

EX-COP SAYS

EXCLUSIVE
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THE Yorkshire Ripper may have carried out at least 30 more murders but took his secrets to the grave, a former policeman claimed last night.

Ex-intelligence officer Chris Clark is convinced the shocking tally of unsolved cases are the monstrous handiwork of vile serial killer Peter Sutcliffe, who died of Covid-19 on Friday.

He now wants "Britain's FBI" - the National Crime Agency - to reinvestigate the horrific killings.

And he is urging the Prime Minister to order a "ground-breaking" probe into all of the murderer's activities.

In an exclusive interview with the Sunday Mirror, Chris said: "I've been able to link the Ripper by method, motive and opportunity to cold cases that have remained dormant for decades.

"The key to tying these threads together was a timeline of Sutcliffe's life with his wife, Sonia, and his job as an HGV driver travelling across the length and breadth of the UK.

"The evidence is out there and the victims deserve better."

He added: "I want Boris Johnson to take the lead and order a new and comprehensive inquiry into Sutcliffe.

"The investigation needs to be ground-breaking and led with fresh eyes and I believe the National Crime Agency would be best to carry it out.

"They have the power to go across regional and international borders and can be tasked to investigate any crime."

Sutcliffe, who died aged 74 after refusing treatment at hospital for coronavirus, was convicted of 13 murders and seven attempted murders in 1981.

His terrible crimes against women made him one of Britain's most prolific serial killers.

But Chris, who worked for Norfolk Police, is convinced Sutcliffe is responsible for a long list of other cases, including several involving his favoured weapons, hammers and knives.

As well as the 30 murders, Chris also believes Sutcliffe carried out 17 attacks in which victims survived.

It was revealed three years ago that police interviewed Sutcliffe in jail about 17 unsolved attacks, but they did not quiz him about any murders.

It is understood they wanted to focus on survivors because they believed there was a higher chance of prosecutions.

Cases probed included: Gloria Wood, who was hit with a claw hammer on a school playing field in Bradford in 1974; Tracy Browne, bludgeoned with a

MONSTER Evil
killer on 2005
hospital trip



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CHRIS CLARK FORMER COP AND CRIME WRITER

hammer in Silsden, West Yorks, in 1975, and Maureen "Mo" Lea, who was battered in Leeds in 1980.

The cold case review was launched two years after Chris, now an investigative journalist, published his book The Yorkshire Ripper: The Secret Murders.

At the time he linked Sutcliffe to 23 murders, including that of Playboy bunny girl Eve Stratford, 22, killed in her East London home in March 1975.

She died four months before the first attack Sutcliffe was convicted of - the attempted murder of Anna Rogulskij, 36,

in Keighley, West Yorks. Wilma McCann, 28, was the first woman known to have been murdered by Sutcliffe, in October that year.

But Chris says the Ripper started much earlier. He believes Fred Craven, 66, killed in Bingley, West Yorks, was Sutcliffe's first kill - in 1966.

Other victims include legal secretary Jackie Ansell-Lamb, 18, and student teacher Barbara Mayo, 24, who were found dead months apart in 1970. Both had been hitch-hiking.

Gloria Booth, 29, bludgeoned, garrotted and mutilated in Ruislip,

FRESH PROBE MUST GO AHEAD

Ripper had 30 more victims

Clues link murders to Sutcliffe



ON WAY HOME Teen Lynne Weedon



'FIRST KILL' Fred Craven in 1966



HITCH-HIKER Barbara Mayo, 1971



BUNNY GIRL Lynne Stratford



LAW GIRL Jacqueline Ansell-Lamb



GAROTTED Gloria Booth in 1971



BREAKDOWN Bruce Jones

Corrie's Les: It ruined me

FORMER Coronation Street star Bruce Jones - who found the mutilated remains of one of Sutcliffe's victims - said the monster "should have been hung".

Bruce, who played Les Battersby in the soap, discovered the body of Jean Jordan, 20, in Chorlton, Manchester, in 1977.

Bruce, then a 23-year-old dairy worker, alerted cops but they suspected him, which led to the breakdown of his marriage.

