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UFO*BC is still working on a 3-year investigation involving a series (now numbering more than a dozen) of cases involving orange lights in the sky over the MapleRidge/Mission area over the period of 3 years. Still receiving reports – so if you have seen something, please let us know!

HOTLINE Problems

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond our control we have had some technical issues with our hotline Voicemail system, and are only now being able to catch up with some 2-month old reports. If we didn't get back to you, please accept our apologies. Feel free to call us back and let us know we missed you and I'll make sure we get in touch with you. Thank-you for your understanding!

RECENT SIGHTINGS

Reported 2-Oct-2009

24-Sept-2009, Vancouver, BC: (11:00 pm)

Flying into Vancouver from Saskatoon around 7/8pm sun was beginning to go down around 10 miles out of the airport, I was looking out of the window fairly high up still, and a yellow object around 5 times the size of an American football was traveling below the plane in the opposite direction it left a stream behind it and looked blurry as if i couldn't focus on it properly. it maintained its speed.....I firstly couldn't believe it was so close to the plane (less than 100 yards)and thought it must be airport related but we were still a fair way out from the runway and I can not figure out what it was, it was

going at a good speed and appeared to have a glow to it. explanations please ! The pilot must have seen it !

UFO*BC Replies:

Thank you for this report. These sightings from an aircraft are relatively rare so it is important to get as many details as possible. Below are some questions I have.

What airline were you flying?

- *What was the flight number?*
- *What type of aircraft?*
- *Which side of the plane were you on? Where you in front, above, or behind the wing of your aircraft?*
- *Did the plane change course or react as a result of the object?*
- *Do you recall a landmark when you sighted the object? What area of the lower mainland were you over? or were you over Georgia Strait?*
- *What direction did your plane land in at the airport? Did it use the north or south runway?*
- *Did anybody else on the aircraft mention seeing it or reacting to it?*

Thanks,

Martin Jasek

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Witness Responds: (4-Oct-2009)

What was the flight number?

WestJet Flight 689 due to arrive at 6.37pm on 24th Sept, it was actually running early as well so sighting would be at around 6.15pm slightly earlier than originally stated

Which side of the plane were you on?

Where you in front, above, or behind the wing of your aircraft? I was sat on the right hand side of the plane, behind the wing. The plane was not that full I had nobody sitting next to me

Did the plane change course or react as a result of the object?

The plane did not change course or appear to react I guess there wouldn't have been much time to do anything given the speed in which it was all over

Do you recall a landmark when you sighted the object?

What area of the lower mainland were you over? or were you over Georgia Strait? Looking Google map, I believe I was over the Annacis Island area of Vancouver so coming in from the East I think, I don't know which side of the runway was used (north/south?)

Did anybody else on the aircraft mention seeing it or reacting to it?

It would have been difficult to see as I was really looking down at the area of Vancouver as I'm not from the area I was trying to figure out where downtown was and it was seen almost directly below the wing, slightly further away so it wasn't really on eye level for anyone just gazing out of the window to see. It left a stream behind it I did look around in the plane immediately to see if anyone else was reacting but nothing

It appeared to be going quite fast, it seemed in comparison to our speed it was faster.

11-Oct-2009, Maple Ridge, BC: (10:10 pm)

My boyfriend picked me up from my house and we went to the video store on 203d and Dewdney trunk road. As we headed back up Dewdney towards 207th we both noticed this bright orange light in the sky off to our left. We watched it as we turned left onto 207A and stopped the car in the middle of the road and opened the sunroof so we could see it better. It seemed to be extremely low so we opened all the windows and turned the stereo down so we could see if we could hear anything. There were no noises at all and there were no other lights except this bright orange light. It seemed to stop for about a minute then we noticed it started to go straight up into the air and we watched for another minute as it slowly got smaller and then vanished from sight. It did seem to flicker a little bit but the weird thing was how low it was when we first saw it, almost as if it was a helicopter but there were no other lights and absolutely no noise.

UFO*BC Replies:

Hello,

Thank-you for the sighting report.

This seems to match the description of a similar object seen for the last year and a half in the area. We are in the midst of investigating these sightings.

Can you please provide any more information? Direction of travel, altitude, speed, sound, apparent size of the object?

