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# Close encounter

A FIERY chandelier over Fundenhall in 1981, a similar object motionless above Attlebridge the following year, inexplicable lights moving through the Mundford and Thurne skies; East Anglians scarcely seem reticent about reporting unidentified flying objects.

These and similar sightings may of course form but the tip of empirical knowledge, otherwise concealed by hesitancy and fear of ridicule. Dr Richard Lawrence of the UFO-investigating Aetherius Society believes so, and is urging that eyes be opened and tongues unloosed. "It is time the matter was taken seriously by everyone."

Sceptical though we are of flights of the imagination, our natural curiosity and instinct for a news story finds us supporting his call.