

INVESTIGATION REPORT – Team 3



Investigation Site	Tilsworth, Blackgrove Wood
Investigation Date	10 th June 2011
Report By	Bill King
Team Members	Bill, Sarah

Background

Blackgrove Wood is said to be haunted by the ghost of a murder victim. The unknown girl was murdered one hundred and seventy years ago and the identity of her killer was never discovered. The body was found by James Bunker of Bury Farm in Tilsworth. The long knife that had been used to kill her was found near the body and was on display in a local pub for many years afterwards. The body was carried away on a door and afterwards, on the anniversary of the murder, blood would appear on the door. At the same time blood would be seen coming out of the tree near where the girl was murdered. During the Second World War two lads saw the ghost sitting on a stile at the entrance to the wood. Both men were killed in the war.

General

The sky was overcast with a continuous cloud layer. The ground was damp as it had rained earlier in the day. When we first arrived on the site it was still light as sunset was not until 21:20. There was quite a lot of traffic noise coming from the nearby Leighton Buzzard bypass (A505). At the start of the investigation there was some bird song, decreasing as the night deepened. There was also some noise from passing aircraft.

On approach to the wood, Sarah noted there were no birds singing (as heard on previous visits) but a very apprehensive atmosphere, although everyone was in good spirits as usual. There were ambient noises of cars and motorbikes on the nearby A5 and A505.

Vigil 1: South End of Wood – 21:40 to 22:15

When we first reached the vigil site Sarah told Bill that, for some reason, she felt as if she needed to bring protection, in this case in the form of a couple of palm crosses. She has never felt compelled to do this before though it may be due to her really not liking this wood. One cross she carried with her and the other she had left in her car in Tilsworth.

For this vigil the team positioned themselves to the east of the pylon at the south end of the wood. Both team members sat close to the hedge at the boundary of the wood looking north-northeast across a cleared area towards the wood (the area used to be trees but had been cleared so that the insulators on the pylon and conductors between pylons could be replaced). For the positions of the team members see the plan on the next page.

During the vigil, Bill did a video recording facing past the pylon to the southwest corner of the wood.

At this location there was an intermittent buzzing coming from the nearby pylon (the sound of arcing electricity due to the damp atmosphere). There was a slight and variable breeze.

21:40 Sarah could hear the buzzing of the electricity and it made her hair feel slightly on end.

Sarah felt the sound of leaves rustling in the wind sounded like running water.

21:51 Bill measures the temperature at +7.5 to +8°C using his infrared thermometer and +14.1°C with a pressure of 998.5mb on his compass/thermometer. The latter is attached to his coat so it does not record the ambient temperature but will show any local changes in temperature.

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21:55 Sarah heard a sound like a whoosh of a car, but noted it because it sounded different to normal.

21:59 Sarah heard a bang/thud to the left of Bill.

22:00 Something ran across the track to Bill's right (east). It was small and moved very fast so that he didn't get a good look at it. Afterwards he heard it moving in the undergrowth of the hedgerow behind him.

