Billy Cox

Imagine how science might've benefited if, instead of insulting everyone's intelligence and intimidating pilots into suppressing data, the U.S. actually had a sane UFO policy, like Chile, for reporting the bogey that strayed into the hectic air corridor over Chicago's O'Hare International and burned a circular hole in a cloud layer during its departure in 2006.

"The control tower would've communicated no later than the next day with CEFAA, which would have gotten copies of all tapes, logbooks or radar information", says Chilean-America journo Antonio Huneeus from Tucson, Ariz. "Pilots and other employees would have been given questionnaires to complete, and within a few weeks, CEFAA would have issued a statement with conclusions.

"But here, it's a mess. The government didn't say anything, so a newspaper was the first to break the story, which forced [the FAA] to try to come up with a debunking explanation. It's too bad."

Despite the release of airport radio-chatter audio recordings from the 11/7/06 Chicago incident, not a single eyewitness has gone on record to stand up for what they saw.

Dissolve to Chile...

[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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From: **Martin Shough** <[parcellular.nul](mailto:parcellular.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 15:46:43 -0000  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 11:33:12 -0500  
Subject: Re: Divers Find Large Object On Baltic Seabed

>From: Steve Sawyer <[stevesaw.nul](mailto:stevesaw.nul)>  
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>archeological site. Maybe. I await breathlessly the next  
>exciting installment of Lindberg's belated return and subsequent  
>uncovering of something... mundane.

Hi Steve

Either of those possibilities might make for a very interesting  
discovery. Certainly a submered archaeological ruin 90m (300ft)  
deep in the Baltic would have gremarkable implications! As I  
read it, the reason for delay in returning since last summer is,  
at least in part, the weather. Lindberg says they plan to go  
down for another look in May. Let's see what they find.

Martin Shough

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<snip>

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Hi David

Martin earlier listed several 'possible' candidate causes, but like your suggestion, they all have at least one big objection.

That is, precisely because they are mundane changes in conditions, many if not most people around the world would always have been aware of identical noises, hearing them at various times throughout their lives. That is not so in this case.

A secondary objection, not addressed by anyone so far as I know, is that these strange noises are definitely not 'ordinary' noises transported or echoed from elsewhere. They are cyclic, modulated and sustained for long periods - several hours in some cases, and often repeated for same days.

Am personally aware that some crude but weird sounds can be naturally generated and carried long distances underground - see

[www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises](http://www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises)

re: probable magma flow - but cannot think of any credible natural scenario which would produce such 'sophisticated' modulations, at such volume in the open air, over such long periods of time without multiple fadings / attenuations or other obvious alteration or change.

Cheers

Ray D

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From: Don Ledger <[dledger.nul](mailto:dledger.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 14:58:01 -0400  
Archived: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 16:02:03 -0500  
Subject: Re: Remote Viewers 'Apollo 16 Astronauts Found

>Source: NewsDiscovery.Com

><http://tinyurl.com/6nusneo>

>Tue Jan 24, 2012

>Psychics Say Apollo 16 Astronauts Found Alien Ship  
>Analysis by Ray Villard

>Over the past 50 years, billions of dollars have been spent  
>visiting our nearest neighbor in space, the moon. It's the only  
>extraterrestrial body humans have ever walked on. Besides the  
>United States and Russia, Japan, China, India and the European  
>Space Agency have all sent robotic spacecraft moonward.

>Probably the most prolific of these missions, NASA's Lunar  
>Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO), is stockpiling close to 1 million  
>pictures of the lunar surface that are so sharp, you could see a  
>coffee table nestled among the boulders.

>Astrobiologist and physicist Paul Davies recently said that  
>LRO's public-accessible photos should be perused by a citizen  
>science program to look for any alien artifacts left on the  
>moon.

>ANALYSIS: SETI to Scour the Moon for Alien Footprints?

>But why bother? says a group of parapsychology sleuths who  
>accuse NASA of hiding evidence of aliens on the lunar surface.  
>Their wild tales sound like an amalgamation of Hollywood sci-fi  
>movies: "Apollo 18," "Minority Report" and "Alien."

>They say that a psychic technique called remote viewing allows  
>people to take an armchair visit to other planets. The mind-  
>travelers draw images of alien-looking things that are  
>supposedly transmitted from a definitely out-of-body experience  
>(potentially) millions of miles from Earth.

