



Paranormal Tours

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This report is a compilation of the Ghost Walk and the group vigils throughout the night.

Location 1 – Gardens

<u>Investigator</u>	<u>Activity</u>
John	Could visualize a Marquee in the grounds and what he described as a 'bit of a do'.
John	Sensed a Victorian Lady who would walk the grounds – Confirmed: There is a "Green Lady" and a "Grey Lady" believed to be wearing Victorian dress that appear on a regular basis throughout the gardens and the main building.
Team	Many of the team felt a cold energy on their left hand side while walking through the side garden, while many others could sense the strong smell of roses even though there were no obvious roses in bloom in the garden.
John	Sensed the energies of 3 children in the garden
John	When standing near the monument he connected with the energies of 2 young lovers, while he also felt a sharp pain on the left side of his shoulder and neck
John	While stood near the greenhouse felt very agitated and emotional, pacing back and forth. Felt the urge to want to pick up a shovel and batter someone over the head with it. Sensed a very agitated male energy, who was much taller than him and wore a uniform.
Barbara	While walking past the greenhouse felt as if her arm had been pulled back from behind, although when looking back there was nobody behind her – No Cause Found
John	Hears a clear sound like a gunshot – specifically a pistol
Sue	Feeling of being hit on the right shoulder and sensed stomach pains
Mark & John	Felt sick or nauseous for no apparent reason
Mark & Sue	While near the Greenhouse got the impression of a female. Sue felt that someone would have been murdered, and also sensed that someone was following them. Sensed the smell of dogs, possibly Irish Wolfhounds
Team 5	While walking near to the pond frequently sensed the smell of lemons - No Cause Found
John & Elaine	While sitting on the bench in the pond area visualized a large lawn and a pond, as well as 3 children (2 boys and 1 girl). John felt that the girls dress was ankle length with a white apron over the top and sleeves to the wrist. The boys were wearing short knee length trousers. They were singing 'ring-a-ring-a-roses'.
Team 5	Performed a séance while standing around the monument – Mark felt very angry for some reason
John	Felt like he had been shot while standing around the monument
Team 2	While using the crystal pendulum by the pond connected with the name Alice and started to sing the song 'ring-a-ring-a-roses' – this was the second independent account of a group linking in with the song during the investigation.
Vickie	Experienced the sensation of hot tingly hands
Team 1	Experienced a flash of light along the wall and witnessed a large blue light anomaly - No Cause Found
Jez	Felt as if he was being watched from the house and felt very disturbed
Team 4	Heard noises on the gravel as if somebody was walking behind, but on investigation all team members were accounted for - No Cause Found

Location 2 – Ground Floor (Kitchen and Scullery)

Investigator	Activity
John	Felt this area was filled with a number of energies, in particular a male spirit who was very active in the building
John	Felt that poltergeist activity would have been witnessed in the Kitchen – confirmed
John	While in the scullery sensed a woman of superiority shouting out the name Mary – Confirmed: Mary would have worked in the nearby public house, and would have been called upon by the head lady of Belgrave who would have shouted out for her.
Team 5	Sensed the presence of a male and a female energy
Team 5	One of the team members was touched on the arm – No Cause Found
Team 5	At one point the whole team experienced a moment of sudden darkness as if a large blanket was placed over everybody – No Cause Found
Team 5	Sensed the smell of smoke and soap between the Scullery and the Kitchen – No Cause Found
Team 5	Linked in with the name Aggie or Maggie and Emma or Abby, who they felt might have been a Parlour Maid
Team 5	Linked in with a male energy whose name began with J (possibly Jacob) and the surname Routledge who would possibly have been a butler.
Team 5	In the kitchen experienced a light above the bells and red lights in the fireplace – No Cause Found
Team 5	One of the teams camcorders suddenly stopped working
Mark & Rachel	Heard heavy breathing by the fireplace – No Cause Found
Steffan	Felt very ill and uneasy and was forced to leave the kitchen – No Cause Found
Team 2	While in the kitchen linked with the name Charlie and felt anger and disgust
Team 2	Witnessed 4 flashes of light and 2 breaths in the Scullery - No Cause Found
Team 2	Smell of burnt wood experienced - No Cause Found
Team 2	Linked in with an old, small man of stocky build who wore a red checked shirt

Location 3 – Ground Floor (Celebration Room)

