

Japanese interested in our U.F.O.s

Two King Island men made their T.V. debut last Wednesday in a Japanese programme shown all over Kokyo and satellite stations.

They are local men George Newman and Ken McKellar who told of their unnerving encounters with U.F.O.s several weeks before the mysterious disappearance of Melbourne pilot Frederick Valentich in a light aircraft over Bass Strait, last October.

The ninety minute documentary on U.F.O.s was made on King Island three weeks ago by the Nippon T.V. Network Corporation (N.T.V), whose seven man team came to Australia specially to make the film.

The producer-director, Mr. Junichi Yaoi (Jimmy), who spoke good english, and his crew, arrived by private plane piloted by former King Islander, Stan Smith, who acted as escort for the one day visit.

The same team, a few months ago, were in Scotland to investigate the appearance of the Loch Ness Monster.

Simulated conditions

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The Japanese flew from Cape Otway to King Island at the same time of day as Frederick Valentich, taking movies of the sky and sea, simulating the young pilot's experience.

The following day they flew to New Zealand to investigate U.F.O. sightings there. The film, which was made in English, has Japanese dubbing. It is hoped it will be shown in Australia.