

# FLYING TRIANGLES: THE GROWING THREAT?

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I last reviewed the progress of Flying Triangles over the U.K. in FSR Vol. 39, No.4 (Winter 1994) and Vol. 40, No.1 (Spring 1995). In those issues I concentrated mainly on the FT activity over the Midlands area of England. Now, with the aid of information made available from a wide number of groups throughout the U.K., I am able to present a wider picture of the increasing presence of Flying Triangles in our night skies.

Although there has been some speculation that the Flying Triangles are a new *Stealth* type of aircraft, there are numerous reasons why this theory can be discounted.

a) Flying Triangles have been reported for many years, pre-dating the *Stealth* technology period. One of the earliest verified reports that we have is that of Mr Robin Gibbard, an experienced observer from Derby. At 11 a.m. on the 19th April 1956, Robin watched the approach of an 'Avro Anson' aircraft. As it drew closer, he observed a small triangular craft flying around the aeroplane; it then "shot straight up at a phenomenal speed".

b) The shape of the Triangle is not related to any aerodynamic design. They have often been reported as travelling "wide-side-first".

c) The FT can vary its velocity from hovering, quietly or with a faint hum, to an estimated speed range of between 25 mph to 650 mph. (See graph.)

d) The FTs have been observed hovering low over nuclear power plants, main highways, traffic islands, and populated areas. Hardly the actions of a new 'secret' aircraft.

e) Although there have been claimed sightings of the FT along the Lancashire coast, **it is not** based, and **does not** originate from the British Aerospace facility at Warton, Lancs.

Mr Simon Lewis, of the North Lancashire UFO Investigation Group, recently addressed a meeting of aeronautical engineers at British Aerospace, Warton. They had heard reports of Flying Triangle craft being observed in the Lancashire area, and had stated that "**it is not one of ours!**" Simon Lewis was invited to give a presentation on the FT craft. He later commented that there had been great interest in the subject, and particularly in the video of an FT passing over Morecambe, Lancashire, on the 2nd February 1996.

f) The Flying Triangle reports are not peculiar to the United Kingdom. There have been numerous FT encounters around the world for many years. Readers may be familiar with the 'Hudson Valley' (USA) flap, when boomerangs and triangular craft visited the area in the mid-80s. ( See FSR 30/3, February 1985, for two articles by Philip Imbrogno and others. )

We have a first-hand report from Mr Clay McLean of Longview, Texas, who in 1967, at the age of twelve, was returning from watching a local basketball game at his school. As he was walking home a large, black Flying

Triangle quietly floated over him at a height of only 100 ft. "It was very black against the sky, emitted no lights at all, and was completely silent", commented Clay.

There was also the Flying Triangle 'flap' over Belgium (1989/90). The Belgian Air Force scrambled several F16 fighters in an attempt to intercept the FTs. They failed completely, as the FT craft were able to execute feats of acceleration, climbing and diving which utterly outperformed the F16 aircraft. ( See FSR 35/2, June 1990, for several articles; also 35/4, December 1990 for more.)

I cannot stress the importance of the interchange of UFO information between groups. There are still a number of individuals who feel that the FT information they have obtained is 'theirs', but fortunately more than 30 U.K. groups are currently submitting their reports to the FT databank. Prominent among these is the Essex UFO Group, under the leadership of Ron West.

This information is being gathered and correlated by Victor J. Kean under the '**Project FT**' programme. Victor's work has resulted not only in the number, but the speed, track and prime target areas of the FTs being identified.

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This study has also shown that the FT craft appear to have a distinct interest in Nuclear Power Stations. Witnesses living in the vicinity of the power stations have observed FT craft in the area at various times. There has been a huge increase in sightings over recent years, as the following figures show.

