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MEETING DATES

Social meeting – Commonweal Club,
120 Castlereagh Street, Sydney.

First Saturday in SEPTEMBER (2nd)

Public meeting – Adyar Hall,
25 Bligh Street, Sydney.

First TUESDAY in OCTOBER (3rd)

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EDITORIAL

At our Public Meeting on 1st August we were disappointed when Dr. DUGGIN was unable to attend. We hope he will be able to give his talk at a future date.

We were given a most interesting talk by Mr. John Blattman, the Assistant Secretary, who chose "People who have Disappeared" as his topic. He had put many hours of Research into these inexplicable reports of people who had simply vanished off the earth and even out of boats and no trace has ever been found.

We had Sue Corrigan, Reporter of the Daily Telegraph, and Roger Climpson of Channel 7 in the audience. It is good to know that we are getting more publicity. We understand that Roger Climpson hopes to do a T.V. Documentary on U.F.O.'s in the near future.

The National Enquirer, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, Florida, 33460. U.S.A.

There is an offer of \$50,000 reward for someone to prove that the Unidentified Flying Object came

from outer space and is not a natural phenomenon. All evidence must be in the hands of the Editors of "The Enquirer" before January 1, 1973 to qualify for the reward.

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Dates to remember are 2nd September Members Meeting, in Commonwealth Club, 120 Castlereagh Street, Sydney – Saturday at 3 p.m. Small charge for refreshments.

3rd October, Tuesday, Public Meeting in Adyar Hall, 8 p.m. We hope that Dr. Duggin, C.S.I.R.O. will be able to be present to give his talk entitled "The Earth's Resources Technology Satellite".

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"ONCE AGAIN AN OPPORTUNITY HAS ARRIVED FOR US TO DELVE INTO THE ENIGMA OF U.F.O. ACTIVITY PATTERNS"

The Eastern Coast of Australia and much of New Zealand has, since mid 1971, been experiencing the heaviest UFO activity since the 1966-1967 FLAP. However the opportunity to study and define the reason for these recurring UFO activity patterns has been somewhat confused by other factors also known to coincide with increased UFO activity, and heavy Flaps.

Ufologists for many years have pointed to varying degrees of UFO activity coinciding with the 26 monthly MARS-EARTH oppositions. Well sure enough we had an increase in UFO activity, but other factors such as the Apollo 14 Moon shot occurred at the same time, and also the MARS probe.

It has long been suggested, not emphatically stated, that space probes and A-Bomb explosions had brought about a definite increase in activity. Many reports have been received which stated that UFOs had been observed during the white sands

by Frank W.H. Wilks,
President & Secretary, U.F.O.R.P.A.

Nuclear-tests. It is also common knowledge that Astronauts have seen and heard strange things during their flights into space.

Another pattern of UFO activity follows a 5-year cycle and 1972 is, according to this cycle, a FLAP year. Again, as with 1971, I have no dispute. This year (1972) is very definitely a FLAP year, and to prove it reports are being received at U.F.O.R.P.A. Head Quarters at a rate of knots! Sometimes up to 10 reports are taken and investigated by our team, though they do not always prove correct.

However to again confuse our UFO activity cycle we have conflicting factors which coincide with this increase in activity. Firstly we had the Apollo 15 Moon shot, which was followed by the Jupiter Tour and the French Nuclear-tests. Then to make matters even more difficult the Planet Jupiter came into opposition on the 24th June, which just happens to be the 25th anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's UFO sighting in 1947.

Dear Editor,

I write in thanks for the well wishes on my move to Cowra, N.S.W. It is possible that same may come before all with unprecedented publicity i.e. Tom House's remarks on Unidentified Radio Signals prompted me to study local T.V. Interference closely and I think we are getting messages or emissions from malfunctioning satellites, ours or their or both.

May I suggest to those who have the time and the equipment to make movie films of TV-1 and analyse for the following:

"Subliminal" inserts in the form of the geometrical block diagram-graph messages mainly horizontal "Snow" in both horizontal and vertical bars that occur at random.

