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Great cosmic balls of fire

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BANGS, screams and things that go bump in the night are not what you might expect on this page, but the following stories could turn out to be more meteorological than paranormal.

At 3.30am on 14 June, 1903, in the South African province of Transvaal, Mr H Bourhill suddenly awoke to a sound like the firing of a cannon followed by a whizzing noise, then by a second bang.

He tried to go back to sleep but then a terrific explosion burst over the house. "It was a sudden, terrifying report followed by a

tearing, rending noise, giving the idea that some large wooden structure was being torn asunder", he reported. But next day he was astonished to find that his house was completely undamaged. Neither could he find any evidence of a meteorite fall. It remained a mystery.

That same year William Butlin, second mate aboard a merchant ship, reported a similar incident during a heavy thunderstorm off the Dutch coast.

Firstly, he heard a whizzing sound as if a rocket had been fired. Then a deep red and bright yellow fireball fell into the sea, followed by three explosions. And these spooky goings-on have also happened more recently. At 3.45am on 23 February 1977, a

massive explosion and flash rocked the village of Ford in west Wiltshire and left all 30 inhabitants terrified. One resident, Derek Robinson, said a rushing noise passed from one side of his house to the other, followed by a loud explosion and a blue-green flash. It seemed to come out of nowhere, although it was raining at the time.

All of these accounts could very well have been "fireballs" followed by a massive lightning strike and thunder clap.

One theory is that glowing balls of lightning looking like fire are created during particularly intense thunderstorms.

On falling to earth these fireballs charge a channel through the air through which a massive thunderbolt can then follow.

UNIDENTIFIED flying objects are not usually the Civil Aviation Authority's province. Reports of little green men are passed on to the Ministry of Defence, on grounds of national security.

This one had its experts puzzling for weeks, however. Combine harvesters, after all, are not designed to fly.

A man in Stoke-on-Trent, peacefully weeding his garden, heard something like the whistling of an incoming artillery shell. He ducked and the object sliced clean through his fence. Judging from its trajectory he assumed it had dropped from an aircraft.

It was not until the CAA published a picture of the UFO in its digest of untoward occurrences that a pilot, who was also a farmer, called in. It was he said, a blade from a piece of farm equipment. It had broken loose and "flown", the authority discovered, for more than three quarters of a mile.

The CAA's safety data and analysis unit at Gatwick said it had investigated 589 falling objects since 1976.

"A lot of it is probably carelessness," said analysis head Henry Leather. "Very often these things are access panels. The clips look as though they are locked properly until they get into an air flow which pulls the part off."

28.01.94 London

Evening Standard

26.05.94 Blairgowrie Advertiser

Touch of the paranormal

A RESURGENCE of interest in UFOs and the paranormal in this part of the country has led to the setting up of a conference specifically dedicated to exploring the intriguing subject of unexplained happenings and the possibility of "other worlds".

The weekend conference, which begins tomorrow at Meigle House, Meigle, will be led by Welsh expert Gary Rowe. Mr Rowe has put 35 years of research into studying the movements of UFOs and the paranormal and lectures on his subjects at Bryn Coch Adult Education Centre and Rhyll High School.

He arrived in Perthshire on Wednesday and will stay for a week to investigate what he describes as an area of outstanding interest.

Of particular attraction to him is the sacred geometry of Perthshire and its outstanding collection of standing stones. Frances Grant Hutton, who has arranged Mr Rowe's visit, said: "This man is a highly acclaimed expert and will be able to lead us on an exciting and action-packed weekend of investigation into a subject which is fascinating a growing number of people."

She added that there may be some last-minute places available for anyone interested in attending the conference if they contact Meigle House today (Friday).

For further information, contact Frances Hutton (tel. 082 84 270).

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Great ball of fire sparks ET theory

LANGLEY may have been visited by little green men, according to star gazing locals.

Residents in Langley High Street swear they saw a UFO fly over them late on Tuesday night.

They saw what appeared to be a low-flying, spinning ball of fire arc across the sky.

After travelling for a couple of minutes, it then disappeared behind Langley College.

One bystander said: "It was flying at about the normal height of planes, but a bit faster."

"It looked just like a spinning ball of fire. After trailing across the sky, it then disappeared out of sight behind Langley College."

"It wasn't what I thought a UFO would look like - I was expecting it to be more saucer-shaped, like in 'Close Encounters of the Third Kind'."

However, Tony Fanning of the Herschel Astronomical Society said that the truth was probably a lot less exciting than extraterrestrials taking an evening course at Langley College.

He said: "The most likely explanation would be that it was one of the sporadic meteorites which occasionally flash across the sky, or car headlights being reflected off something onto a low cloud."

"There is currently a meteor shower in progress called the Scorpiids which lasts until May 19, but they would be unlikely to be anything so big."

20.05.94 Slough &

Langley Observer

Strange 21st turns heat on esoteric

Sally Weale confers with aliens, flying cats, ectoplasm — even Jeremy Beadle

ON Saturday they were talking about spontaneous human combustion. Yesterday, as the temperature in the crowded lecture theatre spiralled ever upwards, we came close to witnessing it.

This was a "Celebration of the Strange" — the first conference of its kind devoted to strange and unexplained phenomena. It attracted the expert and the amateur, the ordinary and the weird in their hundreds. And then there was Jeremy Beadle.

Entitled UnConvention 91, the two-day symposium at the University of London Union was organised by the Fortean Times, a journal which records such phenomena, to celebrate its 21st birthday.

Pick your favourite phenomenon and UnConvention catered for it. Be it crop circles, cryptozoology, alien abduction, cats with wings, flying saucers or visions of the Virgin Mary — all you needed was an open mind and a sense of humour.

Among the mainly male, student-style audience, Joan and Ellen — two middle-aged clerks from Bracknell, Berkshire — looked a mite incon-

gruous with their floral blouses, A-line skirts and white handbags. "We've always been interested in this sort of thing," said Ellen, as she and Joan emerged for air at the end of Dr David Jacobs' lecture on emerging patterns in alien abduction research.

They are studying astrology and had come to see their teacher in one of the events. Dr Jacobs' accounts of women being impregnated by little green men had left them a touch breathless.

