

FSR'S GLOBAL UFO NEWS

Sighting commentaries from the World UFO News Networks.

The sighting news for Winter 2003-04 will begin with a comprehensive study of global flying cigar reports. A hypothesis in an article following these sighting reports suggests that these giant craft have a primary observed function as fleet launchers of many small saucers and spheres.

We can learn to more effectively monitor the geographic movements of flying cigars. We may learn in time to give them priority; to create an observer chain alert immediately after in a post-sighting location. Flying cigars may often have released multiple small craft and create new areas of high incidence in the time immediately after a cigar sighting.

Low altitude saucers are often seen covertly disembarking and embarking humanoid occupants. A further hypothesis elsewhere in this issue considers a case profiling "alien sojourners", trained covert alien operators who conceivably would need to be dropped in. Therefore, monitoring low altitude cigar activity may be most important news. Perhaps even a guide to which regions are currently highest on the alien priority list. Places where perhaps they would be forced to risk low altitude drops of personnel.

Many of the following overseas cigar reports come from the pages of Filers Files, currently based at, <http://www.ufoinfo.com/filer/index.shtml>. This is an excellent global internet resource for monitoring world UFO sightings. George Filer, Eastern Mufon director is based in the USA. He is one of the inspired hard workers who make the difference in this subject, and can be considered one of its statesmen.

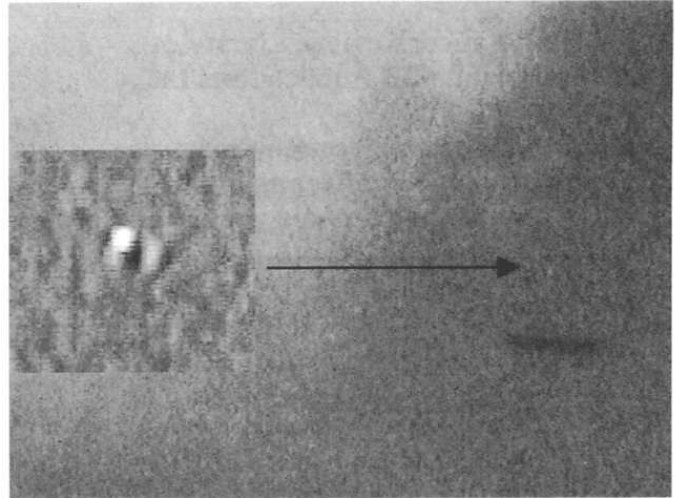
Cigar UFO over North London 27/07/03. The full report of this observer chain filmed cigar sighting can be found in Harry Challenger's article on cigar craft in this issue.

Another London Cigar 13/01/04. Seen travelling Eastward over East London around noon. It was a classic dark "Adamski" cigar shape, it was clearly observed entering a single well-broken cloud, and was not seen to leave. London Observer Chain.

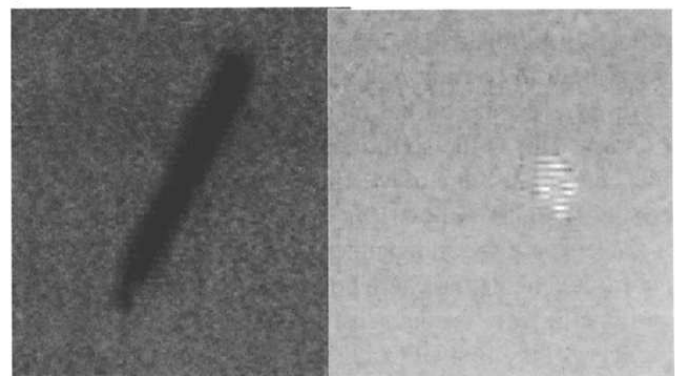
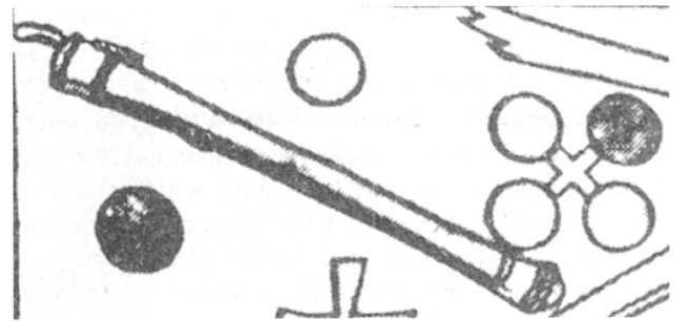
Cigar over Glasgow Scotland 06/09/03. Source: Jeff Rense. John McVey was returning to the city centre by bus when he noticed out of the window a strange object high up in the sky. Just sort of hanging there. It didn't seem to be going anywhere, but it looked like it was rotating, albeit very slowly and a little irregularly. This object appeared to be long and thin, but not cylindrical. It was relatively dark-greyish. Not really metallic, but quite matt. Nonetheless it appeared to catch the sun when it rotated.