Then take small sections from all of the above and magnify or "Blow Up" in search of symbols, letters, numbers. This is an adaption from the commercial feature movie film BLOW UP of recent years in which a professional photographer decides to magnify — blow up — part of a (still) frame he has take at random and goes on to find a human hand protruding from a bush and finally solves a missing person problem.

Most promising is dots and blobs in patterns as used in the punch cards of data processing computers. So far such TV-1 is independent or not from BBC-TV satellite re-transmissions to Australia s in recent Cricket test matches. The T.V. receiver was checked and realined in May '72.

Re "What's in a Name" by Frank Wilks and the search for places having BURRA in their name the nearest I can recall is BURRENJUCK DAM, the 'e' in place of an 'a' is not important as both are vowels. As UFO's visit Dams it is more than likely that Burrenjuck and the local Wyangala Dam could be visited and excite the locals. Forbes NSW was visited in May '67.

With all the best of luck.

Noel Wheeler. 17.8.72.

THE ENIGMA OF U.F.O. ACTIVITY PATTERNS"

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Then to provoke further confused thoughts, I must tell you that the years of the 5-year-cycle date from this sighting by Mr. Arnold. So in effect we have the years 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, and 1972 as cycle, and you may be sure that each of these years was well punctuated with reports of UFOs.

If you now feel you have a theory forming, then I'm sorry that needs be I throw another spanner in the works by pointing out that June 24th is also that date on which many famous UFO Investigators have died, some within hours of each other.

My attempts to find an Astronomical or geological cycle which could correspond with the UFO cycle met with complete failure, but some of the information turned up may be of interest to the researcher if only to prevent digging in the same hole!

Jupiter, which was in opposition on June 24, 1972, has a cycle of a little less than 12 years. So the previous Earth-Jupiter opposition was around 1960, and the next one will be around 1984.

The UFO FLAP coincided with a change in the Sun's polarity, which has an 11-year-cycle. So therefore the last change of polarity was 1969 and the next one will be around 1980.

Mars, which was last in opposition during August-September of 1971 will recur each 26 months, making the next Mars-Earth opposition during December of 1973 or January 1974.

Another interesting discovery is that fires (including bushfires) occur with increased activity at 5-year intervals, as do earthquakes and other would-be natural occurrences. I must admit that at this stage I have no idea what this last piece of information tells us, but since it does at least hold some promise, I will continue to research its possibilities.

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TARRAVILLE U.F.O. ASSOCIATION REPORT, VIC.

Mr. N., a retired electrical contractor of Yarram, having lived there for many years. He is known to be a respectable citizen by the many people of Yarram and was vouched for by the local police officer.

He was returning home from a private visit one night driving his car eastward along the South Gippsland Highway in company with his wife. They were east of Tourer when they sighted a curious orange object a mile or two back beyond the trees to their left. Mr. N. described it to be like a railway carriage but he knew no railway ran where it appeared.

They thought liffle of the phenomenon until they observed it again some miles further on. It was still in the same relative position which suggested that it might have been "pacing" the car but it disappeared again and when they rounded a bend they were amazed to see it straight in front of them.

It appeared as a large glowing object shaped like an orange cut in half, the flat section being on top. It was not flat in a true sense but slightly dished in. The glow was a flickering orange which did not appear to have any fixed source but lit up the whole object. The road took a bend to the right ahead of the car and the object appeared to be handing directly over the bend (but quite low enough to have been grounded) but as the car approached Mr. N. and his wife saw that it was actually four or five hundred yards into the paddock beyond.

The N's. drove closer and closer to the object but it did not move and when nearly to the bend Mr. N. allowed the car to run to a standstill. He and his wife stared at it for some time before it suddenly rose rapidly into the air. It abruptly vanished at two or three hundred feet of height. Nothing more was seen of it.

Both the local police and the R.A.A.F. were involved in the subsequent investigation of the sighting. However, no marks were discovered on the ground and no clues of any sort were discovered. (I received the above account from Mr. N. himself).

Mr. N. is not sure whether the object landed or not but it was very low. Object rose two to three hundred feet then vanished.