Dr Jacobs, an American in a dark suit and tie, was persuasive. He told of abductions of up to 50 people by aliens, of women who provided positive pregnancy tests after abduction experiences, and in subsequent experiences underwent a sort of alien abortion.

Witnesses repeatedly told of little creatures, with large dome-shaped heads, penetrating globular eyes, pointy chins and no noses or ears, lifting them out of their everyday lives and into a spaceship where they were laid on a table and examined.

"These were not nuts, these were not looneytunes, these people did not have severe psychological problems," Dr Jacobs insisted.

Like Joan and Ellen, TV presenter Jeremy Beadle was spellbound. "I love the anecdotal. I love the apocryphal and I love the humour. Whether it's true or not is absolutely irrelevant. It's damn good entertainment," he said.

21.06.94 Guardian

Night-time encounters

A SLEEPLESS night ended in a close encounter for a city woman — who claims she sighted a UFO.

Joan Wilkinson of Linnet, Orton Wis-tow, had been struggling to sleep in the early hours of Wednesday, so the nature-lover decided to go for a stroll to see some night-time wildlife.

But Mrs Wilkinson got more than she bargained for — and is sure she saw an unidentified flying object.

She said: "I saw a really bright light in the sky and thought it was a planet. I took a closer look through my binoculars and I was absolutely staggered at what I saw — it was an object which resembled a light aircraft, but it had a very bright white light at the back which I thought was most unusual — normally plane lights are red or green."

The sighting happened at about 3.15am, as Mrs Wilkinson was approaching Lynch Farm which is near her home.

Mrs Wilkinson added: "It sounds crazy but I'm sure it wasn't an aeroplane. I could clearly see two windows on it and I have never been able to see that before. It was absolutely silent as well."

Nick Pope, a UFO desk officer for the Ministry of Defence, said: "From the description it does sound like it could have been a plane."

"However, checks have been made and there was not any military air action at the time of the sighting."

● **Did you see the mystery object too? Call the newsroom on Peterborough 555111.**

20.05.94 Peterborough Evening Telegraph

Star blows fortune on UFO probe

TROGGS star Reg Presley is over the moon after earning £1m from the soundtrack of the film *Four Weddings and a Funeral* — and he's spending the cash on investigating UFOs.

Presley will use the royalties from Wet Wet Wet's cover version of his song *Love Is All Around* to examine crop circles which he believes are made by alien spacecraft.

The Troggs star heard yesterday that the song he penned back in the 1960s was at number one in the pop charts.

Reg, aged 51, said, "I want to film the crop circles from the air and it costs money to send up helicopters, so I'll use part of the royalty money on my hobby."

22.05.94 Western mail

SNAPSHOT

UFO investigator Nigel Mortimer will talk about his close encounter and other mysteries of the sky next week. UFO'S and Aliens? — an illustrated talk will be presented at the Clarke-Foley Day Centre, on Cunliffe Road, Ilkley, on Monday, May 27 at 7.30pm. Mr Mortimer, from Menston, will talk about his first sighting of a UFO back in 1980.

15.05.94 Telegraph

& Argus

Driver reports UFO over Strensall

UFO-SPOTTER Ron Cowl saw what he believes was a flying saucer over Strensall Common.

Mr Cowl saw the yellow light, between 200ft and 300ft above the ground, while driving home from York to Strensall.

"I thought it was street light at first, but it was too high in the sky," he said.

He watched the light, which he estimated to be six to ten feet in diameter, for half a

minute before it disappeared.

People in North and East Yorkshire have reported more than 20 sightings of strange objects in the sky so far this year.

Now, flying onions

A POSTMAN claims he saw a mystery onion-shaped UFO flying at high speed above his houseboat, John Hunt, 50, from York, has no explanation for the lemon-coloured sphere he saw dart over the River Ouse at about 3,000ft.

I HAVE over the last two years started my own project into the very serious and growing subject of unidentified flying objects (UFOs). I have followed this subject for more than 20 years. I would be grateful for any information your readers could send me concerning this matter. Any replies would be very helpful would be very helpful to my research.

JOHN MITTEN, 2 Poplar Grove, Urmston, Manchester M41 9BL.

21.05.94 Western Morning News

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15.05.94 Sunday Independent

'These aliens had a few at the pub!

FURIOUS farmer Philip Fidler has slammed hundreds of 'weirdos' who have invaded his fields after a series of crop circles appeared.

Experts dismissed the circles as fake but believers — and even a film crew from

the Netherlands — he descended on his farm near Avebury, Wilts.

Philip, 39, said: "I aliens who made these circles probably had a few pints at the pub down road beforehand."

UFO, not a helicopter

L. ZEIN, Rose Avenue, Upton, Pontefract:

MY name is Lindsey Zein and I am 17 years of age. On Tuesday the 26th December, I and a friend, also from Upton, were coming towards Upton from Badsworth, having turned off Badsworth roundabout in her car, when something caught my eye: it was a round, misty shape in the sky with different colours of light flashing round it. I and Sherry thought it was a police helicopter, but all of a sudden it just moved at such a speed nearer to the car, then stopped. We then had second thoughts as we weren't speeding or anything. We stopped the car and got out to see if we could hear anything, like the sound of rotor blades coming from it. There was no machine sound at all.

Scared of what we were looking at, we dashed back into the car and set off. It is hard to explain but it didn't really look as though it was in the sky: it looked so near the car. But not two minutes down Beacon Drive we stopped again and it had disappeared in that space of time. We could have seen it a mile off as it is open space: there are hardly any houses on this road.

Today I read in the Barnsley Chronicle about a woman called Debbie Holt in Barnsley seeing a light and I am now absolutely positive that it was a UFO and not a helicopter.

21.01.94 Barnsley Chronicle

Express and Chronicle, February 18, 1994

Lights in sky

BEAM me up, Scottie, or just an earth-moving experience? Episode two of the mysterious UFO-type light sightings around the valley...

J C Kilner, of Choppards, Holmfirth, says he is not the sort of person to have hallucinations and he has never seen strange lights in the sky before, here or anywhere else.

But at 5.05am last Tuesday morning he was going to the bathroom, the window of which faces on to his long lawn.

"About 100 yards from the house I saw a circular patch of quite bright lights.

