

Investigation Report



Investigation Site	Letchworth Library
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Background

There have been many alleged rumours of a ghostly presence, and sightings of a spirit had been reported by staff at the library over the years. Books have also been known to allegedly fly off the shelves.

Letchworth's library building was purpose built, with open fields on the site beforehand. Some staff felt that the spirit was that of a past library caretaker and noted that things happened when they were dilatory in locking up.

One very interesting ghost sighting was made by two staff in the 1970s, when the building was closed for the floor to be re-varnished. The staff were sitting on the stairs looking in on the freshly varnished library when they saw a young fair-haired man walking across the library. Thinking that he would ruin the new floor they called out to him, and one ran around to the side door to stop him. There was no one there and no prints in the sticky varnish.

Investigation

19:30 - Arrival, familiarisation and equipment set-up.

Jason set up a motion activated trail camera in the main part of the library, trained on the aisle that leads to the staff area.

20:15 – 21:21 Location 1 – Children's section of the library

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, video cameras including trail camera, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, Tri field meter, touch sensor light, Audio sensor and Rem pod.

Vigil 1 – silent vigil commences 20:17 hours for 10 minutes. Nothing captured on the silent vigil on Jims's audio device.

20:26 – Ben thought he heard what sounded like a rem pod coming from behind him. This was not captured on Jims's audio.

Vigil 2 – EVP session commences at 20:27 hours.

20:31 – Jane notices a temperature drop of 2 degrees C below the base reading. This could be down to temperature changes in the building due to the cold air outside.

20:41 hours, A cat ball left on a small table activates and then Jims motions sensing robot activates indicating movement was picked up by its sensor and the cat ball. The cat ball activated prior to the robot.

It cannot be confirmed that this was paranormal and may have picked up on Ben who was standing nearby at the time moving his arms. However, this could not be repeated when the team try to reconstruct events by stamping on the floor to activate the cat ball and move around in front of the robot again when it was placed back in its original position.

Jim saw in his UV camera two orbs, one of which leaves from where Ben is sitting and the other from the table where the robot was placed, shoot up into the ceiling. Unfortunately, this was captured before any photos could be taken.

Jim was able to identify the orb from Ben's direction was a reflection of light on his camera lens, but could not recreate any form of reflection from the second orb.

Vigil 3 – Tabletop glass moving exercise commences at 20:50 hours.

A marble was placed inside the glass as it was believed that the marble may pick up movement before the glass moved.

Jason, Rachel W and Ben are fist up at the table. They feel the glass twist but nothing significant.

When any significant movement was identified, the glass would tend to move to the word 'Maybe'.

Although there was some movement of the glass, any answers to questions that were answered didn't make sense.

21:21 – End of investigation in first location.

21:25 – 21:44 Location 2 – Study area

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, video camera

Vigil 4 – 21:25 - Glass experiment

Andy recording with a camcorder

Jim, Lorraine and Jane are on the table with the glass to start.

Jim asks if any spirit wants to talk to us. The glass goes to the word 'Unknown' while twisting.

21:27 – Jason asks if the spirit is the man that walked across the library floor when the floor had been revarnished. The glass starts to rotate again and heads towards 'Yes' on the board and Ben captures an orb on his camera.

Jane asks if the spirit was the orb that passed in front of Bens camera. The glass moves again to 'Yes'.

21:28 – Jason asks if the spirit is also the person seen on the stairs, by the people who work at the library. The glass again moves to 'Yes'.

21:29 – Rachel asks if it was the shadow person she saw last time she was at an investigation at the library. Again, the glass makes a very positive move towards 'Yes'. At this point Jim is barely touching the glass and Ben captures another orb but travelling in the opposite direction.

21:33 – Lorraine and Jane hear a bang. Jim wondered if it came from outside, but Jane believed it was from behind Andy. Andy then states he has a headache and Jane feels pressure at the back of her neck.

21:35 – Ben, Jason and Rachel take to the table to carry on the glass exercise.

21:38 – Ben hears a ticking noise.

21:42 – Jim asks if they like the current lay out of the library. The glass moves to 'No'.

Things start to go quiet with the movement of the glass.

21:44 – Vigil ends. Nothing of note captured by Jim on camera or EVP.

Although it seemed that the glass was moving of its own accord the movement was too small and slow to be conclusive.

The team have a break then reconvene back in the study area at

22:16 hours reconvene in the study area for vigil 5.

Olivus exercise.

Same equipment used plus a thermal camera and EDI

- Observe
- Compound
- Apple
- Lay
- Possible

Andy introduces himself

- Prayer
- Earthen
- Metal
- Under

Jason asks "Did you work next door?"

