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NO NEWS IS BAD NEWS.

They say that "No News is Good News" but here at the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre "No News" is definitely bad news.

A Nocturnal Light from the Huon district early in August 1986 was the last sighting (unexplained type that is) until March 23rd at Midway Point. A strange figure was seen on January 3rd but in this case no UFO was involved. This makes it the quietest period since the Centre formed in 1965. At the moment we can see no "light" at the end of the tunnel to break the drought on sightings.

Elsewhere from the cuttings it is noted that some action has occurred in West Australia, almost the only source for UFO cases in Australia at the present. Overseas we seem to be hearing about one big event every 6 months. Prior to this it was Fighter Pilots chasing lights over Brazil, now it is Japanese Pilots encountering large objects over Alaska. Lets hope that by the next Newsletter events have taken a turn for the better?????

TOURIST "MONSTER NIGHTMARE".

"Something strange and silvery and looking like an ape" said the Launceston Examiner of January 6th 1987. (see full cutting in our 1987 Annual Report). Two Victorian Tourists so it seemed had encountered the figure at Oatlands' Lake Dulverton in the early hours of Saturday January 3rd.

Originally they had intended to keep the story to themselves, however, the event shook them up and they contacted Hobart Police. Hobart Police in turn had the local Oatlands Officer check the location of the event. On the Monday they had enquired at the Examiner Offices' Library if there was any stories from the Lake Dulverton area. The Librarian had in turn arranged an interview and the story was in the paper next day. The witnesses were reluctant to tell the Centre the story as they had not wished for any publicity in the first case.

Witness A was awoken around 2am and after listening to what were probably the local waterfowl she left the tent by the lake to go to the nearby toilet. At once she noticed a figure out on the lake lit as if by moonlight (there was no moon at the time). She took it to be a tree at first but after calling her companion the figure turned as if to face the witnesses. With a lot of exaggerated shoulder movement it came towards the shore, initially it had been some 18mts away but had halved that distance before the witnesses fled.

A said it looked ape like in outline but no features could be seen even though they shone a weak torch on the figure. The torch for some reason failed to light up the figure as the light seemed to be reflected back at them. The "monster" was estimated as being 2 1/2mts tall, the water at this point was also some 1 to 1 1/2mts deep. A said there was no apparent disturbance on the lake surface despite the depth of water and reedy edge.

Tourist Monster Nightmare Contd:

The two visitors made a hasty retreat to their car and left in a hurry. They slept in the car on the other side of town before returning in the morning to collect their gear. They made some enquiries with locals before continuing on their way. Investigations into the case have failed to uncover a satisfactory explanation for the incident. Considered were, fisherman in a boat, fog swirling, swans on take off, pranksters, a hoax, live stock in the water. Despite rumours about some similar events in the Midlands no other cases could be uncovered.

Old Sightings Uncovered.

As always reports of recent origin lead to mention of old sightings. One such case dates from Port Arthur in 1950, despite its age it is of interest due to the event being a close encounter.

The witnesses were returning home from a weekend visit in the Summer of 1950. They had just left the town of Port Arthur when an irregular shaped light mass was noticed some 200mts from the car. It was 3mts above the ground and moving in the same direction as the car and maintaining a position ahead of the car.

The shape was roughly rectangular, 2mts long, 1mt or less thick. It was white in colour but the colour seemed to fade out on the bottom side. The light mass would have been moving at about 60/70kph. It maintained its position for a couple of minutes, then moved to a position over the road ahead of the witnesses' car. After a short distance it veered off to the right and was obscured by the bushes as the road passed through a cutting. The witnesses all said, "did you see that". No one really knew what it was they could have seen, there was no publicity at that time about UFOs. There was no effect on the motor vehicle.

Lebrina 79.

A light mass was seen by 4 witness at Lebrina in September 1979, the event was a Close Encounter which only recently came to the Centre's attention. A number of sightings with a high strangeness occurred around the state in 1979 before the rapid fall off in events in 1980.

