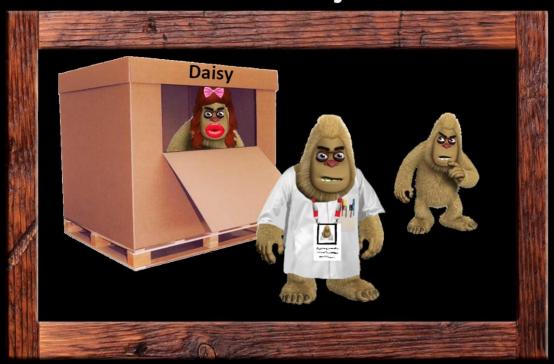
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# Orig-6 and Ed Smith

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# In the Shadows:

### The Orig-6 and Ed Smith: Truth or Myth

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Written for all the MABRC Researchers, Past and Present who this affair has hurt, and that hopefully this book will take the burden of what happened with this. And for the Bridging Team Members who were dragged into this by Ed Smith.

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#### Introduction

Just days into the year 2013, the conclusion to the Daisy in a Box affair was coming to a furious, fiery end. Many in the Bigfoot Community would hurl insults, threats and accusations towards the Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center and the MABRC Executive Director, D.W. "Darkwing" Lee for being complicit in the circumstances surrounding Ed Smith and his Daisy in a Box entanglement.

After years of retrospect, and re-examining of the hundreds of posts, e-mails, text messages and documents that was collected through it all, the conclusions I've reached in this book are confirmed through the evidence presented here along with background knowledge that I have held back from many in the community and even some members of the MABRC.

These conclusions may hurt some, may vindicate some, but above all else, I hope it satisfies those many critics that have attacked the MABRC, myself and others who were caught up in this entire affair.

There have been many people throughout the Bigfoot Community who have demanded answers to questions that they had concerning the Daisy in a Box event. It's always been my opinion, that they didn't deserve answers, they weren't the ones that were trying to get to the bottom of things, find out more about if Ed was being truthful or not. These people were sitting on their butts behind a computer screen making demands that wasn't theirs to make.

They had no dog in the fight so to speak.

Perhaps the best way to describe Ed Smith, is a conman, which is defined as: "a man who cheats or tricks someone by gaining their trust and persuading them to believe something that is not true."

What was Ed Smith's end goal? No one but knows the answer to this, hoaxing or was everything he said true, we will never know, even if Ed came forward today to "set the record" straight, no one will ever put stock into what he says.

The following will show that attempts were made to collaborate his information, his stories, his technical drawings and more, as time progressed, I began demanding more information in the way of photos, videos, documentation and more to back up the claims, and with these requests, some was specifically delivered to me, but I was requested to be held to a non-disclosure agreement on the information that I was given.

The following screen captures and other documentation sent to myself by Ed Smith are being used in this book under the Title 18, sections 106 and 106a, in order to educate the Bigfoot community at large, how Ed Smith was able to become relevant and establish himself in order to bring about the Daisy in a Box event. The screen captures were done to preserve posts, emails and more than eventually were lost to time and the loss of Internet websites and blogs over the course of nearly 10 years to the last event.

Since I was unable to disclose some of the information due to NDA's, I swore since that time, that the MABRC and myself, would never be held to an NDA when it came to Bigfoot research, only that I would not disclose locations or witness names, unless that information was needed to prevent a criminal act or that a criminal act had already been committed. My best advice to all Bigfoot researchers, is to never, ever agree to an NDA, you are mainly asked to submit to these agreements to make sure you can't tell the truth about what you see or know is happening in a situation.

By no means, is this going to satisfy everyone in the community, but it seeks to bring about an end to the many claims, questions and accusations that have been leveled by those in the community who did not understand, comprehend or have all the details before them to make any type of educated decision about the event itself. As I have said in my public statement after the Daisy in a Box event went belly up, I cannot confirm or deny that Ed Smith and his associates did capture a Bigfoot or not. I sought through patience and investigation to Ed's claims, to either debunk or verify his claims, but in the end, he left us all wondering what really was going on and if he was truthful. To be honest, I believe that Ed told many lies, and when confronted with being cornered on them, had to bail from the community.

I also know certain individuals involved in this entire event will surely be butthurt over some of the revelations contained in the screen captures and their participation in this, but they should realize that the screen captures speak for themselves, and the assumptions at the end of this book are just that, assumptions. Those who read this book will draw their own conclusions from what is presented.

There is a lot of crossovers between the chapters, as links to other events are mentioned and sometimes doubled up on, I apologize to the readers in advance, but at the end of the book, I have posted a timeline of events to attempt to go by.

We will go through the various steps that led up to the Daisy in a Box incident in the following chapters, get a cup of coffee and settle back for a rough and rocky ride.

Here is the story......

#### **Bullets go flying**

For over two years (2008-2009), the MABRC had been having multiple expeditions to Bulletmaker's property, and to that extent, members were continuously helping Bullet cut fallen trees up, getting firewood for Bullet, and other menial chores while on his property. At first it wasn't bad, but as time went by, Bullet expected more and more.

Some members were having to bring cakes, cheese and other items to gift to Bullet so that the MABRC could research on his property. Because of this, some members were growing weary of being extorted by Bullet in this manner. Members didn't mind helping do things, but it seemed to continue getting more and more asked of them to do while there, that there was little time to do any research. Bullet even began to demand that Driveroperator put siding on the house for free, which usually runs about 10 to 15 grand at the time. D.O. declined, and everyone fully stood behind him on that.

Bullet had final approval on who could come to his land, which was respected. Darkwing would get a list of names together for every expedition and Bullet would approve who could come.

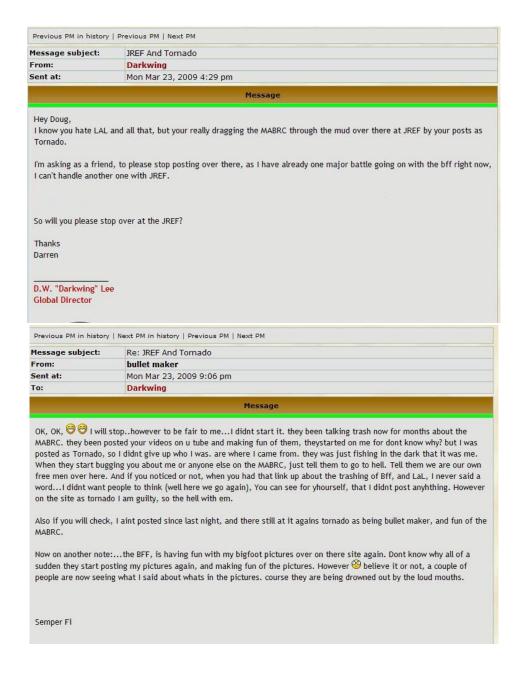
Enter a new MABRC member who will remain anonymous, who whined and pestered everyone he could to get an invite to Bullet's place. Of course, there were other MABRC members who had been in the group a lot longer who were waiting on their time to get to go to Bullet's.

That January, he had finally been allowed to attend an expedition at Bullet's, and now sought every chance he could to go back in to Bullet's despite being told that it was still Driveroperator's research area and needed to respect that.

Now Bullet was very belligerent to anyone that doubted he had Bigfoot on his property, and even had a bitter rivalry going with "Telehnay's G'son" that had

stretched back several years before Bullet joined the MABRC.

Darkwing was continuously having to try and reel him in, as he would go to other forums and create sock puppets, thinking that he wouldn't be caught, but Bullet couldn't never disguise the way he posted, no matter how smart he thought he was.



Once Ed and the Orig-6 began to start taking some of Bullet's thunder away with

the MABRC, he began causing issues with Ed, and because the anonymous MABRC member wanted back onto the property so bad, he became Bullet's henchman to an extent.

Now why is this being brought up, because it fits into what happened next.

Behind the closed doors of the MABRC Members Area on the forum, it was discussed numerous times, that no one in authority of the MABRC still did not know what Ed and the Orig-6 had in hand, whether it was the truth or not. The only way we could find out what was there was to see at the Summit meeting. Because of this, it was made well known to the MABRC Members that no one wanted to rock the boat with Ed, and give him any excuse to back out. Darkwing asked respectfully that everyone give us the chance to find out what Ed actually had. There was no threats or coercion as some of those who left would later claim. The Orig-6 was also offering to show quite a bit of their evidence during the summit to those in attendance. This all was explained to Bulletmaker to not rock the boat.

Bullet was getting impatient, his glory in the MABRC was in dire straits, someone was getting more attention than he was, and because of this, in April 2009, he began getting belligerent with Ed, making demands that Ed make it worth Bullet's while to allow the infrasound experiment to be done on his property. Through private messages, he demanded a percentage of the DVD sales that would have come from Orig-6's research over the years as payment to do the experiment on his property, despite the improvements they were willing to pay for already to Bullet's property.

Edward (Ed) Smith <

@gmail.com>

D.W. Lee; darkwinglh; Randy Harringotn +

Fwd: Howdy Ed

1 You forwarded this message on 4/14/2009 9:50 AM.

Include this full e-mail (particularly the headers). Please note that the reply address to this e-mail has been set to that of bullet maker.

Message sent to you follows

Hev Ed

Just wanted to follow up, alittle on what I said on your site. My phone no. is (918). Thats up here in Chelsea, Okla. Its a local call from Tulsa.

I think that Darren and Randy, are super nice guys, but sometimes, they get so inthused? We have all known each other for a couple of years now, and they forget their manners sometimes, Such as who I am, and the proper introducing. I'm just like you, in as far as the protection of my property and the bigfoots. All you have to do is ready my (bullet makers Den), and every story in there is true, except for my (dark mans mountain), which I wrote for fun. By the way, theres an author named (John Wooley), that writes, sci-fi and horror books, that stopped by to visit, me, I think he wants to write a bigfoot novel, using some of my stories....that would be cool...that is as long as I get a %.

Anyhow, dont know anything about you except from what I read on here, and that dont mean squat, as you know, nothing beats a FTF, or over the phone for a start.

It may be to late to savage the hunt, but I was always willing, except that I wanted you to call me and meet with me, so we could work out the details. Darren and Randy know this, dont know why they didnt tell you, they know how I am. I'm a jeaolous, land owner and I have what everybody would love to have on their property, that is bigfoots. So now you see how and why I am what I am.

Hope ya get this e-mail, didnt want to send you a PM, cause there forces on MABRC, that reads peoples PM'S, dont know why, but they do.

Doug AKA bullet maker

P.S. I was in the Army for 3 years, served in Vietnam.



This was the first real crack in our plans and desire not to rock the boat with Ed, Bullet was getting impatient, and desperate for money and fame, the fame he currently had was fading quickly because of his actions towards the MABRC members themselves.

A few hours later, Bullet posted in the project thread about not being kept in the loop, in which Driveroperator posted the comments below, setting Bullet straight on the fact that not only was he being kept in the loop, he was told that a face-to-face meeting would happen after the Summit meeting, he just had to be patient. Instead, though, he told Driveroperator that he wanted a percentage of the sales of the DVDs that the Orig-6 was supposedly putting together about their research.

[edit] Re: Participation List

User : driveroperator (rharringt @ com)

Subject : Re: Participation List

Thread: Participation List

Forum : MABRC Special Projects « Orig-6/MABRC Cooperative Infrasound Experiment

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Bullet

You are not correct in saying that you were not kept in the loop as to what was being planned on memorial day at your place.

You were told from the beginning that we would try and combine the expedition with the experiment.

It was put on the forum at least a month, and it had been discussed on several threads prior to the big blow up where you said Ed could not come out to your place. Anyone who knows you, knows that it never would have even got that far without your approval.

In your email to Ed you state that nothing beats a face to face talk. You are right, and because of distances, schedules, etc. a face to face with ed was not secured until last month.

then I immediately stopped by your house to fill you in on the meeting. Now why would I do that if that had not already been how our relationship was?

For some reason, you were angry that day, You said WHY did Ed not invite us to his house!? WHY did Ed not bring any of his group to meet us 1? WHY have I been trying to keep you and Ed apart 1? Why hasn't Ed come to meet you 1? Then you talked about percentages of gross for his documentary..... IS this all you think about? how much you can get from something? You are right, sometimes i forget my manners, because i thought you were different than that.

But after out FTF meeting with Ed, it was planned that after this meeting coming up on the 2nd, He would come and look at the bean field,

But none of that was good enough. You wanted it your way. Just like wanted to see the evidence TODAY and not wait until the right

But none of that was good enough. You wanted it your way. Just like wanted to see the evidence TODAY and not wait until the right time.

But thats okay, It is your place, It's your dime. But you can't say that anyone intentionally tried to hurt you or use you in any way!!! You got equal use of others in the relations around here. I like you Bullet, But after the things that were said to me from you in anger can not be erased. I hope everone continues to enjoy your place. There are many people you never met until the first time they stepped foot on your property, like Bushman, squatch finder, okiebear, and many others.....so why did you decide that Ed could not do it that way? It sometimes get's too hard to read what you want, when sometimes it was okay to do it that way, and now it is not okay.

Sometimes the hoops are set too high for me to jump through them.

I certainly wish you and the misses the best out of life, we had a good run while it lasted, battling some of the same, enemies. (telahnay) I am just too confused about what this means for you and me personally at this point.

Success isn't a result of spontaneous combustion!! You must set yourself on fire!!

This message was sent by the Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center Forum.

This is used to enable all moderators and administrators to be made aware of all posts that are made on the forum, so that they don't necessarily have to be there on the forum all the time.

#### This set the stage for what would occur a day later.



On Tuesday morning April 14, 2009, an individual made a post on the participation list for the expedition, it added fuel to the fire, and Ed responded in kind, saying that trying to include other groups was a mistake and that Bullet's knee jerk had destroyed that opportunity.

Bullet become unglued and began berating Ed, talking about gifts being made to him and more.

The argument between Bullet and Ed continued for most of the day, efforts to calm both down, went unrewarded, and in part, another individual unfortunately helped to egg it on.

This day saw Darkwing on the road to attend the Honobia Bigfoot Festival committee meeting, and since Darkwing was on the road, all he could do was instruct the other admin on the forum to put the forum in disable mode.

This would prevent any further posting until Darkwing could get back to deal with it.

Bullet though, thought that he had been given the boot since he couldn't access the forum anymore. This infuriated him, and he called Darkwing's house phone and left a really crappy message, calling Darkwing everything but a human being for kicking him out of the group over Ed. He also demanded Darkwing accept his resignation and to give him the opportunity to address everyone on the forum.

Well, with Bullet being the hot-head he was, there was no way he would be let back on the forum to make any kind of statement.

Once Darkwing returned from Honobia, he disabled Bullet's forum account and re-enabled the forum to all users. Within an hour, came the post from Ed, that based on the actions of a few members in the MABRC, the summit had been canceled, along with the infrasound project. The damage was done, Ed had his excuse for things not moving forward, we would not be able to verify anything because Bullet and another researcher had given him that reason to cancel everything.

The following statement and comments are solely of the ORIG-6 and are not endorsed by the Mid America Bigfoot Research Center (MABRC) or its members:

Pretty sad, that we have to start a statement like this because of the Stupid People in the Bigfoot Community.

I (ED) have made a grievous error in judgment in an attempt to try to further the maturity of the Bigfoot Research Community by thinking that we (all of us) could get along and try to work together on projects, operations and experiments.

This is my mistake and I will take responsibility for it, but, now the rest of you will take a piece of this Sh\*t pie.

I was completely blindsided by the unbelievable underhanded actions that was perpetrated by Bullet Maker today in an email that was sent to me, in and attempt to cut out the MABRC and the managing members of group for his own personnel gain. This is reprehensible for someone who is a member of the MABRC to even contemplate especially after the flak that happen in the past months.

It is evident that there are some serious housekeeping issues dealing with membership to this organization that have us (ORIG-6) concerned about information security and personnel integrity of some of the members of the research center.

With this in mind, we (ORIG-6) have decided to Cancel the Memorial Day Expedition/Experiment and the May meeting in Tulsa Oklahoma. It is not possible for us (ORIG-6) to continue to consider joint operations, until these membership housekeeping issues are dealt with in and appropriate manor.

In the next few months we will contact individuals in the MABRC and ask them if they would like to become involved in our operations, and will be asked to resign from the group, some of you will call this cherry picking or poaching members. Grow up and get with the program, this kind of thing happens in business all Damn the time.

All the research threads that have been placed on the forum should be locked and removed from view; however, this is at the forum's Management discretion.

Some of you are going to consider this high handed even arrogant, we consider it proprietary and in defense of our own interests.

This is the determination of the founders of the ORIG-6.

V. Mason, M. Parsons, K. Barrows, G. Simmons, W. Brown and E. Smith

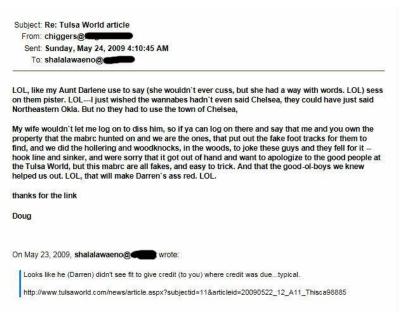
At the end of the statement that Ed made, was a key piece of evidence to the Orig-6 and whether it indeed exist, Ed listed the names of the members of the group and now more information could be gleaned from the Internet on who these other men were.

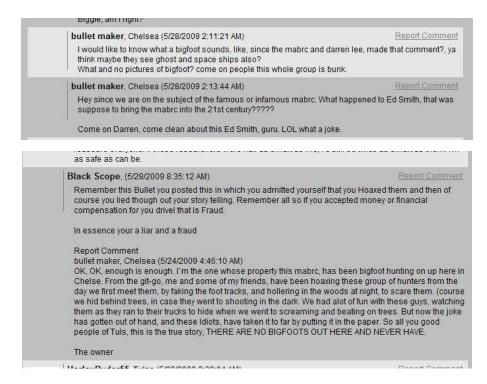
The anonymous MABRC member would be removed the next day from the MABRC forums, because he continued to harass Ed and attack other MABRC members for refusing to side with Bullet. The only MABRC member that did leave was a female friend of the anonymous MABRC member who had joined the MABRC at his urging.

A smear campaign was started by Bulletmaker, trying to convince everyone that he had been hoaxing the MABRC for years at this location. What Bullet failed to realize is that people he was talking to was forwarding the emails to the MABRC to show what he was doing. And Bullet forgot that Driveroperator had access to his email and other forum accounts from over the years where D.O. would have to help Bullet figure stuff out, this gave us a treasure trove of information about what Bullet was doing in the background. Yes, it was dishonorable to do this, but Bullet was hammering away and instead of fighting with him, like he did with "Telehnay's G'son" we chose to take the high road.

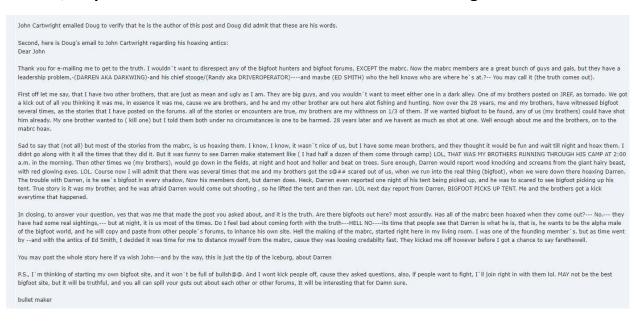
Bullet would claim him and his brothers were the ones that were running around in the dark, throwing rocks and even shaking tents. He did this publicly, but in private messages and emails to people, he would admit otherwise, that he and his brothers were too old and crippled up to do things like that. It was also well-known to those around Bullet, that he would not go out after dark, even to his car unless he absolutely had to.

The following is an example of the posts that Bullet made on a Tulsa World newspaper article that featured the MABRC and the picture that was shown with the story was of a footprint recovered from his place. It was further egged on by "Telehnay's G'son" who emailed Bullet that we didn't give Bullet credit for the footprint.

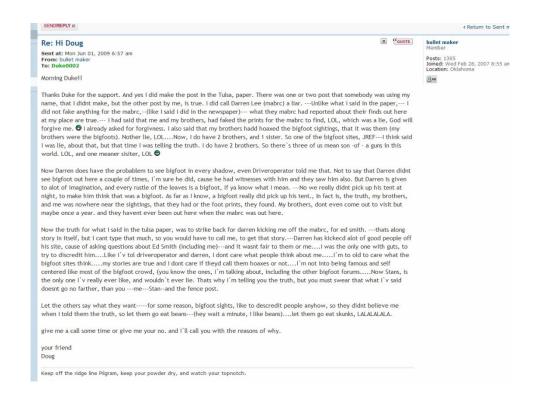




This was hitting the Bigfoot message boards, so John Cartwright e-mailed Bulletmaker for clarification, and this is what Bullet sent back. The problem was, because we were viewing Bullet's e-mails and personal messages on other forums, he provided his own rebuttal to what he was making claims of.



In a personal message, Bullet basically admitted to one of the admins on the North American Bigfoot Forums (long since deactivated) that he lied about all the things he claimed in the e-mail to John Cartwright. And anyone that knew Bullet, knew that Bullet was terrified of the dark around his property, he was terrified of the Bigfoot coming up to his house at night, and had lights everywhere.



Bullet would harass and attack the MABRC, Darkwing and Driveroperator for quite a few more years before he passed away, the trail of e-mails, posts, private messages and more are so lengthy that an entire book could be written about how honery Bullet was.

However, the statement made by Darkwing after the cancellation of the summit meeting because of Bullet should say volumes. The most important thing to note though is the very last line of his statement, in which he states "If Orig-6 does come in and raid members, I would recommend before any one jumps ship, that you demand to see the evidence first, so you don't jump ship and find the boat you jumped into isn't really a boat." Even at this early moment in this saga, Darkwing had cast many doubts about Ed Smith and the Orig-6.

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Subject: Re: An Announcement from the ORIG-6

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#### Darkwing's Statement

This statement will try and address many of the other issues on the forum here too.

#### Orig-6 Statement

As many of the MABRC Members are aware, Ed Smith approached us about 8 months ago and joined the forum, at that time, he proceeded to ask questions and once he became familiar with the MABRC, the Forums and the people involved here, he began opening up to information about a group called Orig-6 and some of the research he claimed they were doing.

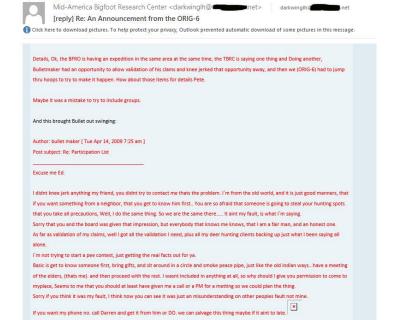
During the Georgia Bigfoot Hoax, Ed and I stayed in contact pretty regularly, and Ed wanted me to appear on the local news with him to talk about the possible body for damage control, and unfortunately, I was in the middle of a massive project at work that I could not break away long enough to do so.

As my schedule got heavier and I was more involved with the many projects that were ongoing, Ed and Driveroperator began an exchange of phone calls, and DO became the point of contact with Ed. The phone calls were a daily exchange between them, with Randy keeping me posted on the information, and I still had phone calls with Ed, when time permitted.

Ed also began posting more about the Orig-6 research on the forum and peaked a lot of members' interest in what the Orig-6 was doing.







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bullet maker

To which Ed replied:

Author: Ed Smith [Tue Apr 14, 2009 7:21 am ]

Post subject: Re: Participation List

Is your property secure Bullet, based on a bankruptcy filing, we are a little leary of putting equipment on land that may not be available at the time of the experiment?

As for not contacting you DO did contact you and tried to explain what our intentions were with the operation, but your over reaction to the situation made any further attempt at trying to rectify the situlation un tenable to us. Don't worry there will not be a Pissing contest here we have many other options here.