>[More at site... thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

My eyes glaze over when I see remote viewing references. Or  
references to parapsychology groups for that matter. I'm  
interested in the comment about the resolution of the LRO  
satellite however. Any truth to this claim?

Don Ledger

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## Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

From: **Gerald O'Connell** <[goc.nul](mailto:goc.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 22:12:48 -0000  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:46:10 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: David Rudiak <[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 09:43:35 -0800  
>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

<snip>

>the most likely reason for such mysterious sounds is a heat  
>inversion layer, i.e., air temperature gets warmer as one goes  
>up from ground level. These are more common in winter.

<snip>

>Because such inversion layers are usually not the norm, people  
>start hearing sounds they ordinarily would not and are often  
>mystified or weirded out by them.

Hi David

Martin earlier listed several 'possible' candidate causes, but  
like your suggestion, they all have at least one big objection.

That is, precisely because they are mundane changes in  
conditions, many if not most people around the world would  
always have been aware of identical noises, hearing them at  
various times throughout their lives. That is not so in this  
case.

A secondary objection, not addressed by anyone so far as I know,  
is that these strange noises are definitely not 'ordinary'  
noises transported or echoed from elsewhere. They are cyclic,  
modulated and sustained for long periods - several hours in some  
cases, and often repeated for same days.

Am personally aware that some crude but weird sounds can be  
naturally generated and carried long distances underground - see

[www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises](http://www.perceptions.couk.com/metamail96.html#noises)

re: probable magma flow - but cannot think of any credible  
natural scenario which would produce such 'sophisticated'  
modulations, at such volume in the open air, over such long  
periods of time without multiple fadings / attenuations or other  
obvious alteration or change.

Given the apparent absence of any Doppler effect in the sounds,  
a further exclusion would be any moving point source.

Gerald O'Connell  
<http://www.saatchionline.com/gacoc>

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## Re: Lou Farish Passes

From: A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO <[aj.nul](mailto:aj.nul)>  
Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 22:11:35 -0200  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:48:21 -0500  
Subject: Re: Lou Farish Passes

>From: Terry W. Colvin <[fortean1.nul](mailto:fortean1.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>,  
>Date: Sat, 28 Jan 2012 12:58:08 +0700 (GMT+07:00)  
>Subject: Re: Lou Farish Passes

>Loren Coleman's tribute to his friend Lou Farish is most heart-  
>warming.

>Fortean Friend Lou Farish Dies

><http://www.cryptomundo.com/cryptozoo-news/farish-obit/>

Hi Kay, Terry and Listers.

Loren's tribute to Lou is really most heart-warming, touching.

I just got this from Jerry Blackburn, in case any of you want to pay Lou an honor: "If any of your listers would like to send a remembrance of Lou to be read at his memorial service, please feel free to forward them to me or to give my email address to anyone wanting to send a message directly to me."

Jerry's e-mail address is: [jbmac05.nul](mailto:jbmac05.nul)

Thank you Jerry for that.

A. J.

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## More USAF "Practicing Night Missions"

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:54:30 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:54:30 -0500  
Subject: More USAF "Practicing Night Missions"

Source: WatertownDailyTimes.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/7lqjpuc>

Sunday, January 29, 2012

UFOs In Massena? Some People Seem To Think So  
By Matthew Bultman  
Johnson Newspapers

It's a bird. It's a plane. It's a UFO?

The Internet has been abuzz with reports of unidentified flying objects over the north country in recent weeks.

Six reports of mysterious light formations circling high in the skies, from Malone to Hogansburg to Brasher, have been compiled by the National UFO Reporting Center since Jan. 11.

"I never in my life expected to see something like this", an anonymous user who identified herself as a Hogansburg woman posted on the center's website after seeing what she described as three orange fireballs flying next to one another.

"Their motion was like that of several spotlights such as would be seen in Hollywood", she reported Jan. 12.

[More at site... ]

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## Man Shaken By 'Close Encounter'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:57:50 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 07:57:50 -0500  
Subject: Man Shaken By 'Close Encounter'

Source: WatertownDailyTimes.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/6nrtgat>

Sunday 29 January 2012

Man Shaken By 'Close Encounter' As He Sees A UFO

Billy Kirk had an out of this world experience when he saw a UFO in skies above his Scarborough home in scenes reminiscent of Roswell.

