

biography

Yuri Salnikov



Journalist/Filmmaker

Author of several dozen films about aviation and space exploration, many of them award-winning. Mr. Salnikov has extensive experience in the investigation of the lost N-209 aircraft. Along with American counterparts, he discovered important information on the current search area from the U.S. National Archives in 1987. In 2013, with funding from the Russian Geographical Society (RGO) and support from IHAS Inc., he interviewed Alaska Inupiaq relatives and friends of two eyewitnesses to a crash off the Alaska coast in 1937 that remains the only credible account of a possible crash site for the N-209. Mr. Salnikov produced a short video about the N-209 and Levanevsky search in Alaska. A link to this video can be found on the REFERENCE MATERIALS page.