They were well-defined, about 20 yards in diameter and stationary for about four or five seconds. It was dark and their effect was like a beam of light, a lot brighter than a torch, down onto the stretch of ground. I couldn't have been dreaming.

"I didn't hear a helicopter, as I would have done if it was that close and it wasn't a plane because the lights weren't moving.

Mr Kilner put it down to being one of life's odd experiences until he saw last week's report in The Express concerning UFO-type lights in the Holmfirth area.

Holmfirth police's Insp Terry Jepson verified that various reports on bright lights over the moors had been made over the years. But he could only speculate on the mystery.

According to him, in the past bright lights spotted over the moor were mostly found to be the landing lights of planes going into or out of Manchester airport.

He said it had also been known for laser beams used in shows to bounce off heavy cloud layers and be visible in areas other than the locality of the event — but this generally happened over the Christmas period.

Inspector Jepson said: "We have been looking for years for these mysterious UFOs which have allegedly appeared in the Holme Valley. But we still haven't found anything."

16.03.94 Stratford Midweek

UFO spotter Gordon Stewart is to lobby the Government over the alleged cover-up of alien activity in the country.

Mr Stewart, 38, of Manor Road, Earls Barton, is involved in the Alien Acknowledgement Campaign.

Campaigners across Britain have joined their counterparts in the USA for Operation Right to Know.

Mr Stewart believes the Government has been covering up the existence of extra-terrestrials.

He now runs the Northants branch of the London UFO Studies which has about 20 members. Three of these will join Mr Stewart in lobbying the Government on Monday.

20.05.94 Kettering Evening Telegraph

by John Brunson

STRANGE lights over Scarborough and unexplained objects in the skies above Pickering in the last week have once again brought UFO fever to North Yorkshire.

The mystery remains: are these lights in the sky the spacecraft of extraterrestrials who have travelled billions of light years for a weekend in Bridlington?

Strange as it may seem, these recent sightings are only the latest in a long history of reports of Unidentified Flying Objects in the area.

North Yorkshire seems to have always had a special fascination for these visitors from distant galaxies.

Over the years there have been some strange reports.

In 1984, a York taxi driver claimed to have seen an alien craft set fire to the Minster. The intergalactic arsonists travelled in a flame-coloured zeppelin-like space ship.

In 1986, York City FC had a close encounter of the sporting kind when their team bus was apparently buzzed

They will converge on the headquarters of the Ministry of Defence at Whitehall and the House of Commons.

A similar protest will take place outside The Pentagon in Washington DC.

Mr Stewart, a former pupil of John Lea School, Wellingborough, will help hand out leaflets to Government officials and to MPs. Mr Stewart claimed an unidentified flying object crashed near Birmingham earlier this year.

Mr Stewart said UFO investigators had discovered the crash and the public had to a right to know about it.

● **What do you think? Do you think aliens exist? Write to Letters, Evening Telegraph, Northfield Avenue, Kettering, NN16 9TT.**

by a UFO after a 3-0 defeat at Bristol City.

It was said to be a strange round object, flying at speed, which none of the team could identify — although evnies might suggest it was a football.

In 1988, a "large pumpkin object with several cocktail sticks coming out of it" appeared over York. Experts from the Yorkshire UFO society claimed at the time that it might be a Nazi "flying disc" from World War II. Experts from Practical Housekeeping suggested it might make an interesting centre piece for a dinner party.

In 1992, a York man photographed a Polo mint-shaped object in the sky over Foxwood. Experts examined the photo, but could find no holes in his theory that it was a UFO.

In fact North Yorkshire, the largest county in England, is top for UFO sightings, accounting for more than half the national total in the last decade.

But why do these Extra Terrestrials choose Yorkshire. Is it the beautiful countryside or the clear air — or are they planning an invasion.

Now there's a plot for Emmerdale!

03.02.94 Yorkshire Evening Post

SIGHTINGS of a strange craft speeding through the night sky above Paul recently has led to a local woman contacting a UFO society.

Judith Kirk is intrigued and would like to find out what it was she actually saw.

"I had just got out of my car when I saw something

■ A UFO seen by scores of South Warwickshire people was probably the Virgin airship on its way from London to Stourport.

over a field, out of the corner of my eye," said Judith, who lives near the village.

"I looked round and thought: 'My God, what's that?'"

"There was a pair of very large bright lights flying parallel to each other at great speed. It was very exciting. It wasn't like anything I had ever seen before."

She added: "They left a vapour trail, and at one side there were two smaller craft. I tried to take in as much as I could, but it all happened in about 30 seconds to a minute."

The next day, still intrigued about what she had seen, Judith heard a report on the

radio about a mystery craft which had been spotted over the west coast of Ireland.

"It seems Air Traffic Control in Ireland had no record of a flight at that time," she said.

The sighting came just a quarter of an hour before she saw the unidentified flying object at Paul at 1 am - and the description matched exactly.

Judith contacted the British UFO Society, who told her that sightings had been reported in Wales, Bristol and Somerset, as well as elsewhere in Cornwall.

The society's Doug Cooper is keen to hear from anyone else who believes they saw the strange craft. He can be contacted on 0404 44863.

Ecology conference in Killarney seen as multi-cultural celebration of Earth

By Roz Crowley

"MEN and women from all continents, some with their children, have come together to honour and celebrate the Earth — to sing, to dance, to hear poems and stories, to share food and drink and the laughter of true friendship." Mr Ralph Metzner said in Killarney during a week of social activities and discussion on "the interrelationship of transpersonal vision with ecology and the worldwide environmental movement".

He was speaking at the 13th International Transpersonal Conference which ends tonight with "An Evening of Traditional and Contemporary music from

Ireland and other lands". Some 1,500 delegates from 40 countries have converged on Killarney this week for the event. New Dimensions Radio (NDR) from San Francisco was there, broadcasting daily worldwide, as was Radio for Peace International, based in Costa Rica. Journalists from around the world have also been covering the event.

Mr Metzner said they had "come to contemplate together and to mourn the overwhelming loss of so much of the diversity of life and culture that is occurring in our time". He added: "We have come to counsel and to strategise

together on how best to resist and transform the technico-industrial production-consumption monster that is mindlessly devastating the biosphere."

