

Two UFO sighters may be

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TWO Esperance women who claim to have had a close encounter with a UFO earlier this year might be hypnotically regressed to see if they actually came in contact with aliens.

UFO researchers in both Perth and Melbourne are keen to undertake the experiment since it became

apparent the women spent at least 30 minutes they cannot account for on the lonely South Coast Highway.



• YEEND and Collins — chased by a UFO.

The subject was first raised by Melbourne author John Pinkney who investigates unexplained phenomena.

At least four other people — including a policeman and two kangaroo shooters — saw the object but no others shared the harrowing experience of Esperance women, Mrs Maggie Yeend and Mrs Frances Collins.

The bright swooping object, identical to many other reported UFOs, "chased" them for some 100km before hovering over Esperance Bay for some time, they said.

Mrs Collins said even though she did not believe they were taken into the

'regressed'

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craft, there was no way to account for the time gap.

She said they left Ravensthorpe at 12.50am — she remembers looking at her watch and drove the 96km to Munglinup at around 110kph.

Their first sighting was shortly after this, and the craft stayed with them the remaining 100km to Esperance.

From then, their late model Kombi van's top speed was 80kph even though before and since it has gone much faster.

Mrs Collins said they did not slow down to look at the object.

"Would you if you were staring death in the face?" she said.

Next morning the van was found to have a flat rear tyre which also needed a new rim which could explain the speed difference but not the time gap.

The regression may take place in Perth in October as both will be in the city for the Perth Royal Show.

They tried to arrange it during their last visit but the man involved from the Perth UFO Group was out of town.