Thank-you,

Richard

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Witness Responds: (14-Oct-2009)

It seemed to have come from the north around Golden Ears mountains in Maple Ridge and when we were driving along Dewdney from 203 to 207A I can't really tell how fast it was going, but when we turned left onto 207A from Dewdney and stopped the truck we could only see it from the front window for about ten seconds then it was directly above the truck which is why we turned the music right off and opened all the windows including the sunroof. Once we did that it seemed to stop right above the truck for about a good minute then it started to go straight up in the night sky until it slowly faded into nothing. I do remember the stars that it went into and they were those really tiny ones that a lot of people mistake for Orion's Belt but these ones are smaller and above Orion's Belt, I'm sure you know which ones they are. When we first saw the object it looked like the size of a street lamp light and the same orange colour as a street lamp it seemed like it was honestly only max 800 feet above the

apartment buildings, I've had a lot of ufo experiences but this was the first in a very long time that really scared me and my boyfriend was a huge skeptic until that night he now truly believes. it had no other lights it was just big and orange. there was no sound at all. the weird thing was that it just stopped above us as we stopped the truck and opened the sunroof and stayed in one spot for about a minute then it just started going upward until it faded away until it was gone, we kept going outside on his deck to have a smoke all night and it never came back.

11-Oct-2009, Maple Ridge, BC:

My family decided that it would be a good idea to jump in the hot tub after turkey dinner. we all jump in and my cousin points out this orange/red ball in the sky that just seemed to be too bright for a star it was moving vertical up in the air and then just vanished. all of us were talking about it and just a minute later 2 more of these things floated up from behind the trees and just kept moving higher and higher up into the sky. They looked like they were street lights or something like that but they were so bright. And they hovered for a while like they were just sitting there suspended in the sky. Then one started moving higher and stopped again and the other one... it was like it wanted to catch up with it, started floating higher until it got to the other one and they both went up into the sky and then they both vanished as well.

11-Oct-2009, Mission BC: (10:45 pm)

Orange large light first thought was a plane. We thought it was on fire until we realized it wasn't falling and there was no sound. We thought of many explanations none of which made any sense. Plane, star, satellite, rocket even a drone. We heard drones for the Olympics were being tested? I have no evidence of this. Has anyone been aware of this? I don't know what they are? Or if it is a possible answer. It got smaller by the time we called another person outside to see it. It went west at about the same level as an airplane then it went upwards and it slowed and increased speeds dramatically. Then it blinked out slowly fading until it was gone. I think it was about 4 minutes long. Very strange feeling. I was terrified going to bed, and didn't get a very sound sleep.

Note from UFO*BC:

These seems to be sightings of the same object, which matches the description of a similar object seen for the last year and a half in the area. We are in the midst of investigating these sightings.

-Richard-

16-Oct-2009, Duncan BC: (2:50 am)

I am really at a loss to know what I saw lastnight and it really bothers me.

It is not there tonight, at least not so far.

I was home alone and got up about 2:50 AM last night to use the washroom.

We live north of Duncan, at the base of Mount Prevost. Pretty dark out here and no one had outside lights on. I opened the bathroom window to see how much it was raining. Upon opening it a light caught my eye. It was off to the right and I had to push my forehead into the window screen to see it at a better angle. I didn't have my glasses on so I went to get them. What I saw was 3 oddly shaped, glowing, green lights, in sort of a triangular shape.

If I had to guess the distance from our mobile home to the object I would say it was about 35 feet or

so. If I had to describe the size of the 3 objects (lights) combined I would have to say they would fit inside a soccer ball or close to that. There was also one round light (would be about the size of a plum) about 8 or so feet away from the 3 lights, and another small light (probably plum-sized as well as it was farther away) in a maple tree about 70 feet from the window. These lights did not move, they were stationary.

I couldn't figure out what they were and after staring at them for a while I went back to bed. I couldn't sleep, thinking about the lights, and got up in about an hour to see if the lights were still there. They were there and it was still raining lightly. Before getting up to work at 6:15 I checked one time. No change. When I finally got up and started getting ready for work I took yet another look. Yup, still there but they appeared a little dimmer than previous. It started raining real hard, it was hitting the roof hard. I took another look out the window and now the lights were at their brightest. It was like the harder it rained the brighter the lights got. I checked 2 more times until it was almost too light to see them but I could make out one light before it was too light. It was about a half hour and then I was leaving for work. I got in my car and drove up the driveway to alongside where the lights were. I saw nothing at all on the ground. No plastic, nothing other than ground. I initially thought maybe my daughter or my partners' son had dropped something out of their cars, but I checked and neither of them had done so.

I keep looking tonight to see if it is still there but so far there has been nothing. I have never seen anything like this and I have been doing some research on the internet about bioluminescence and phosphorescence but I have found nothing that appears to match what I saw. I know what I saw and I am not losing my mind, although without an explanation I may start to question my sanity :)

Thoughts, Richard? Has anyone ever seen anything like this?

