

A59-85 SF-R Reluctant Dragon

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24-Oct-44	P/O L Davies	Gorrie - Gov	Test & travel	Whitlam log 85/Davies/test/travel
25 Oct 44	"Received 13 Sqn ex 14 ARD RP"			Status Card
29-Oct-44	SF-R W/O GW Anning	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 17-6 Force AA Montoro	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/17-6
30-Oct-44	SF-R S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Ptl-Hig	Gov 20-4 Search for 2 Missing P 47's - Found near Aurukun Mission.	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/20-4
9-Nov-44	SF-R S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 26-2 Force BC Virginian	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/26-2
11-Nov-44	F/O PW Clarkson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 28-2 Force U Montoro	8.10hr 13 Sqn A51 85 & Cathro log 85/8.10hr
13-Nov-44	F/O IR Sinclair	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 29-2 Force TT San Simeon	7.05hr 13 Sqn A51 85 & Tranter log 85/7.05hr
16-Nov-44	SF-R S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 35-1 L Anti-shipping search	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report SF-R
18-Nov-44	SF-R P/O HD Dargie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 39-1 L Anti-shipping search	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report SF-R & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/39-1
20-Nov-44	SF-R P/O WM Wilson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 43-1 L Anti-shipping search. Late dep. 200028Z eng trouble after first take off.	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report eng. & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/43-1/eng
22-Nov-44	S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 46-2 Force DB Jane Addams	13 Sqn A51 85
23-Nov-44	SF-R P/O HD Dargie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 1-3 Force B Mathew Flinders	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/1-3
25-Nov-44	F/O GA Anderson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 4-1 L Search	13 Sqn A51 85
27-Nov-44	SF-R F/O AG Goudie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 6-1 Bomb & Straffe Tafermaar (Tafemaar)	7.20hr 13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/6-1 & Whitlam log 7.20hr
29-Nov-44	SF-R F/O L Davies	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 10-1 L Search & Bomb/Strafe Taberfane	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/10-1
3-Dec-44	SF-R F/O L Davies	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 18-2 Force CA Joshua Tendy	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/18-2
5-Dec-44	SF-R F/O AG Goudie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 20-3 Force UU San Adolpho	5hr & 1.30nite 13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/20-3 & Whitlam log 83/Goudie/6.30hr
6-Dec-44	SF-R F/O GA Anderson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 21-2 Force UU San Adolpho	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/21-2
7-Dec-44	SF-R P/O WM Wilson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 22-2 Force ST Empire Silver	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/22-2
8-Dec-44	SF-R F/O NI McCahon	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 24-2 Force ST Empire Silver	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/24-2
12-Dec-44	SF-R F/O PW Clarkson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 31-1 L Search (Aroe-Kai-Tanibar & bomb & straff Kaitanimbar Is)	8hr 13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/31-1 & Cathro log 85/8hr
19-Dec-44	F/Lt TJ Branigan		Gov 45-1 cancelled	13 Sqn A51 85 cancelled
