

● The drawing of the UFO Smith saw.

**SEM reporter, Mac Moul, himself made one of the best recorded sightings of UFO'S in Tasmania . . . a State with a lot of well documented UFO activity . . .**

**Here he reports on a sighting which has delighted UFO officials and made at least one sceptic think again about "the things from outer space . . ."**

## "What do you think about UFO's? . . ."

This must be one of the most-asked questions in bars, homes, camps, hospitals - in fact, just about every place you could think of, after a UFO sighting is reported in the press.

And the stock reply goes something like: "I dunno, never thought much about 'em . . . you think there's anything to 'em?"

The UFO business is something of a paradox. If you haven't seen one, naturally you could be sceptical, or at best you join the so-called "open-mind" group.

Then Whamo! You see a UFO. The damned thing has lights, and the way it goes about its business leaves no doubt in your mind that something intelligent is controlling it.

All of a sudden you KNOW there are UFOs, and you wonder why the hell everybody else doesn't know.

And you find yourself among one of the most widely representative minority groups there could be. UFOs have been seen by astronomers, radar operators, fighter pilots (who have tried to chase them), business people, and plain Bill Smith.

It is only when you have seen one that you realise most people are more comfortable not knowing there are UFOs, and having to wonder where they come from, and what they are doing.

After having watched a big UFO, and half a dozen smaller ones join it, I know the feeling.

And so does a chap I met yesterday. He made what must have been one of the best UFO sightings in Tasmania.

Fortunately there were other people who saw the same

thing, but more about them later.

Our friend - we'll call him Smith because he asked not to be named - has been stewing over what he saw since February 26.

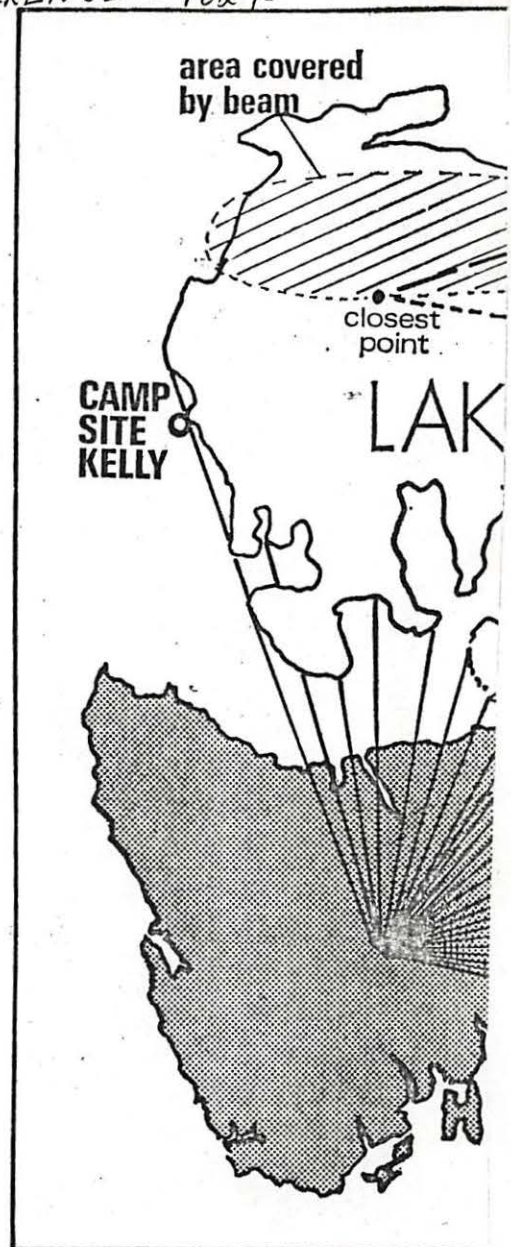
Finally, his friends convinced him he should contact the Tasmanian Unidentified Flying Objects Investigation Centre, and that's where I met him during an interview with TUFOIC's investigator, Ken Bennetto.

We talked to him for a couple of hours, but before we go into details there are one of two points I feel I should make about Smith.

He was a tail gunner in the RAAF which puts him in the mature class. He was, and still is, very observant, which is the reason he lived long enough to be able to say he was a rear gunner. (During World War II, rear gunners had a life expectancy of 48 hours.)

He is a professional man, comfortably off - house, boat, European car, and he has both feet firmly on the ground.

There is one thing that sets Smith apart from many people who have seen UFOs. He is a competent artist.



● A reproduction of the map Smith made as

Thus, we have a man with an eye for detail, plus a skill which was honed during the war to observe airborne vehicles.

On February 26, Smith was at Lake Sorell with his companion, who incidentally is a commercial artist.

They were camped at Shepherd's Shore, looking forward to a week's angling. It was 8.45 pm, and there was some daylight left.

Smith, out of the corner of his eye, noticed three things in the sky. His first thought was that were "aircraft or something."

It was not long before he saw them again through the broken cloud, and realised they could not be aircraft.

They were flying in from the north-east. There appeared to be two big units, and a smaller unit.

"It seemed most unusual," he said.

He lost sight of them

for a few minutes, then picked up two of them as they travelled south-west towards Lake Sorell.

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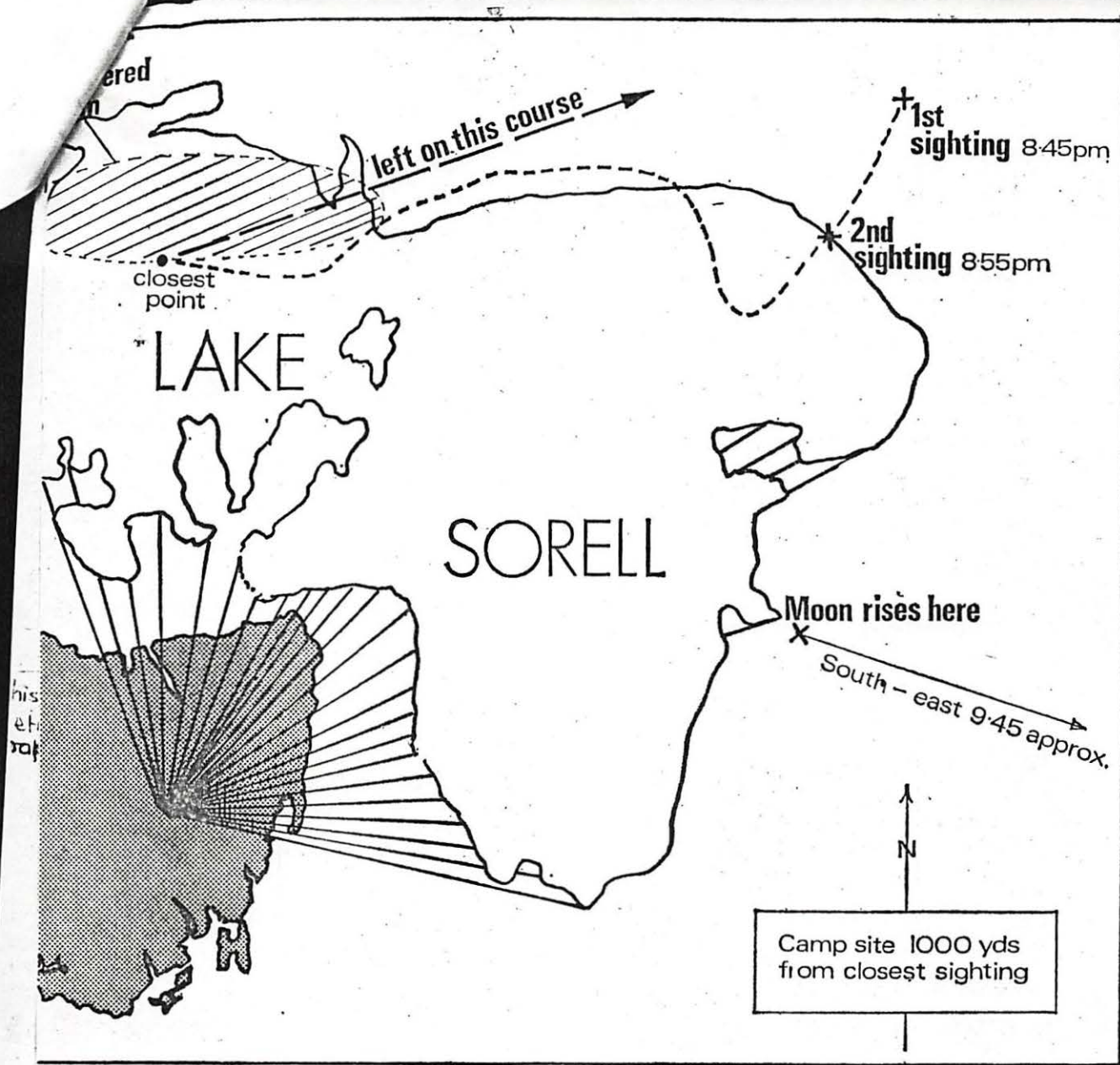
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"It was less than a second — it was 2½ miles away, and then it was only yards away — I've never seen anything like it."

Smith said if he had not seen it himself, he would not have believed a craft could have such performance.

He said he felt apprehensive: "I thought something cataclysmic was going to happen," he said.

Smith said the craft was nothing less than 200ft in diameter: "It was fantastic," he said.

During the next few minutes the UFO turned on a monstrous light which was directed downwards towards the lake.

The light was about half the diameter of the UFO, and the shaft of the light was well defined. It came from one side of the underneath of the UFO.

The light was so intense it hurt the eyes: "I would say it was similar to the light you get from a welding torch," Smith said.

Smith took careful sightings on hills in the area which he knows intimately. The spill of light from around the main shaft illuminated a distance of 1½ miles around the lake.

The beam of light was swung back and forth in an arc: "It seemed like a careful search of the Robinson's Swamp area, and I have no doubt that that beam of light was intelligently controlled," Smith said.

Smith had a big tent set up at the lakeside, together with cover for the car. The car's radio was being used because a portable radio he had was not strong enough to pick up radio stations.

When the UFO flew close to the camp site, the car radio emitted a loud "intense static noise."

Still watching the action, Smith traversed the radio dial across the whole band, but he could not pick up one radio station: "There was just

the constant static," he said.

After its inspection of the area, the UFO put out its gigantic light beam.

A blue-white phosphorescence was left hanging about 30ft above the lake. Smith said once the main light had dulled, the shape of the UFO was in good definition.

The UFO "departed in a flash." It travelled at phenomenal speed, and Smith said its path away from his through the night sky — together with the sister UFO which had been waiting near Mt Penny — was like watching a tracer bullet going away from you. It was then 9.30 pm. Smith, and his companion had been treated to 45 minutes.

Smith, and his friend made sketches of what they had seen, and notes of all their observations.

"We kept going over it to make sure we had all the details right — it was unbelievable," Smith said.

The next day, they met some anglers who had seen the UFO light up the sky.

The anglers had been camped one mile away at Silver Plains. "They told me they were in their tent and all of a sudden the tent was lit up inside like daylight," he said.

Other people at the end of Silver Plains also saw the same thing.