Including waiting for the property to go to auction.

Just as a point in fact, Bullet you cause more problems that you solve.

Bullet then replied back:

Author: bullet maker [Tue Apr 14, 2009 8:16 am ]

Post subject: Re: Participation List

Is your property secure Bullet, based on a bankruptcy filing, we are a little leary of putting equipment on land that may not be available at the time of the experiment?

WHO KNOWS ED, AND I DONT BLAME YOU FOR BEING CONCERNED. WE WONT KNOW TILL AFTER EVERYTHING IS DONE TO SEE WHAT HAPPENES WITH THE LAND. HOWEVER IT HAS BEEN REAFFIRMED.

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It was at this time that Bullet e-mailed Ed with an e-mail that is shown here after Ed's response. Author: Ed Smith | Tue Apr 14, 2009 8:23 am 1 Post subject: Re: Participation List Bullet, I forwarded your email to DW and DO, and I for one don't appreciate you underhanded end round tactics that you just tried to pull with the MABRC or us as well. Just because you all cap your word doesn't make them any more correct or creditable. The e-mail Just wanted to follow up, alittle on what I said on your site. My phone no. is (918). Thats up here in Chelsea, Okla. Its a local call from I think that Darren and Randy, are super nice guys, but sometimes, they get so inthused? We have all known each other for a couple of years now, and they forget their manners sometimes, Such as who I am, and the proper introducing. I'm just like you, in as far as the protection of my property and the bigfoots. All you have to do is ready my (bullet makers Den), and every story in there is true, except for my (dark mans mountain), which I wrote for fun. By the way, theres an author named (John Wooley), that writes, sci-fi and horror books, that stopped by to visit, me, I think he wants to write a bigfoot novel, using some of my stories....that would be cool..that is as long as I get a %. and that dont mean squat, as you know, nothing beats a FTF, or over the

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they know how I am. I'm a jeaolous, land owner and I have what everybody would love to have on their property, that is bigfoots. So now you see how and why I am what I am.

Hope ya get this e-mail, didnt want to send you a PM, cause there forces on MABRC, that reads peoples PM'S, dont know why, but they do.

P.S. I was in the Army for 3 years, served in Vietnam.

By the time all this was said and done, I was able to secure the thread and remove access to it from everyone by Ed and Bullet, to continue letting them argue, as both were clearly two bulls in the china shop going at it. Before I did though, someone copied and pasted the contents of the argument onto Immunos's blog. This area was only visible to MABRC Organizational Members and Applicants.

Once it was removed from sight, which wasn't done to hide anything from the membership of the MABRC, it was done, to allow me to figure out what to do here. I've been accused of hiding threads and other information when it gets critical of the MABRC, or a fight breaks out, but what many don't realize is that when I do this, it's because I am at work, or on the road and can't take care of the situation, so sometimes it's best to move a thread, lock it or put it to where no one can view it. Not trying to hide it, just giving myself some time to get home so I can address the situation without having to deal with other issues.

I received a phone call from , and he was riled up about the response he received from Ed, and I agreed that I could not figure out where that came from. Two was asking for information, and I told him that the details would be worked out on the 2nd of May and that I would let everyone know then.

I then received a phone call from Randy, and he told me that Ed had just called him and said the Orig-6 crew was having a meeting tonight and it did not look good, since most of the members seen the argument between Ed and Bullet, and that they were pissed off about the situation.



So now, let's move on to the appearance of the Great White Hype, Ed Smith.

#### **The Great White Hype**

The three phases of Ed Smith and the Orig-6 episodes are the Bulletmaker Era, the documentary era and finally the Quantra/Daisy in a Box era.

When Ed first started membership on the MABRC forums on April 15, 2008, he maintained a low profile, reading threads, not commenting at all for quite a few months.

At this time, many can say, he was casing the joint out on how to go about his plan. This is more than likely the case; he was searching for his sucker to bring into his trap.

Eventually, Ed began posting, at first, no mention of the Orig-6 by name, he just stated that he was part of a group of friends who had been doing research for some years.

The first Darkwing heard of Orig-6 was when Driveroperator called him and said that he had been talking to Ed over the phone, and that Ed had told him about Orig-6. Driveroperator also informed Darkwing that Ed wanted to talk to him on the phone, so a few days later, Darkwing was talking on the phone with Ed.

Ed stated he would like to start talking about his team's research on the forum, but that he couldn't divulge details on locations or other information that would reveal private info.

Darkwing agreed that Ed would be able to post his information and he would help in keeping people from making demands to know the details that would reveal locations.

A few days later, saw the first post Ed made about the Orig-6, in which he began detailing some of the equipment that they supposedly used. From the details that he did post about, several members of the MABRC who dealt with technology reviewed it and understood that the systems actually existed for the equipment to work the way Ed said it would.

For the next few months, Ed would post new information about his group's activities on the MABRC Forums, as well as engage Driveroperator and Darkwing in phone conversations on a near daily business.

It was at this time that Driveroperator also learned that Steve "Squatchdetective" Kulls was also in contact with Ed, furthering the belief that this was on the up and up.

Other groups were soon communicating with Ed, in particular, TEXLA out of Northeast Texas.

Since Driveroperator and Darkwing were getting calls from Ed, they would double check with each other once they got off the phone with Ed to see if the stories matched up. And the stories always did, almost to the exact wording. Ed would also revisit something he had talked about months before, and still not changed any part of the story or information. Because of this, Driveroperator and Darkwing began to have some belief that Ed was credible.

Checking with members of TEXLA and Steve Kulls, the stories and information remained consistent with them too.

There weren't any variations, the stories and information always collaborated what Ed told them separately, no holes could be found that would show that it was a hoax. This would be the protocol for D.O. and D.W. for the rest of the time Ed Smith was in the picture, always calling the other after talking to Ed by phone, so that when Ed called the other one, the information was always compared.

He then makes a post that put him on Doug "Bulletmaker" Bilby's radar, when he makes the following post on July 13, 2008.

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Helio darkwinglh, you have received a new private message to your account on "Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center". You can view your new message by clicking on the following link: <a href="http://www.mid-americabigfoot.com/phpbb3/ucp.php?i=pm&folder=inbox">http://www.mid-americabigfoot.com/phpbb3/index.php</a> if the first link doesn't work

From: bullet maker Subject: We need to have more security on this site. Message: Hey Darren

I dont know if you seen this post or not. so I thought I'd bring something to your attention.: Heres the post:

Ed Smith Post subject: The First StepPosted: Sun Jul 13, 2008 4:25 pm

Joined: Tue Apr 15, 2008 4:09 pm

Posts: 4

Location: South Tulsa county/North Oklulgee county Fellow researchers, while I'm setting here at at the Tulsa Airport waiting on a flight that is delayed yet again, I have some time to think about how to bring our (The Groups) research into this forum with so many diverse research Methods and Ideas in play some will agree with our operations and some won't, so please bare in mind that all of us as researchers are just individual parts of a greater whole. The discovery of evidence in order to prove or gain the attention of the scientific world so that the study and classification of the unknown primate we call Skookum, Sasquatch, Bigfoot, Chokia, and or The Bottom's Booger.

So, I guess, I will start with our group in April 2000 several friends of mine began discussing why there had not been any real scientific study of unknown animals in particular Bigfoot. The four of us have all had sightings and encounters with what we have come to call the Big Fuzzy. So we began to think about methods and equipment that we would need and of course, we needed a research area (I'll cover that one later).

At first, we thought that how cool it would be to do a Documentary or a film on Bigfoot, then someone, well now many have beat us to it. Then it occurred to us that may be we should just document and then decide what the next course of action should be, as a result the past eight years have been dedicated entirely to the concept of "Eyes out, Ears open, Be silent, Remain unseen and Unknown to others.

I feel that it is time for us to change this mode of operations, But not all in our group feel this way, so in fairness and credit to them the disclosure of any research information and data will be screened thru them and all must approve. It is my intention to over time convince them that being more open to the community of researchers who are real researchers is a better course of action.

I will do my best to post once a week and I will reply to any and all email received even if I don't know the answer.

Till next time.

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I personally think this guy is a wanna be, and a thief. by that i Mean, you gave him his own site there to post his story, and what does he do but post this discalmer crap. Then he says that he has to talk to the other four members of their group to see if its ok, to report any of their findings on this (M.A.B.R.C.) forum. He said half didn't want to say anything at ail.

That from Kans, has been bugging me about coming down. I told him in no uncertain termsn, that I wasnt ready for him untill we check him out really close. Now all the guys, thats been coming down have been helping out one way or another and are a compliment to the club. But we know them, but theres getting to be alot of people on here that I don't trust.

My way is if they don't contrubte something, then they better have chain saws. I need alor of firewood for this winter, if they cant do that, and there not a computor genius, then there out.

Doug

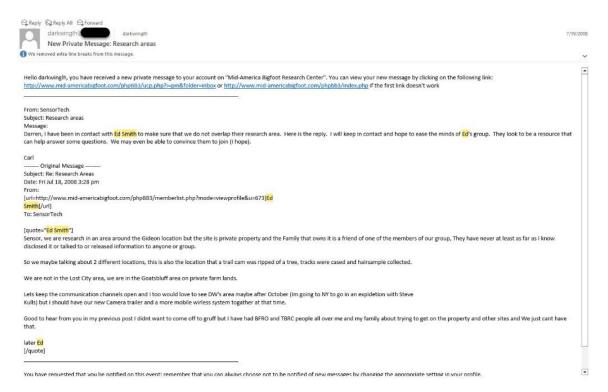
P.S. that picture that you posted on the members forum for us to see and comment on only, will there was a guy on there that posted, he has only one post to his name, so what gives with that.? I thought we was suppose to be elite to get on that site, then here comes a guy with one post to his name?

You have requested that you be notified on this event; remember that you can always choose not to be notified of new messages by changing the appropriate setting in your profile.

Thanks, The MABRC Forum Management

This is the message that Bulletmaker sent to Darkwing, he was paranoid over anyone outshining him with the MABRC, however, and he was already beginning to rage over Ed.

Then Associate Executive Director of the MABRC, Sensortech, was in talks with Ed Smith to ensure that we didn't over reach into any of the Orig-6 areas with research. This was one of our 7 Golden Rules in the MABRC, not to go into someone else's research area without permission, Sensortech wanted to make sure this didn't happen here with MABRC researchers intruding upon Orig-6 areas.



June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008, the Georgia Bigfoot Hoax begins, and Ed starts to try and talk D.W. into appearing on local news channels to talk about the so-called body that had been found. D.W. would politely decline, although a few weeks later, a Tulsa TV station would interview D.W. about the Georgia affair.

Finally on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Whitton and Dyer saw their whole story about the Bigfoot in a freezer fall apart when it was discovered by Steve Kulls that it was indeed a costume filled with animal organs when the ice in the freezer was being thawed out.

With this event behind everyone, things went back to the way they were, with Ed calling Driveroperator on nearly a daily basis, while calling Darkwing once a week or once every two weeks. However, unknown to Ed, Driveroperator would call Darkwing and fill him in on what was said, so that when Ed contacted Darkwing, they could compare notes on what Ed said, to see if there were any discrepancies, which there was few, if any at all that could be said that Ed was changing stories to each person.

In February of 2009, the Horizon Project, a summit meeting and an Infrasound experiment was being thrown out on the table by Ed, to also include a crying baby trailer experiment. Outside of the Horizon Project, Ed wanted the MABRC to participate in the other experiments and meetings. I'll discuss the Horizon Project in the next chapter, and then move on to the rest in the chapter after.

#### The Atoka-Coalgate Barn Incident

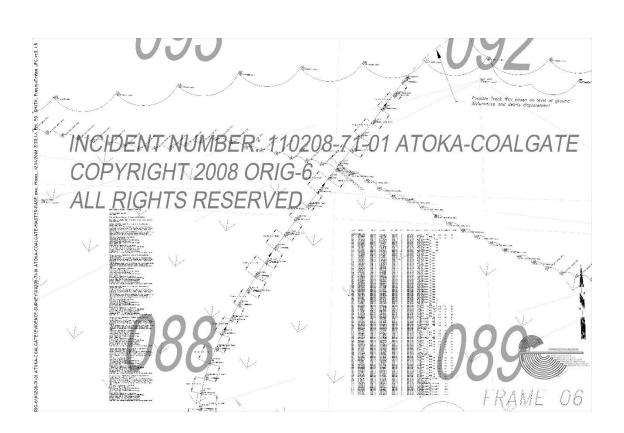
November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Ed Smith begins talking about an Orig-6 research area near Atoka-Coalgate, Oklahoma and the events happing there, where a massive number of tracks are found, along with blood samples where apparently a Bigfoot had cut itself on some sheet metal inside a barn on the location. Ed claimed that the blood samples would be sent off for DNA analysis, and even gave MABRC members (through posts on the forums) a good education about DNA collection and analysis. He would also provide the documentation of the trackways and where the blood samples were found by sending to D.W. Autocad drawings with the GPS coordinates redacted. Ed also agreed to let D.W. post them on the forums for MABRC members to see, eventually letting D.W. move them out to the open forum for others to see publicly.

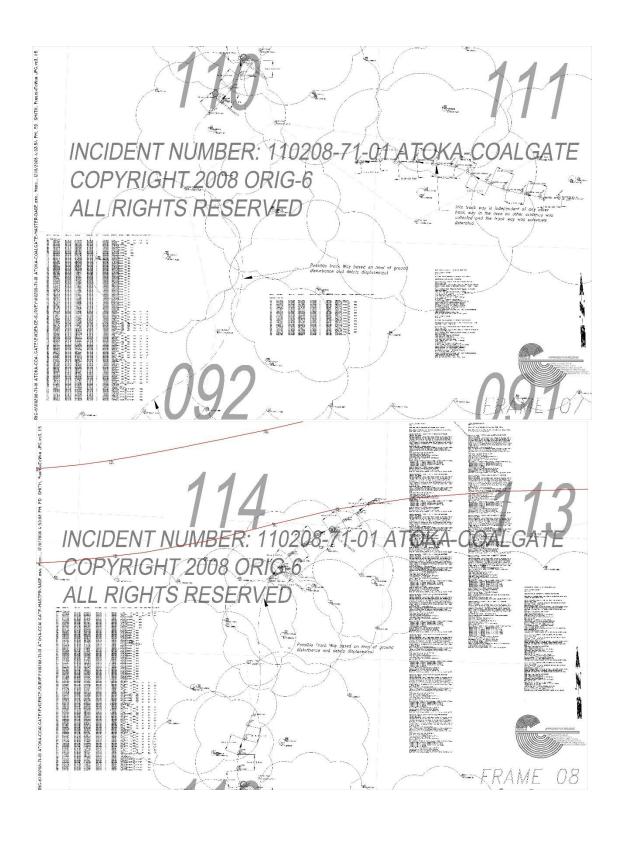
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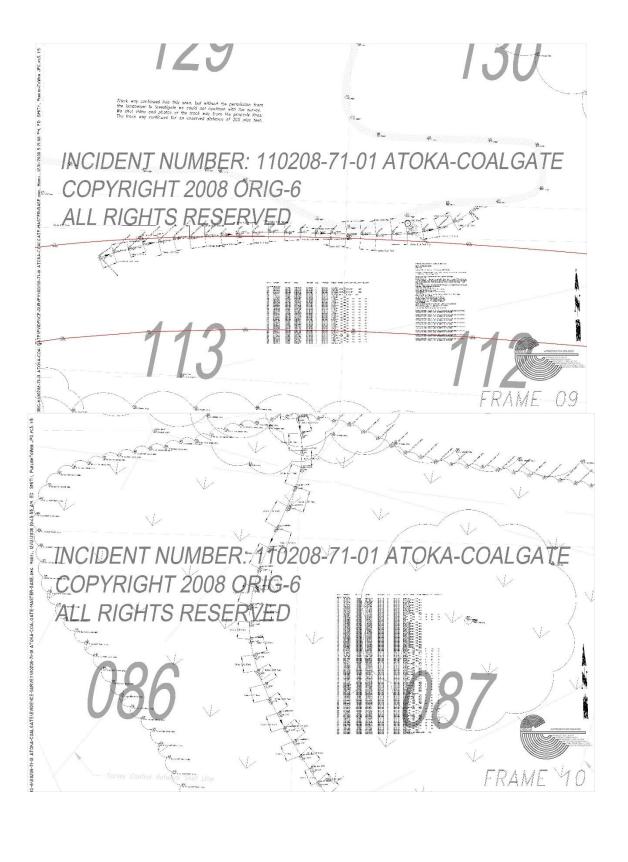
Having been working at a company that used Autocad extensively, Darkwing knew that to create these types of documents was clearly not something that could be done quickly at this level of detail. This seemed to give some credibility to the documents' authenticity of being proof that something did indeed happen.

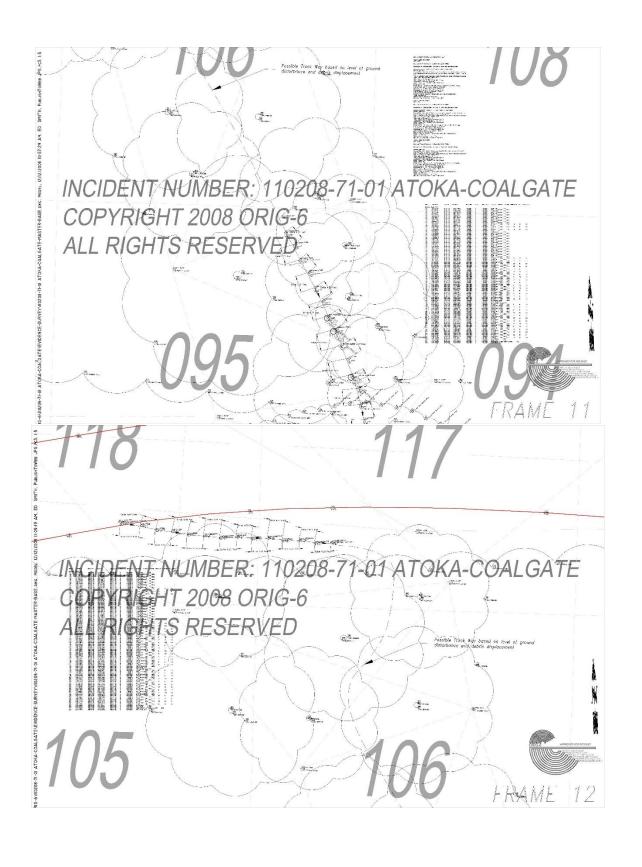
Here are the documents for perusal on the part of the readers. (While there is copyright posted on these documents by the Orig-6, the fact is they were posted online on the MABRC Forums by Ed Smith and subsequently fell under the Fair Use Act that is noted on the forums)

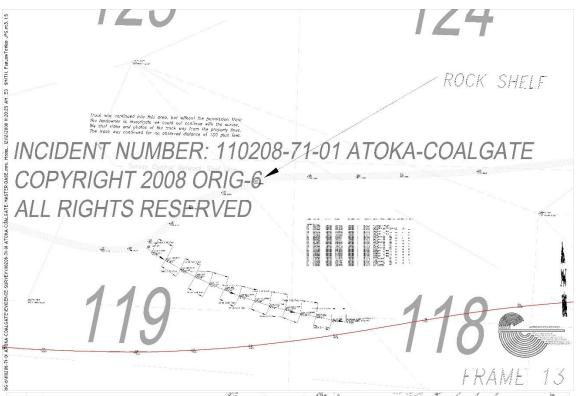
Here are the drawings that was sent, due to the size of the book, they may not appear to be clear, but those drawings will also be posted on <a href="https://www.bigfootfieldguide.com">www.bigfootfieldguide.com</a> for anyone who wants to see the full-sized drawings.



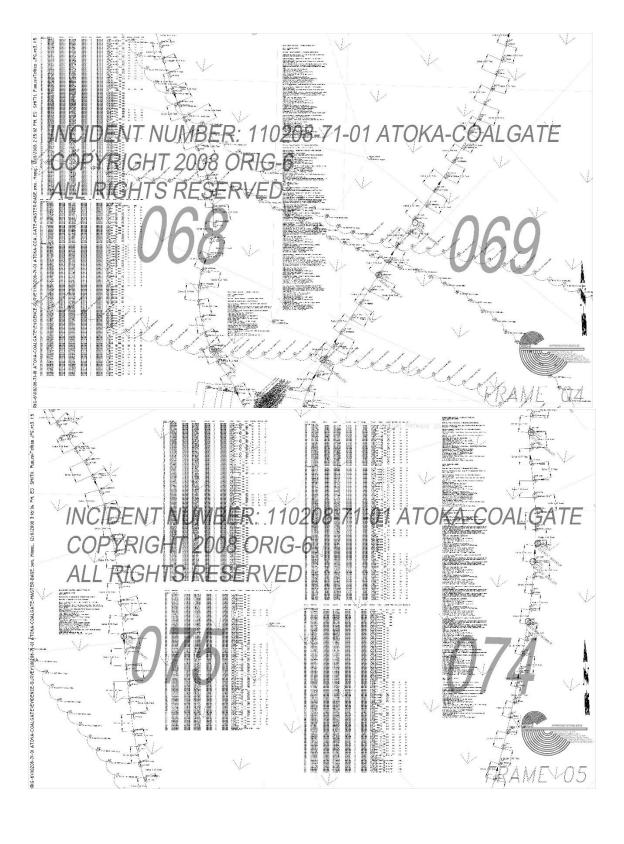












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Ed would announce a few months later that the DNA came back as unknown, which the MABRC was given more in-depth lessons on evidence collection and DNA analysis that was just further added in a neat package with what previously had been posted.

As you look at the information posted in these drawings, it would take months for an individual to put this much data into the documentation, this was something that even die-hard proponents against Ed had to admit. If he was hoaxing all this, he was going to an extreme amount of work to back it all up.

Now as fate would have it, somewhere in the documentation, Ed slipped up (either deliberately or accidentally, we will never know) and left a GPS coordinate viewable, and a MABRC member found the location. This MABRC member then assembled some of his friends and went onsite, and trespassed another group's area without permission. When Ed found out about it, he contacted D.O. about it with a mad-fit. Calling D.W., D.O. explained what happened so Darkwing called the MABRC researcher to get their side of it.

Sure enough, the MABRC researcher admitted to going on site with non-MABRC individuals, and due to this, had to be removed from the MABRC, as it was in the MABRC 7 Golden Rules.

What the MABRC researcher told D.W. about what was seen, matched up to what Ed had described the location, giving some validation to the documentation that Ed had given D.W. to support the story of the incident.



"Incident Number: 110208-71-01

1438hrs CST Status: ONGOING

This was reported to us by our two friends in Idabel Oklahoma we will call Jim and Jake, their real names have been withheld by request.

Mike, Kathy and Todd have allowed us to us there real first names but we will withhold their last name to protect their Identities.

Kathy walked into the barn about 9:30 on 30 October 2008 when she heard what she described as snoring from behind the hay stacks that were piled from the floor to the ceiling rafters. She thought someone had climbed up on the hay and went to sleep. She also noted that she thought something was dead in the barn because of the rotten smell that was very prevalent in the barn.

This was particularly scary because her husband Mike was at work in McAlester and her son Todd who was honorably discharged from the Army about a month ago was in Oklahoma City for the night.

Kathy had yelled at where she thought the snoring was coming from to wake up and get out off their property, after a few times the snoring stopped. The she heard some bumping then thumping but it sounded like it was coming from the other side of the barn, where the hay was stacked against the far wall and the two outside doors to the barn.

She really thought this was strange, because the hay was stacked so close to the wall and doors that no one should be able to fit back there. She yelled again and this time was returned with a low grunting growl, she said she move very quickly to the door of the barn that she had just come in and then when she turned back to the hay stack she heard what she described as a screaming howl and one of the hay bales in the center of the stack moved like you would push a brick out of a wall, in never came out but she left and jumped in the truck and drove back to the house.