Investigator	Activity
Team	Many of the investigation team felt that this would originally have been a Sitting Room – confirmed
John	Felt that somebody would have suffered from a heart attack in the room
Vickie HB	Complained of sweaty palms and a pain in the chest – possible link with John's suggestion of a heart attack.
Team 5	Experienced a number of temperature fluctuations and feelings of cold breezes around – No Cause Found
Team 5	Sensed the smell of smoke
Mark	Felt like a Victorian Male was present in the room who was not happy with the team being there and using the Ouija board. He was quite an authoritarian. Felt he might have had a religious connection (a Minister possibly) but he also had something to do with the building and roamed throughout.
Elaine	Felt a cold hand on her left shoulder during the vigil (coldness and pressure) – No Cause Found
Team 2	Small amount of movement while using the Ouija Board – did experience 2 sets of double knocks in answer to requests for signs of presence – No Cause Found
Team 4/Lara	Experienced virtually no movement with the Ouija board, however less than a minute in to the experiment Lara began to shiver, although she was not feeling cold. As they carried on with the vigil Lara's shivering became gradually worse, until she suddenly fell back in her chair and began shaking uncontrollably. Lara couldn't really remember much about the episode. She reported that she could vaguely hear the team talking to her, but that it was as if we were far away in the distance – No Cause Found
Team 4	Tried some general calling out which did cause the atmosphere in the room to change fairly dramatically. The room began to feel quite tense and heavy - Lee confirmed that this was because a male energy had entered the room (and that this energy had also been responsible for Lara's reaction in the room). Once the atmosphere in the room had altered Karmen had a really strong image in her mind of a pair of boots, which seemed to have some military connection but the were dress boots rather than exercise boots.
Team 4	While calling out a cabinet in the corner of the room began to shake as if someone had run down the stairs or across the hallway. They opened the door to check that whoever was outside was ok (the team were convinced someone had darted out of a vigil area). But there was no one to be seen. All the groups had remained in their vigil areas and everyone was accounted for – No Cause Found
Team 4	A gust of wind appeared to pass through the middle of the table although the team couldn't seem to find any draught or breezes to account for this. Several of the team reported feeling the gust, and Michelle reported feeling as though her coat had been tugged. Almost immediately after, the cabinet began to shake once again, as if someone had slammed the door and left the room - but again everyone was accounted for – No Cause Found

Location 4 – First Floor

Investigator	Activity
All	We had also setup a remote viewing experiment, hiding an object in a cabinet on the 1 st floor in the hope that later in the night our investigators undertaking vigils in this area would be able to visualize and identify the object. On two occasions however during the walk around we arrived on the 1 st floor only to find that the cabinet door behind which that I had placed the object was wide open. Initially it seemed to be that it could have been the vibrations of the team walking on the floorboards nearby as attempts to replicate this by jumping up and down near to the cabinet caused the door to open. It was on the second occasion however that it happened when there was nobody around. It was later mentioned that this cabinet in particular had been the centre of activity on previous investigations where even the drawers had been known to be completely pulled out. No Cause Found
John	Our resident medium and investigator from Belgrave (Lee) had told us earlier that he had a problem standing on a particular step on the stairs. It was near the end of the walk around that John (who was not aware of this) stepped forward onto the step and stumbled, losing his balance. He then explained that he felt there was something wrong with the step, and that something had happened there. It was later confirmed that a young boy had fallen from this step and ended up in calipers.
Neal & Greg	There were a number of other experiences suffered by people at the Hall previously, specifically a sharp pain in the neck as well as in the legs. Many of the investigation team came forward during the walk around suffering from these ailments, unaware that Lee had earlier mentioned to be on the look out for such things. No Cause Found
John	In an adjoining corridor between the bedrooms John mentioned that he could feel restriction and hands around his throat. He could visualize one male and one female, and felt that it would have been used as some kind of punishment area – Confirmed: Lee had earlier mentioned to us (unknown to John) that it is believed that this adjoining corridor would have been used by one of the male owners of the property to corner unsuspecting female workers and while trapped here they would be subject to forms of abuse (sexual and physical)
Barbara	Felt a static electric sensation in her ear and felt hot
Val	Witnessed a flash of light in the 2 nd Bedroom
Steffan	Felt very uneasy while undertaking a short solo vigil in the adjoining corridor between the 2 bedrooms
Team 3	Connected with the names Emily and Pete
Sue & Mark	While in the Gentleman's study had knocks and taps in response to questions – No Cause Found
Sue	While in the bedroom saw a flash of light go across the bed and felt a male energy was present. Had the sensation of being strangled and hit in the eye, and felt that the male did not want women to be present
Rachel, Simon and Elaine	While sat in the study heard taps and knocks in response to questions. Simon in particular had some trouble with the picture on his video camera, and we wondered if this was as a result of some spiritual interference, so we asked for any energies present to step back. Once or twice this seemed to clear the picture on command – No Cause Found
Elaine	While scrying in the adjoining corridor noticed that her face changed slightly with her eyebrows filling out and her face thinning
Vickie F	Felt neck pains. Also felt subdued and really cold. In another room felt angry emotions.
Vickie HB	Sensed a 'pervert' and feelings of torture and possibly evil laughter
Team 1	Experienced the cupboard opening in the Master Bedroom by itself - No Cause Found
Team 1	A sweeping noise was heard in the Maids Bedroom - No Cause Found
Team 1	Experienced the chair being tapped while standing in the adjoining corridor
Team 1	While dowsing with rods on the 1 st floor landing noticed that the rods kept pulling towards the cabinet – this was where the object had been placed for the remote viewing experiment being conducted during vigils on the first floor.
Team 4/Lara	Lara experienced another episode of channeling
Team 4	Individual team members attempted short solo vigils in the adjoining corridor between the 2 bedrooms where activity had been experienced before. Some team members sensed a man dragging a woman across the floor while others felt calm and relaxed there.
Team 4	Some anomalous noises were heard coming from the rooms – possible the temperature drops causing the wooden furniture and floors to expand/contract and creak.

