

## **Page's Walk, Embankment A Psychic Investigation**

Following an investigation by a member of staff armed with an ouija board and plenty of enthusiasm, Jean, supervisor at Blackfriars, thought that the place could use a visit from experienced psychic investigators. This prompted her to approach myself and Dan Matthews, DSM, to set it up.

It would be prudent here to explain that whilst my associates and I use psychic and clairvoyant means we strive to find a natural explanation for paranormal phenomena. If a natural cause cannot be found then it can be safely assumed that there is a good chance that a haunting is occurring. Also, none of us had any information regarding Page's Walk. We did not know where it was and knew nothing of the rumours and stories associated with it. Jean did try to do some research prior to the visit so that any information that we gave could be cross referenced with known facts however, very little information could be gleaned.

So, a date, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2004 was set and myself along with my associates Christopher England, medium, and Andy Alexander, our camera and technical man, accompanied Jean to Embankment. We met Dan and supervisor Alex, who did the first investigation. At 17:05 we went through the doors into the unknown. We found ourselves in an area that I felt was once public access and was part of the old Charing Cross station. I felt that it fell into disuse between the wars, possibly in the 30's. My first impressions in the next area were of heavy air. This perhaps is not unusual for a disused underground passageway however, I was aware of pressure on my head and around my shoulders. Upon reaching the lower level, behind the eastbound District platform, Chris and I split up to formulate our own conclusions. Andy wandered with the video camera. My thoughts were of an area where trains would have once pulled in and out of, though I felt that it wasn't for passenger traffic but for some engineering reason. There is no structural evidence to support this, as there are no signs of track beds or a way in and out. I had said to Jean prior to the visit that I had the feeling of a serious engineering accident. I felt that we now stood where it happened. I picked up the name of Jim or James in relation to this. I was very aware of residual energy around us. Residual energy is the energy of spirits that are permanently around rather than in visitation. With this I got a feeling of sadness which I felt was because it had been a busy and industrious place and was now no longer used. At no stage though did Chris or I feel any malevolence. We all felt comfortable and even the rats didn't bother to come and say 'hello'. After a couple of group photographs we left and, at Alex's suggestion, went onto the eastbound District platform to see what we could pick up. I picked up a female suicide that happened in June 1942. Suicide during the war became rare and it would be interesting to see if there are any records of this.

Chris, upon entering the lower level, had a feeling of fascination. He felt that there was very little wrong there but something historical. He went on to pick up Freemasonry links and felt that meetings would have been held in the lower level. This would not be as unlikely as it would seem when you consider

that at the conception of the underground many of the hierarchy were Masons. Chris felt that this 'branch' lodge was in existence during the building stage, which he placed to be around 1870-1900 (we later learned that Page's Walk was opened in 1906), and it could be safely assumed that some of those involved in the building were Masons. Chris is endeavouring to research the viability of such a lodge through various Freemason sources. He feels that the group may have been linked to the Masonic Templar group and it is interesting to note that the Templar church is just down the road from Embankment. Throughout the visit Chris felt comfortable.

Andy, whilst not a working medium, is not without perception and became aware of the site having been important during the Roman period. So ended what was to be the first of two visits.

Back in the Dan's office we reviewed the video and digital photographs over a cup of tea. We were all amazed at what was on them. Andy had captured an orb and unexplained flashes on video and Chris had captured strange phenomena on the group photographs.



From left to right: Alex, Dan, Andy, Richard and Jean and the strange line that appeared on the photograph



Two shots of the orbs. The orb hasn't come out very clear on still though it is very clear on video



Left: The unexplained flashes and right: Chris

This evidence prompted the second visit, after another cup of tea and cigarette. We decided this time to do a trigger object test. We placed two toy cars in flour at two locations to see if they would be moved. Whilst we waited we sat quietly to see what else could be picked up.

Andy and Jean felt tight-chested and breathless and Jean also felt as though she wanted to draw. Alex felt nothing particular but felt comfortable. Dan thought of his late mother. I had the feeling of someone moving around behind where I was sitting. One thing we all noticed as a group was that the atmosphere became warmer as we sat. Dan said his hands were warm and they were 'glowing' on film.

With the sitting over I moved a little away from the group and noticed a rising mist. I called the others to see it but nothing is visible on film. The lack of film evidence is probably due to the poor lighting.



You can see where the van was moved. Notice that the wheel imprint on the lower right is thinner than the others indicating that the object was twisted as it moved.

Well, that concluded this particular investigation. Any further information discovered in support of our conclusions will be added.

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