	<u>Reports 1995</u>	<u>1996 (Jan. to July)</u>	Comparison figures for the first two months (Jan & Feb) of the following years for nuclear power stations at Bradwell, Dungeness and Sizewell. Reports are also being received from several other NPS stations around the U.K
FTs	1,634	785	
Spheres	355	164	
Others	517	257	

NUCLEAR POWER STATION SIGHTINGS.

Figures showing observed visits to Bradwell, Essex and Sizewell, Suffolk.

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>
	73	122 (+65%)	147 (+100%)

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Bradwell NPS	58	89	+31 = +53%
Sizewell NPS	65	151	+86 = +132%

**COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR:**

See also two important articles by George Fawcett, USA, on regular visits by UFOs to U.S. nuclear plants ( FSR 35/2, June 1990, & FSR 36/2, June 1991 ). And can we be **certain** yet that they are a **threat**? Maybe they know something that we don't know, and are awaiting a whole series of *Chernobyls* -possibly as the result of widespread geological upheavals? G.C.■

The increase in Flying Triangle activity is now becoming obvious, not only in the U.K., but in many countries around the world. Are the FT occupants becoming concerned over our use of nuclear power? What are the implications of this increased activity? Are the Military sources aware of what is going on? Omar Fowler, 2nd June 1997.