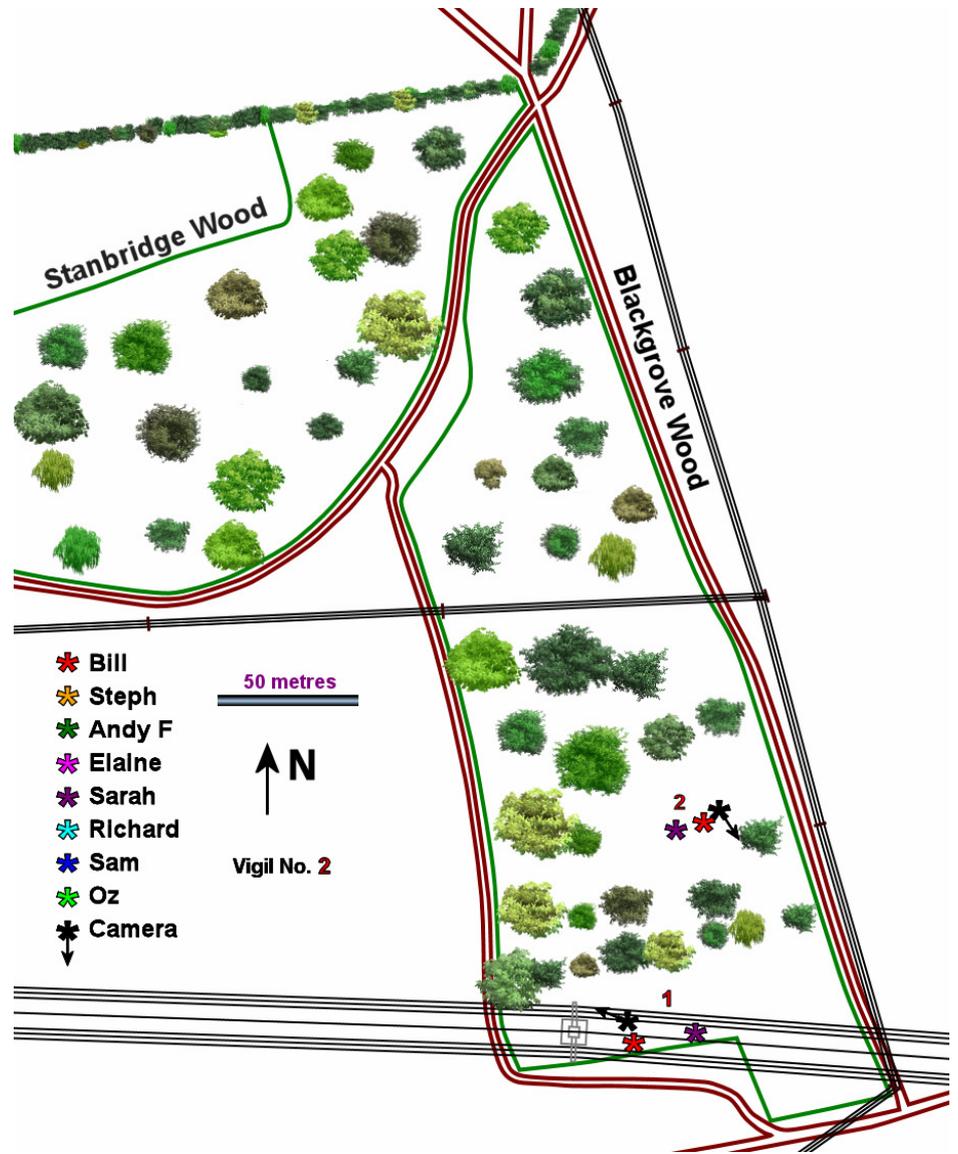
Sarah noted that it started to rain lightly.

22:02 Bill notes that the breeze has freshened. It was hard to tell the wind direction but it seemed to be coming from the southwest by south.

22:03 Sarah heard a crack coming from the wood directly in front of her. No other team was in this area.

22:05 Bill measures the temperature at +7.5 to +8°C using his infrared thermometer and +13.1°C with a pressure of 998.5mb on his compass/thermometer.

22:14 Bill measures the temperature at +8.5 to +9.5°C using his infrared thermometer and +12.7°C with a pressure of 998.5mb on his compass/thermometer.



Pre-Vigil

For this vigil the team decided to walk into the wood and try to find a suitable area to undertake the vigil. The team entered the wood just to the east to the centre of the south edge and walked in a general northeast direction. A large part of this end of the wood was filled with stinging nettles so a circuitous path was taken to avoid the denser areas. As the team progressed the undergrowth thinned until an extensive clear area was found.

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On entering the wood to the next location, Sarah heard a ‘wa!’ in a man’s voice to our left. Sarah asked Bill if he heard it, which he did not.

22:28 As Bill walked into the clear area he suddenly got major cold-shivers and crawling feelings on his scalp, shoulders and back. After a while the feelings died down but came back when he moved a metre away from his original position to the north-northwest. As he walked away the feelings again died down but returned as he entered another open area about four metres away to the east-northeast.

