

A59-64 SF-H HONEST, I THO'T IT WAS HITLER, puppy side art.

Last corrected 24 Jul 22 - Phil Herdman

21 Jan 44				“Allotted to 13 Sqn & cancelled.”		Status Card
24 Jan 44				“Ventura A59-64 (2 AD) allotted to unit for 40Hr inspection.”		14 RSU A50 64
31 Jan 44				“Engine failure. Port engine causing forced landing. Unable to reach Mt Gambier on one engine & force landed near that aerodrome.”		
Status Card						
3 Feb 44				“A59-64 & 66 allotted to 2 AP.”		14 RSU A50
10 Feb 44				“Received 2 AP ex 14 RSU.”		Status Card
9 Mar 44				“80hr inspection carried out by 2 AP.”		Status Card
12 Apr 44				“Received 32 Sqn ex 2 AP.” & cancelled.		Status Card
16 Apr 44				“Ventura aircraft PV 1 A59-64 arrived on allotment from 2 AP.”		13 Sqn A50 64
17 Apr 44				“Received 13 Sqn ex 32 Sqn.”		Status Card
8 Jun 44	F/Lt CR Moore	Canberra? - Cooktown	Travel	“Proposed flight 28 May”		13 Sqn Records & Returns 64
28-Jun-44		Cooktown - Cooktown		Formation towards Cairns		Cooktown Watch Log 64
12-Jul-44		Cooktown- Cairns - Cooktown				Cooktown Watch Log 64
18-Jul-44		Cooktown - Cooktown	Test			Cooktown Watch Log 64
20-Jul-44		Cooktown - Cooktown	Test			Cooktown Watch Log 64
21-Jul-44		Cooktown - Cairns				Cooktown Watch Log 64
?		Cairns - Cook				
25-Jul-44		Cooktown-Cairns - Cooktown				Cooktown Watch Log 64
26-Jul-44		Cooktown - Cooktown	Formation flying			Cooktown Watch Log 64/form
27-Jul-44		Cooktown - Cooktown	Local			Cooktown Watch Log 64
31-Jul-44	SF-H	F/O KS Veal-Cooktown	CMI 26 W Ptl Force L	landed 310030Z	NEA Comp Ops CMI 24-1 SF-H/Veal/landed & NIR	13 Sqn
31-Jul-44	SF-H	P/O WH Semple	-Cooktown	CMI 26 W Ptl Force L	landed 310830Z NEA Comp Ops CMI 24-1 SF-H/Semple/landed & NIR	13 Sqn
8-Aug-44		Cooktown - Cooktown	Local			Cooktown Watch Log 64
9 Aug 44	F/Sgt MT Boyd	Cook-Merauke	Travel			13 Sqn A51 64
10 Aug 44	SF-R	F/Sgt MT Boyd	Mer – Mer	CMI 30-2	Strike Dobo	13 Sqn A51 64 & RAAF Command NEA HQ SF-R
						in Narrative title & SF-F in narrative
10-Aug-44	SF-H	P/O WH Semple				NEA Comp Ops CMI 30 SF-H (a/c - pilot order as written)
11 Aug 44	F/Sgt MT Boyd	Merauke – Cook	Travel			13 Sqn A51 64
14-Aug-44		Cooktown - Cairns - Cooktown				Cooktown Watch Log 64
15-Aug-44		Cooktown - Cairns - Cooktown				Cooktown Watch Log 64
18 Aug 44	SF-H	F/Sgt MT Boyd	Cook – Cook	CMI 33-3	W Ptl Force JE	13 Sqn A51 64 & NEA Comp Ops SF-H
19-Aug-44		Cook? - Cairns - Bowen - Cairns				Cooktown Watch Log 64
?		Cairns - Cook				