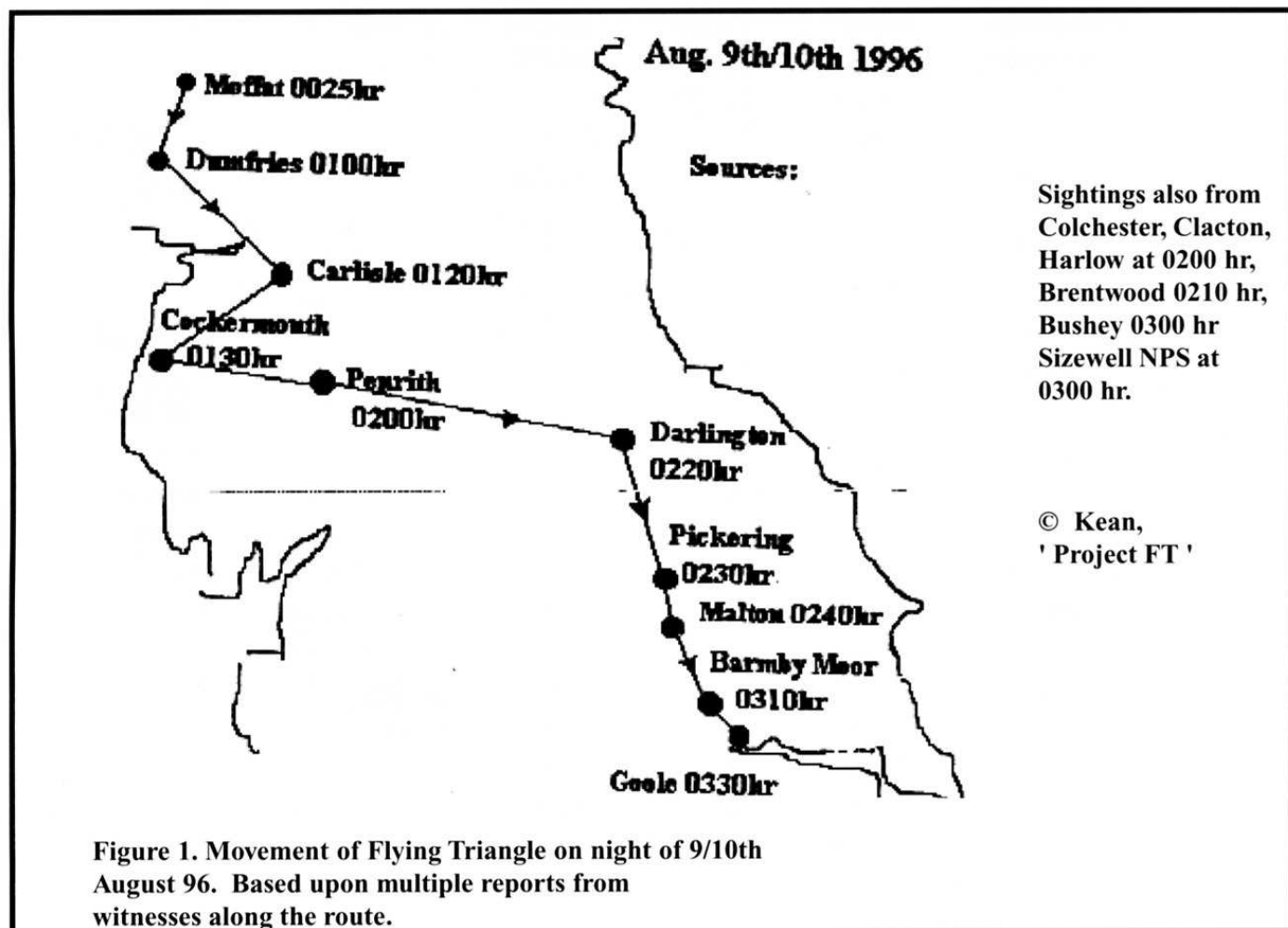