Vigil 2: East Side of Wood – 22:30 to 23:00

As Bill had experienced cold-shivers it was decided to undertake the vigil in the area where he first experienced them. Bill stood about three metres to the north-northwest of the cold-shiver area whilst Sarah stood three metres to his west. For the positions of the team members see the plan on the previous page.

Sarah noted that the atmosphere was very heavy; she could not relax enough to sit and decided to stand for this vigil, as did Bill.

Bill set up his video camera facing towards the initial cold-shiver area (by a tree).

22:39 Bill measures the temperature in the direction of the cold-shiver area as +6.5°C whilst the surrounding area measured +6.5 to +7°C.

22:40 Bill notes that a faint rain is again falling.

22:44 Whilst facing northeast by east Bill saw a white patch go by. It was too dense for a mist and was like a figure wearing a light Tee shirt with curved shoulders. The patch was moving quickly from right to left and appeared to be about four metres away. If it was a figure it would have been short at just over a metre tall to the shoulders (1.3m including a head).

22:46 Sarah thought she saw a movement from the direction we came into the wood. Sarah heard cracks on the wood floor.

22:50 As Bill was looking towards the area where he saw the patch at 22:44 he saw another shape form briefly then he had cold-shivers. This new shape is shown on the right.

Sarah had a whooshing sensation like someone running up.



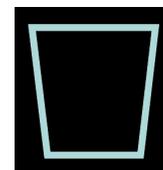
22:52 Major cold-shivers are again experienced by Bill, all up his neck and onto his scalp, like crawling ants.

Bill sees a flash of red on a tree to the northeast by north. It was on the south-southeast side of the tree and about a metre off the ground and three-quarters of a metre long like a bulging line as shown on the right. It was quite narrow and did not last long.



22:55 Once more Bill gets cold-shivers.

22:56 Bill observes a number of shadows to the left of the area he was videoing and to the right of his camera. The shadows appeared to be four to five metres away. Just after he saw a similar shield shape to that seen at 22:50 but this one seemed to be in outline as shown on the right. The shape again only appeared briefly and was pale blue in colour.



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Sarah felt a bit dizzy and felt like she was leaning forward a bit. Then she felt sick for a short time. Sarah is aware these feelings could be due to the pylon nearby, but she did not have these feelings outside by the pylon!

22:58 A flash of light is seen by Bill in a direction just to the right of the front of his video camera and again about four to five metres away.