Billy, from Ewart Street off Seamer Road, described seeing an intense white light, which was stationary, hover temporarily before it shot off at "thousands of miles an hour".

Scarborough UFO expert Russ Kellett added weight to Billy's claims when he revealed that he had heard several similar descriptions of unexplained objects seen in the Seamer Road area.

Billy said: "I'm still in shock. I can only describe it as a big ball of light. I was scared, I just ran in the house and said to my girlfriend 'I'm not going back out there'. I didn't know what to think.

"I've never been a big believer in things like that but I can't explain it. It definitely wasn't the Northern Lights, an aircraft or a Chinese lantern. I've thought of everything."...

[More at site... ]

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## Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

From: Roy Hale <[roy.nul](mailto:roy.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 13:08:07 -0000  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 10:56:53 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: Gerald O'Connell <[goc.nul](mailto:goc.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
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List,

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youtube regarding these 'noises' but I have one question:

The people who are filming these 'noises' have any of them given  
online youtube dictate or interviews about their recordings?

Has any media outlet interviewed any of the people who have  
recorded these sounds? Usually you get a full interview with  
people explaining how they captured such weird events?

Also on several of the videos I could not help but see that the  
people captured in the videos walking around their everyday  
lives did not seem to hear or stop to stand still and query the  
noises?

Could this be a new Internet hoax where sounds , drones and  
synth drone sounds which are easily accessible on the web or  
from any music store are layered over videos of landscapes ? I  
have my own library of audio sounds and I could make a good  
'noise' on any of these videos if I had the desire too !

I only ask this before we go down the road of atmospheric weather  
changes or anything to do with UFOs and aliens or mick alien  
invasion conspiracy theories I have read about.

Roy

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## Shipwreck Hunters Stumble Across Mysterious Find

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Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 11:29:48 -0500  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 11:29:48 -0500  
Subject: Shipwreck Hunters Stumble Across Mysterious Find

Source: CNN Europe

<http://tinyurl.com/7wz5zgc>

Sat January 28, 2012

Shipwreck Hunters Stumble Across Mysterious Find  
By Brooke Bowman

[Video]

Deep down on the bottom of the Baltic Sea, Swedish treasure hunters think they have made the find of a lifetime.

The problem is, they're not exactly sure what it is they've uncovered.

Out searching for shipwrecks at a secret location between Sweden and Finland, the deep-sea salvage company Ocean Explorer captured an incredible image more than 80 meters below the water's surface.

At first glance, team leader and commercial diver Peter Lindberg joked that his crew had just discovered an unidentified flying object, or UFO.

"We had been out for nine days and we were quite tired and we were on our way home, but we made a final run with a sonar fish and suddenly this thing turned up," he continued. I have been doing this for nearly 20 years so I have seen a few objects on the bottom, but nothing like this."

Using side-scan sonar, the team found a 60-meter diameter cylinder-shaped object, with a rigid tail 400 meters long.

[More at site... thanks to Diana Cammack for the lead ]

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## Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 16:32:25 -0000  
Archived: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 12:20:52 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: Roy Hale <[roy.nul](mailto:roy.nul)>  
>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 13:08:07 -0000  
>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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>online youtube dictate or interviews about their recordings?  
>Has any media outlet interviewed any of the people who have  
>recorded these sounds? Usually you get a full interview with  
people explaining how they captured such weird events?

<snip>

Hi Roy, due to having friend(s) in the Far East, picked up on  
this item from The Borneo Post, an interview with some witnesses  
[in photo], of which two at least made recordings:

<http://tinyurl.com/85k4cp2>

[Begin Quote]

Teacher Mohd Ferdauz Jemain, who lives at Kampung Meranek, was  
one of those who heard the unexplained phenomenon on Jan 11.

"It was around 2 am when I was awoken by a strange sound. It was  
a loud hushing sound, and quite similar to someone snoring.

"I immediately got out of bed and went outside of my house to see  
what was happening. The feeling was a chilling one. I could not  
establish where the sound was coming from . it was as if  
something coming from the sky.

Frightened, I quickly dashed inside, but stayed awake till  
daylight as I would not sleep any longer. If I am not mistaken,  
the sound persisted until about 5am.

To prove that he was not spinning a tale, Ferdauz said he had  
recorded the phenomenon on his mobile phone, and he played it for  
the sunday post reporter yesterday."