A double flying cylinder over Greater London 12/08/03 Petts Wood. Source: *News Shopper*, Bromley England. A retired aviation enthusiast Douglas Wragg tracked an object like 2 rolls of carpet wrapped in plastic: one on top

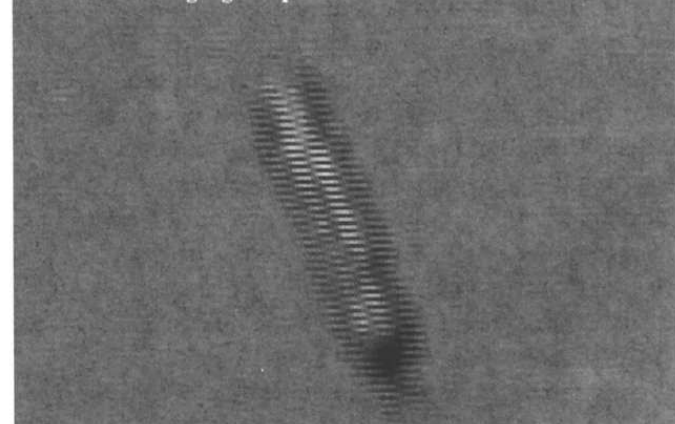
of the other at 2pm The object climbed to 20,000 feet. (See Harry Challenger's article on cigar craft in this issue).



Cigar splits into two halves over London 14/09/03 2.00pm. Releases multiple spheres. Observer chain.



London Cigar UFO footage 27/07/03 enhancement image by Dave Bowden 2003. This image shows a bump on top of the cigar; rather like the following cigar report 10/12/03 from Arizona U.S.A.



A high altitude cigar over London was observed to split longitudinally into two on September the 14th 2003. A three hour aerial display by multiple spheres followed along the length of the observer path. The spheres took part in a series of geometric displays and were captured on 4 cameras. The full report of this event appears on the back cover of this issue.

Rapidly moving cigar passes released small craft. London observer chain. 15/09/03. Inset: detail the small craft filmed directly afterwards.

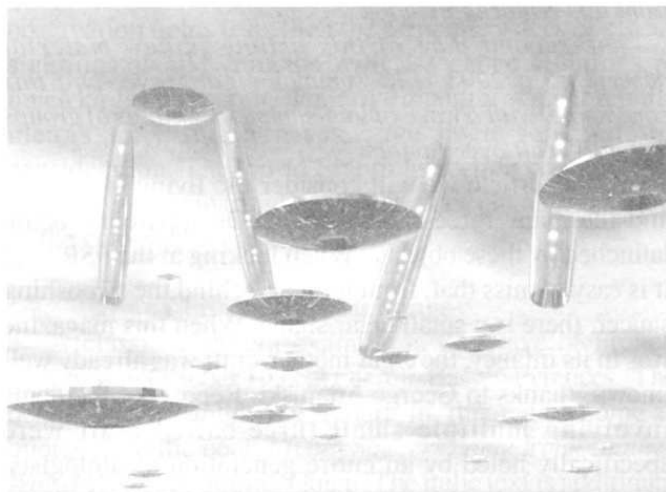
The summer of 2003 was an active one on the London Observer Chain. The filmed events of Summer 2003 over London and may have had historical precedent.

The hook on the end of the cigar and 4 ball craft resemble historic events depicted over Basel in Switzerland in 1556.

Other sightings of cigars over U.K. airspace in 2003 included the Wolverhampton cigar object which turned up on a photograph taken on 16th March 2003 by David Rose.

A cigar was seen over Burnley on 06/09/03 and witnessed by cab driver Steve Haworth and his passenger. It suddenly appeared, performed a series of mind-boggling manoeuvres and then simply disappeared without trace after three minutes.

