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PRESIDENT'S PAR

Anzac Day 2005

On Anzac Eve CBers assembled in Martin Place as evening closed in, and joined a more numerous group of Australian Intelligence Association veterans for the march to the Cenotaph and wreath-laying ceremony. As usual the parade was led by cadets of Pittwater House Grammar School, who formed the Catafalque Party and without whom the ceremony would not be nearly so impressive. Our thanks to the school and also A.I.A. for their co-operation.

On Anzac Day, the late Dennis Moore's son, Rob and grandson Ian (only fifteen but already over six feet tall) led the twenty seven C.B.I.C.A. Marchers and proudly carried the banner on behalf of us old guys. The unexpected aftermath came a few days later in the form of a phone call from Rob Moore; observing the stress the march puts on members and also the number who no longer take part because of physical problems, Rob had contacted the Anzac March Secretary, Mr Michael Ross, who has very kindly agreed to provide us with a seven seater Landrover at the next Anzac March. Congratulations to Rob for showing such initiative and our sincere thanks to Michael Ross for so readily providing a solution to this problem.

The march up George Street can only be described as "heart-warming", as the rows of flag waving spectators seem to double each year. The Marriott Hotel, the new venue for our Reunion Luncheon, is handily located, and the accommodation and service were very good. An added bonus was the presence of our history author, Chris Clark, who took the opportunity to chat with as many of our members as possible. All in all a very successful Anzac Day with a larger than last year attendance of 41.



ANZAC DAY 2005 Marriott Hotel Sydney
(Stan Baylis took the photograph)

MacArthur Memorial Visit 15th August

*Monday!
not a good day*

The latest information from John Dwyer is that there will definitely be some form of celebration on the 15th August, even though there seems to be no possibility of the completion of stage two by that date. John says there will be a feature film display of the work of photographer, Damien Parer, a captured Japanese flag from Milne Bay, and possibly a cocktail party. He will also try to arrange a special visit by CB members but full details will not be available until July.

Another possibility announced by Helen Kenny on Anzac Day is that David Parker may be able to arrange transport for a group visit to the Intelligence Museum at Canungra.

As there will be no further newsletter before 15th August we are asking all those interested in travelling to Brisbane for a stay of a few days around that date to complete the acceptance form attached to this NL and post promptly to secretary Joy Granger. As soon as full details are known those who have returned the form will receive a

circular letter with definite information re dates and times.

Arrangements for transport to and from Brisbane and accommodation while there will be left to individual members. This is the best solution we can see to the problem, so if you would like to go please complete and return the form. [It seems that the Brisbane exhibition – “Ekka” will run from August 11 – August 20, and accommodation in Brisbane is often booked out at this time.]

Mac Jamieson has advised members of the Queensland WU Association about the proposed celebration on 15th August and indicated the possibility of our being able to meet up with them on that occasion. We'll be keeping Mac informed of all developments. For the record, MacArthur Chambers is on the corner of Queen and Edward Streets, entrance from Edward Street.

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HON. SECRETARY'S PAR

Hello everyone.....this is remembrance time and the social report on Anzac Day. We had 27 marchers. On a superb autumn day our roll up for the march was: - Banner bearers Rob Moore and nephew Ian McBragh (both for Dennis), Leader/President Gordon Gibson, Norm Allen, Ivan Auprince (with g/son Matthew McLaren), Ellen Barnes (for G/father Ken Robbins), Noni Benn, Kath Burns, Keith Carolan with daughter Diane and Marisa Sillince, Judy Carson, Don Dunn, Joyce Grace, Joy Granger, Ailsa Hale, Lou Harris, Frank Hughes, Jacqui Keeling (for Norma's brothers), Brian and Bruce Lovett (our banner bearers for years) and Brian's son, David, Les McClean, Alan Norton, Bill Rogers, Jack Shoebridge. The crowds were enormous and incredibly enthusiastic. We finished quite early, had coffee at Hyde Park and then milled around for some time at the Marriott, being too early. A number decided to visit a local hostelry. A gent in singlet, shorts and thongs advised against it as it was for "wankers only" - the mind boggles. Need was great (it had become very hot) so they went anyway. Apparently, they

received some strange looks! Others were told of a quiet pub a block down Wentworth St and enjoyed it greatly away from the crowds. For future reference perhaps. It was the Macquarie Boutique Hotel.

