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Honobia Ridge Walker Video

Randy Harrington and Keith Perry were trying to figure out a great location to do research from, and settled on a ridge about a mile south of the trash dumpsters south of Honobia as a likely place for Bigfoot to be coming through.

Setting their camera up behind them, facing up the hill, they began doing wood knocks to see if they could get a response.

What they got instead was a visitor who come up from behind them on the ridge above and checked them out, before moving back off in the direction it had come from.

While not on the same level as the Patterson-Gimlin footage with its clear cut view of a Bigfoot walking across a creekbed, the Honobia Ridge Walker video,

as it became known as, is still important as it shows some behaviors that have become known about Bigfoot in general.

advantage. In October 2008, when a MABRC expedition took place in that location, eye shine could be seen behind the vehicles that were



The fact that it came up behind the came is something most researchers have come to expect from the Bigfoot, and also that they tend to use cover to their

parked along the road that runs the spine of the ridge. The Bigfoot were using the MABRC vehicles to mask their approach.

For more information or to view the Ridge Walker Video, go to the MABRC website at www.mid-america-bigfoot.com/phpbb3/

Trailcam pics from Honobia

The MABRC was camped out on expedition while the 2008 Honobia Bigfoot Conference was going on, and Driveroperator had his trailcams placed to the south of the camp. This was one of the pictures taken by the trailcam that still has the MABRC stumped. It appears to be the palm of a primate hand. But take a look at it yourself and decide on your own. For more information about the expedition, go to www.mid-america-bigfoot.com/phpbb3/ and look under MABRC Expeditions.



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Checklist of events



Track being cast in Oklahoma by the MABRC during their Memorial Day 2008 Expedition.

“The odor can be strong enough to make one nauseous”



Thom Powell has compiled a list of events that landowners experience that may suggest Bigfoot activity. While not anyone activity by itself will mean activity, several together may indicate activity.

Things missing:

- Missing livestock
- Mutilated livestock that is missing specific organs, specifically the liver.
- Livestock cages that have been carefully opened and the animals removed.
- Missing horse grain.
- Missing food from an outdoor freezer.
- Missing milk; A milk cow that occasionally has no milk to give when it ought to.
- Missing smoked meat or fish from a smokehouse.
- Missing fruit from ripening fruit trees.
- Missing vegetables from the garden.
- Missing food from a camping cooler.

Things found:

- Dead wild animals or livestock found in the nearby woods.
- Dead animals found in improbable places (like a dead deer found in the crotch of a tree off the ground).
- Big bare footprints in the mud (you should be so lucky, tracks are rare)
- Piles of bones or feathers neatly placed.

- Dead animals that have been partially or completely skinned without the benefit of sharp tools.
- Very large animal feces piles found on the property or in the nearby woods.
- Finding the door to an outdoor freezer left open in the morning.

Things Damaged:

- Electric fence wire that has been torn down.
- Bent and twisted trees found along trails and roads.
- Camping cookware that has been strewn about.
- Barn implements that have been strewn about.
- Bent gates that do not have the look of vehicle damage.
- Damage to house siding or windows trim.
- “Twist-offs” - small trees with tops that have been bent, twisted, or broken off some 7 to 8 feet above the ground.

Things Heard, Smelled, or Felt:

- Unusual howls or screams, often very loud, that are heard in the distance or in the nearby woods.
- Extremely agitated nighttime behavior by farm dogs.
- Lots of vigorous barking by dogs on surrounding farms.
- Fearful reaction, usually

after dark, by farm dogs that are otherwise aggressive.

- Horses that become very agitated and may even break out of the pen at night.
- The sound of knocking or clacking of rocks emanating from the nearby woods at night.
- Knocking or scratching on the side of the house at night.
- The sound of stones hitting the roof at night.
- Children claiming that something is looking in their windows at night.
- Children claiming that something is watching or spying on them while they are playing.
- The distinct feeling of being watched while doing farm chores, tending stock, or working/walking in the woods.
- The sound of footfalls that parallel your direction of travel as you walk in the woods.
- The sound of breaking of sticks, twigs, and branches as an unseen creature is heard moving loudly through the woods.
- A very strong odor that resembles some combination of rotting garbage, a dead animal, a wet dog, and a person who has not showered for weeks; sometimes also described as carrying a sulfur or rotten egg character.
- A suddenly very quiet woods devoid of the usual bird, critter and bug sounds.

