

Sequence of events:

Julie Barris and Marie Lippasahr were taking a horse back to a paddock after a barbeque. Julie was sitting on the horse and Marie was leading it on the opposite side to the direction in which the shed shown on the sketch is.

Julie heard a "whizzing" sound and upon looking around, noticed a stationary object above the shed and trees. She thought that the object was a product of her imagination, so she did not say anything to Marie. They put the horse in the paddock and upon Julie looking in the same general direction again she noticed that the same object was still there. She looked away as she thought it was still only her imagination. At some later stage when she looked again it had gone.

Object:

Julie described this as a semi-circular shaped object, grey in colour, a blurry glass-like base, with no window and looking of a metallic substance (see sketch). There was no smoke, no fire, no smell that she associated with the object, just a loud "whizzing" noise.

Movement:

During the initial observation it appeared to be stationary. Movement during the minute or so they were putting the horse away is unknown. During the time when the two girls were walking back towards the house along a slightly inclining drive Julie believes that the object moved downwards towards the right as she looked at it.

Noise:

Julie described this as a "very funny noise, soft", whizzing. She imitated the noise for the interviewers as a "whizz, whizz, whizz, whizz" at a pulse rate of 4-5 to the second.

At about the same time i.e. 1800 hr, a noise only was also heard by Marie's mother who was in an outside toilet adjacent to the house on the property. She described it as a "humming-buzzing" noise with a pulse rate of 4-5 a second.

Investigation:

Interviews with Julie, Marie and Mrs Lippasahr were conducted by Horry Aspinall and Peter Horne on 16 May 75. They found Julie to be



full moon  
9 maps

and deep voiced for her age, and as a 10 year old was unable to understand the concepts of elevation, angular size etc. The parent's were unsure of distances at the location.

Because of this it was very difficult to decide on what exactly did happen, with any certainty. The investigators visited the site of the location on the 18 May and the attached sketch is their representation of their locality.

All that can be stated with any certainty is that the object appeared to be over the shearing shed, above the fire and near some trees that are behind the shed. It remains conjecture at what distance, although the apparently connecting sound places it near.

Julie told Mrs Lippasahr that she had heard a noise and had seen an object at about 2030 that evening. It was then that Mrs L described the sound she had heard.

Maintaining that she thought it was her imagination Julie said that this is why she did not draw the attention of Marie to it. Marie when interviewed confirmed that she had not heard nor seen anything unusual.

Immediate thoughts:

Thoughts on this report are as follows. Initially it was considered that as the fire was of pine logs escaping gas might have made the sound heard and could possibly the girl have at the same time misperceived some debris from the fire. However the duration would be against this.

Next thoughts were of a possible helicopter from Woodside Army camp and a letter directed to them brought their advice that there were "no military helicopters in the Woodside area on that date."

Weather:

No wind or mist. Sunset at 1739. Mrs L mentioned rain showers occurred that evening.

Comments:

1. A full moon rose at 1838 and would have been in approximately the same direction as the object. However, from the sketch, apparently related noise, and the time this would not have been the cause of the report.
2. The imitated sounds were compared with a tape of a helicopter but



did not seem to be the same. The "pulse" rate of the chopping sound of a helicopter was found to be much faster than the estimated rate of the sound heard,

7. It was thought that perhaps the sound might have been a local one which Marie might have known about, but which Julie may not. However this was discounted because if it had been Marie's mother had been to the area before, and anyway Marie would have been able to tell Julie what the noise was once they mentioned it to her.

Conclusion:

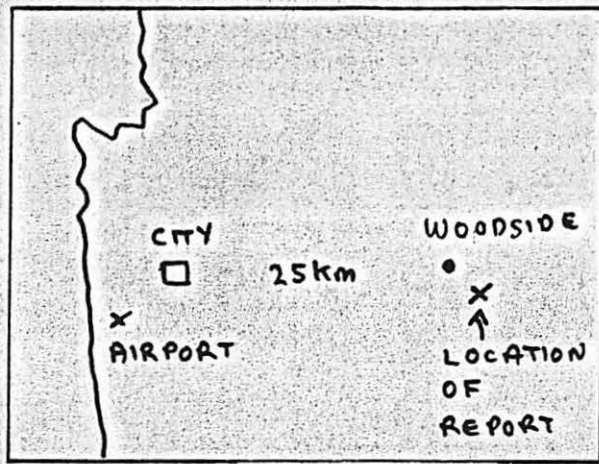
After discussions with the investigations team, it is felt that a clear cut explanation is not possible. On the one hand the information is vague, but at the same time there should be enough to explain the report if it has a simple conventional explanation.

