

Psychic Startles Scientists

... He Describes What Mercury And Jupiter Are Like — Then Space Probes Prove He's Right

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Famed psychic Ingo Swann, who says he has made out-of-body explorations of the planets Mercury and Jupiter, has shocked scientists with incredibly accurate descriptions of those planets.

"He described things and gave details which were not known to scientists until the Mariner 10 and Pioneer 10 satellites flew by the planets and got the information," revealed Edgar Mitchell, the former American astronaut who walked on the moon.

Said Dr. J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the astronomy department at Northwestern University: "These are things that Mr. Swann couldn't have guessed or read about. His impressions of Mercury and Jupiter cannot be dismissed."

Swann reported that Mercury had an atmosphere, a magnetic field and a sky glowing with auroral lights. He was proven correct three weeks later when Mariner 10 made its fly-by of the planet.

The 42-year-old psychic's most startling observation — that there is a form of primitive plant life on Mercury — could not be verified because the satellite was too far away on its pass.

Swann's out-of-body journey to Mercury was monitored by Janet Mitchell, a parapsychologist with the American Society for Psychical Research.

Mrs. Mitchell, who is not related to the astronaut, told The ENQUIRER that Swann maintained consciousness throughout the experiment in his New York apartment — "but his mind was far away."

"Within minutes, he reported being up and out into space and moving away from the moon toward the sun, trying to target in on Mercury," added Mrs. Mitchell, who is studying for her doctorate in psychology.

Swann's observations were tape-recorded, transcribed and notarized well in advance of the Mariner fly-by.

"It's beautiful — God, it's beautiful!" he gasped at one point.

"There seems to be a thin atmosphere . . . I see rainbows

that seem to leap up. They arch. They are more like auroras."

Swann also described a magnetic field surrounding the planet — and said he detected "something like lichens, sort of a water-like life that attaches itself to the rocks."

The prestigious Science News magazine, reporting on Mariner, said: "A major surprise was the discovery that the supposedly airless world (of Mercury) has an atmosphere."

Concerning the magnetic field, the magazine said: "It represents a major scientific discovery in planetary magnetism."

Science News also reported



SPACE TRAVEL is exhilarating, exclaims psychic Ingo Swann.

that Mariner 10 detected "strong auroral glows."

Dr. Hynek told The ENQUIRER:

"A magnetic field on Mercury was something really unexpected."

Mitchell, who made his historic moon voyage in 1971 and is now president of the Institute of Noetic Sciences, said: "Mr. Swann's findings — weeks before we received the Mariner 10 data — were incredibly accurate.

"He reported atmosphere, a magnetic field, iron, auroral glows, solar winds and high energy particles.

"It took Mariner 10 months to get to Mercury — but Mr. Swann was able to project his consciousness there in an instant."

His psychic journey to Jupiter was monitored and recorded by Dr. Harold Puthoff and Russell Targ, senior researchers at the noted Stanford Research Institute in Menlo Park, Calif.

Swann said Jupiter possessed a poisonous "bitter cold" atmosphere "of myriad colors — yellow, red, violet, some greens, like a giant fireworks display." He said he saw what looked like a "tornado" and also observed

"winds of terrific velocity." He detected "powerful magnetic forces."

Eight months later, the Pioneer 10 fly-by of Jupiter was able to confirm all of these findings.

Said Dr. Hynek: "I was fascinated by the Jupiter findings of Pioneer 10 when I compared them with Mr. Swann's. His impressions of Jupiter, along

with his experience with Mercury, most certainly point the way to more experimentation."

Swann told The ENQUIRER: "It was exhilarating. I was aware of all my senses probing the planets.

"I was actually there! The sensations I felt were absolutely real. The things I saw were vivid and beautiful."