North American Dogman Project (VA) Report VANADP Case # 20201003-01 Gloucester County, Virginia

Background:

On October 3, 2020 between 0230 – 0330 hrs, the witness awoke to the sound of scratching at her rear bedroom window. She also heard a very loud penetrating howl/ screech. She described the sound as rather deep, but the screech was similar to fingernails on a chalkboard. She said the sound was very uncomfortable and seemed to penetrate her body. She had two dogs in the room with her; one was a large beagle (50 lbs) and the other was a Mountain Lab (93 lbs.). Both dogs seemed to be cowering, shaking, and the hair on their backs stood up.

The exterior flood lights kept coming on and going off. She got up but didn't look out the window for fear of being illuminated by the lights, so she went out the front door, sneaked around the house towards the back yard. When she got to the back of the house and looked around the corner, she saw a large canine type creature standing on its two rear legs. She said it looked similar to a wolf, was somewhat bronze in color, six to eight feet tall, with large head and brownish/ orange eyes. The eyes either reflected the full moon or were luminescent. It had human like shoulders, chest and what appeared to be hands consisting of three "claws" and an opposable thumb. Its ears were similar to a German Shepherd. When the animal saw her, it "pivoted" around, took one step (bipedal) and stopped. It then "hopped" three times, turned towards her, grimaced/ snarled, raised its head and howled/ screeched. She said the canine teeth were triple the size of a normal dog's teeth. It also had two long teeth protruding from the bottom like a wild bore. The animal then ran/hopped towards a creek at the rear of her house. Its movements appeared "freakish". She then heard a loud splash as it apparently jumped into the water. She ran back into the house and didn't come outside until the next day.

Initially, she didn't want report what she saw for fear of ridicule. She knew her neighbor had paranormal experiences in the past, so she felt comfortable telling her. The neighbor, who lives across the street, suggested she report the incident. This neighbor knew a member of a local paranormal group and told them. They, in turn, contacted us requesting we look into the matter.

Investigation:

On October 19, 2020, Investigators Rick Atristain and Richard Bowen went to the location, which is a private residence on the York River in Gloucester County, Virginia. Both the neighbor and the primary witness were interviewed. After initial interviews, we then visited the actual site. A video was taken during the witness' recreation. Photos and measurements were also taken in the back yard.

Relative measurements were taken of the animal's size. When the animal was upright on two legs, it measured at approximately seven feet. The shoulders were approximately three feet wide. The head was estimated to be about twelve to thirteen inches wide, and the Muzzle was about ten inches long.

Approximate measurements were also taken of the animal's movements. After the animal pivoted, the initial step was measured to be approximately nine feet. The three "hops" were measured to be approximately fourteen feet in length, and the distance it covered to the creek was approximately 107 feet.

We also noticed two "puncture" holes in the witness' bedroom window screen. The holes appeared to be centered on the screen itself and approximately seven feet from the ground. We went inside and examined them in more detail. The screen appeared to be fiberglass and the broken/damaged strands were pushed in indicating an exterior force. The witness didn't notice the damage until it was pointed out to her.

Photos:



Initial Location of Animal as Observed by Witness



Point Where Animal Entered Creek



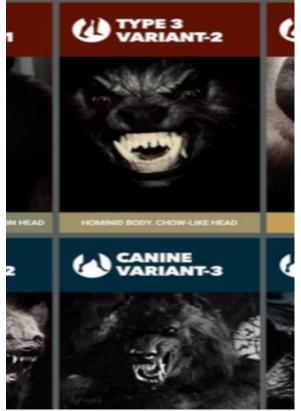
Damaged Window Screen



Damaged Screen With Scale



Close-up of Damaged Screen



Witness Classification: Cross between Type 3 Variant-2 And Canine Variant-3