Initially one of the witnesses had been fishing in the river near the farmhouse, the river being only 150mts from the farm. The 1st witness returning back from the river noticed at low level to the north an orange light mass, it was some 200mts away and only a metre or so off the ground. The light mass was moving along the neighbour's fence line and the witness was upset that the light mass could pass between her and the house. The 1st witness hurried home to call out two other family members.

By now the light mass was further away to the north east but it approached again as a car came upto the farm. Four witnesses now saw the mass come within 150mts of the house. It looked about car sized, egg shaped, and had a darker band of orange light around its centre, the light ran from top to bottom.

The light mass went south east, then came back again to the farm before gathering speed and disappearing over a hill to the south. It had been in the area for some 10 minutes. No sound was heard at any time.

Only One case from 87.

The only unexplained case for 1987 has been a tumbling elliptical shape seen from Midway Point on March 23rd. The witness a 10 year old girl is described by her parents as a sincere and factual girl. The elliptical shape with an orange glow on one side was seen for nearly 10seconds as it travelled northwards. Immediate checks with Hobart Airport, then later local Police failed to uncover an explanation for the sighting which took place at 6.15pm in early dusk light. Limited local enquiries also failed to find any further witnesses.

Man or beast . . . the monster of Alice

ALICE SPRINGS. — A huge, hairy "yowie-like" creature has chased a terrified family through the Central Australian bush.

Mrs Phyllis Kenny and three nephews were rabbit shooting with a friend, Mr Frank Burns, from Yambah Station, about 100 kilometres north of Alice Springs, when they were chased by a "half-man half-beast".

They stopped to get water at a place known as Top Bore when suddenly the "monster" appeared in one of the three water tanks beside the bore.

"It just came straight up out of the tank," a shaken

Mrs Kenny said in Alice Springs after the incident.

"It didn't climb out of the tank, it just came straight up and shot out over the side.

"It started walking towards the ute and I shouted to the kids to get back on."

The three nephews jumped on to the outside of the ute, two on the top and one on the back.

They got a clear view of the creature because it chased the moving vehicle for about 60 metres and grabbed the tailgate.

Young Daniel Kenny said the creature had an ape's face.

"It was huge and covered

with hair," he said.

"It had long hair all over its body and a long beard.

"It had a large forehead, really big eyes and it was all red around the mouth.

"It ran the way monkeys run."

All five say the creature had no clothing on.

Even Frank Burns, who believes the creature "could have been" a man, said it had no sexual organs.

"He looked like a man to me," said Frank, "except that he didn't have any testicles, nothing."

"You can tell the difference between a man and a beast

and that was no man," said Mrs Kenny, who hasn't slept properly since seeing the creature and is too afraid to leave her house.

"He looked like a devil — I've been going out there for 20 years and I'll never go back there again".

The terrified five went straight back to Alice Springs . . . and the police.

"They told us they were too busy to go chasing monkeys through the bush," said Mrs Kenny.

Northern Territory police said yesterday they had taken a large man to hospital for treatment.

'Weird lights' where boys lost

PERTH: Weird lights and strange phenomena have surrounded the area where two young boys have gone missing near the Gibson Desert.

Two men have reported lights, which looked like a big bus or a convoy of trucks in an area where there were no roads, and which seemed to follow them near where teenagers Simon Amos, 17, and James Annetts, 16, went missing.

Their sightings have caused conjecture in nearby Kununurra about whether the boys stumbled on a clandestine drug running operation.

Speculation is also rife in relation to unidentified flying objects.

Either way, Kununurra businessman and contractor, Mr Monty Barr, and compatriot, Mr Wayne Trembath, are sure they saw lights of an extraordinary nature on a trip back from Lake Gregory station about four weeks ago.

Mr Barr has been reluctant to reveal his experience and the pictures he took because of scepticism, but finally agreed to make public what he knew or saw on the basis that people could "take it or leave it".

Four weeks ago he used his huge semi-trailer to deliver a transportable home into the Lake Gregory area for an Aboriginal mission.

