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● ON WATCH . . . Mr. Jones-Pugh painstakingly scans the skies for a glimpse of a UFO.

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RANDALL JONES-PUGH has never seen an unidentified flying object — even though he is an investigator for a national organisation which studies them.

But it was evidence by two youths, who claimed to have seen a strange red ball in a field near their home recently, that confirmed his conviction UFOs really do exist.

Mr. Jones-Pugh, a 59-year-old retired veterinary surgeon, files reports on sightings in Pembrokeshire for the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association.

From his home at St. Bride's View, Roch, near Haverfordwest, he often scans the skies with his binoculars, hoping to

The man on his toes for UFOs

catch a glimpse of a phenomenon which has confused and baffled scientists.

"I would dearly love to see one and my binoculars are always at the ready," he said.

Mr. Jones-Pugh has compiled reports recently on two sightings at nearby

Hook and Clarbeston for the association and hopes that other, similar occurrences will be reported to him.

He became interested in UFOs when he returned to his native Pembrokeshire 14 years ago. First of all he was interested in archaeology and this was

a natural extension. "And it has been a fascinating one," he said.

He has read many books on the subject and has carried out what he calls an "in-depth" study. "Science appears to be changing its mind about it," he said.

The sighting by the youths at Clarbeston confirmed his belief in UFOs because of their sincerity. Last summer a friend on a visit also claimed to have seen one near Abereddy.

Mr. Jones-Pugh's files on sightings record details including the time, place, date, weather and cloud conditions, and temperature.

Now he hopes to spend a week in a caravan at Warminster, which is said to be a focal point for UFO sightings in Britain.

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