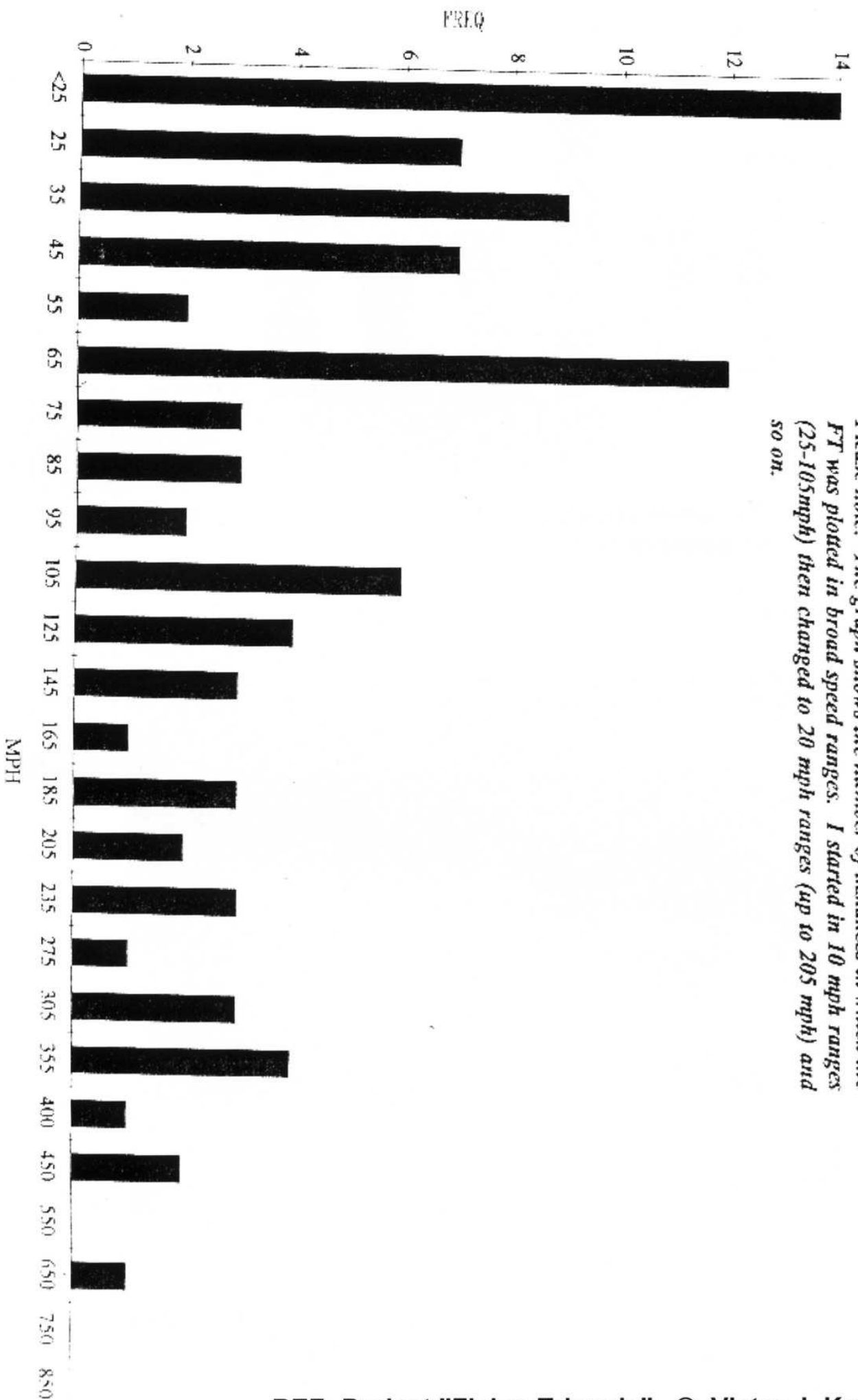


