

Close encounters of the Royal kind

PRINCE PHILIP, it transpires, is fascinated in the subject of flying saucers.

While he hasn't seen one himself as far as one knows, his interest was apparently inspired some years ago by the late Earl Mountbatten who in the Fifties observed "something" land on the croquet lawn at Broadlands.

Old Louis who was sure that the object had come from distant parts subsequently became a regular reader of the enthusiasts' magazine *The Flying Saucer Review*. And now Philip, too, has the publication sent to him every month.

He has also asked to be kept in touch with developments.

The EARL OF CLANCARTY, chairman of the House of Lords UFO study group and the chap one always goes to for advice on such matters, says: "I have an arrangement with his Equerry to send him notices of all meetings that we have in the Lords in case he is able to come along. Alas, he is so busy . . ."

Clancarty will no doubt have told His Highness of his own close encounter.

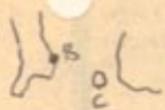
It was over South Kensington.

Recalls the Earl: "I climbed into the sink in my bathroom leant out of the window, and there it was."



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A report is being passed to the Minist the sighting by four Britons of an while on a flight from Gatwick to C The Dan-Air Boeing 737 with 13 Brindisi, Italy, when the captain