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SMITH GORDON FRANK : Service Number - 442583 : Date of birth - 26 Sep 1925 : Place of birth -
ADELAIDE SA : Place of enlistment - ADELAIDE SA : Next of Kin - SMITH ALFRED

442583

442583

DISCHARGED

PERSONAL FILE

442583
P.W.A.R.

HC2 SMITH G.F.

442583

442583

* Strike out Force not applicable.

PERSONAL RECORD OF SERVICE—AIRMEN

442583

1. *PERMANENT FORCE

3. No. 30079 4. SURNAME SMITH

5. CHRISTIAN NAMES Gordon Frank

7. DATE OF BIRTH 26th Sept, 1925 8. SINGLE

9. NEXT OF KIN
Name Alfred Smith
Relationship Father
Address 8 Duke St
Bunah Pa
S.A.

Certified that name and date of birth have been checked.

MARRIED

WIDOWER

DIVORCED

CHECKED AT UNIT

(Signature).

11. RELIGION Congregational

12. NATIONALITY British

13. PREV. TRADE & TRADE QUALIFICATIONS.

Junior Clerk

14. ENLISTMENTS & RE-ENGAGEMENTS.

Enlisted at 4 Wing HQ A/C for the duration of the War and a period of twelve months thereafter on 3/4/42 Age in Years 16 Authority 4 Wing/42
RE-ENGAGED
Enlisted for the duration on the 1/5/42 and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter. NO. 5 REC. CENTRE
on 9 OCT 1943 age 18 years.

15. PREV. NAVAL, MILITARY or

Unit

From

To

17. MUSTERINGS.

Date

Classification for Pay

Authority

On Enlistment

AIR CREW V₁

9 OCT 1943

V

PR 215/43

Remustered to

V (P)

28.11.43

V

41 TS 140/43

V (P)

8.1.44

V

15 TS 4/44

Airman Pilot

29.3.45

RCAF 34/45

20.

Posted to

No 4 Wing 69 Sq
41 TS
1 EFTS Parafield
2. P.D. Parafield Pa
3 M. Depot. Ca
2 P.D. Para
13 EFTS Para
1 Release
1 P.D.
HPD Springbank
5 S.F.T.S. W
5 EFTS
4 P.D.

18. PROMOTIONS, RECLASSIFICATIONS, REDUCTIONS AND REVERSIONS.

Description

Date

Authority

badet
Sgt.

A.C. 2 ON ENLISTMENT

LAC

1. Sgt.

T/F/Sgt

3. 4. 42

1. 11. 43

9 OCT 1943

3. 1. 44

29.3.45

29.9.45

4 Wing/42

4 Wing 18/43

PR 215/43

12 TS 4/44

RCAF 34/45

5 EFTS 99/45

21.

Attached

RCAF
2 Pers Repot

19.

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

22.

MOVEMENT

Enlistment 14.11.45
Embarked Brisbane
Disembarked Canada
Embarked Canada
Disembarked Melbourne
10.11.45

PERSONAL RECORD OF SERVICE—AIRMEN

R.A.A.F. Form P/P.25
(Revised Sept., 1940.)

1. *PERMANENT FORCE

2. *CITIZEN FORCE.

SMITH

5. CHRISTIAN NAMES *Gordon Frank*6. No. *442583*

1925 8. SINGLE

checked. MARRIED

WIDOWER

(nature). DIVORCED

Enter in pencil.

9. NEXT

OF

KIN

Enter in pencil.

Name

Relationship

Address

10. PERSON TO BE

INFORMED

OF

CASUALTIES

Name

Relationship

Address

Enter in pencil.

12. NATIONALITY *British*

IFICATIONS.

14. ENLISTMENTS & RE-ENGAGEMENTS.

Enrolled
ENLISTED at *H Wing HQ ATC Adelaide* for the duration
of the War and a period of twelve months thereafter
on *3/4/42* Age in Years *16* Authority *H Wing/42*
RE-ENGAGED
re-enlisted for the duration on the *1/5/42*
and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter
at *NO. 5 REC. CENTRE*
" *on 9 OCT 1943 age 18 years.*

15. PREV. NAVAL, MILITARY or AIR SERVICE.

Unit	From	To	Rank on Discharge

16. Decorations, Medals, Mentions & Badges.

Decorations, etc.	Authority
<i>Flying Badge 29.3.45</i>	<i>RCAF 30/45</i>
<i>Defence Medal</i>	<i>85 FTS 98/45</i>
<i>WAR MEDAL 1939/45</i>	<i>4 PD. 1039/45</i>

Date	Classification for Pay	Authority
9 OCT 1943	✓	<i>PR 215/43</i>
28.11.43	✓	<i>4 FTS 140/43</i>
8.1.44	✓	<i>1 FTS H/WK</i>
29.3.45		<i>RCAF 34/45</i>

20. POSTINGS.

Posted to	Date	Authority
<i>No 4 Wing 69 Squadron</i>	<i>3.4.42</i>	<i>H Wing/42</i>
<i>4 FTS</i>	<i>9.10.42</i>	<i>4 FTS 126</i>
<i>1 FTS Parafield</i>	<i>6.1.44</i>	<i>1 FTS 4/43</i>
<i>2. P.D. Parafield Park</i>	<i>16.4.44</i>	<i>2 P.D. 38/44</i>
<i>3 M. Depot. Edmonton</i>	<i>7.6.44</i>	<i>RCAF 50/44</i>
<i>2 P.D. Peace</i>	<i>19.7.44</i>	<i>" 60/44</i>
<i>13 FTS Sask</i>	<i>6.11.44</i>	<i>" 7/45</i>
<i>1 Release Centre</i>	<i>9.4.45</i>	<i>" 30/45</i>
<i>1 P.D.</i>	<i>27.5.45</i>	<i>1 P.D. 25/45</i>
<i>HPD Springbank</i>	<i>6-7-45</i>	<i>HPD 148/45</i>
<i>5 S.F.T.S. Uranquinty</i>	<i>15.7.45</i>	<i>5 S.F.T.S. 73/45</i>
<i>4 P.D.</i>	<i>5.11.45</i>	<i>4 P.D. 20/45</i>

IFICATIONS, REDUCTIONS AND REVERSIONS.

Date	Authority
<i>3.4.42</i>	<i>H Wing/42</i>
<i>1.11.43</i>	<i>H Wing 10/43</i>
<i>9 OCT 1943</i>	<i>PR 215/43</i>
<i>8.1.44</i>	<i>1 FTS 4/44</i>
<i>29.3.45</i>	<i>RCAF 34/45</i>
<i>29.9.45</i>	<i>55 FTS 99/45</i>

21. ATTACHMENTS.

Attached	From	To	Authority
<i>RCAF</i>	<i>7.6.44</i>	<i>16.4.45</i>	<i>RCAF 30/45</i>
<i>2 Pers Repoc</i>	<i>24.7.45</i>	<i>29.7.45</i>	<i>2 PD 443/45</i>

22. MOVEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Enrolment terminated 9/10/43 to R.A.A.F. 5 May 43/43
Embarked Brisbane for Canada 14.5.45 2 PD 629/45
Disembarked Canada 7.6.44 RCAF 50/44
Embarked Canada 16.4.45 RCAF 32/45
Disembarked Melbourne 27/5/45 - 1 P.D. 252/45
Discharged 14.11.45, AFR 115(7) "Onclenob" 4 PD 1046/45

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

[illegible]

[illegible]

DG PS RECORDS

442583

Refer your letter
attached.

Statement Declaration
completed as required

M. D. D.

12 GAMBIA AVE
HAMPSHAM GOWNS
5086



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

(AIR OFFICE)

RUSSELL OFFICES

CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2600

IN REPLY QUOTE: DGPS RECORDS/442583

Mr. G.F. Smith
12 Gambia Street
HAMPSTEAD GARDENS. S.A. 5086

MAY 24 1974

Dear Mr. Smith,

I acknowledge receipt of your recent letter and advise that it will be necessary for you to complete the enclosed Statutory Declaration Form in the presence of a Justice of the Peace stating the circumstances of the loss and the efforts made to recover the certificate before a replacement Statement of Service and Discharge can be issued.

Returned herewith is the letter which you forwarded to this department.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Green
(J. H. GREEN)

Special Deputy (Air Office)



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I. GORDON FRANK SMITH
 (name in full)

of 12 GAMBIA AVENUE HAMPSTEAD GARDENS
 (Address in full) SOUTH AUSTRALIA 5086

do solemnly and sincerely declare:-

1. THAT I served in the Royal Australian Air Force, DISCHARGED FROM
 and my particulars were as follows:-
 Official No. 442583 Rank FLIGHT SERGEANT Unit PILOT NO 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT
2. THAT I have lost the CERTIFICATE & STATEMENT OF SERVICE & DISCHARGE
 issued to me by the Department of Air.

3. THAT the circumstances under which the said loss occurred are as under:-

How LAST SIGHTED DURING 1964 WHEN IT WAS PRODUCED FOR

EXTENSION OF WAR SERVICE HOME LOAN. CANNOT LOCATE NOW AFTER THOROUGH SEARCH OF ALL PERSONAL PAPERS.

When BETWEEN 1974 & 1964 Where 12 GAMBIA AVENUE HAMPSTEAD GARDENS 5086

THAT to the best of my knowledge the said CERTIFICATE & STATEMENT

OF SERVICE & DISCHARGE

is/~~are~~ not in the hands of any other person on my behalf or with my consent. AND I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1959, and subject to the penalties provided by that Act for the making of false statements contained in this declaration, conscientiously believing the statements contained in this declaration to be true in every particular.

Signature of person making declaration..... Gordon F. Smith

DECLARED at ADELAIDE the THIRTIETH

day of MAY 1974 before me :-
W. Lengua Signature of J.P. or
 Commissioner for Declarations

NOTE: Any person who wilfully makes a false statement in a Statutory Declaration is guilty of an indictable offence, and is liable to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for four years.

HERE INSERT:

1. Place and date of birth 26TH SEPTEMBER 1925

2. Name and address and relationship of next-of-kin on enlistment
MOTHER — RUTH ALEXANDRA SMITH identification
FATHER — ALFRED JOSEPH SMITH

4. 3 DUKE STREET BEVLAH PARK purposes only
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

On Completion please forward to :-
 Department of Air
 Russell Offices
 CANBERRA ACT 2600

I HAVE ENQUIRED FROM LEGAL SECTION OF DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & THEY CONFIRM THAT IT IS NOT HELD ON THEIR FILES.



MAY 29 1974

Flight Sergeant Gordon Frank SMITH

9th October 1943

442583

14th November, 1945

t 'On demobilization'

Very Good

Airman Pilot

Under training

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Defence Medal, War Medal 1939-45, Australia Service

Medal 1939-45, Returned from Active Service Badge.

Nil.



(AIR OFFICE)

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(F.J. GREEN)
Special Deputy (Air Office)

G. F. SMITH

12 GAMBIA AVE

HAMPSTEAD Gdns

5086

15/5/74

DEPT OF DEFENCE

AIR OFFICE)

CANBERRA,

A.C.T.

2600

ORIGINAL HOME ADDRESS

WAS

3 DUKE STREET

BEVLAN PARK

NORWOOD, S.A.

