

NEW LIGHT ON RENDLESHAM FOREST (1980):

AN INTERVIEW WITH EYEWITNESS LARRY WARREN

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1. INTRODUCTION

Dear Gordon:

Last Sunday I met two Americans involved in researching the famous Rendlesham Forest event in Suffolk, in December 1980.

One of them is Larry Warren, one of the USAF security guards who was there and was ordered, with others, to surround the glowing triangular UFO in Rendlesham Forest. He subsequently suffered radiation burns and damage to the retinas of his eyes.

The other is Peter Robbins, who is a private UFO researcher, now working closely with Budd Hopkins. When I mentioned that I was connected with FSR, he was delighted, and said that in his opinion it was *the* leading UFO magazine.

Larry Warren, together with Peter Robbins and Tony James of the East Midlands UFO Association, recently visited the Rendlesham Forest site for the first time since the UFO incident. A video was taken during the visit, and I have seen this, and also listened to their account of the encounter. I queried one or two points, and I have a pretty clear picture of what happened.

Peter Robbins asked if I would be writing a piece for FSR on their visit, and I said that I would. I cannot recollect if FSR has published anything on the Rendlesham affair*, no doubt it has, but I believe that I may have a number of new facts about what happened and subsequent events (one USAF witness blew his brains out a fortnight later).

I will go ahead and write an article which I will forward to you in the near future, together with a photograph of both Americans.

Regards,

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***NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR:** Jenny Randles, jointly with Brenda Butler and Dot Street, produced an excellent book on the Rendlesham case, under the title of SKY CRASH: A COSMIC CONSPIRACY, (pub. by Neville Spearman, Suffolk, 1984). In addition, Jenny Randles had already written FSR's only account of Rendlesham. (See THE RENDLESHAM FOREST MYSTERY, in FSR 27/8, June 1982, published by FSR Editor Charles Bowen.) In the book SKY CRASH the statements and/or actions of seven members of the U.S. Air Force who were direct witnesses and of eleven British witnesses (all civilians) from the Rendlesham area are given. It is important to note that, from all the evidence available, Larry Warren, one of the USAF's Security Guards at

RAF Bentwaters, has already figured in the story because he is the same man who appeared under the pseudonym of "Art Wallace" in SKY CRASH.

Finally, I think it may now be possible to say that every one of the main conclusions drawn by Jenny Randles and her co-workers over this case more than a decade ago seems to have been basically correct. If so, the book deserves to be brought up to date and republished. I am informed that at the time of its appearance it was an almost total "flop" and very few copies were sold. There is a Japanese translation of it that is still in print.

. And there is a curious thing to be noted!

In a further letter, dated October 30th 1994, Omar Fowler has informed me that on Sunday July 31st, when re-visiting Britain and speaking at a QUEST INTERNATIONAL meeting, Colonel Charles Halt (who, with the then rank of Lt.Colonel, had been the USAF's Deputy Base Commander at RAF Woodbridge from 1979 until June 1984, and was himself present in Rendlesham Forest that night, as we already know from Jenny Randles' book and from much other published evidence) *denied that Larry Warren had been present at any of the "UFO activities" in the Forest at the date in question:* (presumably this may have

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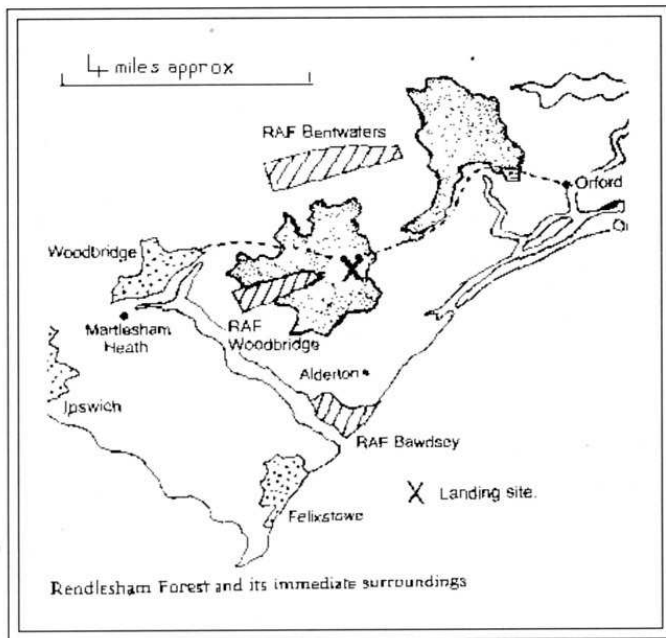
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been in response to some questions asked from the audience).