And so to the luncheon. President Gordon welcomed all, especially those from interstate, the A.C.T. and far and near North Coast. Apologies were received from Judy Carson - she was not feeling the best after marching and decided to go home, regretfully. Alan and Pam Langdon were in Brisbane for Alan's brother's 80th; Eric (just out of hospital) and Eve Webb; Bob Leonard - knee problem; Keith Phillips has had a stroke, sorry to report. Good wishes received from Carol and Sandy Hinds, also Syd Carey. Belated apologies received from Margaret McCafferty and the 'other' Gordon Gibson - Peg has had both knees reconstructed and unable to share the driving. We send out best wishes to you all.

Those enjoying a most convivial lunch were Stan and Maureen Baylis, Noni Benn and Hope Creary, Bruce Bentwitch and Faye Gilinsky, Col and Mark Brackley, Kath Burns, Keith, Joan and Diane Carolan, Joyce (Casey) Jeremeas, Syd Cooper, Historian Chris C-Clark, Gordon and Sue Gibson, Joyce Grace, Joy Granger, David and Noeline Hansen, Lou Harris, Frank Hughes, Jacqui Keeling, Helen Kenny, Les McClean, Doug McNally, Alan and Katie Norton, Diana Parker, Roy and Lynette Perry, Bill and Jan Rogers, Jack Shoebridge, Gordon Swinney and Family - Peter, Helen, Susan and Joanne, and Peg Teague.

It was certainly a convenient venue, a very pleasant room (no view sadly) well presented with excellent service. Feedback on the menu was mixed - not as good as the Mercure; however, I'm sure we all had enough to survive. We'll give thought to the menu anon.

That's my lot for now and hope I haven't overlooked anyone. We remember those no longer able to join us; we know you are with us in spirit. Finally, VALE Joe Richard, Al Jenkin and Eve Scott

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HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

In the March Newsletter mention was made of the return of a few members of 6 Wireless unit by B-24 Liberator.

Alan Fookes, a member of the group, reminded me that prior to take off from Clark Field it had been necessary to replace a wingtip as the aircraft had clipped another on the tarmac! Alan mentioned the replacement was ill fitting but did its job.

Another aircraft movement I vividly recall occurred at Tacloban, Leyte, during the transfer of about 36 members of 6 W.U. from Tolosa to San Miguel, Luzon, late in May 1945.

We boarded an American Curtis C-46 which had metal seats on the side of the cabin with our gear stored in the centre. On take off I could just see the port motor through a window, and as we proceeded down the runway I noticed the propeller was barely turning. Next, the engineer rushed from the rear to the cockpit. The airplane managed to take off on the other motor, circled over Leyte Gulf and returned to the airstrip; the chief pilot alighted chewing gum while his assistant was a ghostly white. After eight hours sitting around the tarmac the motor was rewired and with a certain amount of apprehension we re-boarded and had a smooth flight to Clark Field. Incidentally the C-46 was known as the Liberty Ship of the air, and had a rather poor safety record unlike the Douglas C-47.

A few years ago after the Sydney Anzac Day march four of us were walking through Hyde Park when mention was made of the incident. Each of us had been on that aircraft.

The four were Dennis Moore, Gordon Gibson (the RAAF type, not our president), Reg Murphy and myself. As we all know Dennis died some years ago, while Reg died earlier this year, aged well into his nineties.

Recently I had a note and phone call from Geoff Howard, one of our A.C.T. members. He told me he also returned by air but a little later than our group.

Geoff has had successful cataract surgery, but like many other members has spinal problems. This we know prevents members attending functions. As for me, I have recently had three lots of surgery, been stitched up, and feel OK.

Subscriptions

Members who have paid subs this year will have receipts enclosed with the June Newsletters, or will have received them in the March Newsletter. A few paid in advance last year.

About 40 members have not paid subs so we request they check their records and forward payments as soon as possible.

Finally, good or improving health to all.

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ANZAC EVE

The Anzac Eve wreath-laying ceremony in Martin Place was very special this year. Because of transport hardships and evening travel CB had only a small contingent present - Gordon Gibson, Frank Hughes, Bill Rogers, Diana Parker, and Helen Kenny. As usual we joined A.I.A., the Australian Intelligence Association, forming up with them to parade to the Cenotaph. A.I.A. members always wear berets.