Dear Sir,

Attention D. P. A. RECORDS

I served in the R.A.A.F.
from October 1943 until discharged
on 14th November 1945 with
length of service 2 years 1 month.

My service number was 442583
I attained the rank of
Flight Sergeant.

I was discharged from No. 4
Personnel Depot at Dawes Road,
Dawes Park, Adelaide.

I have lost my copy of the
discharge certificate & if possible
would like a certified
replacement copy. I believe that
the original discharge certificate
was sent out to me with the
attached letter. Note the number
at the top in green ink — AS 481294.

I hope you can oblige. DGS(R)

Yours faithfully,
Gordon F. Smith



RECEIVED
G.P.S.
ORDS

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONNAIRE MUST BE FILLED IN BY ALL RETURNING AIRCREW AND FORWARDED TO HOME PERSONNEL DEPOT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OR NOT LATER THAN EXPIRY DATE OF DISEMBARKATION LEAVE.

No. 442583 Rank SGT. Name SMITH Initials G.F. Unit #4 P.D.

Mustering or Category PILOT Age 19

Particulars of Service (Including Number of Tours)

..... 21 months

Particulars of business experience, details of degrees, diplomas, etc. obtained before enlistment and particulars of Specialist Courses completed within the Service:

If you desire to be placed on the Reserve, state P.D. at which you desire this action to be taken:

..... 4 P.D.

OFFICERS:

1. Do you desire flying or other duties in the S.W.P.A.? *Yes
*~~No~~
2. If flying not available, do you desire transfer to the Reserve? *Yes
*~~No~~
3. Do you desire to be considered for an appointment in a non-flying branch (involving transfer to that Branch) for duty in the S.W.P.A., and if so in what category? *~~Yes~~
*No
4. Category preferred

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS:

1. Do you desire flying or other duties in the S.W.P.A.? *Yes
*~~No~~
2. If flying not available, do you desire transfer to the Reserve? *Yes
*~~No~~
3. Do you desire to apply for a commission in a non-flying branch, and if so, in what specialist category? *~~Yes~~
*No
4. Category preferred

(Date) 6/7/45 (Signature of Member) G.F. Smith

* Strike out inapplicable statement.

Note I: N.C.Os. applying for commissions should attach an application to this form, setting out in detail, what special claims they have to be considered for such appointment, including details of degrees, diplomas, business experience, etc.

Note II: It is to be clearly understood that personnel transferred to a non-flying branch will be subject to the rates of pay and conditions of service of that Branch and may be required for service anywhere in the S.W.P.A. upon completion of the necessary Administration Course.

R.C.A.F. - TRAINING REPORT

P I L O T

NO. 4761/5 SERVICE FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

1. SURNAME.....SMITH..... CHRISTIAN NAMES.....Gordon Frank.....
 2. NUMBER.....AUS442583..... 3. RANK.....LAC..... 4. COURSE NO.....122.....
 5. POSTED FROM.....1(AUS)TFTS..... 6. DATE COURSE COMMENCED.....6/Nov/44..... 7. DATE COURSE ENDED.....29/March/45..... 8. POSTED TO.....No. 7 R.C......

9. GROUND EXAMINATIONS		
SUBJECT		
(A) AIRMANSHIP	200	<u>112</u>
(B) ARMAMENT	200	<u>172</u>
(C) NAVIGATION	200	<u>123</u>
(D) SIGNALS	200	<u>179</u>
(E) AIRCRAFT RECOGNITION	100	<u>100</u>
(F) METEOROLOGY	100	<u>78</u>
TOTAL	1000	<u>764</u>
PERCENTAGE		<u>76.4</u>

10. FLYING TESTS		
SUBJECT		
(A) GENERAL FLYING	300	<u>208.0</u>
(B) INSTRUMENT FLYING	200	<u>130.7</u>
(C) NAVIGATION	150	<u>106.5</u>
(D) ARMAMENT	150	<u>105.0</u>
(E) NIGHT FLYING	100	<u>68.0</u>
(F) FORMATION	50	<u>33.0</u>
(G) LINK TRAINER	50	<u>34.5</u>
TOTAL	1000	<u>687.7</u>
PERCENTAGE		<u>68.8</u>

11. ASSESSMENTS OF QUALITIES OF CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP

MARKS
ALLOTTED

100

MARKS
OBTAINED69.0

DEGREE OF SUITABILITY FOR FURTHER TRAINING	0 NOT AT ALL SUITABLE	1 MODERATELY SUITABLE	2 DEFINITELY SUITABLE	3 EXTREMELY SUITABLE
12. FOR BOMBER TYPE AIRCRAFT			<u>X</u>	
13. FOR FIGHTER TYPE AIRCRAFT		<u>X</u>		
14. FOR GENERAL RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT			<u>X</u>	
15. FOR ARMY CO-OPERATION AIRCRAFT		<u>X</u>		
16. FOR FLYING BOATS	<u>X</u>			
17. AS A FLYING INSTRUCTOR		<u>X</u>		

(MARK "X" IN APPROPRIATE COLUMN FOR EACH)

18. IF A COPY OF THE O.T.U. REPORT FOR THIS PUPIL IS DESIRED, MARK HERE ☐19. REMARKS :- An average pilot.DATE...29th March, 1945

SIGNED.....(H.S. ANDERSON) G/C.....
 COMMANDING OFFICER.

20. FLYING TIMES (AT THIS UNIT):

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	TIME	DUAL TO 1ST SOLO	TOTAL DUAL	SOLO	PASSENGER	FORMATION	INSTRUMENT	LINK TRAINER
HARVARD	DAY	9.35	75.50	43.25	7.30	9.55	30.00	25.00
	NIGHT	2.30	8.00	8.00				

21. FLYING ACCIDENTS:- ALL FLYING ACCIDENTS IN WHICH THIS PUPIL WAS CONCERNED WHILE AT THIS UNIT ARE TO BE NOTED BELOW, WHETHER SERIOUS OR TRIVIAL, WHETHER OTHERWISE REPORTED OR NOT. IF THERE WERE NO SUCH ACCIDENTS, WRITE IN "NONE".

(1) TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	(2) DATE OF ACCIDENT	(3) DAY OR NIGHT	(4) PREVIOUS REPORTS	(5) NATURE OF ACCIDENT	(6) AMOUNT OF DAMAGE	(7) DEGREE OF PUPIL'S RESPONSIBILITY
				N I L		



R.A.S.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Date **5-11-45**

NO. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT - DEMOBILISATION WING - CLEARANCE E/A32.

No **442583** Rank **Sgt** Name **SMITH G.F.** Mustering **Pilot.**

A.F.R.115 () **only DEMOB.**

AUTHORITY **PZ 352 P.O.M. 2510.**

Serial No. **1730-714**
DISCHARGE SQUADRON.

RECEPTION SQUADRON

1. INTAKE

Card registered **Smiley**

2. DOCUMENTS INWARD REGISTER.

P/P.28 P/P.75 P/P.64 P/P.8

P.M.33A E/A.32 Med

P/P.153 E/A.30A. Paybook

Action **Docs on file**

Seas Stat.Dec.

Rec.Leave Stat.Dec.

3. (a) MEDICAL RECORDS.

Docs.recvd **5/11/45 & Hockbridge**

(b) DENTAL

(c) MEDICAL OFFICER.

T.M.U.

Med.Board

Med.Fit subj X-ray

4. TECH. LIBRARY

5. REHABILITATION

Form

Action

VOC. GUIDANCE

6. CLOTHING CARDS.

Recd **5/11/45** Not Recd

R.Kit listed

7. EQUIPMENT.

Rep.Voucher No.

Pub.Money Recpt

E/A.30A cleared

D.R. required

8. ACCOUNTING.

D.R. Raised

E/A.30A checked

Pay Book recvd

Hat suit voucher

Clothing Coupons

WAAAF Cloth.allow

9. CHAPLAIN.

10. CONTROL IN.

X-ray date **5/11** Date clear

Recall Address **32 Duke St**

Liv.Out from **11** to **8/11** incl.

Rec.Leave from **11** to **8/11** incl.

Leave Register **Card**

Recall sent on **13/11**

Report at **28** hrs on **14/11**

11. CONTROL OUT.

reported in **14/11/45**

Barracks clear

Docs.to Discharge Sqdn

Card entered

12. DATE REPORTING DISCHARGE SQDN.

1100 **14/11/45** hours

O.i/c Control
for O.C. DEMOBILISATION WING.

1. INTAKE.

Reported on **W Edmona 14/11/45**

Docs

Indent Card

M/F131

Leave Pass

2. LEAVE.

Re-estab

: **30**

) P/P.28

War Service

: **15**

) certif-

Rec & Trop

: **14**

) id.

TOTAL PAY.

59

DAYS

IN LIEU

Transfer)

DATE: **14/11/45**

Discharge)

P.O.R. No. **1044**

Travel Warrant No.

3. MEDICAL

X-Ray cleared **5/11/45**

Board finalised

Repat claim lodged

Social services

Claim lodged

Cleared Medically

4. REHABILITATION & RE-ESTABLISHMENT.

First RAAF Rehab Interview.

Vocational Guidance:

(Member then to proceed to **N.**

Civil Wing on re-establishment

action clearance card)

Second RAAF Rehab Interview:

5. ACCOUNTING.

Deficiency £

RPV No.

P.O.R. No.

Cleared

6. PAY

Pay

: £ **3**

8

Pay in lieu

: £ **25**

1

8

Subsistence

: £ **8**

17

0

WAAAF Cash All

: £

TOTAL

: £ **36**

19

2

7. FINALISATION.

W/G 1. completed

Interim cert.issued

Will returned

S.S. Badge issued

Docs completed

8. RECORDS

Card completed

Finance Docs to AFO

Serdocs to AFHQ

for O.C. DEMOBILISATION WING.

O i/c Discharge
Squadron,

DATE

(THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN INK)

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I . . . GORDON FRANK SMITH
(Full Christian Names - Surname in block letters)

do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

- (1) I embarked from Australia for . . . CANADA . . . on . . . 14th May . . . 1944
- (2) I embarked from . . . U.S.A. . . . for Australia on . . . 9th May . . . 1945
- (3) I disembarked in Australia on . . . 28th May . . . 1945
- (4) On return to Australia, I was granted . . . 37 . . . days leave -
consisting of . . . 30 . . . days dis-embarkation leave . . . 7 . . .
days recreation leave days tropical leave.
- (5) Date of birth . . . 26/9/25.
- (6) Religion . . . CONGREGATIONAL
- (7) Enlisted at No. 5 Recruit Centre on . . . 9/10/43.

And I make this solemn declaration by virtue of
the Statutory Declaration Act 1911 - 1922, conscientiously believing
the statement contained therein to be true in every particular.

Declared at No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT, SPRINGBANK, S.A.

THE fifth DAY OF November 1945.

Signature G.F. Smith

Before me [Signature] o/c.
DEMOBILIZATION WING,
NO. 4 P.D. R.A.A.F. SPRINGBANK
(Commissioner for Declarations).

NOTE:

Any person who makes an untrue statement in a statutory
declaration is guilty of an indictable offence and is
liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour, for
four years.