Locked the doors to the house and locked her bedroom door and sat and watched the barn from here window which is about 500 feet or so, she never heard or seen anything else that night.

When Mike returned home on Friday morning about 8:30 am on 31 October 2008, he was greeted by his wife (Kathy) who filled him in on what happened. The previous night, and so both went to look around their barn, properly armed by the way.

Our investigation is based on our findings and what the witnesses have revealed to us through our interviews with them:

The investigation team consists of:

From the Idabel area Jim and Jake

From the ORIG-6: Vance, Bill, Mitch and Ed

And aided by the witnesses and landowners: Mike, Kathy and Todd

Mike and Jim had worked together professionally for about nine years and is familiar with Jim's sideline hobby which is Bigfoot/Sasquatch investigations. This how they Jim and Jake became involved.

When Jim and Jake arrived on the scene late Friday afternoon (1 November 2008) and after an early morning (2 November 2008) survey of the area Jim with the permission of the family, called me (ED) about 9:45am. Jim described what was apparent to him and that we might want to come down and investigate what was in the area.

I notified Vance, Bill and Mitch which were currently setting up the Crybaby experiment and we proceeded complete the setup of the experiment and we traveled with the Jump trailer which is our mobile research trailer to the area in the Atoka-Coalgate location.

We arrived late Friday afternoon and setup the trailers mast mounted cameras and after our survey of the area we have decided to setup a research area here in this location, we have been on site here since Saturday late afternoon and because of the vast amount of evidence to be collected, we plan to be here though Wednesday afternoon. Mike and Kathy's son Todd will help man the trailers equipment.

We have a Satellite internet link so we will update the forum as soon as possible with the information that can be released at this time "



And one very important aspect of these documents was the logo of the Orig-6 in the bottom right-hand corner that gave us the last names of the other purported members of the group.



Following up on these names, Darkwing tracked down several possible individuals that could have been involved, and although no contact was made with those folks, it was added to the growing database about the Orig-6 for future reference.

## The Summit Meeting

It was in February 2009 that Ed began talking about co-operating with other groups, even to the point of supplying these other groups with equipment to help research with, and to also replicate the findings of the Orig-6 through experiments of their own.

To facilitate this, talk began of a summit being held in Catoosa, Oklahoma at the Cherokee Casino there. Two groups were invited to attend, the MABRC and TEXLA.

Ed put forth that members of his group would be there, and after discussion, equipment would be transferred to the different groups with the promise of sharing future research findings.

The date set for May 2nd, 2009, and as an aside to this, talk began about doing an Infrasound experiment, in which an infrasound generator would be used to bombard MABRC researchers with in the field at different levels. Ed agreed his group would help in the experiment on Memorial Day Weekend.

The Orig-6 would bring in a trailer with tower monitors to make sure that once the infrasound generator was turned on, that it would be able to monitor any Bigfoot that seem to approach out of curiosity or anger from the infrasound waves being directed about.

Medical personnel would also be there to monitor the health of the MABRC members.

A lot of detail was going into the planning on this, and since the Memorial Day Expedition was going to be at Bulletmaker's, Driveroperator was keeping him informed of the details.

The Orig-6 promised to have a gravel road poured to the Hidden Bean Field, purchase and install a new gate for Bullet, and to also pay to run power to the Hidden Bean field. Really a big bonus for Bullet to get all this done to increase his property value.

Planning began for the Summit meeting and the Infrasound Experiment, with D.W. beginning a thread for MABRC members on the forum to start discussing and planning for the expedition.

Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center <darkwinglh@

.net> darkwinglh@gamaan.net

[reply] Re: MABRC, TexLa and ORIG-6 Cooperative Summit

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Thread : MABRC, TexLa and ORIG-6 Cooperative Summit

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The arrangements for the meeting are now complete, I will be emailing the participates by late Friday or over the weekend. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided and those who will need a room for Friday before will be provided as well.

Keep Squatching and Be Safe

Curiosity is there Achilles heal and We must learn to Seduce them with it.

This message was sent by the Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center Forum.

This is used to enable all moderators and administrators to be made aware of all posts that are made on the forum,

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Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center <darkwinglh@name.het> darkwinglh@name.het> [quote] Re: MABRC, TexLa and ORIG-6 Cooperative Summit

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In early May representatives from these three organizations will meet in Tulsa Oklahoma, to discuss operations and resources support plans for the coming 24 to 36 months.

I would like to disclose that this is not a unification of the organizations in one group or organization, but rather a blending of ideas, methods, communications, operations and resource deployment. In my belief, this will create a synergistic process that will better all our efforts and expedite the sharing of information.

Thank you,

Ed Smith

Co-Founder ORIG-6

Does ORIG-6 have a site of their own? just curious

In March 2009, Ed suddenly, and without conferring with D.O. or D.W. about posting it on the MABRC forums, lashed out at the Alliance for Independent Bigfoot Researchers (AIBR) for naming Paul Vella as their Chairman.



No one knew that the AIBR had even been considered to attend the Summit, as would be noticed in later stages with Ed, things would grow considerably larger with each event. This led to a backlash against the MABRC, even though the group had nothing to do with Ed's assertions that Paul Vella had to resign. The MABRC didn't have a dog in the fight, but because Ed posted this on the MABRC Forums, the group got dragged into it by a lot of people. Some AIBR members did join the MABRC forums to contest what Ed was demanding, and before D.W. even realized it, D.O. would ban them outright for stating their opinions about what Ed demanded.

This would be a recurring theme, D.O. would ban MABRC members and forum members both for even attempting to question or voice opposition to what Ed was saying. During the Daisy in the Box event, D.W. had to step in and tell D.O. that he could not ban anyone else. MABRC Members could only be banned if the Advisory Council voted on it and confirmed the member had to be banned, D.W. could only ban MABRC Members in emergency instances and would then explain the reasons to the Council. Those MABRC members that D.O. had banned, left with a very bad taste in their mouths, and D.W. knew he couldn't bring them back aboard as their hostility in some cases were severe.

As illustrated in the Bulletmaker chapter of this book, events would take a downturn and the Summit would be canceled by Ed, as well as the Memorial Day experiment at Bullet's. He would later state that the Infrasound experiment was conducted by the Orig-6 with another group and that the data would be shared on the forum. But nothing was ever posted despite repeated requests.

The following post shows that Ed was planning on poaching members from the MABRC, but there was a big red flag, the only person he approached was D.O., offering him \$50,000.00 a year to sit in the trailers and running equipment. This began a long series of phone calls between Ed and D.O., which Ed would eventually lure D.O. into being a firm believer in everything Ed claimed his group was doing.



With this in	mind, we (ORIG-6) have decided to Cancel the Memorial Day Expedition/Experiment and the May meeting in Tulsa
Oklahoma. I	t is not possible for us (ORIG-6) to continue to consider joint operations, until these membership housekeeping issues are
dealt with in	and appropriate manor.
In the next f	ew months we will contact individuals in the MABRC and ask them if they would like to become involved in our operations, and
will be asked	to resign from the group, some of you will call this cherry picking or poaching members. Grow up and get with the program,
this kind of t	hing happens in business all Damn the time.
All the resea	rch threads that have been placed on the forum should be locked and removed from view; however, this is at the forum's
Managemer	it discretion.
Some of you	are going to consider this high handed even arrogant, we consider it proprietary and in defense of our own interests.
This is the de	etermination of the founders of the ORIG-6.
V. Mason, N	I. Parsons, K. Barrows, G. Simmons, W. Brown and E. <mark>Smith</mark>
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Curiosity is the	ere Achilles heal and We must learn to Seduce them with it.
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	so that they don't necessarily have to be there on the forum all the time.

Driveroperator would make his own announcement about Ed Smith and the Orig-6 right after the announcement that the summit had been canceled.



During the time frame of the Horizon Project discussion and after the cancellation of the Summit meeting, Ed and the Orig-6 was going to take the blood samples up to the University of Oklahoma for further analysis (According to Ed.) and invited both D.O. and D.W. to come up as long as they both agreed to a Non-Disclosure Agreement, which both did. If anything, they wanted to see the other members of the Orig-6 and confirm they did indeed exist. However, according to Ed, the personnel at O.U. refused to sign NDAs, so the meeting was canceled. On the other hand, Ed agreed to meet with D.O. and D.W. in Muskogee, Oklahoma to eat lunch and have a face-to-face meeting.

D.O. and D.W. drove up to Muskogee and waited for Ed to appear, putting together a game plan for how the meeting would need to go so that some confirmation could be done. When Ed arrived, he arrived in a newer model Ford dually truck and after introductions were done, the three went in to find a table.

D.O. managed to get a picture of himself with Ed, but being a non-techie, D.O. eventually lost the photo when he switched phones. As Ed went to go fill up his plate with food, he left his binder there on the table in from of D.O. and D.W., and Driveroperator slyly reached over and opened the binder to see what information could be gleaned from the contents inside.

There were several checks, written in the amounts of tens of thousands of dollars from Ed to sources we didn't have time to look at. Also, several contracts for land purchases and leases, with the most interesting one being for 40 acres in the Kiamichi Mountains near Honobia, which fit in with the Horizon Project, as this is where Ed said they were wanting to do the project at.

Various purchase orders for Cisco equipment were also observed, before the binder had to be closed before Ed returned. While Ed ate, he informed D.O. and D.W. about the plans for a summit meeting that he was trying to put together in Catoosa in May, as well as talking about doing an infrasound experiment with the MABRC on the annual Memorial Day Weekend expedition that was going to be held at Bullet's that year.

Wrapping up the meeting, D.O. and D.W. waited until Ed had left the parking lot before comparing notes and thoughts about what was seen and spoke. The two men were satisfied by what had been seen in the binder, even though both agreed that it could have all been false documents and that Ed had deliberately left it on the table with us, hoping they would look into it. To this day, no one but Ed knows if they were real documents or faked.

## The Horizon Project

Now the Atoka-Coalgate Incident seemed to give Ed more incentive on coming forward with details about the Orig-6 and some of their ongoing research, especially with the first mention of the Horizon Project in February of 2009. This was a series of sensor packages and recording trailers placed on several miles of ridgeline to collect data on Bigfoot in the area. The amount of equipment that was claimed to be used for this was mind-staggering, and yet, when the tech gurus of the MABRC looked at the information being sent, it all added up as a workable scenario.

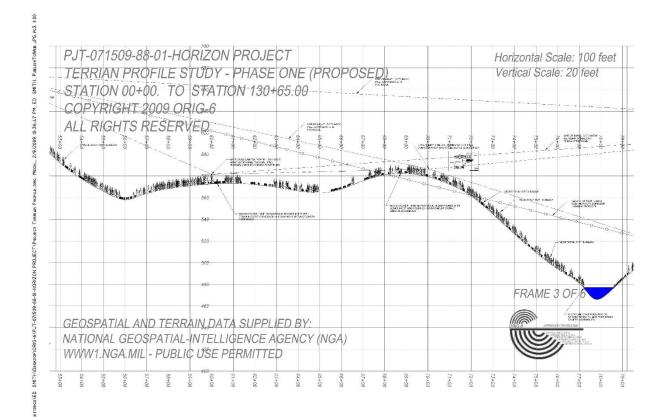
Again, documentation was posted on the forums by Ed, and the drawings were gone through by the tech gurus of the MABRC, who confirmed it was doable if the money was there to purchase the equipment.

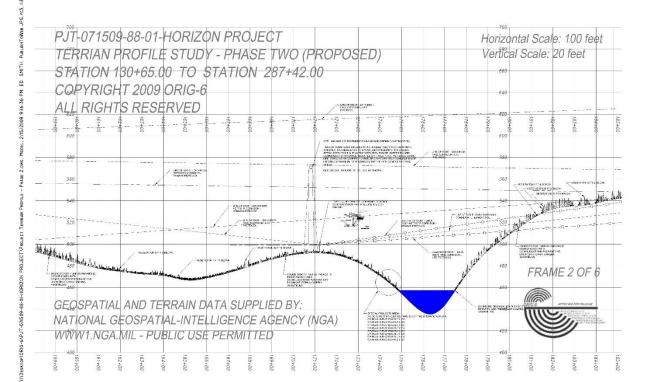
This arrived in Darkwing's e-mail from Ed, it was after discussion of the proposed Orig-6 project in which they were looking for land in the Kiamichi Mountains in order to establish the equipment.

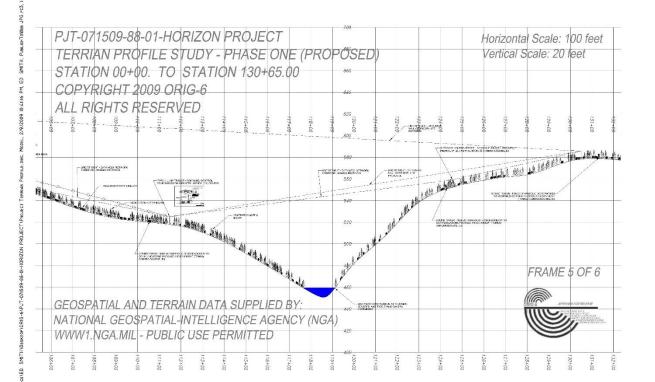


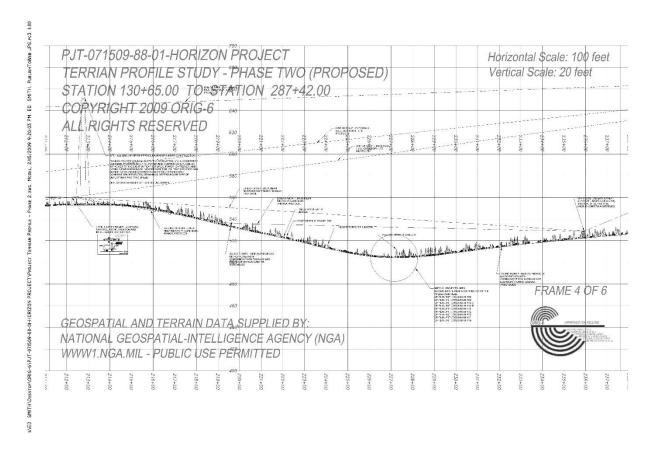
Upon opening the documents, Darkwing could see the same intensity used on this Autocad document that was committed to the Atoka-Coalgate Incident. The level of detail certainly made quite a few IT folks impressed with the systems being discussed and used to make this a functioning project. You can see the documents here for yourself, but once again, even though Ed put copyright on them, once they were posted to the MABRC Forums, they were subject to Fair Use.

# Here are the pictures, however, due to their size, they too will be posted on www.bigfootfieldguide.com so the full size can be viewed.

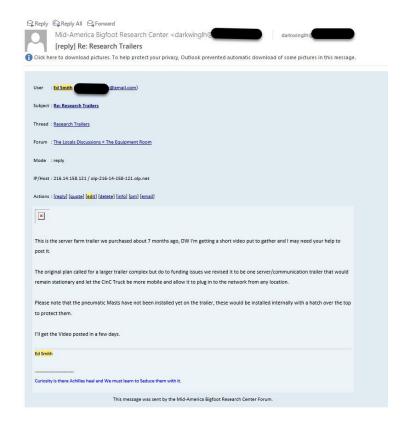








Ed would also post images of some of the equipment that was being purchased for the project, including information about the towers, one such post was the type of trailer and trucks they would use to do the project with.

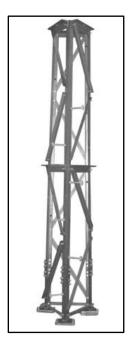


The picture of the truck Ed claimed was being purchased for the project. He posted it as a small photo, and despite requests from Darkwing, he would never provide a larger photo, or any interior shots.



From discussion with Ed, he laid out how they used metal towers in the woods, as the Bigfoot didn't seem to be distancing themselves from those type towers compared to wooden towers, he even provided links to a company that he claimed were making the towers that Orig-6 was buying and using. Attempts to contact the company to inquire about customers in Oklahoma to verify what Ed was saying led to a dead end as the company would not provide that

information, which is believable as most companies don't want to expose their customer base to other companies.



On each tower, Ed explained, they would mount a high-end thermal camera on a tilt-pan remote control unit, along with various audio microphones all tied back to a remote trailer via Wi-Fi and cellular connections so that it all recorded back to the trailer where a server would then upload it to their secure servers based in the back room of the Bristow Telephone Exchange office where they had rented space at. Around the base of the tower, seismic sensor packages were placed to record movement around the immediate vicinity.

The goal was to use all three as corroborating evidence to support each other, in that if the sensors detected an animal walking through the area (Ed said that the sensors could be set to alarm at any weight, and in their research, it was supposedly set for 300 pounds) that the thermal could be rotated to that area and record the thermal footage of the animal walking through, and if any vocalizations, wood knocks, or other related noises occurred, the microphones would record it. All this data was time-stamped and then could corroborate the other evidence. This was something that Ed continuously discussed with D.W. at length, was the need to corroborate the evidence with multiple data.

It was further revealed by Ed, that due to the cost of each tower and the equipment mounted on it, that Orig-6 had apparently purchased insurance in

case a tower was damaged or stolen. The number of details that Ed put into each conversation and post was staggering, and everything was poured over for every small detail.

More information began pouring in from Ed, as he sent a large number of documents that was the policies and procedures his group apparently had created from DNA collection, to collection of a dead body, and it was examined for accuracy and eventually was the basis for many of the MABRC's protocols for researching as it was all solid information.

After the Summit discussed in the next chapter was canceled, a meeting between Driveroperator, Darkwing and Ed Smith occurred in Muskogee, Oklahoma at a Golden Corral where dinner was eaten.

A photo of the three was taken with Driveroperator's cell phone camera, unfortunately, DO wasn't too literate with his phone and erased the photo, one key piece of evidence to convince the world that Ed Smith was indeed a person.

The key point though, is that when Ed got up to go get his plate of food, he left his binder there on the table, in which Driveroperator looked inside it to see several checks with large sums on them, along with several land contracts in the Kiamichi Mountains. When Ed sat back down and began discussing technology, Darkwing being an IT person himself, easily understood what Ed was saying and the layout of what was being proposed for the Horizon Project.

## **Daisy in the Box Part 1**

It had been fairly quiet from Ed for the later part of 2012 on the forums, although he continued calling DO on nearly a daily basis, while calls to Darkwing were down to one perhaps a month. Nothing had been said about Orig-6 selling their research, equipment and data to another organization openly on the forum, and was only admitted to DO over the phone, in which DO asked Ed if there was anything not covered in the NDAs, he had signed with the new group that he could show DO. This was just a few days before the events of December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 transpired.

While Darkwing was at work, Ed made this post on the MABRC Forums without any forewarning to either DW or DO, it wasn't realized the post even had been posted until DO's phone started blowing up with text messages and phone calls from people who had seen it. Immediately calling DW, DO gave as much information as he had, so DW went and checked his email to see this notification, that sent him straight to the post via the links.

## Mid-America Bigfoot Research Center

http://www.mid-americabigfoot.com/forums.

### Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

Author: Ed Smith [ Thu Dec 27, 2012 12:51 pm ]
Post subject: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

The post that started it all

Understand that I am no longer a member of the Orig-6 in its new form. All of my access to the databases and communication nexus were removed. I

Today, I received a text from the "Flash List" routing server. The text is as follows:

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

December 27, 2012 10:09 AM

From: CINC - 6

As of 0906 27 DEC 2012, "Daisy" is in the box.

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I believe this message is factually correct because when we referred BF while under observation we used the term "target".the designation was to change to "daisy" once captured.

This was never published or posted.

"CINC" is capture control and "6" is the chief or lead. No one else would have known this.

Plus the routing and IP information matches.

I believe that Quantra has a live specimen.

If this is correct then I congratulate them on a job well done.



While Driveroperator called Ed to confirm what was posted, Darkwing realized that Robert Lindsay and Bigfoot Evidence Blog had already seen the post, and it was already taking a life of its own as it spread from Bigfoot blogs to all the Bigfoot forums that were in operation at the time.

The amount of hits that began hitting the server was nearly 10.000 a minute, and the MABRC forums were beginning to creak and moan from the number of people trying to access the forums.

Ed basically reinforced what he posted to DO over the phone, and stated that he would post more information as soon as it was available.

At 4:55 am on Friday December 28<sup>th</sup>, posted another comment on the thread about the so-called capture. It just further created a furor among the blogs and other forums, as people were screaming insults, threats and various other comments about the incident.

Author: Ed Smith [ Fri Dec 28, 2012 4:55 am ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

It appears that an unprecedented event is in motion, having been on the inside of this operation and now observing from the outside is a defiant change.

So here is what I know: "Daisy" has been moved to a examination area about 12 miles from the capture site at 3:17 this morning after being properly sedated. The capture site and examination area are on private property leased and or owned in order to conduct research and operations of this type. This was confirmed by a source in the Quantra Group.

Here is what I don't know: The weight height hair color gender or location of capture. Or the health of the specimen. Nor the actions leading up to the capture of the specimen.

Here is what I'm speculating: the examination team is continuing to assemble, examination should take 72 hours.

If they go by the plan then a decision about release or storage in a repository will be made with in 48 hours after the examination is completed.

If release is chosen then a press release should be forth coming after the examination is competed, if the specimen is sent to the repository then a press and information release would happen with in 30 to 90 days thats by the operations plan.

Reasons for moving the specimen to a repository include health issues, prolonged examination and on the darker side private investment group interests.

For clarity, the Original six was never part of the MABRC and the Original six ceased operations completely. Quantra was formed with elements of the O-6, new members, ownership and management. I'm posting this due to inaccurate reporting by some Internet news shows.

I would like to thank DW for posting information as I have been able to obtain it. I was out of town and unable to post my self.

There is an old Army saying "once the first round is fired all plans go out the window" I commend the Quantra Group for maintaining operational focus, I guess my advise on hiring ex-military operators was heeded.

In my opinion, there should be a press release within 48 hours if we get it I would be surprised, it seems they are playing this to the ink as it were.

I will be in touch.

Author: Ed Smith [ Fri Dec 28, 2012 5:30 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

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The orig-6 no longer exists. Those who are referencing this as an Origional Six capture are incorrect.

The Quantra Group, is its own entity. I have ask them on multiple occasions to make inroads here they have resisted. No explanation given.

I received a text as I have stated previously. I posted the information because I felt the need to make the community/forum members aware of an important event, let's remember it was sent in error to me. It's Quantra's responsibility to secure there communications not mine.

I want to make this very clear. The MABRC ownership, management, organizational members, forum members and affiliates are NOT responsible for my posts or the data that has been presented here over the years. I AM.

If you have a problem with my posts, data, operational protocols fine speak your mind if I don't respond then think as you wish. Don't look at my information pass it by, but leave it here. Taking it to other Blogs or Forums to bash or trash it, well chances are you didn't have much of an argument.

Now, I don't know what Quantra future moves are I can speculate they are running of my plan set, but I'm taking an educated guess.

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I'll be in touch.

By now, the Forums are so overburdened by people trying to get on the forums, that the webserver, which was only designed to handle 10,000 connections, starts displaying error messages to visitors. DW, takes the forums offline, to make some changes to access to the forums, basically turning off guest access to all but one thread, this allows the forums server to handle the volume of hits coming in that was nearly 100,000 a minute. People across the Bigfoot

community begin screaming that it's unfair for the MABRC to require people to join the forums as a forum member to view more pertinent information about the Daisy incident, but it allows the forum server to remain up and able to display pages.

Demands are made from DW to make a statement if it's real or not, has a Bigfoot been captured. DW has discussions not only with DO, but other members of the MABRC and even friends outside of the MABRC on how to respond. All agree that what DW plans on saying is the only thing he can say. "We can neither confirm or deny that a Bigfoot has been captured."