UFO*BC Replies:

From what you describe, it could be a multitude of things. To start off I would rule out the mundane - such as night time LED garden lights - which you have already done.

Now, there are many reports that natural quartz deposits, and various other minerals give off lights if subject to pressures etc. I am not saying that is what you are seeing, but it would fit given your location.

The best thing to do is make a note of when the objects are being seen - time of day etc - and see if they re-appear under similar atmospheric conditions.

Also, PLEASE take a few pictures both in the daylight and at night with them showing.

Keep us updated!

Cheers

Richard

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Reported 17-Oct-2009

8-Oct-2009, Slocan City, BC: (7:30 pm)

At about 7.30 pm on Tuesday 8th of October 2009 I was gazing up at an extremely clear night sky a few kilometres outside of Slocan City, BC. I noticed something that looked exactly like a non-twinkling star cruising across the sky, roughly north-west to south-east, at a speed similar to that of a normal airplane. Just discernable in the middle of the "star" was a dark dumbbell shape. I very rarely

gaze at the night sky so I'm not familiar with what artificial satellites look like, but I presumed that is what it was. I carried on watching it, when it suddenly stopped its straight course and began moving in fast semicircles, like a wriggling snake's path. It then did two very tight, fast circles, and began erratic movements, full of sharp angles that it took without reducing speed. I ran inside to tell my wife who replied it was cold outside and anyway she was reading a book in bed. I ran outside again just in time to see it do a few more fast, erratic turns then accelerate off and disappear fast either by turning off its light or by distance. I am wondering if any one else saw this UFO, or has some idea of what it might have been.

Reported 20-Oct-2009

19-Oct-2009, Surrey, BC: (7:20 pm)

On Monday October 19, 2009 at around 19:20 I was driving West on highway 10 between 176 St and 152 St. High over the Newton area of Surrey I saw a large Orange ball moving North West in direction. At first I thought I may be confusing this object with the street lights but the object was a deeper Orange and much brighter. I have witnessed fireballs before but this was moving too slowly to be a shooting star and didn't have a trailing tail. I am positive this was not an aircraft because of the immense brightness of the object and the intense orange color. The elapsed time that I witnessed the object arc through the sky was perhaps 30 - 45 seconds.

Reported 20-Ocy-2009

18-Aug-2009, Hatzic Lake, BC: (9:30 PM)

I am glad i found your website. ever since I witnessed this incident and viewed the photo afterwards i have wanted to talk to someone about it. The event was witnessed by 5 or 6 people and are all credible witnesses. I was staying at a Hatzic Lake resort with my friends who have a lot there. It was a Friday night around 9:30pm when my friend and I noticed a fiery orange object hanging silent in the air above us. It was between 2000 and 4000 feet up. I used to be a skydiver hence the estimate of height. The object did not emit any noise at all. It just appeared in front of us and looked like a stretched donut laying on it's side with a a stretched black dot in the middle of it. There was a fiery orange colour all around it that was quite intense. It hung there for about 3 minutes moving slightly forward and up a bit. Then it disappeared at a fairly rapid rate sideways to us but going backwards up into the air. It went at approximately a 45 degree angle until it was so far away it appeared as a tiny dot of light and then winked out! About 15 minutes later it all of a sudden appeared suspended in exactly the same spot as it was in before and then repeated its actions, disappearing once again and in the same manner going backwards up in the sky at a rapid speed. It did this 5 times to be exact. Each time more people had come out to witness it and express their amazement. I took a picture on my cell phone not thinking that it would come out but it did! I have just got a new computer and don't have anything in regards to my phone hooked up so I can't send you the picture at this moment. I would really like to talk to someone about this and the photo I took. It has shook myself and many other people up, especially the photo as you can see quite clearly the shape and the colours that surrounded the craft. I would very much like to talk to someone personally if that is possible. Thank you so much!

Yours sincerely
(name withheld)

Reported 27-Oct-2009

27-Oct-2009, North Vancouver, BC: (7:50 PM)

I cannot believe I'm actually even writing this, but this was the weirdest thing I have ever seen. I was walking out of 7-11 on Chesterfield and 3rd Street in North Vancouver when I noticed a bunch of people on the sidewalk staring upwards, even people in their cars were stopped and looking. So I looked up and saw an orange glowing light which was about twice the size of plane lights (with no other colours, and no flashing) moving slowly across the sky. It was heading across North Vancouver, over West Vancouver (Lions Gate bridge area) and then over English Bay/St Stanley Park.