SS

NOV 5 1945

RECEPTION & DISPOSAL SQUADRON.

(This form to be completed by all dischargees)

No. 442583 Rank F/SGT Full Name SMITH, GORDON FRANK
(Surname in BLOCK LETTERS)
Mustering AIRMAN PILOT Religion CONG. Date of Birth 26/9/25
Address (Permanent) 3 DUKE ST., BEULAH PARK, NORWOOD, S.A.
Address (Temporary) Phone
(If applicable)
Enlisted at No. 5 Recruit Centre. Date Enlisted 9/10/43
(Adelaide is 5 R.C.)
Will made at (Unit) 5 S.F.T.S. VRANQUINTY Month & Year Made JULY, 1945
(The last will made in the R.A.A.F. is returned to you on discharge.)

OVERSEAS SERVICE (R.A.A.F.)

Units ATTACHED R.C.A.F. NO. 3 M.D., NO. 13 S.F.T.S.
NO. 2 F.I.S., & NO. 7 R.C.
Locality CANADA Date Embarked 14/5/44
Date Dis-embarked 28/5/45

Units
Locality Date Embarked
Date Dis-embarked

Previous Wartime Overseas Service.

Branch Where Served
(Army or Navy)
Period of Service from to

NEXT OF KIN MRS. RUTH ALEXANDRA SMITH, MOTHER
(Full Name & Relationship)
Address 3 DUKE STREET, BEULAH PARK, NORWOOD, S.A.

For Reception & Disposal Squadron Use Only.

~~Transferred to Reserve~~

Discharge

Termination of Appointment

Reason ON DEMON
Authority P.2.3.5.2/Pm 25/10
Serial No. A 30714
Unit From 5 S.F.T.S.
Date 3-11-45

R.A.A.F. Form P/P. 75.
R.A.F. Form 1580
(Revised, Aug., '42.)

19 JUL 1945

Official No. 442583 Name SMITH, Gordon Frank

(In full in block capitals, surname first)

Special Qualifications

N/L.

(e.g., Gas Instructor, Fire Fighter, Boxing Instructor)

Date of Birth 26.9.1925

Religion

Congregational

Occupation in Civil Life

Lund Clark

Last Enlisted

9.10.1943.

Current Engagement

Duration 4 12 months
thereafter

Whether Married, Single or Widower

Single

**NEXT
of
KIN**

Enter in Pencil.

Name.

Relationship

Address

Alfred Joseph Smith

Father

3 Duke Street

Bowlah Park

Person
to be
Informed
of
Casualties

Enter in Pencil.

(Name

Relationship

Address

SECTION 1.—MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES.

Unit FROM which.	Unit TO which.	Date of Effect.
7 RELEASE CENTRE RCAP	1 P.D.	27.5.45.
1 P.D.	4 P.D.	6.7.45
4 P.D.	5 SFTS	12.7.45.
5 SFTS. (attached)	4 P.D.	24.7.45
4 P.D. (ceased attack)	5 SFTS	29.7.45
5 SFTS.	4 P.D.	3.11.45
	DISCHARGE	
Discharged on serv. P2352 / PGM		
25/10 for No 430710 auf 15 11 45.		

SECTION 2.—
PROMOTIONS, ACTING APPOINTMENTS (PAID OR UNPAID),
REDUCTIONS, REMUSTERINGS.

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*When on active service overseas, the authority to be quoted will be the serial number of the B.P.S.O.'s Casualty Form.

SECTION 3.—CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY.

(To be assessed on every occasion on which an airman is struck off the strength of the unit, e.g., on posting, admission to hospital, death, etc.)

Rank.	Character.	Mustering.	Proficiency.*			Whether specially recommended, recommended, or not recommended for promotion or reclassification.	Date.	Signature and Rank of Commanding Officer.
			A	B	C			
No character and trade proficiency assessments or recommendations on posting available from Records -----								
FOR OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RECORDS								
F/SGT	V.G.	A/PILOT.	U/T	-	-	N/A	30.10.45	<i>[Signature]</i> F/LT
F/S	V.C.	Pilot	U/T	-	-	N/A	14.11.45	<i>[Signature]</i> F/LT

SECTION 4.—DECORATIONS, MENTIONS, SPECIAL COMMENDATIONS BY A.O.s.C., ETC.

Nature.	Date of Effect.	Authority.
Flying Badge	29.3.45	RCAF 34/45.

NOTES.—This form is to be forwarded immediately, together with Form P/P. 8 (General) to the Commanding Officer of the Unit (if within the Command) to which the airman is posted whilst effective.

*The trade proficiency headings "A," "B," and "C" signify—"A" (i) Skill in his trade (applicable to airmen up to rank of Corporal inclusive). (ii) Proficiency as Pilot, Air Gunner, or Air Observer (if so mustered or appointed). "B" Ability as technical warrant, or non-commissioned officer, i.e., as foreman manager, foreman or supervisor in his trade. "C" Ability as a warrant, or non-commissioned officer, in Administration, drill discipline, etc. To be assessed in accordance with A.F.O. 8/1/5A. —"Ex."—(Exceptional); "Supr."—(Superior); "Sat."—(Satisfactory); "Mod."—(Moderate); "Inf."—(Inferior).

Sheet Destroyed

Date of Last Entry

Number of Cases of Drunkenness

Date of Last Instance of Drunkenness

† Certified Correct

Official No. 442583

Rank SMITH

Name

Date of Enlistment 9.10.1943

Witnesses

Punishment Awarded

Cases of Drunkenness [in red ink]

Rank

Date of Offence

Unit and Place

Offence

Witnesses

Punishment Awarded

Date of Award or of Award Dispensing with Trial

By whom Awarded

Initials and Rank of Officer making Entry and Remarks with Date

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form P/P 8.

(Revised March, 1943)
R.A.F. Form 120 and 121.

SUBSTITUTED FOR

GENERAL

CONDUCT SHEET

ORIGINAL NOT RECEIVED FROM OVERSEAS

Sheet No. One

Signature and Rank of O.C.

OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RECORDS
18 JUL 1945

* "General" or "Service" to be inserted here with suitable rubber stamp.

† For method of making entries see Appendix 8/1/1.

† To be signed by the Adjutant.

MAR BUT

No. 4 Personnel Depot,
R.A.A.F.,
SPRINGBANK, S.A.

CERTIFICATE OF DESTRUCTION OF PERSONAL IDENTITY CARD

This is to certify that the Personal Identity Card,

Number of Number 442583 Rank Sgt.

Name Smith G. Mustering Pilot

was destroyed under my personal supervision on the 14

day of Nov 1945.

Robert H.
.....
Officer-in-Charge,
DISCHARGE SQUADRON,
NO. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT.

Form P/P: 28.
(Revised July, 1933.)

No.	Rank	Name	Mustering	Joined
.....

[illegible]

50M-3-45

NOTE.—At the close of each leave period the card is to be ruled off.

PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORT OF DISCHARGE SQUADRON (DEMOBILISATION WING)
OF NO. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT, RAAF, SPRINGBANK, S.A.

PART "B" - AIRMEN

Serial No. 1046/45

Page No.5

Dated.....15/11/45

PART "C" NIL

DISCHARGE SQUADRON (DEMOBILISATION WING)

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of Casualty, Date of Effect & Authority.
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(a) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO RESERVE.

Discharged wef 14/11/45
 under AFR115(t) "On Demobilisation."

407434	W/O	L.T.I.	(1)	GOOD J.	S/N A/30965 AUTH: PZ805, 29/10 (Payment in lieu 38 days leave)
437273	W/O	NAV"W"	(1)	JESSUP A.A.	S/N A/31069 AUTH: PZ755, 27/10 (Payment in lieu 30 days leave)
437064	W/O	AIR GUN	(5)	WARD M.W.	S/N A/30058 AUTH: PZ850, 15/10 (Payment in lieu 54 days leave)
417193	W/O	AIR GUN	(5)	HUMPHREY H.M.	S/N A/30647 AUTH: PZ955/PGM, 23/10 (Payment in lieu 77 days leave)
437432	W/O	NAV "W"	(1)	McKAY M.J..	S/N A/30987 AUTH: PZ727, 27/10 (Payment in lieu 48 days leave)
5619	F/SGT	FIT IIA	(1)	IREMONGER G.F.	S/N A/30257 AUTH: PD(A)319, 15/10 (Payment in lieu 46 days leave)
27520	F/SGT	W.O.M.	(1)	STIDSON L.	S/N A/31827 AUTH: PD/B/344, 5/11 (Payment in lieu 44 days leave)
442747	F/SGT	NAV "W"	(1)	SPINKSTON J.G.	S/N A/31071 AUTH: PZ755, 27/10 (Payment in lieu 35 days leave)
442471	F/SGT	PILOT	(1)	HOBBS G.I.	S/N A/30713 AUTH: PZ352/PGM, 25/10 (Payment in lieu 66 days leave)
27618	F/SGT	W.M.M.	(1)	SKINNER T.	S/N A/31320 AUTH: PD(B)987, 31/10 (Payment in lieu 53 days leave)
442583	F/SGT	PILOT	(1)	SMITH G.F.	S/N A/30714 AUTH: PZ352/PGM, 25/10 (Payment in lieu 59 days leave)
26389	SGT	GEN HAND	(5)	SEILER E.H.N.	S/N A/30330 AUTH: PD/C/650, 16/10 (Payment in lieu 39 days leave)
26663	SGT	EQUIP ASST	(3)	LEE W.J.	S/N A/30102 AUTH: PD(E)450, 11/10 (Payment in lieu 63 days leave)

(F.R.WALL) F/Lt.

O/1/C Discharge Squadron.
NO.4 PERSONNEL DEPOT.

...../6.

Received from the Royal Australian Air Force
Form P/P83A (Certificate of Service and Discharge)
in respect of my service with the R.A.A.F.

Dated *3rd December, 1945* SGD.

W. Smith

Ex No. 442583 F/SGT SMITH.G.F.

(AS 481294)

Sir,

29 NOV 1945

14th November, 1945

ETA 20/11

PO. 481294

22 NOV 45

DH

~~D.P.S. Dis. Sec.~~

~~G. O. R.~~

Re. I.

"P" File

N. Jorgensen
20.11.45

REGISTERED

Mr. G.F. Smith,
3 Duke Street,
BEULAH PARK,
NORWOOD S.A.

442583

442583 FLT/SGT. SMITH G.F.

HE S. RUSH

SW 2/11

442583

SMITH

NAME..... *Gordon Frank*

DATE ENLISTED..... *9-10-43*

DATE OF BIRTH..... *26-9-25*

CIVIL OCCUPATION..... *Junior Clerk*

QUALIFICATIONS, SPECIAL COURSES.

1st SFTW 29-3-45 RCAF 34/45

PROMOTIONS, REMUSTERINGS.

PO2 9-10-43 A/C ✓

28-11-43 (P)

ANC 3-1-44 II(P)

Sgt 29-3-45 Pilot

P/Sgt 29-9-45 ✓

(46P) 6/1/44 41TS.

46 EFT 14/4/44 1 EFTS

55 FTS 99/45

MEALS, DECORATIONS, COMMENDATIONS

Pilot Badge RCAF 34/45

Defence Medal 53 FTS 98/45

CHECKED BY..... *[Signature]*

~~C.B.~~

R.A.S.

CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS.

R.A.S. Issued

AT 4 PD

[Signature]

15 NOV 1945



RO V HQ NR146

FROM 4PD DEMOB IWNG 142259Z

TO AFHQ

INFO SOUTHAFHQ

GR32 BT

83A.

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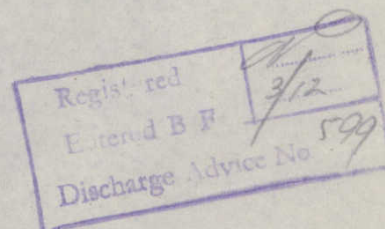
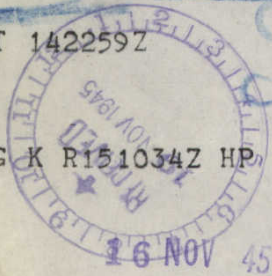
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442583 F/SGT SMITH G ~~E~~ F PILOT DISCHARGED WEF 14 NOV (.) VERY

GOOD (.) NO T APPLICABABLE (.) 3 DUKE ST BEULAH PARK ~~NOR~~ NORWOOD SA

BT 142259Z

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POSTAGRAM

MESSAGE FORM

Office Serial No.....

TO: 4 PERSONNEL D.: SOUTHERN AREA: A.F.O.(ADELAIDE):
1 WIRELESS A.G.S.: 1 T.G.H.Q.: 5 SERVICE F.T.S.:
2 T.G.H.Q.:

FROM: RAAF HEADQUARTERS	Originator's No. PZ 382 /PCM	Date 25 OCT	In Reply to
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FOLLOWING AIRMEN POSTED NO. FOUR PERSONNEL DEPOT W.E.F. DATES INDICATED (.)
FOR DISCHARGE (ON DEMOBILISATION):-

DISCHARGE SERIAL	RANK, NAME NUMBER	CATEGORY	UNIT	DATE POSTING
A.30711	442908 SGT FRYAR J.H.	WOA/E	1 WAGS	3/NOV
A.30712	442911 SGT GRAEFE H.A.	"	"	"
A.30713	442471 SGT HOBBS G.I.	R.A.S.	5 SPTS	"
A.30714	442583 SGT SMITH G.F.	R.A.S.	"	"
A.30775	442916 SGT JAMES W.	WOA/E	1 WAGS	"

PERSONNEL DEPOT TO ADVISE R.A.A.F. HQRS. (OFFICER I/C. RECORDS) DATE ACTION
COMPLETED.

O.I/C. R. (2 COPIES) AFTER DESP.
O.I/C. R.(A3) (10 COPIES) AFTER DESP.
R. & T. AFTER DESP.
D.F.3 AFTER DESP.
D.F.2 AFTER DESP.
WOA/E HOLDING POOL
61 S/E REF. COURSE.

Group Captain,
DIRECTOR OF PERSONAL SERVICES.

CITIZEN AIR FORCE.

At of No. 442583 Name. SMITH Gordon Frank
Joined at. No. 5 Recruiting Centre, ADELAIDE, S.A.
on. 9th October, 1943.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT TO THE RECRUIT BEFORE ENLISTMENT.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. What is your name? | 1. <u>Gordon Frank SMITH</u> |
| 2. Where were you born? | 2. Town <u>Adelaide</u>
State <u>South Australia</u> |
| 3. What is the date of your birth? (You are warned that if you give a false answer to this question you are liable to be severely punished.) | 3. <u>26/9/1925.</u> <u>18 Yrs.</u> |
| 4. Are you a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) | 4. <u>Yes, British</u> |
| 5. If Alien, what is your Nationality? | 5. <u>-</u> |
| 6. What is your Trade or Calling? | 6. <u>Junior clerk</u> |
| 7. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, to whom, where, and for what period? | 7. <u>No</u> |
| 8. Are you married? | 8. <u>No</u> |
| 9. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? | 9. <u>No.</u> |
| 10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces with Ignominy, or for Misconduct, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been Dismissed with Disgrace from any of His Majesty's Naval Forces? (You are warned that you are liable to heavy punishment if you make a false answer to this question.) | 10. <u>No</u> |
| 11. Do you now belong to any of His Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces? <u>V.D.C. Part or full time</u> | 11. <u>No</u> |
| 12. Have you ever served in any of His Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces? If so, state which, and the cause of your Discharge or Dismissal, or other termination of service | 12. <u>No</u> |
| 13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? | 13. <u>No</u> |
| 14. Are you in receipt of a pension under the Superannuation Act of the Commonwealth? | 14. <u>No</u>
<u>Yes</u> |
| 15. Are you willing to be enlisted under the conditions stated in the Regulations for the Air Force of the Commonwealth of Australia? | 15. <u>Yes</u> |
| 16. Do you understand that enlistment is subject to your undergoing a satisfactory X-ray examination and that you will be required to be vaccinated and inoculated after enlistment? | 16. <u>Yes</u> |

DECLARATION.

I, Gordon Frank SMITH do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made, and that I thoroughly understand and accept the conditions governing enlistment, promotion, remuster, transfer and discharge from the Service.

Signature of Recruit. G. Smith

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force of the Commonwealth of Australia for the term of the duration of the war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will, in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME GOD.

(A recruit who objects to take an oath may make an affirmation [see Air Force Regulations]).

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The recruit abovenamed was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Air Force Act and Air Force Regulations of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The questions were then read to the recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

~~I have examined his Naturalization Papers, and am of the opinion they are correct.~~ (In the case of a British Subject or Friendly Alien, this is to be struck out.)

The said recruit has made and signed the Declaration and taken the Oath at Adelaide
in the State of South Australia, this Ninth day of October
1943, before me.

Enlistment Officer.
D.P.W. 1/43.

Signature [Signature]

(A Justice of the Peace or Attesting Officer.)

No. 5 Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F. ADELAIDE. S.A.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE RESERVE.

I, Gordon Frank SMITH undertake to serve in the
Royal Australian Air Force Reserve. G.F. Smith
(Signature.)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION.*

OATH.

I, Gordon Frank SMITH swear that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law. So help me God!

AFFIRMATION.

I, Gordon Frank SMITH, solemnly and sincerely affirm and declare that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Sworn { before me at ADELAIDE
Declared {

in the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA
this TWENTY SEVENTH day of
SEPTEMBER One
thousand nine hundred and FORTY THREE.

G.F. Smith
(Signature of Person enrolled.)

Name Thomas P. Glover P/O.
†(Signature of Officer or Justice of the Peace administering the oath or taking the declaration.)

*A person who objects to take the oath may make the affirmation. Cross out form not used. All amendments must be initialled by the Officer or J.P. witnessing the affirmation.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 18 years - months.
Height 5 feet 9 inches.
Weight 140 lb.
Chest Measurement 31 - 33 inches.
Vision 6/6 R. Eye 6/6 L. Eye.
Complexion Fair
Eyes (Colour) Blue
Hair (Colour) Lt. Brown
Religious Denomination Congregational.

Wounds, Scars, or Distinctive Marks.

Pigmented mole R. inner groin, Sc.L. and R. knees.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

The abovenamed recruit has been examined in accordance with the medical standards prescribed for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

Details of such examination have been recorded, as required by Air Force Orders, on the appropriate form, and copies thereof have been inserted in the recruit's Medical History Envelope (R.A.A.F. Form P/M. 38).

His medical category is A1B : A3B.

(Signature) Hobbitaker

(Rank) Squadron Leader.

(Appointment) S.M.O. No.5 R.C.

Date 2th October, 1943.

Place No.5 R.C. ADELAIDE. S.A.

Enlisted for the duration of the war and up to 12 months thereafter on 9th October, 1943

Person to be informed of casualties:—

POSTED to No. 4 I.T.S. on 9/10/1943 No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, P.O.R. No. 215 43

Unit	From	To	Rank	Discharge
Nil				

[illegible]

[illegible]

442583

AIR CREW ENTRY

Name SMITH Gordon Frank
(Surname in Block Letters.) (Christian Names.)

1. Parent's Consent O.K.

2. Birth Certificate 26th September, 1925

3. Age 18yrs.

4. P.P.35 O.K.

5. Clear Notice-Weeks Three Weeks

6. Medical Category A1B.A3B.

7. Military Unit N11

8. Nationality British Subject

9. Enrolled 27th September, 1943.

10. Man Power O.K.

IF SUITED AS AIR OBSERVER ONLY,
PLACE RUBBER STAMP HERE.

IF SUITED AS W/T AIR GUNNER ONLY,
PLACE RUBBER STAMP HERE.

ATTENDANCES.

PRELIMINARY				STAGE 1				STAGE 2				STAGE 3				STAGE 4			
MONTH AND YEAR	NIGHT PARADES		SAT. PARADES	MONTH AND YEAR	NIGHT PARADES		SAT. PARADES	MONTH AND YEAR	NIGHT PARADES		SAT. PARADES	MONTH AND YEAR	NIGHT PARADES		SAT. PARADES	MONTH AND YEAR	NIGHT PARADES		SAT. PARADES
	NO. POSSIBLE	NO. ATTENDED			NO. POSSIBLE	NO. ATTENDED			NO. POSSIBLE	NO. ATTENDED			NO. POSSIBLE	NO. ATTENDED			NO. POSSIBLE	NO. ATTENDED	
1948				1948				1948				1948				1948			
Jan.	-	-	1	Apr.	6	6	2	Sept.	7	7	1	July	9	9	3				
Dec.	-	-	1	May	8	8	1	Oct.	9	9	2	Aug.	9	9	2				
1949				June	9	9	2	Nov.	8	8	3	Sept.	9	9	2				
Jan.	-	-	1	July	9	9	2	Dec.	6	6	2	Oct.	2	2	-				
Feb.	6	6	2	Aug.	8	8	5	1949											
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Apr.	1	1						Feb.	8	8	2								
								Mar.	9	7	2								
								Apr.	9	9	2								
								May	8	7	3								
								June	9	9	1								
TOTAL PARADES	16	15	7	TOTAL PARADES	40	40	12	TOTAL PARADES	77	72	18	TOTAL PARADES	29	29	7	TOTAL PARADES			
TOTAL HOURS	32	30	17	TOTAL HOURS	80	80	30	TOTAL HOURS	154	144	45	TOTAL HOURS	58	58	17	TOTAL HOURS			

CERTIFICATE OF SQUADRON COMMANDER.

This is to certify that London was trained in the Air Training Corps for a period of 1 years 11 months. His service has been *SATISFACTORY.

*Cross out whichever does not apply.

Robles S/Ldr.

Application for Enrolment in Air Training Corps

1. SURNAME (block letters) S M I T H
2. CHRISTIAN NAMES in full GORDON FRANK
3. ADDRESS 3, Duke Street, Beulah Park,
South Australia
4. DATE OF BIRTH 26th September, 1925
5. Are you a British subject by birth? Yes

6. What was the nationality of your parents at their birth? Father (Australian),
Mother (English).

Name and address of parents or guardian Mr & Mrs A J Smith,
3, Duke Street, Beulah Park, S A

7. School Adelaide Technical High
- School examinations passed Intermediate Commercial — English Literature,
(give details) Mathematics I (credit), Arithmetic (credit),
Bookkeeping, Shorthand, (100 w. p. m.), Geography,
Typewriting.

