

ALBION'S Tino Pezzimenti says he has enough proof to make anyone believe in UFO's and aliens.

A painter by trade, Tino moonlights in his spare time as vice chairman of UFO Research Queensland.

This is a voluntary organisation founded in 1956 which takes inquiries and details of sightings before investigating them.

Since joining two years ago, Tino has become convinced there is life in outer space.

"Before I was a committee member I wasn't sure but now I have no doubt," he said.

"There have been hundreds and hundreds of witnesses of UFO's in Africa, Italy, China, the Soviet Union, USA and all over.

"For some people that's not enough and I did not totally believe them either, until I was on the committee.

"Last year we had about 700 inquiries from people who had seen UFO's and also from a couple who had been abducted."

Tino said UFO Research Queensland has had about six abductions reported to it over the years.

"Some of these have come from high ranking public servants and police officers and ninety per cent of

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those abducted have a similar description of aliens and what was done to them," Tino said.

Tino said UFO research took details of all sightings and tried to visit those making the report as soon as possible.

"Most of the time there will be an earthly reason and the planet Venus is often the cause," Tino said.

This is not always the case however, and it is one such sighting from Tino which sparked his interest in the possibility of alien life.

"I was 17 or 18-years old and there were four of us at Bartleys Hill Reserve at Ascot," he said.

"We saw a bright light appear in the sky which caused the driver to slam on the breaks and look up at the sky.

"It then shot off at a great speed."

The next day Tino rang "all the airports" and found Brisbane Airport had closed down that night and there were no planes in the sky or reports of meteorites.

Anyone wishing to attend a UFO Research Queensland meeting at Petrie Terrace Primary School can call Tino on 357 6175.

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