

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE '91

Dear Lois - Peter, This time last week we were setting out for the airport with you. I am inside at this time because it is wet outside - the first decent rains for a long time. Autumn went out with a late burst of fine weather (20° and clear during the week). Fine again yesterday (the first day of winter) but quite a lot of rain overnight - still reasonably mild at 17°! though. The Santos Melbourne marathon is being held today - from Frankston to Melbourne. It's a 'fun-run' type marathon with 4,000 entrants. You will be interested to know that all entrants will be bar-coded. As they pass the finishing line, the staff with the bar-code one will be ripped off and passed under the portable reader. The system used will then match the number, name, time, and finishing order. I guess that it is only a matter of time before we are all required to have bar-codes tattooed on our foreheads.

Our papers carried a report of three vice-presidents of the First National Bank of Chicago being charged with corruption and fraudulently accepting kick-backs for loans, etc., going back over a long period. Our big news locally is a challenge by our treasurer and deputy P.M. - Paul Keating for Bob Hawke's job. This will be settled at a caucus meeting tomorrow, but, whoever wins, the old Hawke/Keating partnership will be a thing of the past. Apparently Hawke made a secret deal with Keating in late 1988 that he (Hawke) would hand over to Keating after last year's elections, but was offended when Keating said in a speech that Australia 'had never had a great P.M.'. As a result, he didn't keep his promise. The local feeling is that Hawke has the numbers to win this time around, but that Keating will persist and challenge again if beaten. It is not much of a choice to have to pick one of those two, and certainly no way to be running the country.

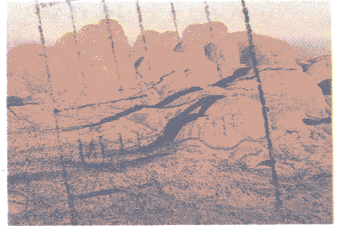
Dot and I have not been getting on too well. I think that she is decidedly user unfriendly. When I just turned her on she insisted on drawing designs, without waiting for me to say hello. Now she says she has a head-ache and doesn't want to play. The only response I can get is 'Data error reading drive A', and 'Abort, Retry, Ignore?'. I guess we will have to get to understand each other better.

Jenny & Bill's kids are heavily involved in various things this week-end and we won't be seeing them. Next week-end is a long one - Queen's birthday - and I am not sure what is happening with the family then. We are invited to Gene & Janis this afternoon for our own birthday celebrations. Both Claire & Mum get a little older tomorrow. Claire will be at home's place too, with Graeme, Bronnie, & Jayne. As you will be aware from your visit, Claire has plenty to say for herself at normal times, but will no doubt be even more excited this afternoon. She had a birthday party yesterday with her little friends, she will have another today, with family, parents (including yours) with the birthday itself to follow tomorrow. I suspect that the other birthday girl will be getting excited also, although she doesn't show it as much. Mum & ushers will be having a birthday lunch at grandpa's house tomorrow. We received an invitation to Auntie Joyce's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday party on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at Bendigo. We plan to go to it. It is supposed to be a 'surprise' party, which is not always a good idea.

Your bank-bill (\$130,000) matures tomorrow & will be rolled over for another 3 months or so. Rates are still coming down - now not much over 10% now.

Graeme mentioned during our lunch together

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last Saturday - that his company was selling its fleet of 240 M.B.  
190 E's. I was away all Monday - at Werribee - and when I called  
to check on Tuesday all the local ones were taken for. There is a  
possibility of getting one from interstate - otherwise we will stick with  
what we have now. I am not all that anxious to change, but it  
would be too good a chance to miss if it does eventuate. The  
price to employees (and families) is well under market.

Love,

June and Glyn XX

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