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Investigation Site Bolter End, Hanover Hill and Wheeler End Common

Investigation Date 23rd July 2010

Report By Bill King

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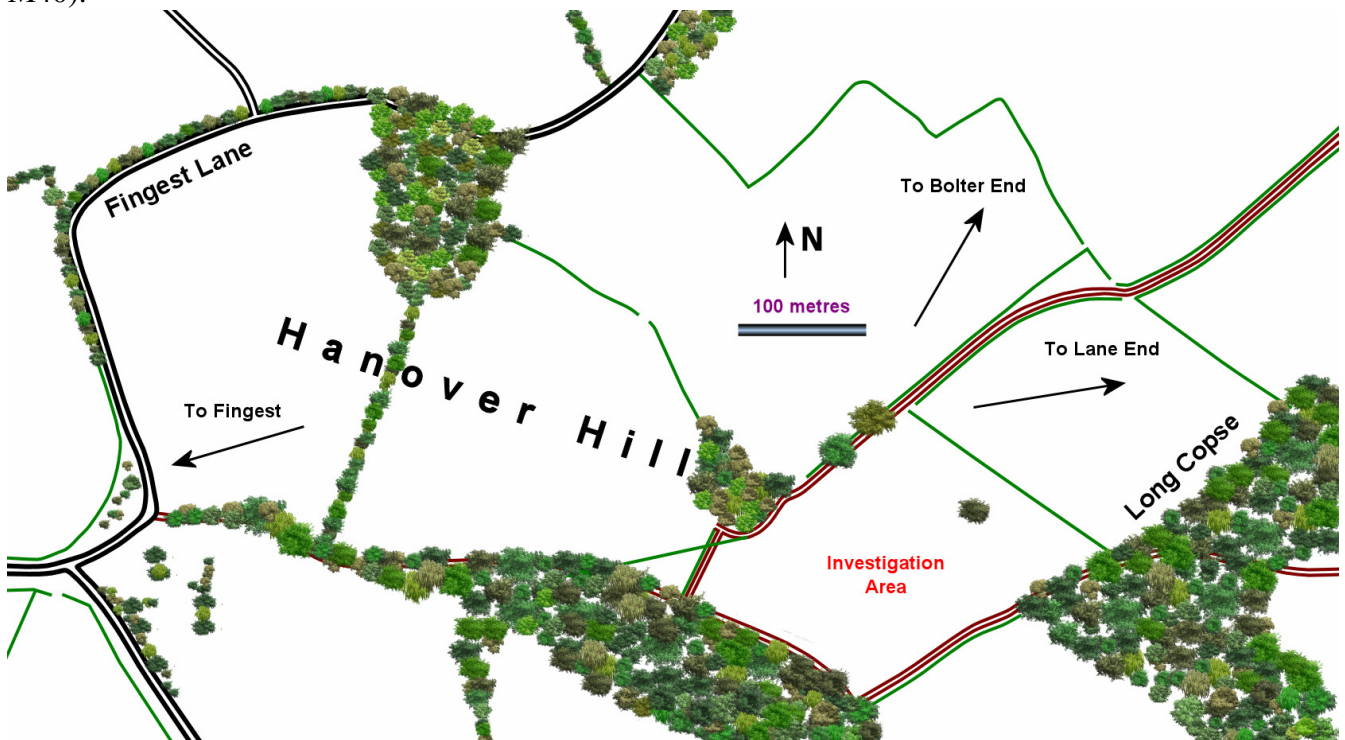
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Background

On a cold December day in 1973 a girl was walking across a field heading towards Hanover Hill when she saw a woman in a red dress. At the time it was snowing but the woman was not wearing a coat. Was she the ghost of Anna, a young woman from Lane End who fell ill and died in 1766, ten days before she was due to marry, and who loved the colour red? In the 1940s her appearances were very common and she was seen again in the 1960s, usually in the late afternoon. Her ghost has also been seen at Wheeler End.

General

The night was a very still one with virtually no wind. The sky was largely clear with almost a full moon. It was a very mild night. There was a constant but not loud road noise coming from the northeast (towards the M40).



Pre-Vigil

As Steph was walking down the path towards the gate in the northwest corner of the investigation field she gets a strong sense of the word *Mediterranean*.

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Vigil 1: 21:35 to 22:10

For this vigil the team were scattered over the area of the hill as shown on the plan on the next page.

