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## OFFICIAL NUMBER

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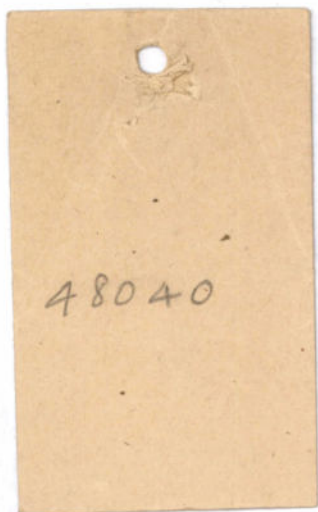
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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

CITIZEN AIR FORCE.

Attestation of No. 48040 Name BELL, Bruce Napier

Joined at No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., ADELAIDE

on 21st April, 1942.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. What is your name? .. .. .  | 1. <u>Bruce Napier BELL.</u>                                    |
| 2. Where were you born? .. .. .  | 2. Town <u>North Adelaide,</u><br>State <u>South Australia.</u> |
| 3. Are you a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject<br>(N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) .. .. .   | 3. <u>Yes. British subject.</u>                                 |
| 4. What is your Age (You are warned that if you give a false<br>answer to this question you are liable to be severely punished.)   | 4. <u>18 yrs. 2 months.</u> <u>9/2/24</u>                       |
| 5. What is your Trade or Calling? .. .. .  | 5. <u>Stores Hand.</u>  |
| 6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to<br>whom, and for what period? .. .. .  | 6. <u>No.</u>   |
| 7. Are you married? .. .. .  | 7. <u>No.</u>   |
| 8. Have you ever been convicted by a Civil Court? .. .. .  | 8. <u>No.</u>   |
| 9. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's<br>Forces with Ignominy, or for Misconduct, or as Incurable and<br>Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sen-<br>tence of Penal Servitude, or have you been Dismissed with Dis-<br>grace from any of His Majesty's Naval Forces? (You are warned<br>that you are liable to heavy punishment if you make a false<br>answer to this question.) | 9. <u>No.</u>   |
| 10. Do you now belong to any of His Majesty's Naval, Military or<br>Air Forces?  | 10. <u>No.</u>  |
| 11. Have you ever served in any of His Majesty's Naval, Military<br>or Air Forces? If so, state which, and the cause of your Dis-<br>charge or Dismissal, or other termination of service.   | 11. <u>No.</u>  |
| 12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service?<br>If so, on what grounds?   | 12. <u>No.</u>  |
| 13. Are you willing to be enlisted under the conditions stated in<br>the Regulations for the Air Force of the Commonwealth of<br>Australia?  | 13. <u>Yes.</u>   |

DECLARATION.

I, Bruce Napier BELL. do solemnly declare that the above answers made  
by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Signature of Recruit B. N. Bell

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force of the Commonwealth of  
Australia for the term of the duration of the war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dis-  
missed or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained;  
and that I will, in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

(A recruit who objects to take an oath may make an affirmation [see Air Force Regulations]).

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The recruit abovenamed was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would  
be liable to be punished as provided in the Air Force Act and Air Force Regulations of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The questions were then read to the recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as  
replied to by him.

I have examined his Naturalization Papers, and am of the opinion they are correct. (In the case of a British Subject,  
this is to be struck out.)

The said recruit has made and signed the Declaration and taken the Oath at ADELAIDE

in the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA, this twenty-first day of April  
19 42, before me.

Signature [Signature]  
(A Justice of the Peace or Attesting Officer.)

ENLISTMENT OFFICER,  
No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., ADELAIDE.



Description of Bruce Napier BELL. on Enlistment.

Age 18 years 2 months.  
Height 5 feet 4½ inches.  
Weight 106 lb.  
Chest Measurement 31/33 inches.  
Vision 6/6 R. Eye 6/6 L. Eye.  
Complexion fair  
Eyes (Colour) brown  
Hair (Colour) brown  
Religious Denomination Church of England.

WOUNDS, SCARS, OR DISTINCTIVE MARKS

Red birthmark left arm;  
2 pig. moles L. thigh lower 1/3 ant.

#### CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

The abovenamed recruit has been examined in accordance with the medical standards prescribed for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

Details of such examination have been recorded, as required by Air Force Orders, on the appropriate form, and copies thereof have been inserted in the recruit's Medical History Envelope (R.A.A.F. Form P/M. 38).

His medical category is Class 1.

Date 21st April, 1942.

Place No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., ADELAIDE.

(Rank).....

(Appointment).....

#### CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the abovenamed recruit is correct, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to.....  
No. 1 Recruit Depot, SHEPPARTON, VICTORIA.

If enlisted by special authority, number and date to be here quoted.....

Date 21st April, 1942.

Place No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., ADELAIDE.

Commanding.....

ENLISTMENT OFFICER,

No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., ADELAIDE.



Before completing this form read the Notes to R.A.A.F. Supplement to Appendix III (Part II) War Manual Part II.

R.A.A.F. Form 'P', P. 75.  
(September, 1939.)  
R.A.F. Form 1580.

# ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

## AIRMAN'S RECORD SHEET (Active Service—Overseas).

Official No. 48040 Name BELL BRUCE NAPIER Rank LAC  
(In full in block capitals, surname first.) (Or acting appointment.)  
Mustering C. H. E. Brown Special Qualifications  
Date of Birth 9/2/24 Religion C.O.E. Occupation in Civil Life Shorthand  
Last Enlisted 21 APR 1942 Current Engagement duration of the war, and up to a period of twelve months thereafter.  
If Reservist, which Class ("E," 1-5) \_\_\_\_\_ Whether Married, Single, or Widower S.

NEXT of KIN. Enter in Pencil. Name BELL John Henry Relationship Father Address Launa SA  
Person to be Informed of Casualties. Enter in Pencil. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Any alteration to above (e.g., Promotions) to be made by crossing out and writing above.

### SECTION 1.—MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES.

Unit FROM which.	Unit TO which.	Date of effect.
<u>S.R.C.</u>	<u>I.R.D.</u>	<u>21 APR 1942</u>
<u>I.R.D.</u>	<u>I.O.T.U.</u>	<u>12.5.42</u>
<u>I.O.T.U.</u>	<u>2 A.O.S.</u>	<u>19.8.42</u>
<u>2 A.O.S.</u>	<u>I.O.T.U.</u>	<u>18-12.42</u>
<u>I.O.T.U.</u>	<u>84 Sqd</u>	<u>8-3-43</u>
<u>845Q</u>	<u>IRPP.</u>	
<u>IRPP</u>	<u>4PD.</u>	<u>PD 7 15/7</u>
Discharged under AFR 115(t) To resume civil occupation ref. 24.7.44. Auth: A.S. PD 7 15/June A/25945.		

### SECTION 2.— PROMOTIONS, ACTING APPOINTMENTS (PAID OR UNPAID), REDUCTIONS, REMUSTERINGS.

*Authority.	Description.	Date of Effect.
<u>POA. 17/42</u>	<u>LAC. ON ENLISTMENT.</u>	<u>21 APR 1942</u>
<u>2 A.O.S.</u>	<u>Remustered Amman</u>	<u>8-12-42.</u>
<u>POA. 119/42</u>	<u>Assistant</u>	
<u>845Q 7/43</u>	<u>Recd. LAC.</u>	<u>8-3.43</u>

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\* When on active service overseas, the authority to be quoted will be the serial number of the B.P.S.O.'s Casualty Form.

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# SECTION 3.—CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY.

(To be assessed on every occasion on which an airman is struck off the strength of a unit, e.g., on, posting, admission to hospital, death, &c.)

Rank.	Character.	Mustering.	Proficiency.*			Whether specially recommended, recommended, or not recommended for promotion or reclassification.	Date.	Signature and Rank of Commanding Officer.
			A	B	C			
ACI	V.G.	A.H.G.	Sat	—	—	Specially Recommended	7/18/42	Stanley W. L.
ACI	V.G.	Instrument Assistant	SAT	—	—	Recommended	11/12/42	Stanley W. L.
A.C.I.	V.G.	Instrument Assistant	Sat	—	—	Recommended	9/3/43	Stanley W. L.
LAC	V.G.	" "	Sat	—	—	Rec	5-6-44	Stanley W. L.
LAC.	V.G.	" "	Sat	—	—		7/7/44	D. G. Lehman Sp

Commanding No. 4 P.D.  
R.A.A.F., Adelaide.

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## SECTION 4.—DECORATIONS, MENTIONS, SPECIAL COMMENDATIONS BY A.Os.C., ETC.

Nature.	Date of Effect.	Authority.

NOTES.—This Form is to be forwarded immediately, together with Form P/P. 8 to the Commanding Officer of the Unit (if within the Command) to which the airman is posted whilst effective.

It is to be forwarded immediately, together with Form P/P. 8 to the B.P.S.O. in all other cases where the airman is struck off strength of his Unit, e.g., killed, died, admitted to hospital, transferred to Home Establishment, posted outside the Command, etc.

\* The trade proficiency headings "A," "B," and "C" signify— "A" (i) Skill in his trade (applicable to airmen up to rank of Corporal (inclusive)). (i) Proficiency as Pilot, Air Gunner, or Air Observer (if so mustered or appointed). "B" Ability as technical warrant, or non-commissioned officer, i.e., as foreman manager, foreman or supervisor in his trade. "C" Ability as a warrant, or non-commissioned officer, in Administration, drill discipline, etc. To be assessed in accordance with A.B.O. A.66/40.— "Ex."—Exceptional; "Supr."—(Superior); "Sat."—(Satisfactory); "Mod."—(Moderate); "Inf."—(Inferior).

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48040. Rank AE1 LAC. 10 TV 29/8/42 72 SQDN  
 Form P.P. 28. (Revised July 1933.)  
 Name BELL, Bruce Napier Mustering A.H.G. Joined 21/4/42

# RECORD OF LEAVE.

ANNUAL RECREATION LEAVE.					SPECIAL LEAVE.				LEAVE IN LIEU.			
Period.	Days Due.	Leave Granted.		Routine Order.	Leave Granted.		Days without Pay.	Routine Order.	Due on Account of.	Days Due in Lieu.	Days Taken.	
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21-1-43	16	18-11-43	3-12-43	146								
21-4-44	4											
					Travelling time 163 1/2 10-11-42 12-11-42 3				DISCHARGED 10 days travelling time			
					TRIPICAL LEAVE 100 DAYS.				IN ACCORDANCE ABOA 237/42.			



**RECORD OF LEAVE.**

Form P/P. 28.  
(Revised July, 1933.)

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Name...

## Mustering-

Joined.

LEAVE IN LIEU.

**ANNUAL RECREATION LEAVE.**

**SPECIAL LEAVE.**

Period.

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Leave Granted.

From,

To.

Days.

Routine  
Order.

Leave Granted.

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Date of Last Entry.....

Number of Cases of Drunkenness.....

Date of Last Instance of Drunkenness.....

† Certified Correct..... Rank..... Date.....

Official No. 48040 Name Bell, Bruce Cooper (In full.)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Form P.P. 8.  
(Revised December, 1936).  
R.A.F. Forms 120 and 121.