24-Aug-44		Cooktown - Gove	<i>off Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
25-Aug-44		Gove	<i>off Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
27-Aug-44		Gove	<i>down Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
28-Aug-44		Gove	<i>off Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
29-Aug-44		Gove	<i>down Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
1-Sep-44		Gove? - Cairns	<i>off Cairns</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
2-Sep-44		Cairns	<i>down Cairns</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
3-Sep-44		Gove	<i>off Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
8-Sep-44	SF-H	P/O MT Boyd	Gov-Ptl-Dwn - Gov	Gov 7-2 W Ptl Force S Suva & Alagna	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/7-2/to Dwn low oil	
29-Sep-44		Gove	<i>down Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
1-Oct-44		Gove	<i>off Gove</i>		Cooktown Watch Log 64	
3 Oct 44		"Received 4 RSU ex 13 Sqn- 240hr & double engine change."			Status Card	
Oct 44		"Work in progress - 240hr & double engine change."			4 RSU A50 64	
Nov 44		"Work in progress - 240hr & double engine change."			4 RSU A50 64	
Dec 44		"240hr & double engine change."			4 RSU A50 64	
14-Dec-44	SF-H	W/C Douglas (CO 2 Sqn)	? - Pell	?	4 RSU A50 64/Douglas/A&D	
15 Dec 44		F/O Barnes	Pell	?	4 RSU A50 64/Barnes/Dep	
17 Dec 44		"Received 13 Sqn ex 4 RSU."			Status Card	
23-Dec-44		P/O P Bowers	?	? Gov 2-2 Force UU Montoro (Radar u/s) 230535 - 230900 Local	13 Sqn A51 Recorded as 64/Radar	
23-Dec-44		F/O FR Ware	?	? Gov 2-4 Force UU Montoro (ASV U/S) 231255-231927 Local	13 Sqn A51 Recorded as 64/ASV	
23-Dec-44	A59-64	SF-H	P/O M T Boyd	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 2-3 Force UU Montoro	79 Wing HQ Air Ops Recorded as SF-H/2-3
25-Dec-44		F/O AG Goudie	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 4-3 Force TS Swartenhondt 4.45hr	13 Sqn A51 64 & Whitlam log 64/Goudie/4.45hr	
26-Dec-44		F/Lt AS Little	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 5-2 Force TS Swartenhondt	13 Sqn A51 64	
4-Jan-45	SF-H	P/O MT Boyd	Gov - Gov	Gunnery & flying formation	13 Sqn Watch 64/H/gun fly	
8-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O WH Semple	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 10-1 Force BB Empire Silver	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/10-1	
8-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O JC Batho	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 10-4 Force BB Empire Silver	"temporarily U/S prior ptl - 1hr delay" 13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/10-4 & 13 Sqn Watch 64/u/s	
14-Jan-45	SF-H	F/Lt JC Batho	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 17-5 Force CC Mexico	64 replaced 68 for this detail 13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-L/17-5 & 13 Sqn Watch H/Batho/64 replace 68	
14-Jan-45	SF-H	P/O MT Boyd	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 17-8 Force CC Mexico	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/17-8	
15-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O P Bowers	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 18-2 Force AD Mangola	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/18-2	
16-Jan-45	SF-H	P/O MT Boyd	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 19-1 Force AD Mangola	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/19-1	
19-Jan-45	SF-H	F/Lt JH Elliott	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 23-5 Force S Peter Cooper Hewitt. (radar u/s)	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/23-5	
19-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O KS Veal	Gov	Gov 23-8 A/C U/S taxied back to inserts	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/23-8 no mention of u/s & 13 Sqn Watch H U/S	
21-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O WH Semple	Gov-Ptl - Merauke	Gov 29-6 Force A Thedens	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/29-6/RON	