At the start of the vigil Bill left his datalogger at the edge of the small wood in the southeast corner in a cleared area. This is shown by the ✱ on the plan. In addition he placed his video camera facing across the field to the north-northeast towards the area where a figure dressed in orange was seen last time LPS investigated the site (31st July 2009).

21:38 Steph tries to take the temperature with her thermometer and the reading says it is -63°C. She knows this is incorrect and also notices that the battery sign is showing on the display and guesses the battery is low and this is the cause of the inaccurate readings.

21:39 Steph receives a call from Richard to say he has arrived and is on his way up to the location. She radio's the rest of the team to advise them.

Steph sets her DVR running.

21:42 Bill measures the temperature at +13.5°C in the direction of the path and +10°C in the field.

Bill activates his EMF meter.

Andy does a temperature check it is +11.4°C. He also does an EMF check but there are no readings.

Steph gets the impression of a house over to her left that was either set in the area where the trees are now (Long Copse) or just beyond them.

21:43 Marion gets the name *Peterkin*.

Steph hears a child's voice in the distance to her right.

21:44 Bill places his battery discharge tester next to him.

21:45 Andy starts an EVP experiment.

Steph conducts a DVR experiment by calling out questions.

21:46 Richard arrives at Bill's location and they discuss where he should do his vigil.

Marion sees a bright light coming across the field, Richard has arrived.

Steph's ears pop.

21:47 Marion catches a dark shadow on the lane by the big tree on the right (to the northwest). It is quite big and she feels it might be a farm cart or some sort of carriage/coach. She also hears the swear word '*Jesus*' said in a man's angry voice.

21:48 Richard heads for his vigil site.

21:51 Bill stops his video camera and sets it up for night vision before restarting the recording.

21:52 Marion gets the name *Maximillian (Max)*.

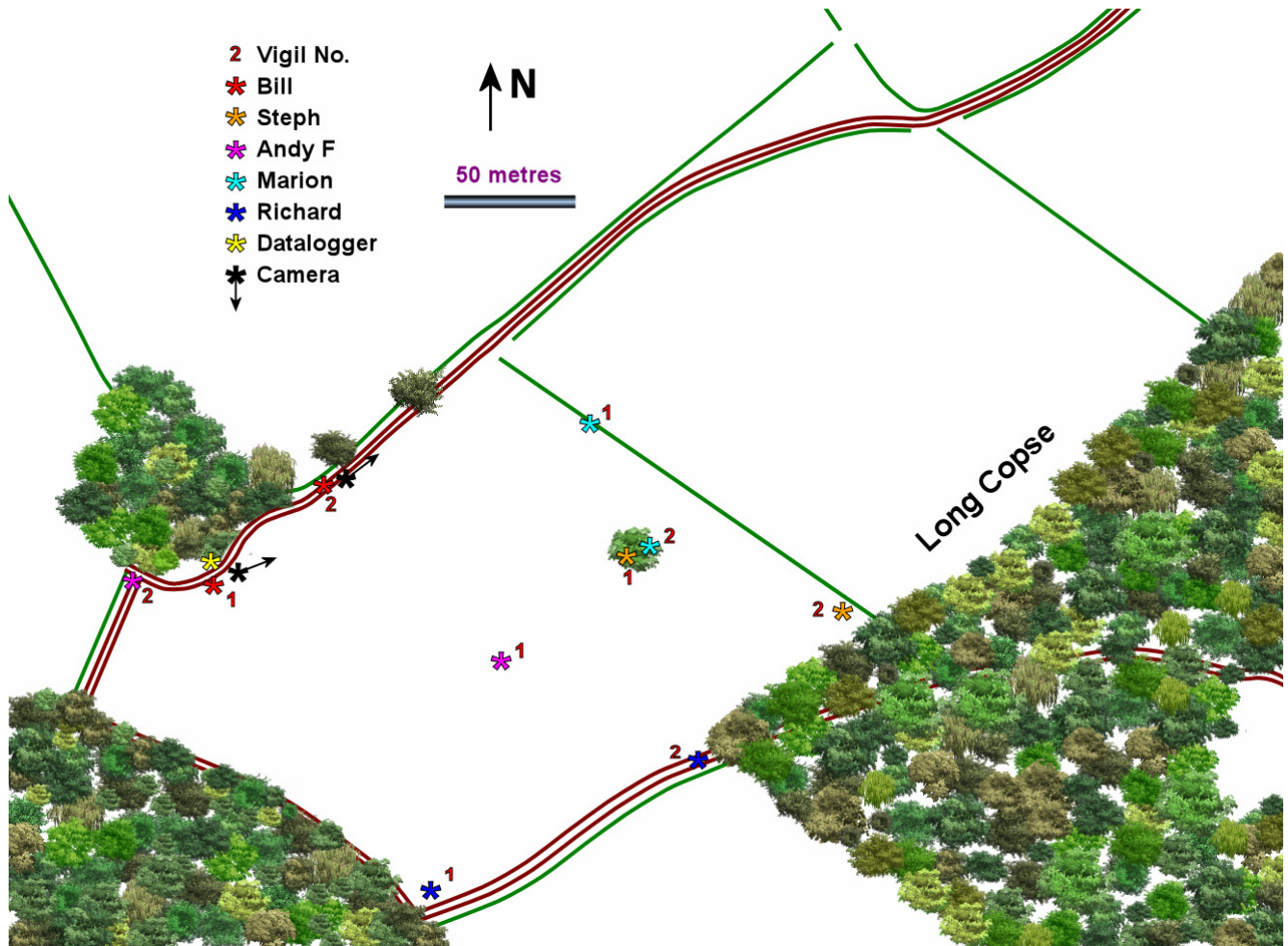
21:53 Marion sees a small bright light in the middle of the hedge to her right which disappears. She finds out later that it was a glow worm as some of the team see another one on the walk back. She also gets the words *Donkey Jacket*.