Figure 1. Movement of Flying Triangle on night of 9/10th August 96. Based upon multiple reports from witnesses along the route.

## FLYING TRIANGLES. SIGHTINGS IN EARLY JANUARY 1995

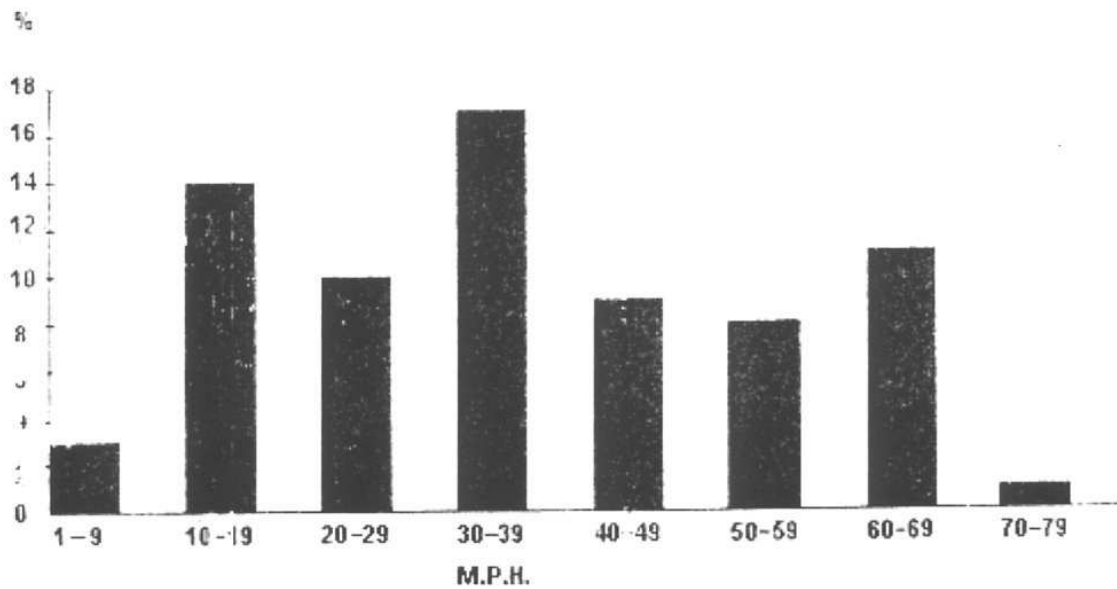
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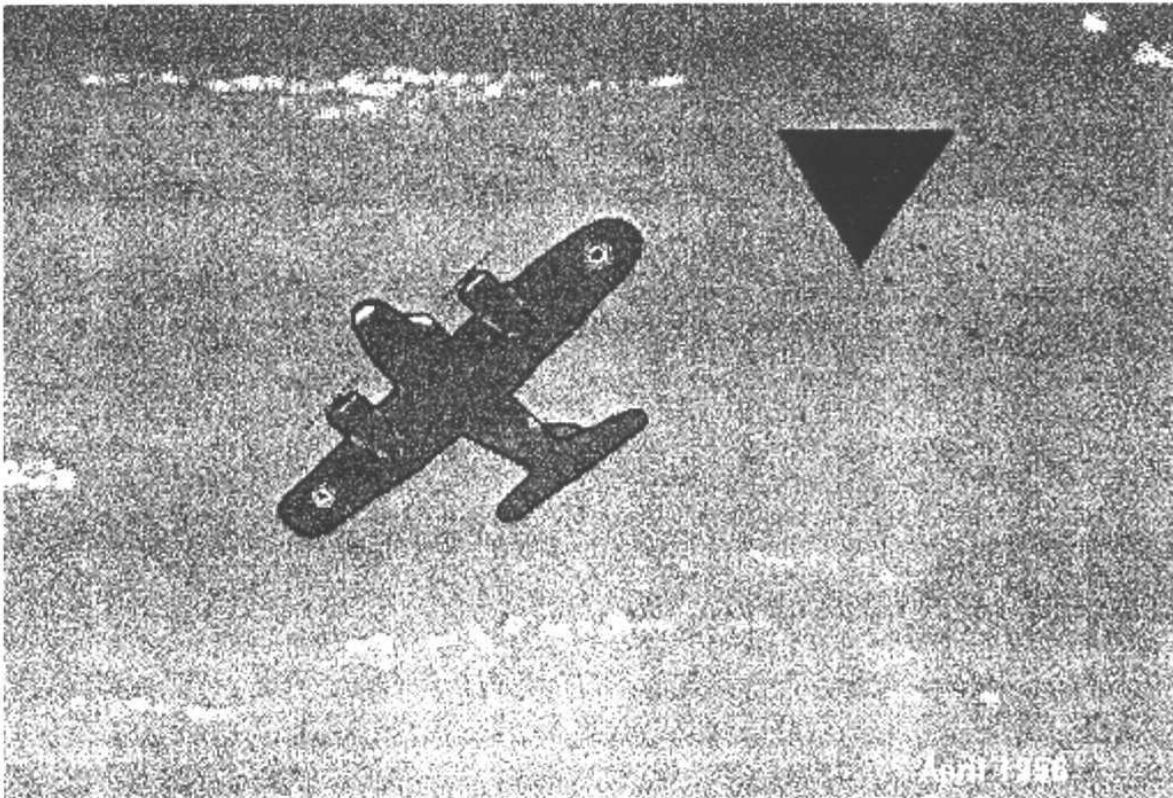
Please note: The graph shows the number of instances in which the FT was plotted in broad speed ranges. I started in 10 mph ranges (25-105mph) then changed to 20 mph ranges (up to 205 mph) and so on.

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FT SPEEDS. U.K. ONLY



Apparent speed of FT between N.P. stations based upon timed observations and distance. © Victor J. Kean.

