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Dear Lois & Peter,

8<sup>th</sup> day. The family have just gone home and I am writing this at the dining room table whilst listening to a simulcast of a Verdi opera. The fat lady is singing at the moment. The music sounds better than it looks.

Sue (Barry) came to tea and we sent her off with a few plants for her garden. Blaire also made her first appearance here accompanied by her proud parents. Jenny, Bill, and the children were also here, and the children were very interested in their new cousin. Blaire so far seems to be very well behaved.

We were up early this morning, to drive over to Endeavour Hills, pick up Sam and family, and drive them to Mullamara. The kids were all packed ready to go when I got there, and were very excited. They were even practicing a few Indonesian phrases which Sam had taught them. It is about a six hour flight from Melbourne to Bali (five hours to cross Australia, then about an hour from Darwin). They will be away for two weeks, and expect to spend a few million Rupiah (Indonesia is one of the few places left where the \$Aust. goes a long way. At the current rate of exchange 1,000 Rp = 80 cents.)

This is the start of the migratory season from Melbourne, although our weather is still sunny. It was 21°C over Queens Birthday week-end. Jenny, Bill, Beth, David, Ann leave for northern parts on 24<sup>th</sup> June. They are driving up to Noosa for a couple of weeks. We will ~~be~~ be in Sydney for the first week-end of July, but otherwise have no plans for escaping winter as yet. With my change of job plus shifting the office to bigger and brighter premises next month it might be difficult to get away. We will just have to see how things settle.

Incidentally Peter I have re-invested the proceeds of your last sale (of C.I.M.) into 6,000 Kallbarra shares @ 50 cents. I know a director of an associated company and am told that this should be O.K. It is a gold miner but they have done quite a lot of drilling which so far is encouraging. I guess time will tell.

As keen gardeners you will be interested to know that I planted a few more Karuna Anghos this weekend, and the first of the daffodils are in flower. You may or may not be interested to know that Dorelle Davidson (or whatever her name is now) is programmed to produce her first offspring in October. The fat lady has naps finished and it is safe to watch the opera again - so it's  
Goodbye for now -  
Love Mum & Sam.