Séance: Clearing in Wood – 23:35 to 23:50

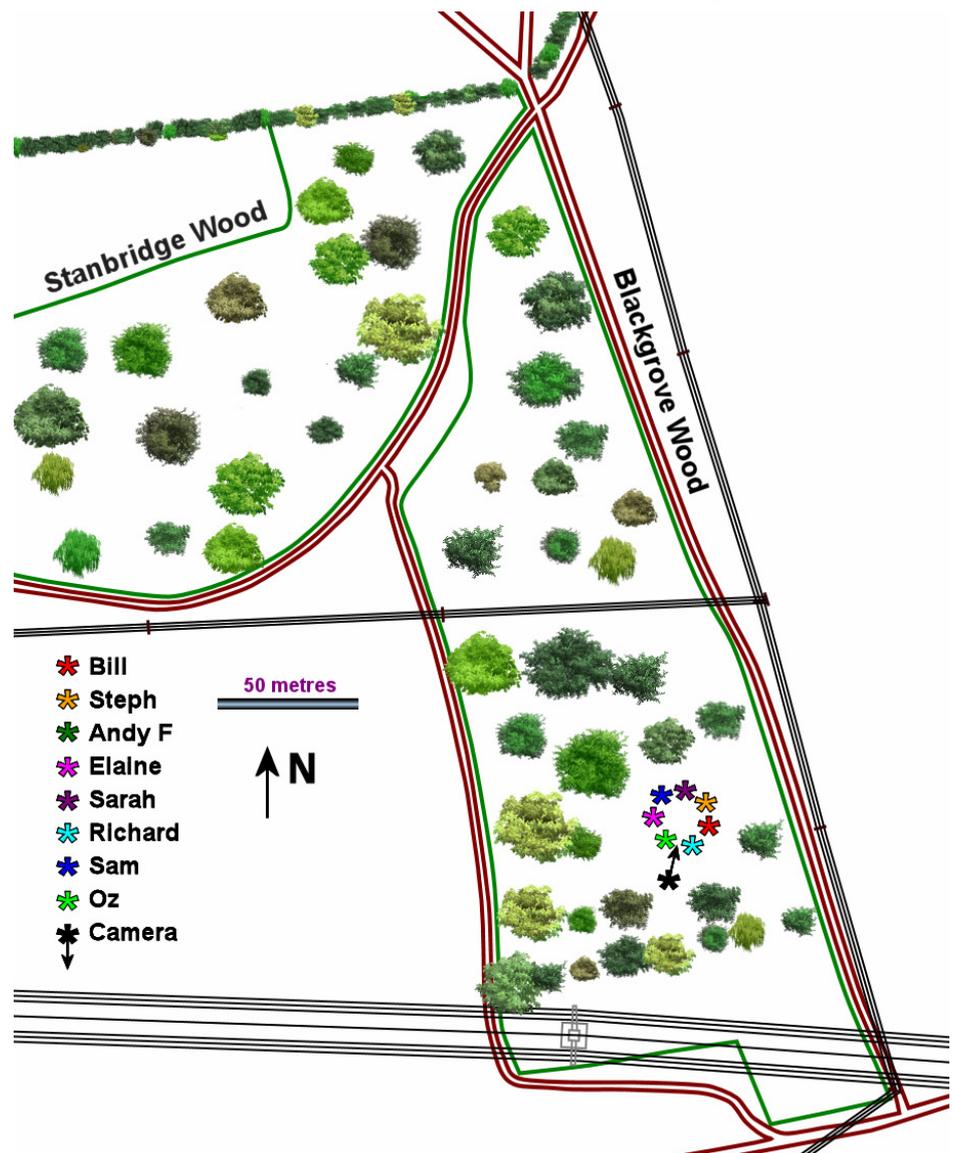
When the teams met up by the pylon to the south of the wood Bill told the other teams that Team 3 had obtained some interesting results in the wood so it was decided to return to the area for a séance.

With some effort, due to the undergrowth, the area where Bill first had cold shivers, by a coppiced tree, was found and it was here that the séance was held. For the positions of the team members see the plan below.

Andy F filmed the séance from the south whilst two KII meters were replaced in the centre of the circle along with sound recorders. At the start both KII meters were found to be indicating levels of around 2.5 to 10mG, because of this Bill placed his new Electromog meter on the floor near them. This did not detect any signals apart from occasional ones from mobile phones. The KII meters displayed their elevated readings during the entire séance without varying in level. It should be noted that apart from the pylons to the south of this site there is also a lower voltage line on wooden poles to the north and a closer one at the edge of the wood to the east.

During the séance, Sarah thought she saw movement again toward the direction we entered the wood (behind Bill and Elaine), and also felt like we were being watched by a man to our left. Sarah went a bit dizzy again.

The séance ended at 23:50 due to the increasing amount of rain.



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Post-Investigation

Sarah may have something unusual in a photograph taken of the hedgerow behind her during Vigil 1. Sarah will hand it to Bill for analysis.

Equipment List

Bill Digital Camera: General Electric E1480W
 Digital Camcorder: Sony DCR-SR90E
 Digital Voice Recorder: Olympus WS-560M
 CCTV Camera: LYD-804C (as infrared source)
 EMF Detector: Hutech
 Digital Infrared Thermometer: CHY 110
 Electrosmog Meter: Cornet ED-7
 Digital Compass/Altimeter/Thermometer: WS110
 Li-ion Battery: Mingtongda T-1248A
 Notepad, pen, torch and watch

Sarah Digital Camera: Sony DSC-H50
 Notepad, pen, torch and watch