*W. J. M. M. No.*  
**ADJUTANT, NO. 1 RECRUIT DEPT.**

## CONDUCT SHEET.

**GENERAL** of

Date of Enlistment

Sheet No. one  
(In letters.)

Signature and  
Rank of O.C. *O. C. Sheppard*

Date.....

Unit and Place.	Date of Offence.	Rank.	Cases of Drunkenness [in red ink].	Offence.	Witnesses.	Punishment Awarded.	Date of Award or of Award Depending with Trial.	By whom Awarded.	Initials and Rank of Officer making Entry and Remarks with Date.
				<b>Certified No Entry</b>	<b>Adjutant, No. 1 Recruit Dept., SHEPPARTON</b>				
				<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<i>W. J. M. M. No.</i> <b>No. 1 O.T.U., BAIRNSDALE</b>				
				<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<b>Adjutant</b> <b>Operational Training Unit, R.A.A.F.</b>				
				<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<i>W. J. M. M. No.</i> <b>Administrative Officer, Maintenance Wing, No. 2 A.O.S., MT. GAMBIER, S.A.</b>	<b>17 DEC</b>			
				<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<b>Flight Lieutenant</b> <b>Adjutant No. 1 O.T.U. Bairnsdale</b>		<b>9/3/43</b>		
				<b>Certified No Entry</b>	<i>W. J. M. M. No.</i> <b>Adjutant</b> <b>84 Squadron, R.A.A.F.</b>				
					<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<b>28 MAY 1944</b>			
					<b>CERTIFIED NO ENTRY</b>	<b>No. 1 RESERVE PERSONNEL POOL, R.A.A.F. TOWNSVILLE</b>			
				<b>Certified no Entry</b>	<i>W. J. M. M. No.</i> <b>Adjutant</b>				

\* "General" or "Service" to be inserted here with suitable rubber stamp.  
† For method of making entries see Appendix 8/1/1.  
‡ To be signed by the Adjutant.

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### MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES

### CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY

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\* Exemplary is the highest character which can be awarded in the Royal Australian Air Force, but is only awarded to an airman with more than 5 years' service. For others, V.G. is the highest award.

† The Trade Proficiency headings "A," "B," "C," signify :—

A. (i) Skill in his trade (applicable to airmen up to the rank of Corporal inclusive).

(ii) Proficiency as Pilot, Air Gunner (Full Time) or Air Observer (if so mustered).

B. Ability as Technical Warrant, or non-commissioned Officer, i.e., as foreman manager, foreman, or supervisor in his trade.

C. Ability as a Warrant, or non-commissioned, Officer in administration, drill, discipline, etc.

## CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE

Certified discharged \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_

*Signature and Rank of Officer  
authorising the discharge.*



NAME BELL. Ruce Napur  
(in full, surname first)

OFFICIAL No. 48040

**SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS**  
and courses of instruction, etc.

### EXAMINATIONS FOR PROMOTION

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## CASUALTIES, WOUNDS, GREAT WAR SERVICE, MEDALS, CLASPS, DECORATIONS, SPECIAL RECOMMENDATIONS, MENTIONS, ETC.

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## WARNING

Airmen on quitting His Majesty's Service are hereby reminded that the unauthorised communication by them to another person at any time of any information they may have acquired which might be useful to an enemy in war renders them liable to prosecution under the Official Secrets Acts.



## R.A.A.F. Form P/P. 40.

BELL, Bruce Napier.

Unit\_

## Mustering

D. H. G.

21 APR 1942

Date of Commencement of Service (for sick leave purposes)

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Conditions Governing Enlistment, Promotion,  
Re-muster, Transfer and Discharge.

The following information has been conveyed to the applicant, whose signature is appended :—

1. On enlistment, airmen become subject to the Air Force Act and Air Force Regulations as amended from time to time and Orders promulgated under the authority of that Act and Regulations.

2. Enlistment will be for the duration of the war and for a period of not more than twelve months thereafter.

3. Enlistment is for service anywhere, and no guarantee can be given as to location at any time, but the wishes of personnel will be considered as far as the exigencies of the Service permit. Airmen must be prepared to serve overseas or in Australia.

4. Promotion to higher ranks, re-muster to other trades, and transfer to other units are governed by the following factors :—

- (a) the requirements of the Service;
- (b) the existence of vacancies;
- (c) the special qualifications of an airman for holding any position other than that to which he has been appointed.

5. Promotion, re-muster, or transfer is always by selection and cannot be claimed as a right by any airman.

6. Re-muster to another trade is subject to the applicant having passed the prescribed trade test, and subject to vacancies occurring in approved establishments.

7. The passing of an examination for promotion, or a trade test for re-muster, does not entitle the airman to immediate promotion or re-muster, as promotion is always governed by the conditions set out in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 above.

8. An airman may be discharged at any time for any of the reasons laid down in Air Force Regulations.

9. An airman's fare is paid from his place of residence to his place of enlistment. A married man, who desires to bring his wife and children to his place of enlistment may do so at his own expense.

10. If an airman after enlistment desires to change the location of his household, the cost of removal of furniture from his place of residence to his place of enlistment or to any place of subsequent posting must be borne by the airman. No portion of this expense is payable by the Department.

11. Airmen receive free medical and prescribed free dental treatment. Their wives and children will not receive free medical or dental attention.

12. The rates of pay for airmen enlisted for the period mentioned in paragraph 2 above have been explained to me.

13. I thoroughly understand and accept the conditions set out above.

B.N.B. I am willing to undergo vaccination and  
innoculation on enlistment in the Air Force

DATE 19-2-42

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B.N. Bell.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT.



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# ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

R.A.A.F. FORM P/P. 84.  
R.A.F. FORM 445 (JUNE, 1940.)

## COVER FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AND ITS ENCLOSURES

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### INSTRUCTIONS.

1. This envelope will invariably be used as a container for the documents of an airman.
2. When Form P/P. 84 is received, the contents should at once be checked with the "Schedule of Contents" up to and including the latest enclosure as indicated by the Index Letter on the left-hand column of the schedule. If correct, receipt is to be acknowledged by completing the four columns at the right of the "Schedule of Contents." If any document is missing, application must at once be made from whence the documents were received. If no action is taken to apply for missing documents the documents will be assumed to have been correctly received.
3. Whenever documents are added to those already in Form P/P. 84 they must be scheduled, using the appropriate column and a fresh line and index letter.
4. The disposal of documents on specific occasions is shown in A/F/O., 8/1/16.
5. If Form P/P. 84 becomes dilapidated or requires renewal, it should be sent to the Officer i/c Records with service documents for this purpose; it is not to be reproduced elsewhere.



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| 1. | Award of L.S. & G.C.M.   | .....  | † |
| 2. | Increment of Progressive Pay   | ... .. |   |
| 3. | Destruction of Form P./P. 8 (General)  | ... .. | † |
| 4. | Annual recommendation for re-engagement (C.A.F.)                                   | ... .. |   |
| 5. | Application for re-engagement  | ... .. |   |
| 6. | Medical Examination (six months prior to expiration of current regular engagement) | ... .. | † |
| —  | Discharge or transfer to Reserve   | ... .. |   |

† Liable to variation.

\* To be entered in pencil.



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

ENROLMENT OF PERSON IN THE RESERVE.

No. R. \_\_\_\_\_ Name BELL, Bruce Napier.  
Joined at FARINA, S. A.  
Joined on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 1942.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ENROLMENT.

What is your Name? Bruce Napier BELL.  
What is your Age? 18 years - \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
What is the Date of your Birth? 9th February, 1924.  
Are you Married or Single? Single.  
Are you a British Subject? Yes. British Subject.  
Where were you Born? { Town Adelaide,  
State South Australia.  
What is your Religion? Church of England.  
Have you previously served in Australia or elsewhere? If so, state Regiment or Corps,  
& period of service: No.  
Do you now belong to any Service, Regiment, or Corps? No.  
What is your Trade or Profession? Stores Hand.  
Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No.  
Have you ever been dismissed from any part of His Majesty's Service? No.  
What is your { Place of Residence? FARINA, S. A.  
Business Address? do.

I, Bruce Napier BELL, declare that the above  
answers made by me to the above questions are true.

B.N. Bell.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I HAVE examined the above-named, and Certify  
cannot Certify that he is medically suitable for the  
Air Force Reserve.

Height 5 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Vaccination Marks -  
Chest Normal 31 ins. Expanded 33 When Vaccinated -  
Range of expansion 2 ins.  
Weight 106 lb. Marks or Scars Red birthmark L. arm;  
2 pig moles L. thigh lower 1/3  
Vision R. Eye 6/6 L. Eye 6/6 ant.  
Colour Vision Normal Ishihara. FMN. N.E.T.  
Hearing 20' WH R. Ear 20' WH L. Ear  
Medical classification. Class 1.  
Physical Development Class 1.  
Complexion fair  
Eyes (colour) brown  
Hair (colour) brown

(Signature of Examining Medical Officer.)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

C.1556/40.



# OATH OR AFFIRMATION.\*

## OATH.

I, Bruce Napier BELL, swear that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law. So help me God!

## AFFIRMATION.

I, Bruce Napier Bell, solemnly and sincerely affirm and declare that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Sworn before me at FARINA,  
Declared in the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA,  
this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 1942  
One thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

B. N. Bell  
(Signature of Person enrolled.)

Name J. P. Canlay J.P. J/P.  
† (Signature of Officer or Justice of the Peace administering the oath or taking the declaration.)

Address Witchelina Farina

Bruce Napier BELL has been passed by me this day and posted to Class E5 of the Reserve.

Official Number R.

Date 8<sup>th</sup> March 1942

ENLISTMENT OFFICER \*\*  
for AIR MEMBER FOR PERSONNEL.

F/O.

## RE-ENROLMENT.

I, No. R. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rank) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
at present serving in the Reserve enrolled on (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
desiring to re-enroll in the Air Force Reserve for a period of four years from \_\_\_\_\_  
do hereby declare that I agree to re-enroll and to well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia for the term of four years from \_\_\_\_\_ (date), or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Signature of Reservist \_\_\_\_\_

Signed at \_\_\_\_\_

in the State of \_\_\_\_\_ this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19

before me.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

\* A person who objects to taking the oath may make the affirmation. Cross out form not used. All amendments must be initialed by the Officer or J.P. witnessing the Affirmation.

† "Justice of the Peace" means a Stipendiary or Police or Special Magistrate, or some Magistrate of the State who is specially authorized by the Governor-General to administer the oath.

\*\* Rank and appointment.



RE-ENROLMENT.

I, No. R. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rank) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

at present serving in the Reserve enrolled on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

desiring to re-enroll in the Air Force Reserve for a period of four years from \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ do hereby declare that I agree to re-enroll and to well and truly serve  
Our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia  
for the term of four years from \_\_\_\_\_ (date), or until sooner lawfully  
discharged, dismissed, or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause  
His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to  
my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

*Signature of Reservist* \_\_\_\_\_

Signed at \_\_\_\_\_

in the State of \_\_\_\_\_ this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19

before me.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_



## RECORD OF THE SERVICES OF \* R. \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]

\* Here insert Official Number and Name.