- Paul
- Farmers
- Store
- Wide
- Tree
- AFRICA!!!!
- Down
- Night
- Highway
- Award

K2 metre flickers to yellow. Jim picks up a change in magnetic field up to 1.6 milligauss.

- Aunt
- Property
- Found
- Next
- Country
- Bike
- Outside
- Entire
- Deplete
- Human

Andy asks for another name

- Window
- Story

- Squeeze
- Harvest

22:33 – The team introduce themselves

- Save
- Pray

22:36 – Ben saw something move to his right-hand side by one of the bookshelves. He described it like a mist but couldn't rule out a trick of the light.

- Supper
- Hard
- Eat
- Factors

K2 meter flashes

- Redeem

Andy asks, "Were you connected to the church?"

- Zero

Andy asks, "Were you connected to the library?"

- Should
- Fifteen
- Amount

Ben asks for a book to be levitated.

- Dope
- Light
- Tilt
- WORM!!!!!!
- Total
- Beat
- Records
- Sultry

22:50 - Estes Experiment

(The **Estes Method** (often called the Estes Experiment) is a popular paranormal investigation technique designed to capture more objective "spirit communication" by using sensory deprivation)

Ben, Jane and Rachel in the Children's Library with EVP device and headset.

Ben relayed messages via radio.

Andy, Jason, Jim and Lorraine in Study Area with the Olivus.

O = Olivus read outs

R = EVP messages relayed via radio.

22:53 – Both Jim and Andy see a white mist at the same bookshelf that Ben saw earlier in the evening.

At the same time, Rachel takes the headphones for vigil 6, spirit box. The Olivus is still on.

Rachel – Hello.

Andy thought he heard the transmission from Ben through his earphones.

Olivus – Plane

Olivus – Green

Rachel – Good

22:54 - Rachel on headset

O - seek / climb / taste / sultry / plain / green...

R - we're going to do / actual / not even here

O - glance / disaster / rewind

R - Abigail

O - Tin

R - Didn't want / no, I didn't

O - return / coarse

R - Our mother / hate / stayed up (followed by a big male voice saying something inaudible)

O - Unclear

R - End it

Jason: "Do you want us to stop?"

Andy: "Can you move a book?"

R - You

O - Done

Ben (in the children's library): "We had another REMPOD activation."

O - Son / video

R - He's cute

22:55 – K2 in front of Lorraine activates

Rachel _ We are going to do

K2 activates in front of Jason

Rachel – Actual

Rachel – Not even here

Olivus – Glance

Olivus – Disaster

K2 flashes again in front of Lorraine

Rachel – Abigail

Olivus – Tin

Rachel – Didn't want

Rachel – No I didn't

Olivus – Return

Olivus – Course

Rachel – Our mother

Rachel – Hate

Rachel – Stayed up

Rachel hears a big deep voice with an inaudible response. Olivus then announces "Unclear"

Rachel – Her life

Rachel – End it

Andy asks if the spirit can move a book off a bookshelf

Rachel - You

23:01 – K2 activates in front of Andy.

Olivus – Done

Rachel – We

Rem pod activation where Ben, Rachel and Jane are.

Olivus – Son

Olivus – Video (Jim is recording a video at the time)

Rachel – He's cute

23:05 – Jane on the headphones.

Andy asks can you try and give us a name

Jane – Yes

Olivus - Beans

Olivus – Electric

Jane – It hurts

Olivus – Although

Jane – Crying

Olivus – Kind

Olivus – Manner

Andy gets the name Larry in his head

Jane – I can

Ben states there is a rem pod activation where they are

Olivus – Castle

Olivus – Teacher

Andy asks, "Did you teach history?"

EMF meter activates to yellow in front of Jim

Olivus – File

Jim asks again to give us one of our names. EMF meter activates in front of him.

Olivus – Woods

Jane – Out

Jane – Before we know

Jane – Jim

Jane – Completely different world

Olivus – Hole

Jane – Crap

Jane – Song

Olivus – Page

Jane - Go

Olivus - Change

Jane – Quest

Jane – Blocked in

Jane – Angels

Jane – I'm selling it

Olivus – Heard

Jane – Go to lunch
Jane – Oh my god in an Asian sounding voice
Olivus – Enemy
Olivus – Sent
Jane – Arsenal
Olivus – Think
Jane – Nuts
Jane – Thrilling
Ben reported that the Rempod was activated

Jane - Siobhan
Jane – Without
Jane – Go (In a very deep male voice)
Jane – You what
Jane – Have
Jane – it's basic
Olivus – They
Jane – No, can we just enjoy
Jane – It's me
Jane – Instruction
Jane – six two
Olivus – Quiet
Olivus – Kiss
Jane – I actually
Olivus – Shove
Jane – Wanted