However Omar Fowler, who has been going into all this very thoroughly and has spoken in 1994 with both Colonel Halt and Larry Warren, *points out that Larry Warren was not stationed at RAF Woodbridge, under Col. Halt's command. He was stationed at RAF Bentwaters, the other local Base, which lies about four miles due north from RAF Woodbridge, and right on the opposite side of Rendlesham Forest from Woodbridge!* The night in question, December 28/29, was very dark. And, moreover, as the various sources confirm, none of the auxiliary lighting equipment that the Americans had brought out would function!

How then, in such darkness, and with so much confusion prevailing, could Colonel Halt (or, for that matter, anyone else!) state categorically who was or was not milling around in Rendlesham Forest that night — particularly if it were a man from the *other* USAF camp and therefore not under Col. Halt's jurisdiction anyway!

I think that we can, in fact, say that we possess good reason for accepting that Larry Warren is telling the truth and that he WAS, as he says, in Rendlesham Forest that night. This good reason is as follows: Mr. Tony James, who runs the East Midlands UFO Research Association and is, in the opinion of Omar Fowler, an investigator "beyond reproach", reports that Larry Warren has recently applied to the American passport authorities for a renewal of his passport in order to make a further visit here for more research, because he is now engaged in writing his own book - to be titled "WEST AT EASTGATE". And, reports Tony James, the application has been refused! This means that Larry Warren is debarred from leaving the USA, the reason for the refusal being that he has violated the Security Act of 1947!

So perhaps it is not surprising if we hear it said now that Larry Warren was not in Rendlesham Forest during the night of December 28/29, 1980.

Larry Warren's story, as subsequently supplied, now follows. This text has been carefully checked with him by Omar Fowler. G.C.

II. LARRY WARREN'S ACCOUNT (as given to Omar Fowler)

I was unable to reveal a number of aspects of the UFO events years ago because I still believed in my Government. Forget about UFOs, 'they' can snuff that out. We can be portrayed as either liars, fools, or people just out to make money. However, we are not in this for money at all!

I arrived at RAF Bentwaters in England on December 1st 1980. We had the largest nuclear arms dump in all of NATO; it was split between the two bases (i.e. Bentwaters and Woodbridge). I knew that

just one of our nuclear weapons could have removed East Anglia with no problem! (Both RAF Woodbridge and USAF Bentwaters are now closed).

On the night of the 26/27th December (1980) a police patrol observed lights in Rendlesham Forest. The three airmen involved disappeared for several hours, and according to two of them, they had been abducted. There was also some activity on the second night (27/28) but it is unclear as to what was seen by whom.

The next (third) night 28/29 December, further activity took place and that's when I became involved. Our security group was called out, we boarded our military pick-up trucks, and entered Rendlesham Forest. We were only able to proceed so far, before we were ordered to stop in a clearing. We had no idea what was happening but we could see a lot of activity down at the end of the road.

I was in a group of five with a Lt., and we moved through the woods down a path into the forest. I could see flares over to my left at about 100 yards. There was red surveyor-tape around the trees and we all heard over the radio "**we want you guys to avoid those hot spots**". To me that meant radiation areas. We walked down this logging road and just at that moment we came across our flight-chief talking to a young airman sitting on the ground near a tree. He sat holding his head in his hands and was out of control, very upset.

We continued on our way and over a small rise in the ground, I saw this illuminated field, (Capel Green). The trees were lit up yellow and in the distance we could see a farmhouse.

In the centre of the field there was an illuminated mist, it was about a foot in height and about fifty feet across. It was self-illuminated, you could see through it at times. Nearby there were cameras set up, movie cameras and a video. We were told to move into the field and I came to a halt within twenty feet of the object. I can only describe it as a "solidified mass of light".

We all stood there watching it, there were security police from "D Flight", there were two English 'bobbies', and, nearby, some senior personnel. Then I saw the 'disaster preparedness' specialist move in. He was equipped with a geiger-counter and he started going around this thing on the ground. Two cows came up and stood staring at the illuminated mist. I'm not sure what happened to them. It's said that the cows ran off and were later hit by a taxi.

