

UFO-Observations (p. 162–168)

A photo taken on 19 November 2023 at Elbtal shows what appears to be a structured craft – a search with goggle street view revealed it was just a street lamp. A video taken on 27 June 2014 over Frankenthal depicts what the witness thought was a triangle UFO – but the lights are identical to the lights on a military plane, Boeing C-17 Globemaster III which flew regularly back then from Ramstein AFB. And what about the alien that hides behind a glass door on an apartment block opposite the balcony of a tourist in Puerta de la Cruz, Tenerife, on 16 August 2023? The investigator explained this photo of a CE III as stuff standing in the room but this was not accepted by the witness. The UFO only later discovered on a picture taken on 30 April 2023 in Herdecke was clearly a bird, while the strange silent thing in the sky spotted and photographed on 17 June 2022 at Erkrath-Hochdahl certainly was a foil balloon in the shape of a figure 8.

50 Years of CENAP – the Cröffelbach UFO-Forum (p. 169–174)

To celebrate 50 years of the group of CENAP, Hansjürgen Köhler organised once more one of the classical UFO meetings in Cröffelbach. He started proceedings with a biased and long lecture on the history of the group blaming several of those present of aggressive behaviour. This, regrettably, was a kind of recurrent theme in all he said and prevented a much needed reconciliation in German UFO research. The next day, André Knöfel talked about the search for asteroids, and Sirko Molau explained how the automatic German meteor network worked. Clas Svahn talked on UFOs in Sweden and the AFU, Jean M. Wattecamps on his reinvestigation of the Belgian wave of 1989 (only the first day – some sightings were explained, others remain unknowns), Ulrich Magin on historical UFOs and finally Ferhat Talayhan on ancient-astronaut topics from South America. He was one who could handle the now famous alleged alien mummies from Peru. A good meeting but regrettably it widened the gap between different groups.

Use of the Qlik Cloud by the GEP (p. 175–179)

The data bank of the GEP can be analysed by a Qlik Cloud, as Ralf van Thuyt explains in this technical report. Data can be checked against features, and corrected according to population density, and many other possible applications which might result in a better understanding of what it is that constitutes the UFO data.

Obituary – Director Rainer Erler (pp. 179–181)

Rainer Erler was one of the foremost German SF authors and his mock TV documentary *Die Delegation* in 1970 (allegedly about the UFO contacts of a German journalist) is fondly remembered by all older researchers.

Communications Reconnaissance – When Pilots report UAP/UFO Sightings in real Time (p. 182–186)

Josef Garcia describes the frequencies in which all military and civil aircraft communication takes place. This gives interested researchers the chance to experience pilot's UFO encounters in real time. However, be careful. It is illegal to listen to German plane communication but legal in the US – so choose the American channels rather than the German ones!

Reviews (pp. 186–192)

No English language books are reviewed in this issue.