[End Quote]

It was also reported that a Malaysian gov't minister is asking  
for recordings be sent to him for investigation.

BTW - some folk have been speculating that the noises are a  
northern hemisphere phenomom - Kampung Meranak is about level  
with Singapore, a few degrees north of the equator.

BTW2 - yesterday spotted this from Denmark:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rFs4VVbnAM>

[Begin Quote]

"Strange sound - now in Denmark

Uploaded by KyndeSchmidt on Sep 15, 2011  
Heard the 16th of september 2011, at 8.10 in the morning in  
Viborg, Denmark"

[End Quote]

- and the poster 'KyndeSchmidt' seemed concerned that some folk  
are calling 'hoax'. As written on the video - they had "nothing  
to gain" from faking a recording.

Cheers

Ray D

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From: Ray Dickenson <[r.dickenson.nul](mailto:r.dickenson.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 18:04:46 -0000  
Archived: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 05:48:43 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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>To: <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 13:08:07 -0000  
>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

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>recorded these sounds? Usually you get a full interview with  
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<snip>

Hi again Roy, in my haste to give you that Borneo Post item:

<http://tinyurl.com/85k4cp2>

forgot that I'd already posted some Press reports, either first  
hand or interviews

examiner.com (re: Canada Pt1:

<http://tinyurl.com/76465z6>

examiner.com (Pt2):

<http://tinyurl.com/7dbmwbk>

ctv.ca (re: Saskatoon):

<http://tinyurl.com/7y9hmj9>

and of course there's this "Yahoo Sports Minute" accidental  
recording and broadcast - from a baseball game:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v5YjbQFIIVs>

Cheers

Ray D

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From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 22:25:30 -0500  
Archived: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 05:50:17 -0500  
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>From: David Rudiak<[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
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>Before everybody wigs out and attributes such sounds to  
>'paranormal' origins or secret govmint project, the most likely  
>reason for such mysterious sounds is a heat inversion layer,  
>i.e., air temperature gets warmer as one goes up from ground  
>level. These are more common in winter.

>Temperature inversions can cause sounds to be heard at much  
>greater distances than normal, the sound equivalent of optical  
>mirages. Thus somebody might ordinarily be too far from an  
>airport or busy freeway or thunderstorm to hear the sounds, but  
>if conditions are right, the sounds can be reflected off higher,  
>warmer air layers back to the ground and be heard many miles  
>away.

>I remember being in Baja a few years back in wintertime, being  
>camped by the water, and hearing a loud rumble every hour or so.  
>It sounded a bit like a jet taking off, but we were in the  
>middle of nowhere. Finally I figured out it WAS jets taking  
>off. We were about a dozen miles from the nearest airport, but  
>the conditions were just right for the sound to travel across  
>the water. I probably could have been another dozen miles from  
>the airport and still heard the rumble of jet engines revved up  
>on takeoff.

>Because such inversion layers are usually not the norm, people  
>start hearing sounds they ordinarily would not and are often  
>mystified or weirded out by them.

Most of the recordings being looked at now are of low-frequency sounds, with the largest spectral peak typically in the neighborhood of 200-250 Hz. Perhaps the sound of a jet engine would be approximately in that area, especially with higher frequencies filtered out by that great a distance. But I would say the recordings do not sound like a jet engine. There could be other sources, but they would need to be as loud as a jet engine (~140 dB at 50 m) to carry a significant distance.

There was a recording made in June, 2010, that is definitely not of an aircraft engine. The sound lasted about 5 min and occurred twice about a 1/2 hour apart. Like much that we are discussing, the video could have been dubbed, but I don't see anything to suggest that in this case.

<http://tinyurl.com/7ejtnvh>

This sound was more complex with the loudest spectral peak at 3200 Hz. A number of other peaks were below 1000 Hz but these lower frequencies were less audible. The source was said to be impossible to localize but seemed to come from the sky. It was 'super loud' and was so annoying that people in the neighborhood applauded when it stopped.

I would point out that higher frequency sounds are hard to localize even under optimal conditions. And because its frequency was so high, the source must have had a very large power if it was far away.