Bruce, now 67, said of the incident: "It was horrendous and I'll never forget that and it ruined everything in my life for quite a while.

"To this day I still have them memories, seeing that body and the way she was. A young girl, a life wiped out.

"Am I glad he's dead? I don't really know. "I don't think he had enough done to him, I think he should have been hung. "I have never seen anyone so brutalised.

"No one deserves to die like she did. And I for one would have hung him myself if I had the chance, for what he did to me."

West London, in 1971, is also linked to Sutcliffe. As is Lynne Weedon, 16, murdered as she walked home in West London, in 1975.

The crimes Sutcliffe actually confessed to revealed the unusual way in which he killed - stalking victims, using ligatures, knives or hammers and dragging bodies into hidden areas.

Chris says this makes it highly unlikely similar crimes were committed

by anyone else. He said: "Since the publication of my book, I've identified seven more murders I believe Sutcliffe committed.

"The hunt for answers has taken me across the UK over the last eight years."

Neil Jackson, whose mum Emily was killed by Sutcliffe in Leeds in 1976, also believes there are more victims. He said: "Back then there was no DNA, no

CCTV, no computers. I'm convinced there are more out there."

The 1982 Byford Report concluded Sutcliffe was "probably responsible for many attacks he has not admitted".

A probe by Chief Constable Sir Lawrence Byford - never released in full - is believed to have identified one murder and eight attempted murders.

An investigation for West Yorkshire Police probed 78 cases before concluding 22 could be linked to Sutcliffe.

But Chris said it "dismissed" some "because of the lack of mutilation to the body". He added: "This was

blatantly flawed logic as Sutcliffe was often disturbed at crime scenes, so could not go through his repertoire.

"We must hunt the Ripper with renewed vigour. I will work with officers to share my knowledge of one of Britain's most evil serial killers."

■ Taxpayers may have to fund the Ripper's funeral. Prisons have to offer a contribution towards costs for inmates who die in custody - unless relatives can pay. Discussions with Sutcliffe's family are ongoing.

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EXCLUSIVE BY PHIL CARDY & JOHN SIDDELL

A WOMAN left for dead after a hammer attack by Yorkshire Ripper Peter Sutcliffe last night said "Hell's too good for him".

Tracy Browne was 14 when Sutcliffe smashed her head five times.

The assault happened in August 1975, two months before he killed for the first time when he bludgeoned and stabbed mum-of-four Wilma McCann, 28, in Leeds.

Tracy said she "rejoiced" when news of

ashes into a cesspit, says hammer survivor

the Ripper's death broke. She spoke out after it emerged self-pitying Sutcliffe bleated "I'm not going to make it... I'm ready to go" as he was wheeled out of prison days before his death.

He died this week aged 74 from Covid-19 caught after a heart attack.

He was serving a whole-life term for butchering 13 women and trying to kill at least seven more across northern England in the late 70s. Insiders at

Frankland prison, County Durham, said Sutcliffe was known to be always complaining about his treatment - and cared deeply about his reputation.

A source said: "He was obsessed with his own death and what people would say after he had died, oddly his legacy was important to him."

Tracy, now 59, said: "Even Hell is too good for him. He doesn't deserve a funeral - they can chuck his ashes in a

cesspit for all I care. Even until his dying breath, he will have wanted control.

"He was only ever worried about his image and what people thought of him. "He's an attention-seeker until the very end. But that's what killers do - they want to be in control.

"All his victims - whether they died or survived - were real women with real lives and real families. They deserve to be remembered for who they were, not

as numbers and statistics."

Sutcliffe confessed to his attack on Tracy in Broadmoor prison in 1992.

Neil Jackson, whose mum Emily was stabbed 52 times by Sutcliffe in Leeds in 1976, said Sutcliffe "revelled" in his reputation for evil and violence.

He said: "Sutcliffe should

have been hanged. He's had this cushy life in prison while we've had to serve a life sentence.

"He's revelled in being notorious. It doesn't surprise me that he was full of self pity.

"He doesn't deserve a proper funeral, they should dump his ashes at the tip."



BLUDGEONED Tracy Browne



DEFENCELESS Tracy as a teen