This sends many into a frenzy, how dare DW say this, but truthfully, this was the most honest statement that could be made. While Ed Smith had used the MABRC forums as a release point for his statements, he also made sure to include that he was not a member of the MABRC, and was making the comments himself. The MABRC was not connected to these events outside of Ed, a MABRC Forum Member (just because someone joined the forum, did not automatically make them a MABRC Organizational Member) using the forum to post the news about this incident.

Many could not wrap their minds around the fact that the MABRC forums, allowed the public to join the message board, but this did not give automatic membership into the MABRC organization, a membership app had to be filled out on the website and several interviews were done to potential MABRC organizational applicants, before they could actually join the MABRC organization. Ed was steadfast in his comments that he was a former member of the Original 6 and not a member of the MABRC Organization.

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DW called an online meeting with the MABRC Organizational members that Friday night (December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012) in which the entire incident so far was known and what the MABRC would do going forward.

The memory of the failed Summit meeting, the infrasound experiment and other moments when Ed was given an excuse to bail out of the meetings and such with the MABRC, DW and DO, asked the MABRC Organizational members to not give Ed Smith an excuse to cancel anything that gets scheduled. At this meeting with the MABRC members, DW expressed that asking questions were okay, just do not get aggressive with Ed, so that he would not pull the plug. Unfortunately, DO would start banning forum members for just asking questions, before starting to do the same thing to MABRC Organizational members as well, before DW was able to force him to stop. Unfortunately, DW couldn't bring the people back into either the forums or even the MABRC Organization afterwards, because people were already pissed off for being banned in the first place.

DW had to explain to DO that MABRC Organizational Members could only be removed from the group through a vote of the MABRC Advisory Council for breaking the MABRC 7 Golden Rules, and only for emergency situations would DW remove a member of the MABRC Organization if it needed to be done immediately and a vote of the Advisory Council would take too long to do. If

DW had to remove someone from the group, he would still go and explain to the Advisory Council why it had to be done immediately.

It didn't help any with Ed Smith actually making comments against those people from other forums and blogs, infuriating those same people and creating more conflict that was further blamed on DW. Calling Ed, DW told him that further posts of the nature below would not be allowed and that would be deleted.

Author: Ed Smith [ Sat Dec 29, 2012 3:12 am ]
Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

Here is a laugh a BFF poster Cisco who thinks he is smarter than everyone says the story of daisy is based off of this book

http://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/146366054 ... 1 1&sr=8-1

Well I have some news for this Half Wit the book was published in 2011 we have been posting about the capture effort for a lot longer than 2011.

Sorry Cisco your wrong again. Sadly your not smarter than anyone.

That's a BFFer for Yal 

Author: Ed Smith [ Sat Dec 29, 2012 3:59 am ]
Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

Information on this event will come from the Quantra Group. Should I receive further information or updates, I'll do everyone a favor and keep it to myself.

Later,

The first mention that Ed makes related to the possibility of a conference call between the Quantra Group and some independent researchers, scientists and bloggers along with the MABRC occurs Sunday December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 2:34 am.

Author:	Ed Smith [ Sun Dec 30, 2012 2:34 am ]
Post subject:	Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.
It's good to see	e members of the MABRC and Forum that don't post often, or very little posting now,it's a good thing.
Perhaps a com	mentary thread DW, just thinking out loud.
Now for some	news, I have cleared this with Mr. Alexander one of the principles in Quantra Group, at least there is some movement.
We, Mr Alexan	der and myself have been negotiating all day and up until about an hour ago.
	g a conference call or meeting be between the principles of Quantra, MABRC, Meldrum (if Available), Hovey (if Available), myself and some we can come to agreement on this.
There will be a	press release in the future on Quantra's timetable it's their call and all of us are going to have to suck it up and accept it.
	es with the specimen. Particular to the health condition. I do not know specifics or details of the condition of the specimen but I think d be respectful of the attention to this matter.
I will keep you	ı posted.
	er: The MABRC ownership, management, organizational members, forum members and affiliates are NOT responsible for the y posts or the data that has been presented here over the years.
IAM	

By the afternoon of December 30<sup>th</sup>, too many posts are being made on multiple blogs and forums across the Internet based on what is being posted in the thread about the Daisy incident, and to try to cut down on the amount of incorrect information being posted by nefarious individuals to muddy up the waters, DW makes a post for MABRC Organizational and Forum members to not repost the information, to allow two sources of information.

Author: Darkwing [ Sun Dec 30, 2012 2:17 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

I am asking now of all MABRC Organizational Members and Forum members to not link to this thread anywhere outside of these forums. We have established an informational thread for the public/guests to read in the Locals Discussion. We do this because we don't want 100 different articles posted everywhere taking the wrong information and confusing the issue. The only OFFICIAL release of information that will be done is through that thread and the Squatch Unlimited Blog. Anyone that continues to violate this request and confuse the situation further will find themselves with a time out on the forum.

A forum member by the callsign Roblester posted an honest statement about asking for more information and why it wasn't being released. Ed come across at him sideways, and in his enthusiasm to not let anything get sidetracked with Ed, DO responded towards Roblester before banning him from the MABRC forums. Another poster on the thread, Sixesup, a MABRC Organizational Member posted his disbelief in what Ed was claiming, DO immediately banned him from the forums, even though he was a MABRC Organizational Member and it would have to be put to a vote for removal. This would later be used as claims by many that DW was banning and deleting threads on the forums related to Ed Smith, when in reality, DO was doing 90% of the banning before DW was able to put a stop to him doing it.

Author: roblester [ Mon Dec 31, 2012 7:45 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

Ed,

You have posted that " Daisy " has been moved, etc.....

So, you are saying you know this.

I can not understand why nothing is being released at all?......This would be a find of the century, and would be very big news. This is not some " we want to make sure " thing, this is a huge claim. As stated above some where, the protocol a attorney would take. There is no sane reason in the world that a find like this would not have first been reported to the nearest University, ( and Jeff Meldrum )Wildlife Department, and the News.

I am sure I can see the future on this. " Daisy " was released, any pictures and video will not be public, a documentary will be filmed.

Please tell me I am wrong, but I am sure I am not. It is sad that these things happen, and seem to be happening more. It really takes away any little credibility any Bigfoot researcher has / had. I noticed on Jeff Meldrums facebook (I have had discussions with him through emails on the blimp project) that he is not even replying to this at all. I know Jeff has issues with people using his name, and mis-quoting him, and to me, him staying out of it is a good sign of where this is going.

As said, I hope I am wrong, but after seeing reports that you would have a documentary out over a year ago, with fantastic footage, and nothing coming, and other claims, this is as bad a s the freezer incident. I also can not find anything on the research teams you have mentioned, other then on here, and that is odd.

Please do not take my " skeptical " views on this as a attack, it is not. I just tend to look for facts, and verify claims, and nothing on this can be verified, not even close. Actually, I have found more to the opposite on this.

Prove me wrong so I can eat crow.....

If I am right, I hope this site does something about this type of false claims on their site, giving them a huge black eye.( if this is the case )

# DW actually considered this an honest statement to be asked and allowed it to stay on the thread.

Author: Ed Smith [ Mon Dec 31, 2012 8:58 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

So, you have put money, labor and effort into the capture effort?

If yes, then you already have answers.

If no, then you feel your entitled to answers.

Why are you entitled to answers when you have done nothing but post on an Internet forum.

You Sir are not entitled to answers. I'm reporting your post. The admins will have to deal with you. I have a serious disdain for those who do Not put forth the effort or the resources and think they're entitled to information.

Good day to you.

Ed on the other hand had to respond with an asshole type response, and then called DO and started complaining which eventually led to the banning of Roblester from the forums.

Author: roblester [ Mon Dec 31, 2012 9:42 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

No Ed, as I said.... " Please do not take my " skeptical " views on this as a attack, it is not. "

I never said I was entitled to answers. Although, I think everyone is.

Sorry I offended you, I was having a adult conversation I thought.

I am in hopes I would not get banned for asking a few questions. If so, I can handle it.

Just in case, I would like to point out something that is a proven Psychological fact.....And by no means am I accusing anyone of lying. Just strange how

People who lie tend to get defensive or they take a defensive posture with others when confronted about the lie, even if they are not actually being accused of lying. When you second-guess a liar they are quick to react in anger in order to put YOU on the defensive and deflect attention from the lie at hand. Even if you ask an innocent question like, "where did it happen again?" or, "can you tell that story over again to Bob?" a liar may get defensive, angry or irritated. In very rare cases, a liar may act like they don't even know what you are talking about. Inconsistency and a defensive posture combined almost always signal a liar.

## DO's response was over reactive, and it resulted in just more headaches over the entire affair.

Author: Driveroperator [ Mon Dec 31, 2012 9:56 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

#### Roblester,

you reacted.

I am going to assume you are new to this game. There are things in your post that is not conducive to getting what you want.

We all here have witnessed this too many times to count. Some new person who hasn't read the back story to this, comes and expects every answer to fit his or her needs and wants.

It gets old explaining over and over again why a direction has been chosen, and the path won't be deviated from.

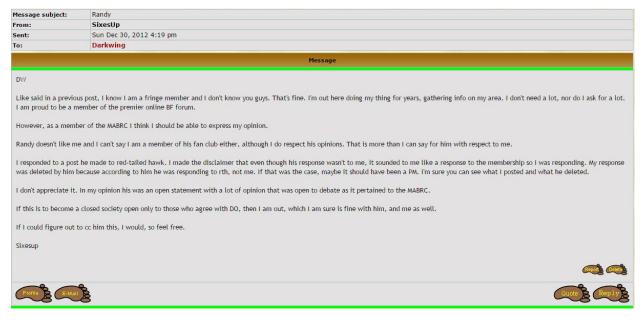
Kind of like your post out on the front page chat...saying maybe we should just call Ed to get this clarified...are you for real? Do you not think we are in contact with Ed? Do you think out of 900 members here nobody thought....HEY...why don't we just call Ed.?

These are the things that get old. the same discussion over and over and over. You can read the threads to get what information is ready to be dispersed, You on the front page saying you were looking up IP numbers... are you serious? Are you here to try and get someone's personal address in the name of investigation? If Ed wants his address, or his partners address available for all to see, then it would be posted. I am sure you are an intelligent person, and see my point.

Then the incident with Sixesup, which was handled poorly by Driveroperator, resulted in DO blatantly removing a MABRC Organizational Member despite the MABRC rules that clearly state, only in emergencies can a member be removed by the Executive Director, otherwise a majority vote of the Advisory Council is required to remove an Organizational Member.

Here are the contents of the emails that went back and forth between the two along with some screen captures of the posts between them. It would get to the point that Darkwing had to remove Driveroperator from being able to ban anyone, as he was going overboard on it, and 99% of the people banned during

# this time was done by Driveroperator, who was fully invested into believing Ed Smith and the Daisy in the Box.





Darkwing	Message subject: Re: sixesup Folder: Sent messages
	Driveroperator wrote:
	Darren, You can read the PM's between me and sixes up. I tried to reason with him. He never backed down from his arrogance, and he lied two or three times in a response to me, that was the last straw. so I banned him.
	Okay Randy, but he was an organizational member, we have a different protocol for that type of banning, but I stand behind you, he was being way to arrogant about the issues.
	Sent: Mon Dec 31, 2012 10:00 am
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Message subject:	recent messages from Sixes up today
From:	Driveroperator
Sent:	Tue Jan 15, 2013 11:33 pm
To:	Darkwing

EMAIL 1 What's up big dog? Do you feel like an idiot yet?

You should.

You are a fat, bald gullible frakking. I TOLD YOU SO!

I am so glad I am not affiliated with a gullible bunch of frakking ASS midwestern hillbillies.

The only person there I respect is stooge75. He has a head on his shoulders. You and DW are gullible idiots. No one will ever take your sh\*tting bunch of sycophants (look it up) seriously. Now you are really "outsde the box".

I am so glad no BF has been captured and you are a fat, jackass to believe it was possible.

Have a nice life you siding selling LOSER.

jEFF

#### MY RESPONSE

Your emails continue to show your true colors. From the beginning until now. Same Infantile blowhard. You were banned for being an ass. I am glad to know my evaluation of your mental deficiencies was spot on.I am sure Stooge will be jumping with joy knowing an inbred like you 'respects' him. hahaha EMAIL2

"I just want everyone to know, I am heartbroken over this.

\*LOMFL\* PLEASE keep it coming. I have tears in my eyes.

EMAIL3

"yeah..that would be the same 'Money' maker, He lightened my wallet of 400 bucks in 2005"

OMG Im gonna puke I'm laughing so hard, You gave that idiot money? You are one gullible dumbass.

You could have just sat in your truck for free. LOL like that happened.

Please keep it coming.

EMAIL 4

( pictures of daisies in a box)

Please keep it coming. EMAIL4 ( pictures of daisies in a box) Email 5 Big nouth pussy boy isnt spewing hsi loud mouth know it all emails now? WAAAHHH Go git u some mama's titty and stop crying. Honestly, I love making fun of you idiots because you are gullible attenion whores and I told you so. I said on the forum Ed S was a donkey and a hoax but you sucked his dick for 5 years. However, if you do or ever did care about real BF research you have done it a grave disservice. You believed what you were told without any evidence and you look like fools. Everytime a skeptic sees this kind of sh't they go, "Vow, these Bigfoot idiots are a bunch of childish dipshits with their hoaxes and horseshit." It makes it difficult for REAL researchers, like me, who DON'T CARE about the attention, to actually say in public what we do. I don;t want to be lumped in wi the likes of you idiots. I don't care about the attention. If I ever get a pic of a real BF there are about 5 people in my life who will ever see it. And you attention whores aren't two of them. You are a disgrace to the term "research". Thank you so much for banning me from your attention whore forum. Please consider me banned from your attention whore organization as well. DW you are a gullible buffoon who has dug himself a huge hole that you deserve to never be able to climb out of. Of course, your sycophants will always be there for you if you need a handjob. Randy you are a stupid, fat , blow-hard, big-mouthed, know-nothing bully. You are doomed to a life of uneducated bullying anyone who disagrees with you. In the end you have done Bigfoot research a huge disservice. I only hope REAL bigfoot researchers can overcome you and your ilk and your attention whoreness. Jeff MY RESPONSE You are still nobody Jeffry. Are you bored? Now that the Bronco's are out of the hunt? Your momma's basement gettin chilly? LOL Yeah...we were duped...and you 'were' and still 'are' a grade 'a' Douche. Albeit, a Momma's boy. Someday when you grow up and maybe find a wife, you won't Troll the forum you were excised from. Report Delete

DW was interviewed by several bloggers about the Daisy in the Box affair, and relying on information given to him by Ed Smith, that information was filtered out through those initial interviews. Interviews given by Ed Smith was encouraged by Darkwing, as the more people who asked questions in the interviews, the greater probability that he would slip up and cracks could be found in his story.

The Bigfoot Chicks interview with Darkwing is shown below:

Bigfoot Chicks interview with Darren Lee, the founder of MABRC.

BFC/SU: Who is Ed Smith?

D. Lee: He is a Bigfoot field researcher and a member of our MABRC Forums.

BFC/SU: What is "Original 6"?

D. Lee: the Original 6 was a group that formed about 12 years ago, of which, Ed Smith was a part. They had a 10 year mission to collect as much evidence as possible to prove the existence of Bigfoot. After the 10 years, Mr. Smith became burnt out and decided to leave the group. The group then renamed itself "Quantra".

BFC/SU: How is "Quantra" funded?

D. Lee: Quantra is funded by it's members. It is a group made up of doctors, lawyers, engineers, tech heads, etc. They are men of substantial means and able to fund a serious operation out of pocket.

BFC/SU: What kind of equipment does Quantra use?

D. Lee: Every kind of high tech camera and gadget available. It's all top of the line equipment and they have everything from ground sensors and wireless access points set up in trailers to IR cameras like what the border patrol uses, that have the ability to see 3 to 6 miles out.

BFC/SU: Is Quantra a ProKill organization?

D. Lee: While they have never made an official statement, all the evidence point to "NO".

BFC/SU: Are they working with any sort of law enforcement or government agency on this?

D. Lee: No

BFC/SU: How was the creature captured?

D. Lee: A special trap, a box, with a pressure plate in the center. The plate was set to go off at 350 pounds. It closed up around the creature when it stepped on the plate.

BFC/SU: What happens now? Who will study the creature?

D. Lee: Quantra has privately contracted scientist to come and study the creature.

BFC/SU: Is Dr. Ketchum one of the scientists?

The next picture shows near the lower middle of the page where an interview with Bill Brock is given by DW.

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D. Lee: Highly doubtful as Quantra is not a fan of Dr. Ketchum.

BFC/SU: Where was the creature captured?

D. Lee: That information has not been released.

BFC/SU: Where is Quantra's main base of operation?

D. Lee: They have these elaborate set ups in several places throughout the

country.

BFC/SU: Where can we learn more about this exciting event?

D. Lee: All this information is being published on the MABRC forums.

[edit] We want to clarify the above post regarding the method of capture.

Darren knew the method they were using because it has been discussed for years on the MABRC forums by Ed Smith. Much of those posts are still on the MABRC forums for anyone who wants to see for themselves. Darren's point was NOT to imply that they had used this to capture a bigfoot, but only that this was the method Ed had indicated they were employing in previous discussions within the MABRC forums.

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Second interview with Darren conducted by Bill Brock.

Bill Brock -Would it be okay if I asked you a few things. Thanks you Bill

DW Lee- U can ask Bill, just don't know if I can answer

Bill Brock- Do you really feel they trapped Bigfoot?

DW Lee - At this time, I am still in the air on it, I am working to find out more information, I'm supposed to get more info this morning and may be given permission to post it.

Bill Brock- Awesome. Sounds like your in the same boat as all of us.. What is your role with the group?

DW Lee - I have no part of the Quantra group, I am the Executive Director of the MABRC, two distinct groups, in the past the Orig-6, the group that evolved into the Quantra group used the forums to disseminate their information, that was all the role we had, was to be a conduit of information for them.

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Bill Brock -Got ya. Is it ok if I post that. It will answer a lot of question for people..

DW Lee- Most of the information is on the MABRC forums if people will just take the time to go read it. U can post it.

Bill Brock - How can I contact the O-6

DW Lee - at this time, their is no contact information for the O-6, they have ceased to exist and have evolved into the QUantra group.

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Why are the MABRC forums not loading?

Darren of The Mid America Bigfoot Research Center has consistently operated the MABRC forums for the last 5 years. The forums are operated from a small server that Darren manages. The simple answer is the server was not capable of handling the amount of traffic that this news generated. The server was brought to its knees by sheer visitors. I confirmed this myself by speaking to Darren and he is working on a solution.

What is QUantra and ORIG-6?

QUantra is a group that consists of professional individuals with the means to carry out in-depth and technology laden research. ORIG-6 is the previous name of the group named QUantra. Ed Smith was a member of the ORIG-6 but is not a member of QUantra. More information about ORIG-6 is available on the MABRC forums, once they are back online.

Stay tuned to Squatch Unlimited for the latest updates directly from MABRC.

Posting on December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in the afternoon, Ed put on the MABRC forums the "Protocol for the live capture of a bigfoot specimen: AKA, "Monkey want a cookie???" and this was supposedly the protocols being used by Original 6 and then possibly by Quantra when it purportedly captured a Bigfoot.

## **HOW Might QUantra Have Captured a Bigfoot?**

Posted by Turtle on December 28, 2012 at 7:00pm A View Blog

Below is a post from the MABRC forums back in January 2011 where Ed Smith discusses the methods his group, ORIG-6, was employing to try and capture a Bigfoot. It's typical Ed Smith and ORIG-6, very detailed and well planned, you have to also imagined it would have been well executed.

To clarify some of the comments that have been made about a potential capture method, no one knows exactly HOW this creature may have been captured except for involved parties.

When Darren referenced how the creature was captured, he was considering this post only. It has not been verified that this was the method used.

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Posted by Ed Smith Sun Jan 02, 2011 2:01 pm

Protocol for the Live Capture of a Bigfoot Specimen: AKA, "Monkey want a Cookie!?!?!?"

Preparation

Type of capture:

There are basically two (2) types of live capture.

- 1- Capture of a live specimen for short duration, meaning less than 24 hours
- 2- Capture of a live specimen for long duration, meaning 24 hours to several weeks

#### Equipment:

- 1- Of course there is the old reliable Net.
- 2- A modified sea type shipping container, with spring loaded doors, grate covered vent ports with forced fan vents.
- 3- Constructed barrier fence pen with spring loaded gates and electric containment hot shot wire.
- 4- Tranquilizer gun.
- 5- Target Area Standoff Observation (T.A.S.O.) system
- 6- Any additional support equipment needed to complete that operation

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Site director plus 3 team members, Observation director plus 7 team members, Security director plus 5 team members, Examination director plus 4 team members and the Containment director plus 8 team members. This constitutes the Capture Unit.

The Run Thru:

A minimum of 8 to 10 table top procedures drills with department heads.

A minimum of 3 to 5 field practice runs for the teams of the capture unit is required.

And at least 2 action call drills

Target selection:

Reconnaissance of the Area:

This is perhaps the most important part of the operation; you must consider is the site in its entirety. And all its component areas as well, 1) the Containment site 2) the C3I Site 3) Logistical support site 4) Examination site 5) Security and personnel recon order site.

The target area capture site will have been under surveillance and reconnaissance for a number weeks, if not months prior to the capture team activation. This is means that you would know more or less about the suitability of a target well in advance of the capture team's arrival at the containment site. There are exceptions to the containment site being a in a separate location, such as the large enclosed capture/containment area.

#### Type of Target:

- 1- Elderly individual or crippled targets should be non members of a group or family pod and they should be male, it should be noted that the emotional and mental shock of such a capture event on this class of target could be of such magnitude that death could result. These are the judgment calls that researchers will have to make and justify the further execution of the operation.
- 2- Rouge individual most probably a male, this distinction should only be assigned to a target that has been observed for a minimum of 30 to 60 days prior to capture. Department heads should be in complete agreement before proceeding with this target capture, it must be confirmed that there is no attachment to a family group or pod this is very important and should not be discounted at any level of the decision making process.
- 3- Target of opportunity this is assigned to a targeted individual that has been observed for duration of time and has suffered an injury from a fall, accident with a vehicle, a fight with another individual or an encounter with another form of wildlife (Bear or Large Wild Bore)

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The support posts would be constructed of box type steel with beam and post type structural steel gage specifications, each would have a 2 foot by 2 foot and .75 inch steel plate will be used, with a bolted slip sleeve welded to the base and bolts are used to secure the post to the sleeve/base plate. 12 inch steel spikes will be placed through holes on each corner of the base plate and driven into the soil.

Outriggers will be attached to the posts inside the containment and outside the containment.

The inside outriggers will be placed 2 feet away from the post, the horizontal arm will be bolted to the post just above the sleeve and then diagonal arm will be bolted at 4 feet above the base plate to the post itself.

The outside outriggers will be placed 5 feet away from the post, the horizontal arm will be bolted to the post, just above the inside outriggers horizontal arm bolt point. The outside outriggers diagonal arm will be bolted at the 8 feet above the base plate to the post itself.

The outriggers horizontal and diagonal arms will be constructed of beam and post type structural steel gage specifications and both arm hinges will be welded to the outrigger base plate.

The outriggers base plate will be 12 inches by 12 inches .75 inch steel plate will be used and two 18 inch steel spikes will be placed thought holes in the base plate located on the right and left side at the mid point of the plate.

Steel extensions of about 18" to 24" to allow the steel electrical fence wire to be held away from the main fence structure, with appropriate insulators should be installed every 2 feet starting at ground level and to the very top of the fence structure this should be installed inside and outside the containment area.

All appropriate electrical connivance equipment should be installed with consideration given to the use of generators and public powers sources. Circuit configuration should be sector configured to prevent any one area of the fence from being completely de-energized by a short circuit or overloaded breaker.

