

10th June 1981

Dear Peter,

I have enclosed our itinerary. As you will see, the time for us to go is fast approaching. Copies of the last four bitumen accounts are also enclosed. These have been paid, but I have not yet reimbursed myself. I had better get these sent up to your work whilst we are away, otherwise John Dawes will not get paid.

If you have not already done so, will you please send the scrip and transfer for your sale of bagle shares - direct to the office. This will free up funds in case you need them.

The family are fit and well. I had a bad back for a while after your weights were delivered, but it's O.K. now. Ian and Ronie (and the other boys) look like going to Canada about October - probably for a year or two. Jenny is now keeping well. She is due to produce again early in October. Graeme will probably continue at school for the rest of this year, to complete his course full time.

We went to Helen McHeren's wedding last Friday - reception at Pokker's cottage, Warrandyte. Graeme Matthews also got married a few weeks ago.

The tax man took pity on us and allowed almost the full deduction on the firm partnership. On the strength of that, we have invested more in it this year - \$30,000 for a \$120,000 loss write-off. I am assured that it is unaffected by recent changes. Hope that is so.

If this letter sounds more than usually disappointed, it is because I am flat out trying to clear the decks before heading off. I also have to go to Sydney for the day on Friday. The last few days here have been quite chaotic - as they must have been for you - with problems created by the Telecom dispute.

We are really looking forward to our holiday, and have our fingers crossed in case the airlines decide to go out again. They can do that once we leave, but not before.

1980/81 has been another big year for us. Hope that your new job is going well and that you can get some time off to meet your latest nephew before he is exported.

Love,
Dad.