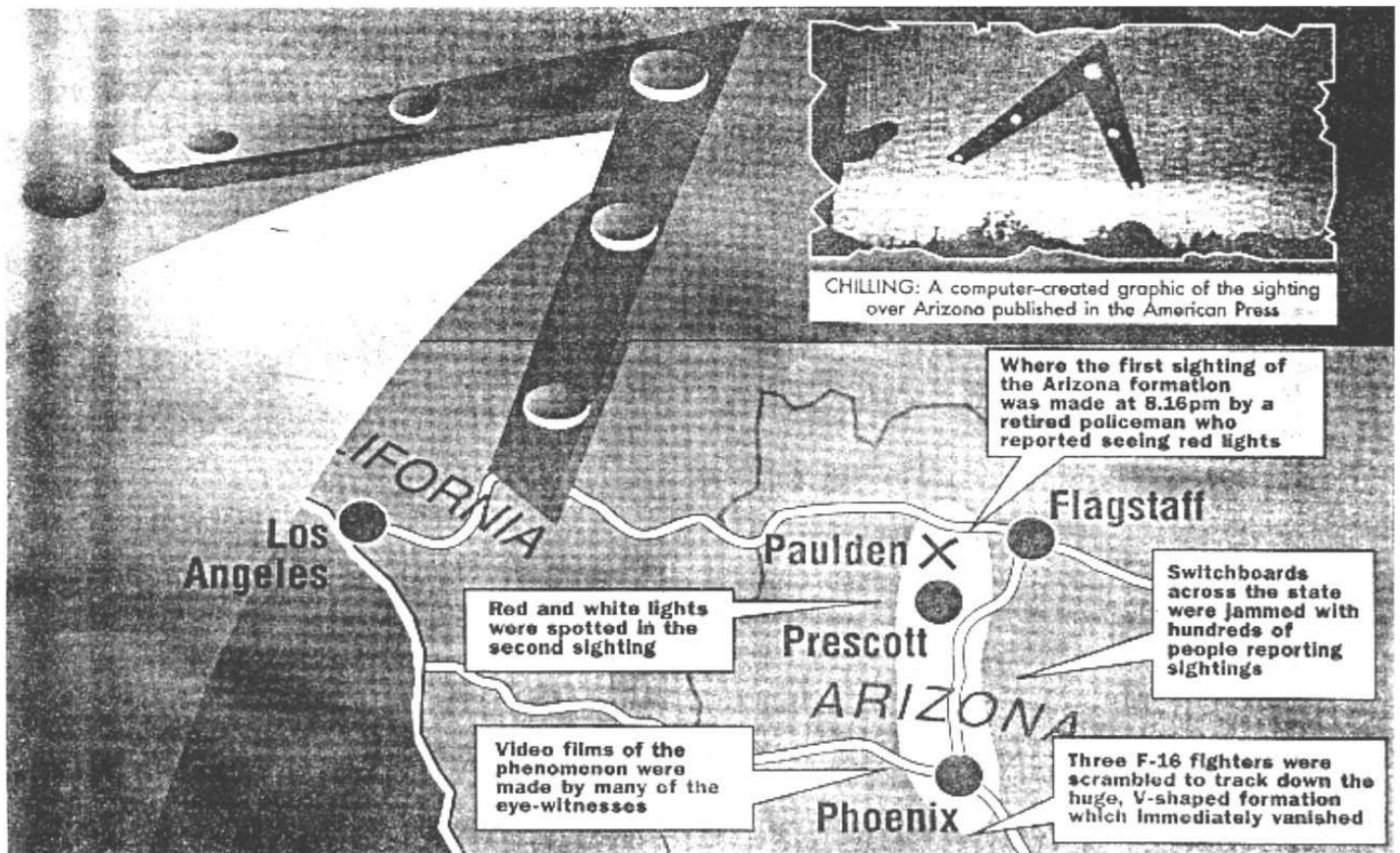


11am April 19, 1956. Allestree, Derby. Robin Gibbard, Studio 6, Holden Avenue, Aston-on-Trent. Tel: 01332-792434.

Avro-Anson was circled by the Triangle 2 or 3 times. The the FT went straight up at phenomenal speed -gone in 3 seconds! FT 1/3 size of Avro-Anson. Height 2000 to 3000 ft.

## FULL MARKS TO THE *DAILY MAIL*!

How refreshing it is to begin to see a change in some of our national newspapers! Look at this as a marvellous example, in the *Daily Mail* of June 19, and *The People* of June 22, reporting the astonishing happening on the night of March 13, 1997, when thousands of Americans saw an immense craft over Arizona.