20-Dec-44	SF-R S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 47-5 Force AC Swartenhondt	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/47-5
21-Dec-44	SF-R P/O HD Dargie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 48-2 Force UU Montoro	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/48-2
23-Dec-44	SF-R F/Lt TJ Branigan	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 1 L- Anti-shipping search	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report a/c serial not noted. & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/1-1
25-Dec-44	F/O GA Anderson	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 4-2 Force TS Swartenhondt	13 Sqn A51 85
28-Dec-44	SF-R F/O AG Goudie	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 6-2 Armed recce Aroe Is Dobo-C.Derehi	6.20hr 13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/6-2 & Whitlam log 85/Goudie/6.20hr

30-Jan-45	SF-R	S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Gov	Test		13 Sqn Watch 85/R/test	
31-Jan-45	SF-R	S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Bat			13 Sqn Watch R/Bat	
1-Feb-45	SF-R	S/L RS Dennis	Bat-Ptl-Bat	Gov 42-1 Armed recce	Tanimbar Islands, 13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops	SF-R/42-1	
2-Feb-45	SF-R	S/L RS Dennis	Bat-Ptl-Bat	Gov 43-1 Armed recce	Solor & Alor Islands	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/43-1	
3-Feb-45	SF-R	F/O L Davies	Bat-Ptl-Bat	Gov 45-2 Force S	HMAS Parkes /Edna	13 Sqn A51 85 & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/45-2	
4-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Dwn-Ptl-Bat	Gov 47-3 Armed recce	Barbar/Moa/Leti Islands	040001-040648 13 Sqn A51 85/Dwn/Bat/time & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/47-3	
4-Feb-45	SF-R	F/O L Davies	Bat-Ptl-Trus	Gov 46-2 Force S	HMAS Parkes /Edna	041105-041551 13 Sqn A51 85 & Watch log Truscott SF-R	
5-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Trus-Bat-Dwn-Gov		Watch log Truscott SF-R Trus-Bat & 13 Sqn Watch 85 Bat-Dwn - Gov		
7-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Gov-Bat -Truscott			13 Sqn Watch R/Bat & Watch log Truscott SF-R Bat-Trus	
8-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Trus-Ptl Trus	Gov 2-1 Armed recce	Bima & Cartier	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report 85/Truscott & Watch log Truscott SF-R Gov 2	
10-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Trus-Ptl-Trus	Gov 5-5 Armed recce	Sawoe, Soemba, Soembawa, Flores.	RTB elec failure generator regulator. 13 Sqn A51 85 & Watch log Truscott SF-R U/S RTB & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/5-5	
13-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Trus-Ptl Trus	Gov 10-1 Armed recce	Sawoe/Flores	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report 85 & Watch log Truscott SF-R Gov 10	
15-Feb-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Trus-Ptl-Trus	Gov 13-1 Armed recce	Soemba/Flores. Holed in several places by MG fire	13 Sqn A51 85 & Narrative report 85/Truscott & Trus Watch Log R	
16-Feb-45	SF-R	Not in records	Truscott-Bat-Gov			13 Sqn Watch R from Trus	
3-Mar-45	SF-R	S/L RS Dennis	Gov-Groote-Gov	Gunnery		13 Sqn Watch 85/R/Dennis/Groote	
5-Mar-45	SF-R	Not in records	Gov-Bat	Land Bat 050056Z		Watch log Truscott R Gov-Bat	
9 Mar 45		All Ventura's at Truscott u/s - no CO2.					
?			Bat-Gov				
10-Mar-45	SF-R	F/Lt RW Kennedy-Dwyer	Gov-Brisbane	Dep with 2 other crew to fill	CO2 bottles	13 Sqn A50 F/Lt Kennedy-Dwyer & 13 Sqn Watch R/Bris/CO2	
16-Mar-45	SF-R	F/Lt RW Kennedy-Dwyer	Brisbane-Charleville	un scheduled stop - wireless	u/s	13 Sqn A50 F/Lt KD/wireless/Charleville & 13 Sqn Watch 85/Charl/delay/eng trouble	
18-Mar-45	SF-R	F/Lt RW Kennedy-Dwyer	Charleville-Gov			13 Sqn A50 F/Lt KD /Charleville & 13 Sqn Watch R land Gove	