23:25 – EMF meter activates

Olivus – Though
Jane – Give me
Jane – Coming up
Olivus – Enough
Jane – That's right
Jane – Get off
Jane – He's here like
Jane – He looked at
Olivus – Carrier
Jane – Guys yeah
Olivus – Uncle
Jane – In trouble
Jane – Sorry
Olivus – Jim
Olivus – Carol

EMF meter activates

Olivus – Placate
Jane – There is a problem

EMF meter activates

23:32 – Jane starts to feel drained so comes off the headphones. Vigil ends.

23:50 – 00:22 Location 3 – Main Stairs

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, video camera, laser grid and static sensors.

vigil 5 commences with the group at the bottom of the staircase. A laser grid, Mel meter, Rem pods, cat balls, static sensors all set up in various places on the staircase.

23:52 – Rem pod placed at the top of the flight of stairs leading off to the left activates. On the stairs. Jim thought he heard a grunting noise come from the direction of the area of the library that the team set up their base camp.

23:53 – Jason’s mobile phone freezes as he attempts to place it into airplane mode.

23:56 – Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

23:58 – Rachel senses something behind her.

00:01 – Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:03 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:07 – A door is heard to bang. It is captured on Jims audio device and sounded like a heavy door and not a car door banging. However, it is not impossible that this was a door from outside of the library as I did sound quiet distant and not from up the stairs on the first floor.

00:09 – A bang is heard from the group. Jane and Rachel thought this come from upstairs. Jim believed it came from a table placed behind Andy as if something was placed on it. The bang is very clear on Jims audio device that indicates it is closer to the group and more likely to have come from an area on the ground floor rather than the 1st.

00:10 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:11 - Rempod on the landing activated

00:16 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs) x 2

00:17 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs) x 2

00:22 – vigil ends at the bottom of the stairs.

00:25 – 00:40 Location 4 – Conference room 1st floor.

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, video camera, laser grid and static sensors.

All equipment except for audio devices are left in situ on the stairs. Jane has a static camera set up in the conference room.

A silent vigil was conducted here, during which the Rempod on the landing was heard being activated repeatedly.

00 :26 – Vigil 6 EVP session commences

Rem pod top left of stairs activities continuously as the team sit in the conference room that is incredibly cold.

Rachel asks if there is anyone with us or are they at the top of the stairs. Rem pod activates at the top left stairs.

00:29 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:30 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs) continuously for about 30 seconds.

00:35 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:46 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

00:47 – Jane and Ben hear a bang from outside the room in the direction of the stairs. The same rem pod activates again twice. Thus, is not captured on Jims's device.

00:48 - Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs)

Jane goes out to investigate to see if there is anything at the top of the stairs that may be affecting the rem pod. She identifies that both the Rem pod and Andys Mel meter placed nearer to the middle of the stairs are activating at the same time.

00:41 – 00:54 Location 5 – Stairs

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, video camera, laser grid and static sensors.

00:42 – Vigil 7 commences. Rem pod activation (Top left of stairs) and continues to go on and off for a minute before going quiet again with the occasional blip through the vigil.

00:52 – Jane hears a knock and then the rem pod again activates.

00:54 – vigil ends and glass on table experiment commences for one final time back in the study area.

00:55 – 01:07 Location 6 – Study area

Present – Jim, Lorraine, Andy, Ben, Jane, Rachal W, Jason.

Equipment used – Cat balls, Audio recorders, photography cameras including UV, EMF meter, K2 metres, motion sensor, video camera

00 :55 – Vigil 8, glass on table commences

The rem pod on the stairs can still be heard in the background.

Nothing further is captured.

01:07 – end of vigil.

Feedback

Although Jim didn't capture anything on video or still imagery and only the bangs on the audio device, he feels that there is something at Letchworth library that does require further investigation.

Jim, Andy and Ben all saw a white mist appear by a bookshelf close to the study are and main library which they tried to debunk as a trick of the light or cars passing; however, this could not be replicated and remains unexplained.

The knocking from behind Andy captured on Jims's device can also not be explained. The team were all sat close together, no one was moving to cause the knocking and the area from which it came was clearly visible.

Other knocks that could be heard, could be explained by the building settling or thermostat controlling any heating that may be on.

Further, Jim observes that on both occasions that the team were sat at the bottom of the stairs, there were no activations on any devices in view that were placed upon the stairs. Yet when the team were in the conference room, Jane identifies that Andys EMF devices were activating closer to the bottom of the stairs when not being observed.