## NIGHT A GIANT UFO BLOCKED OUT THE STARS.

It was huge. So large that it blotted out the stars for more than a mile as it swooped silently over Arizona. Thousands saw it and dozens videotaped it. After months of investigation, computer analysis and talks with eye-witnesses, experts have been unable to come up with any earthly explanation for the sightings. (13/03/97)

The V-shaped formation of red and white lights passed over several towns at a steady 30 mph, covering a distance of 60 miles.

Witnesses -who included pilots, air-traffic controllers, doctors and lawyers -said the object glided across the sky without sound, its height ranging from 500ft to several thousand feet.

The incident has captured the imagination of America like no UFO sighting in decades.

It has revived memories of the Roswell incident of 50 years ago, when the supposed crash of a flying saucer in New Mexico was allegedly covered up by the authorities. Black and white film exists which purports to show autopsies on some of the aliens recovered at the scene.

Peter Davenport, of the National UFO Reporting Centre in Seattle, said the Arizona incident was the most dramatic in his experience. 'What we have here is the real thing -they are here,' he added.

The files of the UFO Centre record that the first sighting came from a retired police officer in Paulden,

60 miles north of Phoenix. He reported a cluster of red lights heading south.

The second call came from Prescott, 15 miles down the road. This time the report was of one red light and four white lights.

Within minutes the centre's switchboard was jammed with calls from Wickenburg, Glendale, Phoenix, and Scottsdale.

Bill Grava, a pilot and air-traffic controller for 12 years, was on tower duty at Sky Harbor International Airport. He saw the UFO but it did not appear on radar.

'I have never seen anything like that,' he said. 'It was weird and inexplicable. I don't know what to think.'

Tim Ley, a 54-year-old management consultant, had just arrived home and parked his car in the drive when he saw the lights.

'They looked like gas,' he said. 'There was a distortion on the surface. Also, the light didn't spill out or shine. I have never seen a light like that.'

Truck driver Bill Greiner, 51, said: 'Before this, if anyone told me they saw a UFO, I would say "Oh yeah, and I believe in the tooth fairy". Now I've got a whole new view.

'I may be just a dumb truck driver, but I've seen something.'

The video tapes were examined by a company which

designs computerised effects for Hollywood and supercomputers for the government.