Just before we started off, a couple of A.I.A. members came over and handed us each a beret. "We brought some spares," they said. "We thought you might like to wear them, because you're Intelligence too. If you're marching tomorrow, you can wear them then."

The berets were only lent, but we appreciated the gesture, donned our berets, and moved off, accompanied as usual by the Pittwater House Schools Cadet Unit, which had helped us so much at Anzac Eve and Anzac Day ceremonies.

The Australian Intelligence Magazine for Summer 2005 informs us that the Commanding Officer of this Cadet Unit, Lt. Col Ian Morgan has retired after 32 years of service to the unit. Major Richard Morgan has been appointed as Officer Commanding the Unit. A.I.A. and CBICA wish him well in the new appointment

LETTER FROM ELSIE RICHARD

Dear Ms Kenny,

It is my sad duty to inform you that my husband, Joe Richard, passed away April 8th, 2005, from complications of pulmonary fibrosis from which he had suffered and fought for many years. Could you find space in an upcoming Newsletter to let his "cobbers" know that he has marched his last march and written his last "piece" - a job well done.

Yours sincerely,

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VALE

This obituary for Joe Richard appeared in the Washington Post of April 13. We reprint it below, and hope to receive from Elsie Richard and her family another report on Joe's life. He was greatly admired and respected by CBers. He will be sadly missed.

RICHARD, JOSEPH EUGENE of Silver Spring, MD, passed away on Friday, April 8, 2005 from complications of Cardio-pulmonary disease. He was the beloved husband of 59 years of Elsie Olive Richard; loving father of Robyn Brayton, and husband Neil, of Chestertown, MD, and Joel C. Richard of Silver Spring, MD; brother of John Richard of San Diego, CA and Elizabeth Upright of Fairbanks, AK. Additional survivors include five grandchildren, Victoria Richard, Panama City, FL, John Brayton, Baltimore, MD, Allison Brayton, London, England, Bonnie Richard, Columbia, MD and Ens. Douglas Brayton, USN.

Joseph "Joe" Richard was a cryptanalyst retiring from a distinguished career with the National Security Agency in 1973. Joe's career began in the U.S. Army Signal Corps in World War II. In 1943 he was instrumental in breaking the first high level Japanese Army code to be read in WWII. The hard work of the Signal Corps enabled the Allies to disrupt the Japanese supply system saving thousands of lives and shortening the war. For Joe's efforts he was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1944. In 1971 Joe was awarded the NSA's Cryptologic Service Award. In July 1993 Joe was inducted into the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Corps Hall of Fame located at Ft. Huachuca, AZ. In 2004 he was honoured for Outstanding Achievement in Military Service by induction into the Sweetwater Union HS District Hall of Fame in San Diego, CA. Following declassification of WWII subject matter, he contributed articles and information to many historical books on code breaking.

In accordance with his wishes, Joe's body has been donated to science. The family will receive friends on Sunday, April 24, 2005 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the late residence. Inurnment in Arlington National Cemetery will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the National Cryptologic Museum Foundation, Inc., PO Box 1682, Ft. George G. Meade, MD 20703.

This obituary for Eva Scott appeared in the Courier Mail Brisbane of June 15.



Eve Helen Scott (nee Hicks) W.A.A.F. Sgt Q93984, late of Carindale. Passed away peacefully 13th June 2005.

Beloved wife of Norm (dec'd). Loving mother and Mother in Law of Robyn and Fritz, Wayne and Jo-Anne and Janice. Loving Oma of Michael, Zoe and Tim.

Eve Scott enlisted in W.A.A.A.F on 1 December 1941 as a Clerk General. She served a several

RAAF Engineering Repair Units before being posted to Central Bureau Intelligence Unit where she spent a short time at 21 Henry Ascot before moving to Oriel Park Ascot. Here she was introduced to the IBM tabulators and punch cards – *“doing 1000 cards was the norm to punch – no chatting heads down, tails up – 4 – midnight shift.”*

Eve and Norm were married on 24 October 1944, but not see each other again until December 1945.

Eve was demobbed in October 1945. In 1997, Eve published her book titles “Untold & Told Stories of the Air Force. RAAF & WAAAF.”

