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Lammas
(Scol. Qr. Day) Saturday 1

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9th after
Trinity

Sunday 2

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Bank
Holiday

Monday 3

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Tuesday 4

Had our
Navigation Exam
I got 98%.

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Saturday 8

Went to Sylvania.
to Joan Barnard's party
to-night.

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Trinity

Sunday 9

Elaine, Joan Barnard,
Eddie & myself went
& saw the Jap subs
at Bensalong Pt this
afternoon.

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Monday 10

Posting parade ^{observers}
this afternoon - 52 going
to ED. 21 to Cootamundra

Duty Flight to-day.

Went out & saw Elaine
to-night.

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Tuesday 11

Handed back all our
gear, got our
clearances, pay &
leave passes &
Commenced leave.
Went over to Longueville
& saw Elaine.

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Wednesday 12

Commenced Pre-embark
leave.

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Thursday 13

Poked around home

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Friday 14

Elaine & I left for
Parkes to-night.

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Saturday 15

Arrived Parkes 7.30 am.
Went up to see Mrs Brown.
Caught rail-motor for
Narromine. Met Dawes
& went out to Valhalla
to-night.

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11th after
Trinity Sunday 16

Went over to Richardsons,
saw Miss Dahl, Rathbone
& Hartin.

Leo, Miss Dahl &
myself left for Parkes this
afternoon. We saw
Elaine off on train to
Sydney.

I slept at Boun's
to-night.

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Monday 17

Caught the Diesel
to Euabalong West this
morning 8-25 a.

Went up to school with
Frank this afternoon.

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Tuesday 18

Went for a ride around
on the lake - went down
to the pier. Caught the
Diesel

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Saturday 22

Reported back to 2 E.D.
this morning. We
drew eating gear & were
given leave to-night. I
went home for a while &
then over to Longueville.

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12th after
Trinity Sunday 23

Rode the bike from Figgiss to
St Leonards. Elaine rode it
back. Reported to 2 E.D. - had
3 teeth filled. We were
locked in E.D. all day -
guards all around the fence.
We were taken by double
decker buses to Central.
The family came in to see
us off. Train left Central
at 7.35 pm. 8 in compartment

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Monday 24

Arrived Albury 6.45 a
had breakfast - saw
Spirit of Progress. Arrived
Spencer St Mtlb. & were
taken by Elec train to
Showground at Ascot Vale.

We were given leave
from 5.0 pm. Ken, Geoff
a few others & myself went
skating at Glaciarium.

Arrived back at camp at
12.30 pm.

Tea at 4.45 pm.

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Tuesday 25

Arose 6.30, Breakfast -
parade - route march.
Lectures on Met, Signs
Nav. Marked our Kit
bags. We had leave
from 4.0 pm.

We went in to town
& saw "Lives of a Bengal
lancer".

~~He~~ Went for a walk
along the bank of the Yarra &
through the gardens.
Girls are tram conductors &
porters, modern trams, broad
streets.

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Wednesday 26 ☺

V. windy & quite cool. Went for a route march this morning around the grounds. Fixed up the rifle range. Stand down at 3 pm. We had tea & went in to town. It rained for a while & then fined up. Geoff went visiting. In. I visited a couple of hospitality huts & then went out to St Kilda - walked along the promenade, had a look at Luna Park, St Moritz ice skating & then came home. arrived back 12 pm.

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Thursday 27

Received 25 clothes coupons
from a W.A.F. named
Gary Roberts - lives
at Belmore Sydney

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Friday 28

Arose at 6.45am had breakfast - accompanied by music from a wireless set. Our crockery is all washed for us. After route march this morning we had a few lectures - on nothing. It rained on & off to-day with a cool wind blowing.

We finished at 3pm. Went in to town after tea - bought "The Man from Snowy River" & a few Readers Digests - wandered around then went up to air force house & wrote letters.

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Saturday 29

Cold & windy to-day.

We had a couple of lectures this morning - one on ship discipline & what to take.

I bought a new blue shirt to-day - 6/9 without collar.

If we have somewhere to sleep we have leave for weekend from 1100 hrs to-day till

0730 hrs on Monday. We

went in to town to-day & took a few photos. Went

ice skating to St Moritz at St Kilda to-night. Came home with 2 waifs - Gay Roberts & Marcia Cohen.

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18th after
Trinity

Sunday 30

Cold & Windy - we arose
at 8.30 - breakfast was
over by then. We washed
our clothes this morning &
ironed the shirts this afternoon.
It rained fairly heavily
to day. We had tea in
camp and then went in
to M.C.A. - wrote a few
letters. Then went up
to a dance in Exhibition
Hall. Geoff & I came
back to camp early.

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Monday 31

Cold & Windy to day -
rained very heavily to night.
Several parties of us went out
visiting various factories
and aerodromes. I went
to Laverton. They have
quite a few planes of
various kinds there -
mostly British - a few Yank.
& an ^{Spitfire} XX special. We met
Joyce & Anne, ~~Lydia~~ ^{Lydia} & Lough
Lena & the 6 of us went
to the Athanacum & saw
Lydia. I arrived home at
12 - saw Joyce home.