Transpersonal psychology claims to have expanded the field of psychology "beyond the psychodynamic/clinical, behaviourist, cognitive, humanist and existential orientations to include the entire range of human experience".

Mr Michael Toms of NDR said: "We're all connected, doing the same stuff. We have problems like THORP and we learn how to cope with our problems by learning how others cope with theirs. Ireland is a good place to do this,

as it welcomes diversity, and the Celtic background is an ideal backdrop for what we are trying to do."

Lecture topics during the week included: "Spiritual Politics — the Way of the World", "Crossing to Avalon: the Liminality of the Goddess and the Fate of the Earth", "The Universe Story", "Women, Ecology and Development", "The Healing Voice", and "Creating Sustainable Ecosystems". Today's programme includes talks on "Backlist Wisdom and Traditional Value for Ecological Balance" and "The UFO Abduction Phenomenon".

27.05.94 Irish Times

FORMER UN Secretary General U Thant believed UFOs to be the biggest issue facing humanity.

Author and UFO researcher Palden Jenkins agrees with that view.

Palden (right), who will lecture on ETs and Planet Earth at the Wessex Research Group meeting tonight (Thursday), reckons the full truth of visiting aliens will hit the world like a cosmic bombshell some time during the next 10 years.



"It will cause major psychological disturbance," warns Palden, whose talk is at 7.30 pm the Friends' Meeting House in Boscombe's Wharnclyffe Road - admission £2.

Palden, editor of Gateway Books of Bath which has just published his book *The Only Planet of Choice*, claims as many as 40 different alien groups - some friendly, some malevolent - are flocking to our little world.

One disturbing reason given for all this attention is that Earth was long ago chosen for an evolutionary experiment - with humans as the guinea pigs.

Palden, 43, accepts that a lot of folk will dismiss his views as pure fantasy but argues that much hard evidence about UFOs is emerging every day, especially from America.

"And just in case it's correct - forewarned is forearmed," he suggests.

A UFO sighting in Wales when he was 22 sparked his interest in the phenomena.

"I and a friend saw four craft emerge from a mother ship," said father of three Palden, who lives in Glastonbury. "We watched them for half an hour."

His new book details 18 years work of psychic Phyllis Schlemmer, who claims to channel "the Council of Nine, a circle of universal beings living outside time and space".

It was these sessions, attended by the since deceased science fiction writer Gene Roddenberry, which are said to have inspired much of his *Star Trek* material.

Palden's "coming out" as an ET believer has the effect, he says, of encouraging others to talk of their UFO experiences.

So if you've been buzzed, abducted or even haunted by THEM, Boscombe tonight is the place to be.

27.01.94 Christchurch Advertiser.

UFO spotted over town

A KETTERING couple who believe they saw a UFO are appealing for other people to who may have spotted the object to come forward.

Nicola and Peter Minney saw a triangular object with a brilliant white light hanging in the sky just after 5 this morning.

They say the object looked as

though it was above the Kettering rugby ground and then moved out of view above their Piper's Hill Road home.

A spokesman for the Met Office said sometimes there were thunderstorms in the distance and the clouds became brightly illuminated which could be mistaken for UFOs.

28.01.94 Kettering Evening Telegraph

World to end in 50 years..

.. unless we all start planting more trees says green medium Ann Walker

By RACHEL LOOS

IF I TOLD you I had spent the past few months hanging out on a space ship with the alien Son of God, you'd probably zip me into a strait-jacket.

At the very least my name would be swiftly struck from your Christmas card list.

But it is so for Ann Walker. Her claims have turned her into an overnight celebrity medium.

Following this alien Son of God who is said to be a lost Indian, did I White Arrow has warned her that the world will end in five years unless we start planting millions of trees.

Well, not everyone thinks so. In the 19th Century were so impressed they gave the West London housewife a £10,000 advance for her book about White Arrow's predictions.

She dazzled the publishers with tales of their dead relatives and pets.

Her remarkable gift has also been endorsed by PR queen Lorraine Franks - the inspiration for Jennifer Saunders's character Edina in *Absolutely Fabulous*.

Ann gave her a detailed description of her grandfather and revealed to her that he wined with a stick - something Lorraine didn't then know.

She has earned the title of the next Doris Stokes and is touted as the Green clairvoyant with a mission to save the world.

Half the proceeds from her book *Little One Message From Planet Heaven* published this week, are going towards saving the rainforests.

But is she any good? Ann, or Medicine Bear Woman as it says on her card, lives in a small semi detached in an outer suburb of London.

She became a clairvoyant 12 years ago after hearing voices of her husband Tony's family chatting away at night.

A week later White Arrow appeared and he's been with me ever since.

ANN gives her readings in a small room crammed with ornaments.

She sits in an old armchair in one corner. She asks if I'm attached because she has the impression of someone with me. As I'm wearing my wedding ring, it's hard to say no.

Mmm, White Arrow likes him, says Ann. Which sets us off on a long chat about my husband, how White Arrow thinks he's a good man, and I begin to wonder whose reading this is.

You want children



ALIEN FORCE: Michael



STAR GAZEY: Ann already has a £10,000 advance on her book of predictions



WARNING: White Arrow

Rachel," she says. "One day, I suppose, I start to answer."

"You're going to have a baby within two years. He will be special and do something out of the ordinary."

"This is a rare message. Feel grateful."

I smile, but I'm worrying about when this baby's coming. She tells me my paternal grandfather sends his love.

That's nice but it's hard to feel excited. I

never knew him because he died before I was born.

There was also a white-haired man who wasn't saying much but gave off a 'lovely feeling'.

He rings no bells but my mother suggests my great-grandfather.

THEN came the first of a series of amusing predictions.

Says Ann: "I can see a wheel-clamp coming."

I reply I haven't got a

Message of doom from five aliens

THESSE are some of the predictions in Ann's book. They were, she says, given to her by five aliens and from drawings and messages from a Red Indian called White Arrow.

IF rainforests are destroyed the Earth will lose its balance. It will move three degrees out of orbit and life will end.

Gravity will pull Earth too close to the moon and the inner pressure on the planet will cause earthquakes and tidal waves.

There will be tornadoes and cyclones in parts of the world that has never seen them.

Large parts of the world will disappear including Japan and the surrounding islands, parts of Russia and the southern tip of South America.