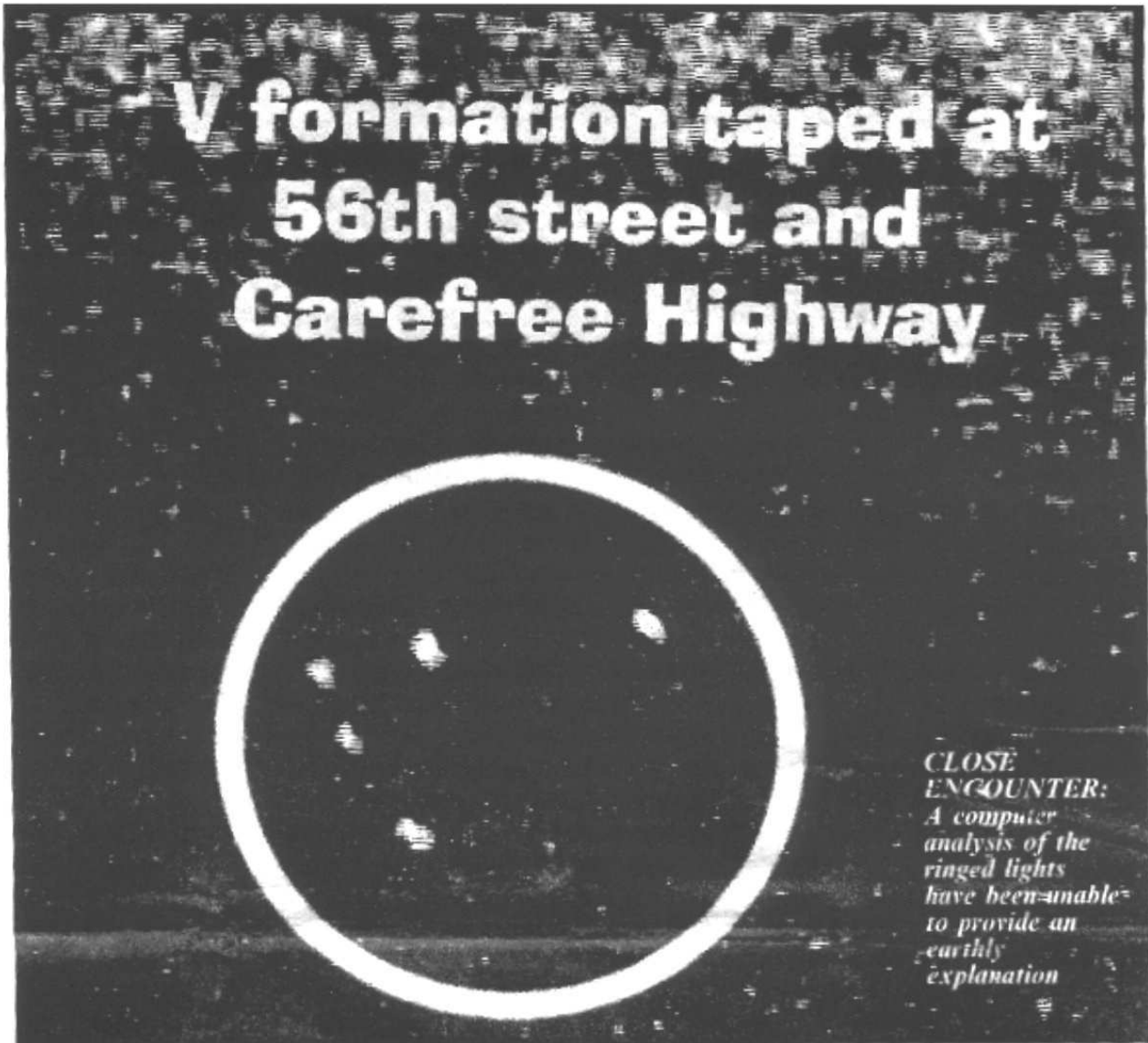
They ran computer analysis of video footage and compared the lights to every other light in the Phoenix area. Nothing matched.

The Luke Air Force Base between Phoenix and Glendale has been a target for hundreds of callers who assumed that the sighting was linked to the base. Officials denied it.

Lieutenant Colonel Mike Hauser said many callers became angry and accused the Air Force of a cover-up.

There were F-16 fighter jets in the air that night and one of the last sightings was near the base.

Mr Greiner said he saw three of the jets take off and veer towards the object. 'Then it shot straight up and disappeared in the blink of an eye,' he said. 'Those pilots had to see it.' If they did the Air Force is lying. ■



A picture of a triangular formation of lights, from *The People* of June 22nd 1997.

## PHANTOM SURGEONS OF THE NIGHT

© By DON WORLEY (INDIANA), FSR CONSULTANT.

[Here is another electrifying instalment from Don Worley, who has been investigating "our subject" for 32 years. Editor, FSR].

A form of helpless paranoia hangs like a shroud over large areas of the western half of the USA. A mysterious agency strikes out of the darkness and leaves its grisly evidence behind.

### CAROLYN McCALL'S EXPERIENCE

Cold chills rippled down the spine of Carolyn McCall, wife of the manager of Hay Creek Ranch near Antelope, Oregon. The bull looked as though he had just dropped in his tracks, since the lower limbs of a juniper tree were broken beneath him. Carolyn's horse reared up and would not approach the animal. After she had summoned other riders it was learned that the bull had been dead about a week, yet there was no odour, and the