8. Undertaking.

I apply to be enrolled in the Air Training Corps of the Royal Australian Air Force. I undertake to attend parades regularly and I promise to enlist in the Royal Australian Air Force on reaching the age of eighteen years, subject to the consent of my parents or guardian and to my services being then required.

Date 16th November, 1941.

G. F. Smith

Signature of Applicant.

9. Approval of parents or guardian.

I agree to my son
ward enrolling in the Air Training Corps of the Royal Australian Air Force.

Arthur H. Watts

Signature of Witness.

Ruth A. Smith

Signature of Parent or Guardian.

It should be explained to the applicant and to his parents or guardian that the promise to enlist in the Royal Australian Air Force constitutes an honourable undertaking; it does not involve any legal obligation to enlist, nor any liability for service in the Military Forces at any earlier age than that prescribed for the remainder of the community. Subsequent acceptance for enlistment in the Royal Australian Air Force will be subject to the Cadet reaching the prescribed standards of education and physical fitness and to his services being then required.

10. Enrolment recommended in No. 69 Squadron.

J. J. [Signature]
Signature of Squadron Commander.

11. Enrolment approved.

[Signature]
Signature of Cadet Wing Commander.

12. Enrolment and posting recorded in Wing P.O.R. No. 11942 of 17 AUG 1942

[Signature]
Signature of Cadet Wing Adjutant.

(On completion, this form will be sent to O. i/c Records.)

(M428/41Z)

30079

A.T.C. INTERVIEW FORM

To be used in interviewing applicants for enrolment in the Air Training Corps.

Name of Candidate SMITH G.F.

Air Crew (Obeyes) Ground Staff

1. Age as at April 1942 16 7 yrs.

E.B.E. SIGHTED
JMG 30/4/42

2. Present (or most recent) occupation Office Junior in Shell Coy.

3. Secondary School Adelaide Tech. High School

4. School examinations passed and scope of education Passed with Honours Passed Intermediate Phy. El. Sc., Eng., Arith., Trig., Geom., Alg., Hist., Geog., Latin, French, Chem., Business Princes.

5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Training Corps Wishes to serve in R.A.F. when of age

6. Previous Military Training

7. Sport Cricket & Football

8. Appearance and manners Good

9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation Good.

10. Personality Quite good

11. General promise of fitness for Service Recommend Stage 1. A.T.C.

12. Medical Interview Yes

A. Millward Grey
Signature of Interviewing Officer. LB-Johncock

AIR TRAINING CORPS.

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL FITNESS.

SURNAME (Block Capitals).	CHRISTIAN NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.
SMITH	Gordon Frank	26.9.1925

Visual Acuity R. 6/6 L. 6/6

Colour Vision by Ishihara Plates— { Normal.
Safe:
Unsafe.

If any plate is read incorrectly—record complete examination here:

Edition of Ishihara

Plate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Candidate's Answer																
Plate	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
Candidate's Answer																

Reasons for Unfitness or Referring.

FIT }
UNFIT } Air Cadet.
REFERRED }

Signature of Medical Practitioner

Ob Campbell

(M406/41)

Typhoid N

EARS

R 20'15 H

L 20'15 H

NOSE

N

PHARYNX

N

NASOPHARYNX

N

TEETH

Set

GUMS

Healthy

History Tonsillectomy ad 18y -
good result

Chest 2" rough reduplications in
recumbent position - all sitting up
disappears on exercise

Lungs

N

Weight

5.9

Abdomen

N

Height

126 lbs.

CNS

N

Chest - N. 30"

E. 32

Sup. Abdominal aortic left transverse

Urine

PH

Nil

Digest

Nil

South Australian School of Mines and Industries.



TELEPHONE C 8940.

North Terrace, Adelaide.

24-11-41.

Flight Lieutenant B. Beaton,
Air Training Corps,
ADELAIDE.

Sir,

I hereby certify that Gordon Frank Smith, of Duke Street,
Beulah Park, was born on the twenty-sixth day of September,
nineteen hundred and twenty-five (26th September, 1925).

Yours faithfully,

.....*S. Noyle*.....
Headmaster.

Adelaide Technical High School.

AIR TRAINING CORPS
No. 69 SQUADRON

A.T.C. Record
Form: A.

SQUADRON REPORT ON AIRCREW CADET FOR RECRUITING CENTRE.

Cadet No. 30079 Rank. Sgt. Name. SMITH. Gordon Frank
(Surname in Block Letters)

Period with A.T.C. Twent-one (21) Months attendance: -
(Satisfactory)
~~(Unsatisfactory)~~

Type of Course ~~Correspondence~~
Normal

Previous Ed. Standard
Good
~~Average~~
~~Poor~~

Tests Passed *

PRELIMINARY TEST Passed 2/4/42
PROFICIENCY TEST () /Passed 27/8/42
FIRST POST PROFICIENCY TEST () Passed 29/6/43
~~SECOND POST PROFICIENCY TEST ()~~
~~THIRD POST PROFICIENCY TEST ()~~

Test Results

	Mental Computations	Maths.	Arith	Alg.	Geom. or Trig.	Science	Nav. & Met.	Morse	Gen. Studies	A/c. Recog.	Drill	Date of Test
Prelim.			100	100	96	52					Sat	2/4/42 (Passed)
STAGE I COURSE	1st Prog.											
	2nd Prog.											
	3rd Prog.											
	Proficiency.		100	100	96	92		Pass	84	Sat	Sat	27/8/42 (Passed)
1st Post Prof.	72	95				68	73	Pass	72½	83	Sat.	29/6/43 (Passed)
2nd Post Prof.												
3rd Post Prof.												

SQUADRON COMMANDER'S REPORT:

Refer attached Confidential Report from F/O.K.E.G.HEADING

(J.D.ELDER)

S/Ldr.

Commanding 69 Squadron, A.T.

* Delete whichever does not apply.

/ (F = Pass

(D = Pass with distinction

(SD= Pass with special distinction.

(QD9/1943)

R.A.A.F.

CONFIDENTIAL

PERSONAL RECORD SHEET FOR OFFICERS AND AIRCREW

SURNAME SMITH CHRISTIAN NAMES GORDON FRANK UNIT 1 P.D.

1. Official Number 442583
2. Nationality AUSTRALIAN
3. Town and State in which living at time of Enlistment ADELAIDE SOUTH AUS.
4. Date of Enlistment 9/10/43
5. Date of Birth 26/9/25
6. Religion CONGREGATIONAL
7. Date of appointment to Commission _____
8. Type of Commission :
☐ Permanent ☐ C.A.F. and Duration
☐ Short Service ☐ Honorary
9. Number of years' service prior to joining the R.A.A.F. _____
10. Force in which previous service was done :
☐ A.I.F. ☐ Citizen Forces (Univ. Trainee)
☐ R.A.N., R.A.N.R. or R.A.N.V.R. ☐ Militia (Voluntary)
☐ R.A.F., A.A.F. or R.A.F.V.R. ☐ Aust. Flying Corps
☐ Royal Flying Corps
☐ British Army ☐ N.Z. Army
☐ R.N., R.N.R., R.N.V.R. ☐ Indian Army
☐ R.N.A.S. ☐ Others (Specify)
11. Civil Occupation CLERK
12. Marital State : SINGLE
☐ Married ☒ Single
☐ Widower ☐ Divorced
13. Married ^{Before} _{After} entry to R.A.A.F.
14. Number of Children _____
15. Dates of Birth of Children _____
16. Number and Relationship of other dependants 2
MOTHER + SISTER
17. Rank (Substantive or Temporary) TEMPORARY

18. Branch of Service, or Mustering PILOT
19. Acting Rank _____
20. Degrees, Diplomas or Trade Certificates held _____
21. Membership of Professional Associations or Trade Institutes _____
22. Honours and Awards :
☐ D.F.C. ☐ O.B.E.
☐ D.F.M. ☐ M.B.E.
☐ A.F.C. ☐ L.S. and G.C. Medal
☐ A.F.M. ☐ Air Force Effic. Dec.
☐ M.C. ☐ Mentioned in Desp.
☐ M.M. ☐ Bar to Dec. (Specify)
☐ D.S.O. ☐ Others (Specify)
23. Height 70"
24. Colour of Hair LIGHT BROWN
25. Colour of Eyes BLUE
26. Distinguishing Marks :
☐ Head ☐ Wart
☐ Chest ☐ Mole
☐ Back ☐ Burn
☐ Buttocks ☐ Deformity
☐ Neck ☐ Missing limb, finger or toe
☐ Left Arm ☐ Fracture
☐ Right Arm ☐ Birth Mark
☐ Left Leg ☐ Tattoo Mark
☐ Right Leg ☐ Vaccination Mark
☐ Abdomen ☐ Scar
27. Theatres of War in which served during present war :
☐ United Kingdom ☐ Temperate Australia
☐ Middle East ☐ N. Guinea or Pacific Is.
☐ Far East and Burma ☐ Europe
☐ India ☐ Russia
☐ Tropical Australia ☐ Others (Specify)
28. Medical Category _____

29. Manner of Entry to Commissioned Rank :

- ☐ Commissioned direct from civil life
Commissioned from the ranks in the following manner :

(a) **Aircrew**

- ☐ Having served previously in the Air Training Corps
☐ At conclusion of aircrew training
☐ Having served as aircrew N.C.O.

(b) **Other than Aircrew**

- ☐ Having served previously in the Air Training Corps
☐ Having served in the ranks, not having served in Air Training Corps
☐ Having entered service as an Officer Trainee

30. Exchange and Loan Officers :

- ☐ On loan from R.A.F.
☐ On exchange from R.A.F.
☐ On loan to R.A.F.
☐ On exchange to R.A.F.
☐ On loan other service (specify)
☐ On exchange other service (specify)

31. Service Courses Passed :

- ☐ Accounting
☐ Administration
☐ Aerodrome Control
☐ Aerodrome Defence
☐ Aircraft Recognition
☐ Air Bomber
☐ Air Gunner
☐ Armament
☐ Army Co-operation
☐ Beam Approach
☐ Bomb Disposal
☐ Bombing Leader
☐ Camouflage
☐ Catapult
☐ Cypher
☐ Elementary Instructor
☐ Equipment
☐ Explosives Inspector
☐ Flight Engineer
☐ Gas
☐ Gunnery Leader
☐ Identification
☐ Intelligence
☐ Link Trainer Instructor
☐ Long 'N' Course
☐ Meteorological
☐ Navigation Instruction
☐ Navigator
☐ Navigator (B) (Air Observer)
☐ Navigator (BW) (W/Air Observer)
☐ Navigator (W)
☐ Navigator (Radio)
☐ N/R

Service Courses (cont.)

