

UFO observations (pp. 2-7)

A photo taken on 9 October 2023 at the Bangli volcano in Indonesia shows a classic flying saucer. The photo, however, is a so-called panorama shot, in which AI combines and manipulates many individual images into one whole picture which can lead to distortions. In addition, the UFO was only later noticed and not seen *in situ*, and several other people who were present also didn't notice anything unusual. With the experience that similar shots show birds in movement, the object in the photo is classed as bird.

On 31 October 2023 a witness at Friesenheim/Oberweier noticed a bright flash and three loud bangs in the night. Later, a police car cruised the street, and several helicopters hovered over the woods. The helicopters can be explained, but there was corroboration from a local hunter as to the flash and the bangs. Strangely, just a day later, a similar flash and bang were reported from Durmersheim (there had been a registered lightning strike at the time, however).

UFO Detections and Pilot Sightings over Argentina (pp. 8–16)

The author outlines the work of the governmental study group CIAE of Argentina which has been able, in the past, to explain 100 % of all incoming reports. He thinks this is because they do not handle the tough pilot encounters of which he lists some 20 – including several with electromagnetic interference – from the ufological literature.

Some Good Old Fashioned UAPs (pp. 17–25)

The author has assembled some 25 reports dealing with balls of light and ball-lightning from 19th and early 20th century newspaper files. Often, these ball-lightning observations echo modern UFO reports (traces, psychological after-effects), and very often a lighting strike has only been called ball-lightning due to the massive damage it caused.

Reviews (pp. 25–32)

Gordon Arnold: *Flying Saucers Over America*. An overview over the first UFO year in the United States, by a historian, providing the context for the observation and interpretation of the phenomenon in the spirit of the times.

Maurizio Verga: *Flying Saucers from Naziland*. The book, at 316 pages in a large format, is the most comprehensive yet published on the topic. With its wealth of information, it is more like an entire encyclopaedia than a usual non-fiction book. Highly recommended.