Mr Bennetto has appealed to the anglers, and any other people who saw the UFOs, to get in touch with him.

Smith's report, along with other UFO reports, will go to the Australian UFO centre, and thence to Prof Alan J. Hynek in the USA.

Anybody making a UFO sighting is asked to immediately contact Mr K. Bennetto on 28 5248. A radar check can be made of aerial vehicles within a 300 mile range of Hobart.

White Twinkly lights  
forming in a horizontal line, along base of both  
major light masses. Red light appeared centre - below on both shapes.

I thought at this stage that the hazy light masses illustrated above, resembled light shining or being reflected on cloud, as it had the same haziness and colour (mainly yellow, though very dull) that you would expect to see in clouds. However, I realised that these three objects were moving in the opposite direction to the clouds and they were *oval* like in shape. Lights were visible along the base of both spheres; these were white. They passed through cloud and were lost either partially or wholly in cloud during the next ten or fifteen min.. During this time the smaller of the three objects had disappeared completely, either behind the clouds or behind the landscape. I did not sight it again.

The next notable occurrence was when the larger shape on the right disappeared behind cloud, leaving only one hazy light mass in view. This too, began to move toward the cloud and as it did, a lot of the yellow light around the outer extremities of the sphere, became hidden behind cloud, It was then that I believe I saw an actual solid shape, rather an obscure light. The only way I can describe what I saw, is to liken it to a zeppelin.

This object had a definite 3 dimensional shape - it was a solid mass,

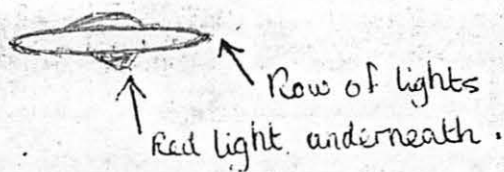
This illustration is as stark and clear as the object I saw. I'm sure that all the light that this object threw was obscured by cloud leaving only the clear outline shown.

I watched it like this for approximately three or four seconds, before it became obscured by cloud, and disappeared completely.

I did not sight them again for quite a while. Perhaps it was ten minutes, ~~or~~ maybe a bit less. I kept watching, then the sky began to light up again, behind the clouds. The sky was quite black. This light appeared much farther right than it had been before. The light grew brighter and brighter until once again I could see the *oval*-like light mass I had seen before. As it appeared, it seemed to emerge from behind the landscape, moving upward and toward us, while moving upwards, and coming more and more clearly into view from behind the cloud, it threw a bright shaft of light from it's base. This was quite visible against the blackness. As it began to move ~~in our~~ toward us, several things occurred at once the nearer it came. The side of the hill, and the lake were lit up with the shaft of light it threw. As it came nearer to us, it increased in brightness to an almost unbelievable intensity, and at the same time, lost it's *oval* shape and became *ELONGATED*. The shaft of light it threw appeared yellow-white in colour, whereas I would describe the object itself as gold, very bright gold. It moved toward us at very fast speed. It grew bigger and bigger as it did.

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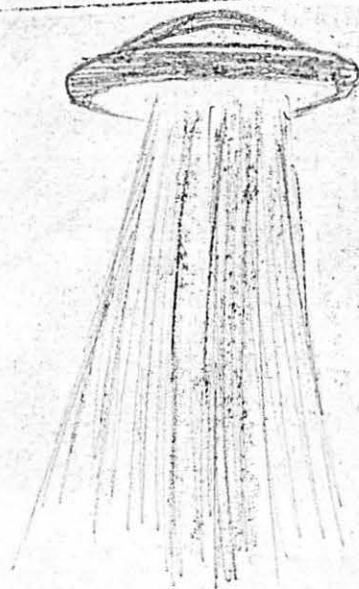
second object too  
faded for clear vision.



It was then sighted closer - one only.



At closest proximity



At one stage I clearly saw the object broken up as it moved  
through a cloud.



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See only

~~26/2/75~~ 26/2/75 Before dark approx. 2 hours

Used beam  
off Meredith Mt.  
This side of Hill

Light shined towards Hill so must have been shining  
also lit up clouds while moving  
+ when stationary lit up cloud

low beam shining  
Right of  
Point

Main  
appearance

Distance looked, with out definition



Disc Beam. Fluctuating

light and beam  
substantially  
stationary



Beam  
When Stationary

Disappeared quickly away almost  
in a flash

Beam only appeared once when  
Close & stationary.

About 200 ft away may have been larger  
Hard to estimate

NO NOISE -

~~26/2/75~~ 26/2/75 Before Dark approx. 11:00

Used beam  
off Meredith's Hill  
this side of Hill

Light glowed towards Hill so must have been  
also lit up clouds while moving  
+ when stationary lit up cloud

Good beam  
Right of  
Paint

Main  
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Distance looked, with out definition



Disc Section Fluctuating



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NO NOISE -

(FAR AWAY) (N.E.)  
VERY HIGH

ORIGINAL SIGHTING ABOUT EARLY DUSK.  
(ABOUT 8 MINS)

MOUTH FROM N.E. - VARYING PATH & VARYING ELEVATION.  
2nd SIGHTING 10 MINS LATER

CLOSER STILL HIGH. 10 MINS LATER

STATIONARY (2)

RED LIGHT  
(ABOUT 20 MINS)

(STATIONARY)  
RED LIGHT  
ABOUT 8 MINS

A FEW RED LIGHTS VISIBLE ON CLOSER VEHICLE RED LIGHT BELOW.

No 1 REMAINDER STATIONARY AT A DISTANCE THE WHOLE PERIOD SHOWING ORANGE GOLD GLOW.

No 2 WAS MUCH CLOSER NOW APPEARED TO BE OVER DOGS HEAD ARE. GLOWED VERY BRIGHTLY AT TIMES WHEN IT MOVED IT GLOWED WITH A VERY BRIGHT FLOURESCENT LIKE. APPROX ABOUT 1,000 FT AWAY. ABOUT 5 MILES AWAY.

No. 1 REMAINED STATIONARY.

No. 2 MOVED DIRECTLY TOWARDS US AT INCREDIBLE SPEED WE THOUGHT IT WAS GOING DIRECTLY OVER US BUT IN FACT IT STOPPED ABOUT 500' UP AND AWAY. SUE TO 1000 YD AWAY. ITS GLOW WAS INTENSE. IT MOVED IN A SLOW AND AND SURELY A BRIGHT BEAM WAS DIRECTED DOWN OVER THE NORTHERN AREA OF THE LAKE. IT CEASED. THE EDGE OF THE LAKE AROUND THE PERIMETER OF ROBINSON'S SWAMP IS MERELY IT IS GLOW UP AN AREA OF ABOUT 1/2 MILES OVERALL BUT ABOVE 500 YDS PARTICULARLY. THE BEAM CAME FROM UNDERNEATH & WAS DIRECTED INDEPENDENTLY. THE RED LIGHTS WERE NOT VISIBLE DURING THIS TIME. LEFT A FLOURESCENT GLOW OVER NORTHERN EDGE OF THE LAKE. FOR A SHORT TIME. MOVED AWAY AT INCREDIBLE SPEED ALMOST LIKE A FLASH. - NOT SURE WHEN 2ND VEHICLE LEFT. WAS GONE SIMULTANEOUSLY. RADIO DID NOT FUNCTION WHEN THE OBJECT WAS IN CLOSE PROXIMITY GAVE A HIGH PITCHED STATIC NOISE. WOULD ESTIMATE ABOUT 200' DIAMETER.

IMPRESSION OF VEHICLE AT CLOSE RANGE  
HARD TO ASSES OUTLINE DUE TO GLOW. (ABOUT 5 MINS)  
(LATER PROJECTED A BEAM DOWNWARDS TO LAKE)

4:16'S



THE LIGHTS AROUND THE DISC ON OUTER RIM AT TIMES SEEM TO MOVE AROUND BUT NOT SOME OF THEM. CENTRAL RED LIGHT PULSED

OBJECT UNDER OBSERVATION FOR ABOUT 30 MINS OR MORE

(FAN HAWK) ALL VERY HIGH

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416'S



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OBJECT UNDER OBSERVATION FOR ABOUT 30 MINS OR MORE.



Overall Orange Glow  
 visible at times

Top not  
 clear too  
 much glow

Small red light  
 around outer  
 shell

Substrate Red  
 light  
 not very intense

Main Glow  
 from shell or tube

Very Close  
 Prox. mainly green  
 to white. Dull red light  
 Hard to look at

Movable beam  
 of orange  
 fluorescent  
 light

All Bright area come from  
 tubula. Shik around

Moore Piles  
 this area.

Central  
 direction

Light from  
 this area  
 may be faint

First leg (3)