- ☐ Operations Room
☐ Parachute
☐ Photography
☐ P.S.A. or Abridged Staff Course
☐ Physical Training
☐ Radio Location
☐ Radio B (Fighter Sector)
☐ Service Instructor
☐ Signals
☐ Torpedo-specialist (applicable to Engineer Off.)
☐ W/Op./Air Gunner
☐ W/T Operator (Ground)
☐ O.T.U. Course Bomber
☐ " " Dive Bomber
☐ " " Flying Boat
☐ " " G.R.
☐ " " Intruder
☐ " " M.E. Fighter
☐ " " S.E. Fighter
☐ " " Torpedo

32. Types of Aircraft Flown (Service and Civil)

(State if qualified for Captain where applicable)

Type of Aircraft	Approx. hours on each type	
	<i>Ops</i>	<i>Non ops</i>
DH. 82		75
HARVARD II		135
Grand Total Flying Hours _____		

33. Special Qualifications :

- ☐ Chief Flying Instructor
- ☐ Chief Ground Instructor
- ☐ Chief Instructor (Non-flying)
- ☐ Flying Instructor : Elementary (Grading_____)
- ☐ " " Service (Grading_____)
- ☐ " " C.F.S
- ☐ " " O.T.U. and Type
- ☐ Ground Instructor (non-flying and subject)
- ☐ Held Air Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Signals Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Radio Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Intelligence Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Training Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Administrative Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Personnel Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Organization Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Recruiting Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Medical Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Equipment Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Wks. and Bldgs. Staff Appointment
- ☐ " Other Staff Appointment (Specify)
- ☐ " Unit or Station Appoint. of Adj. or Asst. Adj.
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Armament Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Accounting Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Brks. or Mess Off.
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Cypher Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Education Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Engineer Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Equipment Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Intelligence Off.
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Radio Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Senior Admin. Off.
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Signals Officer
- ☐ " " " " " " " " Transport Officer
- ☐ " Other Unit or Station Appointment (Specify)
- ☐ Ability to speak Chinese
- ☐ " " " Dutch
- ☐ " " " French
- ☐ " " " German
- ☐ " " " Italian
- ☐ " " " Japanese
- ☐ " " " Other Language (Specify)
- ☐ " " " read Chinese
- ☐ " " " Dutch
- ☐ " " " French
- ☐ " " " German
- ☐ " " " Italian
- ☐ " " " Japanese

Special Qualifications (cont.)

- ☐ Ability to read other language (Specify)
- ☒ Entitled to wear Pilot's Flying Badge
- ☐ " " " Navigator's Badge
- ☐ " " " Air Gunner's Badge
- ☐ " " " Air Bomber's Badge
- ☐ " " " Flight Engineer's Badge
- ☐ Accounting or Secretarial Experience
- ☐ Architectural or Building Experience
- ☐ Business Administration Experience
- ☐ Catering Experience
- ☐ Civil Engineering Experience
- ☐ Electrical Engineering Experience
- ☐ Journalistic Experience
- ☐ Legal Training or Experience
- ☐ Mechanical Engineering Experience
- ☐ Musical Knowledge (Specify)
- ☐ Photographic Experience
- ☐ Refrigeration Experience
- ☐ School Teaching Experience
- ☐ Shipping Experience
- ☐ Wireless Engineering Experience
- ☐ Voice Production or Elocution
- ☐ Others (Specify)

34. Reason for return from Overseas :

- ☐ Medical Reasons
- ☐ Disciplinary Reasons
- ☐ Compassionate Grounds
- ☐ Recalled for Home Defence
- ☐ Tour of duty completed
- ☒ Other reasons (specify) **TRAINING COMPLETED**

Date of completion of this Form 28/5/45

FOR USE AT R.A.A.F. HEADQUARTERS ONLY

- 35. Date of last substantive or temp. promotion_____
- 36. Date proceeded Overseas_____
- 37. Date returned from Overseas_____
- 38. Date of termination of appointment_____
- 39. Reason for termination of appointment_____
- 40. Casualty_____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF PERSONAL RECORD SHEET FOR OFFICERS AND AIRCREW

1. One form is to be completed by each Officer and member of Aircrew.
2. Where squares are provided, qualifications, courses, etc., are to be indicated by a cross being placed in the appropriate square.
3. Items 26 and 28 are to be filled in under the supervision of the Unit Medical Officer. In Item 26 the first column indicates the position of the distinguishing mark, and the second column the nature of the mark. The chief distinguishing mark only is to be indicated.
4. Forms are to be read carefully before being filled in, and are to be returned unfolded.

FOR USE BY NAAFL READOUTS ONLY

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

NAME OF APPLICANT SMITH Gordon Frank

ADDRESS 3 Duke Street, Beulah Park, S.A.

MUSTERING Air Crew.

PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT. **CERTIFIED CORRECT**

Date and Year of Birth	Place of Birth	Surname	Full Christian Names	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name in Full	Leave Blank
✓✓✓ 26/9/25	✓ ADELAIDE	✓ SMITH	✓ Gordon Frank	✓ Alfred Joseph SMITH	✓ Ruth Alexandra BAMBLETT	

PARTICULARS OF WIFE (if applicable).

Maiden Surname.	Full Christian Names	Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage

PARTICULARS OF CHILDREN UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE (if applicable).

Date and Year of Birth	Place of Birth	Christian Names	For Office Use

IMPORTANT.—Every care should be taken to ensure that accurate information is supplied regarding surnames, Christian names, dates and places of birth and marriage, otherwise the payment of allowances will be delayed. If any child is not the child of applicant and wife above-named, full particulars of parentage are necessary.

Memorandum to:
The Registrar-General,
Registrar-General's Department,

No. Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F.,

Please check above particulars and return form to above address as soon as possible.

Recruiting Officer.

Certified that the above particulars have been checked and found correct, or amended as shown.

(Signature)

Date

Registrar-General's Department.



1, Giles Street,
TOORAK.

Recruiting Officer,
R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre,
18, King William Street,
ADELAIDE.

G. H. Smith

I have no objection to the enlistment of the above man in
the R.A.A.F.

W. H. Smith

National Service Officer.

G. H. Smith

6/9/43

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE.

Telephone:
3. 8684.
RJC:PK.

Office of the Deputy Director
- General of Man Power,
23, Currie Street,
ADELAIDE.

Mr. G. F. Smith,
3, Duke Street,
BEULAH PARK.

Dear Sir,

J.S.M.	3rd September, 1943.	T.W.M.	F.D.	ECN
ADVERS	OPERS	LUB-O	AST. ACT	OFF. CASH.
ENGR	Recd.	4 SEP 1943	STOCKS	
TRANS.	AND		CREDITS	
PUMPS	Ans'd		LEDGERS	
AVAN	TOUR	INVG	CHEK	STAFF
SALES A	LUB. ACT	STATY	ACS. CG	PURCH
				ORDERS

The Deputy Director General of Man Power has approved of your application in which you apply for release from The Shell Co. of Aust. Ltd. to enable you to enlist in the R.A.A.F.

You must act upon this approval as soon as possible. If you have not been actually enlisted in accordance with the approval within 21 days of this date, it will lapse. Further permission, which will only be granted in special cases, will have to be sought from your local National Service Officer, for you will then be regarded as available for compulsory enlistment in the A.M.F.

Yours faithfully,

F.K. Dwyer

F.K. DWYER, O.in C.,
NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICES.

Forwarded through - The Manager.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

CORRESPONDENCE RECORD

Applicant's Name SMITH Gordon Frank

Address 3 Duke St, Bencah Park S.A.

Mustering in crew. Date of Application 10th August 1943

ACTION TAKEN

In reply to inquiries:—

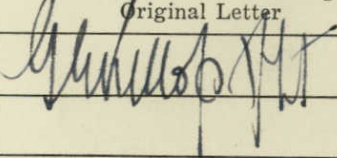
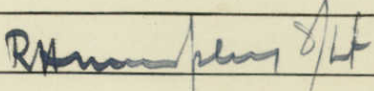
Date.

Officer's Initials.

P/P. 80 Sent - - - - -

P/P. 48 „ - - - - -

P/P. 48W „ - - - - -

Type of Letter	Date of Despatch	Signature of Officer who Signed Original Letter
P/P. 78/18	19/8/43	
*P/P. 78/32, 78/32W		
*P/P. 78/46, 78/47, 78/43, 78/44, 78/44A		
*P/P. 78/33, 78/34		
*78/35, 78/35W, 78/60	29/9/1943	
Overage or *Underage Letter } Ground Staff or W.A.A.A.F.		
Promise of Release Required		
Protected Undertaking		
Parent's Consent Required		
Return of Rail Warrant Requested		

*Cross out those NOT applicable.

MARBUT

DATE.....26/8/43.....NAME.....SMITH.....GF
 MUSTERING.....2/10.....ADDRESS.....ATC.....

Inter view.	Medical Category.	Trade Test Educn.	R.M.P.O.	X-Ray.	Enrolled.
<u>26/8/43</u> <u>2/10</u>	<u>R.B B3 B 26/4</u> <u>402</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>OK</u> <u>2/10</u>	<u>26/8/43</u>	<u>27/9/43</u>

HEIGHT: 69 ft. 69 ins.
 CHEST: Normal 31 Expanded 33
 Range of Expansion 2
 WEIGHT: 140 lbs.
 HEARING: R.Ear 20 ft. L.Ear 20 ft.
 VISION: R.Eye 6/6 L.Eye 6/6

COLOUR VISION: N Ishi

MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION:
 COMPLEXION: Fair
 EYES (Colour): Blue
 HAIR (Colour): A. Brown

VACCINATION MARKS: None
 WHEN VACCINATED: —
 MARKS OR SCARS: Pigmented mole R. inner knee.
9/10/43 15/10/43

D.V.C.
2/10
27/9/43

NAME.....

R.A.A.F. Form P.P. 78/54.
(June, 1942)

AIR CREW INTERVIEW FORM

NAME

SMITH Gordon Frank

AGE — Years... 17 Months... 11

1. Present (or most recent) occupation

Jnr. Clerk. 20 months.

86/8/43.

2. Schools attended

Norwood Primary. 1937 to 1938.

Adelaide High. 1939 to 1941.

3. School examinations passed and
scope of educationQ.C. 610 1938. Inter. Commercial 1940 passed
English, Geog. Book-keeping, Shorthand, Typing,
Arith, Maths. 1 & 11. Credit Maths 1. & Arith.
Leaving 1941. Passed. English, Arith, Maths 1.
Shorthand, Book-keeping, Economic History.

4. Flying or service experience

Passenger 1 1/4 hrs. A.T.C. 21 months.

Rank Sgt. Prof. bet.

5. If prepared alternatively to serve in
ground staff

Yes.

6. Sport

Football, cricket, and tennis.

7. Appearance and manners

Youthful, neat in uniform
well spoken.8. Intelligence, accuracy, general
alertness, quickness of obser-
vation

Average + Keen. alert

9. Personality

Excellent.

COMMENTS:

Should do well - suitable

RECOMMENDED

~~NOT RECOMMENDED~~

(Strike out one)

D.P.W. 11/42.

FOR AIR CREW

R. H. Humphrey D/O

(Signature of Officer)

NAME.....

R.A.A.F. Form P.P. 78/54.
(June, 1942)

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Arith, Maths. 1 & 11. Credit Maths 1. & Arith.
Leaving 1941. Passed, English, Arith, Maths 1.
Shorthand, Book-keeping, Economic History.

4. Flying or service experience

Passenger 1½ hrs. A.T.C. 21 months.

