

THREE CLAIM UFO SIGHTINGS IN NIGHT SKY

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A 16-year-old schoolboy plus a woman and her friend have joined the ranks of people who claim to have had a close encounter of the UFO-kind.

Andrew Findlay's sighting at Bagshot came just a day after eight policemen and a teenage girl reported seeing grey-green, pink-blobbed objects in the skies above Kensington, West London.

Andrew was in the garden of his home in Yaverland Drive on Wednesday at about 9.25 p.m. when he looked up and saw an object "like a flying saucer."

Nine days earlier, Mrs. Tricia Hodgson and a friend were travelling along the M3 at Lightwater towards London when they spotted unidentified flying objects in the night sky.

All three are convinced that what they saw were not aeroplanes.

Andrew, a pupil at Collingwood School, Camberley, said: "I was cleaning my rabbit's pen and looked up. There was a gap in the clouds and out of it came a flying saucer shaped thing. It was bright white with green lights in the middle of it.

"It hovered for about seven to eight seconds, making no sound whatsoever. Then after I had looked down and then up again it shot across the sky very quickly and disappeared through another gap in the clouds.

"I could see the glow from its underside as it tracked across the sky. I am convinced that what I saw was a spacecraft from another world."

Lights

Andrew's brother Peter had only moments before gone back into the house, missing the sighting. Andrew rushed in to get his camera in the hope the object would return, but it did not.

He said: "It had a definite shape to it, a base and a top — like a flying saucer. In the middle it had a strip with green lights. There were other lights on it as well — I think some red ones.

"I couldn't see how big it was, but it looked bigger than an aeroplane."

He added: "I have always believed in UFOs, but I never thought I would actually see one. There is no doubt in my mind that that's what it was."

Mrs. Hodgson, of Old Pasture Road, Frimley, was a passenger in a car being driven by Mr. David Myers when she spotted three objects in the sky over the motorway. All appeared to be similar, but she paid particular attention to one which she described as "a big, bright light on the right of the sky, stationary."

The object had one green light and one silver light on its side and as Mrs. Hodgson watched, it moved off.

"On the back of it there was

a very large round area which was dark one minute then went pinky red, pulsating. It got brighter and brighter and then went dark again," she said.

Two of the objects were on the right hand side of the sky.

"After we had stopped to watch it, it started to move and we began to set off again. But as it went over the car I looked to my left and saw this very large, circular area of glowing pinky-red light. I asked David to stop and he stopped again.

"It was pulsating. It came from nothing, fading right out, then pinky red, then brighter — not really bright — then fading again. After about a second it began again."

Convinced

She could see a glow at the back of the third UFO.

"It could not have been an aeroplane. The glow at the back was the strangest thing. It was nothing like the rear of a jet aircraft. I couldn't hear any noise, but it was noisy by the motorway anyway," said Mrs. Hodgson, a mother of three.

The sighting was made on December 29. Mrs. Hodgson went away immediately afterwards and only on her return thought to contact the "News" to see if anyone else had reported lights in the sky.

A nurse, but at the moment concentrating on bringing up her three children, Mrs. Hodgson said: "There may be quite a few people like me who saw it and did not say anything."

Mr. Myers, who was visiting this area from his home in Bude, Cornwall, said: "It was one of those things where you don't know whether to say anything or not. People can think you are a bit daft, but we are convinced we saw something."

He put the time of the sighting at 7.45 p.m. and said the objects — he only saw two of them — were stationary for about five minutes.

"Then they moved across the motorway and vanished altogether. They were very, very bright. Other people must have seen them; we can't be the only ones," he added.

Local UFO expert Mr. Rex Dutta said he had received a report of a third sighting in the area, this time in Blackwater the day before Mrs. Hodgson's sighting.

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AN object "as big as a jumbo jet" hovering over woodland near Yateley is the latest reported sighting of UFOs in the area.

In a recent spate of incidents, local people have said they have spotted unidentified flying objects at Bagshot and above the M3

This week, Mr. John Coulsting came forward with his account of seeing something in the sky the week before Christmas.

Mr. Coulsting, a 34-year-old landscape gardener, looked out of his bedroom window at his home in Woodside, Blackwater,

"It was about 6.15 a.m. I saw a large object in the sky over woodland about half a mile from the back of the house," he told the "News."

"I could not make out the shape, as it was dark, but I would say it was as big as a jumbo jet.