Then I saw a small red light moving over the top of some trees at the edge of the field. At first we thought it was an aircraft because the runway is only a mile and half away. Then the red light moved in over the trees and approached the field in a downward arc. It stopped and hovered about twenty feet off the



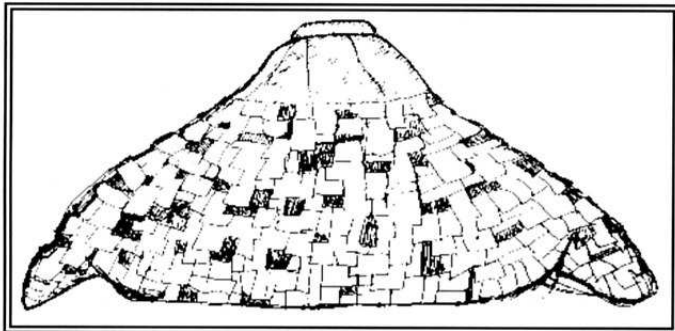
Larry Warren



From left to right: Peter Robbins, Omar Fowler, Larry Warren

ground. It was the size of an American basketball, self-illuminated, not quite red, but that's as close as I can get to it. Then just as we were watching it, it exploded and light showered down on the object. I was fairly close to this event and the brilliance of the flash affected my eyes. Some personnel ran and disappeared back into the forest and a lot of us were left standing there in a state of shock.

Suddenly, in place of the mist, there was a more solid looking object. It was about thirty feet across at the base and the sides rose up sharply to about twenty-five feet in height. It had delta appendages that came out of it, I don't know whether they were landing-gear or not. It had no windows, no markings, no flags, or country of origin, nothing that I could recognise.



Betty Luca's sketch of the large craft

At this point Sgt. Bustinza, myself, a disaster-preparedness man, and my shift-commander, were ordered to move in on this object. I noticed that when we were standing close to it our shadows were cast upon it at an angle. Somehow this object was 'pulling' our shadows. This effect was strange because we had no lights behind us. **(Once we had got our lighting equipment into the forest, none of it would work!)**

Shortly afterwards, we were ordered back to our original position. At that point the whole object was surrounded by our security police at intervals of about ten feet; there were a lot of personnel out there! Then a light moved out of the side of the object and split into three.

In each light you could make out what appeared to be individual 'beings' of some kind. I saw clearly what looked like eyes, facial features, clothing and some other device, but I couldn't make out the legs and the lower extremities. It was almost as if the

beings were translucent.

One 'being' moved towards the front, there was a lot of activity, cameras filming all the while. Our Wing-Commander, Lt.Col. Williams, stood nearby with other senior officers (I recognised him, as he was six foot plus). He conversed with the people in his group and then he approached the three 'beings' or whatever you wish to call them. **As he stood in front of the centre one, it adjusted its head up to his height and to me this proved that these things were in fact alive!**

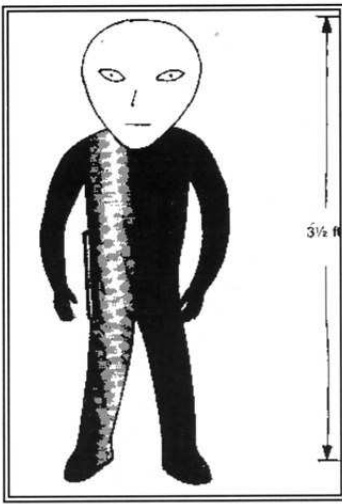
There was no sign language, no hand-shakes and no exchange of Milky Way candy bars! What happened next was what could be described as a 'face-off'. If there was any communication it must have been by telepathy, who can say, I've never stated what it was. Suddenly there was sound in the woods like a tree breaking and these 'beings' retracted under a delta type of thing on the craft. Their arms moved up tight and then after a minute or so they moved back closer. I was only about twenty-five feet away from all of this activity. I could see them clearly, **they were not standing, and there was no three dimensional-shape to them.**

The two British bobbies were still taking pictures, but then I saw their cameras taken away from them. (I understand that they are no longer police officers at Woodbridge; one had a mental breakdown and the other was virtually ridiculed off the Police Force and now has an alcohol problem).

Then my shift-commander told us to return to our vehicle. We went back over the rise and headed back to the trucks. When we reached the parking area, we could see strange lights in the sky and these strange blue things moving around. We boarded our vehicles and headed back to Woodbridge with our group.