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

## Conditions Governing Enlistment, Promotion, Re-muster, Transfer and Discharge.

The following information has been conveyed to the applicant, whose signature is appended :—

1. On enlistment, airmen become subject to the Air Force Act and Air Force Regulations as amended from time to time and Orders promulgated under the authority of that Act and Regulations.

2. Enlistment will be for the duration of the war and for a period of not more than twelve months thereafter.

3. Enlistment is for service anywhere, and no guarantee can be given as to location at any time, but the wishes of personnel will be considered as far as the exigencies of the Service permit. Airmen must be prepared to serve overseas or in Australia.

4. Promotion to higher ranks, re-muster to other trades, and transfer to other units are governed by the following factors :—

- (a) the requirements of the Service ;
- (b) the existence of vacancies ;
- (c) the special qualifications of an airman for holding any position other than that to which he has been appointed.

5. Promotion, re-muster, or transfer is always by selection and cannot be claimed as a right by any airman.

6. Re-muster to another trade is subject to the applicant having passed the prescribed trade test, and subject to vacancies occurring in approved establishments.

7. The passing of an examination for promotion, or a trade test for re-muster, does not entitle the airman to immediate promotion or re-muster, as promotion is always governed by the conditions set out in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 above.

8. An airman may be discharged at any time for any of the reasons laid down in Air Force Regulations.

9. An airman's fare is paid from his place of residence to his place of enlistment. A married man, who desires to bring his wife and children to his place of enlistment may do so at his own expense.

10. If an airman after enlistment desires to change the location of his household, the cost of removal of furniture from his place of residence to his place of enlistment or to any place of subsequent posting must be borne by the airman. No portion of this expense is payable by the Department.

11. Airmen receive free medical and prescribed free dental treatment. Their wives and children will not receive free medical or dental attention.

12. The rates of pay for airmen enlisted for the period mentioned in paragraph 2 above have been explained to me.

13. I thoroughly understand and accept the conditions set out above.

*B.N.B.* I am willing to undergo vaccination and  
innoculation on enlistment in the Air Force

DATE 19-2-42.

3420-40†

*B.N. Bell*

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT.



IN LIEU OF P/P. 35.

\* 48040

Police records have been searched at ADELAIDE and disclose  
no offence which would be considered as a bar to the enlistment of

.....  
BELL, Bruce Napier  
.....

(vide P/12/40 - Instructions to Recruiting Officers, dated 9/8/40).





*aircraft hand*

BELL. B.M.

Form P/P. 48.  
(Revised Dec. 1939.)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Application for Enlistment as an Airman.

PART I.

1. Surname (block letters) BELL
2. Christian Names (in full) Bruce Napier
3. Address 7 Marina
4. Date of Birth 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 1924
5. Married or Single Single
6. Are you a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject of pure European descent? Yes *B.P. AB*
7. What was the Nationality of your Parents at their birth? British *AB*
8. Trade in which it is desired to enlist Aircraft hand
9. Particulars of experience (to be supported by copies of references)—  
(a) at trade in which it is desired to enlist:

(b) at any other occupation:

10. Did you serve an apprenticeship? (Give full particulars):

No

10 (a) Present Occupation: — Stores hand  
(b) " Employer: — Father

11. Educational Qualifications (including technical education):

D.2132/11.39.— C.17138.

APPROVED  
MAN POWER OFFICER,  
R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre, Adelaide.

(Over)



12. Details of Naval, Military, or Air Service (if any):

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ If still serving \_\_\_\_\_

If not, reason for discharge \_\_\_\_\_

13. Physical Particulars:

Height 5' 4 1/2" Weight 106 lb.

Chest measurement: Normal \_\_\_\_\_ Expanded \_\_\_\_\_

If incapacitated in any way (give reasons): No.

If in possession of false dentures: No.

Have you submitted an application before; if so, when? Yes. 14/2/42.

Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No.

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the replies set out to the above questions are, to the best of my knowledge and belief true and correct.

Date 19-2-42. B. N. Bell.  
Signature of Applicant.

CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.\*

I am agreeable that my <sup>son</sup> ward joins the Royal Australian Air Force for service at home or overseas.

See Air Crew form  
Signature of Parent or Guardian.

\* To be filled in if Applicant is under 21 years of age.

18. Number of References attached (copies only required) \_\_\_\_\_

PART II.

SERVE ANYWHERE Yes.

CAN ROUGH IT? Yes.

POLICE? O.K.

CLEAR NOTICE, WEEKS 2.

DESCRIPTION

Short, slight build  
Neatly dressed, clean  
appearance. Brown eyes,  
fair complexion. Fairly alert.  
Intelligence on the low side.  
No apparent faults.  
Suitable type.

Al Burton. Sgt.

REPORT.

(For Official Use Only).

TRADE TEST.

Unsuitable for trainee filling  
musterings on aptitude tests.  
Prepared to accept aircraft hand  
suitable for enlistment  
as: - Aircraft hand

Date 19/2/42. Al Burton. Sgt.  
Examining Officer.

MEDICAL.	DENTAL.
<p>Examining Officer.</p> <p>Date _____</p>	<p>Fillings.</p> <p>Extractions.</p> <p>Dentures.</p> <p>Treatment.</p> <p>Examining Officer.</p> <p>Date _____</p>



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O.N. 48040

Surname BELL  
(BLOCK LETTERS.)

Christian Names Bruce Napier

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# PERSONAL RECORD OF SERVICE—ARMEN

R.A.A.F. Form P/P.25  
(Revised Sept., 1940.)

1. \*PERMANENT FORCE

2. \*CITIZEN FORCE.

**BELL** 5. CHRISTIAN NAMES *Bruce Napier* 6. No. **48040**

8. SINGLE ☒ MARRIED ☐ WIDOWER ☐ DIVORCED ☐ 9. NEXT OF KIN Name *John Henry Bell* Relationship *Father* Address *Parina, S.A.* 10. PERSON TO BE INFORMED Name *Relationship* Address *Relationship*

12. NATIONALITY **BRITISH**

14. ENLISTMENTS & RE-ENGAGEMENTS. 15. PREV. NAVAL, MILITARY or AIR SERVICE. 16. Decorations, Medals, Mentions & Badges.

ENLISTED at **NO. 5 REC. CENTRE** on **21 APR 1942** Age in Years **18** Authority **5RC 71/42**

RE-ENGAGED for years on **1** **1** **1**

Decorations, etc. **WAR MEDAL 1939/45** Authority **A.B.O 10/46**

20. POSTINGS.

Date	Classification for Pay	Authority	Posted to	Date	Authority
<b>21 APR 1942</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5RC 71/42</b>	<b>NO. 1 RECRUIT DEP.</b>	<b>21 APR 1942</b>	<b>5RC 71/42</b>
<b>8.12.42</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2AOS 119/42</b>	<b>No. 1 O.T.U. Sale</b>	<b>12.5.42</b>	<b>1.O.T.U. 22/42</b>
			<b>Of 2 A.O.S. No. 1 Gambia</b>	<b>22.8.42</b>	<b>2AOS 88/42</b>
			<b>No 72 G. A. (Reserve) Ldn</b>	<b>16.9.42</b>	<b>72(Res) Ldn 1/42</b>
			<b>No. 2 A.O.S. - Mt. Gambier</b>	<b>1.10.42</b>	<b>2AOS 129/42</b>
			<b>No 10 TU Paumotu</b>	<b>18.12.42</b>	<b>10TU 126/42</b>
			<b>NO. 84 Squadron</b>	<b>10.3.43</b>	<b>84 Sqn. 8/43</b>
			<b>NO 1 APP.</b>	<b>4.6.44</b>	<b>1RPP 122/44</b>
			<b>No 4 PD</b>	<b>26.6.44</b>	<b>4PD 139/44</b>

21. ATTACHMENTS.

Date	Authority	Attached	From	To	Authority
<b>21 APR 1942</b>	<b>5RC 71/42</b>				
<b>8.3.43</b>	<b>84 Sqn. 9/43</b>				

22. MOVEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

*Discharged from RAAF on 24.7.44 under 115(D) to resume civil occupation 4PD 148/44*

23. SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

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23. CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY.							26. PAY AND ALLOWANCES.		
Rank	Character	Trade Classification	PROFICIENCY			Date			
			A	B	C				
2601 LAC	N.B. V.G	Arm. Asst	Sat. Sat	- -	- -	21.12.42 31-12-41			
							27. DEPENDANTS.		
							Name in Full	Relationship	
							28. CASUALTIES, ADMISSIONS TO AND DISCHARGES		
							Nature of Casualty or Disability	Hospital	From
24. COURSES OF INSTRUCTION.									
Type of Course		From	To	Result	Authority				
638 Reenr Bill bsc		21.12.42	8.5.44	P	190 <sup>80</sup> 1/2				
25. EXAMINATIONS PASSED FOR PROMOTION.									
Rank Passed For	Subject	Date	Remarks	Authority					
29. CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS									
Act or Regulation		Award or Sentence		Location					



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MR. B.N. Bell,  
FARINA. S.A.

N.B. You are entitled to be Returned from Active Service Badge, which will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

Received from the Royal Australian Air Force,  
Form P/P33A (Certificate of Service and Discharge)  
in respect of my service with the R.A.A.F.

Date..... Sgd.

*31/7/44*  
*Reece Valer Bell*

Ex No. 48040 IAC BELL B.N.

(PRD. 110/44)





PROCEEDINGS ON DISCHARGE

No. 48040 Rank LAC. Name BELL, Bruce Napier

Unit No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT.

Date and place of Enlistment No. 5 Recruit Centre, ADELAIDE, 21st. APRIL, 1942.

Date and place of Discharge No. 4 Personnel Depot, SPRINGBANK, 24th. JULY, 1944.

1. DESCRIPTION ON DISCHARGE.

Age 20 years 5 months.  
Height 5 feet 5 inches.  
Complexion Fair Eyes Brown Hair Brown  
Descriptive Marks Scar. L. Arm  
Intended place of Residence FARINA - S.A.

2. The above-named Airman is discharged in consequence of "To resume civil occupation"

Auth:- ABS. PD7 15/JUNE. A/25945

under Regulation AFR. 115 para. (t)

3. His conduct and character while serving have been, according to records

VERY GOOD

4. He is in possession of the following Medals and Decorations:-

NIL

5. Trade qualifications and proficiency

SATISFACTORY

Any qualifications other than usual trade to be entered here

NIL







ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TRADE TEST REPORT

No. 48040 Rank AC1 Name Bell B.N.  
Mustering A.H.G. Unit 2 A.O.S. MT GAMBIER. S.A.

The President, Trade Test Board,

AIR BOARD APPROVAL has been given for the abovementioned airman to be trade  
tested for (rank) A.C.1. (mustering) Armament Assistant

in accordance with the provisions of A.F.O. 8/E/2 and Appendix 8/E/2.

~~8/D/5A~~

~~8/D/5~~

Date 20/11/42

*H.T. Hammond* W/CMDR.

(H.T. HAMMOND)

Commanding No. 2 Air Observers' School,  
MT GAMBIER S.A.

REMARKS—TRADE TEST BOARD.

This airman has been employed as an Armament Assistant for the  
past three months and is considered suitable for remuster to  
the above mustering.

RESULT—\* Pass for (rank) AC1 (mustering) Armament Assistant  
70 %

DISCHARGED

*A. Louie* President.