Fast clear light

more definite  
 5 mins  
 later

Island

Main Point about  
 8 mins

Position when station  
 about 8 mins

Closest position  
 estimate about 1000  
 feet

5 mins

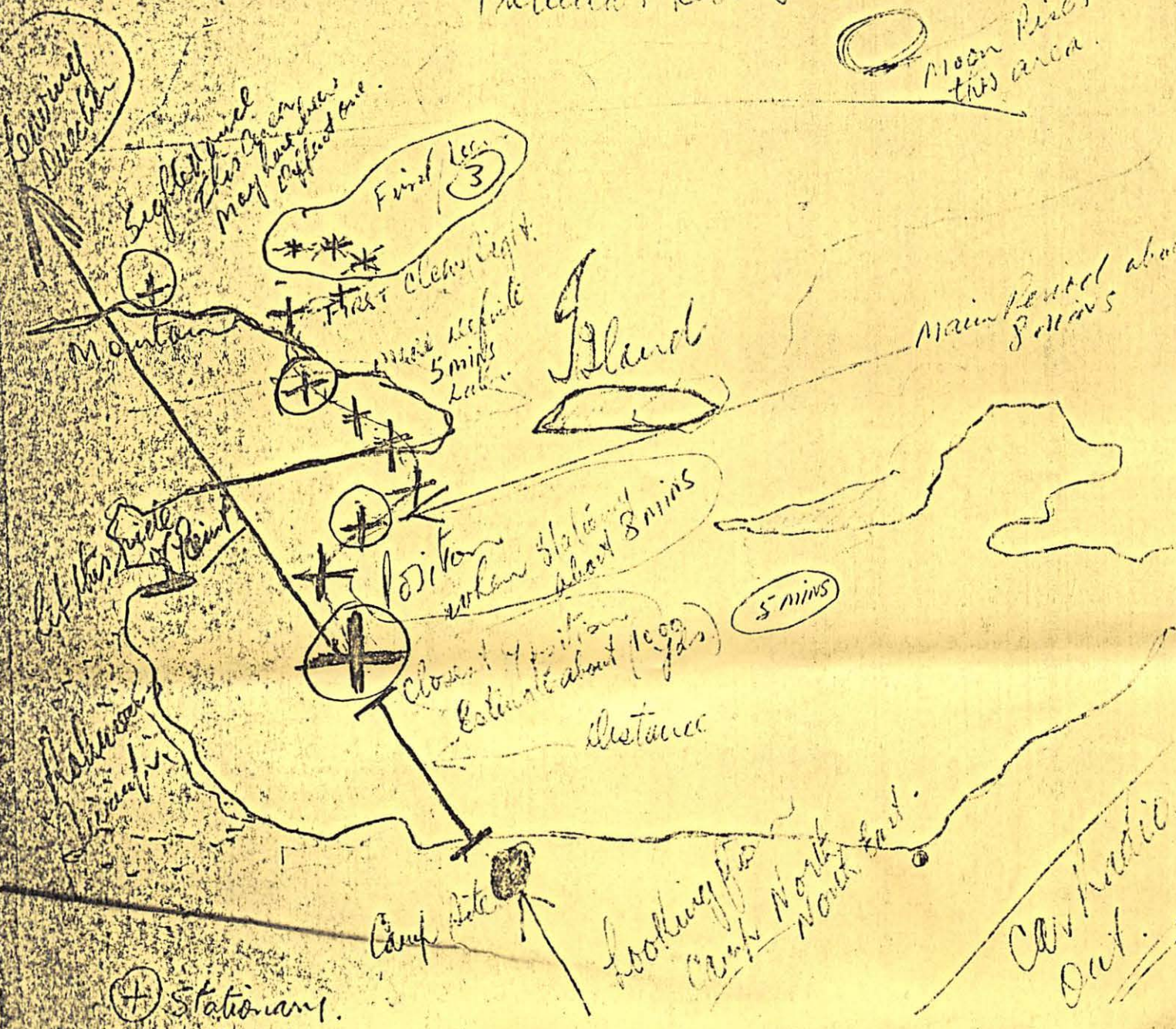
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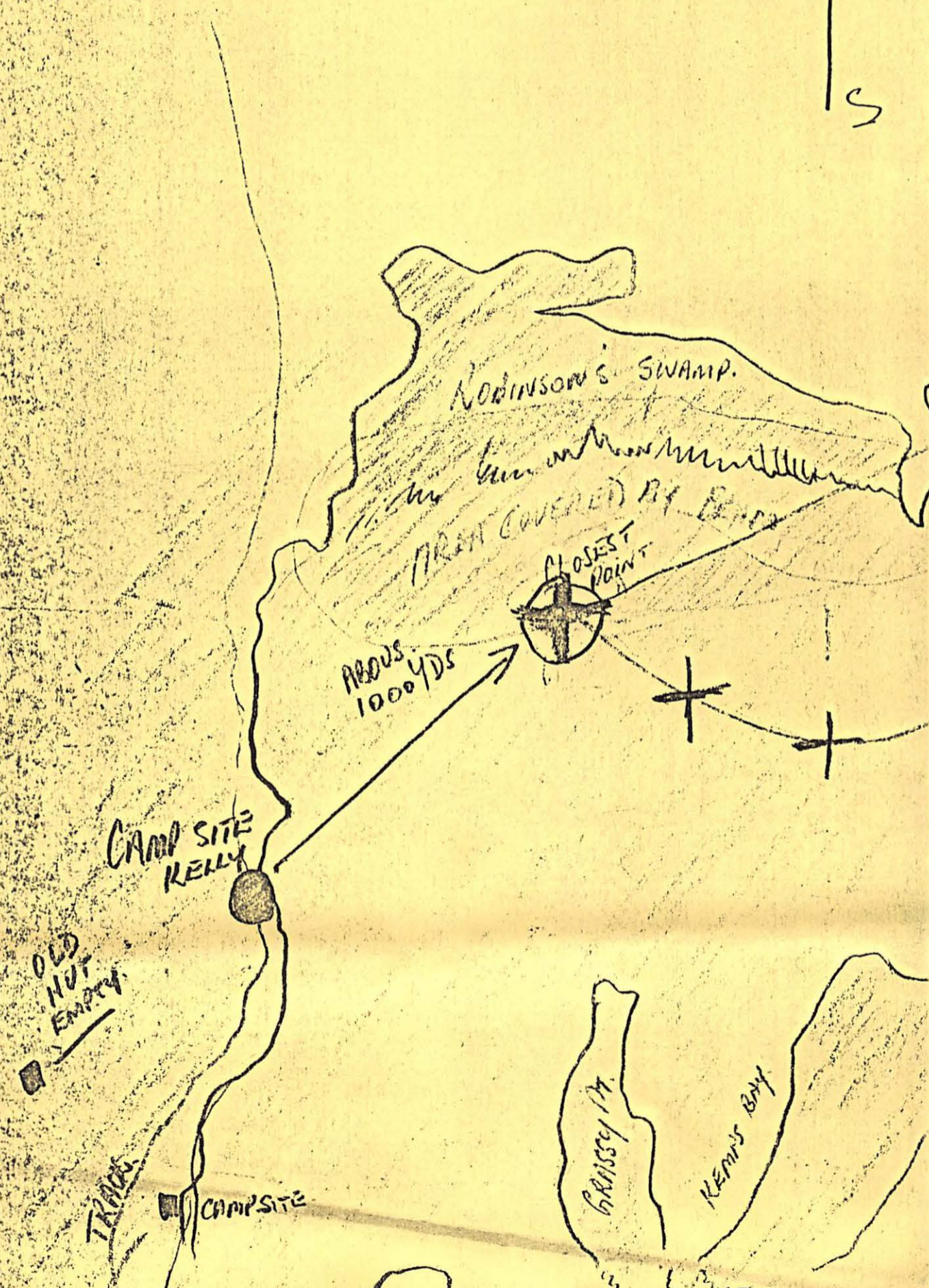
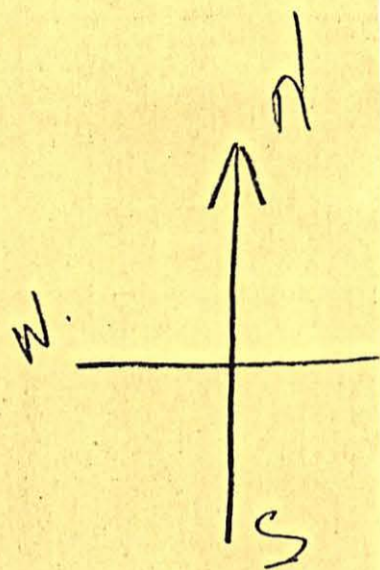
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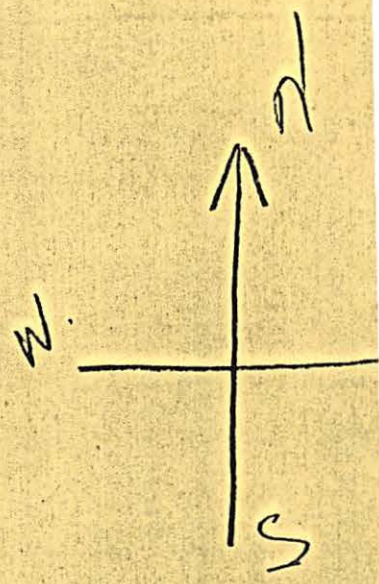
Car had  
 out.

(+) Stationary









ON MAP

LAKE SORELL

26-2-75.

(Wednesday)

LEFT ON THIS COURSE

APPROXIMATE  
COURSE OF MAIN  
SIGHTING

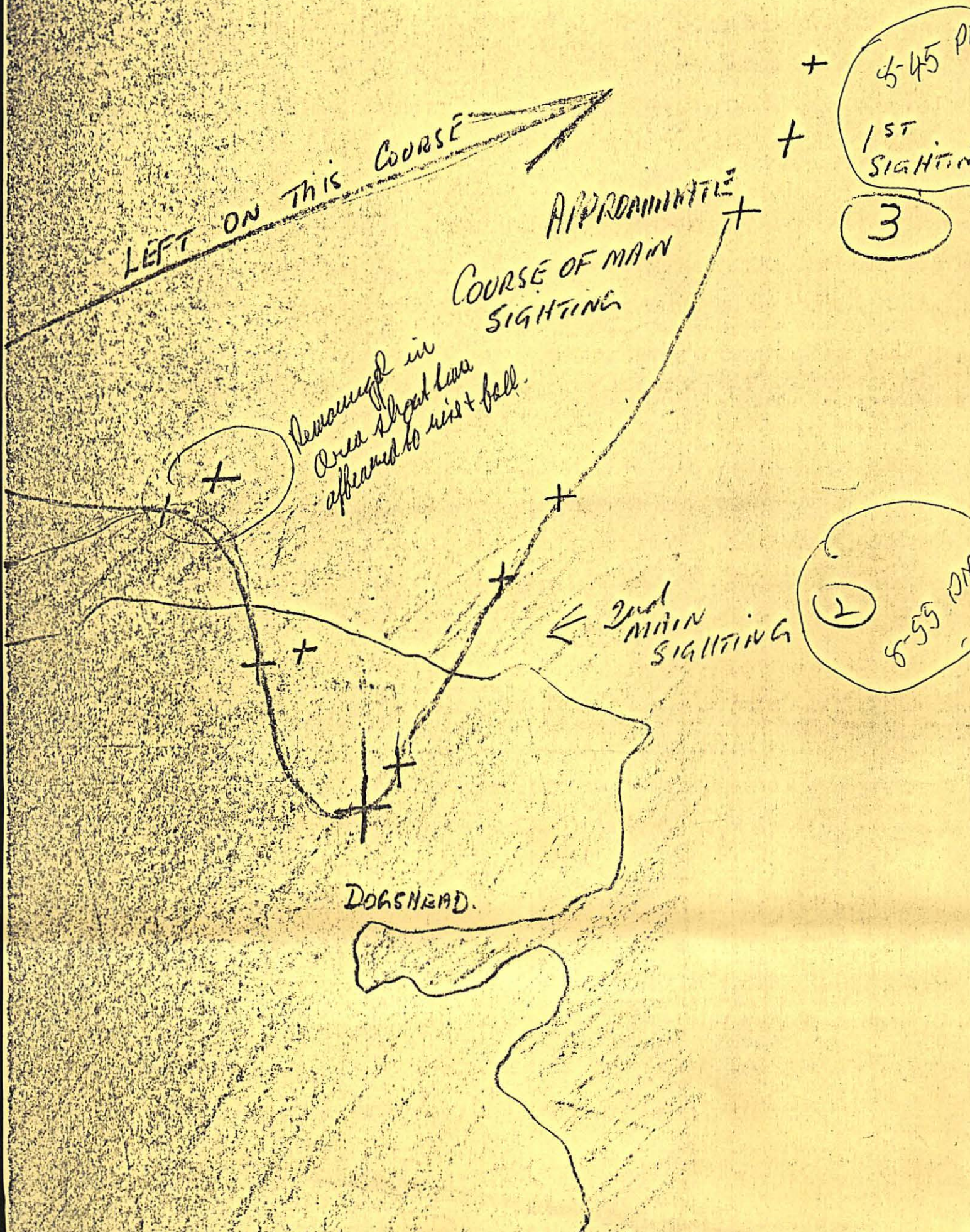
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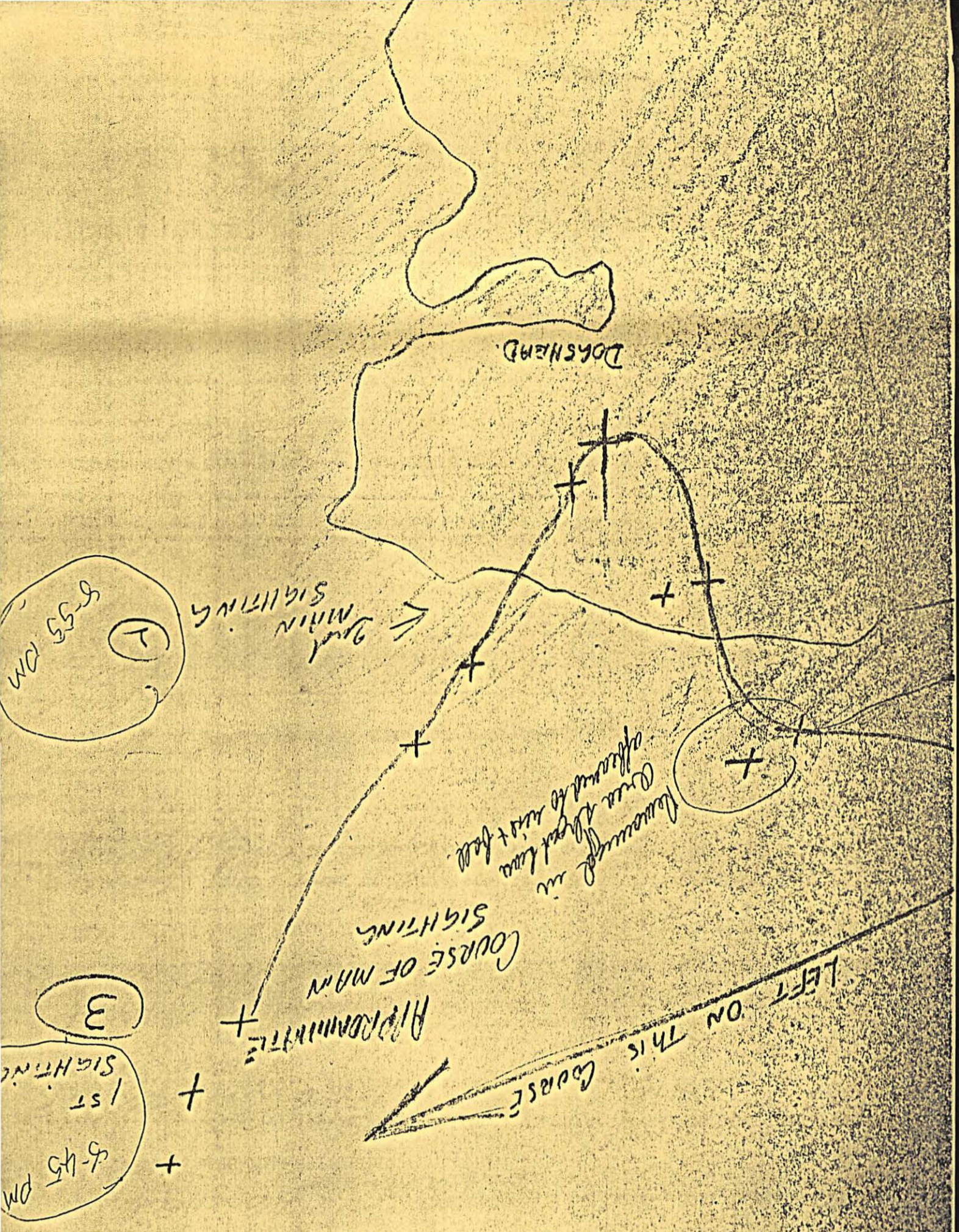
2nd  
MAIN  
SIGHTING

