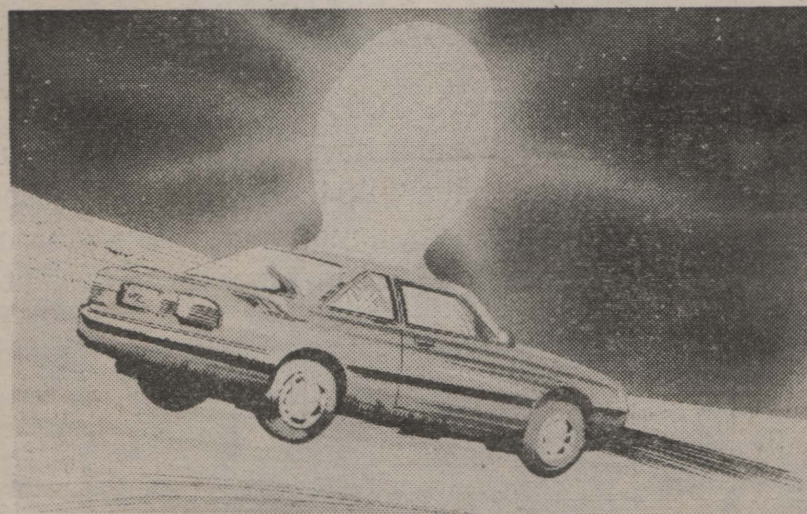


# CLOSE EGG-COUNTER

## 125mph UFO bashed

## up our car, say family



*Lift-off . . . on artist's impression of the family's amazing encounter*

**A SHOCKED family told yesterday how their car was plucked off the ground—by aliens in a FLYING EGGCUP.**

They said the UFO chased them at 125mph across Australia's barren Nullarbor Plain and grabbed hold of the car roof by a mysterious force.

Then it swung the car round and dropped it facing the way it had come, with a burst tyre, dents in the roof and a coating of ashes.

Mum Faye Knowles, 48, who was driving with her three grown-up sons, told police their speech "became slurred" when they tried to shout during the 2am encounter.

"We were a little bit sceptical at first," said Sergeant Jim Furnell of Ceduna police in South Australia.

### Swerved

"But after investigating, we are treating the reports very seriously," he added.

Son Sean, 21, said: "Mum swerved to miss a weird-looking thing in the road, and we stopped to have a look.

"Then we got scared and tried to get away. Mum was flooring it

along the highway when it came over us.

"There was a thump and it lifted the car off the road."

A passing lorry driver also said he was chased by a "bright glowing object."

Sergeant Furnell said: "Another report came in from the pilot of a tuna spotting plane flying over the Great Australian Bight.

"He saw the object over the sea and watched it sit above a trawler below it.



By JOHN KAY

"The trawler crew have since told how they were disturbed by the bright light, came out on deck but could not speak properly."

### Trawler

A UFO research centre in Adelaide said: "There was a similar incident involving a police officer in the U.S.

"In that case, the officer's car was also picked up and turned the other way."