RIO DE JANEIRO . . . Eight UFO's interrupted a Soccer match watched by about 2,000 people in the city of Campos, 130 miles north of Rio de Janeiro, on 26.7.72 according to a Brazilian newsagency. They reported "numerous people of different ages and professions said the noiseless flying craft emitted an orange-coloured light while they flew over the field". A lawyer, said the objects were "at a great altitude, but it could easily be seen that seven of them were following a kind of mother-ship. It was about 10.30 p.m. and they were going from east to west". The Brazilian Government's national news agency said that the authorities had also been flooded with phone calls about "strange and brilliant lights that flew over the city of Vitoria," about 250 miles north of Rio de Janeiro on the same night. (AAP). Extract from Sydney Morning Herald, 29.7.72 (Ed.)

"WE ARE NOT THE FIRST — RIDDLES OF ANCIENT SCIENCE" by ANDREW TOMAS

Many members will remember Andrew Tomas, (with us some years ago) and will be delighted to learn that he has written a book.

Entitled "We are **not** the first" it is published by The Souvenir Press, 95 Mortimer Street, London W1. It is evident that a tremendous amount of research has been undertaken by Mr. Tomas, conducted in the British Museum, the Bibliotheque Nationale of Paris, and the Lenin Library of Moscow.

As a result of this Mr. Tomas is convinced that present day scientific facts were known in Antiquity (c2500B.C. - on), were lost and have gradually been rediscovered since the 15th-16th Centuries. He theorises that an unknown civilization in time or space could have left a cultural legacy to the people of Antiquity.

(Notes by Holman Exley)

SIGHTING REPORTED FROM WALGETT AREA — JULY, 1972.

My wife and I were driving from Walgett towards Coonamble on the morning of 14th June, 1972. About 10 miles before Coonamble, at about 11.10 a.m., my wife drew my attention to an object in the sky which was clearly visible through the windscreen. The object was moving from our left to our right at a much slower speed than the jet planes seen here, but at about the speed of the big passenger planes. We got out of our car and viewed the object through binoculars. It was about 5 or 6 miles distant I estimate, and about 60 degrees to the vertical. There was no clouds in the sky. We TOOK A PHOTOGRAPH WITH A 233X KODAK INSTAMATIC on a partly used colour film (FRAME NO. 13). The object appeared to be considerably longer than a plane, ctually looked similar to a drawing of a rocket and continued in a Northerly or North-westerly direction at a steady speed. At approximately 10 minutes later as we were entering the town of Coonamble we again saw an absolutely identical object in the same location, moving identically as before and in the same direction as previously. Neither of these objects showed the exhaust stream usually associated with jet planes, but similar to that of a rocket taking off. About 6 or 7 minutes later — when we had passed through Coonamble — we saw a jet plane at about 5 or 6 miles distant, at about 60 degrees to the vertical. The shape was clearly distinct, it was moving in a similar direction as the object we had seen, and the exhaust stream was streaked across the sky as normally seen. Unfortunately the roll of film was sent for printing in the normal manner. The clarity is excellent on all frames EXCEPT No. 13 which has been obliterated. Sketch of object and elevation on original letter.

From Toongabbie West . . . On 29th April, 1972, observed at approx. 8.55 p.m. a round orange-white light, very bright, travelling fast, straight line level with horizon from W. to S. descending. It completed a quarter circle from W. to S. dimmed and disappeared.

Reports of sightings were in papers the following day.

CCUFORB — Central Coast UFO Research Bureau i.e. Gosford UFO Group. We had an interesting report from this group who experienced a sighting on 4th July, 1972. It was a very bright light very high up in the sky, on a clear night. The object had the exact appearance of a street light seen from a distance, no sound was to be heard. It had the colour of flame orange and it pulsed and flickered. When first sighted the object was directly NORTH at an angle of 45 degrees moving southwards, in a straight line. At due EAST It appeared to get into difficulties and started to make an erratic zig zagging flight, correcting itself at exactly SOUTH at an angle of 30°. It exploded and four large pieces of debris were seen to fall in a vertical line towards the earth. These pieces were individually glowing like small lights as they fell out of sight, going down behind a ridge line covered with large trees. The observers said the object was the size of a golf ball held at arms length until the explosion, whereupon it became the size of an orange for a brief second. The speed was likened to the slow pace of a helicopter. Object was observed through the naked eye. They had a compass on the object and the sound of the explosion took 4 or 5 seconds to reach the watchers. Three groups of neighbours watched the object, but did not want to talk about it. One woman described it as too 'eerie'. Others reported the same object to the local radio station from Avoca and Terrigal. A thorough search of the area where the debris had fallen was made the next day and nothing was found, and the object remains unidentified.

