

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 July 1957	2. LOCATION Sarasota, Florida		12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2400 hrs EST GMT 18/0500Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Housewife		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 to 2 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE W to E to W circled	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A balloon shaped silver object about the size of a 100 ft balloon was sighted at tree top level & disappeared above this same level.		11. COMMENTS U.S. WX service states WX balloons launched fm Tampa, Fla. at 2400 hrs.	

18 July 1957

12:00 PM
2400 EST

19 JUL 57 23 50Z

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HO/AMC COMMAND POST

Witness

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WPH05WPC199 VYC181 VDD127CBA045
PP RJEDWP RJEPHQ RJEPNB
DE RJESKB 3D
P 192030Z
FM COMDR 60TH ACWRON MACDILL AFB FLA
TO RJESKB/COMDR 35TH ADIV DEF DOBBINS AFB GA
RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INT CNTR WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO
RJEPHQ/DIR OF INT HQ USAF WASH DC
INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NY
BT

1 } HEY
2 }
3 }
4 } 4x20
(Signature)

/UNCLASSIFIED/OPS 0395 PD ATTN: EADF CIO PD

1. LOOKED LIKE A GOOD SIZED BALLOON SILVER IN COLOR AND SPINNING

LIKE A TOP

- A. BALLOON SHAPE
- B. ABOUT THE SIZE OF A 100 FOOT BALLOON
- C. SILVER
- D. ONE
- E. NONE
- F. NONE
- G. NONE

*Looked like a balloon
shaped like a balloon
Size of a balloon*

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H. THE LADY HEARD THREE SHOTS AND GOT UP AND WENT TO FRONT OF HOUSE THEN HEARD ONE MORE SHOT FROM BACK OF HOUSE WHERE SHE LOOKED OUT BACK AND SHE SAW OBJECT

*Probably
Came down
balloon
discovered
same time
as eye on
backyard.
(balloons out
backyard)*

I. NONE

2. LOOKED LIKE THE OBJECT CIRCLED AND THEN WENT FROM WEST TO EAST AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED

A. WHAT SOUNDED LIKE SHOTS

B. TREE TOP LEVEL

C. LITTLE ABOVE TREE TOP LEVEL

D. MADE A CIRCLE AND RETURNED APPROXIMATELY 300 YARDS FROM HOUSE



E. WENT OUT OF SIGHT

F. BETWEEN ONE AND TWO MINUTES

3. VISUAL

A. GROUND VISUAL

B. NONE

C. N/A

U.S. Weather Sv. states WX balloons launched from Tampa at this time

4. APPROXIMATELY 1200 O'CLOCK MIDNIGHT 17 JULY OR 0100 18 JULY 57

A. 0300-0600 Z 18 JULY 57

B. NIGHT

5. TWO MILES SOUTH OF SARASOTA CITY LINE

Note Tampa is North of Sarasota

*1 - ME Balloon
and
2 - Eglon
located - area*

C. N/A

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1 - M-100 out
2 - Engine located in area

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6.

A. MRS [REDACTED] SARASOTA FLORIDA HOUSEWIFE

B. N/A

7.

A. GOOD

Winds from North near ground level.

B. 220-10 240-10 210-15 240-10 340-05 040-15 UNKNOWN

C. WX AT MACDILL 0600Z 25 SCATTERED HI THIN OVERCAST VISIBILITY

10 MILES

D. GOOD

E. UNKNOWN

F. SOUTHERN QUADRANT

8. NONE

9. REPORT OVER TWELVE HOURS OLD

10. UNKNOWN

11. OPERATIONS OFFICER, PROJECT MOBY DICK WEATHER BALLOON

12. NONE

BT

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Close (wx balloon)

New U.S. Weather Balloon Schedules show launchings for 0000 Zone Time.

Balloon from Moby Dick Tampa area AFOS