

# Frank's on the trail of aliens

● If you come face to face with a flying saucer, stand back — it could be emitting some type of harmful radiation.

That's the advice of UFO investigator Frank Wilks, and he's not kidding!

He says there are lots of people around the world with the burns to prove it.

Frank, 52, of Greenacre, Sydney, has been researching UFOs for 35 years. He is the founder of UFO Research Projects Of Australasia and he says that after numerous "genuine sightings" around the world there can be no doubt of the existence of extra-terrestrials.

"I used to think it would be lovely

to actually get on a UFO and communicate with these beings. These days I would be more wary.

"They probably think we are about as bright as monkeys and they would probably treat us the same way as we treat monkeys for scientific experiments."

Frank quotes numerous cases of close encounters with UFOs — including the case of Benny and Betty Hill in 1961 and incidents where people in South America and England were "zapped".

He claims in every case of contact with UFOs there has been evidence of burns or bruising, memory loss or psychological problems. Many of these people had suffered burns the size of dinner plates around the navel area.

Betty Hill, who claimed while

under hypnosis that she was abducted by a spacecraft, also reported that she had a needle plunged into her navel and fluid extracted.

"This was before there was any such medical test, but now it is a common test for pregnancy," says Frank.

He says his interest in UFOs was sparked by his own sighting of a flying saucer. It happened when he was 17 and waiting for friends to turn up at a party at his family home in Camperdown, Sydney.

"About 7 o'clock I walked down to the corner to see if anyone was coming," he says. "Then I looked up and saw a huge cigar-shaped UFO very low in the sky, with a halo of pinkish light underneath it.

"It was huge — bigger than any jumbo jet — and it was stationary.

"There was a bluish haze at the back, and along the centre there appeared either a fluorescent tube-type light or a row of windows."

While Frank was watching the object, it suddenly sped, leaving behind a heat haze.

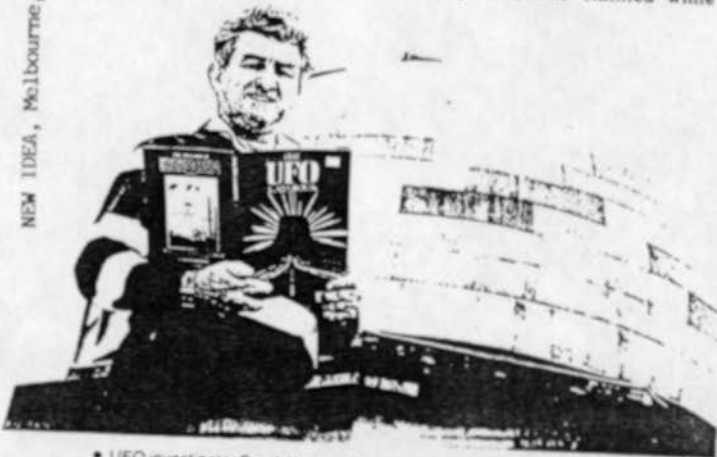
For years after the incident, Frank went UFO chasing. He kept a "UFO detector" in his home — a small metal box which set off an alarm when its magnetic field was disturbed — he followed up reports

of UFO sightings, collated information, and interviewed the people making the reports.

He has been less active in recent years, simply because UFOs have been less active. Sightings, he says, come in five-year periods.

"Also, after years of investigation your enthusiasm begins to wane unless you actually sight one."

The most likely place to see one is on a line from Adelaide to Weipa, which appears to be on an energy grid that attracts flying saucers, he says. And he adds, if you do see one remember to stand back ... and have your camera ready!



● UFO investigator Frank Wilks at Sydney's Observatory Hill.

Below: A shot Frank Wilks calls the Milk Stopper ... "an obvious forgery".



Above: One of few photos — taken in the Italian Alps — of a UFO on the ground.

Below left: This 1952 photo of a flying saucer has been dubbed the Mexican Hat.

Bottom left: A UFO photo taken in the Fihes by a member of the Brazilian Air Force.



● The world's first UFO photo taken by George Adamski.