William

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## Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

From: **Kathy Kasten** <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
Date: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 19:44:39 +0000  
Archived: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 16:51:58 -0500  
Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>From: Jack Brewer <[brewer.jack.nul](mailto:brewer.jack.nul)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
>Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 08:23:30 -0800 (PST)  
>Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>>From: Kathy Kasten <[catraja.nul](mailto:catraja.nul)>  
>>Date: Wed, 25 Jan 2012 18:21:03 +0000  
>>Archived: Thu, 26 Jan 2012 07:47:27 -0500  
>>Subject: Re: New At The Alien Jigsaw

>>Kay: I have some questions about your opinions regarding  
>>interacting with a professional health professional. But, based  
>>on past attempts to engage you in a dialogue, I already know you  
>>will not respond. Therefore, I believe you have a policy of not  
>>entering a dialogue with someone unless they are totally  
>>sympathetic to your worldview, your take on the events. In my  
>>estimation, this informed your opinion regarding your attempts to  
>>"get healed" through conventional transactional analysis.

>Hello KK,

>I would be interested in reading your perspectives on the roles  
>health professionals can play in the lives of self-described  
>alien abductees. As your time allows, I would appreciate reading  
>your take on such issues as psychoanalysis, the manners  
>psychoanalysis and mental health professionals are typically  
>viewed within the UFO community, and similar such dynamics as  
>they relate to the abduction phenomenon.

>What are the pros and cons? What are the dangers of discouraging  
>people from visiting psychiatrists and medical doctors?

>I would also appreciate reading commentary from others who might  
>choose to respond to such questions and their related issues.

Jack:

Over the years, I researched and interviewed people claiming  
"alien abduction." Last night, during a radio interview with  
Travis Walton, several issues surfaced. (Actually, your comments  
require at least a several page article or book chapter, but  
I'll condense my thoughts into an e-mail response.)

I will use the Walton case strictly as an example. I met Walton  
years ago and had a chance to ask him a couple of straight from  
the hip questions. Basically, I remember him telling me he had  
no detailed recollection of what happened; starting from the  
moment when he was "hit by a beam of light." His referring to  
being hit by a beam of light resonated with research I had been  
doing into the development of mind control technology; i.e.,  
accessing a target using electromagnetic pulsed energy. He  
seemed truly perplexed because he couldn't remember with any  
clarity his experience. This is not usual for people who  
experience a traumatic event. The human mind will protect the  
personality by going into a state of waking consciousness. The  
neuro-auto mechanisms of the body continue to function, but -  
you could say - nobody is home at the controls.

During the interview last night, what was surprising to me - and truly disingenuous - Walton told his story as if it was from spontaneous recollection. That cannot be the case. I would say he had a lot of help "recovering memories." Neither he nor Yvonne Smith (also a guest during the same interview) named the hypnotherapist who worked with Walton to "recover" his memories of the events. As a matter of fact, Smith hadn't met Walton until they had a dinner meeting just before the interview. Either by accident, or Walton's strong sense of self, he was able to heal his mind without professional help. By that I mean, psychiatric professional. He did state his life had been derailed for a number of years.

For me the telling fact of Walton's experience is that apparently, at some point, he had a brain scan wherein it was discovered he had suffered neurological damage. A very significant fact. But, there was no discussion of follow-up treatment or where or when the brain scan had been done.

Frankly, neither Budd Hopkins nor David Jacobs should have been interacting with individuals who are claimed to suffered a traumatic event. Further, a hypnotherapist does not have the training to recognize various psychic traumas nor to proscribe treatment. Most of the hypnotherapists involved with "alien abductees" have their own agenda. As Walton pointed out many of the "details" he covered have never been discussed by ufo researchers. An example of tossing out information that doesn't fit a researcher's pet theory. It is not a trait peculiar to ufo researchers. I guess most researchers and scientists follow their logic of "if it doesn't fit, you must omit."

That's it for now,

KK

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Date: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 14:46:31 -0800  
Archived: Mon, 30 Jan 2012 16:53:34 -0500  
Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>From: William Treurniet <[wtreurniet.nul](mailto:wtreurniet.nul)>  
>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>Date: Sun, 29 Jan 2012 22:25:30 -0500  
>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM

>>From: David Rudiak<[drudiak.nul](mailto:drudiak.nul)>  
>>To: [post.nul](mailto:post.nul)  
>>Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2012 09:43:35 -0800  
>>Subject: Re: Those "Noises" And MSM  
>><snip>

>>Before everybody wigs out and attributes such sounds to  
>>'paranormal' origins or secret guvmint project, the most likely  
>>reason for such mysterious sounds is a heat inversion layer,  
>>i.e., air temperature gets warmer as one goes up from ground  
>>level. These are more common in winter.

