

### **West Midland Dowsers**

A number of members living in the Warwickshire, Staffordshire and Birmingham areas came together at the BSD Congress at the Post House, Coventry, in May, 1980 to try to form a fairly informal group who could meet for discussions and perhaps field trips. Julian Isaacs was the co-ordinator/secretary and the first meeting was held at his home on 28th June, when Mrs. Enid Smithett gave a most interesting demonstration of map dowsing. Another meeting was held at the house of Mrs. Mary Cannon at Aston Cantelow, Warwickshire in August, with some dowsing in her large garden.

Julian's research work has been keeping him extremely busy during the last few months, so I have now agreed to relieve him of the extra burden by taking on the job of secretary. I am starting a small newsletter to keep people in touch and will be arranging some meeting dates. Mary Cannon has very kindly offered us the use of her house, but in order to assist those members who live on the northern side of the area we shall hope to arrange some venues more centrally.

We should very much welcome new members and I shall be pleased to give them full details and put them on our circulation list if they will contact me. They do not necessarily have to belong to the BSD, although we hope any newcomers will want to join the Society when they realise the benefits.

*Michael Guest*

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

"With a great deal of patience one could, I believe, do without the V rod or pendulum, but why make the job difficult?" asks Mr. Simon Stone (Journal No. 189). The answer is that you do it to make the job easier, surely? There is now one major reason I use a pendulum and that is because people expect to see a dowser using one; but in a supermarket, at business conferences, while driving, dowsing tools are out of the question.

So what is the lazy man's way out of using dowsing tools? Where laziness is concerned I consider myself an authority and I recommend attending BSD Congresses. Kindly folk will let drop information, Americans would drill a hole through the Himalayas to get. Nowhere else have I ever heard or read of the suggestion (I am sure it was from a lady but none of the members I have met since will admit to it) that you can dowse extremely fast and accurately just by blinking.

Or rather, not blinking, until you arrive at the answer. The form in which I first heard of blink dowsing was that you thought your question, consciously stopped blinking and then ran through the possible answers in your mind, or allocated them numbers and started counting. A blink occurring against your will indicated the correct answer.

I am bound to say that this system simply did not work for me—or rather, it would apparently work for a moment and then contradict itself; just the same maddening frustration that sorts out the people

who are determined to become dowsers from those who are just trying their hands at it and will give up. Visiting Major Bruce MacManaway, I found that spinal displacements could be sensed mentally with great power and accuracy if he was touching me—in fact, blinking is the least of it, you get a great zonk through the head—but when not plugged into the MacManaway main I could sense nothing. But finally the penny dropped and I tried (when examining a cousin's back) combining blink dowsing with hand selection: using the hand to indicate possible answers rather than thinking them—and it worked like a charm from the word go. Within a week I was mentally blink dowsing, too, and the next stage, MacManaway zonk dowsing and all its variants, is beginning to make its presence felt. You get a half blink where an answer is not quite right and a stunning "zappo-blink" where an answer is spot on correct but the truth is the same but more so (a "yes-beyond-yes" that I also get with the pendulum). Terrific! Try it—perfect for finding petrol at night while keeping in the fast lane.

Otherwise I think Mr. Stone is pretty near the truth in his estimation of what constitutes the mechanism of dowsing, though "mental protection" tends to suggest that our subconscious processes are having to be projected to the subject and this itself might be an over-traditional way of looking at it; maybe some ethereal aspect of the subject is occurring within us anyway. I was very glad to see that you printed Mr. L. Locker's talk on healing, because although his approach maddens many dowsers ("dowsing off the end of the pier!") and the apparent orders of "bodies" and "levels" he detects are surely destined never to receive scientific confirmation, his evidence is valuable. His "levels" are plainly identifiable with the "non-physical bodies" apparent to meditators and point to a "chemistry behind chemistry", whereby the accepted form of matter is found to have (and possibly even itself consist of, highly concretised) a series of massless or virtually massless extensions that occur everywhere else at once. Dowsing is then simply discovering on one's own sixth floor what is happening on X's sixth floor and deducing (not always accurately) what is going on in X's downstairs. I wonder if humans have the brain power ever to understand the mechanism?

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Since the despatch of the June Journal I have received very many letters. I have often wondered how we have "silver" people on an iron planet; a Biblical student refers me to Genesis 6. As for the additional wavelength carried by a murderer, he says it is "the mark of Cain".

Re TV receiver emanations, battery operated receivers require the same treatment as A.C. powered,—a Glad Bag twister wrapped around the battery cable and the bared ends shorted. This treatment is required for all computers and read out screens. Simple! Just a twister around the power cord with shorted ends.

Recently I did a big water dowsing job on an island tourist resort.