There was no sound. It was moving fairly fast in an arc shaped pattern in the sky. There was a plane very close to where it was traveling and it seemed to be tracking or watching it.

As it moved across English Bay I was still following it and its orange light grew dim and then you could see a dome shaped object where the light had been in a shadow across the sky.

I don't know what it was, but it clearly was something others had never seen because there were even more cars and people staring when I turned around.

Reported 28-Oct-2009

27-Oct-2009, North Vancouver, BC: (8:15 PM)

my husband and I came out of 7/11 at chesterfield an 3rd st in north vancouver, we both jumped in van. then i seen this orangy red light at first thought it was a flare or fire works. we watched it came closer an was hovering about 20 or 30 feet by the alley of 7/11. i told my husband i'm going to get some else to see this just as i was going to step out a bunch of people turned corner from 3rd about 8 to 10 people, i told them look what is that. they all were looking an it hovered there for a few minutes then started to shift side to side, the light was very bright, then it started to travel west an go higher in sky really fast an the light started to fade till it disappeared in sky.

we all looked at each other and i asked what was that, none of us could figure out what it was, i said it had to of been a ufo, but everyone was still unsure.

Reported 31-Oct-2009

31-Oct-2009, Newton, BC: (6:00 PM)

What I witnessed could be best described as an Aviation Distress Signal Flare. What makes this sighting unique is the fact that it appeared to drop from the sky and travel horizontally. It was still reasonably light outside and there was no indication of the object being shot from the ground and then falling to the earth as one would expect with a distress flare. The object was bright orange and lasted for 30 seconds to 1 minute in duration before burning out. It made no noise but left a visible horizontal dark smoke trail behind it. Being Halloween I suspected someone was having fun shooting aviation flares but again the horizontal travel and the object dropping form the sky before it began its travel is very odd. This was not typical of a flares trajectory if fired from the ground. There was no aircraft in sight. Similar to what I saw around Oct 21.

Reported 6-Nov-2009

5-Nov-2009, Abbotsford, BC: (2:10 - 2:30 AM)

Hi, I was on the laptop talking with some friends and once in a while, I would take a break in have a quick smoke because I don't smoke inside our home.

I sat down in our front patio and lit a smoke when I was looking up in the sky, I noticed a bright blue light that did not look like a usual star colour, there were some clouds around that area.

I thought to myself, hmmm, might be just a star until it started to move, slowly, upward into the little patch of clouds.

I waited to see if it was just the clouds moving then it appeared again by drifting downwards then slowly back up, I kept a sharp eye on the UFO and just behind the cloud another one popped up beside the one I was watching for a few minutes. They were like beside each other for a while, It was like between 2:10am to 2:30 am, I was starting to get tired so I went up to my room. I wanted to watch in see where they went off to.

I usually watch the sky at night time. When I lived in Mission, I had read what some of Mission's residence had posted at I as well use to watch the orange colour UFOs. [old news]

Well, I wanted to share what I had saw, until then, take care, Jade

Reported 10-Nov-2009

24-Oct-2009, Vancouver, BC: (8:30 pm)

I was working an evening shift at the Vancouver Aquarium, when myself and several coworkers noticed a single, very bright orange light hovering in the sky above Stanley Park. At first we thought it was a helicopter, however it was completely silent. Then about one minute later, it was joined by two more identical lights. They appeared to be coming from the north, and across Burrard Inlet. They all hovered above the Park for a minute or two, and then began ascending vertically while their orange lights grew dimmer. As they were ascending, several more began to appear, doing the exact same thing. In all, we probably saw 10-12 of them - all coming from the north at different times, hovering above the park briefly, and then ascending. As each of them ascended, their orange light grew dimmer until it was barely visible, but you could still see the UFOs moving against the night sky. The entire event lasted approximately 15 minutes, and all of us who witnessed it had never seen anything like it. We were completely dumbfounded.

I'm hoping that someone else will also report this sighting - given the time and location, there is a good chance that it may have been witnessed by a number of people.

Reported 14-Nov-2009

Mid-Dec-2007, West Vancouver, BC: (mid afternoon)

It was a clear cold day and as I was working outside I glanced up in the sky and saw a cluster of white lights or perhaps opaque objects that were reflecting the light of the sun. The objects moved uniformly and numbered close to a dozen. They travelled from south east to north west from Vancouver up towards Squamish, possible in a subtle arc. There was no noise and they disappeared from view which makes me conclude they might have been at very high altitude or even outside the stratosphere.

I initially thought these might be military aircraft flying in formation but thought I would submit regardless.