DOGSHED.

+ 5-45 PM  
+ 1ST  
SIGHTING  
3

2  
5-55 PM





2  
8:55 AM

3  
5-45 PM  
1ST SIGHTING

DOSHARD

2nd MAIN SIGHTING

Newly in area of light blue appeared to visit here

COURSE OF MAN SIGHTING

Approximate

LEFT ON THIS COURSE

LAKES SORREL  
26-2-75

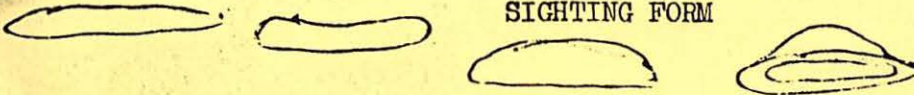
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TASMANIAN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS INVESTIGATION CENTRE.

SIGHTING FORM

TUFOIC,  
366 Huon Rd,  
Sth Hobart 7000.  
Ph 23 6009.



NAME... MISS. CHERYL MYERS ... ADDRESS... 1. Coleridge Court ... PH... 2449 22

OCCUPATION... Event Planner ... DATE... 26 Feb 75 ... DAY... Wednesday

TIME OBJECT SEEN... 9-10 PM - 9-30 PM ... DIRECTION FIRST SEEN... NE to S.W. to W.

BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING... Appeared from NE to S.W. then to W.

... DIRECTION LAST SEEN... West W. over Mt. Penny

TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR... Even Period 2.7 Hrs ... SOUND... No

COLOUR... Light Mass Area Gold Yellow, when close bright red.

SHAPE... oval with dome like one had in centre; round white around object.

APPARENT SIZE... 20 cent piece etc held at arms length ... about size of hand.

APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON... no focus - see other report

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME... Overcast, light rain ... DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID... YES

SPEED... Fastest when moving from place to place - very slow

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW... Disappeared at great speed over Mt. Penny area.

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP... No ... GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR... No

STAND STILL... YES ... CHANGE SPEED... at times YES

CHANGE BRIGHTNESS... When moving very fast (see other report)

CHANGE DIRECTION... YES

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT... West side of Lake Sorell

... at Camp Hill

ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES

... Mr Terry Kelly 1 Coleridge Court Huonville Tasmania

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc)... above Mt. Penny

... only beam of light appeared in front and shone on Mt. Penny, and Mt. Sorell and Lake Sorell

DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS... YES

PLEASE PROVIDE SUMMARY OF THE SIGHTING, SKETCHES OF OBJECT, AND DIAGRAMS ON THE

BACK PAGE

Ref Mr T. Kelly  
drawings and map

SIGNATURE... [Signature]

DATE... 1 Apr 75



TRANSCRIPT OF LAKE SORELL TAPED INTERVIEW.....SIGHTING 26.2.75

At about 8.45 (pm) approximately with some degree of daylight I observed 3 objects in the sky in the NE, two larger or one smaller. I watched them for some time thinking they were rather unusual small clouds or even aircraft; after observing them for a while I noticed that they were moving in a different direction to the clouds. They were too slow in movement to be aircraft, or anything, and I was extremely interested in the objects at this time being more than unusual.

They remained in this area for a few minutes and I lost sight of them for about 3 or 4 minutes. Later I observed two of the objects much closer that had travelled in a direction towards the SW, towards Lake Sorell. They came to a stationary position towards the Doghead which is on the eastern shore of Lake Sorell, and remained in that area for approximately 8 to 10 minutes.

There was slight movement then and I lost them in cloud, there was broken cloud for a while, but they receded towards the mountainous shore towards Lake Penny (note probably means Mt Penny) which is known as the Patchery shore of Lake Sorell. The two were clearly visible there for a while, and then I first noticed that underneath each was showing a central red light which was pulsating, and on the one that appeared to be larger or closer there were intermittent red lights around the corona or rim. That is the last time that I saw the two, cloud intervened and there was no sighting for some minutes, and then the cloud brightened up and I saw one object emerge from the clouds travelling in an easterly direction and come to rest above Meredith or sometimes called Burdock Point on the north shore of Lake Sorell.

The secondary object was at that stage of the piece noticed stationary towards Mt Penny much further to the north - approximately 2 1/2 miles to the north.

The main object was now very clear in definition. It was an elongated shape it was a long disc type of sighting, with the red light very very strong, still pulsating, but the red lights around the corona also seemed to be twinkling from red to white. At times they seemed to be travelling around the disc, at other times seemed to be quite stationary. It remained in this area for 8 to 10 minutes.

The sighting at all times wasn't clear because there was intermittent cloud that at times would partially obscure the main object. It was totally obscured for 2 or 3 minutes with a heavy bank of cloud that went through with a passing storm, it appeared again and appeared to be ractionally closer. and then all of a sudden it came directly towards us at phenomenal speed, it appeared as though it was going directly over the top of us - but in actual fact it came to rest approximately a 1000 yards away and asseged at approximately 500 feet up.

It remained in this area in clear vision for quite some minutes, maybe 3, maybe 4 minutes. It was very very bright, intently bright during the period of movement towards us, almost to the extent it was like the flash of an acetylene torch. When it came to rest the main lights dulled, you could see the definition and outline which appeared to be a round forming ring around the bottom of a dome, with a dome effect on the top.

The red ~~xx~~ light very very clear in the bottom it moved very very well in a small de\_ree in a little arc back and forth then extended with colossal light a beam, a cone shaped beam down towards the lake.

This beam appeared to travel towards the northern section of the lake which was the edge of Robinsons Swamp, and it very definately was directed along the extremity of the swamp in extending a distance of approximately 2 miles, it was strong enough that it lit up the side of the mountain along from the Point of Meredith to Robinsons Swamp, approximately 2/3 of a mile.

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The beam traversed back towards the centre of the area from where the object was in the sky, it faded and fairly quickly, and the surface of the lake appeared as though it had a bluey white fluorescent glow over the water for approximately 20 or 30 feet above. Sufficiently that you could still see the outline of the swamp.

The object itself was in rather dull light it was not glowing very very strongly. The red lights had reappeared the definition of the outline was quite clear. Then almost like a flash it disappeared away very quickly towards the EE, it travelled at a colossal speed - as much as I would like to think it would be something in the way the trajectory of a tracer bullet.

At this time the second vehicle that had moved towards Mt Perry and had remained in that area for the whole time disappeared (in the), at the simultaneous time with the other one. In the same direction. I cannot be sure whether it disappeared in the beyond, or went beyond the rim of the mountain, but it was that quick that it was hard to be definite where and how far it extended.

During the period of the vehicle being in the area of Meredith Point my car radio which was in operation with the door open - I had been waiting for the nine o'clock news (pm) - had cut out and was replaced by a very very loud intense static noise, at one stage during a lull in the sighting I attempted to find stations on the wireless, it did not respond. When the vehicles had gone out of sight within a minute or two the wireless came on and functioned quite normally, and remained quite normal thereafter.

These are the main points of the actual sighting, but there were quite a few little incidents here and there that occurred during the trajectory of the vehicles

QUESTIONS BY TUFOIC INVESTIGATOR.....

TUFOIC The moon did rise in the SE - about 9.45pm - this would be after the sighting.

WITNESS.. Well when it just started to show approx:  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an hour after the actual sighting, but it was from the camp site in the SE down towards the lower part of the lake. Towards the Guest House area which is more than quarter of the compass spectrum.

