

### **UFO Observations (pp 98–101)**

On 24 April 2019, a couple observed a silvery point in the sky over Fassberg-Müden which – while rotating – sometimes turned triangular, suddenly moved to the east, exploded and seemed to fall down to the earth. Using a new site on the internet, it could definitely be shown that this was a weather balloon started by the German Federal Forces.

### **Wing Commander Alan Turner, MBE RAF SOPLEY UFO – 1971 (pp 102–105)**

Philip Mantle recounts an experience of Alan Turner who had observed a UFO on radar at Royal Air Force (RAF) base Sopley in the summer of 1971. At the eastern extremity of the Salisbury Plain Danger Area a series of six or seven blips moved on a south-easterly track – they were about 3000 feet high when first detected, and climbed to 60,000 feet and disappeared from radar. Turner called two Canberras returning from Germany, and approached the targets and reported that his radar had picked up a trace at about a quarter of a mile distance. However, the pilot admitted “that neither he nor his navigator made any visual contact and confirmed that the weather conditions were such that they would have had no difficulty seeing something that close.”

### **Brief notes (pp 105)**

A further AATIP video with a conventional explanation – Science author Mick West has shown that the Gimbal video just shows another plane, while the Go Fast video is of a balloon. To The Stars Academy, it appears, only superficially investigates its own claims.

### **Reviews (pp 106–127)**

***UFO Drawings from the National Archives*** – The book assembles drawings of UFO eyewitnesses – some quite artful, other mere sketches – from the National Archives, where 40 years of UFO files from the British Ministry of Defence are stored. The sketches are accompanied by brief case summaries from David Clarke.

***Redemption of the Damned Vol. 1: Aerial Phenomena – A Centennial Re-evaluation of Charles Fort’s ‘Book of the Damned’*** – This book is a thorough analysis of the 82 cases of “unidentified aerial objects” as described by Charles Fort in his first book, and attempts to explain them. It results that most of the cases can be explained, and that Fort did manipulate his data. The reader learns much about rare phenomena in the atmosphere. The book is highly recommended.