In 50 years time another Ice Age will appear over many parts of the world, while in other areas temperatures will

rise to more than 200 degrees C. The trees are also a farce-field keeping winds from different parts of the planet. Without the trees, the winds are left to follow their own direction growing stronger and more dangerous.

They will carry diseases from one country to another.

Worst of all, the Earth will collide with a comet because of the shifting axis of our planet.

As the comet passes, its speed and weight will pull the middle of the earth outwards causing it to erupt.

Whole lands will sink. Land man has never seen will appear in the place of lands that have gone. No man will walk the earth again for millions of years to come.

If we are to save the planet we must not only stop destroying the rainforests but we must begin replanting the trees.

car. She looks disconcerted. "Well, maybe it's a friend's car."

Ann hoped I liked dogs because I had one coming (a dog as well as a baby).

She warned me to fix my leaking washing machine (the pipe does leak), she saw a wedding invitation coming up (surprise, surprise, I am 27 and all my friends seem to be getting married).

I was getting a signed football (I hope it's

Arsenal), and I was going to get my bag stolen (along with most of London probably).

SHE then gave names that were supposed to be deeply meaningful to me but weren't.

Frances (someone I work with), Michael (Ann's alien was called Michael, Oh oh, I And P and Q if only it were PRO). She ended up by telling me to follow my hunches because that is

my spirit guide looking after me.

It is impossible to say how accurate Ann was. She did correctly tell me that I had a pregnant friend. But much of what she said is impossible to substantiate.

I'm not sure if I wanted to believe her. I like the sound of the charmed life she predicted. But as for that baby.

● *Little One: Message From Planet Heaven*, Random Century, £15.99

18.05.94 Mirror

Let's go, Sixto - hail a UFO ride



MPs urged to lift veil on aliens

LOCAL MPs John Ward, John Butterfill and David Atkinson will be handed a letter on Monday urging them to seek out and reveal the truth on UFOs.

A simultaneous lobbying of the Ministry of Defence and the US Pentagon and then later the House of Commons takes place under the Joint American/UK Operation Right to Know. Every MP will get a letter

headed Allen Acknowledgement Campaign listing six points of hard evidence for UFOs.

These include: 3,500 documented reports of clear non-human technology from military and civilian pilots, 4,000 documented landing traces worldwide, tens of thousands of witnesses and 17 independent camcorder recordings of a UFO over Mexico City during an eclipse of the sun in 1991, 200 witnesses of the retrieval of a craft following a UFO crash in New Mexico including many testimonies to alien bodies recovered, worldwide animal mutilations which vets say are impossible with known technology.

The document finally quotes a 1990 videoed interview with Col. W. DeBrouwer, Chief of the Belgian Air Staff, following a fighter plane interception of a UFO over Belgium.

999 - help! The Martians are coming

A METEOR triggered a flying saucer panic throughout four counties yesterday when it broke up in flames as it hit the earth's atmosphere.

It caused an enormous orange glow in the sky over Norfolk, Suffolk, East Anglia and Essex — and police were swamped with frantic calls claiming that the Martians had landed.

The Coastguard were asked to look out for flares from a vessel in distress and radar checks were made for missing aircraft, but everything was normal.

A police spokesman said: "We haven't had any reports of damage to land or property."

"Nor have any little green men or UFOs been sighted so far."

"But as soon as they are we will definitely warn the public!"

A MAGAZINE for serious UFO watchers is to hit the bookstalls for the first time at the end of next month. **UFO** will report all the latest extra terrestrial sightings across the world. Published by Quest International, the magazine hopes to combat the suspicion that all UFO watchers are cranks.

25.05.94 London Evening Standard

UFO enthusiasts hear some pretty wild tales but even their hair may stand on end at Bournemouth's Positive Living group next Monday.

Peruvian archeologist and historian Sixto Paz Wells will tell how he can call down flying saucers — and even how he hitched a ride in one.

Sixto, who addressed the United Nations in 1986, was just 18 when he claims to have been telepathically contacted by space beings and with a group of friends went into a desert near Lima to rendezvous with an alien spaceship.

On a second close encounter four people watched Sixto step into a beam of light and vanish into the craft where he met beings who later whizzed him off to Ganymede, one of the moons of Jupiter, where they live underground.

Triangle victims 'live on Jupiter moon'

If you find that hard to swallow, how about Sixto's claim that in one of the moon's underground cities live 12,000 Earth people rescued from the hands of bad ETs or zapped by the Bermuda Triangle!

There's lots more crazy

stuff — so what are we to make of it all?

It is easy to dismiss Sixto as being one star short of a galaxy but it still has to be explained why hundreds of people worldwide are claiming to have been abducted by UFOs.

In the States there are even abductee support groups who meet to share their fears in the manner of incest or rape victims.

Something's going on — but what?

Positive Living meets at the Metropolitan Church Hall on May 23 at 7.30 pm. Admission £3. Aliens free!

19.05.94 Bournemouth Advertiser

UFO hunters head for Highlands

A GROUP of American holidaymakers is coming to the Highlands in search of aliens. Fourteen members of the Triad Foundation, a UFO special interest group, believe the area is "encounter-rich" and want to speak to people who have made mysterious sightings.

The Americans are paying £1,300 each for the trip in July and have advertised in local newspapers for people who have had out-of-this-world experiences to contact them.

Joyce Murphy, of Above All Travel, Granbury, 70 miles from Dallas, has organised the trip and she says she has already been contacted by a man from Kingussie who said that a large craft landed in front of him but he was too scared to tell anyone about it.

The Highlands is considered a prime site for aliens visiting Earth. Tony Dodd, the director of investigations for Quest International, the biggest UFO investigating group in Europe, said: "It is not surprising these people are coming to the Highlands as UFOs usually pick remote areas to visit."

"I am convinced governments in the western world are covering up a lot of the information they have on UFO sightings."

28.05.94 The Scotsman

BACK in York everyone has been going UFO mad. Ever since postman John Hunt spotted what he describes as a huge lemon coloured onion on the skyline, alien lovers have been out in force searching for the object that seems to have taken a fancy to our city.

So far this year people in North and East Yorkshire have reported more than 20 sightings of strange objects in the sky.

