Beaumont kids clues Jamie First

A new book claims it holds the answer to solving one of Australia's greatest mysteries – what happened to the Beaumont kids Jane, 9, Arnna, 7, and Grant, 4.

Seven years ago, on the 40th anniversary of the children's disappearance, author Alan Whiticker wrote about the case in *Searching for the Beaumont Children*.

Soon after, a woman knocked on his door and said her father-in-law was involved in the disappearance.

She alleged the man was a paedophile who lived around the corner from where the children went missing and had a fetish for wearing satin.

After one of the former detectives cautiously followed the lead, he found the son of the alleged abductor.

The son told A Current Affair he saw the children playing in his father's backyard and then his father driving off with them.

The son believes they are in the sandpit, which is now a car park, under the factory his father previously owned.

Sceptical of the constant theories, South Australia police is aware of the allegations and has investigated the matter, but a spokesperson said there is no justification to excavate the property at this time.

All the details are in Mr Whiticker and Stuart Mullins's new book The Satin Man.

The inquiry remains open and those with any information are encouraged to come forward.