Members who have not paid the \$5 annual membership fees will no longer be getting UFOIC Newsletter — Sorry.

From Earlwood . . . On 26th April, 1972, a star like object was seen. Pulsation of light very noticeable — golden to fringe rays of red and purple blue. Change from star shape to white globe with red top and bottom tails distinct blurs at times — rest of object white to golden. Object stationary then very slow west movement 310°. Gradually moved westward to Grose Gorge area and made itself scarce on approach of light plane from Mascot .

One from a young chap who lives in Carramar, N.S.W. who observed on 28th May, 1972 White-ish elongated shape, like a star, but not a meteor. At 6.25 p.m. Seen high in the sky near Sirius, 30° — 90° above West horizon — travelling NNW — sighting approx. 30 seconds — it disappeared behind clouds. It zig zagged, and dimmed and brightened alternately.

We have had reports of sightings from all over the country. One man in Ipswich, Qld., was driving to work at 2.15 a.m. and he saw some people with strange helmet-like objects over their heads, and a large silver, cigar shaped object in a nearby paddock. Unfortunately for us he was too frightened to do anything but speed away. Date was 19th July, 1972.

From Cronulla . . . On a night in July sightings were reported over Double Bay, Narrabeen, Cremorne, and Bexley according to the Daily Telegraph, and we had a report from a girl who saw a mist approaching a car she was sitting in with her boy friend. They drove away quickly but she heard a whirring sound, and feels she may have seen a spaceman or some such . . . There were sightings over Botany this same night.

Extracts from "LUMIERES DANS LA NUIT"

14 June, 1968 at Dax (Landes). Mr. J.L.G. and his wife L. were coming from Barcelona in their car and were about 4 miles from their home at Dax — travelling at 80 miles per hour as they were on a clear road. Suddenly Mr. G. saw, at the same time as his wife, a red light flashing on and off, about 100 yards in front of the car, right on the road. Coming closer they both saw a dark mass with this red light on the top — this mass seemed vaporous and standing on the road without tripod or any other landing gear — its height was about 10 feet. Mr. G. was trying to stop his car but the car went through this mass and stopped at last. They did not notice anything at all — no heat, no noise, no discomfort, they remained on the spot for 1 or 2 minutes and then went on home. They didn't tell this to anyone except Mr. G's father — the family is well known in the city — honest and serious people.

With thanks to the translator — a member of U.F.O.I.C. (ed.).

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Extracts from Article published
THE SUN HERALD 30.7.72
(Condensed by Helen Brown)

LIFE ON MARS AFTER ALL?

Excited Scientists say the 'Red Planet' may be like Earth.

Mariner 9, the spacecraft that has been circling Mars twice a day for the last eight months, has discovered a varied world of sharp relief and many contrasts.

Scientists are seeing, as never before, a world of high winds, great temperature extremes, clouds of water vapour as well as of dust, towering volcanoes, chasms larger and deeper than the Grand Canyon, glacial terraces, moon-like craters and meandering "riverbeds". From the photographs the Scientists have identified four "major geological provinces" The first, is the volcanic province. The most prominent of the volcanic peaks is Nix Olympica. It rises from the frigid and arid surface, spanning a region 300 miles in diameter and 40 miles wide.

The second geological province is packed with canyons, the largest of which is reported to be 10 times the length of the Grand Canyon and three times deeper.

Scientists excitedly point to a network of tributaries to the canyon - features hitherto unseen on the planet - and a delta-like region as evidence of possible water erosion. The third province, which seems to extend over half the planet, is a heavily cratered region that looks much like the broad plains of the moon.