According to other witnesses, a smaller triangular object appeared after I had gone. It was so small that one of the personnel grabbed the object by putting his arms around it. The object then moved about ten metres with him holding on to it. I know that the person concerned subsequently suffered severe health effects. Then another guy got into his pick-up truck and a 'being' passed right through the windshield. It seemed they could go through metal and solid objects. The driver could see its face quite clearly and he went 'bonkers' and kicked the windshield right out of the truck. Other witnesses who were at the scene have told me that a beam then shot down out of the sky and this 'being' ran straight up the beam into a dark shape hovering above. It wasn't possible to make out what it was. The next morning, I was back at Bentwaters, having coffee with a number of the other guys who had been at the incident. I noticed that my eyes were watering profusely and I had a metallic taste in my mouth. My buddy looked at me across the table and said "what the hell happened to us?" I started to talk, but Sgt. Peniston told me to shut up.

At about 10a.m, I got a phone call to report up to the Security Chief's office. When I arrived the first thing



One of the entities

that happened was that people from the “disaster-preparedness” team went over six or seven of us with geiger-counters, I was very scared at this point. We were then told to sign security documents. What disturbed me about this paperwork was that it was a pre-typed statement and it said that we were off-duty and that we just saw lights flipping across the trees. We were ushered into the office where we were greeted,

not by “men in black” but by men in grey business suits from the United States. They were very unfriendly-looking and they wore plastic laminated I.D. badges, which read “*Armed Forces Security Services*”. Through our research, we know that *Armed Forces Security Services* is a field arm of the National Security Agency, which is a very dirty bird in this whole story. There was also a “Commander Green” from the Office of Naval Intelligence in London, (The USAF did not de-brief us).

We were told that this “problem” has existed longer than anyone of us in the room was aware. They did not say anything about UFOs or E.T.s — nothing... we just sat there and listened. The propaganda talk continued and we were warned that if we communicated these events via the mail, via the telephone or in any way, shape, or form, we would be court-martialed.

We were next shown a film, a debriefing tool I believe, it confused you even more about what you have gone through. After the film finished, were told to “toe the line” and the Government would look after us. **No threats other than this ... one of us asked a question, what would happen if we told about this? The AFSS chap just looked at us and with a smile said “bullets are cheap!” Everyone laughed, but it was kind of sick.**

Then I heard a humming sound to my right and I looked over and there was a guy who I knew was from the American “Bible Belt”. (In that faith there is no one bigger than Jesus, and certainly no one else is coming to Earth). **The humming was coming from this guy, he was holding a small pocket bible and reciting “Hail Mary”, “Hail Mary”, non-stop! That was really sad because he was a nice type of a guy, but he was destroyed by this. He went “a.w.o.l” two weeks later, was picked up at Chicago airport by the FBI and returned to the base. I was on patrol duty the night that he called in (i.e telephoned) and said he was going to kill himself. We and another vehicle patrol responded, but it was too late. He had put an M16 into his mouth..... that was the first time that I have ever seen violent death.**

In these events, lives were lost and this is something the Government doesn’t want disclosed.

Later on, I went to one of the red public telephones

of the Base and telephoned my mother. (I figured they were never going to watch that.)

I said to her “You’re never going to believe this but last night we saw a UFO, and it landed on the Base”..... suddenly she wasn’t there anymore! I knew I was in trouble, because we have a thing called “Cosmec” (communications security). Later, I was called into the Base command centre and accused of breaching security. I denied it several times, but then they played me a tape of my phone call. I was fined \$300 and after that I was watched constantly.

Many witnesses were sent on temporary duty assignments all over the World, there were guys I never saw again! I didn’t think that this cover-up was as deep as it was, but you just can’t imagine it until it happens to you and you see it go on. I didn’t know until later, that RAF Watton tracked these objects for three nights. The USAF later took away the recorded tapes and did not return them.

On the 10th January 1981, a few days after the incident, I visited the Optical Retina Clinic at Lakenheath, as my eyes were causing me problems. After extensive investigation, I was informed that I had burns to the retinas of both eyes. (It was years later, in 1984, that Larry Warren was told he was showing signs of radiation sickness. Omar Fowler.)

I no longer worked as a security police officer and had been relegated to a typing job in a back office where “they” could keep an eye on me. I subsequently decided to quit the USAF and after contacting a lawyer, applied for an honourable discharge on the grounds of “breach of contract”. My request was granted and duly signed by Col. Gordon Williams in May 1981.