[Eve Scott was one of the keenest members of CBICA, and a constant contributor to our Newsletter, always sending snippets of news, photographs and cuttings. We will miss – and her contributions. [H.K]

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Post card from Pimlico, UK
From historian Chris Coulthard-Clark dated 4 June 2005 addressed to Helen Kenny

Hi Helen,

Thought you would appreciate this view of your spiritual home [Post card shown Britain's National Archives where in 1986 I spent a pleasurable month doing research. H.K.] It has been mine, too, for the last week. I am glad to report that I got what I came for, but at a cost. The Archives here charges A\$1.00 plus per page, so it is not hard to rack up an enormous bill very quickly, as I have done. Even so, it is the most economical way to utilize limited time, otherwise I would have to spend months here. The stuff found here is indispensable to the Central Bureau book, including a lot of Sandford correspondence and reporting by CBB to GCCS (BP). It will take a while for the material I have ordered to catch up with me but when it arrives I will be set to start writing seriously. Cheers to all in CBICA.
Chris

Post card from Ottawa, Canada,
From historian Chris Coulthard-Clark dated 15 June 2005 addressed to Helen Kenny

Hi Helen,

Finished my work with the Archives here yesterday afternoon, just in time as I fly out in a few hours. The visit here has been very successful as I now have the full story on how and why No 1 Canadian Special Wireless Group ended up in Darwin, and it's a bit different to what I have read up to now. Hope the US leg proves as fruitful. Will spend most of my time in Washington, but have scheduled a couple of days at the MacArthur Memorial at Norfolk Virginia. Hope also to line up one or two interviews (if time permits), as I did in London too. Cheers for now,
Signed Chris

THE LAUNDRY CODES

When you were in the Philippines did you ever discover pages of codebooks in the washing done for you by Filipino laundresses?

An American WAC, Irene Brion, who was at San Miguel just before the war ended, describes such an incident.

This cryptographer and others were working there in a hacienda, damaged by its former Japanese occupiers, and were concentrating on Japanese shipping codes. Then, as she writes: "One of the many Filipino women who did laundry for people in the camp returned a bundle that was wrapped in pages from a Japanese air codebook. A feverish search was on to locate the woman and all the customers to whom she'd delivered laundry.

"The discovery was fortuitous. At that time, the Japanese air force could no longer operate effectively in the Philippines area, but it was having considerable success in the China theater. Our military was eager to get all the information it could from the air codes in order to curtail the heavy losses we were incurring there. By tracking down the laundresses Signal Corps personnel managed to recover a significant number of pages of the codebook, so we spent the remaining weeks of the war working on this air code."

You can read this account - and many others in the book "A Woman's War in the South Pacific: LADY GI - The Memoirs of Irene Brion". (Published by Presidio Press in 1997, ISBN 0-89141-633-1).

Irene Brion, 23 when she joined the WAAC (later WAC) in 1943, kept diaries and letters at the time, and started to write her memoirs in 1946. Because of secrecy, she withheld publication until 1997.

The writing has the freshness of youth, the immediacy of an intelligent observer. Irene Brion, a teacher after the war, was not one of those who came to Australia.

Her route by ship took her to Milne Bay, to Oro Bay, both in Papua, then to Hollandia in Dutch New Guinea. The book has many pictures of Lake Sentani, and of the Philippines, where she went via Palau.

It also contains biographical sketches of the girls with whom she worked, and anecdotes about Australians. She particularly liked the silver jewellery she bought from some Australians, who'd transformed shillings into rings.

Peter Donovan alerted Newsletter to this book. It's one for your collection.

THE ASCOT PARK MAP

This was pinned to the wall of the dining room at the Marriott Hotel, Sydney, when CBers gathered for the reunion lunch on Anzac Day.

The map - actually a block plan - dated September 1945, was lent by Dr Peter Donovan, who found it in the National Archives, Brisbane. Drawn on a scale of 40 feet to one inch, it came from the Office of the Engineer Headquarters, US Army, and showed the "man-proof fence" surrounding 31 buildings in the park.

Marked on the plan were the familiar streets, Kitchener, Lancaster and Charlton, the nearby railway, and all buildings within the park, but not the fire station. These buildings bore numbers, not letters of the alphabet - letters being more familiar to CBers who worked in the Park at the time.