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Steph sees a red light on the trees directly in front of her on the opposite side of the field. She looks around and realises that it is Andy with a red laser pointer.

Richard starts his vigil.

21:55 Andy's EVP experiment ends.

21:57 Marion sees quite a large dull red glow at the base of the trees opposite her and to the right of Bill. It is between the third and fourth tree from the field entrance. It must have been about 3 metres high and a metre wider. It was a sort of big oblong shape.

21:59 Marion gets the name *Benjamin*.

Andy hears the sound of a dog barking in the distance from the direction of the gate Andy had gone through earlier at Bill's request (in the northwest corner of the investigation field).

22:00 Andy feels drawn to the area where Bill is.

22:02 Marion sees a small yellow light in the tree to the right of Bill and gets the words '*It must have been him*'.

22:04 Andy hears dogs barking in the distance.

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A furrowing noise was heard to Richard's left in the heavily treed area; sounding like animals. A flickering light was seen by him in much the same area; it seemed to flicker on and off faintly for a few seconds.

22:06 Marion sees another yellow light in the tree to the right of Bill and directly above the red light of his camera.

Andy hears a dog barking in the area of the woods near to where Steph is located.

22:07 Bill sees a red flash of light in the trees to the northeast by north It was about 20 metres away and 3 metres up the tree.

22:08 Marion hears someone banging a nail into wood with some force. It is quite loud and seems to be coming from way into the fields the other side of the lane to her right. She can also hear voices and wonders if there is a house over there so she stands up to have a look. The fields are in darkness and there are no lights in the direction of the banging. (**Editor's Note:** The nearest house in the direction specified by Marion is over 1.2 kilometres away. The nearest was directly behind her but still 0.5 kilometres away.)

Andy hears the same dog but it sounds nearer this time.

At this point in the investigation, suddenly, Richard felt a cold shiver on the right-hand side of his spine; although the rest of his torso did not feel like this at all.

22:09 As Steph is sat facing south, there appears to be a large flash of light in the sky over in the distance to her left.

Vigil 2: 22:20 to 23:00

For this vigil the team were scattered over the area of the hill as shown on the plan on the last page.

22:25 Steph takes an EMF sweep of the area she is in but there are no readings. She then starts her DVR.

Loud shouting is heard by Richard coming from quite a way away, behind him, but he is unsure of the compass direction of where it came from.

22:26 Steph can hear a man's voice calling what sounds like 'Merlin' and whistling. She cannot see anyone but thinks it is someone with their dog on the far side of the field to her right.

22:27 An EMF reading is taken by Andy but there is no activity on the meter. However while standing in front of his camera tripod and conducting the EMF sweep, Andy clearly hears the word "Huh" come from the area behind the camera tripod.

22:29 Marion sees a flash by the trees opposite but thinks it is probably Steph taking photographs. She also gets the words '*Arthur lives here, one of many*'. She notices that the tree directly opposite her looks like a giant bunny....nice.