31.05.94 Yorkshire Evening Post

It's official: UFO doesn't spell nuts.

Washington. — People who see flying saucers are not nuts. And neither are folks who claim to hitch rides with extraterrestrials, researchers say.

A team of scientists led by Dr. Nicholas P. Spanos of Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada, gave a battery of psychological tests to people who claim to have close encounters of one kind or another, and compared the results with tests given to people who make no flying saucer claims.

The results, published in the Journal of Abnormal Psychology, show that the people who claim to have seen and even ridden in UFOs are just ordinary folk with normal imaginations.

"We can't say these sightings are real or not, but we can say that these people are not necessarily abnormal," Dr. Spanos said.

In the research, Dr. Spanos and his colleagues examined the intelligence, imagination, paranormal beliefs and mental health of 49 people who claim to have seen UFOs. The same tests were given to 127 people who made no such claims. Dr. Spanos said they found that the UFO sighters were not "off the wall".

They tend to be white-collar, relatively well-educated representatives of the middle class," he said. They were no different from the control group in intelligence, in the tendency toward fantasy, or in suggestibility.

His findings clearly contradict the previously held notions that people who seemingly had bizarre experiences, such as missing time and communicating with aliens, have wild imaginations and are easily swayed into believing the unbelievable. The study said. The only significant difference between the UFO sighters and others was those who reported flying saucers had previously established belief in the existence of UFOs and in aliens. — AP

Cones from outer space

It would appear, from reading the Express & Star, that UFOs have been sighted over the West Midlands.

Sceptics will mock, and say they don't exist and explain them away by telling us that they are advertising balloons. What rubbish!

I have living proof that aliens do exist, and can be seen every day, all over the West Midlands, causing absolute chaos and frustration to people like myself, who suffer high blood pressure by having to battle with them every day.

What do they look like? They are red, cone-shaped, and part of an invading army from outer space, employed by Midland councils to turn road users into gibbering mental wrecks who need a nightly dose of Valium before they can face the trauma of another day.

Terry Jones,
York Avenue,
Finchfield,
Wolverhampton.

28.03.94 Express & Star

UFOs not just pie in the sky says sceptic

SIGHTINGS of unidentified flying objects do not mean that little green men are set to invade Earth, says a Newark investigator.

Mr Richard Millen (39) of Mumby Close has just been appointed Mansfield UFO Group's representative for the Newark area.

He has seen mysterious lights in the sky but is not sure if aliens even exist.

"I'm not convinced of anything. I'm a sceptic in the true sense of the word. However, I am imaginative enough to believe that there is a possibility," he told the Advertiser.

Mr Millen, who runs a computer software business, has been interested in UFOs since he was a child and 13 years ago he had a strange experience in Lincoln.

"There was a group of lights — I couldn't see what they were on — circling around, 30 yards or so up in the air," he said.

Now he is appealing for anyone who sees anything odd in the sky to contact him.

Business could be brisk if the past is anything to go by, as Newark and Southwell have been the location for several flying saucer sightings.

Rabbit's head

A few weeks ago, a woman driving near Southwell saw lights hovering in the sky.

Over the years, people have reported seeing craft shaped like a rabbit's head, a giant spinning top and a 400-yard-long comet-like object travelling at 1,000mph.

Mr Millen realises the group has an up-hill struggle.

23.05.94 Western Daily Press

VIDEO footage of a possible unidentified flying object over Radcliffe-on-Trent will be shown at the next East Midlands UFO Research Association meeting on Friday.

The film of three silent lights in the night sky, shot by a local resident on a camcorder, has been sent away for analysis and members hope to have the results in time for the meeting.

There will be more information on the indoctrination programme and also a discussion on the Bentwaters/Rendlesham affair, with video footage.

25.03.94 Newark Advertiser

This deals with UFO sightings in 1986 close to a US base in Suffolk.

Researchers from America are to visit the area during March and have contacted the East Midlands group and will, hopefully, be coming up to speak to them at the end of next month.

The local group has contacts with investigators in several parts of America including Pensacola, Florida, a renowned UFO 'hot spot'.

The venue for Friday's meeting is Bulwell Library with a 7.30pm start and admission is £1.

15.02.94 Evening Post



THE secrets of the skies are under scrutiny from Newark-based UFO investigator Mr Richard Millen.

He said: "When the so-called experts appear on television they usually spend most of the allotted time talking about clouds and mistaken sightings, rather than unexplained sightings."

Often when people see anything suspicious they are reluctant to contact the police or the RAF, but the group will carry out the checks themselves.

People in the Newark and Southwell areas are being invited to join the group, which meets on the first and third Monday of each month at Mansfield library.

Mr Millen added: "There are a lot of UFO groupies about but this isn't a club for believers. It is just people interested in the subject."

Anyone who sees anything odd in the sky can phone Mr Millen on 72587.

OUT OF THIS WORLD

Brian Kearney meets a woman who's convinced we're being watched.

DAISSY KIRKBY is the queen of Kiwi UFOs and what she hasn't heard of at alien spacehips and little green men isn't worth hearing. Even so, her bizarre tales of extraterrestrial life had her letterbox in Glen Eden, Auckland - letters from people all over the country who have learnt that Daisy will listen and believe them, even if best friends have their doubts.

"Many of the letters are written with a great deal of angst," says Daisy. "People are so encouraged when they hear of others who have seen UFOs or had contact with alien beings. It gives them an assurance that they are not going mad."

So what exactly are people seeing?

"Spacecraft hovering in the distance above wooded areas were the most common sightings in the past," she says. "Now sightings are more dramatic and people are experiencing some frightening things."

"Two sisters have told me of a bright glow that appeared over their home. When they went on to the porch and stepped into the light, their bodies became almost transparent. Looking at each other, all they could see was a skeleton form. When the light moved away they were normal again."

Other Kiwis report that they've got too close for comfort, so Daisy has started an Abductee Support Group for the increasing numbers who claim to have been taken aboard a spacecraft against their will.

"That kind of thing is a real trauma," she says, "and people often need professional help to come to terms with it. For some, it can be a frightening experience and many are reluctant to talk about it. Others have to reveal how traumatic it is just to get it out into the open."

