

'Seeing is believing'

—flying saucers

IF only Mrs Vicki Klein could sight a flying saucer what a boon it would be for dedicated societies researching Unidentified Flying Objects.

Mrs Klein's unflappable nature would enable her to report the experience as other people ought — with wits collected. No doubt she would tick her reaction "calm" on the questionnaire being circulated throughout Australia by the Victorian UFO Research Society.

As secretary of Canberra's UFO society, founded in September, Mrs Klein wishes there was more faith in the saying "Seeing is believing".

"People get all excited about a sighting and contact us. They often back out later and leave us dangling".

She has followed UFO incidents for years but did not become a firm believer until 1965 when her father and a friend saw a

father and a friend saw a UFO over the Brindabella Ranges. There was a lot of excitement and no plausible explanation.

The Canberra UFO Research Society will have its inaugural meeting on Thursday, December 2, at the Griffin Centre. Sydney author, Richard Tambling, whose book 'Flying Saucers — Where Do They Come From?' was published recently, will be guest speaker.

Mrs Klein has not waited for formalities. With the group's president, Mr H. Zwankhuizen and treasurer Mr J. Brooks, both of Reid, she has started investigations on a few local sightings — one at Bungendore and one at O'Connor.

"We also started investigating the recent incident at Junee when a flying saucer chased three girls, all school teachers, who were in a car. But it was one of the cases that just petered out".

Information collected from local people who have reported seeing

have reported seeing UFO's is sent to the Commonwealth Aerial Phenomenal Investigation Organisation.

"CAPIO in turn sends news to the Colorado Project in the United States".

Mrs Klein added that

the Colorado Project received \$500,000 this year from the Pentagon to investigate UFO's.

Before long the Canberra UFO Research Society hopes to draw up its own questionnaire. It will be something like the Victorian form — a list of questions covering a foolscap page with a

space on the back to draw the viewer's impression of the UFO.

The questions cover appearance, sound, shape, colour, weather conditions on sighting and personal reaction. Here there is a choice of being startled, afraid, excited or calm.