*Quillayle* Member.

Member.

Date 25/11/42

\* Here write the word "Pass" or "Fail," and the percentage marks obtained.



## CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE.

No. (if airman) 48040 Rank LAC Name BELL B.N.  
 Unit 84 Squadron Station \_\_\_\_\_ Date 31/5/44

Certified that only the undermentioned liabilities remain against the above,  
 who is\* Posted to IRPP WEF 28/5 AUTH: 1BPSO J/N 118 27/5

\* State here whether being discharged, retiring, being reposted to \_\_\_\_\_, proceeding on recreation leave from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

† To be those of Flight or Section Comdr., Inventory Holder, Leave Clerk, and/or any other person to whom Cdg. Officer delegates responsibility for stores, leave record, semi-official funds, &c.

‡ State whether by cash (quoting official receipt no.) or to be deducted from final pay; or, in case of transfer, voucher no.

§ Orders to pay Agent to be obtained from member and attached.

Form to be prepared in duplicate. Unit Accounting Officer to retain copy. Original to be attached to member's personal documents.

Flight, Section, &c.	Initials or Signatures.†	Nature of Liabilities.	Value.	Method of Recovery or Adjustment.‡
Barracks ..	<i>J. Priestman</i>	NIL		
Mess§ ..				
TECH LIB IDENT CARD	<i>J. Johnston</i>	NIL		
Canteen§ ..	<i>M. J. Munro</i>	NIL		
Recreation Club§				
Dental ..	<i>S. G. Kimbrey</i>	NIL		
Medical ..	"	"		
Library ..	<i>J. Johnston</i>	NIL		
Tool Store ..				
Pay Clerk ..	<i>Altman</i>	Nil		
Benevolent Fund§				
Stores Officer ..	<i>M. J. Munro</i>	NIL		
O.C. Flight, &c.	<i>discharged</i>	NIL		
Squadron Cmdr.	<i>B. R. B. B.</i>	NIL		
E/A 30	<i>M. J. Munro</i>	NIL		

ADJUTANT,

All the above have now been cleared, as shown in last column, except \_\_\_\_\_

Accounting Officer \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

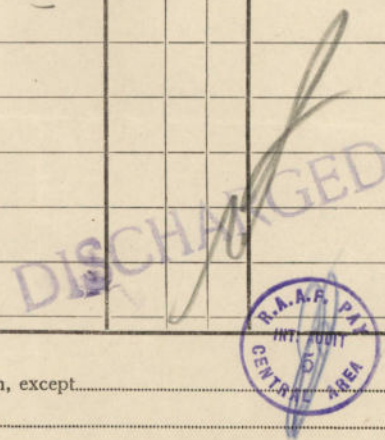
I have taken final clearing action as follows:—

Adjutant \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

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**ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE  
CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**

Form E/A.32  
(Revised Aug. 1944)

No. 48040 Rank LAC Name Bell B.H.

No. 4 EMBARKATION DEPOT, SPRINGBANK. S.A. Date 24. 7. 44

Certified that only the undermentioned liabilities remain against the above who is:- Dischd - AFR 11/5/44 - To resign civil

embarkation - ref 24/7/44 - Dischd - PD 9 15/ June A/25945

Flight, Section.	Initials or Signature	Nature of Liabilities	Value	Mot. Rec.
RECORDS	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
REHAB. OFFICER	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
DENTAL	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
MED. RECORDS	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
MEDICAL	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
LIBRARY	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
PAY CLERK	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
STORES OFFICER	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>4 P.D. D/R 15/44</i>	<i>1 13 2</i>	<i>X</i>
BARRACKS	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
POSTAL	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		
CLOTHING CARD	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>refer Stores Officer</i>		
CPL. MURRY	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>NIL</i>		

ADJUTANT, All the above have been cleared, as shown in last column, except nil

*[Signature]* Accountant Officer 24/ 7/ 44

I have taken final clearing action as follows:-

*[Signature]* Adjutant 24/ 7/ 44





Assessment of posting from... *84 Squadron* .....  
No. *48040* ..... Rank *LAC* ..... Name *Be H B N* ..... Mustering *ARM: ASS* .....  
Trade proficiency (to be assessed in accordance with AFO.8/1/5A para.10(b)) .....  
A..... *SAT* ..... B..... ..... C..... .....  
Character (to be assessed in accordance with AFO. 8/G/14 para 1.) .....

Assessment as to suitability for reclassification or promotion (i.e.)  
Specially recommended, recommended or not recommended.  
*V. G.*

*Recommended*

Work on which recently employed (types of aircraft engines worked on should be stated if applicable)

*Boomerang - Kipshang*

*B. R. Cooper*

Flight Lieutenant,  
for Commanding Officer,  
NO. 84 SQUADRON.

*DISCHARGED*



NO 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT  
NO 4 Personnel Depot,  
Royal Australian Air Force,  
SPRINGBANK, S.A.

CERTIFICATE OF DESTRUCTION OF PERSONNEL

This is to certify that the Personnel Identity Card, Number

427 AE of No. 48040 Rank LAC

Name BELL RN Mastering ARM. Asst.

was destroyed under my personal supervision on the 2nd

day of July 194 4.

*W. J. J. J.*  
Adjutant, NO 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT  
R.A.A.F. SPRINGBANK, S.A.

DISCHARGED



PART 'A' NIL  
PART 'C' NIL  
PART 'D' NIL

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Date 26th JULY, 1944

*LAC Bell*

PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORTS  
No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT, SPRINGBANK

PART B. AIRMEN

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of occurrence—Date of effect and authority
<u>(Q) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE</u>				
48345	LAC	Driver M.T.	(3) BOUCHER D.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 21/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. D/N A3/937/44 10/7/44. Ser. A/25995
123473	LAC	Cl. Stores	(3) CRABB A. J.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 21/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. D/N A3/938/44 10/7/44. Ser. A/25996
152693	AC1	Tr. Technical	(5) FRYAR J. D.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115(t) Not likely to become an efficient airman on Medical Grounds. Auth. RAAF HQ PR951 26/6/44. Ser. A/25971
437874	LAC	A/Crew 11(P)	(2) POLLARD W. G.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115(r) Services being no longer required. Auth. RAAF HQ PR128 20/7/44 Ser. A/25988
27462	F/SGT	Photog.	(2) GILBERT C. C.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 27/4/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/797/44 17/3/44 Ser. A/25763
48040	LAC	Arm. Asst.	(5) BELL B. N.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 24/7/44 under provision AFR 115(t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. RAAF HQ PD7 15/6/44. Ser. A. 25945
48738	LAC	Storehand	(5) JENKINS E. T.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 24/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/968/44 13/7/44 Ser. A/26005



*B. J. P.*

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PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORTS  
No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT, SPRINGBANK

PART 'D' AIRMEN

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of occurrence-Date of effect and authority
<u>(Q) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE</u>				
2781	SGT	Inst. Maker	(1) FISHER C.T.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/942/44 16/7/44 Ser. A/25997
28631	LAC	Fitter 11E	(1) MARSHALL W.J.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/614/44 9/6/44 Ser. A.25930
26986	SGT	Cook	(3) TURNER G.B.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. RAAF HQ PR305 17/7/44. Ser. A/26015
122727	LAC	Guard.	(5) POPLE R.B.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. B/N A3/969/44 13/7/44 Ser. A.26004
115789	LAC	Fl. Mech.	(2) VARCOE L.S.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115(t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. D/N A3/954/44 11/7/44 Ser. A/26001
48847	LAC	Fitter 11E	(1) GRAHAM E.A.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (t) To resume civil employment. Auth. D/N A3/4/44 15/7/44. Ser. A.26013

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PART 'E' AIRWOMEN

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of occurrence—Date of effect and authority.
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(9) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE

96786	ACW Equip. Asst	(3)	JACOB B.	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. D/N A3/898/44 7/7/44. Ser. A/25989
96731	CPL Radar Op.	(2)	GOODE B.L.	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 22/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (N) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. RAAF HQ PD49 13/7/44 Ser. A/25606
96688	ACW Driver M.T.	(3)	BAX K.A. (Nee ROYAL)	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 21st JULY, 1944 under provision AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. B/N A3/993/44 14/7/44 Ser. A/26011
107088	ACW Post. Ord.	(5)	VEITCH B.J. (Nee HOCKING)	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 24/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/963/44 12/7/44 Ser. A/26002
111667	ACW Stewardess	(5)	FISCHER I.D.	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 9/9/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. RAAF HQ PD46 8/7/44 Ser. A/25993

*E. S. Pitman*  
(E. S. PITMAN)

Squadron Leader  
Commanding No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT  
R.A.A.F. SPRINGBANK. S.A.



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PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORTS  
No. 4 PERSONNEL DEPOT, SPRINGBANK

PART B. AIRMEN

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of occurrence - Date of effect and authority
<u>(Q) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE</u>				
48345	LAC	Driver M.T.	(3) BOUCHER D.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 21/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. D/N A3/937/44 10/7/44. Ser. A/25995
123473	LAC	Cl. Stores	(3) CRABB A. J.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 21/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. D/N A3/938/44 10/7/44. Ser. A/25996
152693	AC1	Tr. Technical	(5) FRYAR J. D.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115(t) Not likely to become an efficient airman on Medical Grounds. Auth. RAAF HQ PR951 26/6/44. Ser. A/25971
437874	LAC	A/Crew 11(P)	(2) POLLARD W. G.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115(r) Services being no longer required. Auth. RAAF HQ PR128 20/7/44 Ser. A/25988
27462	F/SGT	Photog.	(2) GILBERT C. C.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 27/4/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/797/44 17/3/44 Ser. A/25763
48040	LAC	Arm. Asst.	(5) BELL B. N.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 24/7/44 under provision AFR 115(t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. RAAF HQ PD7 15/6/44. Ser. A. 25945
48738	LAC	Storehand	(5) JENKINS E. T.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wof 24/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/968/44 13/7/44 Ser. A/26005

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PART 'B' AIRMEN

Number	Rank	Trade & Group	Name	Nature of occurrence-Date of effect and authority
<u>(Q) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE</u>				
2781	SGT	Inst. Maker	(1) FISHER C.T.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/942/44 16/7/44 Ser. A/25997
28631	LAC	Fitter 11E	(1) MARSHALL W.J.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/614/44 9/6/44 Ser. A.25930
26986	SGT	Cook	(3) TURNER G.B.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. BAAF HQ P.305 17/7/44. Ser. A/26015
122727	LAC	Guard.	(5) POPLER R.B.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 25/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. B/N A3/969/44 13/7/44 Ser. A.26004
115789	LAC	Fl. Mech.	(2) VARCOE L.S.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. B/N A3/954/44 11/7/44 Ser. A/26001
48847	LAC	Fitter 11E	(1) GRAHAM E.A.	Discharged from R.A.A.F. wef 26/7/44 under provision AFR 115 (t) To resume civil employment. Auth. D/N A3/4/44 15/7/44. Ser. A.26013

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PART 'E' AIRWOMEN

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(Q) DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO THE RESERVE

96786	ACW Equip. Asst	(3)	JACOB B.	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 20/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) To resume civil occupation. Auth. D/N A3/898/44 7/7/44. Ser. A/25989
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96688	ACW Driver M.T.	(3)	BAX K.A. (Nee ROYAL)	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 21st JULY, 1944 under provision AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. B/N A3/993/44 14/7/44 Ser. A/26011
107088	ACW Post. Ord.	(5)	VEITCH B.J. (Nee HOCKING)	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 24/7/44 under provisions AFR 115 (n) Medically unfit for further service. Auth. D/N A3/963/44 12/7/44 Ser. A/26002
111667	ACW Stewardess	(5)	FISCHER I.D.	Discharged from W.A.A.A.F. wef 9/9/44 under provisions AFR 115 (t) On Compassionate Grounds. Auth. RAAF HQ PD46 8/7/44 Ser. A/25993

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Sir,

24th July, 1944,

N. E. WINTER  
F/O.

Mr. B.N. Bell,  
PARINA. S.A.