(Lgt).

5. If prepared alternatively to serve in
ground staff

yes.

6. Sport

Football, cricket, and tennis.

7. Appearance and manners

Good.

8. Intelligence, accuracy, general
alertness, quickness of obser-
vationAbove average.
Maths sound.

9. Personality

Alert suitable.

COMMENTS:

Should do very well.

RECOMMENDED

~~NOT RECOMMENDED~~

(Strike out one)

D.P.W. 11/42.

FOR AIR CREW

(Signature of Officer)

G. Downing Jc.

IN LIEU OF P/P.35.

Police records have been searched at ADELAIDE and disclose no offence which would be considered as a bar to the enlistment of: **Gordon Frank SMITH**

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(Vide P/12/40 - Instructions to Recruiting Officers, dated 9/8/1940).

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'G.F. Smith', is written over the typed name and the date reference.

C O P Y O N L Y

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS.

13th Aug., 1943

Sgt. SMITH. G.F.

Sgt. SMITH is, in my opinion one of the finest cadets in No.69 Squadron. Of quieter type, keen, industrious, regular in attendance, pleasant and courteous in his manner, and possessing outstanding ability, he has been an exemplary cadet. His cheerful acceptance of responsibility and ~~exemplary~~ execution of his duties have earned him the praise of his Officers and the respect of his fellow cadets.

Signed. K.E.G. HEADING, F/O.,
Flight Commander, "F" Flight,
No.69 Squadron, A.T.C.

COPY.

24, Duke Street,
North Kensington.
17th December, 1940.

To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Dear Sir,

This is to certify that I have known Gordon Smith of Duke Street, North Kensington, for 8 years, during which time I have always found him to be honest, careful and trustworthy in every respect. I have great pleasure in recommending him for any position he may be called upon to occupy.

I am, Yours faithfully,

(signed) W. A. J. Marlbor.

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(May, 1940.)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN ..

This is to certify that Gordon Smith is a trustworthy boy who can be relied upon to work to the best of his ability. He has been a student here since January, 1939, and is an Intermediate Candidate.

(signed) L. V. Clark,

Adelaide Technical High School.

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APPLICATION FOR AIR CREW

Candidates who apply for selection as Air Crew may be selected for training as Pilots, Air Observers, and Air Gunners for service in the Royal Australian Air Force at home or abroad. Application form to be completed in candidate's own handwriting. When completed this form should be despatched to

R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre

ADELAIDE

1. Surname

SMITH

(Block Letters)

2. Christian Names

GORDON FRANK

(In full)

3. Postal Address of Place of Residence

3, Duke Street,
Beulah Park, S. A. Ham.

4. Name, Relationship, Occupation, and Address of Next-of-Kin

Alfred Joseph Smith -
Father - Lineman (P.M.G. Dept.) - 3, Duke St. Beulah Park.

5. Date of Birth

26th September, 1925

6. Married or Single

Single

7. Are you a British Subject?

Yes

Of pure European descent?

Yes Ham

8. State the Nationality of your Parents. (Nationality at time of death if deceased.)

Father

British

Ham

Mother

British

Ham

9.

Names and Addresses of Schools and Colleges

Period of Education

From

To

(a) Give particulars opposite of the schools and colleges at which you were educated from the age of 12.

NORWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL,
OSMOND TERRACE, NORWOOD
ADELAIDE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL,
NORTH TERRACE, ADELAIDE

September, 1937 December, 1938
February, 1939 December, 1941

(b) Have you sat for the Intermediate or Junior Public Examination? If so, give particulars opposite.

Name of examining body

University of Adelaide

Description of certificate

Intermediate Commercial

Date of examination

November, 1940

Was certificate obtained?

Yes

Subjects passed in

English, Geography, Bookkeeping,
Shorthand, Typewriting, Arithmetic, Maths I, Maths II

Subjects failed in

Subjects (if any) in which a first-class pass was obtained

Credits in Maths I and Arithmetic

(c) Have you sat for any other educational examination? If so, give particulars opposite.

Name of examining body

University of Adelaide

Description of examination

Leaving

Date of examination

November, 1941

Was examination passed?

Yes

Particulars of subjects passed in

English, Arithmetic, Maths I,
Economic History, Shorthand, Bookkeeping

(d) Give particulars (with dates of further education undertaken since leaving school. Name and address of educational establishment or tutor should be stated, subject taken, and whether whole or part-time tuition.

Commenced Accountancy Course (part time tuition) with
The Accountancy College, Ltd., Gawler Place Adelaide,
in January, 1942. || Air Training Corps - Passed
Stage I on 27/8/42 and Stage II on 7/7/43

10. Occupation since leaving school, including nature of work on which now engaged—

Junior Office Clerk with the Shell Company of Australia, Limited,
Adelaide (Petroleum Products)

11. Are you prepared to serve for the duration of the war and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter? Yes

12. Have you had any flying experience? No If so, number of hours.
Dual — Solo — Name of training organization —

Do you hold a Pilot's Licence? No

13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service I have been a member of the Air Training Corps since November, 1941

14. Attach particulars of any Experience you have had in the following:—

Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony —

Engineering (electrical, mechanical, structural, or civil) —

Internal Combustion Engines —

Fitting and Turning —

15. Particulars of Sports and Games played Football, Cricket, and Tennis

16. Have you previously applied for an Appointment in any Branch of the Royal Australian Air Force or Active Citizen Air Force? (If so, give particulars and date.)

NOTE.—An incorrect answer to this question may disqualify a Candidate.

Air Training Corps (November, 1941)

17. Physical particulars: Height 5 feet 9 inches Weight 145 pounds
Chest Measurement: Normal 32½ Expanded 35½

Have you been previously medically examined for Air Force or Civil Flying? A.T.C. only.

18. **CERTIFICATE.**

I hereby certify that the replies set out to the above questions are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.

Date 10th August, 1943 W. Smith
Signature of Applicant.

19. **CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN. ***

I am agreeable that my ^{son}~~ward~~ joins the Air Force for flying duties, for service at home or abroad.

Date 10th August 1943 A. Smith
Signature of Parent or Guardian.

20. Certificates to be completed by two responsible persons who have known the candidate for a considerable period.

I certify that I have known Gordon Frank Smith for
(a) Twelve years. (b) Nine years.

and can certify as to his moral courage and suitability for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

(a) Name William A. G. Marlar (b) Name W. H. Koster
Address 24 Duke Street Address 5 Duke St
Beulah Park Beulah Park

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Confidential Folder — Officers and Non-Commissioned Aircrew

THE CONTENTS OF THIS JACKET ARE

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442583

Surname.....
(In Block Letters)

SMITH

Christian Names.....
(In Full)

Gordon Frank

This Jacket is NOT to be passed through Registry.
If it should become necessary to send it from one
Branch to another it should be sent BY HAND and in
a SEALED ENVELOPE.

CORRESPONDENCE IS NOT TO BE CONDUCTED ON THIS JACKET

To be returned to Directorate of Postings for custody.

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R.A.A.F. FORM P/P.150
(January '45)TRAINING NON-OPERATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL DETAILS
TO BE COMPLETED BY PILOTS ONLY

No 442583 Rank (T) T/SGT Name SMITH, G. F. Decorations
 Must PILOT Date of Birth 26/9/25 Marital State SINGLE Left Aust 14/5/44
 Med. Category _____

TRAINING DETAILS

Unit	Location	Aircraft Types	Hours
Elementary Flying Training	<u>1 E.F.T.S.</u>	<u>AUS.</u>	<u>D.H. 82</u>
Service Flying Training	<u>13 S.F.T.S.</u>	<u>O/S.</u>	<u>HARVARD II</u>
Advanced flying Unit			
Operational Training Unit			
Heavy conversion Unit			
Lancaster finishing school			
Tactical exercise unit			
Any other training details (not included above)			
Sub Total			Hours

ADVANCED TRAINING DETAILS

Type of Course	Unit	Location	Aircraft Flown	Hours
Sub Total				Hours

NON-OPERATIONAL FLYING DETAILS (e.g. INSTRUCTIONAL)

1st Tour Unit	Location	Aircraft	Hrs 1st Pilot	Hrs 2nd Pilot	Total Hours
Commenced	/ /	Finished	/ /		
Sub Total					Hours
2nd Tour					
Commenced	/ /	Finished	/ /		
Sub Total					Hours

OPERATIONAL FLYING DETAILS

1st Tour Squadron(s) & Location	Role of Squadron (Bomber Coastal etc)	Types A/craft	Sorties	Hrs 1st Pilot	Hrs 2nd Pilot	Total Hours
Commenced	/ /	Finished	/ /			
Sub Total						Hours
2nd Tour						
Commenced	/ /	Finished	/ /			
Sub Total						Hours
Total No. of sorties		Total hrs (Cpl)				Hours
Present Unit		Grant Total				Hours

* Acting
 * Temporary

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(March, 1942.)

REPORT ON THE GROUND TRAINING OF ~~OBSERVER~~

PILOT

~~WIRELESS AIR GUNNER~~ *1324*Number 442583Rank ACTSurname SMITHChristian Names Gordon Frank.

AT

No. 4 INITIAL TRAINING SCHOOLARRIVED 9/10/43COURSE No. 46POSTED TO 1 E.F.T.S.
PARAFIELDLEFT 6 JAN 1944Age 18 yrs Previous Occupation Junior Clerk.Previous Flying: Dual - hrs. Solo - hrs. Passenger 1 hrs.Previous Service Experience A.T.C. 22 months.

Educational Standard.

Age leaving School 16 State S.A.

EDUCATIONAL STANDARD IN—					RESERVE LESSONS
Arith.	Alg.	Geom.	Trig.	Phys.	
L.C.	L.C.	L.C.	L.C.	L.C.	

Next of Kin Agnes Joseph SmithRelationship FatherAddress 3 Duke Street,
Bendah Park
S.A.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Maths.	Navig.	Science	Signals	Arma- ment	Defence Against Gas	Hygiene	Law and Organ	Aircraft Recog.	Met.		
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%		
98	92	94	100	83	96	68	86	85	89		

Above Average
Drill Average
Below AverageSignature [Signature]

(Education Officer.)

AVIATION APTITUDE TESTS

Multiple Choice Reaction Test.	Visuo-Motor Co-ordination Test.	Depth Perception Test.	Dark Adaptation Test.
	<u>+8.99</u> <u>+10.97</u>		

Full Medical Category A1B A3BSignature [Signature]Height 69"Weight 140 lbs

(Medical Officer.)

DISTINCTIVE QUALITIES

1. **Persistence**
(Does he keep on trying or is he easily disheartened?)
2. **Sense of Responsibility**
(Has he common sense or is he over-confident?)
3. **Endurance**
(Does he put up a consistently satisfactory performance under conditions of strain?)
4. **Leadership**
(Has he taken the lead in any activities? Would he make a good captain of aircraft?)
5. **Method**
(Does he work systematically to a plan?)
6. **Deliberation**
(Does he act decisively for reasons or on impulse?)
7. **Enterprise**
(Does he want to try things on his own?)
8. **Dash**
(Is he quick and decisive in action?)
9. **Distribution of Attention**
(Does he find it difficult to do more than one thing at a time?)
10. **Self-Control**
(Does he get flustered?)

Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
	X			
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
	X			
		X		

General Remarks Very good type, clean cut with good bearing.

Date 2 DEC 1943

Signature

O.C. "C" Squadron.

Category.

Trainee's Preference PILOT

Selected Category

PILOT

Date

1 DEC 1943

Signature

Blair Lennett F/L

President C.S.B.

Date 1 JAN 1944

Signature

W/Comdr.

Note.—

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R.A.A.F. Form P/T 73B
(March, 1942)

REPORT ON THE GROUND AND AIR TRAINING OF PILOT.

NUMBER 42583 RANK L.AG.
 SURNAME SMITH CHRISTIAN NAMES Gordon Frank

AT

No. 1. ELEMENTARY FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

ARRIVED 6/1/44 COURSE No. 46
 POSTED TO 3.F.T.S. 2.E.D. LEFT 14-4-44



FLYING TIMES.

	Type of Aircraft	Day		Night		Formation	Instrument	Passenger	Link Trainer
		Dual	Solo	Dual	Solo				
Previous Flying									
At E.F.T.S.	D.H. 82	36.10	31.50	5.05	1.55		8.05	.30	13.35
	Total <u>75.00</u>	36.10	31.50	5.05	1.55		8.05	.30	13.35

GROUND EXAMINATION MARKS.

Airmanship <u>77</u> %	Navigation <u>77</u> %
Armament <u>67</u> %	Engines <u>M.E.T.</u> <u>71</u> %
Signals (Pract.) ... <u>P.A.S.S.</u> %	Aircraft Recognition <u>80</u> %
Theory of Flight ... <u>84</u> %	Airframes %

FLYING APTITUDE (on conclusion of Course)

1. Natural Aptitude
2. Skill in Landing
3. Airmanship
4. Cockpit Drill
5. Instrument Flying
6. Night Flying
7. Aerobatics
8. Formation Flying
9. Map Reading

Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
		X		
		X		
		X		
	X			
		X		
		X		
		X		
	X			

Items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 should be specially considered when recommending pilots for larger type aircraft.
 Items 5, 7 and 8 should be specially considered when recommending pilots for fighter aircraft.

Note.—This report need not be shown to the pupil unless it accompanies a recommendation to cease instruction.

For full instructions regarding compilation and distribution of this form, see A.B.O.'s.
 D.P.W. 4/43

DISTINCTIVE QUALITIES

1. **Persistence**
(Does he keep on trying or is he easily disheartened?)
2. **Sense of Responsibility**
(Has he common sense or is he over-confident?)
3. **Endurance**
(Does he put up a consistently satisfactory performance under conditions of strain?)
4. **Leadership**
(Has he taken the lead in any activities? Would he make a good captain of aircraft?)
5. **Method**
(Does he work systematically to a plan?)
6. **Deliberation**
(Does he act decisively for reasons or on impulse?)
7. **Enterprise**
(Does he want to try things on his own?)
8. **Dash**
(Is he quick and decisive in action?)
9. **Distribution of Attention**
(Does he find it difficult to do more than one thing at a time?)
10. **Self-Control**
(Does he get flustered?)

Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
	X			
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		

Note.—Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 should be specially considered when recommending pilots for larger type aircraft.

Items 7, 8 and 9 should be specially considered when recommending pilots for fighter aircraft.

ASSESSMENT OF SUITABILITY FOR FURTHER TRAINING ON:—

Larger type aircraft

Fighter Aircraft

As potential Flying Instructor

Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
		X		
		X		
		X		

General Remarks (if any required):

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Signature

R. J. Carter

W/CDR.

Officer Commanding No. 1. E.F.T.S.

R.C.A.F. - TRAINING REPORT

P I L O T

NO. SERVICE FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

1. SURNAME.....SMITH..... CHRISTIAN NAMES.....Gordon Frank.....
 2. NUMBER.....AUS442583..... 3. RANK.....LAC..... 4. COURSE NO.....122.....
 5. POSTED FROM.....1(AUS)EFTS..... 6. DATE COURSE COMMENCED.....6/Nov/44..... 7. DATE COURSE ENDED.....29/March/45..... 8. POSTED TO.....No. 7 R.C......

9. GROUND EXAMINATIONS			10. FLYING TESTS		
SUBJECT			SUBJECT		
(A) AIRMANSHIP	200	<u>112</u>	(A) GENERAL FLYING	300	<u>208.0</u>
(B) ARMAMENT	200	<u>172</u>	(B) INSTRUMENT FLYING	200	<u>130.7</u>
(C) NAVIGATION	200	<u>123</u>	(C) NAVIGATION	150	<u>108.5</u>
(D) SIGNALS	200	<u>179</u>	(D) ARMAMENT	150	<u>105.0</u>
(E) AIRCRAFT RECOGNITION	100	<u>100</u>	(E) NIGHT FLYING	100	<u>68.0</u>
(F) METEOROLOGY	100	<u>78</u>	(F) FORMATION	50	<u>33.0</u>
			(G) LINK TRAINER	50	<u>34.5</u>
TOTAL	1000	<u>764</u>	TOTAL	1000	<u>687.7</u>
PERCENTAGE		<u>76.4</u>	PERCENTAGE		<u>68.8</u>

11. ASSESSMENTS OF QUALITIES OF CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP

MARKS
ALLOTTED

100

MARKS
OBTAINED69.0

DEGREE OF SUITABILITY FOR FURTHER TRAINING	0 NOT AT ALL SUITABLE	1 MODERATELY SUITABLE	2 DEFINITELY SUITABLE	3 EXTREMELY SUITABLE
12. FOR BOMBER TYPE AIRCRAFT			<u>X</u>	
13. FOR FIGHTER TYPE AIRCRAFT		<u>X</u>		
14. FOR GENERAL RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT			<u>X</u>	
15. FOR ARMY CO-OPERATION AIRCRAFT		<u>X</u>		
16. FOR FLYING BOATS	<u>X</u>			
17. AS A FLYING INSTRUCTOR		<u>X</u>		

(MARK "X" IN APPROPRIATE COLUMN FOR EACH)

18. IF A COPY OF THE O.T.U. REPORT FOR THIS PUPIL IS DESIRED, MARK HERE

19. REMARKS :- An average pilot.DATE...29th March, 1945
 SIGNED.....(W.S. ANDERSON) G/C.....
 COMMANDING OFFICER.

20. FLYING TIMES (AT THIS UNIT):

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	TIME	DUAL TO 1ST SOLO	TOTAL DUAL	SOLO	PASSENGER	FORMATION	INSTRUMENT	LINK TRAINER
HARVARD	DAY	9.35	75.50	43.25	7.30	9.55	30.00	25.00
	NIGHT	2.30	8.00	8.00				

21. FLYING ACCIDENTS:- ALL FLYING ACCIDENTS IN WHICH THIS PUPIL WAS CONCERNED WHILE AT THIS UNIT ARE TO BE NOTED BELOW, WHETHER SERIOUS OR TRIVIAL, WHETHER OTHERWISE REPORTED OR NOT. IF THERE WERE NO SUCH ACCIDENTS, WRITE IN "NONE".

(1) TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	(2) DATE OF ACCIDENT	(3) DAY OR NIGHT	(4) PREVIOUS REPORTS	(5) NATURE OF ACCIDENT	(6) AMOUNT OF DAMAGE	(7) DEGREE OF PUPIL'S RESPONSIBILITY
				N I L		

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Form P/T 5010

Feb., 1944

GRADING FLIGHT COURSE (AIR TEST)

Number 442583 Rank L.A.C.
Surname SMITH Christian Names Gordon Frank

AT

No. 1 ELEMENTARY FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL

Arrived 6/2/44 Course No. 46

FLYING TIMES (at this Unit)

Type of Aircraft	Dual to First Solo	Total Dual	Total Solo	Passenger Flying	Link Trainer
D.H. 82		10.00		.40	

Flying Instruction Given By F/O A Goldfinch

DETAILS OF ASSESSMENTS

Flying Test

Personal Characteristics

To be completed
for all P.N.B.W.
trainees.

Testing Officer F/LT SHARLEY Assessor F/O GOLDFINCH

Item	Max.	10 Hour Test	Item	Max.	Mark
1. Taxiing	20	14	1. Appearance and Bearing	5	3.75
2. Cockpit Drill	15	15	2. Mental Alertness	12½	6.25
3. Take Off and Climb	90	70	3. Self-Confidence	15	11.50
4. Medium Turns	60	40	4. Initiative	12½	6.25
5. Spinning	65	37	5. Emotional Stability	15	10.00
6. Gliding Turns	60	53	6. Energy	7½	5.00
7. Circuit	190	114	7. Dependability	7½	3.00
8. Landing	200	74	8. Leadership	15	10.00
9. Correction of Bad Landing	80	66	9. Punctuality	10	2.50
10. Airmanship, General Alertness and Style	120	82			
11. Steep Turns	50				
12. Side Slips	50				
TOTAL	1000	565	TOTAL	100	59.25

REMARKS (if any): A good type. but is rough on controls & is tensing badly near ground.

Date 28/2/44 (Signed) D.H. Sharley F/LT
Testing Officer (D.H. SHARLEY)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

- Details of flying test to be entered from Flying Test Cards
- Further details in respect of Air Grading Flight Trainees who do not graduate as Pilots are required overleaf.

REMARKS (if Categorised Pilot):

R. Plumridge F/LT
(H. PLUMRIDGE)

Commanding Officer

DETAILS ON TRAINEES NOT GRADUATING AS PILOTS

Chief Reasons for not Graduating

Reason	Mark "X"	Give Brief Particulars
Air Sickness		
Other Medical		
Discipline		
Personal Request		
Failure to learn to fly		If this is a chief reason for suspension, a full report by the final Flying Instructor is required below.

REPORT BY C.G.I. (Discipline Record, Outlook, etc.)

Signed.....
O.C. Flight

REPORT BY CHIEF FLYING INSTRUCTOR

Signed.....
C.F.I.

In all cases where "Failure to learn to fly" has been shown as a chief reason for suspension, Parts A and B (below) are to be filled out by the last Instructor from whom the pupil received flying instruction (not flight test).

PART A—DESCRIPTION OF FLYING FAULTS

Mark and describe only those flying operations which the pupil was finally unable to learn, and in which he continued to show persistent faults.

Operation	Mark "X"	Brief Description of Particular Faults
Taxying		
Straight and Level		
Climbing		
Turns		
Taking Off		
Planning Circuit		
Turning to Land		
Speed of Approach		
Height above Ground		
Touching Down		
Recovery (from bad landing)		
Spinning		

PART B—EXPLANATION OF FLYING FAULTS

Mark any of the following which apply to this pupil and add others if required.

Afraid of Flying	Poor Co-ordination	Lacks Common Sense
Easily Flustered	Heavy on Controls	Lacks Air Sense
Lacks Confidence	Rough on Controls	Forgets Instructions
Tightens Up	"Pump Handling"	Cannot Understand Instruments
No Enthusiasm	Slow Reaction	Dull

Of those marked, indicate the most important with the number "1," and the second most important with "2," the third most important with "3."

Signed.....
Flying Instructor

REMARKS (if not Graduating):