

Time setting

Apollo 11 had just landed a month before, the country was real upbeat on the space program and all of us kids were going to go to the Moon and beyond the first chance we got. Wow! What a time to be young despite all the other world events going on.

On a cool clear blue morning sky in late August 1969 Goodyear Lake, Oneonta, NY at the age of 16, I saw a silver metallic disk object with 5 other friends while waiting to go to swim class. The intriguing thing about this sighting was that it coincided with a report on the late night, Utica Rome, TV News, just ten hours before we had our encounter. The report had said, that a group of children somewhere near the Unidella area in upstate NY had come upon a landed silver flying saucer and that the children came running home terrified. The story went on to say that they told their parents they had approached the craft while playing in the woods. They saw people who were wearing silver suits moving outside the craft, one of the persons spotted the children and started to run toward them and that's when the kids took off running. The parents called the authorities, which subsequently investigated the clearing and found some uniform depressions in the ground. Well after hearing that, I had quit a good laugh. I didn't believe a word of it, nor did I believe UFO's even existed. My Dad offered the same opinion. The next day I walked up to the Cook's house to gather for the trip to swim class at the Milford pool. I arrived shortly after 8 AM and started to tell the guys about the ridiculous report from the pervious night. Everyone was laughing and having a good time, when all of a sudden after turning away from the group laughing I noticed something out of the corner of eye over the mountain. I was stupefied; a sliver metallic disk was just clearing over the top the mountain on my front left 2 o'clock high. I pointed and shouted out to the group, look!, look!, holy shit!, it's a flying saucer. I was transfixed taking in all the detail I could. Several seconds into this encounter, I shouted out for someone to run in the house and get an adult out here to verify this sighting, who would believe us, we were just kids! The old saying what goes around comes around; well I think maybe I remembered that remark that morning. The vehicle was platinum in color (a luster that only platinum presents), no windows, greenhouse, no hatch or panel outlines, protrusions, engines, smoke or noises with one exception. A light air buffing sound could be heard as the craft moved through the air, a similar sound when air buffs against the canopy when flying in a glider. The disk was about 60 feet in diameter with about a 10 to 12 foot girth to the middle of the craft. After referring to a topographic map of the area, we found that the mountain was four hundred feet high, which put the craft about one hundred feet above the mountain. So 500 feet AGL off the ground traveling at about 20 MPH moving in an East to West line perpendicular to our position looking north about 1200 feet down range with a perfectly clear blue sky and sun low in the sky to our back. The craft was extremely stable, the symmetrical convex lens shaped object had very distinctive edges. As the craft came to our 12 o'clock high position it banked about 15 degrees revealing the entire top of the craft. I sensed that it knew we were there and to this day my hair still bristles when I mentally replay the encounter. The craft never lost an inch of altitude when banking. What was even more intriguing was that when it banked, the sun

illuminated very subtle striation patterns in the metal surface, which ran from the front of the leading edge over the center girth to the back of the craft. This observation made it clear that the craft did not rotate and that it appeared to have a front, back and top even though it had a symmetrical disk shape. After the craft banked and passed in front of our position it quickly righted straight and level. I want to stress here that this craft never lost an inch in altitude during this maneuver. I have never seen any aircraft have this incredible stability and impeccable maneuvering capability at 20 MPH. A Piper cub stalls at 50 MPH. After the craft passed and righted, it started to accelerate very quickly. We visually tracked it across the lake and valley floor to the next rise some 10 miles away. My good friend's Mom did make it outside but as we pointed to the current position of the craft she couldn't get a visual track on it. We ended up skipping the swim class and talking about what we had seen, after which I excitedly went home and told my parents. My father told me, Oh for God's sake! You didn't see anything, What! Are you crazy? Now, look you better not tell anybody about this, what would people think. You don't want people putting a label on you? Do you?

The encounter changed my life forever; I dropped out of all of my extra curricula and sport activities during my senior year in High School and took a new track. I keep thinking of the encounter and the possibilities of flight over unity, but also realized that, there was a greater probability, we, are not alone. I started to hone my skills in aviation, astronomy and a host of fields in math, science and engineering. I have served in the United States Air Force as a numerical weather modeler, forecaster and weather observer. I hold various technical positions from hardware and software engineer to college adjunct professor in Physics, Meteorology and Astronomy. I own my own company that designs custom scientific systems for military, commercial and private sectors. I hold a commercial hot air balloon license, twin and fix wing time, ham radio license and four degrees including Engineering, Meteorology, Geography and a Masters of Science in Geography (Satellite Remote Sensing). I conduct personally funded research and development in spacecraft structures, Electro-kinetic, plasma and open fusion engine technology. The point in listing some of the things I am involved with is that my encounter was truly a defining moment for me. (45 seconds that changed my life)

