

# UFOs ABOUND IN DENNY!

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"SPACE Invaders" isn't just another electronic game in the local pub for people in Denny.

For several residents have been reporting "close encounters" with strange unidentified flying objects.

Now sittings have become so frequent that a special survey has been carried out by a national scientific research organisation.

BUFORA — the British UFO Research Association — has sent investigator Malcolm Robinson to the area to interview a number of local people who have witnessed strange objects in the sky on numerous occasions.

"Some people generally tend to think that UFOs are reported by cranks and nut-cases," Mr Robinson told the Herald, "but this, in fact, is not the case. UFOs have been reported by doctors, lawyers, policemen, pilots, radar-men, and a host of other respectable people."

And Mr Robinson is certain he can spot cranks immediately and

identify genuine information. ALL the Denny cases which follow ARE genuine, says Mr Robinson.

Mrs Elsie Beveridge of 224 Braes View is Denny's most celebrated UFO-spotter, and many of her sightings have been witnessed by second or third parties.

Her first sighting was way back in 1971 when she lived in Glasgow, but, when she moved to Denny, the sightings became more and more frequent until, on one occasion, she saw 10 all at one time.

"Sometimes the sky in front of my house is like Argyle Street with flying objects," she told the Herald, "and they have also been seen by

my husband, daughter and even the milk girl." Mrs Beveridge has now started up a diary and has become a valuable witness for BUFORA.

Unemployed HGV driver Terence Dempsey (30) of 48 Godfrey Avenue spotted a round light travelling over the sky as he took his dog for a walk on Sandy Hill behind Carrongrove Paper Mill — the same light he had spotted on an earlier occasion.

John Walls (27) of 75 Herbertshire Street was travelling with his wife home to Denny by car when both of them spotted an intense light in the sky.

Linda Beveridge, a 27-year-old shop assistant, was coming home from work when she spotted a round shape in the sky with six white lights and a large orange light in the middle.

She and her mother also spotted a large yellow object which appeared to be very close and swinging from side to side. Both got a very bad fright on this occasion. Mrs Beveridge has also reported seeing three very large lights which became a triangle with a red and green light on it.

Shieldhill has also been popular for UFO sightings, and BUFORA has received information on one sighting from James Currie (41) of Cross Brae. At midnight his wife spotted what she believed to be a shooting star which was green in colour. Mr Currie looked out and — through binoculars — watched the strange object, which remained stationary for eight minutes, during which time an appendage rose from a horizontal to vertical position.

All these sightings are now being thoroughly investigated by BUFORA.

Mr Robinson believes he can tell a "crank" by the supposed information they give him, and believes the local people he has interviewed and are mentioned above are genuine and, he added, "not prone to making up tall stories."

So what makes some people see these objects and not others?

Mr Robinson believes that some people are more "in tune with psychic abilities which allows them to see things that are lost to our own viewing spectrum."

"Many credible people who are pillars of the community have witnessed strange aerial objects in the sky," added Mr Robinson.

Only 10 out of every 100 sightings cannot be explained after intense investigation.

Denny has proved valuable gathering ground for information. Sightings in the town go as far back as 1980.



DENNY woman Mrs Elsie Beveridge with pictures of the strange objects she has seen in the sky. Her experiences have convinced her that there is life on other planets.