Daisy agrees that what she lives with every day may sound like something out of this world to others. "There will always be

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DAISSY KIRKBY... "There will always be sceptics, but it doesn't bother me."

sceptics but it doesn't bother me," she says. "The evidence is very strong that life does exist outside of our world."

The 53-year-old housewife with three children - two of them teenagers and still at school - says she has always believed life existed on other planets. But it wasn't until a friend in the United States sent her and her ex-husband audio tapes of an alien said to be channeling his thoughts through a human being that the belief became embedded.

The pair decided to share their knowledge and interest is now so widespread Daisy publishes a newsletter called **Outer Space Connections** with a print run of 600 copies.

In New Zealand, she says, support groups are being formed all around the country as more and more New Zealanders spot UFOs.

"They are not all saucer-shaped. Some are cigar or triangle-shaped. They vary in colour from silver to gold and some have bright lights and portholes."

Daisy claims to have seen spacecraft

hovering above Auckland's Waitakere Ranges for three days in a row. "I was looking out my window late one afternoon and saw a round shape above the trees. For the first two days it was glowing silvery like it was catching the sun but the sun had gone. The third day it was an orange colour."

Other people have seen UFOs above Rangitoto Island and Morrinsville - and, says Daisy, "some of it is mind-blowing stuff".

One woman, she says, has told how she came across a group of extraterrestrials while walking with her children in the hills of Napier. They looked Nordic in appearance and chatted before offering to take her with them.

Daisy's file of letters contains a stack of other weird stories and she says there are hundreds of people - from 16 to 60 - in New Zealand who have had paranormal experiences. Their stories are not widely known because they are afraid of being laughed at, said Daisy. •

Warminster

UFO expert's gift to town

UFO expert Ken Rogers who died in January has left thousands of pounds to Warminster in his will.

Mr Rogers, of The Avenue, died on January 15 after a long illness, aged 44. His gift to the town is expected to be between £40,000 and £70,000.

Books and manuscripts from Mr Rogers' research into the famous Warminster Thing have been left to the Dewey Museum. He first came to the town in the 1960s as a Daily Express reporter researching sightings of the local UFO and decided later to settle in Warminster. Museum staff are currently sifting through the material he collected.

Most of the money will go towards the upkeep of the obelisk in Silver Street, with the consent of Warminster Town Council. A plaque recording the obelisk's history and stating that maintenance is carried out in Mr Roger's memory is also to be erected.

Another plaque will be put up at the Rainbow End Inn, Steeple Langford, to record its history.

The balance of the money will help maintain local rights of way and help fund other matters of local history and interest at the trustees' discretion.

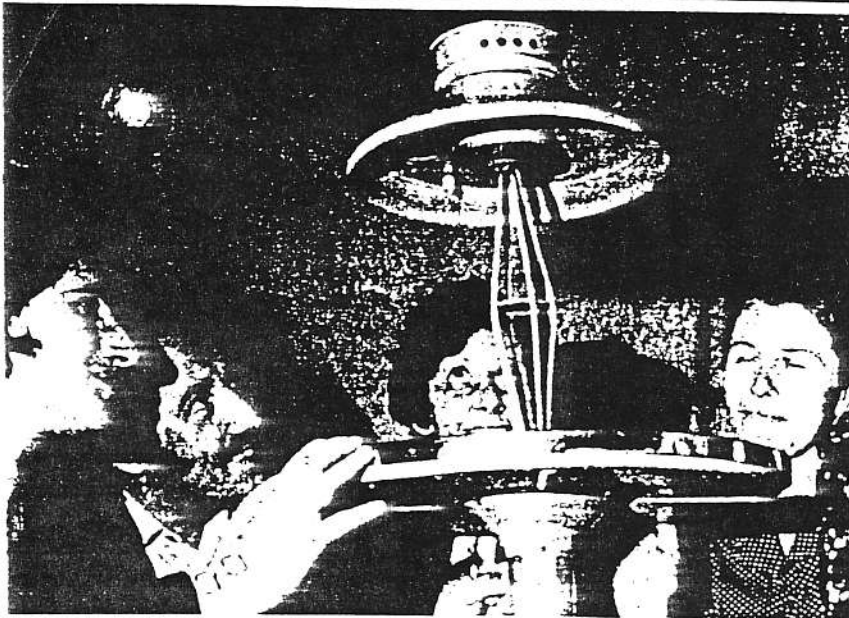
02.06.94 Wiltshire Times

A GROUP that claims space aliens have landed on earth and could still be here are pressing the Government to release documents they say could prove their case.

Handing in a letter to the Ministry of Defence in London, John Holman, 44, founder of the Alien Acknowledgement Campaign, claimed: "There is overwhelming evidence that UFOs have landed. They could be among us now. And the MoD has more information than we have. The public has a right to know."

24.05.94 Daily Sport

The bottle-cooling machine that fooled the world



One sceptic in UFO gathering

Portsmouth, New Hampshire. — When police officer Kevin Semprini got his assignment to cover a convention on Sunday, he didn't know what he was in for — an encounter with 500 true believers in aliens, flying saucers and other Unidentified Flying Objects.

"It's kind of bizarre," said Semprini, watching a slide show about a "face" on Mars a speaker claimed may have been carved by "ancient astronauts" from Earth or their Martian ancestors.

"I'd like to believe it," said the officer, "but..." Semprini was one of the few sceptics in the crowd.

Most, gathered at a restaurant in the New England port city of Portsmouth for the Third Annual New Hampshire Mutual Unidentified Flying Object Network conference, embrace the the-

ory that mankind has blundered badly in caring for the Earth and that aliens are coming to take charge.

Roberta Puhalski, 47, of Connecticut, said she saw her first extraterrestrial in 1988. It was making noise in the hallway and woke her.

"As it approached, I looked out from my waterbed and saw the figure," said the part-time columnist for the New York-based Space Newsletter.

"It had the huge head, very frail frame and overly extended arms," she said.

She said it was similar to the creatures in the hit science fiction film Close Encounters of the Third Kind. — Reuter

□ It's not a UFO, just the top of a bottle-cooling machine ... but in 1952 it had the world fooled.

Fast-food bar owner George Adamski said in November 1952 that a UFO landed in the Arizona desert. He produced photos of the UFO whizzing past his hamburger and soft-drinks stand, and said the saucer landed and he shook hands with a man from Venus.

