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The first sighting

AN unidentified flying object which brought out enthusiasts at Warminster during the weekend first appeared in the skies over Shaftesbury. It's the first time this year that a definite sighting has been made according to Mr David Wright who helps run the UFO centre at Warminster.

The UFO which was described by witnesses as moving at high speed across the sky and then hovering for several seconds before vanishing, had switchboards in two police force areas buzzing.

Mr Wright said: "We had calls from as far away as Weymouth. It apparently plotted a course across Dorset before turning and finally disappearing around Cley Hill."

Warminster is one of Britain's foremost UFO areas with specially arranged 'package' tours organised annually for enthusiasts.