Arizona - Cigar Shaped Black Object Spotted on 10/12/03 : Filers Files. SANDERS - The witness was driving to work in the early morning just before dawn on December 10, 2003, at 9:15 PM when he saw a light that was as bright as Venus. It got bright and then dimmed altogether. What was left hanging unmoving in the sky was a black cigar-shaped vehicle with a bump on the top. I pulled into the parking lot and watched it just hover and never move. It was very black and did not reflect light off it and made no noise whatsoever.



A large formation of cigars as illustrated by Donald Fletcher.

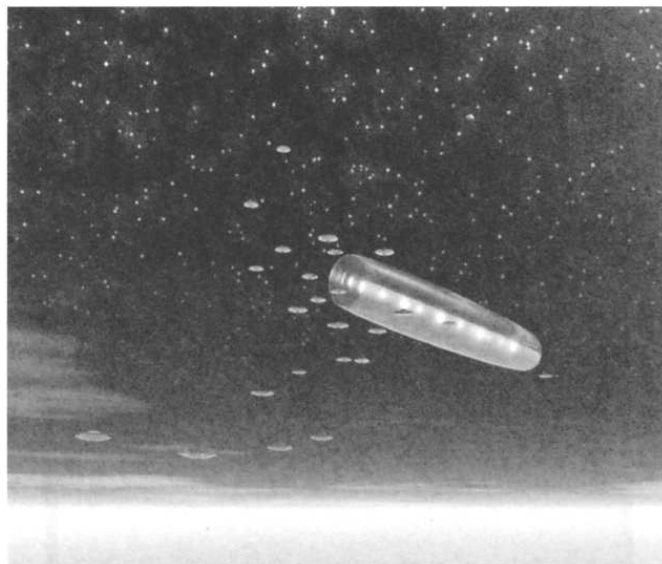
Six cigars sighted in Arizona 05/01/04 Filers Files. SELIGMAN - Three friends were driving back from Las Vegas, on January 5, 2004, when the driver commented on "the really bright stars" that had appeared about 45 minutes before sunset. The objects seemed to be moving. Within minutes, we saw a bright light change to a cigar shape that turned red very suddenly. It appeared to explode and I yelled and we watched intently as the first object began to fall, while the second white object turned a bright

red and hovered over the mountain range adjacent to interstate 40 southbound. The object started to do several other bizarre things, like break out into a lateral acceleration that must have covered 50 miles within seconds, stop, turn colours, lift into the sky and return to its low altitude, go in reverse immediately with rapid speed, then rocket off again.

After reaching the near-end of the mountain range, the view improved, and it joined five or six more just like it, but each one was a varying intensity of red light. All of these objects demonstrated their agility and handling just as the first. One by one, the objects were either disappearing behind trees or hills or literally vanishing into thin air.

Colorado - Large, Low Flying Cigar With Two Lights Flying East 18/12/03 Filers Files HESPERUS — At about 9:30 PM, on December 18, 2003, a couple heard a loud noise, which caused them to run outside and observe a cigar-shaped object 200 feet above their house. There were two lights, one above the other, slightly tilted with the upper light being forward. It turned very slowly so that the lights were eventually horizontal to one another. It was much too large to be a helicopter and its size was about that of a large passenger plane.

However, it did not sound like a passenger plane, nor could one fly this slowly. The eyewitness ran into the house and got the binoculars, and watched for another ten minutes. It hovered over the mountain for five minutes. There was another small white light near it while it was hovering, and I thought it to be a small aeroplane. My husband is a mechanical engineer and has studied and understands aircraft. He had no idea what this was.



Artistic interpretation of a night time cigar craft.
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Mississippi - Large, Cylinder Shaped Craft 08/01/04 BILOXI Filers Files. A large cylinder shaped craft was seen hovering above the Gulf of Mexico about a mile from the city on January 8, 2004. The witness was driving east on I-90 and looked out over the Gulf and saw a long dark shape that was maybe 50 feet above the water at 4:45 PM. It was a good distance away so I couldn't make out any distinct shape. I watched it for more than 5 minutes and it

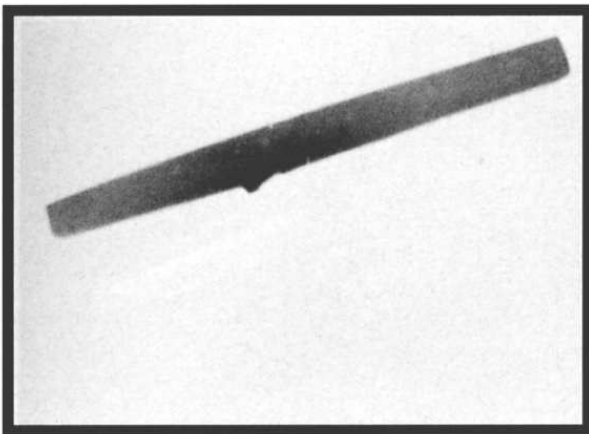
never moved. It just sat there.