Steph hears a woman's voice coming from behind her, possibly in the next field or the woods. She looks but cannot see anyone. Voice possibly carried on the wind.

Richard sensed a dark shadow on the right-hand side of the tree in front of him, approximately 4.5 metres behind a colleague.

22:30 Andy takes a temperature reading at +15.2°C.

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22:31 Bill measures the temperature at between +11.5 to +12°C in the direction of the path and +8.5 to +9°C on the vegetation beside the path.

Bill notes that there is a very slight breeze coming from the southeast by south. It was barely noticeable but did make one side of his face colder.

22:33 At this moment, for around about 20 seconds, Richard started to have a choking sensation around his throat – like he was being strangled.

22:35 Andy starts an EVP experiment as dogs heard again barking in the distance.

22:38 At this point Richard sensed a pulsating “washed out” whitish/grey blob moving incredibly slowly at the hedge at the bottom of the field to the left before vanishing.

22:43 Steph notes that since she has been sitting in the vigil area she feels uneasy and unsafe. She feels like there are people around her waiting to pounce.

22:44 Marion gets the words ‘*a runaway*’.

22:45 Steph hears two sounds like something being hammered in to the ground. It seemed to be quite close in the field to her right. She looks but cannot see anyone/anything.

22:46 Another flash of light is again seen by Richard to his left; but this time it’s OVER the hedge in the next field.

22:48 Bill hears a click coming from the path to the east-northeast. This was not picked up on his video recording.

Andy observes a light flash that appears in the woods opposite him and shoots upwards into the sky (this is later confirmed by Richard who also saw this).

Marion wonders if Richard has taken a photo (he is down in the dip off to her left) as she sees a long thin flash of pale light go from left to right along the ground about 6 metres in front of her. It doesn’t really look like a camera flash though.

22:49 Bill sees a large dark shadow moving across his vision from right to left as he was facing east-northeast. It was approximately three-quarters of the distance to the hedgerow to the north (about 60 metres away). It appeared to move about 3 metres up to the path then he lost it. It was moving very fast and was low to the ground and long and thin.

22:51 Steph hears something walking in her direction through the wood behind her but on the other side of the fence. There are a few steps then a pause; this repeated a few times before stopping and then a general rustling was heard. Steph thinks this is probably a deer and has a look to see if she can see anything, which she can’t. Steph decides not to turn on her torch in case of startling it. As Steph writes this note, the rustling moves off into the woods.

22:54 Bill sees a spot of yellow light in front of the second tree from him to the northeast (about 40 metres away). It was about 1.5 metres off the ground.

Over the last few minutes, Richard had some bad cramping in his back; and at this point another cold shiver in the same spot, on the right-hand side.

22:55 A patch of red light is seen by Bill about 8 metres away on the right-hand side of the path to the northeast. It appeared to be about a metre high and half a metre across. Bill briefly looked away

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and when he looked back he saw it again, briefly, but this time only 5 metres away. It gave him a cold shiver.

Richard noted that there was a howling of dogs throughout the vigil.

22:56 Steph suddenly feels calmer. She then realises that she only heard the movement in the woods when it was very close to her and thinks that this is a bit odd that there was no other noise as the deer (?) moved towards her location.

22:57 Marion gets the words '*Billy no mates*'.

Marion sees a misty white shape rise out of the ground about half-way across the field going left to right towards the trees and thinks 'Wow'. This turned out to be rolling mist which started in the dip where Richard was sitting.

22:58 Bill measures the temperature at between +10 to +11°C in the direction of the path and +7.5 to +9°C on the vegetation beside the path.

At several points over the course of this vigil, a misty object kept passing to Richard's left, up the hill – appearing quite lengthy, and in waves – appeared at the bottom, and sped up as it went upward, before vanishing near the summit. As the object was in a kind of speeding wave, it was impossible to make it out as a specific object. Not long after this, a pulsing light was seen by Richard behind it near the wooded area.

Post-Vigil

At no time during the investigation did Bill's EMF meter beep (level >2mG).

Wheeler End Common

Background

In 1766 a young woman named Anna from Lane End tragically fell ill and died just ten days before she was due to be married. Anna had a love for the colour red and a few years later a ghost, known locally as the Lady in Red, was seen wandering around the country paths in the Park Lane area near the Brickmakers Arms. As the ghost wore red and red was Anna's favourite colour everyone assumed it was Anna's ghost. In the mid nineteenth century her ghost was regularly seen. It is also believed that she haunts Hanover Hill at nearby Bolter End.