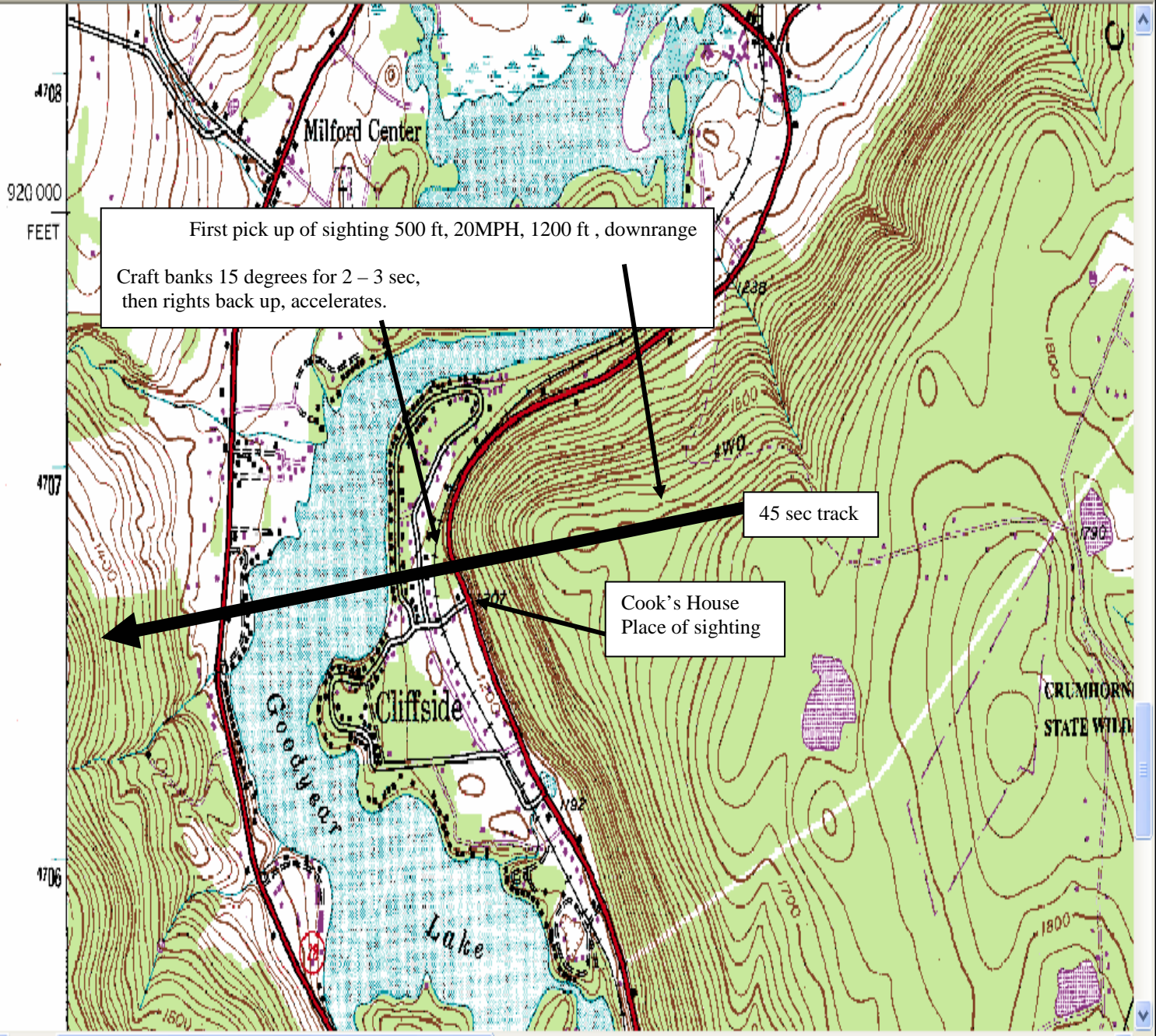
And by the way I am now, 55 years old, with a very understanding wife, two teenagers and two cats, and still working on just what made that damn thing fly!



This a photo of a model I made many years ago of the craft that I saw in Aug. 1969
Photo by D. Pares



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Sighting Report

Occurred : 1/26/2002 21:45 (Entered as : 01/26/02 21:45)

Reported: 1/29/2002 9:14:57 AM 09:14

Posted: 3/21/2003

Location: Cape Girardeau, MO

Shape: Circle

Duration:1 minute

Circular object appears to "float" over city

I observed a circular object travelling southbound approximately 400 feet in altitude and no more than 30 MPH. The object appeared to "float" and made no noise. The object was approximately 50 feet in diameter and white or a "shiny" color which reflected light from below. The object was not displaying its own lights and could only be seen from the reflection of lights below. I aimed a hand-held radar at the object, but did not receive a reading. A report of the incident was reported to the UFO Center by telephone following the event.

((NUFORC Note: We spoke with this individual, and found him to be exceptionally credible. He appeared on the Jeff Rense Radio Program on 12FE02, an archived copy of which probably is available at the <www.Rense.com> website. PD))

The additional documents and pictures are similar occurrences that are all to close to my sighting 37 years earlier. The pictures are from the Art Bell Coast to Coast radio show from Vermont a few years ago (From Image achieve Vermont UFO Art Bell Coast to Coast). The interesting thing is that the pictures show a similar perspective angle over the hill. If I had to recreate my experience this would be very close. The other photo was from a pilot report from Hungary Sept 2001. <http://www.ufoevidence.org/welcome.asp>





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Disk-Shaped Object Photographed by Military Pilot in Hungary

Date	Location
September 29, 2001	Budapest, Hungary

Summary: "A military pilot recorded a spectacular video of a silver disk object on September 29, 2001. The craft was flying to his left side and then moved very fast past him in the clouds as can be seen in the video."