Bill Rogers pointed to Hut 13 - traffic analysis. John Shoebridge picked out Captain Nave's hut, saying: "I was in that hut, but was a real junior - very young. Captain Nave was a quiet man, and got on with his work, saying very little."

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The buildings were: 1. Canteen; 2. Latrine, 14 hole; 3-17 - fifteen offices; 19 - Latrine, 14 holes; 19-20, two offices; 21, one office; 22, office (existing building); 25, 26, 27, 28 offices; 29, one portable hut; 30, one guard hut 3 feet x 3 feet; 31, one guard hut 14 feet x 4 feet.

(That first guard hut sounds more like a dog kennel!)

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Newsletter would be grateful if CBers, who worked in the Park, could name the huts they were in and the work they did.

STRATHPINE DAYS

Do you remember Strathpine? It was a bushland camp out of Brisbane, with three airstrips nearby, and with a cluster of tents and huts. In 1944 and 1945, men of Numbers 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 RAAF Wireless Units were stationed there.

At the Anzac Day lunch Lou Harris and Alan Norton mentioned that they'd been in camp there, and that they'd contributed to a book, "I Remember ... Recollections of Pine Rivers Shire during World War II."

(The book, edited by Nicola Geeson and published by Pine Rivers Shire Council in 1995, was reprinted in August 2000. Its ISBN is 0 9596428 6 2. Copies, at the time of writing, were still obtainable from Mr Leith Barter, Librarian, Pine Rivers Shire Council, 22 Gympie Rd, Strathpine, Queensland, 4500. Cost was \$8.80 plus \$2 postage).

Contributors to the chapter "RAAF Wireless Units" were Alan Marsland, Lou Harris, K. Fletcher, Alan Norton, Al Jenkin, E. Heap and A. Ryan.

Alan Marsland reported to 5WU after 21 months in forward areas. He wrote: "While at Strathpine we did not engage in our normal duties of Signals Intelligence, but spent time doing route marches, and rifle practice. On one route march we walked

cross country to Redcliffe and back. Our Commanding Officer had a warped sense of humour and when he wanted to give us commando training he used to have us woken up by throwing exploding gelignite into our tent lines."

Lou Harris, a skilled kana operator, started his career with the RAAF at Point Cook, served at Townsville, then in New Guinea where, after Nadzab, he contracted dengue fever and was sent back to hospital in Australia.

As he writes: "After hospitalisation I went to Strathpine, where other members of my unit had come to rest before returning overseas."

He remembers the 15 minute walk from Strathpine Station to the camp, "the quietness and the crisp clean air and fresh water," the tents by the fighter airstrip, the enjoyment of leave time in Brisbane.

The trip there, of course, was by steam train. Lou, who had starched and ironed his summer uniform, recalls how he sat down in the carriage, and stood up later with a "thin film of ash" all over the seat of his trousers.

He had, still has, "happy memories of Strathpine."

After his time there he went north again, survived a crash at Merauke, and sailed in convoy from Morotai to Labuan Island, Borneo, going ashore in June '45 from LST 696 on the first day of the landing.

K. Fletcher, of 4WU was camped at Strathpine before discharge in 1946. "To relieve the boredom of waiting for notice of discharge ... we used to race trucks up and down the airstrip," he wrote.

Alan Norton (nick-named "Farmer") was a kana code operator with Numbers 1, 5 and 7 Wireless Units.

He arrived from Morotai in about March 1945, and had his 21st birthday at Strathpine ... "very uneventful, as there were no celebrations."

At the rear of the camp were corrugated iron sheds in which "some sort of teleprinter equipment was being used." Wireless Unit Operators were rostered to be in attendance during the day and night.

Men lived four to a tent. "You were lucky if you were put in a tent with blokes with whom you had some rapport because there were a few punch-ups in tents where this was not the case."

He saw RAAF servicemen doing pack drill on the parade ground - punishment for going AWL. They did hours of "boring soul-destroying drill," with full military equipment, pack bags and rifle. They "were exhausted when it was over, but mostly ... unrepentant." Other Strathpine memories for Alan were of deep pit toilets, hessian surrounded, rather dangerous to find in the dark.

The return train trip from Brisbane saw thousands of servicemen packed in "like noisy sardines." He saw a Beaufighter overshoot the strip, crash into a farmer's fence and burst into flames. "The place was abuzz with excitement. It is amazing how even a disaster can liven a place up."

