

He wants to hear about strange things in the sky

If you have a close encounter of any kind with strange lights and flying objects, notify UFO investigator Mr. Colin Norris immediately.

Full-time public relations officer and president of the Australian Flying Saucer Research Society, Mr. Norris, 58, visited Port Lincoln during the weekend.

Referring to recent sightings in the district, he said flying saucers were continuing to use a corridor across Eyre Peninsula.

He discussed the sighting of an ascending light near Port Lincoln earlier this year by three local footballers when out spotlight shooting. He also referred to the sighting of an unidentified flying object over Eucla which, when shot at, rose to 3000 feet.

"The official explanation was that the object was in fact party balloons", Mr. Norris said.

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'How absurd'.

"DON'T SHOOT!"

He asked the public not to shoot at UFO's.

The most recent sighting was on Wednesday July 25 by Mr. Rusty Post who was traveling on the Rudall Road near Cleve when, at 7.20 a.m., he saw a red and white light in the sky.

He said the object looked like a double decker aeroplane, beautifully lit, about nine metres long and with a red glow at the back.

Mr. Post said the light was heading in the direction of Kimba and that he had watched it for 30 seconds or more.

"I have never seen anything like it before", he said.

Mr. Norris visited Port Lincoln with AFSRS Liaison Officer Mr. Nicholas Mihalaras, a cousin of Mr. Jim Papazoglou of Flinders Highway, with whom they stayed.

RADIO TALK

On Monday Mr. Norris and Mr. Mihalaras were

and Mr. Mihalaras were interviewed by radio station 5PI, Port Pirie.

Mr. Mihalaras acted as an interpreter for the Greek listeners who wished to join in the telephone talk-back segment of the program.

The Australian Flying Saucer Research Society tabulates, correlates and disseminates information it receives from the public and other sources.

These include interstate and overseas organisations.

"This subject is not a joke any more, people are beginning to view it seriously", Mr. Norris said.

"A world-wide survey revealed that 60 per cent of people accept UFO's as fact.

MORE BELIEVE

'In the 1960's it was only 35 per cent.

"We go to the moon and send probes into space. why then shouldn't they come to us".

The "hey" Colin speaks of are the occupants of flying saucers, which he be-

ing saucers, which he believes are regularly visiting this planet.

There is no shortage of sightings.

Colin and other members of the society investigate about 87 every year.

They can be broadly categorised as lights in the sky — 65 per cent — sounds — 30 per cent — and unidentifiable objects — five per cent.

NATURAL

Most of the sightings can be explained as natural phenomena such as cloud formations, birds and reflections, or as man-made objects like aircraft and weather balloons.

More and more cases have been solved, but a fraction remains unexplained and unidentifiable.

This fraction of unsolved cases is the basis of the UFO enthusiast's hope.

With hundreds of hours behind him in investigating sightings and recording the findings, a pattern had emerged, Mr. Norris said.

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The society has more than
150 members and is seeking
more. It can be contacted at
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● Discussing UFO sightings are from left Mr. Colin Norris, Mr. Nicholas Mihalaras both of Adelaide and Mr. Jim Papazoglou of Flinders Highway.