N.B. You are entitled to a Returned from Active Service Badge, which will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

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Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE, S.C.I.

3 JUL 1944

Dear Mr. Smith,

I refer further to your strong personal representations on behalf of the parents of No. 48040 L.A.C. Bell, B.N., Group 639, Townsville, who are desirous that their son should be released from the R.A.A.F. to assist his father in his pastoral business.

I find on enquiry that this case has been carefully investigated and instructions have already been issued for L.A.C. Bell to be discharged from the R.A.A.F. at an early date under the provisions of A.F.R. 115(t) "To resume civil occupation".

Yours sincerely,

A. S. DRAKEFORD

(A. S. Drakeford).

A.E. Smith, Esq., M.P.,  
Federal Members' Rooms,  
ADELAIDE, S.A.



A3. J.T.

ONE RPP (.) FOUR PERSONNEL DEPOT (.) repeat (.) NORTH/AREAHQ (PGM)  
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RESTRICTED	A/25945	(.)	48040	L.A.C.
BELL	B.	N.	ARMAMENT	ASSISTANT
ONE	RPP	POSTED	FOUR	PERSONNEL
DEPOT	W.E.F.	DATAR	(.)	ONE
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RESUME	CIVIL	OCCUPATION	(.)	REFR
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REHABILITATION OFFICER		MR.		

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O. i/c. Records.

NO. 48040 L.A.C. BELL B.N. IS TO BE  
DISCHARGED UNDER A.F.R. 115 (T) "TO RESUME CIVIL  
OCCUPATION".

WILL YOU PLEASE PASS THESE PAPERS TO  
C.C.A.M.P. WHEN ACTION HAS BEEN INITIATED.

G. MOODIE S/Ldr.  
Group Captain, D.P.S.

7. 6. 44.

Capt McNaughton

Father's business  
General Storekeeping 5 No  
Hardware Groceries 21st/421  
Clothing & numerous  
Insurance Oil & petrol R.P.P.  
Bank Agencies & the  
residing of all amongst  
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Capt McNaughton  
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General Service	YES
Returned from Active Service	NO
E.R.D.	

NAA: A9301, 48040



15-6-44

Date

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POSTING OF THE UNDERMENTIONED AIRMEN IS TO BE EFFECTED

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To


W.E.F.

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No. 48040 L.A.C. BEA. B.N.

discharged under A.F.R. 115(t) "to resume civil occupation".  
2. Please pass these papers to C.C.A. for further action  
has been initiated.

7. 6.44

*[Signature]*  
Group Captain, D.V.S.

(PS195/44)

NO MEDICAL OBJECTION

*[Signature]* D.M.S.

Date 19/6/44

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Group 837,  
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TOWNSVILLE.

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30 MAY 1944

The Secretary,  
Air Board,  
MELBOURNE.

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE  
NO. 48040, LAC. BELL E.N. - ARMAMENT ASSISTANT  
NO. 84 SQUADRON.

Reference R.A.A.F. Headquarters P.51 dated 29th April and further to this Headquarters M.958 dated 25th May, 1944, attached hereto is an application for discharge submitted by the abovenamed airman together with supporting evidence and a telegram received from the Deputy Director General of Man Power, ADELAIDE.

2. In view of the circumstances of the case and the Man Power recommendation the application is recommended by this Headquarters.

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General Service	YES.
Returned from Active Service	BADE
E. R. U.	NO

Be Horn Island

*S.P. HIGGIN*  
(S.P. HIGGIN)  
for Air Commodore  
AIR OFFICER COMMANDING NORTH EASTERN AREA.

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*Am. Dist* OK

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FROM : 48040 L.A.C. BELL B.N., Armament Assistant.

TO : Commanding Officer, No. 84 Squadron.

DATE : 8th, APRIL, 1944.

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE.

1. I herewith respectfully wish to make application for a discharge from the R.A.A.F., my reasons being as follows :-

- (a) My Father's business, which consists of General Storekeeping, and deals in Hardware, Groceries, Clothing, and numerous Assurance, Oil, Petrol, bank Agencies, and the refuelling of all aircraft which land on the salt lake aerodrome nearby, is situated at FARINA, in Northern South Australia.
- (b) Very often R.A.A.F. aircraft are refuelled there, and this together with his general business, my father now finds is becoming too much for him to handle alone, and requests my release to assist him.
- (c) I am the last of three sons, my two brothers having given their lives for their Country, and if anything should happen to my Father, there would be no one to take over his business, which is essential to be carried on to look after my Mother. Both my parents are nearing sixty, and ~~xxxx~~ the loss of my two brothers has caused a rapid decline in their health. This together with my Father's business, makes it necessary for me to make application for a discharge.

2. My Father has approached the Manpower Authorities for my release from the Service.

*B. N. Bell*  
.....L.A.C.



Certified True Copy

Farina S. Aust.  
March 4/1944.

To  
The Commanding Officer,  
Group 639  
R.A.A.F.  
Townsville Queensland.



Dear Sir,

I wish to apply for compassionate leave for my son  
48040 L.A.C. BELL B.N., also for his release from the Services.

My reason is that already I have lost two sons in the  
service of their country, and Bruce is the only remaining child  
and it is essential that I have him to help me in my business.

Trusting you will do your best to comply with this  
very urgent wish.

Yours Faithfully,

(Sgd) J.H. BELL.



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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA—POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

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L AC BELL B N STOP DEPUTY DIRECTOR MANPOWER RECOMMENDS  
DISCHARGE STOP CONFIRMATION IN POST .. DEMANPER ADELAIDE

(48040 B N )

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21 MAY (.) APPLICATION DISCHARGE 48040 LAC BELL B N ARMAMENT  
ASSISTANT STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION BY MANPOWER (.) ENDEAVOURING  
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RAAF HQS

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Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE. S.C.1. 659

20th April, 1944.

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Dear Mr. Smith,

I acknowledge your strong personal representations on behalf of the parents of 48040 LAC Bell, B.N., Group 639, Townsville, who are desirous that their son should be released from the R.A.A.F.

It is noted in support of this request that Mr. & Mrs. Bell have lost two other sons in this war, and ask that LAC Bell should be enabled to assist his father in his pastoral business.

As you understand the necessary application has been submitted, I am having inquiries made and will let you know as soon as possible whether approval can be given.

Yours sincerely,

(A. S. DRAKEFORD)  
A. S. DRAKEFORD

*Argy. Acc.  
Lac  
84 Sqdn  
N.E. Area*

A. E. Smith, Esq., M.P.,  
Federal Members' Rooms,  
ADELAIDE. S.A.

THE SECRETARY:

For further draft reply  
for Minister's signature, please.

*Wm. H. G. Smith*  
Private Secretary.

*DPs 24  
4  
44*







THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.



FEDERAL MEMBERS' ROOMS,  
PARLIAMENT HOUSE,

ADELAIDE, S.A.  
18th April, 1944.

My dear Minister,

Re 48040 L.A.C. BELL, B.N.,  
Group 639 R.A.A.F., Townsville.

I wish to support the application made by the above and also his parents for his release from the Air Force. I think that this is one of the few cases where I feel extremely justified in making an appeal on behalf of the parents if only on compassionate grounds. Apart from this fact this boy's father is engaged in a general business at Farina in the north of South Australia; he is also interested in pastoral property and it is very necessary that this boy should be released to help his father for that purpose alone. Mr. Bell senior is in charge of the petrol depot at Farina for Pool Petroleum Ltd. He is a man getting on in years and is finding it very difficult in-deed to carry on all this work. In fact he wanted to give it up, but was advised by the authorities they could not allow him to give up this important work because of the effect it would have on aviation seeing he was the only man in the town capable of doing this work. .

I do feel that as Mr. and Mrs. Bell's two other sons have given their lives in the interests of freedom and security in this war, this in itself is sufficient evidence that this application should receive most sympathetic consideration.

In making this appeal to you personally I feel sure you will do all you possibly can to have this man released. I make the appeal with the full knowledge of the necessity for having all men available for Air Force operations, but Sir, in view of all the facts, I again ask you to give this request your very favorable consideration and I await your early reply.

Yours faithfully,

(ALBERT E. SMITH)

The Hon. A. S. Drakeford, M.P.,  
Minister for Air,

National Archives of Australia  
Victoria Barracks, MELBOURNE, Vic.

NAA: A9301, 48040



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

TRADE TEST REPORT

No. 48040 Rank AC1 Name Bell B.N.  
Mustering A.H.G. Unit 2 A.O.S. MT GAMBIER. S.A.

The President, Trade Test Board,

AIR BOARD APPROVAL has been given for the abovementioned airman to be trade  
tested for (rank) A.C.1. (mustering) Armament Assistant

in accordance with the provisions of A.F.O. ~~8/T/2~~ and Appendix ~~8/T/2~~.

8/D/5A

8/D/5

Date 20/11/42

*H.T. Hammond* W/CMDR.

(H.T. HAMMOND)

Commanding No. 2 Air Observers' School,  
MT GAMBIER S.A.

REMARKS—TRADE TEST BOARD.

*This airman has been employed as an  
Armament Assistant for the past three months  
and is considered suitable for muster  
to the above mustering*

RESULT—*Pass* for (rank) AC1 (mustering) Armament Assistant.  
*70* %

ENTERED REMUSTER ROLL

*W. Lawrence* spm President.

*Quillayle* wpm Member.

Member.

Date 25.11.42

\* Here write the word "Pass" or "Fail," and the percentage marks obtained.



REMUSTER

10-9-42

AIR CREW ENTRY

48040

Name

ACI BELL B.N.

1. Serve Anywhere

yes

2. Birth Certificate

9-2-24

3. Age

18<sup>7/16</sup> yrs

4. Police

5. Clear Notice Weeks

LO TU. 42 Spt St Gambier

6. Medical Category

7. Badge Issued

8. Nationality

British

9. Enrolled

10. Assessment

18/46 T

IF SUITED AS AIR OBSERVER ONLY,  
PLACE RUBBER STAMP HERE.

IF SUITED AS W/T AIR GUNNER ONLY,  
PLACE RUBBER STAMP HERE.



48040  
AC1

NAME Bell BN

MUSTERING a/brew

DATE 11/9/42

INTERVIEW	MED. CATEGORY	X-RAY	ALLOTMENTS	T-TEST	A.I.F.
D.C.					