General

The night was overcast with thin white cloud with gaps which had partially cleared to leave large gaps by the end of the vigil. There was no wind. The area was a noisy one with a lot of noise coming from the nearby M40 especially to the southeast by south.

Vigil 1: 00:00 to 00:40

For this vigil the team were scattered over the common as shown on the plan below.

Steph positioned herself on a bench which had an engraved plaque which read 'Coronation Bench 1943 ER II'. She is sure this is correct but it makes no sense as the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II was in 1952.

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Andy is seated at the edge of one of the pathways that lead onto the green opposite the road. Opposite him on the other side of the green is a large tree. During this investigation Andy observes a green light go on and off and assumes this is where Marion is seated.

Marion notes that there is one house on the right of where she is sitting with a lot of the lights on and the curtains open. It also has a security light which comes on every time a car goes past.

00:06 Bill measures the temperature at between +8 to +9°C.

00:07 Bill places his sound recorder on the path to the east and about 2 metres away.

Looking at the house on her right with the lights on Marion sees a tall slim man in dark slim-fitting trousers and jacket. The jacket is longer than men wear them today. She can't see any facial features or hair colour as he is partly in shadow. He is standing just inside the front garden of the house near the pavement. He disappears as she looks at him. The security light didn't come on.

00:10 Steph starts her DVR.

00:12 In the last few minutes Steph has seen a glimpse of a dark figure standing on the grass to the south west.

During the rest of the vigil, Steph sees various dark shapes all over the field. Some appear tall while others appear to be small, almost child and animal like. They appear and disappear very quickly.

00:20 A green light is observed by Andy at the tree area. He takes an EMF reading which is zero. Andy also does a temperature reading at +11.4°C.

00:24 Bill measures the temperature at between +8.5 to +9°C.

Andy switches on his DVD camera and begins an EVP experiment.

00:25 Andy observes a green light, again in same place.

00:28 Bill sees a red line on the ground about 2 metres away to the northwest. It was about 15 centimetres long and very narrow and orientated west-southwest to east-northeast.

00:30 Andy's EVP experiment ends.

00:32 Marion packs up as she is feeling unwell due to some medication.

00:35 A black cat appears at the top of the pathway near Andy then runs off.

00:36 Andy has a feeling something is coming up the path and thinks he is seeing a black shadow. Andy goes down the path to investigate this further and finds nothing.

Post-Vigil

At no time during the investigation did Bill's EMF meter beep (level >2mG).

At the end of the vigil, as Andy is packing away, he is visited by the black cat which is now at the other end of the path and is observing him. Andy approaches the cat which runs off into the bushes

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Post-Investigation

Analysis of Bill's datalogger results revealed nothing unusual with just a slow drop down to around +14°C as the datalogger cooled. Bill's battery discharge tester showed a still fully charged battery. Nothing unusual was seen or heard on Bill's video recordings or sound recording apart from at 22:36 (10 minutes and 34 seconds into the recording) when a loud thud occurs that Bill could not explain.

Andy found no paranormal activity recorded on video or in his photographs. Nothing was found on the audio recordings.

Equipment List

Andy
Digital Camera: Panasonic Lumix DMC-FS15
Digital Camcorder: Sony DCR-DVD306E
Digital Voice Recorder: Olympus VN-480PC
Digital Voice Recorder: Sanyo TRC-525M
EMF meter: K-II
Digital Infrared Thermometer: IR-102
Laser Matrix Pen
Notepad & pen, torch and watch

Bill
Digital SLR Camera: Pentax K2000
Digital Camcorder: Sony DCR-HC14E
CCTV Camera: LYD-804C (as infrared source)
Video IR Light: Sony HVL-IRM
EMF Detector: Hutech
Digital Infrared Thermometer: CHY 110
Datalogger: CEM DT-172
Battery Discharge Tester
Notepad & pen, torch and watch

Steph
Digital Camera: Pentax K-m
Digital Voice Recorder: Olympus WS-560M
Gauss Meter
Digital Infrared Thermometer: Tecpel DIT-512
Notepad & pen, torch and watch

Marion
Digital Camera: Samsung L313
Notepad & pen, torch and watch

Richard
Digital Camera: Kodak M1310
Digital Voice Recorder: Olympus WS-210S
Notepad & pen, torch and watch