One of the impact basins, Hellas, is reported to be larger than any similar basin on the Moon. Great sand dunes are also seen in this area.

The cratered terrain is thought to be the most ancient feature of Mars, since many of the craters appear to have been eroded by wind, subsequent impacts and other forces.

The fourth geological province is a spectacular expanse of stair-step terraces and deep grooves radiating from the south polar region.

Scientists believe that glaciers moving out from the polar ice cap gouged out the grooves and piled up rocky debris to form the terraces.

It is expected that the north polar region, when completely photographed, will consist of similar terrain - indicating that Mars, like Earth, has had its ice ages and is now in a warmer period.

The Scientists agree that the south polar ice cap has a 200 mile-wide permanent cap - is partly frozen water, not all frozen carbon dioxide (dry ice).

"What is exciting about it is that Mars, unlike Earth, has two different types of polar frost or ice deposits - carbon dioxide and water. It's a phenomenon unlike anything we see on earth", said Dr. Bruce Murray, professor at the California Institute of Technology. Mars bulges at the equator, is flattened at the poles and is more smoothly circular in between. There are wide variations in the planet's gravitational pull along the equator indicating "large stresses at work on the planet's crust."

Scientists state "We have not seen any sign of life on Mars. We didn't expect to. But we have not seen anything that would exclude life."

The U.S. plans to land two Viking life-detection robots on Mars in 1976, while the Soviet Union has indicated that it may attempt such landings as early as next year.

As one of the Scientists pointed out "The Red Planet is changing in front of us".

THE LIBRARY

The Library is now located at 2 Iredale Street, Newtown, N.S.W. 2042. Librarian. Mr. K. McGuffin The Librarian would like members who have books from the Library OVERDUE to please return them immediately - other members are waiting to borrow them. NOTE: When returning books by post please pack them SECURELY.

NEW MEMBERS

Anyone wishing to join the U.F.O.I.C. can do so by contacting Mr. Moser, the Secretary, at P.O. Box E170 St. James, Sydney, 2000 - or by coming to the next meeting in the Adyar Hall.

NOTICE. SYDNEY SCIENTIFIC FILM SOCIETY - General Meeting, Monday, 28th August, at 7.30 p.m. at the Wallace Theatre, Science Road, The University of Sydney. Intending members are advised that the Society's Screenings are held at 7.30 p.m. on the LAST MONDAY of each month (except December).
1) TO THE LIMIT, B. & W. 2) THE COAL GATHERERS, Colour. 3) ANIMAL WAR, ANIMAL PEACE, Colour. 4) A FUTURE FOR THE PAST, Colour.

COUNTRY MEMBERS

Would Country Members please send in their newspaper clippings, and reports of sightings to our General Secretary. We are always interested to know what's going on and unless you report to us, we cannot let anyone else know. So send them in, don't keep them to yourself.

OLD NEWSLETTERS - has anyone got any old Newsletters BEFORE No. 26 - If so would they be willing to send them in to our Librarian, Mr. Ken McGuffin, Maybe if they don't want to part with the Newsletter they would allow it to be photocopied so that the Library can try to complete a set right from the first copy. Will all members please search their desks for old newsletters.

Would Committee Members please note that Committee Meetings are held every month on the THIRD TUESDAY at 6 p.m. sharp.

More helpers are needed to go on our Committe, so anyone who is interested in U.F.O.I.C. and would care to give us a hand would you be so kind as to let Mr. Moser know. There are lots of little ways you might be able to help, so come along and make yourself known to us.

A great number of overseas magazines are available including Spacelink Vol. 6/3 and Vol. 6/4 45c., Quest - Canada Nos. 18-20 50c. each, Various numbers of UFO Report Canada 60c. Various numbers FS Review - UK, Case Histories published by Bowen 60c. each, and other publications. Contact Gen. Secretary.

Any member or friend speaking a foreign language is asked to contact the Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. Moser, P.O. Box E170, St. James, Sydney. 2000

Edward Jones wishes to express his appreciation of the Newsletter. He has been a member of U.F.O.I.C. for many years but unfortunately is unable to participate at the moment.