HEIGHT          ft.          in          VACCINATION MARKS         

CHEST Normal          Expanded          WHEN VACCINATED         

Range of expansion          MARKS OR SCARS         

WEIGHT          st          lb.

VISION          R. Eye          L. Eye

COLOUR VISION         

HEARING          R. Ear          L. Ear.

MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION         

COMPLEXION         

EYES (Colour)         

HAIR (Colour)



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE

Aptitude-Test Result Sheet 11/9/42  
(Air Crew)

Name: 48040 R.C.I. BELL, Bruce Napier

		Weak	Fair Only	Average - +		Good	Very Good
GENERAL INTELLIGENCE	Numerical Calculation	8					
	Verbal Expression	14					
	Logical Reasoning						
	General Information	16					

SPEED AT ROUTINE	Checking Numbers						
	Checking Spelling						
	Checking Similars						

PRACTICAL ABILITY	Capacity for Plans and Designs	23					
	Mechanical Aptitude	7					



*Bell B.N.*

R.A.A.F. Form P.P. 78/54.  
(June, 1942)

*48040* AIR CREW INTERVIEW FORM

NAME

*Bell, B. N.*

AGE — Years

*18*

Months

*7*

1. Present (or most recent) occupation

*Clerk in Father's Business.*

2. Schools attended . . . . .

*St Peters Adelaide S.A.*

3. School examinations passed and scope of education . . . . .

*Sub Inler.*

4. Flying or service experience . . . .

5. If prepared alternatively to serve in ground staff . . . . .

*R.A.A.F. 5/12 yrs.  
Air Craft Hand.*

6. Sport . . . . .

*Tennis Cricket. Football.*

7. Appearance and manners . . . . .

*Quite ordinary in uniform  
manners good.*

8. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation . . . . .

*Very Below average.*

9. Personality . . . . .

*Below average.*

COMMENTS:

*Musical*

~~RECOMMENDED~~

NOT RECOMMENDED  
(Strike out one)

FOR AIR CREW

*D. A. L. S. J.*

(Signature of Officer)

H. 20M 6/24



Remuster

R.A.A.F. Form P.P. 78/54.  
(June, 1942)

# AIR CREW INTERVIEW FORM

NAME 48040 AC1 BELL BN. AGE — Years 18 Months 7

1. Present (or most recent) occupation	<u>Aircraft hand R.A.A.F.</u> <u>Formerly Jr. Clerk in father's business</u>
2. Schools attended . . . . .	<u>St Peter's College</u> <u>Adelaide.</u>
3. School examinations passed and scope of education . . . . .	<u>Sub. Inter.</u>
4. Flying or service experience . . .	<u>5 mths. R.A.A.F.</u>
5. If prepared alternatively to serve in ground staff . . . . .	<u>/</u>
6. Sport . . . . .	<u>Tennis. None at present.</u>
7. Appearance and manners . . . . .	<u>In uniform. Clean &amp; neat</u> <u>Well mannered.</u>
8. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation . . . . .	<u>Not impressive.</u> <u>Poor educational background.</u>
9. Personality . . . . .	<u>Negative.</u>

COMMENTS:

Unsuitable

~~RECOMMENDED~~ } FOR AIR CREW  
NOT RECOMMENDED }  
(Strike out one)

H. 20M 8/24

M. Sheldon  
(Signature of Officer)  
11/9/42.



18/6/42

R.A.A.F. Form P.P. 78/54.  
(June, 1942)

# AIR CREW INTERVIEW FORM

48040  
NAME ACI. BELL. B.N. AGE — Years 18 Months 7

1. Present (or most recent) occupation

Aircraft hand R.H.H.

2. Schools attended . . . . .

St. Peters Adelaide S.A.

3. School examinations passed and scope of education . . . . .

Sub - Intermediate .

4. Flying or service experience . . . .

5 yrs R.H.H.

5. If prepared alternatively to serve in ground staff . . . . .

—

6. Sport . . . . .

Tennis cricket football

7. Appearance and manners . . . . .

Satisfactory

8. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation . . . . .

weak no backbone

9. Personality . . . . .

weak & backward generally

COMMENTS:

both all lost .

~~RECOMMENDED~~ } FOR AIR CREW  
NOT RECOMMENDED }  
(Strike out one)

H. 20M 6/24

T.H.E.

W.E. Bayly  
(Signature of Officer)



Appointment to be made with M/O

Examination

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.  
APPLICATION FOR AIR CREW.

Form F/A 30.  
(November 1939).

L. O.T.V.

Candidates who apply for selection as Air-Crew may be selected for training as Pilots, Air Observers, and Air Gunners for Service in the Royal Australian Air Force at home or abroad.

Application form to be completed in candidate's own handwriting.

When completed this form should be despatched to :

1. Surname BELL R. A. A. F. Recruiting Centre. . . . . 48040 ACI

(Block letters)

2. Christian Names. BRUCE NAPIER . . . . .

(In full)

3. Postal Address of Place of Residence RAAF BAIRNSDALE . . . . .

4. Name, Relationship, Occupation, and Address of Next of Kin. John Henry Bell. Father. Merchant. Tarima. Sth Aust.

5. Date of Birth. 9th Feb. 1924 . . . . . 6. Married or single. Single . . . . .

7. Are you a British Subject? Yes . . . . . Of pure European descent? Yes . . . . .

8. State the Nationality of your Parents (Nationality at time of death if deceased)  
Father. British . . . . . Mother. British . . . . .

9. Give particulars opposite of the schools and colleges at which you were educated from the age of 12

Names and addresses of Schools and Colleges From To  
St Peter's College Adelaide 3 1/2 years  
from 1938 to 1941

Have you sat for the intermediate or Junior Examination? If so give particulars opposite.

I was studying for the intermediate when I left school. But didn't sit for it

Name of examining body . . . . .

Description of Certificate . . . . .

Date of Examination . . . . .

Was certificate obtained . . . . .

Subjects passed in . . . . .

Subjects failed in . . . . .

Subjects (if any) in which a first class pass was obtained . . . . .

Name of examining body . . . . .

Description of examination . . . . .

Was examination passed . . . . .

Particulars of subjects in . . . . .

Have you sat for any other educational examination? If so give particulars opposite.

affirmed  
Dr R 31.8.41

Give particulars (with dates) of further education undertaken since leaving school. Name and address of educational establishment or tutor should be stated, subjects taken, and whether whole or part time tuition.

Look Air Forces classes  
at Teachers College Adelaide  
June - November  
Maths. Trig & Physics

10. Occupation since leaving school, including nature of work on which now engaged Junior clerk + in father's business . . . . .



11. Are you prepared to serve for the duration of the war and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter? *yes* . . . . .

12. Have you had any flying experience? *NO* .If so, number of hours  
Dual . . . . .Solo . . . . . Name of training organization . . . . .

Do you hold a Pilot's Licence? *NO* . . . . .

Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service *AIR SERVICE* <sup>FORCE</sup>

*21st April 1942 - 16/7/42*

Attach particulars of any Experience you have had in the following:-  
Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony . . . . .

Engineering (electrical, mechanical, structural, or civil) . . . . .

Internal Combustion Engines . . . . .

Fitting and turning . . . . .

15. Particulars of Sports and Games played *Tennis, cricket, Football*  
*Rowing*

16. Have you previously applied for an appointment in any branch of the Royal Australian Air Force or Active Citizen Air Force (If so give particulars and date). *1st Crew 8 May 1941*

NOTE; an incorrect answer to this question may disqualify a Candidate.

17. Physical particulars : Height. *5'5"* . . . . . Weight *8 stone* . . . . .

Chest Measurement: Normal. *31 1/2"* . . . . . Expanded. *33"* . . . . .

Have you been previously medically examined for Air Force or Civil Flying *yes* . . . . .

18. C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the replies set out to the above questions are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.

Date *16/7/42* . . . . . *B. N. Bell* . . . . . Signature of Applicant.

19. C E R T I F I C A T E O F P A R E N T O R G U A R D I A N

I am agreeable that my Son joins the Air Force for Flying duties, for service at home or abroad.  
Ward

Date. *July 14. 1942* . . . . . *B. N. Bell* . . . . . Signature of Parent or Guardian. \* X

20. Certificates to be completed by two responsible persons who have known the candidate for a considerable period.

I certify that I have known *Bruce N Bell* . . . . . for

(a) *eighteen* . . . . . years (b) *life* . . . . . years \*  
and can certify as to his moral courage and suitability for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

(a) Name *J. P. Bourlay* . . . . . (b) Name *D. G. Will* . . . . . \* X

Address *Witchelina Station* Address *Woolpoona Stn.*  
*Farina* *Farina*

To be filled in if Applicant is under 21 years of age.



Application To Attend Educational Classes. 81 R3

Applicants of 17 years of age only can be considered.

SURNAME BELL  
(BLOCK LETTERS)CHRISTIAN NAMES BRUCE NAPIER  
(IN FULL) *c/o St Peter's College, Kent Town*POSTAL ADDRESS OF PLACE OF RESIDENCE 7 ARINA  
*For NR.* *Blackney* *until 16/5/41*Sth. AustraliaDATE OF BIRTH 9th February 1924  
NATIONALITY OF PARENTS F British  
M British

## CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT

In consideration of my being granted permission to undergo the pre-enlistment educational course of the Royal Australian Air Force I undertake to join the Royal Australian Air Force for flying duties, if required to do so, on attaining the age of 18 years.

Date 23/4/41 B.N. Bell  
Signature of Applicant.

## CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

I am agreeable that my <sup>would</sup>son on attaining the age of 18 years, joins the Royal Australian Air Force for flying duties for service at Home or Abroad.

Date April 26 1941 B.N. Bell  
Signature of parent or guardian.

931-41 †



PLEASE ATTACH THIS TO APPLICATION FORM.

NAME Grace Papine Bell  
MUSTERING Pilot

QUALIFYING CERTIFICATE:

1. No. of marks obtained 233  
2. Name of School Farina State School  
3. Year of Examination 1937  
4. Age at that time 13 years

HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE.

1. Certificates Obtained .....  
2. Subjects Passed .....  
3. Subjects Studied .....  
4. Name of School ..... St. Mary's Q.C. Marks: 55.41  
5. Year of Examination ..... Intermediate Passes  
6. Age at that time ..... Sighted  
..... Leaving Passes  
..... Sighted





Collegiate School of St. Peter  
St. Peters

Adelaide 19.....

7. 5. 41.

Alfred Napier Bell has been in my House at St. Peter's college for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years during which time I have had ample opportunity to study his progress.

Of his character I can write very highly. He has always been reliable and trustworthy but his progress in work has been slow. This does not mean that he is unintelligent; he has plenty of shrewd common-sense and is very practical but the ordinary routine of Languages, History etc bores him unutterably.

Whether he can manage the Mathematics required for the Royal Australian Air Force will depend very largely on the amount of interest that is stimulated in him; and he will probably realize that the subject has some meaning when he sees its application.

John B Hill

Second Master



Bell B.N.

From the Headmaster: St. Peter's College Adelaide

To the Chief Recruiting Officer  
R.A.A.F. Adelaide

May 8. 41.

