



● Ian Hadaway with a drawing he made of the UFO.

Night shift men get an eyeful of mystery UFO

LADS on the late shift at Westoe Colliery, South Shields, were rubbing their eyes all night.

But it was not tiredness that was catching up with the workers — it was just sheer amazement.

For there, hovering above the pier for four or five hours, was what might have been a large UFO.

"There were about 20 lads who saw it," said welder, Ian Hadaway, of Centenary Avenue, South Shields.

"It was a sort of bright light with red rays coming off it and was shaped like

an arrow. It was above a ship on the horizon and we first saw it at midnight. It was very gradually moving further away.

"Some of the lads thought it was a planet and we would like to know if it could have been. We've never seen anything like it before. The North Star is nothing in comparison."

Ian has made a drawing of what he saw, and would like to hear from anyone who can help to solve the mystery.

A Tynesouth Coastguard spokesman said: "We have no report of anything unusual happening in that area at that time."