22-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O WH Semple	Merauke - Gov	Travel	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H RON Merauke 21st & 13 Sqn Watch H/Gov
23-Jan-45	SF-H	F/Lt AS Little	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 31-2 Armed recce Kai Islands	13 Sqn A51 64 & Narrative report 64 & 13 Sqn Watch H/Little
27-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O FR Ware	Gov-Search - Gov	Gov 53-7 Search for A59-56	13 Sqn A51 64 & 13 Sqn Watch 64/H
30-Jan-45	SF-H	F/Lt AS Little	Gov-Ptl - Dwn/Bat	Gov 38-3 Force CC Andrew D White	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/38-3/Dwn
31-Jan-45	SF-H	F/Lt AS Little	?-Ptl - Dwn	Gov 39-1 Force CC Andrew D White	13 Sqn A51 64 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/39-1/Dwn
31-Jan-45	SF-H	F/O P Bowers	Dwn?	Gov 39-3 cancelled (not required)	13 Sqn A51 64/cancelled & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/39-3/cancelled
1-Feb-45	SF-H	F/Lt AS Little	Bat - Groote	<i>Bad weather at Gove diverted to Groote</i>	(F/O Bowers & crew in SF-H) RON 13 Sqn Watch 64/H/divert Groote RON
2-Feb-45	SF-H	F/Lt AS Little	Groote	<i>Port wheel bogged while taxiing</i>	F/Lt Little/F/O Bowers & crew dep Groote by boat to Gove on 3rd. 13 Sqn Watch H /bogged/boat
5-Feb-45	Anson	?	?-Gov - Groote	<i>With Fitter & Rigger for A59-64</i>	13 Sqn Watch Anson land Gove to Groote & See 51 OBU
6 Feb 45				Message to Groote as ordered by S/L Moore – “ <i>Fitter & Rigger at aircraft – supply with food.</i> ”	13 Sqn Watch Log
7-Feb-45	A59-76	SF-E	F/Lt JC Batho	Gov-Groote - Gov	<i>Supply drop to A59-64 (included spare parts)</i> 13 Sqn Watch E/Groote/supplies/parts
9-Mar 45				<i>W/C Keenan & crew to Groote on crash launch 08-19 to fly back stranded Ventura A59-64</i>	13 Sqn & 56 OBU A50 Keenan/Groote/launch
11-Mar-45		W/C WJ Keenan	Groote - Gov	<i>. arr Gove 1800hrs</i>	13 Sqn A50 & 56 OBU A50 Keenan/Groote/64
20-Mar-45	SF-H	F/O FR Ware	Gov - Gov	Test	13 Sqn Watch H/Ware/test
24-Mar-45	SF-H	F/O KM Twiddy	Gov - Gov	Gunnery	13 Sqn Watch H/Twiddy/gun
24-Mar-45	SF-H	Not in records	Gov - Gov	Gunnery 0219-0324Z	13 Sqn Watch H/gun
24-Mar-45	SF-H	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Gunnery 0602-0724Z	13 Sqn Watch H & Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/Gun
26-Mar-45		F/Lt JH Elliott	Gov - Gov	Night circuit & landings	Thompson log 64/Elliott/nite
27-Mar-45	SF-H	F/O RN Heins	Gov - Gov		13 Sqn Watch H/Heins
28-Mar-45	SF-H	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Gunnery	13 Sqn Watch H & Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/Dive bombing - gunnery
3-Apr-45	SF-H	F/O JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Bomb & Gunnery	13 Sqn Watch 64/H
4-Apr-45	SF-H	F/O JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Training	13 Sqn Watch H/training & Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/DR exercise
12-Apr-45	SF-H	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 3-1 Photo/Armed recce Kai Is	13 Sqn Narrative reports 64/Gov & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/3-1
15-Apr-45	SF-H	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 4-1 Force CB (Charlie Baker) 0450 - 1005 & "Amend SF-M read SF-H"	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/ 4-1 & NWA Watch SF-M to H & Austin log 64/F/Lt/0450
16-Apr-45	SF-H	F/O KM Twiddy	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 6-1 Force CB (Charlie Baker)	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/6-1
23-Apr-45	SF-H	F/O KS Veal	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 11-2 Force TS	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/11-2
1-May-45	SF-H	F/Lt WM Wilson	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 31-1 Force T	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/31
2-May-45	SF-H	F/O KS Veal	Gov-Ptl - Gov	Gov 33-1 Force T	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/33-1 & 13 Sqn Watch H/331
11-May-45	SF-H	Not in records	Gov - Gov		13 Sqn Watch H
12-May-45	SF-H	P/O KB James	Gov - Ptl - Gov	Gov 43-2 Force TU & TS dep 0035Z	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-H/43-2/James
13-Jun-45		F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Test	Thompson & Austin log 64?Dumaresq/test
14-Jun-45		F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Ptl - Gov	W Ptl	Austin log 64/Dumaresq/W Ptl (This flight noted as 99 in Thompson log)
4-Jul-45		F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Air test & gunnery	Thompson & Austin log 64/Dumaresq/test