The placement of power and logistical support resources should be placed a minimum of 600 feet from the confinement area and should be sound baffled to prevent any disturbance to the specimen or any unwanted attention from surrounding human populations. Deception techniques should be utilized when deflecting human interest in the activity of the site, for example, oil and gas field survey operation.

The size of the area should be determined by the following, duration of confinement, size of the target, number of number and length of examinations to be preformed on specimen. The location of the containment area will also dictate the size of the structure itself

All openings to the containment area should be covered with spring loaded doors, latch locks and electronic latch release mechanisms to allow for manual or automatic trap gate activation. One door outside the containment and on door inside the containment should be used in these areas in order to form a small sally port so that there is a backup to the other.

Gates should be constructed of beam and post type structural gage specification with interlaced rebar grid welded in to place. Banding springs should be used to operate the snap motion of the gates and all appropriate latches should be manufactured of steel as the material of choice

2) Capture by modified sea type shipping container, size of the container should be 9 feet x 40 feet, however, the 20 foot variety would also do for this type of operation and may make maneuvering in a obstacle filled wooded area easier to place.

Vent openings, no larger that 12 inches by 12 inches, should be cut in to the top of the container and placed no closer than 10 feet to each other, additional vents should be cut into the sides of the container on each side about 2 feet from the bottom of the container, these vents should be 8 inches by 18 inches and no closer than 12 feet from each other, all vents should be covered by 3/8" rebar to form a grate over the openings placed outside the container.

The top vents will have electrical vent motor for the forcing of fresh air and or knock out gas supplied from electronic controlled valves,

The trap gates will be built out of box steel beam type structural gage specification and be mounded to allow it to drop vertically with a mechanized latch to allow for electronic activation. The original container doors should be utilized for travel and transport of a containerized specimen.

3) Tranquilizer dart approach while we believe that this as a primary method of live capture is not practical it is a good secondary approach that is to say that the darting of a trapped specimen would be a reasonable method.

There are several types of tranquilizer that could be used.

#### Wikipedia Definition

Xylazine is a drug that is used for sedation, anesthesia, muscle relaxation, and analgesia in animals such as horses, cattle and other large mammals {non-human}. An analogue of clonidine, it is an agonist at the α2 class of adrenergic receptor. As with other α2 agonists, adverse effects include bradycardia, conduction disturbances, and myocardial depression. Yohimbine (Yobine) can be used to reverse xylazine effects. In veterinary anesthesia, xylazine is often used in combination with ketamine. No formal information in humans available. Xylazine is sold by Bayer under the brand name Rompun.

We don't believe that a hunter, tracker and or researcher could get in a position that would put them in a situation that would get them within range and location that one could get an effective shot with a tranquilizer gun. Having said that. We do believe that this method would be appropriate for the control of the specimen while under contained observation or transport to and from a capture and containment site.

4) Net approach to the capture of a live specimen, the device should be made from heavy nylon strapping 2 inch in width and each crossing point of each strap should be double stitched in all four direction of the crossing point. The straps should be arranged in a grid of about 8 inches square and since your specimen is probably in the range of 600 pounds and 8 to 9 feet in height, you will need to have a net in the 40 feet by 40 feet range. This device can be placed on the ground with a cantilever weight system or dropped from above with corners and sides weighted for restraint. The other option for this device would be utilized with a tranquilizing gun. We feel that while there is a practical application for this device, this still might be too traumatic for the specimen and the team.

Temptation device(s) for the above mention methods of capture can be far and wide in there diversity of type and style. We will list a few here but there are many others that even we are unaware of, so here it goes:

- 1- Temptation camps these should be unmanned, with multiple temptation methods deployed inside and around the campsites, with the use of mannequins, and boom box recordings.
- 2- Temptation devices could be Mylar ribbons, CD disks, helium filled balloons the long type that clowns use, Disco mirror ball with the use of visible light and IR light shinning on the ball. (Yeah, I know it sounds funny, but trust US itâ €™s a Scream)
- 3- Temptation foods popcorn in a white pillow case hung in tree, fruit, nuts, bovine tongue, and chicken (live), goat (live), hog (live),
- 4- Temptation sounds wind chimes, boom box recordings, wildlife sound recordings IE: wounded rabbit, and the like, glass pop or beer bottles hung in tree but close enough to clank together in the wind, We believe that call blasting is a non productive use of resources, since we have know idea what is being communicated then it very well could be counter productive to the capture effort.
- 5- Temptation odors Bacon grease, Calf liver soaked in liquid smoke at leased 24 hours, Butter Milk, Hentz Ketchup, Human breast milk, Gauze soaked in apple butter allowed to dry and hung in trees, coarsely ground cabbage with garlic cloves placed in a fishnet bag and hung in trees, Sandalwood oil sprayed in the area, Hog and chicken manure, Emu feathers in a pillow case
- 6- Temptation lights white lights flashlight type, Christmas lights multi colored that twinkle, Chemlite sticks hung in the trees (Red and Amber/orange)

The pendulum of fate swings and the chimes of wonderment sound. It is time for us to put all our well laid plans in to motion. We must be prepared for all things good, bad and unknown. The observations, reconnaissance, operations, logistical, temptation, capture, confinement, should with a little bit of luck and the cashing in on good karma. Then success should be yours and ours.

#### The Guest of Honor

Containment of your specimen will depend upon the duration of your operations specifications.

Care of the specimen, is of the up most concern of your operation, there should be a Veterinarian on your staff list and in your planning that could make any medical care decisions. You must maintain specimen contamination procedures to the letter, this to protect the specimen from contracting any human based viruses or bacteria, as we have been informed by a large animal veterinarian that gorillas, monkeys and primates can catch human type infections. He also informed us that while unlikely there is a possibility that humans could contract infections from them as well, It has been documented that some types of hemorrhagic fevers can be past from primates to humans. The capture devices should be decontaminated as much as possible with an insecticide sprayer that has one and a half cups of bleach to two gallons of water, understanding that this may disrupt you temptation efforts you must prevent contamination of your specimen and your teams.

The Feeding of your specimen, should be conducted with out human contact, all foods should be handled with latex gloves and washed to remove any other substances from there surfaces. Fresh water should be provided via a pump with a sanitized water supply. If it is a short duration confinement then no feeding may be required, however water should be provided to prevent dehydration due to the fact that if tranquilizing agents are used, most of them will cause dehydration to be accelerated as part of the process.

Dealing with the waste products of your specimen urine and fecal matter should be collected from the confinement area. If your duration of confinement more that several hours your going to have to make provisions for dealing with this aspect of the operation that is non disturbing to the specimen.

Security of your specimen, your site, your team, your examination area is a major consideration of your operation, both in planning and operation.

Containment integrity of your specimen, you must insure that the containment of the specimen is sound in planning and operation through out its execution. Constant monitoring of the area and its boundaries via video, audio, seismic and by human inspection should be adequate for the safe and efficient operation of containment of your specimen.

Sedation and tranquilization of your specimen, during movement to and from the containment area weather it be for examination, medical or the eventual release back into the wild. Your specimen must be sedated and or tranquilized for this part of your effort, it is not open to compromise and you and your team should strictly adhere to this policy without exception.

Unintended release of your specimen, while we can plan for all things, it is with all do respect for your specimen that should your containment effort fail and your tranquilization efforts fall short, then it should be a standing operational order that your specimen should be allowed to go free without being harassed into staying.

There will be another day.

Termination of your specimen, only if a life or death situation presents itself and members of your team or the examination team become threatened by the actions of your specimen. Then the Kill order should be implemented. Documentation of the understood rules of engagement (ROE) should be in place prior to the beginning of the operation and maintained until the termination of operations.

Turn Your Head and Cough Please.

Examination: Without this portion of your operation everything up until now has been in vain. The examination process of the operation should be implemented at the earliest possible time, in order for there to be as a minimal impact to the specimens mental, emotional and physical stress load as possible, sedation and tranquilization of the specimen is a must during this process. The examination area should be a separate area from the containment area. We would like to see an examination trailer with expansion slide outs and all the x-ray, ultrasound, blood work, tissue collection, high resolution video microscope and forensic fingerprinting and well foot printing would take place, in a controlled environment.

Observation: While you would conduct behavior observation in the wild some could be carried out while your specimen is in captivity. This should be used as an acid test against the known behavior of a specimen in the wild and in captivity; these efforts will aid in the determination of how the specimen's behavior remains the same or changed, in natural surrounding or in a captive environment.

#### A Fond Farewell

Security during the release phase is paramount to the complete success of this operation. Although through out the process of the operation secrecy should and hopefully will have been observed by all parties involved. The security team should make no assumptions during this final effort in the process. The release site should be placed under observation, no less that five days before the intended release date. The location of the release site should not be reveled until 12 months from the date of release is has pasted.

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Observation of the specimen as it recovers from the sedation utilized during the transportation from the containment site should be undertaken by video, audio and seismic sensors. All human activity should be pulled back to no less than a half a mile. Recovery and release should be monitored until the last electronic sensor ceases to register the specimen's actions or existence in the release area.

Tracking device: We are opposed to the implantation of a tracking device, on the grounds that should the signal be hijacked then it would be targeted by poachers or unscrupulous individuals passing themselves off as researchers.

The implantation of a tracking device could cause an infection or perhaps tissue rejection thus causing the specimen to contract illness or even death.

In conclusion, The Protocol for the capture of a live Bigfoot should be taken seriously by the administration of the funding organization, capture unit, examination team and logistical support team without exception. We have debated on every single merit of the steps, methods and procedures as stated in this protocol and it is without reluctance that we believe that should the operation as outlined in this document be implemented the operation should stand a better than 85% chance of success.

A legal review of existing trapping and hunting regulations should be under taken prior to any operational green light is given to such a project, these regulation vary from state to state and even federal regulations may be involved. Advanced legal representation may be required, even the obtaining of a license of some type may be required even a monetary bond of some sort. Bottom line, explore all aspects of this, so there are no attempts at seizure of the specimen by others private or governmental.

We hope this has been and or will be informative to anyone who has the resources and where with all to prefrom the operations as outlined in this protocol.

Keep Squatching and Be Safe

later

Over the course of a few weeks since the announcement, Ed gave Melissa Hovey an interview that was posted in three parts, it was recovered and placed here so people can see that amount of questioning being done to Ed over the claimed incident. We've managed to recover a majority of the interview here.

"Good morning. Here is the continuation of my questions and answers with Ed Smith.

## Questions in full:

- 1. If you have seen no photos, videos, reports or the alleged specimen, how can you be 90+ % sure this is a legitimate capture scenario? What information have they provided that makes you that certain?
- 2. I read your explanation for your involvement with Quantra on this. But that does not explain why they are involving you. By all rights, they could have kicked you to the curb for your information disclosure. But, they have not. Why not?
- 3. Who is Mr. Alexander? What can you tell us about him?
- 4. Going back to the "crates". You stated there are 8 total, but there are 6 in the field. Are they all on one property? If not how many to a property and do you have a number for the people involved that know about these "crates" and their locations?
- 5. Let's talk about the "knock down" gas and how you described the air being sucked from the crate to render the subject unconscious. What preparations, if any, were made should the subject not begin to breathe on their own? Could you describe this in more detail as some are alleging simply doing this and not performing some kind of resuscitation (and following up with an immediate tranquilizer) would have ended with the death of the alleged subject.
- 6. From what field(s) of study is the group getting advice for sedation, immobilization, general health & welfare and examination?
- a. Exotic husbandry (e.g. zookeeping), general biology, wildlife biology, veterinary (domestic, wildlife or exotic), medical, or other?b. From the field(s) listed in the response for 1.a. which are protocol consultants, hired or on the ground participants, or group members?

## **Questions and Answers:**

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Ed Smith: At the meeting in Houston, they spoke of the specimen and referenced it several times.

Question: What information have they provided that makes you that certain?

Ed Smith: They are the ones who want to have a face-to-face meeting that was not a battle to get in the meeting framework.

It's just a matter of what content is or must be presented at the meeting. Other than what I have already discussed I have drawn those conclusions.

Question: I read your explanation for your involvement with Quantra on this. But, that does not explain why they are involving you. By all rights, they could have kicked you to the curb for your information disclosure.

Ed Smith: I endured about an hour of anger at the Houston meeting and there still may be legal ramifications. "I do bring to the table an understanding of the Bigfoot community we do not have" as stated by one of the principals in attendance.

I have stated and I will do it again, I am only overseeing the Bridging Group Meeting. Nothing More!

Question: But, they have not. Why not? What makes them think you won't disclose sensitive information now?

Ed Smith: I have not signed any other NDA's or agreements, So that's a question that the principals would to have To answer.

Question: It is not my intent to insult you, but if you were on the outside looking in, as most in this community, you would have to admit it is curious that they would want to keep you involved.

Ed Smith: Outside of the information that I have shared in my posts and in the Q&A. Compared to being in control of the O-6 operations. I am on the outside. I'm just standing closest to the window. I told DW and DO in a phone call tonight I have never seen an organization that has a plan in front of them and yet they don't know what to do?

It is frustrating to say the least.

Now let's switch the tables, if I were in their shoes knowing what I do from my past work and everything else being same. I would have kicked me out.

They did not.

Keep this question and ask them at the meeting.

Question: Who is Mr. Alexander? What can you tell us about him?

Ed Smith: He is a successful trader in secondary commercial (commercial mortgages, student loans, etc.). Mid-fifties educated has three children married thirty plus years.

Question: Going back to the "crates". You stated there are 8 total, but there are 6 in the field. Are they all on one property?

Ed Smith: I'm speaking only about how the O-6 operations that were conducted. No.

Question: If not how many to a property and do you have a number for the people involved that know about these "crates" and their locations?

Ed Smith: I'm speaking only about how the O-6 operations that were conducted. Maximum of two per property depending on location topology many different factors, a minimum nine personnel per location again it would vary on location.

The examination area would have 1 or 2 additional personnel until needed when the examination team would assemble. The examination team consists of 18 to 20 additional personnel brought in to the location when needed. These are as needed personnel and would be assembled and notified with the "Flash List"

Question: Let's talk about the "knock down" gas and how you described the air being sucked from the crate to render the subject unconscious. What preparations, if any, were made should the subject not begin to breathe on their own? Could you describe this in more detail as some are alleging simply doing this and not performing some kind of resuscitation (and following up with an immediate tranquilizer) would have ended with the death of the alleged subject.

Ed Smith: The knock down gas system does not force all O2 out of the crate. The escaping air exits through vent slots at the bottom additional air slots at the top of the unit allow air in to the unit at a reduced rate. The system reduces the amount of O2 in the air to cause an unconscious state.

The unit was tested with one O2 sensor in the middle of the unit at half height and four more in each corner at floor level. The system reduced the available O2 level to 9.71% for a duration of 57 seconds O2 levels returned to Normal in 88 seconds, that is why we set the follow on N2 releases at 3.5 minutes. There was no need for necessitation determined.

Question: From what field(s) of study is the group getting advice for sedation, immobilization, general health & welfare and examination?

a. Exotic husbandry (e.g. zookeeping), general biology, wildlife biology, veterinary (domestic, wildlife or exotic), medical, or other?b. From the field(s) listed in the response for 1.a. which are protocol consultants, hired or on the ground participants, or group members?

Ed Smith: We contracted and compensated zoologist, biologist, geneticists, large animal veterinarians, radiology technicians, medical lab techs some of these professionals were contracted as consultations but some were contracted for the examination team most of these served a dual purpose.

EMT, Ex military personnel, and members of the O-6 staff were utilized in the field operations.

All signed non-disclosure agreements and were compensated at 3 to 7 times the normal rates for their profession and participation. When we ceased operation severance compensation was provided.

The majority of them continued on with the Quantra group under new NDA's and compensation packages. O-6 NDA's remain in effect for 25 years or until released. These were reaffirmed at severance.

Melissa's 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the interview.

Below are the questions and answers so far with Ed Smith. Thank you to the Forum Admin for allowing me to post these. BEFORE you go onto the questions and answers ---

There are still questions out for Ed to answer. If you ask a question about anything (and I am sure there will be) I will forward them to Ed, if I have not already asked him in the follow up questions he still has.

Also, there are some who seem to be under the impression that I am the only independent researcher chosen for this "conference"... This is not true. I cannot disclose names but I know of 2 other independents that are involved and one still has to be contacted. These names are not my information to disclose - and until everything is set in stone - those names should not be disclosed. Ed Smith references the "Bridging Group" - which is this group of Independent Researchers - in his answers below. Anyone wanting more information about this should contact DW directly.

Below are the questions and answers between myself and Ed Smith. As I stated above, there are still some questions Ed has not gotten to - but he has not refused to answer one question so far. I say that, because if he did refuse an answer - it would be noted in the responses. Some questions may have been

asked before, if so, then I apologize as I am also trying to get up to speed on all this.

At this point I do not have an opinion one way or the other. As always, I ask that people make up their own mind. When I have more answers from Ed, I will post those as well.

Question: By your own admission you are not involved with Quantra, so what makes you think the text message you received was true?

Ed Smith: The incoming address "CINC-6 is the communication I.D. for capture control and the message ["Daisy" in the box] is the identifier for a positive capture. I checked the IP number and it matched with the status server on which the "Flash List" function platforms.

The Quantra Group are using the same networks, identifiers and action codes as the ORIG-6 created and setup. If it's working why reinvent the wheel.

Question: Have they provided you with any photos or hard evidence that shows what they are saying is true?

Ed Smith: No, that's why I'm making sure that at the bridging meeting that we get to see Photos, Video, X-rays, Ultrasounds, Blood Work, Hair morphology, Stool Cultures, Preliminary PCR test and MRI, if completed.

All of the above should be completed by this time and the resources are in place at the examination area.

Quite frankly I see no reason that the members of the bridging unit, in which you're a member of should. NOT see the specimen ourselves.

Question: Do you understand why the community is having such a hard time accepting this as legitimate capture?

Ed Smith: Yes, I do. I'm setting with the people that I sold my organization to and they have been elusive when it comes things that if the tables were turned, I would know at this point, as the leader of the effort.

Question: You discussed an agreement you signed when you left the Orig-6 - an NDA. Are you willing to forward that, and any other agreements signed upon your departure, to me? I will not publish these documents.

Ed Smith: Yes, I have signed a non-compete agreement and a non-disclosure agreement. I need to run it by my legal counsel be for forwarding, I know you would not publish anything but I have to get them to get their opinion first.

Question: How has "Quantra" reacted to the outing of this alleged capture?

Ed Smith: Well, there are not very happy with me, but it's their communications error. I would have been content hearing about it on the news while working in my garden (I like to garden in what spare time I have).

Question: In the past you discussed DNA testing and Documentaries, do you still have any of the DNA results in your possession? If so, will you forward them to me? What happened to the Documentary?

Ed Smith: All of the DNA project work (results and data) was sold to the Quantra Group all of the digital info and hard files were boxed up and sent to their location. By the sale agreement I was not allowed to retain any copies or backups of the data or Information.

I cannot talk about them, but some of the results are posted in the threads at the MABRC and I believe even the incorrect ones are posted there as well. D.W. I think has reposted those threads from the backup since the hack attack a lot or some of the threads have not been reposed as of yet.

Some background on why I left ORIG-6, my responsibilities to my family's oil and gas business were and still are increasing and where O-6 operations was concerned I could not keep up with the 24/7 work load even with help from the

staff. I was also dealing with buckling relations with my O-6 partners, stack my family life on top of it and something had to go.

## I talked with Randy Harrington extensively about this.

Documentaries, they were originally made for a DVD release but then retooled for a cable television type network. The rights to the documentaries have been sold to the Quantra Group I don't know their status at this point.

Question: Do you have any information on the alleged cage that was built and allegedly used to capture, "Daisy"? What is it made of, and the specs?

Ed Smith: I retain the rights to my written work so I can talk about the trap unit, but photos, video and CAD drawing are the property of the Quantra Group.

Yes, I designed 95% of the trap unit. It is not a clam shell trap as has been reported in some of the blogs. Those reports are entirely inaccurate.

We attempted to modify a shipping container at first but found it was in satisfactory for our requirements.

The materials used are steel, aluminum and carbon fiber.

The dimensions are 11.5 feet in width and 17.8 feet in length, 8.2 feet in height, excluding the pressure bottle rack.

The unit is transported in parts to a staging site and assembled. The assembled unit is skid mounted can be moved by a tractor or wheeled loader. It is also designed to be lifted by helicopter.

Explosive cylinders much like an over loaded 12ga shot gun shell. Would blow the trip laches on the door and actuate the tensioned springs snapping the sliding door shut.

A weight sensing module is placed at the entrance to the unit covered in ground material would allow a reasonable weight to be attained.

A second weight sensing module is embedded in the floor of the trap unit allowing the electronic controller to activate the explosive latches and servo valves on the nitrogen gas cylinders in the knock down gas system which forces all oxygen out of the space an forces the specimen in to an unconscious state. Side panels could be opened a tranquilizing agent (dart) could be administered.

The dosage could be determined because of the weight data collected at the entrance would be available at this point.

The trap unit can be camouflaged made to look like a hut (out building) or a stone out crop this is achieved by using modular or gunite concrete (shotcrete) units then painted or stained to match the surrounding rock features.

Then baited with temptation materials.

The unit would be under video observation at distance and video coverage would be inside the unit and at the entrance. Small video cams and lipstick cameras would be utilized for this application.

Power for the unit would six to eight 12-volt deep cycle battery configured in a 24-volt parallel configuration this would allow for long duration soak times without disturbance. Battery box and DC circuit breaker unit mounted on top of the trap unit.

Engineers work on problems, Designers work on needs and we needed a trap.

Question: Are you being told anything about the condition of, "Daisy"? What are the conditions she is being kept in? Is she still in captivity?

Ed Smith: I have been told there is a health issue with the specimen but no details have been given to me.

Question: Why should anyone believe this?

Ed Smith: I'm posting information it's everyone's right to believe it or not. I still have issues with some of the information that they should know at this point as I stated above in question one."

In the interview, you see where Ed admits that he divulged a lot of detail to Driveroperator about his personal life and more. This goes along with the claims being made that Ed talked to Driveroperator on almost a daily basis, to be able to be this personal with him. This would be the driving force that Driveroperator would become Ed's most vocal advocate in the MABRC, conflicting with the skepticism that Darkwing was showing more and more of on a daily basis as more information was brought forth by Ed.



### Ed Smith Questions Part 3

Posted by Turtle on January 8, 2013 at 10:49am 📫 View Blog

Below is a series of questions being asked of Ed Smith via the MABRC (Mid America Bigfoot Research Center) forums. The research community is attempting to evaluate the recent claims by Ed and a group named Quantra, that they have captured a Sasquatch creature. This is the third part in the series. You will find the other questions in the series below.

Ed Smith Ouestions Part 1

Ed Smith Questions Part 2

Question: You said in the last question and answer session:

So, would it be safe to assume everyone involved in Quantra are paid for their participation?

Ed Smith: I assume Yes.

Question: Is Quantra set up like a business? If so, are there Articles of Incorporation? Is there a State Tax ID number associated with Quantra? Is this a 501c3? I can't imagine paying these sums and not being able to receive some form of compensation relief be it through a 501c3 or some other tax write off, or is this money simply coming out of someone's pocket? Let's face it - you are talking about large sums of money here. People who would put out these sums - do want some sort of return, whether it be a tax write off or a recoup on their investment.

Ed Smith: I'm not sure how Quantra is set up. When we sold O-6 we sold it to them as individuals to individuals how they reformed it is something I can't answer.

Question: If there is no tax shelter, or tax write off for an investor - then what is the pay off or how do they recoup their investment?

Ed Smith: The press and media elements ( (books movies Tv games, etc ) are considerable.

