The UFO Guide

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You know the scene: You're reading one of the UFO newsgroups on Usenet and you don't understand many of the terms used. What do you do? Go to the next article? Skip the rest of the articles and go to the next newsgroup even?

No. You pick up your UFO Guide and find out what the hell it all means. You'll then find the information that you want in easily digestible bite-size chunks.

This guide is only intended to give the reader the basic facts about the subject. To find out more information about a certain aspect of ufology, read some more books, most libraries should have a few UFO books and usually hold them under the section of "Paranormal", "Occult" or "New Age", despite the fact that ufology is neither of these.

A short list of recommended UFO books are included in the Appendix, along with a list of FTP sites that you can download further information from.

Read and enjoy!

Nick Humphries, December 1993.

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Yes, I know it's all a bit pretentious having the previous introductions to the previous editions (or edition) of the UFO Guide, but I'm very proud of it for many reasons.

The main reason why I'm proud of this new edition is that it's bigger and includes most of what I originally wanted to include in the first edition but couldn't as I was rapidly running out of time. The UFO Guide now has a source list just before the Appendix and a section on what to do if you see a UFO. The mistakes in the First Edition have been corrected and there are a few new entries in the A-Z bit.

The next edition of the UFO Guide should be out in the Autumn. There may be a few more formats of the Guide to go with the ASCII, HTML and PostScript versions, I'm playing about with the idea of doing an MS-DOS interactive Guide (those of you who have seen Project Galactic Guide will know what sort of thing I mean, look in alt.galactic-guide if you don't) and would welcome any views on how I should do this, as well as any views on how to improve the Guide in general. My E-mail address is below.

Now read and enjoy!

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HOWEVER: If you _do_ find that there are some inconsistencies in the Guide or that I've got something wrong, tell me so that I can include it in the next edition of the Guide. If you also think that I've missed something or somebody out of the Guide, tell me for the same reason. My E-mail address is "u2nmh@csc.liv.ac.uk".

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ADAMSKI, GEORGE A UFO hoaxer, the most famous hoax is the Adamski photographs of UFOs that were later revealed to be fake. He also claimed to have met Venusians in 1952 and started spreading the word of the Cosmic Phibsophy.

AFOSI US Air Force Office of Special Investigations.

ANOMALY (AN RATING) See VALLEE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM.

APRO The US based Aerial Phenomenon Research Organisation.

AREA 51 The Groom Dry Lake area of the Nellis Air Force Range and Nuclear Test Site in the Nevada desert, about 80 miles NNW of Las Vegas. It is here that the US government is test-flying highly secret BLACK PROJECT aircraft, including UFOs, for a number of years.

ARNOLD, KENNETH On 24th June 1947, pilot Kenneth Arnold observed nine boomerang-shaped craft f