

## **'Sparkling UFO' over ACT**

Several Canberra residents reported sighting an unidentified flying object just after 9pm last night. Observers said it was in the west, and flew the length of the sky in a southerly direction.

A Curtin man described it as being a bright ball with sparks out to the rear. A Bungendore man said it had looked like a long red streak with a silver tail. He said it had been "really rocketing along".

The RAAF air force base at Fair-

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bairn had received six calls from all over Canberra about the object. A spokesman said most had seen a very bright object, glowing gold, with a conical tail. They had seen the tail sparkling.

He said it had been in the sky for about 1½ to two minutes, maintaining its shape throughout.

The spokesman said he could not release any information that may have been picked up by air-force equipment.

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