Polished metallic cylinder Everett, Washington State 10/9/2003. Duration: 2 minutes. Polished metallic cylinder stationary in daytime sky slowly rotates then disappears instantly. I was observing a Washington State Patrol light aeroplane circling the area. As it circled overhead I noticed what appeared to be a star, 50 to 60 degrees above the horizon behind the aeroplane. I first thought it might be a balloon as the local automobile dealerships use a lot of them. I noticed that it was not moving with the wind, which was 15 to 20 mph. I then observed the object through 12X50 Bushnell binoculars. Through binoculars the object resembled highly polished aluminium. I then thought it was perhaps a Mylar balloon and continued to observe it. It then rotated slowly in a clockwise direction to reveal that it was oblong. It was shaped like a cylinder and bisected length-wise, slightly flared at the bottom edges. I thought it might be a helicopter at high altitude but there were no rotors visible. While I was observing, it disappeared instantly. Weather was moderate, windy, and partly cloudy. I am a mechanical engineer and aviation enthusiast with 25 years experience in the technical field.

Tasmania Cigar-Shaped UFO Seen 13/12/03 Launceston. Filers Files. On Saturday, December 13, 2003, at 10:05 PM, the eyewitness A.B. reported, "George and I were at my country property just north of Launceston in Australia's island state of Tasmania, sitting outside, having a smoke. George noticed a long, cigar-shaped glowing object approaching from the north-east, high in the sky. As it approached the property, it slid lower into the sky and appeared as if it would land. Moreover, as fast as it appeared, it flew away with only a slight tingling in the air to confirm it had ever been there at all. It was about 80 meters (264 feet) above ground, lowering to about 20 meters (66 feet). At its minimum speed, I would say it approached 200 kilometres per hour (120 miles per hour)." Launceston is in northern Tasmania, about 250 kilometres (150 miles) north of Hobart, the state capital. **FSR Comment:** Large cigars and massive flying triangles might represent the awesome display of power from an unknown civilisation. We need to consider vastly increasing our monitoring of these incursions and begin thinking strategically. ■

A historical briefing on the multi-launch capability of cigar craft. A comparison with modern Sightings. By Harry Challenger & Arthur Hudson.

3rd July 1967, Cumberland, Rhode Island. Taken by Joseph L. Ferriere. Taken with permission from UFO Photographs Vol.2. by Wendelle Stevens and August C. Roberts.



While constructing this article for FSR it was soon apparent that the majority of the historical data already resided in a book authored by Wendelle Stevens and August C. Roberts. "UFO Photographs Around the World" is a masterful two-volume work published in 1985. It contains very detailed background on what many would consider some of the world's finest landmark UFO photographs. It is an essential photographic resource for any library of ufology.

The first part of this article is therefore a review of some of the best-observed cases. These relate to multi-

launches of disc shaped craft observed coming directly out of cigar objects. Many of those are represented in the book. FSR would like to extend warm appreciation to Wendelle Stevens for allowing us the use of source material from this remarkable book.

The second part of this article is new material describing a 2003 U.K. summer cigar wave. Did this correspond with a wave of late-summer sightings of groups of small craft over London?

In this article we will consider the flying cigar craft and the many three-ball saucer UFOs apparently being launched by these objects. When looking at the FSR logo it is easy to miss that, from high up behind the swooshing saucer, there is a small cigar shape. When this magazine was in its infancy, the cigar mother-craft was already well known, thanks to George Adamski. Reports of incidents involving multiple small three-balled craft were specifically noted by an entire generation of ufologists. Where better to start the systematic reappraisal of our subject than by a briefing document on the very thing this journal was named after: the flying saucer.

The entities operating the saucers appear to be working from a similar position to us. They appear to need large general support craft to back up their earthly operations. Rather like the concept of a flying aircraft carrier. *Observations by witnesses also propose additional evidence of temporary ground bases to provide additional support for the small active flying units. These observations will be considered in a forthcoming FSR article.*

The natural public misconception is to believe the