Reported 14-Nov-2009

Mid-Nov-2008, Whistler, BC: (8:00 pm)

I was standing outside my camper well after sunset and looking up in the night sky. I noticed a light floating across the sky. There were no noises and the light seemed to be relatively slow and did not seem to be high altitude although it appeared to be indicative of a satellite. The light flew right over me and it had a strange resemblance to a stadium light as it simply went out as it was directly overhead. I turned and strained to see it but couldn't. I saw military vehicles on the Sea to Sky highway over the next few days and thought it might have something to do with it but thought it might be in preparation for the 2010 Olympics security instead.

Reported 15-Nov-2009

13-Nov-2009, Vancouver, BC: (11:15 pm)

At approx 11:15 pm I saw three low flying silent green orbs traveling from east to west at low altitude. They followed the normal flight path that commercial aircraft use to land in Vancouver. I am very familiar with commercial aircraft, however I was not able to identify these objects. The last of the three appeared to be a glowing disc flying through the night sky as if a green halo around the craft itself. Now I am going to speculate and offer my own explanation. Stealth aircrafts have their afterburners turned up so that they are not heard easily from the ground at low altitude. There also might be a green light on the top of the aircraft. As the afterburn of fuel from their engines is directed upwards it might have caused condensation to form thus appearing as a glowing green object from the ground in the cool temperature. I guesstimate the speed at approximately 700-1000 miles per hour yet no sonic boom which is curious indeed. However we know this technology has been worked on for years to what level of success I don't know. We also know that a condensation halo can be formed around an aircraft at speed depending on atmospheric conditions. I am an amateur astronomer and have been for years but I've never ever seen anything like this before either prior or post military. I don't want to say that they were extraterrestrials but I really don't have any explanation for this at all. I always like to error on the side of caution. However, the sight of these objects was really something! One more thought, due to Olympics we know they've been flying aircraft over Vancouver city often. But not like these ones I think! Any thoughts? I would like someone to hopefully respond with an objective opinion.

UFO*BC Replies 15-Nov-2009

Thanks for the sighting report. It is very nicely detailed.

Can you describe the observed path and your location while viewing the objects? If you can capture a daylight photo from your viewing location and indicate the approximate observed flight path of the objects, that would be very helpful, along with the approximate elapsed time of the sighting. Did the orbs/lights look like they landed at the airport or did they flyover or was your view obscured by trees/buildings/etc.?

I am unfamiliar with craft using green beacons. As you are aware, all commercial and military aircraft use small low-powered green and red navigation lights. Most aircraft also have one or more beacons which can be steady or flashing. I recall only seeing white and red beacons. As an example,

the new RCMP helicopters have a very bright red beacon. I do agree that it is possible for high speed jet aircraft to create condensation halos as you describe which would be expected to reflect any nearby lights on the aircraft so if an aircraft had a light on top of the fuselage, that might explain the glow you saw. Was the "disk" shape in a vertical or horizontal alignment?

It is true that we should be expecting some unusual aircraft traffic over Vancouver in preparation for the Olympics. I have heard that they will be deploying the Predator drone so it is possible that their might also be high-speed jet-powered? drones, although I would think that lower speed drones would be more useful. I am unaware of the degree of "sound-stealth" technology in current deployment although I know that new helicopters are much quieter. It is possible that they have found ways to dissipate the sonic wave envelopes formed by aircraft exceeding the speed of sound.

Nice to hear from you. I'll let you know if we get any similar sightings.

Cheers,

*Gord, UFO*BC*

Witness Responds 15-Nov-2009

I am doing well, allow me to respond. I can take flight path photo over the next week or so and then scan and upload. As for green beacons it was only speculation on my part. The disk appeared vertical at first then angled forward by 15-20 degrees as it moved forward. It was an amazing sight. But the speed of these objects along with the agility was like nothing I've observed before.

Reported 29-Nov-2009

29-Nov-2009, White Rock, BC: (10:53 pm)

There are 2 lights south of white rock right now one a couple hundred feet above the water another just a bit higher, very bright very stationary, but blinking/twinkling slightly. Both lights are illuminated for a period of about five minutes then one goes dark for about two minutes, than they are both on for about 5 minutes then the other goes out, they never seem to move, I've been watching them for about 15 minutes. There also appears to be some smoke around them when the light is on. There are two other witnesses with me, my dad and my brother. I took two photos.