13-Jul-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Test	Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/test
27-Jul-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gorrie	To 14 ARD to be fitted fireproof bomb bay tanks. 14 ARD A50 64 & 13 Sqn A50 8 ac to Gorrie & Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/Gorrie	
3-Aug-45	F/O RJ McLean	Gorrie - Gov	From 14 ARD	14 ARD A50 64/MacLean & Thompson log 64/Dumaresq
7-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Gov	Local test	Thompson/Austin log 64/Dumaresq/test
12-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Gov - Biak	Travel arr Lab 14th.	13 Sqn A50 6 Ventura arr Labuan & pilot name & Thompson/Austin log 64/Dumaresq/Biak
13-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Biak - Morotai		Thompson/Austin log 64/Dumaresq
14-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Morotai - Labuan	5.40hrs	Thompson/Austin log 64/Dumaresq/Moro-Lab
14-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Lab-Ptl - Labuan	5.50hrs (Ptl could be 24 th - date smudged)	Thompson log 64/Dumaresq/Lab/Ptl
19-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Labuan - Morotai	3 Army pax	Austin log 3 pax
22-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Morotai - Labuan	6 Army pax	Austin log 6 pax
26-Aug-45	F/Lt JA Dumaresq	Labuan - Ptl - Labuan		Austin log 64/Ptl (Could this be Thompson ptl 14 th /24 th ?)
1 Dec 45			<i>"Request allotment 1 RSU ex 13 Sqn for 1 engine change."</i>	Status Card
17 Dec 45			<i>"Allotted 84 OBU ex 1 RSU."</i>	Status Card
19 Dec 45			<i>"Above allotment to 84 OBU cancelled, engine change to be carried out by 13 Sqn."</i>	Status Card
3 Jan 46			<i>"A59-64 to fly Balikpapan 4/1/46 if serviceable."</i>	13 Sqn Watch
3 Jan 46			<i>"A59-64 U/S TMO, AOR TAF, G/Capt Read informed."</i>	13 Sqn Watch
7-Jan-46	SF-H	Labuan-Singapore		13 Sqn Watch H
7 Feb 46			<i>"Received 2 AD ex 13 Sqn for storage."</i>	Status Card

Aircraft Status cards - Ventura A59-1 to A59-20, A59-50 to A59-104 NAA: A10297, BLOCK 376, 3046016

RAAF Command Headquarters - North Eastern Area Headquarters - Operational record NAA: A11093, G, 3315052 (10Aug44)

14 RSU A50 - NAA A9186 369, 1359927.

4 RSU A50 NAA: A9186, 372, 1359933.

NAA RAAF CMD NEA HQ 13 Sqn 3315052

13 Sqn Records & Returns NAA: A11283, 13/1/AIR, 637114.

Control Officer's Watch Log (13 Squadron) - AWM66, 22/1/26, 515693.

79 Wing Operations Room records (1 November - 31 December 1944) - AWM64 6/5D, 695687.

79 Wing Operations Room records, (1 January - 13 May 1945) - AWM64 6/5E, 1968638.