

John's lonely watch for space aliens

WATCH OUT! There are aliens about, says the founder of Carlisle's new flying saucers club. But he can't find anyone locally to agree with him.

John Edwards, 26, of Kingstown Road, Carlisle, said: "I'm hooked on this flying saucer stuff, I want to be an official UFO investigator."

So far no-one else has joined his club.

"People are sceptical because they've never seen a UFO. I haven't, but I'm still hoping," said John.

Mars

According to the British UFO Research Association, the chances of spotting a flying saucer over Carlisle are slim.

"There are only two or three sightings a year in the whole country," said spokesman Mike Wootten.

"We are all level-headed people. Little green men coming from Mars are definitely out these days," he said.

Nine out of ten reported sightings can be explained, Jenny Randles, UFO asso-

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ciation director of investigations, said.

"But it is that one unexplainable case that is so exciting."

She has housewives, policemen, a dustbin man, even a sociology professor on her books.

All claim to have seen visitors from outer space.

And she can offer a glimmer of hope to Cumbrian sky-watchers:

"We do have more sightings from rural areas. Sparsely populated places are definitely best."

Carlisle UFO Club is based at 197 Kingstown Road.