There is another element. I have mentioned it before is the Private Investment company interest. These entities are only interested in purchasing a specimen for its profit potential i.e.: buy a specimen market the hell out of it or buy a specimen sell it to a foreign entity for a profit or buy a specimen and sell hunting rights.

I am a posed to all of these, some are not, its the world we live in. The O-6 rejected a credible offer from a private investment company in early 2012 I believe it was for over 14 million its posted on the MABRC forum.

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Now I hear that price is pushing 22 million at some point the strike price will be sufficient, it will sell. Quantra's goals remain unclear.

Quantra Group has eight (8) owners. The O-6 had six (6) owners. In the O-6 we had problems but we had a long history with each other. Things got worked out

Quantra's relationships with each other for the most part are new, its like trying to get a tornado dust devil and a water spout to agree on which one gets to go first.

Question: Please describe the purpose of the "Bridging Group".

Ed Smith: The BRG is to support or bridge between the Quantra Group and the Bigfoot community primary the researchers of this community it would enhance the understanding of the species. It would help in settling the community down so calmer heads would prevail. No one should be under the perception that Quantra will follow any suggestions but the community would have confirmation of its existence and can work to a common goal. It's my hope that this group would be a part of that process.

Question: Do you have any new information on the alleged animal - and its physical condition?

Ed Smith: No I do not.

Question: How many people are working with the alleged animal right now?

Ed Smith: What Quantra is doing I just don't know.

Question: If you know a number, do you know their educational backgrounds? If so, please describe.

Ed Smith: If there going by the O-6 plan I would say about 22 to 25 this includes the academic and commercial scientific personnel. All members of the examination team, Medical, security, documentation specialist I believe there was a list posted on the MABRC forum.

Question: What is the time line now for release of information?

Ed Smith: I can't comment on that right now. I have an idea but it flexible and could muddy the water at this time.

Question: How does this network support these 7 people that are ensconced at these locations?

Ed Smith: For O-6 it was an Oil and Gas field support company that I owned its operated by a former staff member of O-6 now.

No he is not a member and never has been a member of Quantra

For Quantra I can't answer that.

Views: 1127

Many will ask, why these interviews are placed here and what significance they carry in outlining how this entire incident transpired. It gives the reader the

opportunity to see if they can spot any holes in Ed Smith's story, which transpired over a period of weeks, and stayed fast in maintaining the same story over and over again, even when talking to different people.

## Daisy in the Box Part 2

January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013, Ed posts some "historical" context how the Orig-6 was formed and became Quantra.



## How ORIG-6 was Formed and Became Quantra - Directly From Ed Smith

Posted by Turtle on January 2, 2013 at 3:00pm 👸 View Blog

The following post came in today around 3:00 from Ed Smith.

Its time to clear up some of the background on the Orig-6.

When we began in the early nineties there were six group members, as we worked into certain projects we had helpers those numbered three to five. As we moved in to the early two thousands it became larger in scope I can say the nineties for us (6) was a lot of fun our projects were small and enjoyable to conduct.

When we started the long range survey projects in the mid to late two thousands, that's when the group went on steroids so to speak. Our contractor numbers went to 22 plus us and we began associations with others in multiple states.

Then when we operated our own DNA project with the results of incorrect primers vs corrected primers it was decided that a body preferably living would be the best course to take.

The capture idea began in the mid nineties mostly with me not so much with the others, but I began with the sketching of trap possibilities and over time the design grew the unit must be strong, stealthy, mobile, and autonomous. The trap units were fabricated in Tulsa at a business associates shop.

In accordance with the protocol and the operations plan, we began slowly to assemble the needed assets, manpower and resources. In the oil and gas business you have to be mobile, durable and reliable in your work, planing and operation. This also provided the perfect cover for operating such a project.

The capture project while under the control of the ORIG-6 had as many as 42 plus us working on it.

When the ORIG-6 ceased operations late last year the movement towards such a conclusion started in late May and early June of 2012. A friend of mine suggested that we (ORIG-6) meet with a group of like minded. but not engaged in BF research, business associates of his, so in May/June of 2012 we had an initial meeting in Virginia. Where they were attending a conference and from this meeting the Quantra Group was conceived.

When the ORIG-6 ceased operations all our projects were terminated except the capture project was passed through to the Quantra Group. All project data past and present was transferred to the Quantra Group. I retain ownership of my written work plans and protocols and such.

I am restricted in discussing any of our past project work for a period of ten years. I am further restricted from participating in research even for my own private enjoyment (trust me there was a price for that one) for seven years.

Four of the ORIG-6 members began with the Quantra Group only two remain. My understanding is that the Quantra Groups operating environment is uncomfortable and that is all I will say about it.

As for the documentaries, the first two volumes are complete and the third is in revision. The ORIG-6 no longer owns the rights to them Quantra is now the owner.

I have posted this previously.

In some of the reporting on blogs and forums that the capture was leaked to me that is inaccurate. The text message was mistakenly sent to me I posted the information. Did I contact a source in the Quantra Group? Yes did and the information was posted.

Could that get me sued possibly but if it wasn't for the Quantra Groups mistake I would have never known.

The meeting with the principles of the Quantra Group is this evening [1/2/2013].

I hope this post has cleared up some things for those interested in the work. Have a good day.

By the morning of January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the Bigfoot Community was rioting, screaming for answers and evidence, which at the time, was only coming from Ed Smith, although many deemed that Darkwing needed to answer for it all, when in reality, Darkwing was in the same boat as the rest of the community. His statement, "I can neither confirm or deny a Bigfoot has been captured" still held true, he couldn't vouch or deny, he was simply trying to get to the point where the "Bridging Teams" that Ed wanted to assemble, would possibly get to go onsite and see the Bigfoot in captivity.

The Bridging Team members are announced, from the Independent Team to the MABRC Part of the Bridging Team at 12:19 pm on the 7<sup>th</sup>. It had been decided by the members of the Bridging Team that by announcing the members, this would put pressure on Ed to get things rolling. As it seemed that a lot of excuses were starting to arise, as Ed claimed that Quantra didn't feel like playing ball with the Bigfoot Community.

Author: Darkwing [ Mon Jan 07, 2013 12:19 pm ]

Post subject: Re: Quantra may have captured a Bigfoot specimen.

I have finished talking to the final member of the Bridging Team today, and he has agreed to participate.

Here are the Bridging Team members on the independent team.

Dr. Jeff Meldrum Kathy Strain Melissa Hovey Abe Del Rio Steve Kulls

The MABRC part of the Bridging Team is as follows:

D.W. Lee "Darkwing" Randy Harrington "Driveroperator" Jim Whitehead "Biggjimm" Rob Gaudet "ElectricBigfoot" Doug Todd "Holotype"

Even though many will not respect the privacy of the Bridging Team members until after the meeting occurs, I'm asking for everyone to be courteous and respectful enough to not bother these folks. They will report what happens, good or bad, and they only know what everyone else knows at the moment.

Ed had promised Darkwing and this was relayed to the other Bridging Team members that he would purchase First Class tickets to fly everyone to the location, and provide the hotel and food for everyone when the time came.

Interesting to note, the only independent team members that Ed requested was Melissa Hovey and Dr. Meldrum, it was Darkwing who decided to contact Kathy Strain, along with Abe Del Rio and Steve Kulls.

Darkwing knew that Melissa would call it straight up, as would Dr. Meldrum and Kathy Strain, while Abe and Steve had their radio shows and could get the information out there to the public, whether the entire event was a hoax or real. All were told when Darkwing contacted them, that he couldn't tell them if it's for real or not, but once we were on-board the airplane in first class and in the air, they could begin to assume it might be possible that a Bigfoot could have been captured.

The clock was ticking on Ed, he informed Darkwing that he would have a date and time for the meeting soon.

By this time however, Ed has stopped talking to Darkwing by phone, opting instead to send text messages that were short and to the point. He still continued talking to Driveroperator, keeping that avenue open since Darkwing was now demanding answers to key questions.

Then the very next day, January 8<sup>th</sup>, Ed makes the announcement that Quantra has suspended all contact.



When Ed made this announcement, Darkwing was ready, he knew that the hammer would have to fall either way, Ed had to either shut up or put up, and when this happened, Darkwing informed Driveroperator that the MABRC was going to ban Ed and out him as a hoaxer. Driveroperator was reluctant to close

the door on Ed, as he had become vested in everything Ed had ever told him, not having any skepticism to what Ed was doing.



Driveroperator would release his own statement regarding Ed Smith and the Daisy in the Box event, and in this, you can read that despite being faced with the reality that Ed was possibly hoaxing everything, DO continued to be a staunch supporter of Ed's. This would eventually culminate down the road with DO breaking away from the MABRC as his agenda would drive wedges between him and the other MABRC Members.



## First Hand Account of Meeting with Ed Smith and About ORIG-6 (And Presumably Quantra's)

#### Cababilities

Posted by Turtle on January 1, 2013 at 6:30pm 👸 View Blog

From Randy Harrington...

I have refrained from saying too much, Because I did not want to muddy the waters. The fact that I am an MABRC member means you will give me little to no credit for saying this, But I will say it anyway.

Ed Smith is a real person. I have visited with Ed Smith, Had dinner with him. Got an in depth look into their operations down in Oklahoma. I did see some evidence that secured for me the fact that Ed was into something big. The limiting factor for most researchers to not be successful, is funding. Even the big money researchers like BFRO are woefully underfunded. Ed Smith and his group does not have that problem.

The scale of their operation would boggle your mind. It involves leasing lands and long term 'hands off approach' with their set-ups. Engineered triangulated sound towers to locate precise locations of tree knocks and vocals. 24 to 36 ft angle iron towers topped with the type of thermal camera's you see on the bottom of helicopters, with the ability to zoom in for a mile or more. Ground sensors placed in area's of observations of travel, along fences etc. all fed into computers to give real time feed back as to whether or not something walking is bipedal or quadruped. fed back at the same time a thermal video is taken. Then after a video was taken, while the image was still on screen, not moving the thermal camera's they can overlay a man standing in the same spot for size comparisons. Some of the video shots also resulted in hair, tissue and even blood from briars found from the travel path of the bigfoot.

Ed was the first to show us how to collect samples and document. First, you video the whole process, use packaged tweezers, packaged q-tips, and rubber gloves to take samples and bag them and seal the bag. All video taped.

In the beginning, some of the labs would not have taken on the job of DNA study without the video showing how the samples were retrieved and not contaminated.

The details go on and on...It all started years ago when these 6 guy's who were all friends, were in college together. All working on higher degree's. One night they were discussing things as young men do, and the topic of bigfoot came up. To make a long story short, 3 of the 6 men had encounters with a creature we know as bigfoot. Ed's encounter is quite amazing, as he was hiking alone along the Illinois river in North Oklahoma, I believe he encountered 3, and got hit in the back by a rock from a squatch standing knee deep in the river while he faced the other two....he vacated quickly back to where his vehicle was parked and was escorted as some people are when they have a wooded encounter. Because of the sighting by 3 of them, they started playing around with the idea of why there has been no evidence....much like we all have pondered. After college at some point they put their plan in motion, Lots of money ( i believe a trust fund was some of the money used) They initially had a 10 year plan, Ed Smith got ansy, and wanted to replicate their findings from their research with other researchers in different locations...they needed this as part of the scientific process. Ed started posting to the MABRC and revealed to us what they needed. So we tried to help. This was 4 years ago.

So people ask WHY? is the MABRC who Ed chose to contact. Well, because it was located somewhat close to where Ed lived, had 200 researchers they could have help to replicate their experiments. You can't really belong to a group and not develop friendships, so that is where we have progressed to now. Ed was always the one pushing to share their info to get to where they wanted to get to, after 10 years he was getting tired of the 2 week stretches in the command trailers on location ,manning the thermals and computer equipment. The other 5 guy's were not as eager to share as Ed was. So they clashed sometimes about releasing content. So then this past year there was a change of business plans, Ed was tired....and then all of a sudden, here we are with what has transpired. I am sure some will not be happy with me sharing this. I hope it gives you a better understanding. believe me when I tell you, this is only a speck of the depth of all they have done and documented, I just can't put it all down in an appropriate timeline. You will just have to be satisfied...surely some here have read some of the Ed Smith threads of research over at the MABRC.

Randy Harrington

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Darkwing himself, issued a final declaration about the Daisy in the Box incident, clarifying the timeline and other issues related to Ed Smith. Many in the community would lambast D.W. over the years for being involved in the Daisy in the Box event, although none of them would take the time to do their research and understand that Ed caught D.W. and the MABRC up in this.

## MABRC Founder Statement on Ed Smith and Daisy Posted by Turtle on January 14, 2013 at 9:54am View Blog

The last few weeks has seen perhaps the biggest hoax ever perpetrated has occurred. Ed Smith has stated publicly on the Bigfoot Forums that he has hoaxed the MABRC for the last 4 ½ years. This announcement has led to multiple individuals to begin speculating and assuming that someone in the MABRC had to have known that Ed was hoaxing.

Let's get something straight right off the bat, the buck stops here with me. Regardless of the speculation and assumptions, no one from the MABRC knew that Ed was hoaxing. Randy "Driveroperator" Harrington and myself spent countless hours on the phone with Ed, attempting to find discrepancies in his stories and information. We would call each other and compare notes, to see if Ed changed even a minor detail, but could not find anything to compromise what Ed was telling us. We went and sat down with him for lunch at the Golden Corral in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and looked at the paperwork in his binder while he talked, unknown to him that we were looking. Land contracts were seen, as well as other papers. I used my background as an IS person to engage Ed in conversation about some of the equipment they used, and he spoke with the knowledge that someone working with high-end technology would know. Neither Randy or I could prove that Ed was a fake, nor could we prove that everything he said was true, but we kept trying as we owed the MABRC Organizational Members that.

I tracked down the names of other members of the so-called "Orig-6" and found that they were real people, whether they were actual friends of Ed or not, we couldn't verify.

Ed also would post information on the forum that supposedly came from the "Orig-6" research, from DNA analysis, footprint trackway measurements and the horizon project. The way the information was written up and done in autocad seem to reinforce that the "Orig-6" was legitimate.

The MABRC also had Ed's IP addresses from where he logged in from, and posted to the forum, I followed the majority of these back to the Bixby Telephone Company. Ed had told me that the Orig-6 had their communications server there in the backroom of the Telephone Company, because they purchased some space there. This held some truth to it because many smaller telephone companies will lease you space at their office to set up servers. I even called the Bixby Telephone Company and they confirmed that they did do that, but would not discuss which customers they had that were doing that.

The database that I created on Ed contained every thing he had ever told Randy and I, along with his posts, we did this to see if we could find discrepencies, and the stories did not change. We could not crack his stories to prove whether he was making it up or tellin the truth.

Several years ago, Ed began puttin together a summit meeting between the MABRC, Texlaresearch and Orig-6, in Tulsa. It appeared to be going to happen, and we were very much anticipating it. We were treading very lightly to insure that we did not give Ed any excuse to back out, and then the greediness of Bulletmaker came into play and he began demandin presents and money for allowing the Infrasound Experiment to happen at his hidden bean field. Between Bulletmaker and clashing with Ed, this gave Ed the way out needed why the summit wouldn't happen. We wanted to see if the summit would happen, but because of the selfishness of two individuals, that gave Ed an easy out.

Since there was an actual excuse given to Ed on a silver platter, we could not state 100% if the summit was just a hoax or not. We knew that we could not let that happen again if Ed came out with anything, we could not give him an easy way out.

When the summit meeting didn't happen, several turned against Ed and burned their bridges with him, which was their right to do so. Randy and I continued talking to Ed on the phone, and through e-mails, maintaining a friendship with him to see what further we could find out.

During this time, Randy would call Ed at random times, Ed never knew when he was goin to call, and several times that Randy would call, Ed would say he was lookin to lease a hanger to do the Orig-6 documentary, and there would be airplanes taking off and landing in the background. Ed had been talking about this hanger being leased on the MABRC forums several days earlier, so it seemed to back up this incident. One of these phone calls, was early one morning, and another man picked up the phone and answered it, and he got Ed on the phone. Randy knew that Ed always referred to his significant other, but never said wife or girlfriend. So Randy asked Ed is he was gay. Ed confirmed this after some hesitation. So for the next few years, Randy and I kept this secret, as we thought this could possibly be why Ed did not want his picture put out there, and then be found out he was gay. I am saying this now to show how much effort Randy and I went through with Ed to protect him as a potential witness and the fact that we knew something about Ed that we would not reveal until now.

When Ed announced that the Orig-6 was bought by Quantra, and that he was getting out of Bigfooting, Randy asked Ed that now since he was out of Orig-6, was there anything that Ed could show him that he had personally, that he wasn't under NDAs to be able to show. Ed hesitated and said yes there was. Randy planned on meeting with Ed to see what he had to show. Unfortunately, somethin happened to disrupt this.

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When Ed come forward about the Daisy in the Box story, it was two hours after Ed had posted it on the MABRC Forums that I found out. Ed texted me to let me know he posted it. When I found out, I called Driveroperator and we decided to let it run, see where it went, if it was legitimate, we couldn't pull the plug and not let everyone know about it. We also knew that if this went down the gutter, we would part ways with Ed.

It was posted on Facebook to avoid the bloggers from breaking the news first, and contorting the story like they usually do. Immediately it took on a life of its own and people began demanding answers, results and to see pics of the monkey in the box.

Ed then went and mentioned that he would like to have Dr. Meldrum and Melissa Hovey involved, and began talking of having them involved in a phone conference call.

That soon evolved into a face to face meeting with the so-called Quantra Team. Ed asked me to assemble a team from the MABRC to attend this meeting and to also recommend others for the independent team. I recommended Kathy Strain, Abe Del Rio, and Steve Kulls to this team. I have tremendous respect for Kathy, and know she would tell it straight up on what she seen. Abe would be able to get the word out on his radio show about what he seen in the meeting, and of course, I knew Steve would investigate this thing to the ends of the earth. I told each one as I talked to them, I do not know if Ed has anything here or not. I am strictly on the fence with this, it would take an actual plane ticket in my hand and getting on the airplane to this meeting before I would start thinking it may be happening. They understood from the start that I did not have much faith in this, but they agreed to be a part of it to find out the truth.

There was no mention of a name for this team until I submitted the names to Ed, and he agreed upon them, and said that Quantras had agreed on the names too

Most of this communication between Ed and myself was now by text message, as Ed said he wanted to give me a paper trail of what was being said in case things went south. On occasions when I needed to verify something with him, I would call him direct. Sunday January 6th, the first noticeable cracks developed in Ed's entire story, apparently Quantras was trying to back out, he claimed he was getting on a plane for a face to face meeting to get things settled. This was one of those times I called Ed direct on the phone for clarification, he was overly excited and opinionated about what was going on, getting loud at times as if he was angry that they were backing out on him.

The next day, Monday morning, I talked to Dr. Meldrum and told him the same thing, I couldn't verify if Ed was telling the truth, but that if we were giving plane tickets and on a plane to go to this meeting, then we could start to lean that way. He told me that he would be a part of it if plane tickets were furnished and things fell into place to begin backing it up.

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That Monday afternoon, Ed asked if the Bridging Team had been announced yet, when I said it just had, he said that he was still in a meeting with them and that the PR team was causing havoc. About 8 PM that night, he told me by text message that they were calling the meeting for the night and would start back the next morning at 8 am.

The next morning, I received a text message from Ed a little after 6 am saying something was wrong, they met them at the door and said they had to go down the road and wait. He claimed he was trying to call the two main guys, but they wouldn't answer the phones. By a little after 8, he text me to say that the meeting was put off until 2 pm. At 2:30 pm, he text me and said that they were met at the door and told to leave, that the bridging team wasn't needed anymore.

He then text me that he would be sending me a statement to post on the forum concerning what had happened, and that he was getting on the plane. I did not post this statement at that time, I wanted to call the individuals that had agreed to be a part of the Bridging team and let them know first. Ed continued texting me, asking when his statement would be posted, but I was not through telling the Bridging team members yet. They deserved to know first, not through a blog post somewhere.

The next morning, a conference call was held by the individuals associated with the Bridging Team and it was decided to release a statement. After this statement was released, several people approached me about the information they were digging up and asked for verification. They used resources that were unavailable to me in the past to dig up things on Ed. What was now being discovered was unsettling, but I confirmed as much as I could, including Ed's sexual orientation, which was fast becoming apparent to the investigators. When I attempted to get Ed to come clean, he demanded to see what was being collected on him. I told him I would that evening, but got sidetracked with several researchers out in the field. I was out all night, and the next day, came home to find that Ed had posted his hoax comment on the BFF. I texted Ed to ask if it was him that posted it, and he confirmed he did, and that since I didn't send him the information, he was sure that the information could only have come from me or Randy, and as far as he was concerned, the relationship was over.

Why did Ed post this? A last ditch effort to prevent the MABRC from allowing his personal information from being released? We will perhaps never know, as now he has destroyed himself in the Bigfoot Community.

The MABRC as an organization, followed through this as an investigation, and hoped to see the light at the end of the tunnel. We insured that no one would give Ed an easy way out like during the summit meeting. People claim that we were protecting Ed from criticism during this time, yet we only were trying to eliminate any excuse Ed may have to back out of this conference meeting.

After the smoke has cleared, I now see many of the newer people in the Bigfoot Community being Monday morning arm-chair quarterbacks, proclaiming what should have been done, how it should have been done, and what the MABRC should be doing.

It's extremely easy to be a Monday morning arm-chair quaterback, when you are not in the trenches like a real quarterback and having to make split-second decisions based on an ever-changing situation. The quarterback is seeing the fluid situation and has to adjust to what he perceives at the moment. Second guessing has to come after the game, when the game film is reviewed.

The situation with the Quantras Affair was continuously changing, including having to give updates that many in the community was demanding was their right to know. Many can criticize me, many can arm-chair quarterback me, but none can legitimately claim they could have handled it perfectly either, many would have choked on how to handle it.

One of those, is MikeakaGanglian on Facebook, someone who is gloating that the MABRC should be held accountable for the Quantras Affair. What the hell? Mike has been banned from every Bigfoot Forum out there, including the MABRC, and each forum then had to remove the multitude of fake accounts that he had created to continue being on the forum. He had even created an account on the MABRC forums where he posed as a Russian Researcher and began claiming that he would be posting information about the Almas on the forum.

Mike has no right to criticize anyone for ethics, when he himself is unethical in the way he conducts himself.

I also seen information that came out about the MABRC that could only have come from two dispicable individuals and Troy Hudson. They used the opportunity to put out their lies in hopes that someone would listen. Robert Lindsay posted a lot of it, and did not attempt to even verify any of it.

has had a hatred for years against the MABRC, because I refused to let him into the MABRC Research areas, and that Bulletmaker invited the MABRC onto his property years after Bullet had kicked off his property. Troy Hudson's hatred for the MABRC is because we created the Honobia Bigfoot Conference and he could never achieve what we did with it when he took it over. He has made up numerous claims that the MABRC has done, in order to discredit us from the Honobia area.

The Facebook "experts" chimed in too, taking potshots at the MABRC over the handling of this. Some even claiming that Bigfoot was too smart to be captured. Facebook has become the bain of the Bigfoot community as many so-called "experts" are now advertising themselves to the masses. These new people to the Bigfoot Community have no clue who the old-timers are in the Community. What they don't realize, is that many of the old-timers in the community have stood beside the MABRC, knowing that we had to go the distance with Ed to see where the end result was.

The MABRC Organization has really good researchers in the group, and it irks me to no end when people claim the MABRC should no longer have any credibility over this Ed Smith investigation. The buck stops here with me, if you want to point the finger at anyone, the blame should be on me, I am the leader of the MABRC. The MABRC Researchers put their faith in me to lead them, and they are the only ones outside of the Bridging Group that I owe any apologies to

No one will ever know what all has transpired in this entire affair, I don't have the time to sit down and explain everything to people. The MABRC and it's researchers conducted this like a witness investigation, and the only way to see if it was true, was to go the distance.