Reported 30-Nov-2009

29-Nov-2009, Boundary Bay, BC: (10:00 pm)

Around 10 PM last night, Nov. 29th, we noticed first 2 (then 3 then 1 & repeating) bright yellow fireballs or fiery lights in the sky over Boundary Bay. We live on Kwomais Point which is about midway along the coast between White Rock beach and Crescent Beach. The fire balls were above the bay with Point Roberts to the left and Crescent Beach to the right from our viewpoint. The number of fiery balls of light kept changing from one to 2 or 3 to none about every 3 or 4 minutes. Sometimes they looked solid; other times like there were many bulbs of light within the ball. We were using binoculars to see more clearly. We couldn't see anything go up or come down - they just appeared, hovered without moving in one place, and then disappeared, one by one. A little after 11 PM the balls disappeared and we saw what looked like a long flat boat completely lined with one level line of bright white lights, with a break in the lights about 1/4 of the distance from the rear. It was travelling slowly from Left to Right or relatively South to North in the bay. Again Port Roberts would have been to the Left, making the boat travel directly into the dead end of Boundary Bay toward Crescent Beach and Mud Bay. We went to bed and didn't see if the boat returned or left the bay area.

Reported 30-Nov-2009

29-Nov-2009, New Westminster, BC: (9:45 - 11:00 PM)

I was returning from our corner store and noticed my son on the front deck looking towards the southwest, way past the Alex Fraser bridge (Delta area). As I came up to him he told me to look at the two large orange glowing balls of light just floating in the air. At first I told him they were landing lights from airplanes, when it dawned on me the colour isn't right, these were bright orange in colour. One ball was slightly lower than the other and to the left. Throughout the time span of over an hour as we watched them through binoculars, they never moved from their stationary position. The one on the left side would fade out until being unnoticeable for about a minute or two, then would suddenly reappear, sometimes to the right of the other and slightly above the remaining light. We only saw two lights at any given time. It could be there were three lights in total but only two would be visible at the same time, one being above the other. One other point is that it appeared as if a light wispy type smoke was rising above them from the left side of the glowing balls of light. Today being the 30th of November, I looked out to the same area to see if any towers would be visible in that area. to the far right is a large electrical tower, however these lights would have been much higher than even that tower, and they certainly were not in the same region as the tower.

Reported 7-Dec-2009

5-Dec-2009, New Westminster, BC: (10:30 PM)

I was sitting in my friends backyard having a hookah sesh with a couple other ppl and I'm sitting facing towards the mountains and the Fraser River, at around 10-10:30 pm I don't remember exactly when I saw this little blue pulsing light, at first I thought it was a plane but then I realized it was not moving and planes don't pulse they flash, but after about 30 seconds from its appearance it started to get brighter until it was about one quarter the size of the moon, it was glowing bright orange and still pulsing. It did this for about fifteen seconds, then it went back to the small blue pulsing light, but it started to move to the left very slowly for about 5 seconds then just disappeared.

Reported 14-Dec-2009

Early October, 2002, Roger's Pass, BC: (9 - 11 PM)

This has been troubling me for some time, but I've now decided to report it. This happened on October 5 or 6, 2002. I had left Golden, B.C. about 9 p.m. Pacific Time, driving alone, heading west toward Revelstoke. Having driven the route many times, and usually at night, I calculated that I should arrive in Revelstoke before 10:30 p.m. I usually try to get in early enough to find a motel or campsite, depending on the weather.

There is a point on the eastern side of Rogers Pass, where the highway takes a sweeping turn to the right (when you're westbound) at the end of a long straight stretch and begins the steeper climb toward summit, passing through snow sheds on the way up. Approaching this curve, while travelling along the straight stretch I remember seeing what I thought were the taillights of a tractor-trailer rig far ahead, disappearing around the curve.

Next thing I know, I feel like I'm lost. The road seems very unfamiliar. The route is level or slightly downhill, rather than the steep climb I'm expecting to Rogers Pass. I don't recognize the road at all. It's certainly not the road I was expecting coming out of the corner. The time on the car's clock shows that

it's a little before 11 p.m and that makes me all the more confused. Suddenly I pass a sign that reads Revelstoke 14 km (or thereabouts). At that point, I know where I am, but it occurs to me that I somehow drove a large segment of my route without any recollection of it. I do not remember driving through any of the snow sheds on the way up or down. I don't remember driving through Rogers Pass, where I normally try to be vigilant of the road and weather conditions, especially the hairpin turns on the west side of the pass, that can be treacherous at that time of year. Initially, I chalk the experience up to fatigue. After all, who hasn't driven a familiar route, lost in thought or distraction, and not remembered parts of it? But I'm troubled at the thought of not remembering so much of this route. How could I pass all those snow sheds without remembering even one of them? How could I miss the bright lights and speed zones at Rogers Pass? How could I have been daydreaming for more than half of my route? And how did I end up 30 minutes or more behind schedule?