25-Mar-45	SF-R	F/O KM Twiddy	Gov-Gov	Fuel consumption Test		13 Sqn Watch R/Twiddy/test	
4-Apr-45	SF-R	W/O GW Anning-F/O RN Heins	Gov-Pell	Anning flew A59-95 back to Gove		13 Sqn Watch Anning/Heins briefed & SF-R to Pell/to Gove	
4-Apr-45		F/O RN Heins	Dwn-Gov	J Goode (42 Sqn) passenger		J Goode (42 Sqn) log book - 85/F/O Hynes	
12-Apr-45	SF-R	F/Lt RW Kennedy-Dwyer	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 2-1 Armed recce	Aroe	13 Sqn Narrative reports 85/Gov & 79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/2-1	
16-Apr-45	SF-R	F/O FR Ware	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Gov 6-3 Force CB		79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/6-3	
23-Apr-45	SF-R	F/Lt AS Little	Gov-Gov	Test		13 Sqn Watch R/test/Little	

24-Apr-45	SF-R	W/O CS Dwyer	Gov-Ptl-Hig-Gov	Gov 14-2 Force TS	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/14-2/Hig
28-Apr-45	SF-R	P/O GW Anning	Gov-Ptl-Hig	Gov 22-1 Force S	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/22-1/Hig
28-Apr-45	SF-R	P/O GW Anning?	Hig-Gov	ETD Hig 280413Z	NWA Watch ETD
4-May-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Gov-Dwn	Travel for Gov 35-1	13 Sqn Watch R/to Dwn
4-May-45	SF-R	F/Lt TJ Branigan	Dwn-Ptl-Gov	Gov 35-1 Force TT delayed take off- due petrol blockage	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/35-1
6-May-45	SF-R	F/O RN Heins	Gov-Ptl-Hig-Gov	Gov 36-1	79 Wing HQ Air Ops SF-R/36-1
16-May-45	SF-R	F/O KB James	Gov-Gov	Test	13 Sqn Watch R
31-May-45	SF-R	F/O KB James	Gov-Gov	Gunnery	13 Sqn Watch 86/R/gunnery
17-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gov	W/T & gunnery 1030hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
17-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gov	W/T & gunnery 1300hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
18-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gov	Nav exercise	Laves log 85/Clegg
19-Jul-45		F/Lt AS Little	Gov-Gov	Bombing & gunnery -Veronica Is 0900hrs	Laves log 85/Little
19-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gov	Bombing & gunnery -Veronica Is 0945hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
19-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gov	Local flying 1400hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
20-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Gorrie	0915hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
20-Jul-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gorrie-Gov	1500hrs	Laves log 85/Clegg
24-Jul-45			Gov-Gorrie-Gov?	Arr 1115hrs. Dep 1400hrs	14 ARD 85
1-Aug-45		F/Lt GA Clegg	Gov-Ptl-Gov	Armed recce Aroe Is 0900hrs - for 6hr 45mins, 1st Op	Laves log 85/Clegg/Aroe & 13 Sqn Records & Returns 1st Op
?			Gov-Lab		
3-Oct-45	SF-R		Labuan	Planned to Morotai but U/S	13 Sqn Watch 85/R u/s
4-Oct-45			Labuan?		13 Sqn Watch 85 landed
5-Oct-45	SF-R				13 Sqn Watch 85/R airborne NFI
6-Oct-45			Morotai-Labuan		13 Sqn Watch 85
Oct-45		A59-85	Labuan	Double eng change - 60hr inspec	1 RSU A50 85
16 Oct 45				<i>"Received 1 RSU ex 13 Sqn for 360hr & double eng change."</i>	Status Card
27 Nov 45				<i>"Tail wheel collapsed while taxiing when an unseen rough patch was encountered."</i>	Ventura Accidents
28 Nov 45				<i>"Landing gear tail wheel broken when taxiing Labuan strip. T/W u/c 25% R, rear fuselage 2% R, remainder a/c U. Repairable at 1 RSU."</i>	Status Card
21-Nov-45		S/L GF Barton	Labuan-Labuan	Test	13 Sqn Newsletter 26 (note - date is unclear)
27-Nov-45		S/L JB Fitzgerald	13 Sqn	Tail wheel collapsed while taxiing.	13 Sqn A50 & 13 Sqn Watch 85
29 Nov 45				<i>"Received 13 Sqn ex 1 RSU."</i>	Status Card
1-Dec-45				Serviceability report - U/S 1 RSU	13 Sqn Watch service
4 Dec 45				<i>"Received 1 RSU ex 13 Sqn for repairs."</i>	Status Card