Trailcams



Infrared flash cameras are being used more and more

As more researchers deploy trail cams into the woods in search of Bigfoot, the debate continues if this is an effective tool for research.

From those who believe that Bigfoot will avoid trailcams, to even possibly knowing what they are, it's been a heated argument at times.

The MABRC uses a variety of camera types, in an effort to

watch areas that we believe the Bigfoot travel through on a regular basis.

Currently, we are placing cameras at a height of 16 to 20 feet high, in an effort to get them out of the visual path of Bigfoot as they walk through the woods. As it is hoped that they pay more attention to things at eye level, down to ground level, instead of constantly walking with their heads up, looking into the trees.

So far, this has proven pretty effective with other forest wildlife and hopes that a Bigfoot will be caught on camera remains pretty high.

“The expedition crew seen a Bigfoot belly crawling towards the camp”

MABRC Oklahoma January Expedition

The MABRC conducted another great expedition at their main research area in January, with cold weather hitting hard, the MABRC team hit the woods and had quite an exciting time. From vocalizations, wood knocks and actual sighting of Bigfoot on 3 different occasions by 4 different expedition members, it was a very productive time.

The first night in the field, temperatures were down in the single digits, as two team members spotted a Bigfoot belly crawling towards the

camp across a field. While watching it with night vision, it raised up it's head and it's arm, giving them a great view of it.

Two days later, while checking out a possible travel area used by the local Bigfoot, a Bigfoot was flushed out of it's hiding place and was spotted by two researchers, it then apparently crossed a creek, ran into another researcher who seen it come out of the wood line about 200 feet away, take about 3 steps and re-enter the wood line.

The team also found, and documented a large number of tracks, recorded audio of the vocalizations and also recorded lots of video from the expedition. To read more about it, go to www.mid-americanbigfoot.com/phpbb3/ and go to MABRC Expeditions. The team members also give their personal accounts of what they experienced and also went on a radio show to talk about it all. The radio show is listed on the front page where you can listen to it.

Reporting a sighting

The importance of turning in a sighting report is critical to Bigfoot Research, details from a sighting can be incorporated into a large database to formulate information that can show patterns in Bigfoot behavior, increasing the overall knowledge about the creatures. If you have a sighting, there are

numerous organizations out there to report it to, and at the MABRC, we take sighting reports through our website at <http://www.mid-americanbigfoot.com/joomla> and through e-mail at sighting@mid-americanbigfoot.com

Please give us contact information so that a researcher can contact

you with further questions if necessary.

Remember, Bigfoot Research can only grow through information.





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Founded in 1997, the MABRC originally started as the Green Country Bigfoot Research Center, to give Oklahoma it's first credible Bigfoot Research group. In 2006, the GCBRC changed it's name to Mid-America to reflect the growing numbers of members joining from around the country.

With over 200 researchers and analysts in 4 countries, 3 continents, and nearly every state in the U.S., the MABRC is becoming the leader in Bigfoot Research.

From the Bigfoot Field Guide TV shows, radio shows, forums, websites and now this newsletter, the MABRC continues to share information.

Thom Powell

Thom Powell is a science teacher in Oregon. He has been investigating the local Bigfoot phenomenon in Clackamas County, Oregon since 1986. He joined the Bigfoot Field Research Organization (BFRO) in 1999, and was the Regional Coordinator and a curator of BFRO from 1999-2003. And was present during the acquisition of the Skookum Cast, which purportedly was that of a Bigfoot that laid down along a mud puddle and reached over to grab the fruit that was placed in the center for bait.

Thom is highly respected in the Bigfoot Community and is the author of "The Locals", an in-depth look at Bigfoot as seen through the eyes of his research.

Mr. Powell also has put together a list of things to look for to know if a Bigfoot is in the area, and it's pretty accurate. It is on page 2 of this newsletter and deserves special attention by anyone believing that they may have a Bigfoot around their property.

Thom will also be a featured speaker at the 2009 Honobia Bigfoot Conference and will have lots of interesting things to talk about.

Don't forget to check out the Official home page of the Honobia Bigfoot Festival and conference at www.bigfootmountain.com

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The MABRC strongly recommends Thom's book for researchers just beginning to get into Bigfoot research, it has tons of information that will aid you in the field.