I arrived in Revelstoke shortly after 11 p.m. and found a motel. I awoke the next morning with a strange sense of not caring about the events of the previous evening, yet still feeling that something was amiss about the trip. I also felt as though I would be happier not to travel that route again.

Since then, I continue to have a strong sense that I would like to avoid the highway between Revelstoke and Golden. I travelled it once, in 2005, with a passenger, at mid-day, and keeping other traffic in sight at all times. I remember feeling very uneasy on the stretch of road below Rogers Pass. Aside from that, I have never travelled that route again, at any time of year or any time of day. I usually take a longer route using the Thompson and Yellowhead highways. I practically lose my temper any time someone suggests driving Rogers Pass. I argue strenuously for any other route, even if it's longer. I just do not want to be on that road, and I don't really understand why.

I have often had dreams about that trip, the parts of it that I remember, as if I'm driving it over and over. Earlier this year, I had a dream in which I watched the lights of the tractor-trailer ahead as they began to go around the corner. Suddenly, the lights reverse direction and within a second or so close the distance and fly over my car. In my dream, I'm leaning forward in the driver seat, craning my neck to look upward through the windshield, where I see a single, large red light a few feet above my car. I'm suddenly filled with terror and, even though I'm asleep, I feel like I can't breathe and I begin hyperventilating and try to cry out for help but only make hoarse squeaking sounds. And then I wake up. My wife said I was "breathing funny" and it worried her.

I really don't know what happened on that trip, or if the dream is anything more than my subconscious playing tricks on me. But with the recurring dreams, and that one in particular with the light, I wonder if something else happened on that trip. I think about it a lot, but I don't know why.

Thanks for listening.

Reported 25-Dec-2009

12-Nov-2009 to 25-Dec-2009, Mission, BC:

My father and I have seen the orange balls of light again, very large at least 12 times in the past month. Sometimes one by itself and other times in twos or threes. They are the exact description as I gave before. They will usually come from north to south hover over where Dewdney trunk would be for a while then take off at a high rate of speed in different directions.

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25-Dec-2009, Nanaimo, BC: (8:29 PM)

Nanaimo couple spots UFOs flying over Mount Benson (includes photo)

Krista Bryce, The Daily News

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Nanaimo's Chris Ansell and Kathleen Kirby have crossed Santa Claus off their list as they search for answers after they reported seeing four unidentified flying objects over Mount Benson on Christmas Day.

At 8:29 p.m., while on the deck of Ansell's parents' home on King John Way, the couple saw four orange lights the size of stars zip through the sky from four different directions and come together above the mountain.

Ansell, 35, whipped out his Blackberry to catch the action, while Kirby, 23, grabbed a nearby camera.



A copy of the photo taken by Kathleen Kirby and boyfriend Chris Ansell of what they saw flying over Mount Benson on Christmas Day.

The four "starlike lights did this weird zig-zag thing and then turned into green glowing spheres and then, poof, they disappeared upwards," Ansell said, gesturing frantically with his hands.

In less than 40 seconds it was all over, but Ansell and Kathleen captured three images they hope will eventually lead to an explanation of their mysterious sighting.

"We know it wasn't Santa. He had already come and gone," said Ansell with a laugh, pointing to his mother.

Paul Greenhalgh, president of the Fraser Valley Astronomers Society, has a few suspicions about what

could have caused the extraordinary light show, though he discounts the possibility they were UFOs.

After examining Ansell's and Kirby's photos, Greenhalgh believes the "stars" are part of the Big Dipper constellation.

The low horizon of the Earth and thicker density of the atmosphere from the angle the stars were seen caused them to change colour from orange to red to blue and green. Greenhalgh also said the satellite Chandra (an X-ray space observatory) was also moving across the sky at the same time as the couple's sighting, as were two iridium satellites.

"If they flared, otherwise known as an iridium flare, this could also add to the equation," added Greenhalgh.

As far as the description of the erratic movements, Greenhalgh has no explanation.

"I have a philosophy about UFO sightings," he said. "The galaxy is 100,000 light years across. If we were able to send a message from our solar system to another solar system on the other side of the galaxy through the galactic core, without it being disrupted with all the radiation there, it would take 65,000 years for us to say hello and an additional 65,000 years for them to reply. It's going to be a very boring conversation."

Greenhalgh has studied and stared into the sky for more than four decades without ever seeing an UFO. Only once in 43 years did he see a flying object he couldn't explain.