Keith Easterfield  
Research Officer.

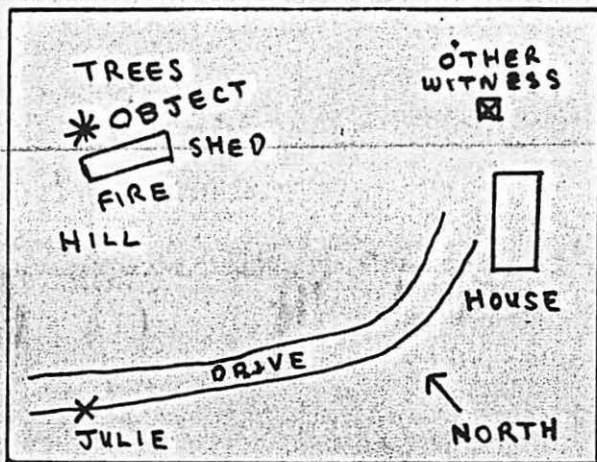
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THE LOCATION

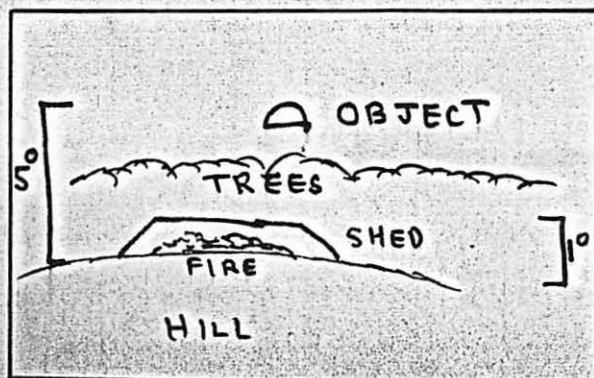




THE AREA



THE LOCATION



GENERAL VIEW  
BY JULIE



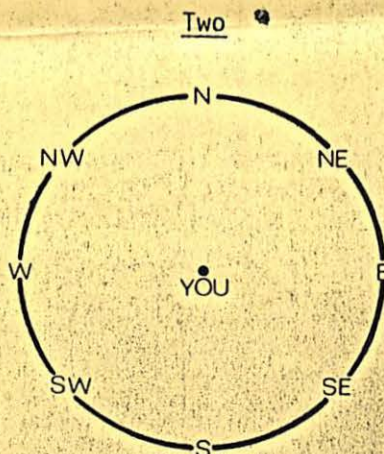
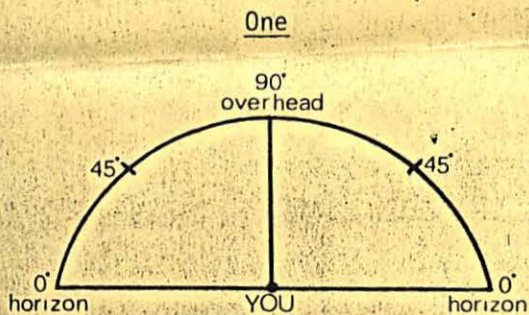
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This form has been designed to assist us in the interpretation of the phenomena observed by yourself. Your assistance in completing and returning it would be appreciated.

Name: *Elaine Catherine Lippmann* Address: *1201 1st St. N.W. ... Windsor, Ont. ...* Age: *32*

1. What was your exact position and location? *20 yds. from the house*
2. When did you first see the object(s)? Date: *27<sup>th</sup> April* Time: *6:00 am/pm*
3. For how long could you see the object(s)? *7*
4. How did you establish the time and duration? *20 minutes after sunset*
5. What attracted your attention? *noise*
6. In what direction was the object(s) first seen? *South*  
 At what angle to the horizon? .....
7. In what direction was it last seen? .....
8. How did the object(s) disappear from view? .....
9. Describe the object's motion, from the moment it appeared to the moment it was lost to view. Please refer to any changes in direction .....
10. Describe the object(s) in your own words, refer to colour, shape, number of objects and features. Compare size to full moon, star etc. Use reverse side for sketch .....
11. Was any smoke, noise, trail, odour or other sensation noted? .....
12. Did the object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind, a cloud, tree, or other body? If so, describe .....
13. Describe the local weather conditions at the time, referring to cloud type and cover, wind, haze, visibility, whether dark etc. Describe position and appearance of sun, moon, stars etc. *Mild cool day*
14. Have you any photographs or material concerning the object(s)? .....
- Did anyone else see this? *yes, Julie*
15. On the diagrams below, please mark with an "A" the first position of the object(s) and with a "B" the last position. On diag. 2, draw its apparent path as seen by you.