The following night I was still at the lake and observed the moon rise which was a little later, but was the same position, so there is no mistake on where it rises. The only thing I was concerned on checking up on the moon was the fact that when I first saw the 3 objects at a great distance, although it was quite daylight at the time it appeared like light on cloud - and through that - (Tufoic..like the reflection of light off the moon on cloud) Yes, that was my first impression, then I thought they were aircraft. But when they moved in closer into the area of the sighting, actually the main sightings themselves were almost in an opposite direction altogether as to what you would look for the moon.

Another thing with it too that was quite important, the cloud banks and the cloud cover that was across the lake on quite a few occasions, anything up to half a dozen times the light from the craft itself was showing up our side of the cloud in bright relief, and this side of the mountain so the light had to be reflected from this side.

TUFOIC This was opposite the swamp area and off the Meredith Pt area.

W..... So the object had to be centered on this side to be able to reflect the light on this side, while on the other side this was in darkness and the movement...

T..... You were only getting a reflection of the light from the object on the cloudside of the clouds that were closest to it.

- W....Thats right, and there was no shadow of any doubt of any fault there -  
The only time the moon could have been of any consequence was when I said  
- when I first saw these 3 objects in the distance. I thought it was cloud  
and by being bright it could have been that because it was quite daylight,  
and the only thing that put the moon into the idea was the fact that after  
this had disappeared and it was all gone I saw the moon rise and of course  
I associated it. I thought it was important this be noted and checked out.
- T....Regards this sighting you had at Lake Sorell on 26.2.75, you were up there  
fishing.
- W....Yes, I went up there for a weeks fishing.
- T....At any time you had no feeling of being effected by the closeness of the  
object.
- W....No, no physical phenomena in anyway shape or form, but I did have a rather  
apprehensive feeling, more or less like a sense of fear.
- T....Fear of the unknown
- W....Well this was as close as you could describe it - expecting something sort  
of cataclysmic to happen, but it didnt. After the actual sighting itself I  
was left with a rather strange state of void. I felt rather uneasy and a little  
bit unreal, but nothing physical in anyway shape or form.
- T....It didnt make you fell ill, headache or anything.
- W....No, the only physical effect I saw was the effect it had on the radio.
- T....What about the intense brightness of it on your eyes.
- W....Too a degree, I noticed that each time the vehicle moved it glowed very  
brightly, but it was nothing at all like the intensity of the beam when  
it moved close in above, and when it directed the beam down, it was a light  
like an acetelyne flash to a certain degree, it did have a slight effect on  
the eyes.
- T....You couldnt look at it direct.
- W....You could look at it and look away but it was only the effect it had was  
the intensity of the light during that period of the extension of the beam.
- T....Now when the beam of light was over the swamp. 100yds area of beam on the  
swamp.
- W....I would say that the main centre of the beam would have covered an area of  
200yds or in excess of that - but it also from the edge of that main point  
of beam it extended a brightness that lighted up the area for almost 2 miles  
either side.
- T....Did you notice any wildlife in the swamp, were there any effects.
- W....Usually there are swans back in behind the swamp and sometimes duck, that  
would be the only thing - and I certainly didnt notice anything in anyway.
- T....Did you notice anything the next day
- W....As a matter of fact I know one thing there were no ducks sighted because it  
was the verge of the duck season - the following day when I was on the lake  
there wasnt a duck to be seen. Wether I saw any swan or not I cant recall.
- T....You didnt have an animal with you.
- W....No.
- T....You knew of other people at Silver Plains.
- W....Yes, well there was a party camped at the top of Silver Plains which would  
have put them a mile or so below me. I was talking to one of the fishermen  
from that group the following day. He told me that he was in the tent after  
dark, but he didnt know the time and it lit up the tent like daylight and they  
came out and they could see this very bright object in the top end of the lake.
- T....He actually witnesses this at a later time after your first sighting of it.
- W....He saw what I did when the thing came in at its close proximity and then to  
what it left because his observation -

.....  
DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (traces left)

lake Sorell transcript.

And that was at 100yds to your campsite at its closest.

No, a 1000yds - he was a mile below me.

You dont know these peoples names.

No I dont.

Also led to beleive there was somebody close at another camp further down at the end of Silver Plains swamp area.

Yes, were the road first mets the lake, they also too - the other man told him that they saw it - but I didnt see them at all - during the time that I was there. and again I dont know who they area or where they came from.

There was another witness involved, I beleive they also have notes and drawings of what they saw.

Yes, well actually you have a set of drawings and notes there - but I told her you will be seeing her and she could tell you herself her own story in her own way.

You mentioned also when this object finally went away it went over Mt Penny.

Slightlh south of Mt Penny in a NE direction.

At a very terrific speed that we would associate with a tracer.

A phenomenal speed.

Up until this time you have never seen or experienced anything in the way of UFOs, or any other phenomena at all at any other time.

All except of heard of them, but Ive had no experince of it before, and I was not very convinced Im afraid, I certainly was not, Well I didnt have a closed mind on it, but it was not important to me before this affair.

Youve no doubt this was an UFO.....

There isnt any doubt of this. Ive had sufficient experience to know that what I saw was an object; a vehicle in the sky. Theres no doubt in the world and I saw it in close enough definition to know what it looked like.

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW..... *disappeared behind hills*  
ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING .....

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP..... *NO* ..... GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR..... *NO* .....  
STAND STILL..... *NO* ..... CHANGE SPEED..... *NO* .....  
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS..... *increased bright all the time* .....  
CHANGE DIRECTION..... *NO* .....

SEE OTHER REPORT

TASMANIAN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS INVESTIGATION CENTRE.

SIGHTING FORM

TUFOIC,  
366 Huon Rd,  
Sth Hobart 7000.  
Ph 23 6009.

(13 years)

NAME. MISS. VALERIE LYNEMA. ADDRESS. Bushy Park Tas. PH. N/A.

OCCUPATION. School Student. DATE. 11. Mar 75. DAY (Friday).

TIME OBJECT SEEN. 8.00 PM. DIRECTION FIRST SEEN. NW to SW.

BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING. From NW to SW. slight curved path

DIRECTION LAST SEEN. towards SW

TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR. 2 min (approx). SOUND. No.

COLOUR. Three lights: Red, Green, Orange.

SHAPE. Triangular.

APPARENT SIZE. (Compared to full moon or 10 20 cent piece etc held at arms length) about size of head light

APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON. High in sky in distance of 1 mile.

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME. Clear sky. DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID.

SPEED. about speed of helicopter.

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW. Disappeared behind hills.

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP. No. GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR. No.

STAND STILL. No. CHANGE SPEED. No.

CHANGE BRIGHTNESS. Increased brightness all the time.

CHANGE DIRECTION. No.

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT. Standing near phone par in front of Roseglen Hotel, Roseglen.

ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES. Nicki GIFFIS Bushy Park (15 years)

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc). Remained in sky all the time until out of sight behind hills.

DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS. No.

PLEASE PROVIDE SUMMARY OF THE SIGHTING, SKETCHES OF OBJECT, AND DIAGRAMS ON THE BACK PAGE.

SIGNATURE. Valerie Lynema

DATE. 11. Mar 75.

S/O. [Signature]

O RED  
O GREEN  
O ORANGE

Local 11 8:00 NW-NE 3000 N of E 8-15 E

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DCA 7-50 PM from Mt. Ernie 8-13 PM 8-12 (PM) E-N-E Sighting Form 5 not in Mt. Ernie either in flight.

TUFOIC, 366 Huon Rd, Sth Hobart 7000. Ph 23 6009.

(15 years) NAME: Mr. Mike GITHUS ADDRESS: Bunting Park 785 PH: .....

OCCUPATION: Unemployed DATE: 14 Mar 75 DAY: Friday

TIME OBJECT SEEN: 8:00 PM DIRECTION FIRST SEEN: NW to W

BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING: Moved from NW to W

BEHIND HILL (Mt. Ernie) DIRECTION LAST SEEN: Going down

TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR: 20 seconds SOUND: No

COLOUR: Orange Red Shape: Triangular - shape

SHAPE: Triangular - shape (Compared to full moon or 10

APPARENT SIZE: 20 cent piece etc held at arms length) Bright Head light

APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON: 25 to 30

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME: Light cloud DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID: No

SPEED: Approx speed of 1000 mph

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW: disappeared behind hill

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP: No GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR: No

STAND STILL: appeared to go off sight CHANGE SPEED: No

CHANGE BRIGHTNESS: No

CHANGE DIRECTION: appeared to turn slightly before going behind hill

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT: Standing in front of house in car park a few feet from phone box

ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES: Miss Nalie SYNEMAH Bunting Park (13 years)

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc): Only when descending

DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS: No

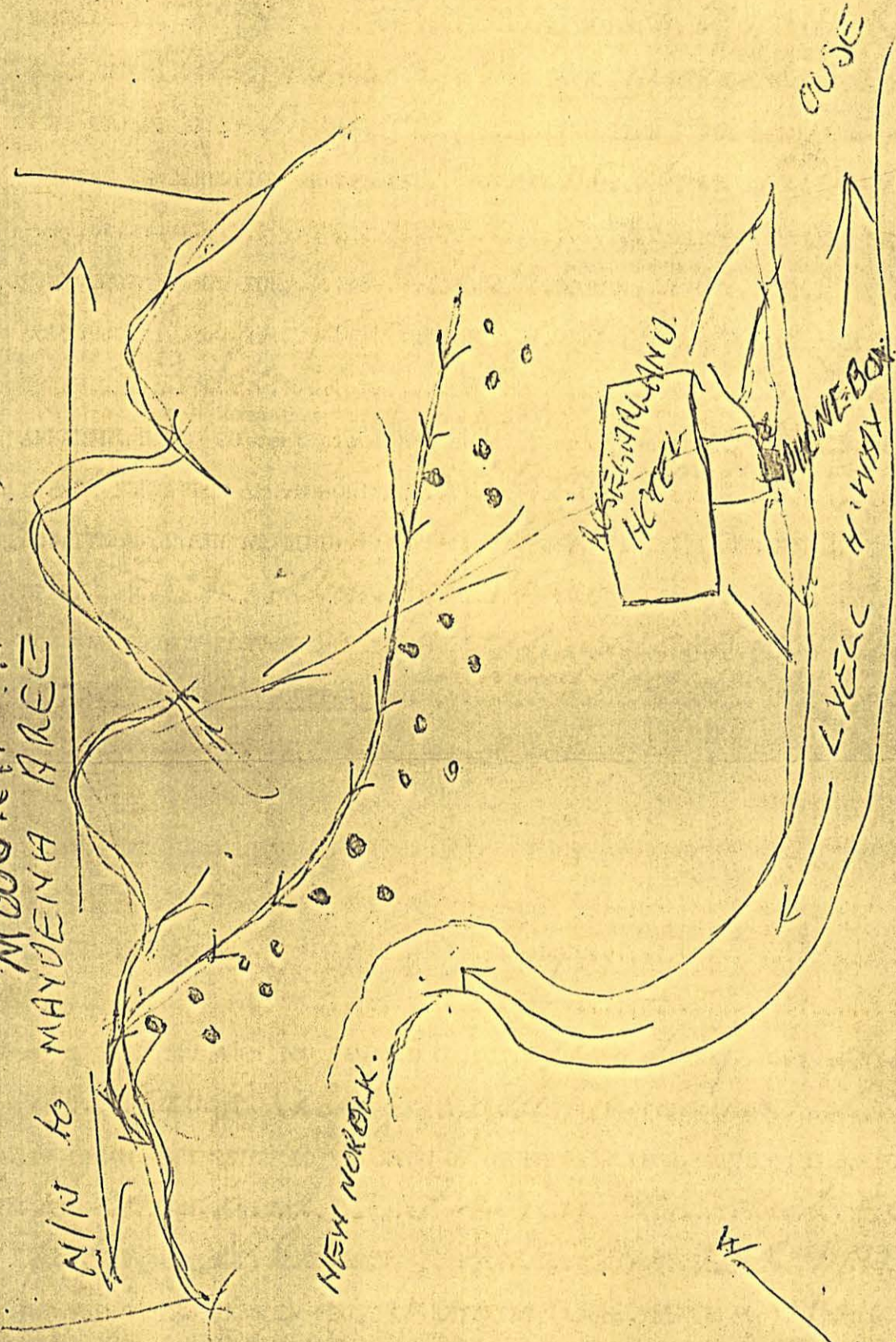
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SIGNATURE: Mike Githus