Location 5 – Top Floor

Investigator	Activity
John	Sensed an uneasy presence near the corner of the banisters at the top of the stairs
John	Connected with the energy of a lady whose name was Elizabeth – Eliza was one of the Ellis sisters
Vickie F	Believed could sense dogs barking outside – John confirmed that he felt these dogs would be white (or partly white) and were possibly King Charles Spaniels. Confirmed
John	In the housekeepers room he connected with the name Jack
John	In the Master Bedroom sensed 2 men – one short and stocky and the other quite elderly
Team	While on the walk around one of the museum's motion sensors was triggered in a small upstairs room (the Housemaids Cupboard). When the alarm sounded the entire team were on the 1 st floor downstairs and everyone was accounted for. There was no obvious explanation
Sue	Sat on the seat at the top of the stairs and performed some automatic writing which revealed a message from Eliza whose mother was Pricilla. She never married and was aged 28 and had lost a child – Confirmed: Eliza was a specific name given by Lee earlier in the evening and Sue was not aware of this. The Ellis family were as follows: Mr. John Ellis (father), Mrs. Pricilla Ellis (mother), Lucy, Eliza, Jane, Isabella, Margaret, Charlotte and Ellen (daughters), William (son).
Sue	Whilst sat on the landing heard a cough from the Private Room – No Cause Found
Team 5	Conducted an automatic writing experiment with the Planchette – although there was only a little movement it appeared that the letter R was drawn
Team 5	Witnessed light anomalies in the Children's Room
Elaine & Rachel	Felt that there were children present in the Children's Room
Simon	Experienced a cold tingling sensation from the legs down
Kelly	Touched on the right shoulder – No Cause Found
Sue	Felt the energy of a nurse enter the room
Team 5	While taking photos at the end of the vigil the team heard a tap/knock in one of the rooms and Sue felt like someone was pushing her down the stairs
Team 2	Conducted an automatic writing experiment with the Planchette – good responses with sharp angular movements recorded,
Team 2	While in the nursery noticed that the chair was creaking and tapping sounds could be heard
Team 1	Experienced a noise like a loud 'crack' and a rush of cold air while standing on the landing - No Cause Found
Team 1/Martin	While sat in one of the upstairs bedrooms with 2 of the team and with John outside on the landing with the remainder, John sensed a presence and asked for a more definite sign of activity. At this time Martin and the team in the bedroom were asking for any energies nearby to come in through the bedroom door as a sign of their presence. At that particular moment the sensor in the Housemaids Cupboard next door was triggered again, and to our amazement the door opened slightly in the bedroom. Martin instantly assumed it was John coming in to tell them about the sensor going off, but when he reached the door he found that John was on the other side of the landing. Martin considered the possibility of a draught causing the door to move on its own, however he could find no evidence of air movement anywhere in the area. No Cause Found
Team 1	While in the bedroom a tap/knock sound was heard coming from the wardrobe
Team 4	Linked in with an older sister named Charlotte – Confirmed: One of the sisters in the Ellis family was Charlotte
Team 4	Suggested that a man by the name of Edmund was present and scared the sisters - Belgrave Hall was first built by Edmund Cradock between 1709 and 1713, and he is still believed to haunt the building
Team 4	Conducted an automatic writing experiment with the Planchette – Jez experienced a burning sensation in his little finger which was not touching the board
Team 4	Linked in with a 6 year old boy

Experiments

Location	Experiment & Activity
First Floor Landing	We had setup a remote viewing experiment, hiding an object in a cabinet on the 1st floor in the hope that later in the night our investigators undertaking vigils in this area would be able to visualize and identify the object. On two occasions however during the walk around we arrived on the 1st floor only to find that the cabinet door behind which that I had placed the object was wide open. Initially it seemed to be that it could have been the vibrations of the team walking on the floorboards nearby as attempts to replicate this by jumping up and down near to the cabinet caused the door to open. It was on the second occasion however that it happened when there was nobody around. No Cause Found. No Team Members correctly identified the object (a Victorian Kaleidoscope) or the location (Cabinet on the first floor landing).
Celebration Room	Ouija Board – occasional movement but no direct communication or information
Scullery	Table Tipping – Limited or no movement throughout the night
Top Floor	Planchette (Automatic Writing) – occasional movements recorded by some teams.