

UFO zaps clock

A COLES alarm clock stopped dead, never to go again, after a UFO bathed it in blue light.

"It happened beside Paddy's River, in NSW," recalls POST reader Charles Camden, of Deloraine (T).

"I was driving to Sydney when I decided to camp at the waterside for the night.

"I went to sleep with my battery radio playing, and was woken at about 4am by loud bursts of static.

"Thinking the station had gone off air, I twisted the knob, but there was interference all along the dial.

"I was only then that I noticed a blue light in the sky. At first, it looked like some kind of police helicopter, but as it swiftly got closer, I saw it was like a huge, spinning fishbowl — with a dome on top and no windows.

"As the thing hovered directly above the car, I could feel the hairs on my head and arms standing on end, as if a powerful vacuum cleaner was sucking at them.

"My dog was cowering under a tree. I could see his fur was raised up in spikes.

"What amazed me most about this incident was the deathly quiet that suddenly fell.

"It was as if the whole world had been wrapped in cotton wool.

"After about two minutes, the craft took off — and so did I. I grabbed the dog, packed my things into the car — and drove out of there as fast as I could.

"Next morning, I noticed that my Westclock-brand alarm clock (which I'd bought from Coles) had stopped at 4.04, roughly the time the UFO appeared.

"The clock had always worked well, but from that day on no amount of winding or banging would persuade it to go.

"I wrote to Sydney University, offering the clock for analysis, but had no reply.

"I was disappointed, because I'm sure there must be evidence of some kind of radiation in the clock's mechanism."

• If you still have the alarm clock, please send it to me.

I can arrange for its works to be exhaustively analysed by an open-minded scientist.