

UFO Observations (pp. 34–38)

Hans-Werner Peiniger outlines some cases the GEP has investigated. Again, all are cases with photos. The object which appears on a photo taken at scenic Lake Kochel, at Kochel am See, on 27 June 2022 was not noticed by the photographer at the occasion. It is most likely a bumblebee flying close to him while he snapped the picture. On 12 October 2022 a witness noticed an oblong objet over Lüneburg-Morrfeld which he managed to photograph. He gave a false time and direction for the sighting at first, but when both were resolved, it was found an Airbus Beluga XL had been in the area indicated, and this is what the picture shows. Interestingly, although the report was made a day after the event, the witness had given a wrong time and direction! Another witness reported two encounters. The first object filmed on 11 November 2022 at Düsseldorf-Benrath looked like a plane and this was later confirmed (the witness had at first given a false time for the sighting). The second, shown on a photo taken on 25 November 2022, also at Düsseldorf-Benrath, is clearly a party balloon in shape of number 2.

Farewell to UFOs? Flying Saucers in the German Press 1953 (pp. 39–44)

In 1953, the press in Germany carried only a few articles on the topic of flying saucers, mainly reports on sightings, including two occupant cases. As André Kramer points out, the tone of the reportage was generally characterized by ridicule and scepticism.

The Oz Factor and IFOs (pp. 44–46)

Using the same characteristics of the OZ factor as André Kramer in the last issue, Ulrich Magin outlines 16 cases from the GEP files where it occurred in clear IFO cases. The listing of cases was not the result of a systematic search, rather, those the author recalled.

Obituary: Axel Ertelt (pp. 46–48)

Axel Ertelt belongs to the pioneers of UFO research in Germany, founding his society in 1973 and publishing his ancient astronaut's magazine "Mysteria" from 1979. He died on 2 February 2023, aged 68. A gentle and fair researcher, he is severely missed.

Poll: Surveillance of UFO Researchers (pp. 49)

Dr Walter Andritzky points out that there have been recent attempts by persons unknown to keep under surveillance and/or intimidate IFO researchers. He asks all persons who have been so contacted or visited to fill in a brief questionnaire.

Reviews (pp. 49–63)

No English language books are reviewed in this issue.

Brief Note (p. 63–64)

International Limina Symposium – The GEP took part in this virtual conference from February 3 to 5, 2023.

50 Years of CENAP – A conference will take part on October 13 to 14, 2023, in Cröffelbach.

Green ray of light over Kassel – LIDAR can cause precise rays of light reaching into the sky. A German enterprise now leases such instruments.