

The HMS Daedalus Ghost

SPECIFICATIONS:

Date: 1919

Location: Royal Navy Air Base HMS Daedalus

Photographer: Sir Victor Goddard, RAF officer

Type Camera: Unknown

Other Information: None Available



Another classic—and one of the better—captures, this photograph, taken in 1919 by retired RAF officer Sir Victor Goddard, shows his squadron from the Royal Navy air base HMS Daedalus (apparently the Royal Navy used to name their air bases as if they were ships). Notice the transparent face peering around the man in the upper left corner of the photo (see close up at right). Several men from this squadron identified the face as belonging to mechanic Freddy Jackson, who had been killed two days earlier when he accidentally walked into a spinning propeller blade. His funeral had taken place earlier that day and, apparently, Freddy didn't want to miss all the fun. (This tendency for the dead to want to remain with close friends after death appears to be a reoccurring theme throughout

the paranormal. This may well be a good example of it here.)

Unfortunately, this photo didn't come to light until 1975, so there was no opportunity to examine the original negative or corroborate Sir Goddard's story. Still, it remains among the all time best spirit photos out there.



Close up of the figure of mechanic Freddy Jackson peering over the shoulder of an unidentified man. Notice the far right edge of his face appears transparent.