But he uncovered the mystery two years later when he discovered the v-shape formation and central bright light he saw had been U.S. Navy satellites that had been tethered together.

Greenhalgh also point out that any aircraft that enters the Earth's atmosphere would definitely be detected by the North American Aerospace Defense Command.

"NORAD can track anything from the size of a ping pong ball and larger," he said.

Ansell and Kirby continue to keep a close eye on the night sky above Mount Benson with the hopes of another sighting.

"I just need an explanation. I don't believe in extraterrestrials or anything like that, but anything is possible," said Ansell.

"We do live in a huge universe and there could be things out there that just want to observe us.

"All we can hope is someone else saw it, too."

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24-Dec-2009, Nanaimo, BC: (8:00 PM)

Just after 8 PM on December 24th 2009 while out front smoking (a cigarette) I saw two reddish stars to the right of Orion's Belt. They were twinkling, nearly parallel and stationary in the southern sky. The one on the right was much redder and both were very bright. Was it Mars, I wondered? I'd never seen anything like this before. Then the one on the right moved straight down a few diameters of the moon within a few seconds without varying in brightness. This being impossible, I sprinted to the door and screamed something nuts to my wife like, "There's something wrong with the stars!" and sprinted back down. Total elapsed time maybe 5 seconds. The red one was gone. The remaining one then faded in place and disappeared in a few seconds just as my wife came out.

Reported 1-Jan-2010

24-Dec-2009, Yale, BC:

My mother lives in a small town at the base of a mountain. Her house is by a creek that flows into the Fraser river. Approximately three months ago she started seeing red hazy balls that zipped around the mountains. She observed them moving fast, changing colors from red to white, pulsating and twinkling like stars. After a few weeks they progressed down the mountain, over transports trains and eventually to the creek where my mothers residence is. This is where the story moves to another level beyond our imagination and our worst fears. The red balls were now flying all around my mothers house including the inside of the house.. The balls were so bright my mother and I covered all her windows for her nightly terror had begun. This is not about a 30 second sighting this is about nightly visits since Christmas Eve. She then observed balls of light leaving her walls leaving intricate design all over her walls, floors and counters. There is a pink ball of light day and night that follows her. I myself have seen the florescent waves and temperature changes in the house. She now lives in total fear as she is becoming convinced that they are monitoring her and her family. She no longer is in the house and yet the activity has followed her to my house. Myself and husband have both seen the the pulsating red and white lights and beams from the craft in our yard. My mother describes a small in stature, squared faced, big black eyed being with a design on the face. She also describes a dog like creature that came from the craft. I myself do not see what she does but the energy trail is there in the form of fluorescence trails. We are at a complete loss of what to do, we have contacted many professional people with no reply. We are frustrated, terrified, exhausted and desperate for help. I know it seems so crazy but this all truth and I'm praying someone will come forward with counsel.....

UFO*BC Responds:

We have been in contact with these witnesses and are working together to determine what is being seen and how we can help them. We will keep you posted. -Richard-

Reported 16-Jan-2010

16-Jan-2010, Duncan, BC: (3:50 PM)

I was going for my afternoon walk heading north on Somenos Road. I was directly across from the Mount Prevost Middle School when I looked up and ahead of me towards Mt. Provost which is a few kilometers north west of my location. I saw a bright glowing object moving in a south easterly direction perpendicular to Somenos road. I don't know how high it was exactly but when I saw it, the mountain behind it was certainly higher than the object. My first thought was that it was getting late in the afternoon and the logging helicopters were working late. There was no sound coming from the

object. The object was moving at a steady speed, and was flashing red and silvery light, looking like it was wobbling a bit. It passed from left to right in front and above me and I estimate that it crossed Somenos Road directly about either Drinkwater or Highway 18, both about a kilometer and two kilometers away. As it passed overhead I realize it was really high up in the sky and looked quite small. I looked around to see if there were other people around so I could point it out to them but for once there was absolutely no one around! I continued watching its progression until I could barely see it over Maple Bay area. I was thinking that it could have been one of those big mylar birthday balloons because they're metallic and would have flashed in the late day winter sun. However, I have also seen lots of helium balloons in the sky and they usually go up, not horizontally like this and there was no string or anything that I could see hanging from the bottom. Unfortunately, there's not much more to report. It was odd to say the least. The object did not appear to have any individual lights. It just looked like a metallic blob, high in the sky, flashing random red and silver lights from the entire object and had a somewhat wobbling. I almost feel silly reporting this because in all likelihood it was a balloon...but perhaps someone else saw it as well.