>>Temperature inversions can cause sounds to be heard at much  
>>greater distances than normal, the sound equivalent of optical  
>>mirages. Thus somebody might ordinarily be too far from an  
>>airport or busy freeway or thunderstorm to hear the sounds, but  
>>if conditions are right, the sounds can be reflected off higher,  
>>warmer air layers back to the ground and be heard many miles  
>>away.

<snip>

>>Because such inversion layers are usually not the norm, people  
>>start hearing sounds they ordinarily would not and are often  
>>mystified or weirded out by them.

>Most of the recordings being looked at now are of low-frequency  
>sounds, with the largest spectral peak typically in the  
>neighborhood of 200-250 Hz. Perhaps the sound of a jet engine  
>would be approximately in that area, especially with higher  
>frequencies filtered out by that great a distance. But I would  
>say the recordings do not sound like a jet engine. There could  
>be other sources, but they would need to be as loud as a jet  
>engine (~140 dB at 50 m) to carry a significant distance.

>There was a recording made in June, 2010, that is definitely not  
>of an aircraft engine. The sound lasted about 5 min and occurred  
>twice about a 1/2 hour apart. Like much that we are discussing,  
>the video could have been dubbed, but I don't see anything to  
>suggest that in this case.

><http://tinyurl.com/7ejtnvh>

>This sound was more complex with the loudest spectral peak at  
>3200 Hz. A number of other peaks were below 1000 Hz but these  
>lower frequencies were less audible. The source was said to be  
>impossible to localize but seemed to come from the sky. It was  
>'super loud' and was so annoying that people in the neighborhood  
>applauded when it stopped.

>I would point out that higher frequency sounds are hard to  
>localize even under optimal conditions. And because its  
>frequency was so high, the source must have had a very large  
>power if it was far away.

Another thought about possible source comes to mind. The sun is currently emitting large solar flares, the particles of which first hit Earth Jan. 21/22. This will be generating large currents in the upper atmosphere resulting in very active auroras, which are also known to cause sounds given the proper conditions (electro-phonetic sound). The same can happen with large meteor fireballs.

Usually the sounds are described as higher frequency hissing, sizzling, or rustling, but there are also some very low frequency sounds generated which might be felt or heard as a rumbling.

The subject is still pretty controversial as to what exactly is creating the sounds, often attributed (as in the case of UFOs) to overactive imaginations. However, they have been recorded in the field and are now generally thought to be due to electro-magnetic transduction into sound by something nearby acting as an antenna, which could be power lines, metal fence, eyeglasses, vegetation that conducts well, or anything else.

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Source: HULIQ.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/8xp27zq>

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UFO Sightings Part Of Spiritual Universe Big Bang That Da Vinci  
Explained  
By Dave Masko

PORTLAND, Ore. - Science merges with the spiritual based on a popular book being discussed in Portland and a local fine art exhibition about Leonardo da Vinci; with both pointing to UFO sightings as part of the universe's spiritual plan.

When a curator at the famed Louvre Museum in Paris announced that he had found three sketches by the hand of Leonardo da Vinci on the back of the master's "the Virgin and Child with St. Anne," completed by da Vinci around 1510, ufologists had no reason to get excited.

That changed recently when a fine art auction gallery in Portland - that specializes in old master art and works on paper - revealed how these and other "sketches by Leonardo da Vinci" show what appears to be "spaceships in the sky over Florence, Italy, where da Vinci lived."

At the same time, one new book Three Big Bangs: Matter-Energy, Life And Mind by Holmes Rolston III, claims to explain the origins of the universe and "scientific discovery about the potential presence of an underlying intelligence," also concurs with da Vinci's writings that claims how Earthlings are part of a "spiritual universe" that keeps its secrets hidden but is here now with us, and "we are not alone in this universe."

Big thinkers think big about life outside Earth

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Hi David,

Seems an 'academic' came up with that idea also, and he's clearly got no knowledge of actual radio transmission, or of signal power transfer characteristics.