Sir

B. N. Bell is a boarder at this school, where his two brothers before him were. (The eldest is R.A.F. missing the next A.I.F. overseas). He is one of the most determined young man I know and a fine character. If he can master the Mathematics I can say that I believe he is the dogged type of reliable & courageous young man you need for certain sections of your service. His work is at Intermediate Standard and is not advanced - a boy from the far country. Favura - has other qualities beyond the academic. It may be that you advise him to continue with his school work until he is 18, especially if the Air Training Cadet Scheme is soon established.

I am yours  
Guy Poutreath



## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Royal Australian Air Force,  
Recruiting Centre.OLD LEGISLATIVE BLGS  
NORTH TERRACE  
ADELAIDE, S.A.

30 APR 1941

Dear Sir,

**to undergo the pre-enlistment Educational Course of**  
With reference to your recent application ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
the Royal Australian Air Force, it is requested that you attend  
for interview at the above address at **8.45 a.m. on Monday 5th May 1941**

It is further requested that when attending for interview  
you bring with you the following documents: -

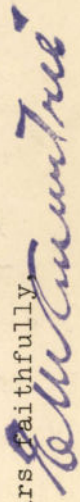
Birth Certificate (or Extract of Birth Entry),  
Original and copies of references,  
Educational Certificates,  
Indentures,

Pilot's log book (if applicable),

and any other documentary evidence of qualifications and experience.

Applicants attending for interview are required to pay  
their own travelling and other expenses connected with their  
journey to and from places of interview.

Yours faithfully,



Recruiting Officer.



ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

Mr. B. N. Bell  
C/- St. Peters College  
HACKNEY

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.  
If undelivered return to  
Royal Australian Air Force,  
Recruiting Centre  
ADELAIDE.



# APPENDIX 2.

## MORSE ADAPTABILITY TEST.

Result.....

Name... *B. N. Bell* .....

Age... *17-3 years* .....

INSTRUCTIONS: Read the following carefully before commencing the test:-

- (1) No previous knowledge of Morse Code is necessary to do this test - it is merely a test for the ear.
- (2) The question you have to answer is - Are members of the pair the same? If they are, put a ring around the word "SAME". If not, put a ring around the word "DIFF".
- (3) The pairs marked "Practice Pairs" are for trial.

### PRACTICE PAIRS.

- |                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 3. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            |
| 2. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 4. <del>SAME</del> <del>DIFF</del> |

When commencing the test proper, write below, commencing at No. 1.

- |                          |                                     |                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. <del>SAME</del> DIFF  | 27. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 53. SAME DIFF            |
| 2. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 28. <del>SAME</del> <del>DIFF</del> | 54. SAME DIFF            |
| 3. <del>SAME</del> DIFF  | 29. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 55. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 4. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 30. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 56. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 5. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 31. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 57. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 6. <del>SAME</del> DIFF  | 32. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 58. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 7. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 33. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 59. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 8. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 34. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 60. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 9. SAME <del>DIFF</del>  | 35. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 61. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 10. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 36. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 62. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 11. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 37. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 63. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 12. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 38. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 64. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 13. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 39. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 65. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 14. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 40. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 66. SAME <del>DIFF</del> |
| 15. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 41. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 67. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 16. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 42. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 68. SAME <del>DIFF</del> |
| 17. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 43. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 69. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 18. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 44. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 70. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 19. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 45. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 71. SAME <del>DIFF</del> |
| 20. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 46. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 72. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 21. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 47. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 73. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 22. SAME <del>DIFF</del> | 48. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 74. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 23. SAME DIFF            | 49. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 75. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 24. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 50. SAME <del>DIFF</del>            | 76. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |
| 25. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 51. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 77. SAME <del>DIFF</del> |
| 26. <del>SAME</del> DIFF | 52. <del>SAME</del> DIFF            | 78. <del>SAME</del> DIFF |

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Result \_\_\_\_\_

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- (3) The pairs marked 'Practice Pair' are for trial and will not be marked.

## PRACTICE PAIRS.

1	YES	NO
2	YES	NO

3	YES	NO
4	YES	NO

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

When commencing the test proper, write below, commencing at No.1.

- |            |            |            |
|------------|------------|------------|
| 1. YES NO  | 27. YES NO | 53. YES NO |
| 2. YES NO  | 28. YES NO | 54. YES NO |
| 3. YES NO  | 29. YES NO | 55. YES NO |
| 4. YES NO  | 30. YES NO | 56. YES NO |
| 5. YES NO  | 31. YES NO | 57. YES NO |
| 6. YES NO  | 32. YES NO | 58. YES NO |
| 7. YES NO  | 33. YES NO | 59. YES NO |
| 8. YES NO  | 34. YES NO | 60. YES NO |
| 9. YES NO  | 35. YES NO | 61. YES NO |
| 10. YES NO | 36. YES NO | 62. YES NO |
| 11. YES NO | 37. YES NO | 63. YES NO |
| 12. YES NO | 38. YES NO | 64. YES NO |
| 13. YES NO | 39. YES NO | 65. YES NO |
| 14. YES NO | 40. YES NO | 66. YES NO |
| 15. YES NO | 41. YES NO | 67. YES NO |
| 16. YES NO | 42. YES NO | 68. YES NO |
| 17. YES NO | 43. YES NO | 69. YES NO |
| 18. YES NO | 44. YES NO | 70. YES NO |
| 19. YES NO | 45. YES NO | 71. YES NO |
| 20. YES NO | 46. YES NO | 72. YES NO |
| 21. YES NO | 47. YES NO | 73. YES NO |
| 22. YES NO | 48. YES NO | 74. YES NO |
| 23. YES NO | 49. YES NO | 75. YES NO |
| 24. YES NO | 50. YES NO | 76. YES NO |
| 25. YES NO | 51. YES NO | 77. YES NO |
| 26. YES NO | 52. YES NO | 78. YES NO |



# ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

## Aptitude-Test Result Sheet

(Air Crew)

Name: BELL B.N.

		Weak	Fair Only	Average		Good	Very Good
				-	+		
GENERAL INTELLIGENCE	Numerical Calculation	7					
	Verbal Expression						
	Logical Reasoning	11					
	General Information						

SPEED AT ROUTINE	Checking Numbers						
	Checking Spelling						
	Checking Similars						

PRACTICAL ABILITY	Capacity for Plans and Designs						
	Mechanical Aptitude						



## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM.

To be used in interviewing 17-year old applicants who wish to attend the pre-enlistment educational classes of the R.A.A.F.

Signature of  
Candidate

Name of  
Candidate

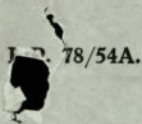
BELL B N

1. Age as at 8 ... 5 ... 4 ... 17 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>12</sub>
2. Present (or most recent) occupation School (St Peters College) 4 years (Boomer)
3. Secondary School ...
4. School examinations passed and scope of education  
 Passed Intermediate Phy. El. Sc., Eng.,  
 Arith., Trig., Geom., Alg., Hist.,  
 Geog., Latin, French, Chem., Busi-  
 ness Princs.  
*Very Maths*
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force  
 Patriotic -  
 Keen to join Air Force
6. Flying or Service Experience  
 Flying to Farm College 3 years
7. Sport  
 Cricket, Tennis, Football & Cricket
8. Appearance and manners ...  
 5ft 4 inches Fair well groomed neat
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation  
 Intelligence not impressive  
 Not very alert  
 But good solid type of Boy (Good Gunner)
10. Personality ...  
 Bright & cheerful would improve in service
11. General promise of fitness for Service  
 Good Gunner type of education
12. Medical Interview ...  
 yes Satisfactory

Signature of Officer or Chairman of Interviewing Board.

932-41 †





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## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM.

To be used in interviewing 17-year old applicants who wish to attend the pre-enlistment educational classes of the R.A.A.F.

Signature of  
Candidate

B.N. Bell

Name of  
Candidate

BELL B.N.

1. Age as at ... 8.5.41 17<sup>3</sup>/<sub>12</sub>
2. Present (or most recent) occupation Student
3. Secondary School ... St. Peter's College, 4<sup>th</sup> year
4. School examinations passed and scope of education 1st year Passed Intermediate Phy. El. Sc., Eng., Arith., Trig., Geom., Alg., Hist., Geog., Latin., French, Chem., Business Princs.
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force Serve Country Air Force.
6. Flying or Service Experience School Cadet. Passenger flying.
7. Sport ... Interhouse football & cricket. Core - Rugby.
8. Appearance and manners ... Stocky build, neatly dressed.
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation Well down on general education fairly alert, moderately observant.
10. Personality ... Aggressive lad, bright, looks game.
11. General promise of fitness for Service Would be worth a trial on the classes as he is a good type.
12. Medical Interview ... Yes.

932-41 †

(8) R.

Thompson. S/O.  
Signature of Officer or Chairman of Interviewing Board.



## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM.

To be used in interviewing 17-year old applicants who wish to attend the pre-enlistment educational classes of the R.A.A.F.

Signature of  
Candidate .....

Name of  
Candidate .....

BELL. BN.

1. Age as at 8 ... 5 ... 44 17 3/2.
2. Present (or most recent) occupation School.
3. Secondary School ... St Peter's College. (Ceylon).
4. School examinations passed and scope of education *1st Year / 1st* Passed Intermediate Phy. El. Sc., Eng., Arith., Trig., Geom., Alg., Hist., Geog., Latin, French, Chem., Business Princs.  
D.C. 238.
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force To serve. *Flown as*
6. Flying or Service Experience
7. Sport ... Inver House H Ball & Cricket.
8. Appearance and manners ... Good.
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation Very weak.
10. Personality ... Fair
11. General promise of fitness for Service Too weak intellectually for the crew.
12. Medical Interview ...

Signature of Officer or Chairman of Interviewing Board.

932-41 †



Chl  
G. A. F.  
Baker.

Larima St Aust  
24<sup>th</sup> Jan 1942

"The Chief Education Officer,  
No 5 Recruiting Centre,  
R. A. A. F.  
Old Legislative Building,  
North Terrace  
Adelaide."



Dear Sir.

This is to notify you, that I will  
be eighteen years old on February 9<sup>th</sup> 1942 as  
you requested. I had my first medical  
Examination for pre-enlistment in May 1941.

Will you kindly advise me when  
to report again for 2<sup>nd</sup> medical. The  
journey from here takes two days.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours Faithfully,  
Bruce Napier Bell

Send P/P 80<sup>0</sup> rel. early  
+ 1/2 complete 7<sup>th</sup> con.  
after attaining  
18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Rail Warr.  
required



AC. C.8360.

E.B./R.R.H./E.S.

BELL BN

No.5 Recruiting Centre,  
Old Legislative Building,  
North Terrace,  
ADELAIDE, S. A.  
5th February, 1942.

Mr. B. N. Bell,  
FARINA, S. A.

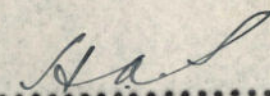
Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th ultimo, concerning your entry into the Royal Australian Air Force, we are enclosing herewith an official Air Crew application form (P/P.80), which you are requested to complete and return to this Centre as early as possible.

You are at liberty to call at this Centre at your own convenience on or after the 9th instant, when you will attain your eighteenth birthday.