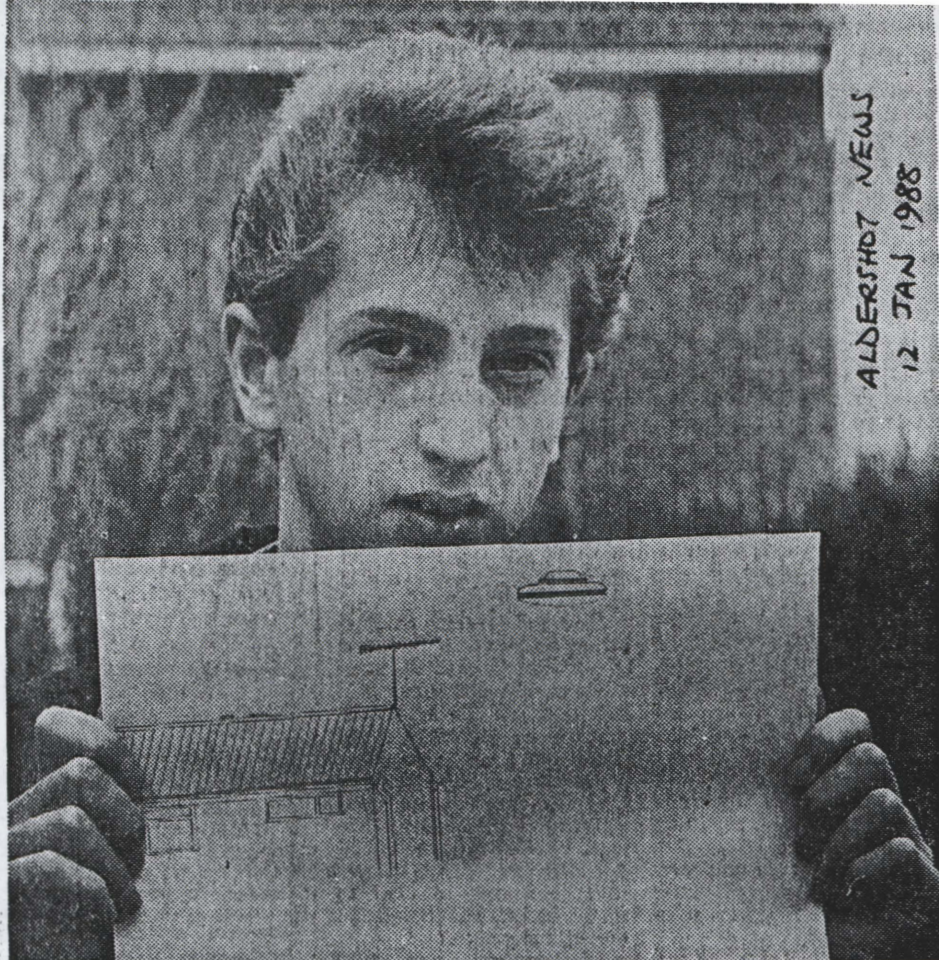
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"The lights on it revealed its size. They were very bright and there was one static in the centre and one on either side flashing.

"It was absolutely silent and hovered stationary over the trees, before moving away from me in a south-westerly direction. I saw it for about five minutes.

"At first, I thought it was an aircraft, but any aircraft that near would have made a considerable noise and this object did not. There is no way it could have been an aircraft."

Mr. Coulsting is sure it had nothing to do with Army manoeuvres, which are carried out on M.O.D. land near his home.



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Andrew holding a drawing of the UFO he saw hovering above his home in Yaverland Drive, Bagshot.

Brian breaks silence over UFO sighting

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THE UFO sightings reported in last week's "News" have finally prompted a man to recount a close encounter which left him truly scared for the first time in his life.

Mr. Brian Wall, of Bicknell Road, Frimley, has described how he was followed along the M3 from the outskirts of London to Lightwater by a brightly lit object in the sky.

"It seemed to be attracted by the lights of my car. As I got out of the car this thing came down. There was no noise. I got quite scared, I must admit. It must have hovered there for five seconds, until it vanished in about a second," he said.

The object was lit up with different coloured lights, he said. It could have been a mile away from him, it was difficult to judge, but the most fascinating thing was its speed.

"It travelled at a terrific speed," said Mr. Wall, a super-

visor in a computer company.

His encounter came shortly before Christmas 1986 and apart from telling his wife, who laughed at the storey, he has kept it to himself.

Although he realised Heathrow was nearby, aeroplanes had been a hobby of his for 20 years and he knew full well the object was neither a plane nor a helicopter.

Even so, he checked with Heathrow to find out if any craft were up around 4 a.m. that day, but Heathrow did not know of any.

"When I waited for this object to come down I thought if it does it will land right on those pylons. It is the only time in my life I've been really scared," said Mr. Wall (46).