Coming home, he and two colleagues saw some unusual lights which followed them for about 40 km.

Mr Barr was on the road from Lake Gregory station and Balgo Mission, towards Caranya Station and Sturt Creek station, where the two boys went missing.

Earlier this year, oil rig supervisor, Mr Doug Hodgekiss, reported strange lights, saucer shaped burns in the scrub and loud noises.

The area concerned in the reports from Mr Hodgekiss, Mr Barr and Mr Trembath, and the last known location of the two missing boys, are all in the same longitude.

Mr Barr, regarded in Kununurra as a level-headed businessman, was not keen to talk about his photographs or findings, but said he would tell what he saw on the basis that anybody who wanted to challenge or debate would not be accommodated.

Mr Trembath said that on the 80-km trip north from Lake Gregory, Mr Barr had said nothing, but believed the whole time the lights were following them.

When they stopped to have a meal the first thing Mr Barr did was to take a photograph which later showed a saucer-shaped object.

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AT LEAST four types of space aliens regularly visit the Earth, say American UFO researchers.

Credit
YUFOS
(England)

Walter Andrus, director of the Mutual UFO Network, says they have compiled descriptions from thousands of cases they have had reported and the four typical aliens are:

- The small humanoid, usually about four feet high with a large head, pupil-less round eyes and two small holes for a nose. The alien is hairless, has no teeth, has webbed hands and no thumbs.

- The experimental animal — a large, apelike creature sometimes called Bigfoot that can weigh up to 400 lbs. "These are sent as sort of chimpanzees to test the conditions on other planets," said Andrus.

- Humanlike: similar to people but with odd characteristics. In a Wyoming encounter, the alien was 6 ft. 2 ins. about 180 lbs. with bowed legs but no hands. One sleeve had a bar coming from it and every time the entity waved the bar something around it moved or disappeared.

- Robots: these, says Andrus, simply perform mechanical functions. Typical ones are about five feet tall, have no neck, no eyes or noses. They have antennae on top of their heads and do not communicate with humans but simply perform mechanical functions.

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Close encounter of the eerie kind

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A Japan Air Lines pilot who said that his cargo jet was shadowed by a huge UFO over Alaska in November has reported another close encounter of the eerie kind.

Capt. Kenjyu Terauchi and his co-pilot reported the sighting of lights yesterday morning while on a flight from London to a refueling stop in Anchorage.

His statement to the controller was "irregular lights, looks like a spaceship."

A Federal Aviation Administration spokesman said that yesterday's sighting could be light reflecting off ice crystals in the atmosphere.

Terauchi, a veteran pilot, told the FAA that he saw the lights twice yesterday once for about 20 minutes and again for about 10 minutes as his plane flew at 1100 m.

The plane's co-pilot reported seeing the lights, but the flight engineer, who sits farther back in the cockpit, indicated that he

was uncertain whether he saw any lights at all.

Both the November sighting and yesterday's sighting were near Fort Yukon, but there were few other similarities, said the FAA spokesman.

On November 17, Terauchi reported that two bright lights and an object as wide as two aircraft carriers placed end-to-end followed his JAL Boeing 747 cargo plane for more than 480 kms as it flew to Anchorage from Iceland. The lights stayed with the plane even

when the changed altitude and took other evasive action, Terauchi had said.

In the sighting this weekend, the pilot said that in both cases, the lights approached from the front of the Boeing 747, went beneath the aircraft and reappeared to the rear.

In November, the object showed up on the plane's weather radar but there was nothing shown on radar yesterday the FAA spokesman added.

THE UFOs THAT CHASED JET

THESE are the first drawings of the giant "UFO" the crew of a Japanese jumbo jet claimed to have seen shadowing their aircraft over Alaska.

JAL pilot Kenju Terauchi made the sketches from notes he took as the globe-shaped "mothership" and two smaller objects trailed the 747 cargo jet for 650 km.