If the MABRC had pulled the plug, it would have gave Ed the excuse he needed to make himself look good, he could say "Well, you guys pulled the plug, so I will not set up the meeting now", but the MABRC and the Independent Researchers asked to verify things pressured him to the point he had to pull the plug himself.

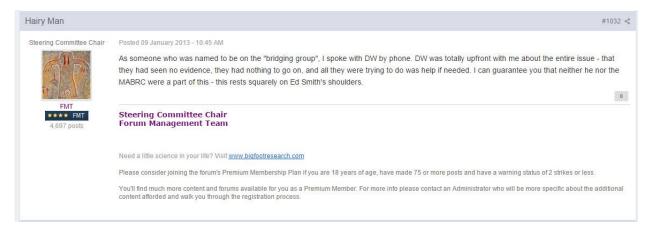
Now that the Quantra Affair has come to an end, Ed seems appalled that everyone is now digging deep into his personal life, and to attempt to throw the investigation of himself into obscurity, he begins claiming he hoaxed the MABRC, hoping to put the heat on the MABRC instead of Ed himself.

I have confirmed the information that the investigators have collected, 75% of it I already knew, but what I did not know, took others with more resources to obtain. I will let them release what they have found, they deserve that for their work in this.

With that, the MABRC is my second family, something my wife has to remind me at times that I do have a first family. The MABRC Researchers are in my opinion, some of the best out there in the woods researching now. We will now get back into the woods and do our research as we have done before Ed Smith appeared and bring in our own evidence.

D.W. Lee Executive Director MABRC

# Some of the members of the Bridging Team also wrote in Darkwing's defense over the handling of things.



11:14am



#### Steve Kulls

Here's mine DW: Being asked to be on the Bridge Team was really exciting, even though I had some doubts, but becuse everyone was talking about "Daisy." Darren basically told everyone that he'd find it more plausible once we get in the air and enroute. Hoaxers like to stall. I know Darren took some criticism by making the Bridge Team public, but I thought it was best along with some of my colleagues because it started the clock ticking on whether or not this was BS and it would make stalling an obvious sign of deception.



## Melissa Hovey-Larsen

1:07pm

My participation in what had become known as, "the Bridge Team," otherwise known as "Daisy in a box," was really very simple.

I received a phone call from D.W. Lee. He asked me if I knew what was going on with Ed Smith and his claims to have captured a Bigfoot. I told him, of course I had, as it was all over the various internet forums. Darren asked me my thoughts on the situation. I told him, "I think Ed is playing you." Darren said, "Ed wants to put together a team of investigators to go to the location where he says the Bigfoot is being kept. Ed wants these investigators to verify what he is saying." Darren then told me he told Ed he would only go along with this plan if he could select some of the investigators. Darren then told me I was one of the people he wanted because he knew I would call B.S. immediately.

I told Darren. I would be happy to help, although I already know this is B.S., but lets see what happens. Tell Ed I will go, but he pays for my airfare, hotel and all of my expenses during this, "validation" trip. Darren then told me that he had already told Ed that was a requirement. Darren told me specifically he was only getting involved this last time to end this once and for all. Darren had expressed to me how tired he was of Ed's claims and how he felt Ed was putting words in the mouth of D.W. Lee and the M.A.B.R.C. I agreed with D.W. and told him it was happening because Ed was still in his group.

I thought for certain Ed would back off once he heard my demands to be involved. But, not only did he except my demands, he added the ability for me to question him and publicly post his answers via my blog and the Bigfoot Forums. Which I gladly accepted and did. There is nothing like getting it in the person's own words. Ed even went so far as to go onto various forums and tell people how great of an investigator he thought I was and how pleased he was I accepted the invitation to be part of this team. I took that for what it was. He had been playing Darren and many others, and now he thought he was going to play me.

In the end, Ed Smith backed out. At no time during any of my conversations with D.W. did he ever express any hope that Ed's claims were true. In fact he was certain this was a game being played by Ed and he wanted it over. D.W. never once asked that I keep quiet about anything and report exactly what I did or did not observe.

While it shows in these screenshots some of what was going on in the background, no one will really know to what extent DO and DW went to expose Ed Smith in either direction, as a hoaxer or someone telling the truth.

Towards the end though, it appears that the cracks starting to appear in Ed's story about Daisy in the Box was rapidly expanding, and when confronted with the Bridging Team members and their willingness to get this on the road, he had to bail out of it, and there was only one option, pull the plug himself.

### **Conclusions**

In the appendix with this book, is many of the screen captures that wasn't used in telling the story that does have bearing on it. Background work on Ed is shown, screen captures of Melissa Hovey, Kathy Strain and others discussing the event on the Bigfootforums, and misc.. It's upon the reader to decide what they believe in this event, but here are some assumptions that have been compiled that should be noted.

Ed Smith was fixated on Driveroperator, offering him money, a job and more to leave the MABRC and come to the Orig-6, the question is why? It was eventually discovered that Ed was gay, could he have been trying to pander to D.O. and try to lure him into a relationship. This is not meant to be construed anything bad on D.O., but when you look at the tremendous amounts of phone calls nearly on a daily basis, the offers of a job, money and equipment, that possibility looks very credible. Once again, this is not meant derogatory or mean towards D.O., this is just a conclusion based on the available information.

The phone calls to Darkwing were sparse for a large majority of the time, as D.W. would always ask about documentation and evidence to support what Ed was claiming, he knew he couldn't get D.W. to believe much without evidence to back it up.

While first starting out with contacting the MABRC, Ed did provide the layouts to the Horizon Project and the Atoka-Coalgate Incident, he soon would rely on sending excerpts of the policies and procedures he claimed the Orig-6 used. This was reviewed and eventually became a part of the MABRC's policies and procedures as they were well thought out documents.

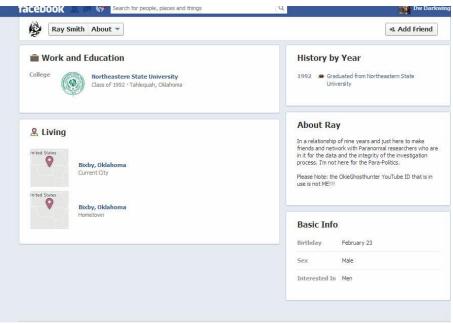
No one will ever know if Ed Smith was on the up and up or not, as he has disappeared from the online community, and attempts to contact him have ended up slamming into brick walls. I cannot say for certain if Driveroperator still is in contact with Ed, since this was one of the thorns that caused the end of our friendship and him leaving the MABRC. He still wanted to believe.

## **Appendix**

### **Ed's Facebook Page**

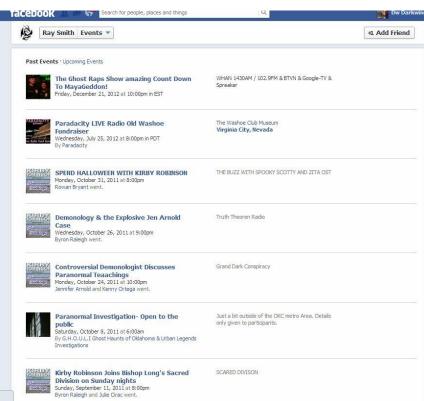


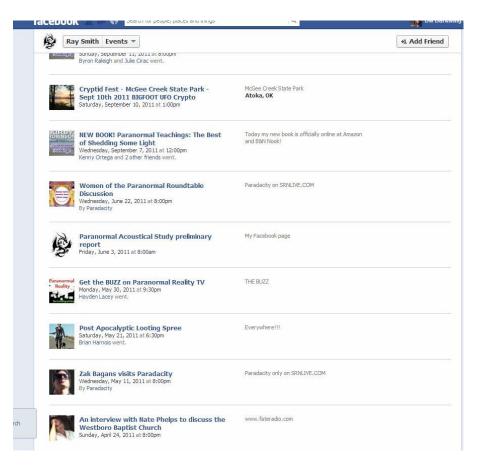














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### Here is the revised "Sailing" Plan

by Ray Smith on Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 11:07am ·

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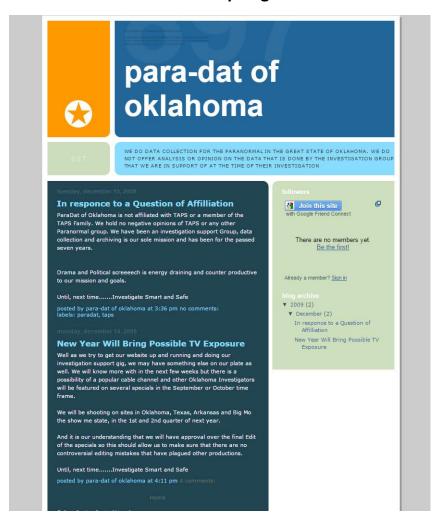
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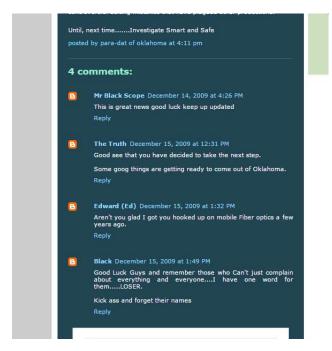




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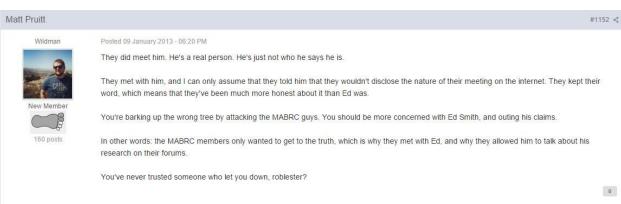


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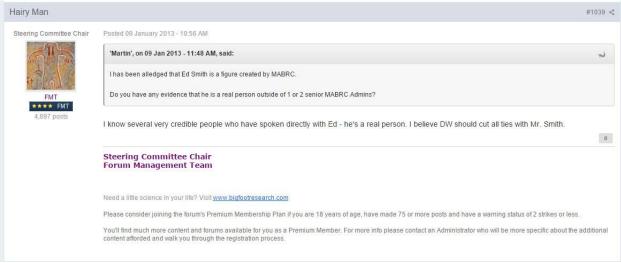
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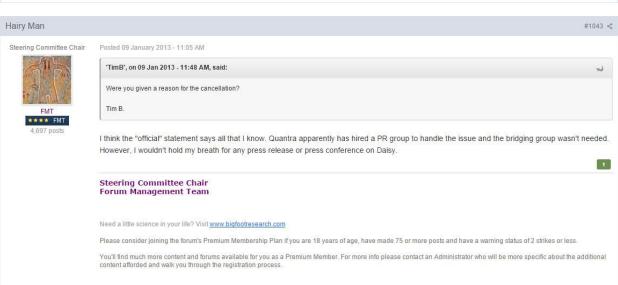


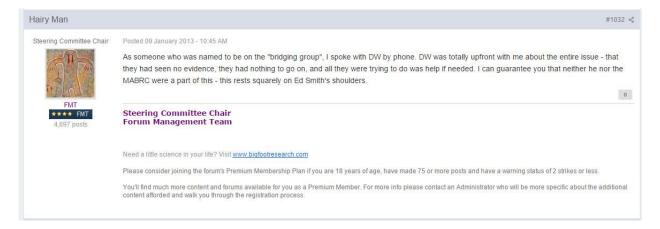




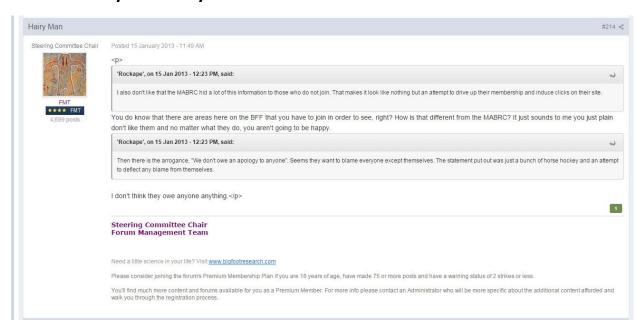
### **Kathy Strain's Comments on BFF**







### Melissa Hovey and Kathy Strain comments on the BFF



Melissa

Before I start this - let me say - I am not defending DW or anyone else - I am simply pointing out something in your comment Cisco I find interesting and adding what I know. I always look forward to your posts, so please do not think I am coming down on you - but you touched on a much larger issue - I think is worthy of discussion. So, I will stick out my neck and hope people get my point

I have no personal issue with the MABRC and even Ed Smith. I was not personally affected by either one.

We are all "personally affected" by a hoaxer or the hoax itself in some way. If that were not the case, we would not even care to find out if the story is true before we find out it's a hoax. While it may not keep us up at night or cause us to spend hours pacing in front of our computer, it does affect us personally. We are still talking about it. We feel used, abused and our trust violated. Those things are person

However, if the MABRG is interested in its perception, within the BF community, it would be good PR to apologize to the individuals that were berated for commenting on Ed Smiths credibility. If they don't care what people think, and all they want to do is go back to their research and forget about this whole flasco, then more power to them.

Perception.. Man, I hate that word. It's really a double edged sword in this community. Seriously. If DW or anyone else in his situation did everything to please everyone -- someone would come along and say, "He is doing all this to simply make people happy so his new member list on the forum rises" or "Sales must be down in the Cafe Press shop - so he is simply trying to bring back sales." Whether he has a Cafe Press store or not

This happens all the time. Never mind the fact that DW clearly stated, "The buck stops with me". What he is saving is pretty clear to me. During all this I spoke with Darrier a number of times. I asked him point blank on the day I found out Ed put my name in that post along side Dr. Meldrums --"Did you know Ed was going to post this text message announcing the "Daisy in a box" capture story - before he posted it?" He told me he had no idea. He four out the same way we all did. I spoke with Dairren daily - sometimes 2-3 times a day - and not once did I ever hear him backtrack or change his story. Dairren will also tell you - I did not treat him any differently because I know h My first phone call to him was not a pleasant one (for him), But - he did not do anything but answer my questions. He returned every phone call I made to him - and has fully cooperated with the investigations (to the extent that he could) that followed after Ed announced the end of the "bridging group" (I still think that's a stupid name). I believe Darren was honest with me. I have no reason to think he was trying to do anything but keep everyone informed as to the situation -- and that's all he could do. Never once did he tell me he thought Ed's big story was legit. I asked him point blank what he thought during a number of phone calls - his answer, "Mel, I just don't know." He had as many questions as I did.

I hope DW does not get angry with me for saying this- but I am going to anyway because I think it's important. As time went on (with my involvement) and our conversations continued - DW's attitude became m down. You can hear it in someone's voice when they are upset. As time went on I was becoming more and more concerned for DW and his health. As most of you know he has recent issues with his heart. I said to DW, "with your recent health issues, you don't need this right now." His reply? "I know Mel, but what am I supposed to do now? Everyone already thinks I am involved." DW felt like he needed to stay involved because he felt he was close to Ed. He thought he could get the truth out of Ed - because DW thought they were friends. DW also felt he owed it to the community to get as much information out of Ed as possible. I agreed - but I hated that DW was risking his own health with all this stress and aggravation. My concern for DW's health was not me feeling sorry for him either - it was genuine concern and I hoped he would simply turn this over to someone else. He felt obligated. I could not talk him out of it. I tried to - because there are more important things in this life - than trying to out a hoax.

During our first conversation I said to DW point blank, "If this goes south - you do know you will have to finally break all ties with Ed?" DW said, "I know, and I have already started talking with Randy about that." So - DW already knew what he had to do - and he followed through. He had to admit someone he thought was a friend hoaxed him and his organization - then he had to ban him and break all ties. I'm sorry folks - but if I thought my friend hoaxed me -- it would be heartbreaking. Yes, I do have feelings.

This situation brought about the first phone call I have ever had with Randy Harrington. Many of you already know - Randy and I disagree on quite a bit and have not been real friendly. But, when I messaged Randy and asked him to call me ---- he did within minutes - and didn't ask why. I asked Randy the same question - did he know Ed was going to post the "Daisy in a box" capture story text message - BEFORE it hit the message board. Randy told me he had no idea. He was driving in his vehicle when his phone started blowing up with text messages about it. Now, Randy is not obligated to talk to me. We don't hate each other - but I would not call us friends. He could have told me to "mind your own business" or simply refused to call me - but he did not. He answered all my questions and expressed his concern for the entire situation.

Now, I bring up Ed's post again (and the inclusion of my name) because it did not matter how many times I told people that I had no idea what Ed was talking about - people were still speculating about my involvement and making flat out accusations that I did know before he posted it. So - it did not matter what I said. I am just grateful that most people know the person I am and dismissed these accusations

Maybe there should also be sanctions against those in this community who put out fraudulent information as if it is the truth? If we are going to discuss hoaxers - I do think that qualifies. Someone unattached to a situation is attempting to create misinformation to rile up the community and make them think something that is not true.

Just for clarity - I am not saying anyone on this board did that - or you Cisco - but it did happen

So, instead of working to try and figure out how to keep this from happening again - it seems like everyone wants to talk about how much DW should suffer. People want to exact their "pound of flesh".. If DW was guilty of anything - it is believing a friend would not lie to him. Ed worked on that friendship for 4 years - so his ultimate hoax could blow up and end within 2 weeks. How do you spot someone like this? Anyone could be susceptible to someon who wants to be their friend for nefarious purposes. Frankly, I don't know how any of us avoid this in the future. That bothers me. But, I know there are others in this world who would do the very same thing.

If you don't like the MABRC message board - then don't become a member and don't go there. If you don't like the BFRO message board - don't sign up and go there. There are good people within these groups - people that do not frequent other message boards. It is not fair to judge a website forum - by a few who we may like or dislike

all they want to do is go back to their research and forget about this whole fiasco, then more power to them.

Some would say that is simply not giving the hoaxer more publicity. Which is good and something we would want to encourage. Most hoaxing is about attention...

I am not denying that people don't have the right to be angry or upset right now. But, I think that energy might be better focused on how we might keep these things from happening in the future. I have no clue how that can happen - but I hope we can figure something out because this is a whole new level of hoaxing and one that frankly makes me sick and really scares me all at the same time

HOW do we spot a hoaxer who first becomes a friend????? Is it even possible??? That is a darn good question.

Just to reiterate - I am not defending DW or anyone else - DW is perfectly capable of defending himself. I am simply discussing what I know - and what I talked about with DW. I hope this post does not violate any forum rules that is not my intent either. If I did in some way - I apologize now.

All of this is just my personal opinion.

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Posted 16 January 2013 - 04:33 PM

### 'Sasfooty', on 16 Jan 2013 - 11:33 AM, said:

Since I haven't bothered to read all 8 or 9 pages of this, somebody may have already pointed this out. But has anybody here stopped to think that the hoax may be that there is a BF in a box, but "Ed" may have got another offer that he couldn't refuse? Things like that happen....

Where did all the skeptics run off to? They aren't very good skeptics if they haven't given this some serious attention.

First Ed admitted this was a hoax all by himself.

Secondly - he gave out two days (last Friday and this past Monday) as the potential dates for the "Press Conference" (remember he said Quantra had hired a PR firm) - then when he released a statement to say the "Bridging group" was dismissed - he said he didn't know when the press conference would be... This actually surprised me when I read it - because Ed must have thought Darren was not telling those in the "bridging group" everything - as Ed said it would happen by Monday at the latest and I have no reason to doubt Darren on this. Also Darren said to me after Eds written statement, "I guess we will just have to wait with everyone else till Monday to see if there is a press conference" - further cementing this past Monday as the date of the Press Conference Ed was telling Darren about.

Ed told us (through Darren) that the problem was the Public Relations firm, hired by Quantra couldn't reach an agreement with Ed on when to allow the bridging group to see "Daisy"... But, before this all ended - this press conference had two possible days - last Friday and this past Monday.. Now, he just doesn't know..

This only says one thing to me. There will be no press conference because there is no "Daisy in a box" - otherwise, what in the world are they waiting for?? LOL. I think Steve Kulls said it best - this "press conference stuff is nothing more than picking up the rug from behind you - and putting it in front of you." That's all it is.

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Posted 18 January 2013 - 09:24 AM

Hello Cisco. I appreciate your kind remarks - and I hope you know I intend no hard feelings with mine. All I can do is simply discuss this situation as I see it and hope you will understand and not think I am attacking you. On I also think there is much that can be learned when things like this happen. The difficult part is to keep our eyes on the ball - and not get distracted by the other "moving parts"... Otherwise, it can (and most likely) will happen again.

These are just my thoughts on this situation - based on information I have. Should that information ever change - you can bet I will say so. It's a sure bet. I also do not feel bad saying both Darren and Randy know this about me. So, this would not be a shock to them to hear I have said - if I find information that they were in any way culpable in this - I will make it as publicly known as possible. But, to date I have zero evidence that either DW or DO are in any way involved with the hoaving.

'Cisco', on 17 Jan 2013 - 5:13 PM, said:

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Mel

I read your earlier post and you make some very good points that I had not considered. You're correct in that we, the Bigfoot community, are all affected by hoaxers. I also understand your point, regarding the MABRC as a whole. However, I don't entirely agree they were all innocent.

I did not use the word "innocent" - that is your word. No one associated with the MABRC, Darren or DO have said - they are innocent - but they do not deserve to take the fall for the actions of someone else. Darren and Randy made the mistake so many others in life make, "my friend, boyfriend, husband, wife, mother, father, family member - etc, couldn't possibly be involved in something like this. I know them, they are my friend, boyfriend, husband, wife, mother, father, family member - etc."

This could happen to any one of us. Also, we need to recognize we only have so much control over others. That is a tough one to master.

### Quote

I have always trusted what you post and I'm grateful you included some details of your conversations with Darren and Randy. It has spread more light, at least in my mind, about the involvement of the MARRC

It's apparent that Darren was very forthright with you and relayed whatever info he had, in an honest and straightforward manner. However, it does not explain the zeal and aggression in which they went about defending Ed Smith.

They had zero proof there was any hoaxing going on. I am not going to discuss the "zeal" you talk about - because I have seen some of the interactions, and one mans "zeal" is another mans pest. So.. That is a matter of perception.

Let's look at this from another perspective. Hypothetically.. If someone, was a member of a website forum I owned, and was making grand claims - and I wanted to investigate that person and get the necessary proof of a hoax or not - I would not answer questions about what I thought - or anything I planned to do to ferret out the individual on the open forum. That would be a bit counter productive. I might do what I needed to do to keep that person around.. Why you ask (screaming at your monitor)?? Because - if this person gets spooked - I can't stop them from going to another forum where others may buy into the claims more easily - and not be able to shut that person down completely. The goal is to get the information that stops the hoaxer from his end goal -- the hoax.

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In fact - I did that very thing here. One forum member here asked me to do a recorded interview with Ed. I read the comment - but did not respond to that particular portion. Why? Because I did not want to give Ed a heads up that I might want that to happen. Why? Because it gives him time to prepare (Ed was monitoring the BFF) that is the worst thing that could happen. But, I did privately message the forum member with an explanation and I told the member that I did send Ed a message requesting the conversation (the one he ignored) after it was over. This same forum member asked me to ask Ed about a lie detector.. Let me say this - all good ideas. But, none I would discuss openly - so the person could see what I was thinking and what I might do next - in public. That is very counter productive. It gives them the opportunity to plan either how they will refuse and not be suspicious or how to answer..

I will say though - I would never pay for a lie detector test out of my own pocket - I think they are worthless. But, that's my own opinion.

You should never show your hand in public.

There may be very good reasons for why people do things that do not seem rational.