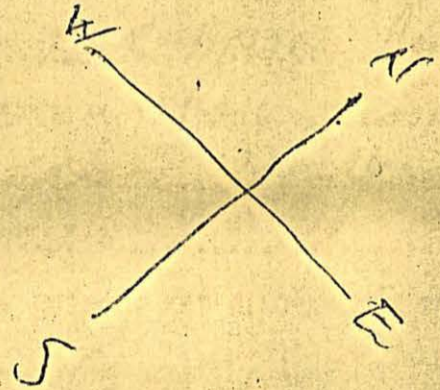
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J.C. Bracette

MOORHILLS  
NIN TO MAYENA AREA



NEW NOROK.



P.C.A. Not flight path Area, nothing in Area at time.

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SIGHTING FORM

TUFOIC,  
366 Huon Rd,  
Sth Hobart 7000.  
Ph 23 6009.

Details not in Area

KNAPEK

NAME MR. CHARLES ~~KN~~ ADDRESS 3 BANKSIA RD PH.....  
*Risdenville*

OCCUPATION Fitter & Turner DATE 14 March DAY Friday

TIME OBJECT SEEN 9:30 PM DIRECTION FIRST SEEN N.E. (Lake Russell)

BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING Rose in NE above trees, went S.S.W.

DIRECTION LAST SEEN S.S.W. over lake level

TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR 3 to 5 sec's SOUND No

COLOUR Bright yellow and light yellow on top of object

SHAPE Football

APPARENT SIZE (Compared to full moon or 10 20 cent piece etc held at arms length) appeared about size

APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON 60 to 75 ft 60 FT across

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME Slightly cloudy DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID YES

SPEED Faster than J4 Plane

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW disappeared out of sight high in sky at very fast speed

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP NO GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR NO

STAND STILL NO CHANGE SPEED Slow at first when seen rising above

CHANGE BRIGHTNESS Only when moving away object brighter and whiter

CHANGE DIRECTION No

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT standing in front of fence

at Camp site just after arriving at Lake

ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES No

15 yrs  
13 "

2. Neave and 2. Francis Mr. Mick GEMOALS

of Cascade Brewery Mr. Mr. Bob ANIC

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc) Rose from behind trees at distance approx 300 Yards

DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS No

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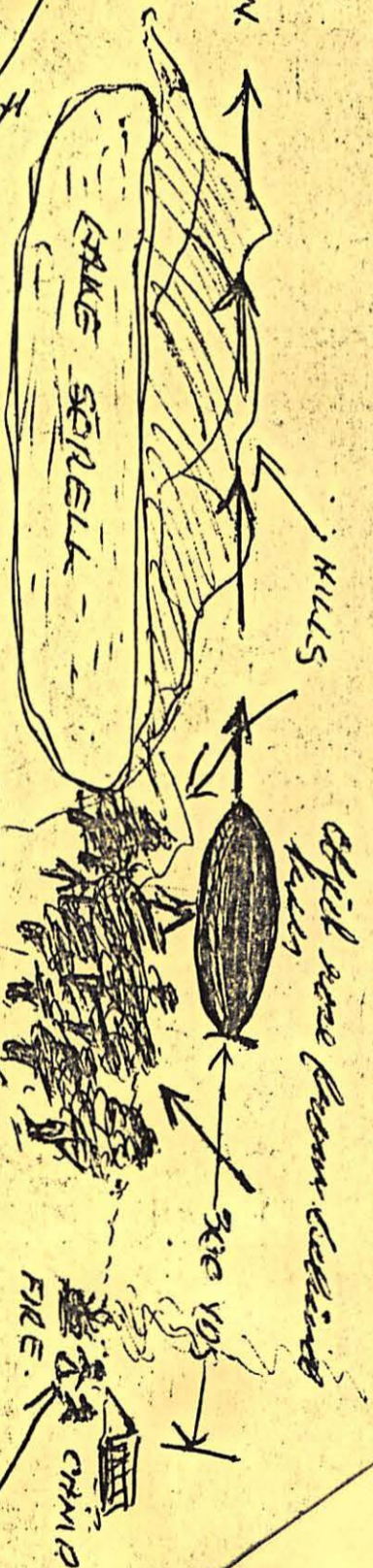
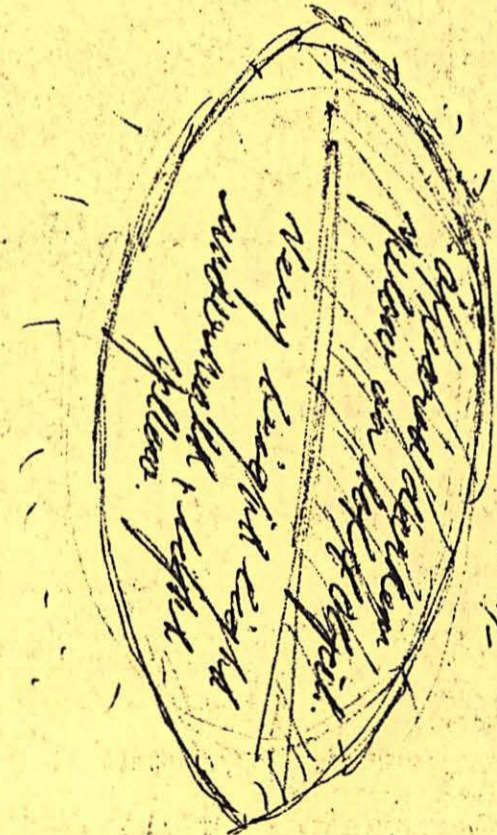
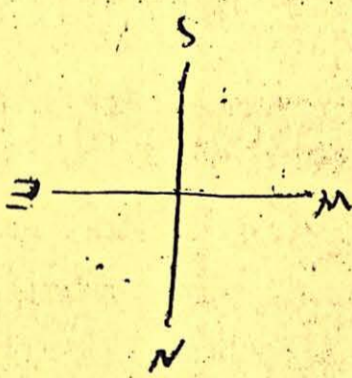
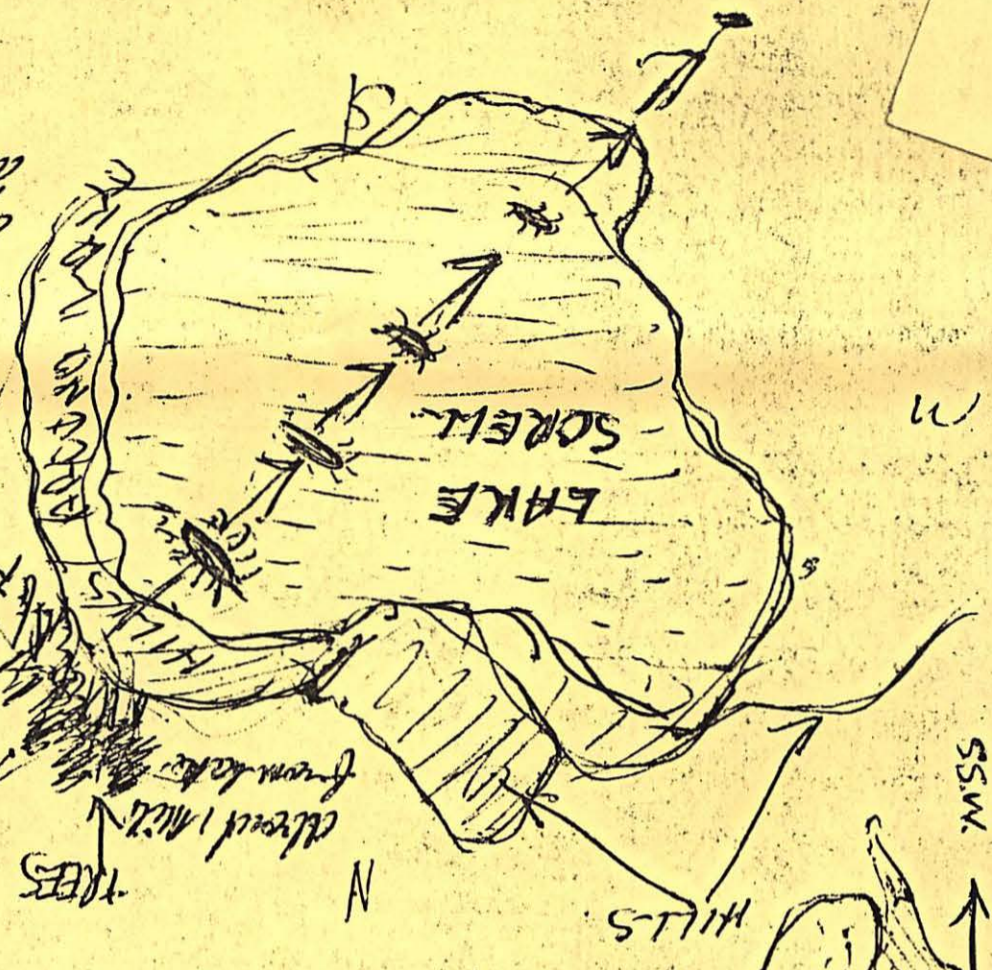
SIGNATURE *Charles Knapik*

DATE 23 April 75

St. Brunette



there are great  
 of trunk  
 CAMP SITE  
 FIRE  
 Camped here  
 looking towards  
 the track.  
 standing in front  
 of the water  
 of the lake from  
 the lake  
 in front of camp  
 appears as grey  
 away



SHEDS  
 IN FRONT OF  
 FIRE HERE

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SIGHTING FORM

TUFOIC,  
366 Huon Rd,  
Sth Hobart 7000.  
Ph 23 6009.

no aircraft in area } flight  
" " at time } path north to E.  
not at time.

NAME. MR KEVIN GEORGE RYNNER ADDRESS. 145 Northfield St PH 235713  
OCCUPATION. School Teacher DATE. 23 Mar 75 DAY. Sunday  
TIME OBJECT SEEN. 7.30 AM DIRECTION FIRST SEEN. N. to E.  
BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING. Travelling from N. to E.  
DIRECTION LAST SEEN. E.

TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR. 3 to 5 Min's SOUND. No  
COLOUR. Dark Black to Grey. Three lights on bottom  
SHAPE. Disk shape (hard to tell)  
APPARENT SIZE 20 cent piece etc held at arms length appeared at alt. 30 FT.  
APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON. 30° at about 1/2 mile distance

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME. Windy overcast DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID. YES  
SPEED. Very slow sound from 5/16  
HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW. Faded or disappeared from view

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING. Small. Lights 2 white 1. Red. Shaped  
only when object moved in view  
DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP. No GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR. No

STAND STILL. 30 Secs standing still CHANGE SPEED. Remained the same  
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS. Only when it came to rest for about 1/2 sec  
CHANGE DIRECTION. Only moved from N. to E.

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT. Back in Land Rover after opening gate at time looking N. (St. Peter's Pass)

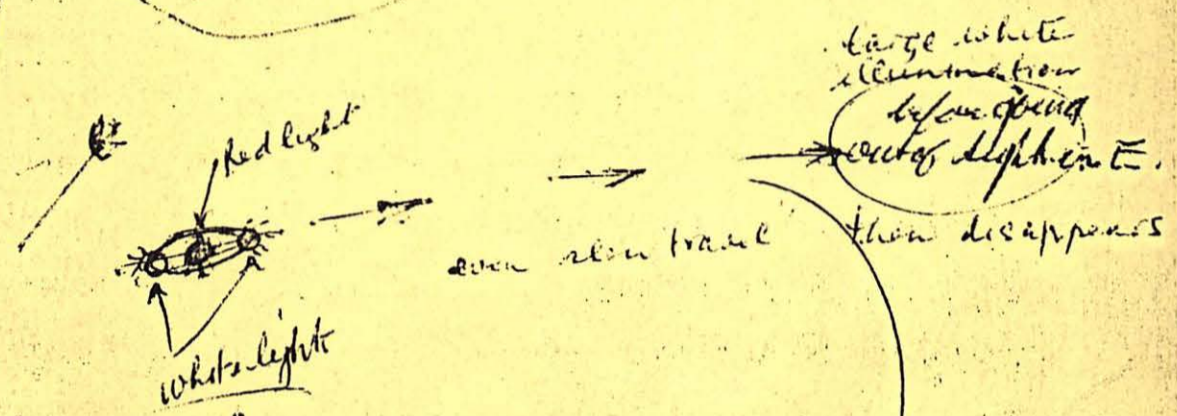
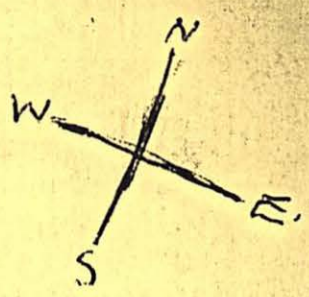
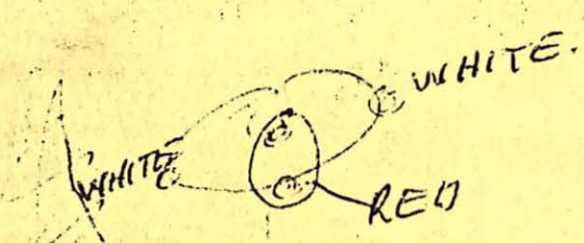
ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES.  
One witness on street (see below) with in view back home in Sydney.

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc). Washed behind trees at one time when looking across from hill.

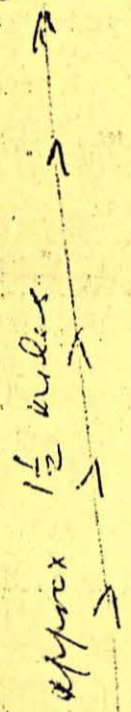
DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS. No. YES. (I stated in News Media)  
PLEASE PROVIDE SUMMARY OF THE SIGHTING, SKETCHES OF OBJECT, AND DIAGRAMS ON THE BACK PAGE.....

WITNESS Mr. Les BOZORY  
14. Monicrop Rd.  
North Taranania.  
Sydney. N.S.W.

SIGNATURE. [Signature]  
DATE. 23 Mar 75  
s/o. R. Bennett



Large white illumination before opening mouth of dolphin E. then disappears



LANCENSTONE

objt seen from low looking N-W.

RIDGINGS H/W

LAND ROVER

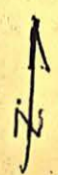
1 mile

Gull

CATLANDS

TRACK

Fence



Nothing in Area at time.

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Not in area at time

SIGHTING FORM

TUFOIC,  
366 Huon Rd,  
Sth Hobart 7000.  
Ph 23 6009.

NAME. M.R. Roy... G.H.R. WOOD... ADDRESS ~~Corner of ...~~ PH. 611311.  
OCCUPATION. ~~...~~ DATE. 18 Apr 75... DAY. Friday...

TIME OBJECT SEEN... 8:45 PM... DIRECTION FIRST SEEN... E. (L.H. side of road going back to N/N).  
BEARING OR DIRECTION TRAVELLING... E to N-NE...

DIRECTION LAST SEEN... ~~...~~  
TIME OBJECT SEEN FOR... 25 to 30 sec's... SOUND... No

COLOUR... ~~...~~ (Glowing yellow white effect)

SHAPE... Round light with sparks coming from back end  
APPARENT SIZE 20 cent piece etc held at arms length) ~~...~~ like very large search light

APPROX ELEVATION ABOVE HORIZON... 70° when moving

CONDITION OF SKY AT TIME... ~~...~~ DID OBJECT APPEAR SOLID... YES

SPEED... Very fast: a matter of sec's, then out of sight

HOW WAS OBJECT LOST FROM VIEW... Faded out of sight of ... hills

ANY REMARKS ABOUT SIGHTING... appeared to be low near ground

Wages Farm Area and 200 or 300 yds in from main Rd

DID IT EXPLODE/BREAK UP... No... GIVE OFF SMOKE/VAPOUR... sparks effect

STAND STILL... No... CHANGE SPEED... No

CHANGE BRIGHTNESS... No

CHANGE DIRECTION... Rose at steep angle to N-NE

WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE OBJECT... Travelling back to N/N from Rosegarland in Her driving here car

ANY OTHER WITNESSES, DO YOU KNOW OF OTHER SIGHTINGS, WITNESSES NAMES & ADDRESSES... No

DID THE OBJECT PASS IN FRONT OF ANYTHING (trees, hills etc) ... were above them

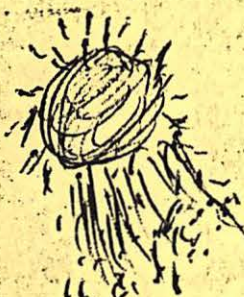
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DO YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS... YES

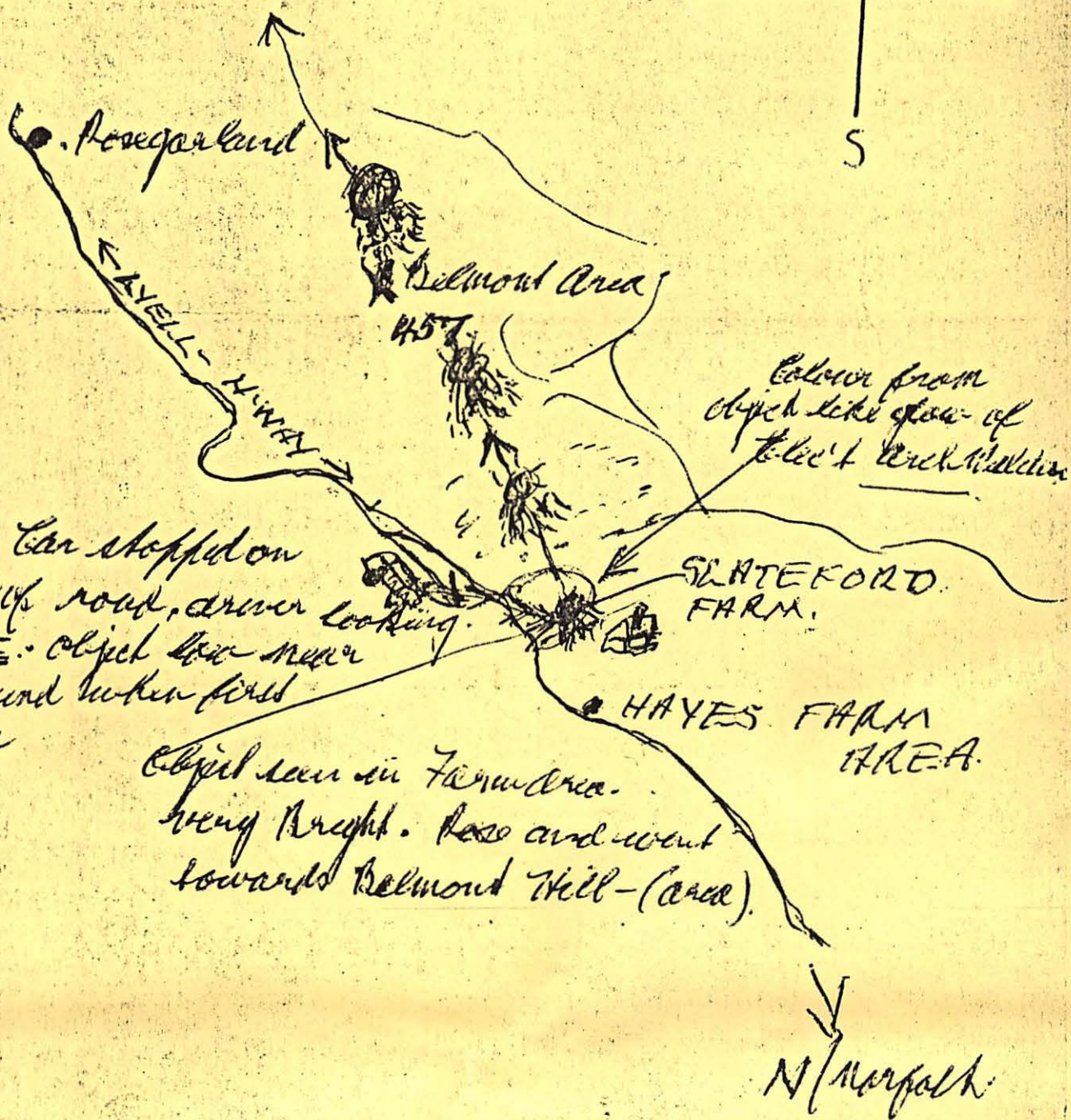
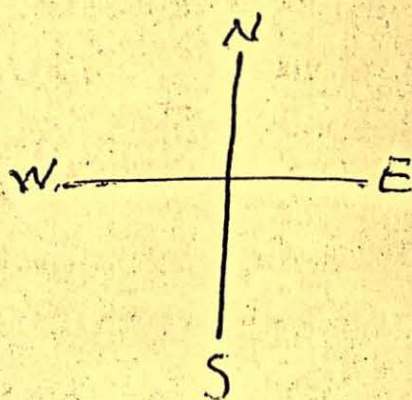
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D.T.C.