Both US Federal Aviation Administration and Air Force officials have confirmed that ground radar operators also saw a mystery object on November 17.

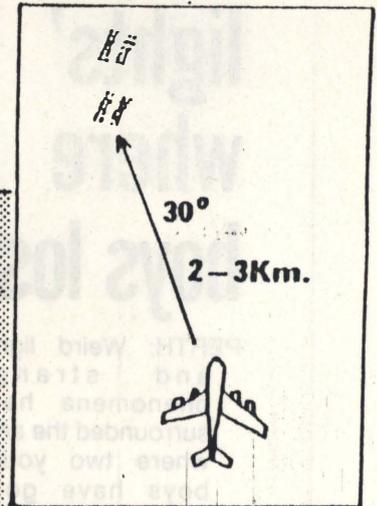
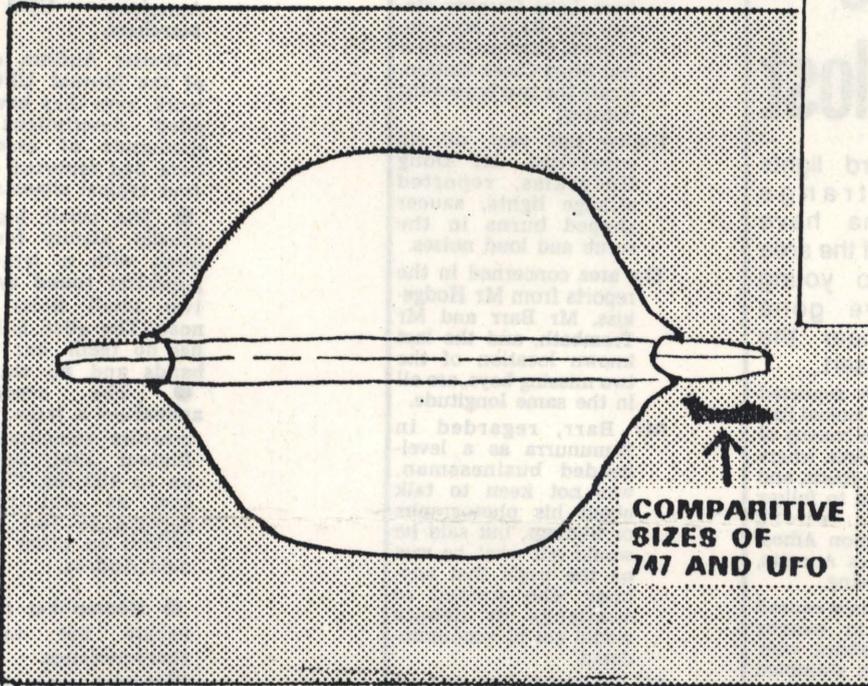
Terauchi claimed the "mothership" looked to be as big as two aircraft carriers.

"It was unbelievable," he told reporters in London. But his fellow crew also said they saw the objects, which were in view for 50 minutes.

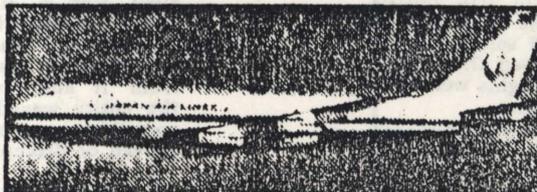
The drawings made by Terauchi show:

● The smaller spacecraft-like objects as seen through the windscreen of the 747.

They each appeared as dual arrays of multiple lights, separated by a darker area.



- Above: The angle and distance of the two brilliant objects seen by the captain.
- Left: The giant mother ship.
- Below: The captain's sketch of his view of the UFOs through the plane's windscreen



● A JAL Jumbo ... captain saw UFOs

● The second drawing shows the position of the lights relative to the 747. Terauchi estimated they were about 2-3 km distant.

● The third drawing

shows the "mothership".

At one stage in their flight, Terauchi turned the 747 through a 360 degree turn to see if the UFOs would disappear. They followed.

