

Monday 8 June '92

Dear Lewis & Peter,

We spent Queen's Birthday (today) quietly - not doing a lot - although we did go down to the Rivoli this afternoon to see 'Howards End' with Anthony Hopkins, Vanessa Redgrave, etc. - a film we enjoyed. It was set in England in the early part of this century. The English are very good at period dramas. It was also a period audience. The theatre was packed and I think that nearly everyone, like us, used their senior citizen cards to get in half price. It was a cold winter's day not much good for anything else, although we did go for a walk along Camberwell Road and back afterwards.

Thursday and Friday were working days for me - at least two hours on each occasion. Friday was followed by lunch at the RACV and snooker.

I am also back to driving the car (whenever I can get the keys away from mum). I called in at the bowling club on Saturday afternoon to see how the indoor bowlers were getting on, then down to the local Travelland agency in the village to pick up brochures on Queensland. We will head up there next month.

We had a modest birthday lunch for mum last Wednesday at Mabel + Doug's with Grandfather also in attendance.

Doug and I are more or less on the same sort of food now, although I balked at having porridge for desert course, and had fruit

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sedad instead.

We went to Beth's confirmation on Sunday morning. It is a small church and there were only two being confirmed. Beth was also involved in the musical part of the service with a couple of flute solos.

Back to work tomorrow. I might even work an extra half-hour or so, but will be missing on Wednesday when I am being re-habilitated. I have an appointment with the doctor - the relieving doctor that is - my specialist took off for Geneva and Paris just after I paid the bill! He could well afford to do so. The purpose of Wednesday's visit is to wire me up again, then see what I can get up to and map out a program accordingly. The specialist will be back later in the month I am to see him on 30th.

Thanks for the call on Sunday. It is always good to hear from you. Lets hope that you find a sucker buyer for the store soon.

Oh, I forgot to mention that, due to some oversight, none of us figured in the Queens Birthday Honours list. Ian leaves next Friday. He will call in here on the way and we will transport him to Fullanmore. He should be in Winnipeg by the time you receive this, thereby redressing the family balance a little between North America and Australia. We look forward to ~~the~~ Australia gaining a family monopoly later in the year.

Love,  
Gene and Gey  
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