### Quote

I think most people are willing to accept that Darren, Randy and the MABRC did not know Ed was hoaxing them. However, in their conversations with you, their tone seemed to be one of neutrality. Along the lines of "lets wait and see." However, they were not always singing that tune, so to speak. There were times in which they defended Ed like he was their brother. They scorned questions about Ed and the Quantra group and vigorously attacked anybody that dared to question the validity of Ed's claims.

I do think Randy said here a number of times, "Let's wait and see" - I also believe Darren said this also. You are comparing internet conversations to telephone conversations. I often find much meaning is lost when you put your words on the internet. Let's also face the fact that not everyone reads everything. Often times people think I am attacking them with my questions or responses - when I am not. Granted I will never be given a "politically correct" award - but when I give my thoughts on the internet I am not trying to be intentionally rude or insulting. My delivery is what many misinterpret. I have been told it is the way I express my thoughts on the internet. So, personally, I think the internet is the worst place to try and have a conversation.

If you had a friend - for years - and they were being accused of hoaxing you would also, most likely, defend them with a great deal of "zeal". That is human nature. We protect the people we call family and friends. It's what we do. Did I expect, Randy, would even call me? Heck no. In fact when Randy did call (within minutes of sending the message) the first words out of his mouth were, "You didn't expect me to call did you?" He was right. Just like you - I was looking for anything that would tell me Randy or DW were trying to be deceptive. If Randy were attempting to be deceptive at all or had something to hide - he would have sent me a message back first with the classic, "I'm kinda busy today, what's up?" Response. But he did not. Why do I say that? Because that is classic for someone to do - when they want to first gauge what the conversation will be about - and they want time to prepare. I had a very frank and honest conversation with Randy. At any point he could have told me to "shove off" or used more colorful words - but he did not.

Now, compare that to Ed. I sent Ed one message asking him to call me. Ed never even acknowledged reading the message. That told me volumes.

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Both Darren and Randy told me about their first meeting with Ed at a restaurant. Randy told me about a portfolio Ed had with him. Randy admitted to me he went through Ed's portfolio (when Ed got up to go pay for his meal) confirming what Darren said (that it was Randy who went through it) and in it Randy found what appeared to be documents with the name Ed Smith on them. Now, unless Ed uses the name Ed Smith for business purposes (Which I highly doubt) that is a bit of work to go through just to create the impression you are someone you're not. This is the level Ed went to. Like I said - anyone could have been taken in by this kind of thing.

Let's be honest here for a second too. There is also a certain amount of "If you push me, I will push you back" - that happens on the internet. I sat here and watched it. I think Randy showed a great amount of intestinal fortitude to come here and discuss what had gone on in the past, and the current situation - all while reading that his "friend" was a hoaxer - and his group was being accused - along with himself and DW. There were also things being said like, "Ed is an MABRC member" - Randy and others attempted numerous times to answer this - but how many actually read what was said? Example: Ed Smith was NEVER a member of the MABRC Group. Ed was a member of the MABRC Forum. Big difference. I am a member of the MABRC forum - that does not make me a member of the group - nor am I. I can understand the frustration. There comes a point when everyone starts to push back. That is not an excuse - it is, again, human behavior.

What I find more telling than anything - is the fact that DW and Randy made the decision early on to remove Ed from the MABRC message board - and their lives - if this did not pan out. Why is this telling for me? Because they followed through and enough was enough for them. No questions asked. Remember I discussed this with Darren on the first day of my involvement. No one that was in contact with DW had to tell him to do anything - and I was frankly impressed by the speed at which he did it - without anyone having to ask him to do it - or to keep his word.

### Quote

You see the dilemma? With you, they take a stance of being neutral with no expectations, one way or another. However, prior to Ed's admission, they were singing a different tune. Just take a look at some of the posts on their forum. In fact, Dr. Mathew Johnson was quickly attacked for announcing "Daisy in a box" was not true.

Yes I do. I do see it from your perspective. But - both Randy and DW did have an expectation. What was it? "It better be legit or Ed Smith was done." I'm not sure what else they could do. I won't discuss Dr. Johnson, because I would like to remain a member of this forum. You are forgetting - prior to Ed's hoax being busted - they had nothing to prove Ed was lying. When I use the word prove - or proof or evidence - I am talking about tangible evidence. Something undeniable. Gut reactions aren't proof or evidence and unless someone has something that can be considered actual proof - all we have are gut reactions. I listen to my gut (as do most) but I need evidence - hard proof - that someone is hoaxing before I will call them a hoaxer. Not everyone feels that way. Which is fine, but then you can probably expect those who have no proof and want it one way or the other (if they think there could be any legitimacy to the claim) to push back hard.

### Quote

If they really were neutral and had a "wait and see" attitude, I would have expected responses that were a bit more tempered.

Now you are placing your own expectations on others. Not everyone would react to a situation as you would - or I would. I will also say - you don't know how you would react to any situation - until you're in it.

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### Quote

There have been some posts in this thread from people that were "run off" the MABRC or berated for questioning the stories from Ed Smith. If Darren, Randy and the MABRC were unsure of Ed's claims; why did they feel compelled to defend him or his stories?

Cisco, there are stories from people who say they have been run off the BFF. It's always best to get both sides of a story. I won't discuss that either. I will say this - if you're going shopping for china, it's probably best to leave your prize bull at home. Lam thinking of one person specifically - but as my grandma always said, "you catch more flies with honey." I can't and won't discuss every claim of this - because it happens with every forum and there are always two sides. Some removals may have been justified - some may not have been. I do not know I am not an administrator of any website forum anymore. (Thank god).

### Quote

There must have been a reason for them to stick their necks out so far for such a long period of time? More than 4 years?

Yes, they had no proof or evidence that Ed was in fact hoaxing. I think proof is mandatory if you're going to jump on the internet and label someone anything.

### Quote

It reminds me of the story of the wife, who thinks her husband may be a bank robber but does not want to know the truth because she enjoys spending the money....

In the field of Bigfoot Research - all we have as investigators or Website Forum owners is the word of others unless we can establish undeniable proof - one way or the other. If the person is willing to give up info to prove their point - then that is different. The wife may have her suspicions (in your scenerio) but that does not make her guilty of committing the robbery. You have to put her in the Bank and having knowledge of the robbery. We don't have that in this case. We can put Ed in this - but we have no proof or evidence that DW or DO helped Ed commit this hoax or even had knowledge a hoax was about to occur. All they had was the word of Ed Smith.

Ed gave all of us the proof of his hoax. Ed could have implicated DW or DO in his statement here on the BFF and everywhere else - yet he did not do that. Basically he called everyone stupid - to include DW and DO. So, that tells me Ed targeted DW and Randy.

Both DW and Randy learned a hard lesson - but how we guard against the Ed's of the future - well, your guess is as good as mine.

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Again these are my opinions, and if I broke any forum rules, I apologize now. That was not my intent.

▲ Edited by Melissa, 18 January 2013 - 09:50 AM.

Melissa #264 <





Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:14 AM

### Quote

Yes, it is after the fact but JMO being that this project was handed over to a research group to be a mouthpiece for Mr Ed, why wasn't the option of a vote given to the rest of the group taken to give the choice to keep it hush hush until it could be "verified" before making the claims public? DW and DO aren't just imdividual researchers, they represent the "group".

Well in this particular situation, Ed took that right out of their hands, by posting the "text message from Quantra" on the message board - before he talked to DW and DO. I do not hold BFF moderators and admin responsible for comments and posts I find ridiculous even when the mods or admin ask me to back off and play nice (that is just an example). I hold the person responsible who made the post.

I don't know that this wasn't taken to the MABRC group for a vote on how to handle it. It could have been - but you would need to ask DW or DO about that. All I know is how it was handled and that is what I talked to DW and DO about - I did not ask about MABRC group policy, as that really has nothing to do with the Ed Smith situation (from the perspective of what I was doing). But, if there was a vote of some kind - I wouldn't know.

A Edited by Melissa, 18 January 2013 - 10:16 AM.

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### Melissa



Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:26 AM

### Quote

My question is, did you volunteer to to do the face saving PR for the MABRC on the BFF or were you asked, or are you just doing this on your own?

Excuse me?? Face saving?? These are my thoughts based on my own conversations. I have not been asked to do anything for anyone -- nor would I - ever.

I am no one's mouth piece. I do not speak on behalf of anyone else.

Your speculation is wrong. Maybe my knowledge comes from going to the source to ask questions? Did that thought cross your mind? My suggestion to you is to get to know people - before you decide you know what their thoughts and motivations are. You don't know me.

Oh, and I accept your apology in advance.

Also, apparently you did not get my point when I discussed Steve Kulls with you. Steve is not the only person in this community who has a background in Investigations and how to spot a person who is being deceptive.

A Edited by Melissa, 18 January 2013 - 10:34 AM.

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Melissa #269 <

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Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:45 AM

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Yes, you are accusing me of doing something wrong. Your implication is that I am helping them "save face" which also implies I would ignore bad deeds by them. All in an attempt to make them look good... That is unfair and insulting.

Painthorse said:

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Oh they already tried this before. It went horribly wrong, LOL. But that's probably what I would have done too. But, we are back to - hindsight is always 20/20...

A Edited by Melissa, 18 January 2013 - 10:49 AM.

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GoLd Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:34 AM Hi Melissa, You are correct, I do not know you, and if I offended you then I do apologize, although I didn't accuse you of anything negative. In having dialogs with you, and reading what you have posted to others who are critical of how the MABRC handled this situation, it appears to me that you are defending them. I am curious as to why? GoLd 0 Painthorse #268 < Oh Mah Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:38 AM True, BUT anything can be posted anywhere. It doesn't mean there can't be a response written in effect that it "still needs to be verified until further notice". Maybe----> I cannot confirm nor deny, may have been appropriate for that. ▲ Edited by Painthorse, 18 January 2013 - 10:41 AM. 0 Melissa #269 < Posted 18 January 2013 - 10:45 AM Again, you are wrong. I have clearly stated - I have no EVIDENCE to prove DW or DO had anything to do with the hoax itself. Do you have information to the contrary? If That is not defending anyone. I am saying - before you build the wooden stake for the witch - you should want the proof that the witch is a witch and not just someone being falsely accused. Frankly - everyone who knows me knows - if I come across information that these guys were involved - you will know it. I do not take kindly to hoaxers and have zero qualms about exposing them. Would it make you feel better if I lied and said they did things - they didn't do - so it makes me look less like I am defending them --- which of course is all about the opinions of others... LOL.. All I can tell you is what I know, what I heard, and what I was told. I am not getting drug into a finger pointing and accusations conversation. If you have proof they knew more - than they admitted to - I would LOVE to hear about it. But, you better have proof.

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Sasquatch Posted 18 January 2013 - 12:03 PM

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In your conversations, has the MABRC considered they may have add'l hoaxers in their midst?

Also (to everyone), regarding Ed. What would possess him to hoax a small internet BF community for 4.5 years? Didn't he spend tons of his own time and money? Where was his reward?

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Melissa

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Posted 18 January 2013 - 12:19 PM



Cotter: I have not had this conversation with DO or DW. That is very possible, but it's also a possibility anywhere. But, I see your point - and I hope DW or DO read this and start looking into that possibility as well. I usually only get involved in these situations with others - when it's already in progress. Then I have to play "catch up" - which is okay when you think about it - because if you haven't been following it all along - you don't get your hopes up over a period of time and it makes it far easier to stay neutral. No emotional investment.

Not all hoaxes are about money. Sometimes hoaxes are simply about attention. Ed was given attention for 4.5 years. For some, that's really all they want or need. I know that sounds like a simple answer - but it's true. Only Ed knows the full reasons why he did what he did. I don't know that Ed did spend a lot of his money on this hoax - specifically. If he owned equipment - it could have been for a multitude of reasons. Ed was also in the Paranormal Community - so it could have been dual use equipment. Ed did invest a lot of time. But, I guess he had a lot of spare time.

In all honesty - the time thing is what blows me away. 4 years to build a friendship, story and information - leading up to a big hoax... Then it all falls apart in less than 2 weeks. I guess he spent more time with the friendships, story and information - than he did on the end goal of the ultimate hoax.

Edited to add: As I read this for typos (yeah I do that) I am struck by a thought.. What if this wasn't about the ultimate hoax.. What if it was simply about the very thing Ed accomplished? The hoaxing of a group to make them think he was a friend, interested in their goals - and wanted what they wanted so he could get attention. Let's face it - just about every time Ed typed something it ended up on other websites etc... Maybe he didn't care about the end game... If that's the case - then he accomplished what he set out to do... Maybe there was no higher goal. Only Ed can speak to this though. Just typing out loud on my part...

This is what Ed taught me. Be cautious of who comes into my life and wants to be my friend. Ed has shown me - people will use friendship as a way to build trust and create hoaxes. Who would ever question a friend... Friendship can be just another tool in the hoaxers arsenal.

Beware my friends.

▲ Edited by Melissa, 18 January 2013 - 12:27 PM.

Every now and then while reading this thread I get the insatiable urge to plunge a steak knife into my temple and scramble my brains. ~ Norcallogger, Sept 2010

Melissa



Posted 16 January 2013 - 09:51 AM

Before I start this - let me say - I am not defending DW or anyone else - I am simply pointing out something in your comment Cisco I find interesting and adding what I know. I always look forward to your posts, so please do not think I am coming down on you - but you touched on a much larger issue - I think is worthy of discussion. So, I will stick out my neck and hope people get my point.

'Cisco', on 15 Jan 2013 - 5:09 PM, said:

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I have no personal issue with the MABRC and even Ed Smith. I was not personally affected by either one.

We are all "personally affected" by a hoaxer or the hoax itself in some way. If that were not the case, we would not even care to find out if the story is true before we find out it's a hoax. While it may not keep us up at night or cause us to spend hours pacing in front of our computer, it does affect us personally. We are still talking about it. We feel used, abused and our trust violated. Those things are personal.

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However, if the MABRC is interested in its perception, within the BF community, it would be good PR to apologize to the individuals that were berated for commenting on Ed Smiths credibility. If they don't care what people think, and all they want to do is go back to their research and forget about this whole fiasco, then more power to them.

Perception.. Man, I hate that word. It's really a double edged sword in this community. Seriously. If DW or anyone else in his situation did everything to please everyone -someone would come along and say, "He is doing all this to simply make people happy so his new member list on the forum rises" or "Sales must be down in the Cafe Press shop - so he is simply trying to bring back sales." Whether he has a Cafe Press store or not.

This happens all the time. Never mind the fact that DW clearly stated, "The buck stops with me". What he is saying is pretty clear to me. During all this I spoke with Darren a number of times. I asked him point blank on the day I found out Ed put my name in that post along side Dr. Meldrums --"Did you know Ed was going to post this text message announcing the "Daisy in a box" capture story - before he posted it?" He told me he had no idea. He found out the same way we all did. I spoke with Darren daily - sometimes 2-3 times a day - and not once did I ever hear him backtrack or change his story. Darren will also tell you - I did not treat him any differently because I know him. My first phone call to him was not a pleasant one (for him). But - he did not do anything but answer my questions. He returned every phone call I made to him - and has fully cooperated with the investigations (to the extent that he could) that followed after Ed announced the end of the "bridging group" (I still think that's a stupid name). I believe Darren was honest with me. I have no reason to think he was trying to do anything but keep everyone informed as to the situation -- and that's all he could do. Never once did he tell me he thought Ed's big story was legit. I asked him point blank what he thought during a number of phone calls - his answer, "Mel, I just don't know." He had as many questions as I did.

I hope DW does not get angry with me for saying this- but I am going to anyway because I think it's important. As time went on (with my involvement) and our conversations continued - DW's attitude became more and more down. You can hear it in someone's voice when they are upset. As time went on I was becoming more and more concerned for DW and his health. As most of you know he has recent issues with his heart. I said to DW, "with your recent health issues, you don't need this right now." His reply? "I know Mel, but what am I supposed to do now? Everyone already thinks I am involved." DW felt like he needed to stay involved because he felt he was close to Ed. He thought he could get the truth out of Ed - because DW thought they were friends. DW also felt he owed it to the community to get as much information out of Ed as possible. I agreed - but I hated that DW was risking his own health with all this stress and aggravation. My concern for DW's health was not me feeling sorry for him either - it was genuine concern and I hoped he would simply turn this over to someone else. He felt obligated. I could not talk him out of it. I tried to - because there are more important things in this life - than trying to out a hoax.

During our first conversation I said to DW point blank, "If this goes south - you do know you will have to finally break all ties with Ed?" DW said, "I know, and I have already started talking with Randy about that." So - DW already knew what he had to do - and he followed through. He had to admit someone he thought was a friend hoaxed him and his organization - then he had to ban him and break all ties. I'm sorry folks - but if I thought my friend hoaxed me -- it would be heartbreaking. Yes, I do have feelings.

This situation brought about the first phone call I have ever had with Randy Harrington. Many of you already know - Randy and I disagree on quite a bit and have not been real friendly. But, when I messaged Randy and asked him to call me ---- he did within minutes - and didn't ask why. I asked Randy the same question - did he know Ed was going to post the "Daisy in a box" capture story text message - BEFORE it hit the message board. Randy told me he had no idea. He was driving in his vehicle when his phone started blowing up with text messages about it. Now, Randy is not obligated to talk to me. We don't hate each other - but I would not call us friends. He could have told me to "mind your own business" or simply refused to call me - but he did not. He answered all my questions and expressed his concern for the entire situation.

Now, I bring up Ed's post again (and the inclusion of my name) because it did not matter how many times I told people that I had no idea what Ed was talking about - people were still speculating about my involvement and making flat out accusations that I did know before he posted it. So - it did not matter what I said. I am just grateful that most people know the person I am and dismissed these accusations.

Maybe there should also be sanctions against those in this community who put out fraudulent information as if it is the truth? If we are going to discuss hoaxers - I do think that qualifies. Someone unattached to a situation is attempting to create misinformation to rile up the community and make them think something that is not true.

Just for clarity - I am not saying anyone on this board did that - or you Cisco - but it did happen.

So, instead of working to try and figure out how to keep this from happening again - it seems like everyone wants to talk about how much DW should suffer. People want to exact their "pound of flesh".. If DW was guilty of anything - it is believing a friend would not lie to him. Ed worked on that friendship for 4 years - so his ultimate hoax could blow up and end within 2 weeks. How do you spot someone like this? Anyone could be susceptible to someone who wants to be their friend for nefarious purposes. Frankly, I don't know how any of us avoid this in the future. That bothers me. But, I know there are others in this world who would do the very same thing.

If you don't like the MABRC message board - then don't become a member and don't go there. If you don't like the BFRO message board - don't sign up and go there. There are good people within these groups - people that do not frequent other message boards. It is not fair to judge a website forum - by a few who we may like or dislike.

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all they want to do is go back to their research and forget about this whole fiasco, then more power to them

Some would say that is simply not giving the hoaxer more publicity. Which is good and something we would want to encourage. Most hoaxing is about attention...

I am not denying that people don't have the right to be angry or upset right now. But, I think that energy might be better focused on how we might keep these things from happening in the future. I have no clue how that can happen - but I hope we can figure something out because this is a whole new level of hoaxing and one that frankly makes me sick and really scares me all at the same time.

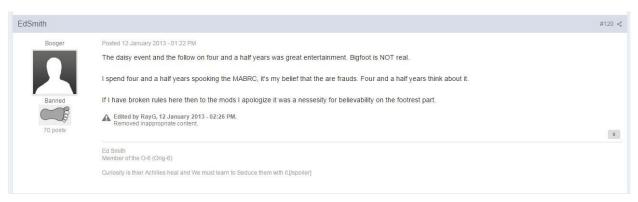
HOW do we spot a hoaxer who first becomes a friend????? Is it even possible??? That is a darn good question.

Just to reiterate - I am not defending DW or anyone else - DW is perfectly capable of defending himself. I am simply discussing what I know - and what I talked about with DW. I hope this post does not violate any forum rules that is not my intent either. If I did in some way - I apologize now.

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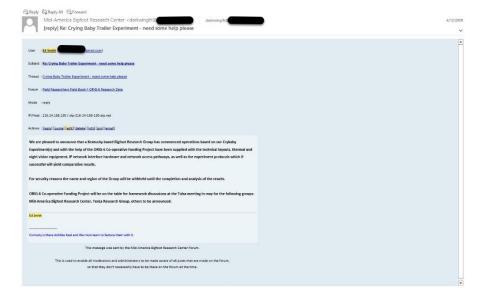
All of this is just my personal opinion.

### Ed's infamous Hoax post on the BFF after being outed as a Hoaxer by D.W.



Ed confirms that the Infrasound Project and the Crying Baby Trailer experiments that he had committed to doing with the MABRC before the failed Summit meeting was "supposedly" done with other groups.





# **Impromptu Timeline**

Some of the dates reflect the screen capture name, but in the right year box.

4/15/2008	Ed joins the forum
6/10/2008	Georgia Bigfoot Hoax begins
7/13/2008	Bullet/Ed We need to have more security
7/18/2008	Sensortech talks to Ed about Orig-6 research areas.
8/18/2008	Whitton and Dyer admit to hoax
11/11/2008	Atoka-Coalgate Incident
3/13/2009	Kiamichi Block Investigation
3/23/2009	Giving advice to members
4/8/2009	Bumptop desktop
4/10/2009	Ed posts his email address
4/15/2009	Driveroperator statement
3/23/2009	Bulletmaker - JREF and Tornado incident
Feb. 2009	Horizon Project first mentioned.
Feb. to May 2009	Summit Meeting
2023-01-28_20-52-00	Summit details
2023-01-28_21-16-27	Reference of other groups in reference to the summit
Feb. to May 2009	Proposed Infrasound Experiment
layout.jpg	layout for the infrasound project
Live Feed Screens	The Live Feed Screens that Ed Smith did.
4/1/2009	Bullet Blows his stack
2023-01-25_21-07-43a	Ed's confirmation for the summit
2023-01-28_20-07-29	Crying Baby Trailer Experiment
2023-01-28_20-05-50	Ed Smith cancels Infrasound experiment and the Summit
2023-01-28_20-06-22	Ed Smith cancels Infrasound experiment and the Summit
4/15/2009	D.O.'s post about the cancelled summit
3/1/2009	AIBR - Paul Vella Blowout
4/9/2009	SECync Server mention
2009	Crying Baby Trailer Experiment
4/14/2009	Bullet sends email to Ed, trying to go around DW and DO
11/21/2009	Orig-6 documentary talk
Poaching members	Ed posts about poaching members of other groups
12/8/2009	Taking the MABRC infrasound experiment to another group
7/1/2009	Man packable camera masts
9/2/2010	Bipto reigns of BFF response by Ed Smith (Mentions Vance Dillon)
8/5/2010	Turner Falls missing hiker
3/30/2010	server farm trailer
2/25/2010	Unattended Ground sensors
2/23/2010	Ed Smith's birthday

9/6/2010	Supposedly when the InPacs Database will be opened on the forum, never happened.
2/22/2010	Ammonia Sensors
1/12/2010	Infrasound info and data release (TBA)
2011	Is when Horizon Project was supposed to go live
10/28/2012	The new group announcement
12/27/2012	Daisy in the Box announcement
12/27/2012	MABRC Forums are overwhelmed, temporarily forcing it offline.
12/1/2012	Sixesup Controversy
12/28/2012	Forum is back online, however, guest access is extremely limited, if people want better access, they have to join the forum. This eliminates the number of people slamming the forums trying to read stuff.
1/3/2013	Roblestar Message
1/7/2013	Bridging Team Members announcement
1/7/2013	Bridging Team Members date, time, location has been agreed upon between Ed and Quantra.
1/8/2013	Ed Smith announces the Quantra group has suspended all contact
1/9/2013	Ed Smith is banned from the MABRC Forums, no further contact is made with Ed after this, he refuses to answer Randy's phone calls.
1/12/2013	Ed makes the infamous fraud post on BFF.