**U.F.O. REPORT FORM**

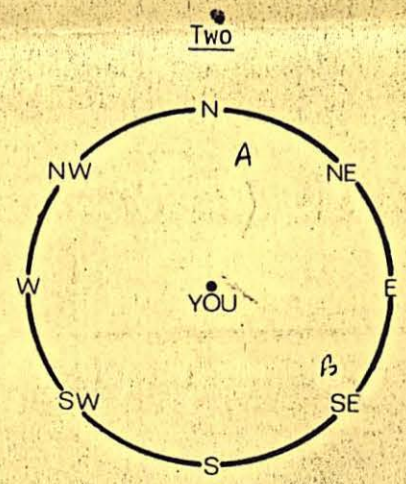
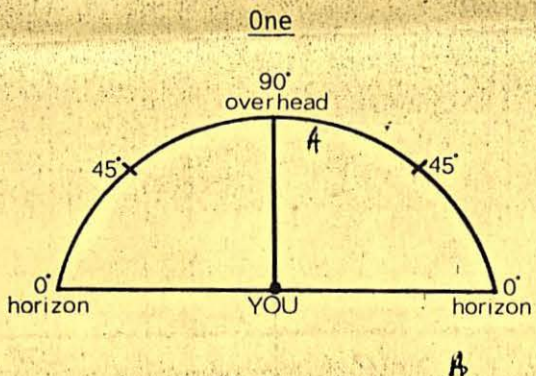
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Name: JULIE HARRIS Address: 291 MONTAGUE ROAD  
PAPA VISTA SA Phone: 264 5606 Age: 10

1. What was your exact position and location? Yochilwong, Noedside
2. When did you first see the object(s)? Date: 27.4.75 Time: 6 am/pm
3. For how long could you see the object(s)? A few minutes
4. How did you establish the time and duration? Barbeque had just finished and  
she was putting the horse away
5. What attracted your attention? Whooshing noise
6. In what direction was the object(s) first seen? North? EAST, N.E.  
 At what angle to the horizon? +45°
7. In what direction was it last seen? North  
 At what angle to the horizon? 50 Ab
8. How did the object(s) disappear from view? She looked away because she thought it  
was in a hole
9. Describe the object's motion, from the moment it appeared to the moment it was lost to view. Please refer to any changes in direction  
Circular motion, coming slowly lower to the ground  
Summer Skopatz
10. Describe the object(s) in your own words, refer to colour, shape, number of objects and features. Compare size to full moon, star etc. Use reverse side for sketch  
Grey colour, sm blurry, glass base  
saucer shaped, no windows, looked like steel
11. Was any smoke, noise, trail, odour or other sensation noted? no smoke, no  
fire, no trail, no smell, no loud whooshing noise
12. Did the object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind, a cloud, tree, or other body? If so, describe Went behind the fire (remains of barbeque  
fire)
13. Describe the local weather conditions at the time, referring to cloud type and cover, wind, haze, visibility, whether dark etc. Describe position and appearance of sun, moon, stars etc. Nearly dark, no wind, no mist,  
Sun going down
14. Have you any photographs or material concerning the object(s)? No  
 Did anyone else see this? No, but it was heard by someone else
15. On the diagrams below, please mark with an "A" the first position of the object(s) and with a "B" the last position. On diag. 2, draw its apparent path as seen by you.

She doesn't really understand these questions





Any additional comments you wish to make:

As you probably realize time and space concepts are difficult for a ten year old to describe, but she seemed to be sure within her knowledge and ability to describe things.



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- a. Country reports: Could you please describe exactly what happened in your own words.
- b. Metropolitan reports: Office use only. Interviewer's comments.

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Co-ordinator's comments:

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1. Do you wish to be advised of our findings? YES/ NO (PLEASE DELETE)
2. May we publish this account? YES/ NO
3. If so, may we use your name in connection with it? YES/ NO

Today's date: 30.4.75 Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

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Suggested explanation:

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26 May 1975

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Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter dated 19 May 1975 regarding the sighting of an unusual object in the sky near Woodside on 27 April 1975. Enquiries made by this headquarters have revealed that there were no military helicopters in the Woodside area on that date. It is suggested that you contact Air Traffic Control at Adelaide Airport who would have details of any civilian flights.

Yours faithfully,

(I.E. O'DONNELL)  
S03 (Operations)  
for Commander