Let's take that North Battleford case,

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DcpJEVNX27g>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NBzSALEq3sw>

as there are good witness statements and official confirmations available on Youtube. Enough audio [mechanical] power was received over a large area of houses to vibrate the buildings' frames and to make loud noises both indoors and out in the open air (in this other Germany case"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CNq1-wSfM0A>

the second or third blast was strong enough to set off several cars' tremblor alarms).

We can estimate that the actual power involved was at least in the high mega-watts, and probably much higher if the affected area's true size was known. Any local 'antenna' picking up that much electro-magnetic signal power and trying to convert it to mechanical movement - i.e. audio o/p or physical vibration through the ground, would have instantly burnt out, unless it was of a massive, purposely-built construction.

So sorry, although the solar radiation idea would at least give us a credible source for all that power, actually receiving it via an 'antenna', as audio or mechanical vibration seems technically impossible in all general cases.

That's quite apart from the fact that the earliest typical noises I can find date from August 11, 2009:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X4DpHkWuOmQ>

well before the recent solar 'storm', as were the many 2011 cases

Florida, March, 2011:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvnHyU8e1c8>

New Jersey, Saturday May 21st 2011:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bju3pHUL45w>

Cheers

Ray D

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## Hovering Lights Shoot Into Sky

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Archived: Tue, 31 Jan 2012 08:43:54 -0500  
Subject: Hovering Lights Shoot Into Sky

Source: Examiner.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/843xly7>

January 30, 2012

Witness Reports Hovering Lights Shoot Into Sky Near Peru, Indiana  
Roger Marsh  
National UFO Examiner

An Indiana witness traveling along Route 31 near the Route 24 intersection reports watching hovering lights that moved for a few seconds before shooting straight up into the sky and quickly disappearing on January 29, 2012, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

"The lights hovered, and then went right for about 5 seconds," the witness stated. "Then it stopped for 2 or 3 seconds, and then went straight up until it disappeared."

The witness rules out a few explanations.

"It was a clear night and you could see the stars. Believe me when I tell you it was not after burners, and it wasn't chaff flairs. I grew up on Gris. Air Base. My Dad was stationed there. Nothing could move that fast and disappear."

The witness also reports a problem with the vehicle radio at the time.

"The closer I got to where I first seen it, my radio buzzed out for a second."

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<http://tinyurl.com/7kzjbkd>

January 30, 2012

Hundred Foot Oval Object Reported Over Long View, North Carolina  
Roger Marsh  
National Ufo Examiner

A Long View, NC, witness reports observing a 100-foot-long, oval-shaped object flying under 200 feet that moved over Highway 70, turned, "shrank to a black dot and then disappeared as if it shot forward at an impossible speed about 11:15 a.m. on January 30, 2012, according to testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) witness reporting database.

The witness had just turned onto westbound Highway 70 when the object was first noticed and assumed to be an airplane moving just above the high tension power lines between 150 and 200 feet in the air and traveling left to right.

"I first thought the object was an airplane coming from the nearby Hickory Airport," the witness stated. "I did wonder why it was so low and that caught my attention."

The witness described the object.

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## Seeking The Truth On UFO Sightings

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[post.nul](mailto:post.nul)>  
Date: Tue, 31 Jan 2012 08:49:53 -0500  
Archived: Tue, 31 Jan 2012 08:49:53 -0500  
Subject: Seeking The Truth On UFO Sightings

Source: The Eastbourne Herald

<http://tinyurl.com/6n346v3>

Tuesday 31 January 2012

Seeking The Truth On UFO Sightings

A paranormal expert has published his latest book =96 taking a second look at UFO sightings in his native Scotland.

Malcolm Robinson, who works here in Eastbourne, having traded the Highlands for the Sunshine Coast a few years ago, is considered the number one authority on all things unexplained north of the border.

He has already published volume one of UFO Case Files of Scotland, to widespread critical acclaim, and back in 2009 became the first Scot to deliver a lecture on the paranormal at a major UFO conference =96 taking to the lectern in Nevada.

Since then he has been working on the follow up to his debut publication and helping edit a leading paranormal magazine.

That book, UFO Case Files Of Scotland (Volume Two) The Sightings, has just hit the shelves and Mr Robinson is now looking forward to seeing a film script he wrote hit the screens later this year.

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[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solar\\_storm\\_of\\_1859](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solar_storm_of_1859)

So we can see the 'antenna' theory is literally too weak to carry conviction (never mind all that electrical current).

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