

# JOURNAL FÜR UFO-FORSCHUNG, No. 164 2/2006

## ENGLISH SUMMARY

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### UFO-OBSERVATIONS (pp. 34-38)

On 1 January 2006, a witness at Gaggenau observed a glowing ball of orange light with a whitish aura. His description of the object as well as of its behaviour indicates that a fire balloon was the stimulus. The rest of the cases discussed are again photographic cases. On 24 September 2005, a man observed several small silvery dots in the sky over Vienna and took a photo of them. Nothing of importance can be discerned on it, and there are several conventional stimuli to explain such dots, such as foil balloons or planes. The witness' report was contradictory as to the speed of the dots, so that a final identification cannot be made. On 29 March 2006, a Freising man took several pictures of a sunset with his mobile phone. In addition to the UFOs he later found on the images, the GEP discovered several more and assumes the „objects“ are just water drops and dirt on the camera. A photo taken on 18 March 2006 at Ostia, Italy, shows a saucer-like object not seen when the picture was snapped. Analysis showed it must have been 30 to 150 m from the lens, so it is tentatively identified as airship, although it may have been anything, from a plastic bag carried by the wind to a bird crossing the frame.

### ROSWELL NEWS, PART 22 (p. 39-41)

The so called tent scenes had already been revealed as fake in 1998, now we have the full confession: the Santilli video of an alleged alien autopsy has finally been revealed as a hoax. A filmmaker, in the promotion for the British comedy „Alien Autopsy“, John Humphrey, has told the press how he was approached by Santilli to fake the film, and that Santilli actually plays one of the medics.

### DIGITAL UFOS (pp. 42-47)

Since everybody has a mobile with camera function, UFO researchers receive more UFO photos than actual sighting reports. The article explains how digital cameras work and lists the most common photographic phenomena which result from the technology and are often misidentified as UFOs, such as the black sun image or the phenomenon of orbs, which are either small particles illuminated by the cameras flash, or lens flares.

### THE RECURRING TRIANGLES (pp. 48-59)

This article by Richard M. Dolan stresses the sightings of triangular UFOs and tries to figure out whether these could be secret American craft. As many were reported well before the development of such planes, the author thinks that terrestrial craft are only part of the answer. He lists several sightings and discusses NIDS work on triangle sightings in the USA.

### BRIEF NOTES (p. 59-60)

UFO over military site at Hanau? – According to a NUFORC entry, an orange light was observed on 2 March 2006 over a military facility at Hanau. The report is sketchy, though.

Return of Mystery in TV? – A new boom of mystery and science fiction TV serials hit Germany this spring. It remains to be seen how this might influence UFO reports.

Hardly any UFO sightings? – Werner Walter, of CENAP, has released a press report saying that UFO reports, and interest in the subject, is at an all time low..

### REVIEWS (pp. 60-64)

Robert Trundle: Is E.T. Here? – A book covering most aspects of the UFO phenomenon, but which relies to heavily on unreliable sources, such as Corso's book, or the alleged MJ 12-documents. However, the book contains many interesting speculations and can be recommended.

Dr Joaquim Fernandes & Fina D'Armada: Heavenly Lights – A fine study of the Fatima phenomenon of 1917 which assembles a mass of eyewitness reports and discusses several possible explanations, with a bias towards an extraterrestrial solution. Well done, and recommended.