

# From saucers to circles

## Top UFO detective looks at a recent phenomenon

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FLYING SAUCERS and strange lights in the sky are nothing new to UFO enthusiast Margaret Fry — she's been investigating them for 46 years.

And recently Mrs Fry of Frys Croft, Parc Aelas, Llangernyw, has started investigating crop circles after two were spotted in Mochdre this summer.

She was deluged with so many calls from people interested in the local crop circles she organised a talk at the village school last weekend.

"I could never have squeezed everyone into my living room so I had a word with the headmaster and he said I could use the school."

There are a number of theories to explain how the circles appear, which include wind vortices, soil fungi, UFO landing sites, and activity in ley lines, but Mrs Fry isn't entirely convinced what causes them.

"Your guess is as good as mine," she said.

Mrs Fry saw her first UFO in 1955 and she's been spotting them ever since.

"My son and I were with the family doctor in his car when it kept stalling. After three quarters of a mile it eventually stopped and a silver thing about 45 feet in diameter whoosed over the top of us.

"At one stage I thought it was going



A circle appeared in a field in Mochdre in September.

to land on us, but it passed overhead and was still for five minutes before it went off again.

"I got out of the car to watch. On the under side I could see three ball bearing wheels. It was quite extraordinary. My son who was eight and a half at the time remembers it vividly too."

She became a member of the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA) and presently she is their regional investigator for North Wales, Merseyside, and the Wirral, and their senior investigator for Wales.



Mrs Margaret Fry has been studying UFO movements for 46 years

"I've had 40 sightings. If I can say this then other people can say what they have seen and the more people that do the better. People shouldn't be secretive about it."

Mrs Fry is kept busy investigating sightings, giving speeches, and attending conferences, but still finds time to take care of her disabled husband Ron, 54.

She says anyone interested in UFOs should contact BUFORA, or Contact International, who produce magazines and books on the subject regularly.

Crop circle enthusiasts will find it

useful contacting the Centre for Crop Circle Studies (CCCS) who also publish literature regularly. Libraries are also an invaluable source of information.

"If anyone sees a UFO they should report it to the police straightaway. Sightings shouldn't go unreported."

Mrs Fry says she is happy to hear from anyone who is interested in the subjects, and will gladly point them in the right direction.

She can be reached on Llangernyw 537 from the beginning of November she will be at a Scottish UFO conference until then.