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UFO SCARE TERRIFIES VILLAGERS

A SOUTH Petherton couple are looking for a down-to-earth explanation for the UFO which shocked them while they were walking their dog on Monday night.

Mike and Wendy Wood, who live in Palmer Street, were coming home across the fields at Combe Bottom, between the village and Compton Durville, when they suddenly became aware of a bright light behind them.

They turned to see what they first thought was a firework coming towards them at phe-

nominal speed.

"It was essentially a green light, with a reddish yellow edging and it was coming towards us at a hell of a rate of knots," said Mike.

"It was impossible to judge how high or big it was because of its speed. We watched it for a few seconds, then it simply disappeared.

"What made it so weird was that there was no noise at all. If it had been a firework, there would have been a hiss of propellant but we heard nothing and it didn't peter out like a

conventional firework would.

"I've seen shooting stars before and this was nothing like them. I've no idea what it was.

"I only hope no-one's experimenting with home-made explosives, because someone might get hurt."

Commented Wendy; "I was frightened to death. If Mike hadn't been with me, I would have run all the way back home."

They are now so anxious to know if anyone else spotted the strange phenomenon at around 7.45pm.