

1957, I founded the Interplanetary Space Travel Research, and that when we voted you in to be president in about 1966-7, you ran it so well, you became president for life, and I ended up producing other NON science fiction mags. You see, we all left you because, the way you were running ISTRA was along line of science fantasy. I called ISTRA, ISTRA, to be run on scientific lines. To find it being used for science fiction was too much. However, you have done a good job, put a lot of effort into it, and now in 1985, I still hope ISTRA is running well. Anyone interested in science fiction and fantasy should contact Mike Parry, 21 Hargwyne Street, Stockwell, London, SW9 9RQ

*Note. I am NOT knocking science fiction. I too love it, but ISTR, as it was known in 1957, was set up to do JUST that, research into outer space. You don't seem to be doing much of THAT! = Edward Harris, Editor. (please may I have a copy of Issue no. 1 and 2 & 3 of my first I.N Mike)

NOTICE BOARD:

If any reader in Dunmow or locally, would like to help me set up an astronomy group in Dunmow, please ring me on: Great Dunmow 4689. It would help to get it moving soon so that good photographs and observations of Halley's comet can be done. My knowledge of astronomy is very limited now, so I would need advice on it. =Editor.

*I am attempting to get the comet onto videotape. This looks impossible at the moment. Only the moon has been somewhat successful.

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THE DAVID PROCKTER - NEWS BEAT

Dave Prockter joins up with CNK in 1985 once more to bring you his style of writing. Provocative, thought jerking, and blunt to the point. His refreshing honesty and sincerity starts today, only in COSMOLOGY NEWSLINK:

Hi, Everybody, This is David Prockter. Sorry I've been away so long from CNK, but as you know the mag folded up in July 1979 mainly due to financial reasons. I myself have been busy in television video and busy in lots of different things. Because of my involvement with television productions, I am always ahead in what is coming in the way of science fiction episodes.. On the next page you will see some of them.

Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons now showing made in 1967 Fireball XL5 on Anglia 1962.

Thunderbirds (1965) may be repeated again around Sept. 1985 There are 126 episodes of The Avengers in black and white. The Champions, now showing. (1969) and many more sci-fi will be coming to your screen soon.

ABOUT UFO'S

The truth is I can't find any branch of the subject to get enthusiastic over. Some points however then-one by one together with my responses.

1. NEXT 25 YEARS OF UFOLOGY? My answer to this is fairly simple, if not cynical. BUFORA's subscriptions are going up ti they rise and rise, until they are down to 150 hard core members. Most will be on so many different committees that they will be too busy to attend their own A.G.M. Lionel Beer will continue to sell his books as he has been doing for the last 25 years. The FRINGE ELEMENTS will diversify even further-people will forget the reason for Skywatches and will travel miles to Gradle Hill, Glastonbury, for Stonehenge Littlebay caverns but will be unable to tell you why UFO sightings are so commonplace that when one crashes into the Houses of Parliament and destroys six square miles of high-rent London, it will be nine months before anyone notices. Some nut-cases will drop out, some NEW NUT-CASES will join the ranks and some will go on like it was still 1947. Naturally, Mike Parry will still be selling 'BIRTH OF A MOVEMENT' and advertiseing 'SPACE-EX 1999'!
2. COSMOLOGY: Regarding future weather prospects? That'll stay much as it is now, cold, wet, and windy, even in mid August!
3. MOON ROCKS (brought back by Apollo missions to the moon), Where are they now?- most of them are still on the Moon, silly!!
4. Why dig up something on LEY LINES? Honestly, why bother. Let sleeping dogs lie (or dead ones).
5. SUFFOLK UFO LANDING - Was it one? or not? How should I know? I wasn't there! A job for Sherlock Holmes!
6. SPACE RESEARCH? All we see right now is the insane use of Military Strategy outside our atmosphere. Reality and science-fiction are becoming transposed, and neither Luke Skywalker or Carl Sagan can tell one from the other. Science is a good tool, but a bad master. The days of science as a boon to Mankind are over, if they ever existed beyond Pastuer or Fleming. Did Von Braun know what he was doing? There are much worse things in the world, far more obscene than bare t..s!? Science scares me. It cannot be trusted any more than our petty, squabbling 'leaders'- LESS COMPUTERS, MORE COMPASSION. Less Micro-chips, more