

# Searching for spacemen

On many evenings throughout the year Tony Dodd can be found staring into space—searching for visitors from another planet!

As director of investigations for the 300-strong Yorkshire UFO Society, the ex-policeman, who lives at Grassington, has discovered many cases of sightings of unidentified flying objects running the length and breadth of the country.

And this has led to him being featured in the centre pages of Monday's Daily Star newspaper.

His interest in UFO phenomena began in 1978 while serving with the North Yorkshire Police, when one January night he and his partner P.C. Alan Dale were patrolling one of the bleaker areas of Cononley Moor.

As he told author Timothy Good for his book "Above Top Secret - A Worldwide Cover Up": "We were driving down a country lane, and you know what it's like up there - it was dark - and the only lights you've got are your car headlights.

"Suddenly the road in front of us lit up. Of course the immediate reaction is, where's the light coming from?

"But it was from above. We stopped the car, looked up and

there was this thing coming from our right to our left.

"It was glowing, like a bright white incandescent glow, and it came right over our heads. The whole unit was glowing. It was as if the metal of what this thing was made of was white hot.

## SPHERES

"And there were these great spheres underneath, like huge ball-bearings - three of them equally placed about it.

"There was a hollow area underneath and like a skirting around the bottom, but these things protruded below that.

"It was absolutely awe-inspiring to see it. I don't know how to explain it to you - it was such a beautiful-looking thing.

"It seemed to have portholes round the dome - an elongated domed area. And what stood out more than anything else was the coloured lights dancing round on the outside of the skirt at the bottom which gave the visual impression that it was rotating."

Since that time Mr. Dodd has made more than 60 other

sightings in or around the Dales.

In addition he and his team of investigators have examined many more sites around the country where UFOs have been reported as being seen, using high-powered telescopes, geiger counters and cameras.

Mr. Dodd claims that many more people have experienced some kind of UFO phenomena but have failed to report it for a number of reasons.

## RIDICULE

The main explanation is the fear of ridicule but there is another, more extraordinary reason put forward by him.

There are documented cases of certain people being abducted by the aliens and examined in their spaceships before being returned. In order to stop these people reporting these "close encounters" the aliens place a block on their memory, which according to Mr. Dodd can be released by using hypnosis.

In order to investigate cases of UFO sightings with more thoroughness, Mr. Dodd would like anyone who has had any sightings of a UFO nature to phone him on (0756) 652216. All phone calls will be treated in the utmost confidence.

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