Alan, a country lad from Western Australia, was due for leave, but the train trip would have taken too long. The Camp Adjutant at Strathpine got him a lift direct to Perth on a Dutch Boston Bomber. He had his leave, returned to Strathpine, then it was "off to Luzon" in the Philippines.

E. Heap, posted from No 3 WU, Darwin, to 7WU, Strathpine, took a roundabout trip of six weeks to get there overland. Tents were pitched under mango trees which were full of giant mosquitoes. The story, wrote Earle Heap, "was that the troops were to get used to the tropical atmosphere." As the men had spent 15 months in the tropics, they needed no introduction to mosquitoes. After enduring mosquitoes biting through his summer uniform for one day, Heap left the very next day on leave, returning to Strathpine in April 1945. He, too, remembered the Beaufighter crash ("nobody was seriously injured.")

His attachment to RAAF Command followed, and later came Biak, Morotai and the Philippines.

A Ryan was part of the Strathpine Unit camped at Lawnton. He saw the Beaufighter crash and the fire, and also another fire when the town's only hotel was destroyed. A temporary, galvanised iron pub replaced it. There were long queues for beer.

L. Howard, on return from the Philippines, was transferred to his old unit - 1 WU, then went to Lawnton to 9WU at the Strathpine airstrip.

While awaiting discharge at Strathpine a Dakota landed with prisoners of war returning home after a stay in a convalescent camp. The experienced pilot clipped trees on approach, managed to stop short of the trees at the end of the strip, and landed safely.

Everyone disembarked. Next day senior officers conferred. Should the plane be stripped of all fittings and left as a war souvenir? Should it be dismantled and moved by road transport?

Eventually the pilot got permission to reduce weight to a minimum, including crew and fuel, and to take off.

"He managed to get off the ground and with a top branch of one of the trees dangling from the undercarriage, disappeared into the distance." He reached Archerfield.

Al Jenkin was stationed at Strathpine from November '44 to February '45 with 5 WU, which was being formed and organised for departure to the Philippines.

He wrote of the small house, which served as a combined officers and N.C.O.'s mess, with a bar. There was also a small room "decorated with beautiful art work of black silhouettes with nicknames of pilots from the Spitfire squadron."

[The RAAF Wireless Units had many predecessors at Strathpine: 80 Fighter Squadron (USAAF), 548 and 549 Squadrons (RAAF/RAF), the US 1st Cavalry, and the AIF - men of the Seventh Division, back from the Middle East. The book lists them all.]

Al wrote of an Avro Anson's forced landing and of flames, of General Blamey's review of military troops, who marched about 20 abreast in a terrific display. When the first four-wheel trucks arrived, Al and others practised driving them on the airstrip. Al's time at Strathpine ended when a ten hundredweight radio transmitter toppled and squeezed him against a railing. He spent months in Greenslopes Hospital, and was left behind when the unit was sent to the Philippines. On its return, Al

rejoined it, when personnel were preparing for demobilisation.

[The small but valuable book contains reminiscences by farmers of the area, by women, Land Army girls, and by Air Force and Army men who served there. May I add my own, brief memory of Strathpine. How it came about I don't know but some of the cipher girls from Henry Street were taken to Strathpine for a party in the NCOs mess, where I had my first taste of a strange drink called advocaat and cherry brandy. I sipped it gingerly - perhaps wisely, previously having sampled only weak claret cup.

On VP Day, some of the RAAF lads from Strathpine turned up at Henry Street with a jeep, collected Estelle (James) McInnes and me (any others?) and took us in to Brisbane to see the celebrations. (We'd had a previous trip when the peace was a false alarm.) The celebrations were almost over when we got there, and my chief memory is of Hirohito's effigy dangling from the AMP building - MacArthur's headquarters. H.K.]

ANNOUNCEMENT

Sydney will hold a special march on Saturday, August 13th to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of VP / VJ day. Only ex-servicemen and women from World War II may take part. The short march starts at 0900, sets off from Pitt Street, near Hunter, passes through Martin Place, goes down George Street and ends at Liverpool Street.

The Premier of NSW, the Hon. Robert (Bob) Carr, is arranging a free breakfast to be served to marchers from 0730 to 0830 in Martin Place.

The July issue of Reveille will carry details. CBers in other states should consult this, or check with the RSL for marches in their capital cities.