

Woodchester Mansion, Gloucester

Woodchester Mansion is a gothic style building from the 1850s which stands in its own extensive parkland grounds just outside Nympsfield, Gloucester. The building was never completed and never lived in because the workmen left suddenly never to return. Some think that this was due to a murder or accident, whilst others claim it was because the owners ran out of money for the impressive project.

The SI team were invited to investigate this wonderful building as guest of the Gloucester Paranormal Research Group on 8th March 2008.

The team split into smaller groups so that as much of the building could be explored.

In the cellar 2 female presences and one male presence was detected. The male had died from battle injuries in 1940s and is dressed in a military uniform. The cellar was divided into 5 separate smaller rooms and most of the psychics and dowsers on the team felt that this area of the house had been used as hospital. Indeed at times there were distinctive and strong TCP or antiseptic smells in the cellar.

Another female was sensed in one of the small rooms. She seemed very sad and it was discovered that she had drown in one of the near by lakes. One investigator picked up on the energy of a young boy who appeared to be frightened and shivering in the corner of the room. He was a replay of events and not an active presence.

The cellar provided sudden fluctuations in temperature that were picked up by the laser thermometers and the team. Light anomalies were caught on locked off cameras and camcorders and EMF readings fluctuated in this area for no obvious reason.

In the kitchen and larder rooms children were sensed playing and having fun. It was felt that they were a reply and not active presences. The kitchen also had a TCP/ antiseptic smell at times.

The team moved up to the Chapel and ground floor corridors were independently 3 of our dowsers and psychics sensed a very stern and angry male presence. They felt that he was a priest who spent his time 'guarding' the chapel. He was very angry about devil worship/ black magic that had taken place here after the building had been left in ruins.

On the second floor an aggressive male presence was detected at the far end of the corridor. He was not happy about us being here and some felt that he may have had enough energy to push or shove someone. A female presence in her early 30s was also sensed at the other end of the corridor. She was very aware of the male presence and they hated each other. It appeared that he was haunting her!