SIGNATURE...  
DATE... 21 Apr 75  
S/C... W. Bennett



Object - very bright,  
with sparks effect  
coming from back end.



Car stopped on  
side of road, driver looking  
N-E. Object low near  
ground when first  
seen

Object seen in Farm area.  
very bright. Rose and went  
towards Belmont Hill - (area)

#### LAST OF THE GLADSTONE REPORTS?

Following completion of our Annual Report for 1975 a few cases for 1974 still came in, two of the first being from last years Flap Area in the North East. One was from a Police Officer travelling on the Gladstone to Rushy Lagoon Road in August (74). It was evening when the Officer 2 miles north of Gladstone noticed a very bright street coloured light off the road to the NW. The light was stationary at ground level, he estimated its size to be that of a house at a few miles distance. The light was giving off a glare. It was situated in an area of lonely bush near Mayfield Flat, location of a report of hunters being followed back in June 74. The witness decided to have a closer look at the light but it just went out after being in view for about 5 minutes.

The last report from the area came on January 3rd(74) the same evening as the Traces case from Fingal. Mr Rainbow and a friend saw a bright yellow, round, full moon sized object at 8.30pm. It was high overhead and moving slowly towards the east, it just kept travelling away from the witnesses until after 20 minutes it had diminished in size until it could no longer be seen.

#### FINGAL TRACES?

Did two UFOs leave traces of their visit at Fingallate on Jan 3rd (75), the sighting point is 12 miles east of a car passing in the South Esk valley in Nov (74). Seven schoolboys were camped near the bridge over the South Esk River roughly a mile north of Fingal. The children had camped at the spot on previous holidays. At 11.30pm five of the boys went down to get some water from the river, it was then that Mark Donnellan (13) said they had seen two big lights come down "fairly fast" out of the northern sky. The objects became stationary 200yds away across the river.

There was a sort of humming noise and the lights kept flashing green and orange. After watching for 45 minutes the boys fled home to Fingal. They returned an hour later for their puppy which had been left behind, the two objects were still there flashing lights.

John Dean (Centre's Nth Rep:) visited Fingal and checked out the story and the alleged landing area. The children's parent confirmed that the boys had all come home scared on the night of the sighting, one still in his underclothes.

There was some confusion over the appearance of the lights but all agreed on them being stationary, about moon sized, and flashing lights. The general description was of elliptical shape yellow in colour with red and green flashing lights.

Dean searched the hillside north of the bridge, it was steep with scattered gum, wattle and scrub. He located a 10x12ft area of 4ft tall dead saplings and a few wattles which had been broken off two foot from the ground. The tops of the wattles had a clipped appearance. Further back an 11ft wattle(2"thick) which had been broken 7ft up, there were no axe marks.

Another 100yds up the hill was a large clump of wattle trees 20 to 25x15ft area. The right side nearest the bridge had been broken and twisted over in a half round shape pointing towards the river. The bridge was not visible at ground level from this second area.

Samples were taken of tree limbs in the area and soil. The only thing of note were the radioactivity readings, soil from outside the area had a count of 2-3 per minute. A limb from the second area had a count of 3-5 per minute. The analyst said this could be Carbon 14 as the limb aged, but the wood appeared to have been burnt by some high heat, the bark however was still intact and had no loosening or cracking as with fire. A case that seemed to have no explanation on the information to hand, and just what damaged the trees north of the bridge?

#### MOONAH and HOBART CASES.

Hobart and surrounds area has seen an absence of unexplained reports recently but there was no ready explanation for the sighting by a Moonah family on the night of February 7th.

Three children about 8.30pm had first noticed lights to the north of Mt Wellington whilst playing in the family's backyard, they called out their parents to see the lights.

The lights seemed to approach from the west and looked larger than car lights on the Pinnacle Road, there were three white lights at first, they became vague looking and faded away behind Mt Wellington.

Soon after four lights were noticed, they were various colours, yellow, orange and red. The lights seemed to form into groups of two or four, moving around each other and fading on and off for a couple of hours. The witnesses said that when the lights moved they did so at jet fighter speed. (no planes in the area at the time) The lights disappeared for quite a while around 10pm so that the witnesses contacted a local radio station then TUFOIC.

Later on again the lights once again blinked on, finally about 11.45pm two lights went behind Mt Wellington whilst the other two just faded out

#### Fly Over?

Very rarely do we have a report from the centre of Hobart itself but two men reported a sighting on March 2nd at 11.05pm. They saw 4 half ellipse shaped objects speeding across the sky for roughly 15 seconds before they passed behind buildings. They travelled from SE towards the NW and were coloured bright yellow white.

The objects were travelling fast and close together at a high elevation. As they travelled the objects separated and would change positions as if they were zig zagging and moving up and down. No sparks or tails were seen.

Similar cases to the above occurred over Mt Wellington in Dec 70, and a formation of lights crossed the city in Feb 73, shortly after an object shone a beam of light onto Norfolk Bay near Tasman Peninsula.

#### GIRLS TELL OF DERWENT VALLEY SIGHTING.

Hobart Police didn't take the call just after 8pm on the night of March 14th very seriously. Two girls called claiming to have seen an UFO flying over the valley and landing behind a hill.

However, the Centre was given every assistance by Const. Britten of Bushy Park and as a result obtained details of the Rosegarland sighting from Valerie Lynema and Vicki Gittus.

It all started about 8pm when the girls first saw three lights close together in triangle formation in the NW sky. The lights were high in the sky curving across towards the SW. The area of the triangle looked like a car headlight at a miles distance.

The lights took about 3 minutes to reach the skyline near the Moogara Hills some 5 miles distant, trees on the hilltop briefly blocked the view of the lights before they went over the skyline.

The lights were coloured red, green and orange but did go white at one stage. The configuration of the lights changed as they crossed the sky, first there would be two lights at the front, then one and so on until they were lost from sight.

The witnesses felt the lights were over the Derwent Valley and could have landed at the back of the Moogara area. The lights had seemed to turn slightly before going over the hills.

#### REPORT FROM NEW NORFOLK ALSO

At 8.20pm that same evening Shayne Ransley (13) of New Norfolk with 3 other children noticed a large red star like light at 20deg: elevation to the east. Shayne was quite sure of the time, they rang the Police after the sighting and the Officers called at 8.40pm. The flashing light caught Shayne's attention as he and the others came out from the rumpus room under the Ransley house. They then noticed the light was moving southwards and gaining elevation. The light moved slowly for the next 5 minutes, performing two up and down motions.

Shayne raced inside and grabbed his binoculars, however, the light looked no different than with the naked eye. The light now became stationary over the roofline of the next door house for some 30seconds. As Shane watched with the binoculars the light flashed out of sight towards the north, no one seems to have been able to follow its movement.

Searching around the children relocated the light (or similar light) low alongside Shepherds Hill to the north east. Once again it seemed to move slightly northwards, after watching for about another half minute they all went inside to call the Police. On returning outside no light could be seen.

#### ANOTHER REPORT ON THE 14TH, THIS TIME LAKE SORELL AGAIN.

It was a busy night (14th) as a third sighting came from Lake Sorell (location of sighting on 26/2) at 9.30pm when Mr Knapik, his two sons, and two friends sighted an object whilst camped in a clearing one mile east of the lake. They were just about to have a snack when the children (ages 13 and 15) pointed out an object rising slowly at first from behind trees 300yds away towards the lake (sth west).

The object once above the trees rose rapidly and shot up into the south western sky diminishing to star size and then being lost to view at 75deg: elevation. The whole event took no more than 5 seconds.

The object was football shaped and estimated by the witness as 50ft across. It was bright yellow beneath with a lighter yellow on top, as it moved away the colour became more white and much brighter. No check was made for any traces.

#### WARPANE MYSTERY LIGHT.

What did Mrs Watchorn see on March 17th between 7.50 and 8.20pm from her Eastern Shore home. She told the Centre she had been cleaning up outside when she spotted a 'strange light in the Western sky above a cloud bank over Rosny Hill. The large full moon sized ball was yellow/gold in colour and drifting across the sky like a balloon.

A strange part to the sighting was the smoke or vapour that appeared to be given off below the object. Also as it slowly moved along it did so in a zig zag manner. After 30minutes the object was lost to view behind the hill towards Lindisfarne. Maybe other people saw this light, if so TUDIC would like to hear from them?

#### CAR PASSED ON TEA TREE ROAD.

Two people travelling home on the night of March 21st were puzzled by the strange light they encountered on the Back Tea Tree Road between 10.15 and 10.30pm.

They first noticed an intense silver white light about 200ft above a hill to their east (pos: Bains Hill). It was hovering and remained in this position until they had passed.

The witnesses wife felt rather anxious and the husband had a feeling of strangeness as the light descended and fell in behind their car. The object followed them for about a mile until they saw a motorist standing outside his car, after this the light had disappeared when they looked back. One wonders if the driver of the other car was also watching the mystery light?

The duration of the sighting was about 5 minutes. The witness estimated the light when first seen was about a mile away over the hill top but closed to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile as it followed the car. The apparent size of the object was  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  moon size. No physical effects were noticed.



ST PETERS PASS.

Two days later on the 23rd at 7.30pm 2 hunters were equally puzzled by the appearance of an object flying to the east and in sight for 3 to 5 minutes. The sky at the time was overcast, a fact confirmed by the Weather Bureau.

The hunters were opening a gate about 1 mile west of the Midland Hwy in St Peters Pass when they first saw the black to grey football shaped object. It also had a white light at each end and a red light in the centre. They estimated it as being 30ft across and moving very slowly.

It was about 1½ miles away from the witnesses on the other side of a valley, it soon passed behind some trees on the opposite slope giving off a large white illumination at the time.

The object then finally reappeared as it rose up to about 1500ft where it came to rest for some 30 seconds, it then faded or disappeared from view in a flash.

LOW LEVEL OBJECT AT HAYES...

A New Norfolk taxi driver returning from Rosegarland to New Norfolk on April 18th at 8.45pm noticed a strange arc-welding type flashing to the east of the road when just north of Hayes on the Lyell Hwy.

Not taking much notice at first, but then wondering what the mysterious flashes could be the witness stopped his car for a better look after he had rounded a corner and was level with the flashes. He thought whatever it was could have come over the brow of the hill from the direction of Hayes.

The blue/violet flashes seemed to be at tree top height about 30 yds off the road. It was as he stepped out of the car that a round light could be seen above the trees, with sparks coming from ~~the~~ beneath it rose up and climbed rapidly away towards the north east. It was out of sight over the Belmont Hill in a matter of seconds. The ball changed colour more to a brighter gold before disappearing. At no stage was there any sound, the whole sighting lasted about 30 seconds.

The owner of the property was contacted but a check of the area revealed no traces of the objects presence. The witness said "he never believed in UFO's, but I feel different about it now". The Centre had another caller (no address for follow up) it seemed another motorist near Bothwell saw a blue/white light at 9.10pm come level with his car for a few seconds before disappearing.