It was only revealed last year (1993) during an interview with Lt. Col. C.I. Halt (Deputy Base Commander USAF based at Woodbridge), that the actions of the UFOs had affected the nuclear weapons in their underground storage areas. The UFOs’ light beams apparently penetrated the “hardened” nuclear storage bunkers and somehow affected the weapons stored

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The US Air Force officer contacts the aliens. Sketch based on account of eyewitness “Steve Roberts”, USAF security guard.

THE ROSWELL PANTOMIME

“SO SORRY - THERE’S NOTHING IN THE FILES!”

When Dr. Richard F. Haines, FSR Consultant and former NASA scientist, was in Russia in 1992 setting up the JOINT USA-CIS AERIAL ANOMALY FEDERATION of which he is the Director, he asked former cosmonaut Pavel Popovich (now head of the RUSSIAN UFO CENTER) to enquire of the new Russian State Ministry of Security (i.e. former KGB) what information if any they had in their records about happenings in or around Roswell, New Mexico, during the years 1946-48. (As FSR readers will know from what we have recently published about Stalin, there was nobody in the entire USSR or Russia at that time who took a greater interest than Stalin did in the reports that he was getting from his spies clustered on location around Roswell!).

Dr. Haines now reports that, in a letter dated September 14, 1993, the following reply came to Cosmonaut Popovich from the Central Archives of the Russian State Ministry of Security:-

Dear Pavel Romanovich!

We communicate that an inspection has been accomplished of material of the Central Archives of the MBRF (Russian Federation's Ministry of Security) concerning documentary material about the case of a crashed "Flying Saucer" in the area of Roswell, New Mexico, USA, in 1947. Nothing was found.

Deputy Chief Archivist, V.P. GYSACHENKO

And from the Russian Ministry of Defence Pavel Popovich received the following answer, dated September 17, 1993:-

Dear Pavel Romanovich!

Employees of the Central Archives of the Ministry of Defence have carried out a search on material/subjects of interest to you. The findings of these studies have established that there is (no material) (existing) in the documentary archives of interest to your questions.

Acting Director of the Center, YURI SEMIN

COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR: As we all know anyway, it is an act of suicidal and maniacal stupidity for any Government to promulgate a "Freedom of Information Act", for no orderly and civilized society could survive under such conditions.

The Americans very quickly perceived the folly of their policy, and rectified matters by making the *search fee* so inordinately high that no ordinary citizen could afford to pay it very often. And in the meantime of course there was ample opportunity to shift everything of a "delicate" nature out of the archives of all the other U.S. Government depart-

ments and lodge it safely with the NSA (National Security Agency).

ONE OF THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH THE NSA WAS ESTABLISHED IS THAT IT SHALL BE TOTALLY EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT!

NO DOUBT THE RUSSIANS HAVE HAD A SIMILAR BRAIN WAVE!. G.C.

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WATER THIEVES ON MERSEYSIDE

Over the forty years of our existence, FSR has published numerous reports (mostly from the USA and Australia) about alien machines that siphon off huge quantities of water from lakes and rivers. Likewise, in several of his excellent books, the late M. K. Jessup, speculated at length on these matters and visualized the existence of immense water-tanker crafts that might be taking our precious water off to the Moon, or to Mars, or to elsewhere ...

So it is certain that 'someone' takes water from here, just as it is certain that 'someone' takes *electricity*, takes *human beings* for their sperm and ova, and slays immense numbers of animals — mainly cattle — and takes their *blood*.

And there are other more sinister matters than these — perhaps to be reported on at a later date.

According to *The World* of March 2nd, 1995 (a newspaper published in Widnes, Lancashire), on the evening of Monday February 27 of this year, a 31-year-old woman named Karen Conlon of Runcorn, Cheshire, and several other people, saw a machine descend from the sky and suck up water from the River Mersey. We shall give fuller details in our next issue. EDITOR

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within, making many of them useless....

N.B. Peter Robbins, the American researcher and associate of Budd Hopkins, has been working with Larry Warren on a new book about the incident to be called "*Left at East Gate*". Peter confirmed that when he visited the site 8 ° years later during research for the book, the ground was still discoloured. Soil samples were taken from the site and these were later analysed, showing "profound differences when compared to soil in the adjoining area".

We will look forward to reading the full account of the incident in their forthcoming book "*Left at East Gate*". O.F.