The pictures were flashed around the world, and scientists were baffled.

Adamski died in 1965, and his hoax wasn't exposed until 10 years later, when a member of the British UFO Society walked into a little Italian restaurant and recognised the top of a long-obsolete bottle-cooling machine as Adamski's UFO.

The machine was made in Wigan, England.

THE FINDINGS of a doctor who has investigated more than 60 cases of alleged alien abduction are being screened in North Yorkshire.

The local Skynet group — launched by Ripon UFO expert and campaigner John Holman — has organised a special public meeting to discuss research by American professor of psychiatry Dr John E Mack.

A video sees him talking to a group of UFO researchers, health professionals and other

psychiatrists about his three years of research into alien abduction.

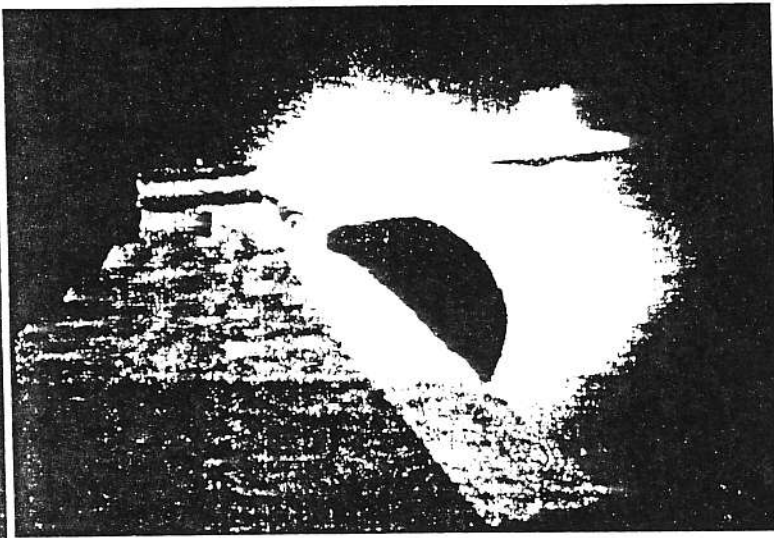
The meeting in the village hall at Acaster Malbis, near York on May 25, starts at 7.30pm.

The agenda will also include an update on a lobby of the MoD and Houses of Parliament next Monday as part of the Alien Acknowledgement Campaign's Operation Right to Know.

Further details are available from Mr Holman on 0765 602898.

'INVADING' UFO

GIVES KIWI MATES



ANCIENT PROPHECY ... UFO phenomenon amazes million of Mexicans.

A BIZARRE encounter between a UFO and a group of people on a wild West Auckland beach ended when the alien craft charged terrified onlookers.

The incident has been recounted by DAISY KIRKBY, who said one of her friends was among the group on Waitakere Beach, Aukin, west of Auckland.

A friend of mine was inquiring about there with some of the mates. Said Kirkby, leader of the expanding Awareness Centre, a society for New Zealanders abducted by UFOs.

"They were having with a UFO and one of them saw a glowing light in the distance."

"They picked up a signal and a UFO turned and came straight towards them."

"I came towards them at an enormous speed and I couldn't have seen anything but a UFO."

"I'd quite a way be-

Craft charges at group on lonely Auckland beach

seen the beach and the carpark but they just took off."

Kirkby, who herself saw a UFO two years ago, says aliens who abduct people attempt to wipe the memory of the encounter from their captives' minds.

"I don't remember what has happened to them because the aliens have the ability to put people in a state of suspended animation."

"People aren't aware of what is happening to them when they are beamed

onboard a UFO.

"At first some may remember the colour of the lights on the craft but in some cases hypno-therapy can bring all of the facts out."

"Some people are abducted while they are just driving about but the most common occurrence is that they're taken while they're asleep in bed."

"The most common description of an alien's appearance is that they have large heads and eyes."

Kirkby says the lat-

est UFO sightings she has received are from around Auckland.

"A week ago there were a few reported sightings over Rangitoto College (on Auckland's North Shore) and only a couple of days ago there was one in the Waitakere Ranges."

"The craft in the Waitakeres was a saucer-shaped object with green and gold lights."

"It was very low and its lights were silhouetting the trees."

"The people watched it go up and they heard a numming sound."

"There was no way a plane could have got that low."

BIG SCARE

By NEIL REID

Realisation of ancient prophecy..

UFO expert Daisy Kirkby says numerous alien craft sightings in New Zealand this year are the realisation of an ancient prophecy.

Kirkby told Truth the prophecy was made by Mexican priests in 755 AD.

The Maya priests prophesied the total solar eclipse of July 11, 1991, would be responsible for a new era of cosmic awareness.

The startling prophecy is recounted on Messengers of Destiny, a graphic new video not yet released here.

The video reveals that when the eclipse began two metallic disc-shaped UFOs appeared under the fading sun—to the amazement of million of Mexicans who witnessed the phenomena.

A top Mexican UFO investigator, who claimed the craft are responsible for once dormant volcanoes coming to life again, said: "They must have carefully planned their arrival for the day of the eclipse."

"They must have known a lot of people would be looking at the sun so they hovered below it to be noticed. People here are extremely happy to have the craft flying around the country."

Since the eclipse Mexico has been

the sight of hundreds of confirmed spacecraft sightings.

Kirkby, an Aucklander, told Truth it is highly likely some of the craft which regularly buzz the Latin American nation have begun shifting their attention to other countries including New Zealand.

She said: "What has happened in Mexico is incredible. There is one place there that families go for picnics just to see a UFO."

"There is a steady increase of people coming to me with sightings. I could easily believe that increase is due to craft involved with the prophecy living around here."

"Areas like Kaikoura, the Hokianga and the West Coast of the South Island are common places to see UFOs."

Kirkby receives about three confirmed UFO sightings a week. Although the craft are depicted as earth's deadly enemies by Hollywood movies, Kiwis don't seem frightened by the super-sonic spacecraft.

"People don't really seem startled when they spot one. They are more amazed at being so close to it and how the craft looks so lovely."

"However there are people who are pretty frightened by spacecraft."

THE GALACTO GUYS