A travel warrant covering your journey to and from Adelaide is enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

  
.....F/Lt.  
(H.A.J. STURGEON)  
for Squadron Leader,  
Commanding No.5 Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F.,  
ADELAIDE, S. A.

(Encs.)



Lodge  
Farina

5 RC

BRUCE NAPIER BELL



you omitted enclose rail  
warrant please post today  
else delayed week

See 0220/2 J.H. 6.10.



C.8360.

R.H./E.S.

No.5 Recruiting Centre,  
Old Legislative Building,  
North Terrace,  
ADELAIDE, S. A.,  
12th February, 1942.

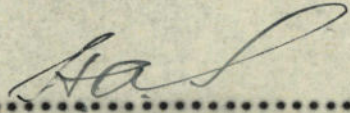
Mr. B. N. Bell,  
FARINA, S. A.

Dear Sir,

As requested in your telegram of even date,  
we are enclosing herewith travel warrant covering your  
journey to and from Adelaide.

It is regretted that this warrant was not  
forwarded with our letter of the 5th instant.

Yours faithfully,

  
.....F/Lt.  
(H.A.J. STURGEON)  
for Squadron Leader,  
Commanding No.5 Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F.,  
ADELAIDE, S. A.

(Enc.)



## APPLICATION FOR AIR CREW

Candidates who apply for selection as Air Crew may be selected for training as Pilots, Air Observers, and Air Gunners for service in the Royal Australian Air Force at home or abroad. Application form to be completed in candidate's own handwriting. When completed this form should be despatched to

R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre

Adelaide

1. Surname **BELL**  
(Block Letters)
2. Christian Names **BRUCE NAPIER**  
(In full)
3. Postal Address of Place of Residence **Farina**

4. Name, Relationship, Occupation, and Address of Next-of-Kin **John H. Bell.**  
**Father Storekeeper, Farina**
5. Date of Birth **Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1924**
6. Married or Single **Single**
7. Are you a British Subject? **Yes** Of pure European descent? **Yes**
8. State the Nationality of your Parents. (Nationality at time of death if deceased.)  
Father **British** Mother **British**

9.	Names and Addresses of Schools and Colleges	Period of Education	
		From	To
(a) Give particulars opposite of the schools and colleges at which you were educated from the age of 12.	Farina School.	1930	1937.
	St Peters College.	1938 <del>0</del>	1941 1st term.

(b) Have you sat for the Intermediate or Junior Public Examination? If so, give particulars opposite.

Q.C. Marks **233 Farina 1937**

Intermediate Passes

Sighted

Leaving Passes

Sighted

Name of examining body

Description of certificate

Date of examination

Was certificate obtained?

Subjects passed in

Subjects failed in

Subjects (if any) in which a first-class pass was obtained

(c) Have you sat for any other educational examination? If so, give particulars opposite.

Name of examining body

Description of examination

Date of examination

Was examination passed?

Particulars of subjects passed in

(d) Give particulars (with dates of further education undertaken since leaving school. Name and address of educational establishment or tutor should be stated, subject taken, and whether whole or part-time tuition.

Pre-substment

10. Occupation since leaving school, including nature of work on which now engaged—

junior clerk,



11. Are you prepared to serve for the duration of the war and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter? Yes.

12. Have you had any flying experience? No If so, number of hours.  
Dual \_\_\_\_\_ Solo \_\_\_\_\_ Name of training organization \_\_\_\_\_

Do you hold a Pilot's Licence? No

13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service College cadets

14. Attach particulars of any Experience you have had in the following:—

Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony \_\_\_\_\_

Engineering (electrical, mechanical, structural, or civil) \_\_\_\_\_

Internal Combustion Engines \_\_\_\_\_

Fitting and Turning \_\_\_\_\_

15. Particulars of Sports and Games played Tennis, football  
Rowing, cricket

16. Have you previously applied for an Appointment in any Branch of the Royal Australian Air Force or Active Citizen Air Force? (If so, give particulars and date.)

NOTE.—An incorrect answer to this question may disqualify a Candidate.

Re-enlistment 8<sup>th</sup> May 1947  
17. Physical particulars: Height 5ft 5½" Weight 8 stone  
Chest Measurement: Normal 31½" Expanded 33½"

Have you been previously medically examined for Air Force or Civil Flying? yes

18. **CERTIFICATE.**

I hereby certify that the replies set out to the above questions are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.

Date 14-2-42 Bruce N. Bell  
Signature of Applicant.

19. **CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN. \***

I am agreeable that my <sup>son</sup>~~ward~~ joins the Air Force for flying duties, for service at home or abroad.

Date 14/2/42 B. N. Bell  
Signature of Parent or Guardian.

X 20. Certificates to be completed by two responsible persons who have known the candidate for a considerable period.

I certify that I have known W. Gourlay B. N. Bell for  
(a) eighteen years. (b) Twelve years.

and can certify as to his moral courage and suitability for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

(a) Name W. Gourlay (b) Name D. Swill  
Address Witchelina Address Welpoona Str.  
Farina Farina

\* To be filled in if Applicant is under 21 years of age.



# ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

## Aptitude-Test Result Sheet

(Air Crew)

Name: BELL B.N.

R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre.  
ADELAIDE, S.A.

		Weak	Fair Only	Average	Good	Very Good
				-	+	
GENERAL INTELLIGENCE	Numerical Calculation	9				
	Verbal Expression	13				
	Logical Reasoning					
	General Information					

SPEED AT ROUTINE	Checking Numbers	16				
	Checking Spelling					
	Checking Similars					

PRACTICAL ABILITY	Capacity for Plans and Designs	20				
	Mechanical Aptitude	8				

D.P.W. 12/41



## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM

Signature of Candidate

*B N Bell*

Name of Candidate

*BELL B N*

1. Age as at .. .. .	<i>18 yrs.</i>
2. Present (or most recent) occupation ..	<i>Helping in stores at father's place. Tanna</i>
3. Secondary school .. .. .	<i>St Peter's. 2 1/2 years.</i>
<i>QC 233 1937.</i>	
4. School examinations passed and scope of education	Passed Intermediate: Physics, Elementary Science, English, Arithmetic, Trigonometry, Geometry, Algebra, History, Geography, Chemistry, Latin, French, Business Principles
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force	
6. Flying or service experience ..	<i>Core crew at school.</i>
7. Sport .. .. .	<i>Tennis football cricket Rowing</i>
8. Appearance and manners .. ..	<i>very slight build Redhead Respectful</i>
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation	<i>very poor graph does not possess the ability to make the grade</i>
10. Personality .. .. .	<i>Neat.</i>
11. General promise of fitness for service	<i>unsuitable air crew is particularly keen to serve and should be found a position on ground staff.</i>
12. Medical interview .. .. .	Yes. No. Defer.

Applicant's { 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_  
3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED }  
NOT RECOMMENDED } as type for commission  
(Strike out one)

D.3770/7.40.—C.9152.

## BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION

Pilot }  
Air Observer } Strike out two  
W/O-Air Gunner }

*E. J. [Signature]*  
(Signature of Officer)



## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM

Signature of Candidate

*B N Bell*

Name of Candidate

*BELL B N*

1. Age as at	<i>19-2-42.</i>	<i>18 yrs.</i>
2. Present (or most recent) occupation ..		<i>Helping in store at father's place. Tanna.</i>
3. Secondary school .. .. .	<i>QC 233. 1937.</i>	<i>St Peter's. 2 1/4 years.</i>
4. School examinations passed and scope of education		Passed Intermediate: Physics, Elementary Science, English, Arithmetic, Trigonometry, Geometry, Algebra, History, Geography, Chemistry, Latin, French, Business Principles
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force		<i>Sense of duty.</i>
6. Flying or service experience ..		<i>Box crew at school.</i>
7. Sport .. .. .		<i>Badm.</i>
8. Appearance and manners .. ..		<i>} Good.</i>
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation		<i>} Definitely not up to standard.</i>
10. Personality .. .. .		<i>Good</i>
11. General promise of fitness for service		<i>NOT Suitable</i>
12. Medical interview .. .. .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Def.

Applicant's { 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_  
3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED } as type for commission  
NOT RECOMMENDED }  
(Strike out one)

D.3770/7.40.—C.9152.

## BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION

Pilot \_\_\_\_\_  
Air Observer \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Air Gunner } Strike out two

*Ninian S. James*  
(Signature of Officer) %  
*8/10*



## R.A.A.F. INTERVIEW FORM

Signature of Candidate

*B.N. Bell*

Name of Candidate

*BELL B.N.*

1. Age as at .. .. .	<i>18 yrs.</i>
2. Present (or most recent) occupation ..	<i>Helping in store at father's place. Farina.</i>
3. Secondary school .. .. .	<i>St Peter's: 2 1/4 years.</i>
4. School examinations passed and scope of education	Passed Intermediate: Physics, Elementary Science, English, Arithmetic, Trigonometry, Geometry, Algebra, History, Geography, Chemistry, Latin, French, Business Principles
5. Reasons for wanting to join the Air Force	<i>Patriotic</i>
6. Flying or service experience ..	<i>None as school.</i>
7. Sport .. .. .	<i>No flying no service, Tennis Football Cricket</i>
8. Appearance and manners ..	<i>Red-hair Good appearance well-mannered</i>
9. Intelligence, accuracy, general alertness, quickness of observation	<i>Not up to the standards required for Air Crew</i>
10. Personality .. .. .	<i>Fairly good quiet</i>
11. General promise of fitness for service	<i>Not suitable for air crew</i>
12. Medical interview .. .. .	Yes. No. Defer.

Applicant's { 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_  
3rd choice \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED \_\_\_\_\_  
NOT RECOMMENDED \_\_\_\_\_  
(Strike out one) as type for commission

D.3770/7.40.—C.9152.

## BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION

Pilot \_\_\_\_\_  
Air Observer \_\_\_\_\_  
W/O-Air Gunner \_\_\_\_\_ } Strike out two

*A. Surgeon*  
(Signature of Officer) *2*



CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

I hereby certify that I am agreeable that my <sup>son</sup>~~ward~~ joins  
the Royal Australian Air Force for service at home or overseas.

Date.....15-4-42.....

.....  
Signature of Parent or Guardian.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: A9301, 48040



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

No.5 R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre,  
Old Legislative Building,  
North Terrace,  
ADELAIDE, S. A.,  
24th February, 1942.

Mr. B. N. Bell, .....

FARINA, S. A.  
.....  
.....

Dear Sir,

With further reference to your recent application for entry into the Royal Australian Air Force as a ~~an Aircraftman~~, and my letter notifying you that your name had been recorded for duty should your services be required, I have to inform you that the Air Board has now decided to enrol in the Air Force Reserve all applicants who have been placed on the Waiting List.

Therefore, it is requested that you complete Form P/P.49 (attached) in ink down to the question, "What is your place of Residence", and then take this form and letter to a Justice of the Peace or Air Force Recruiting Officer, whichever is nearest to your home, and request him to administer the oath. Your signature on pages one and two of the form is to be appended in the presence of the Justice of the Peace.

When this has been completed, it is requested that you return this form to the above address; stamped and addressed envelope for this purpose is enclosed. It must be clearly understood, however, that you would not receive any pay, until such time as you were called up for service. It is further requested that form P/P.49 be completed and returned within seven days of receipt.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

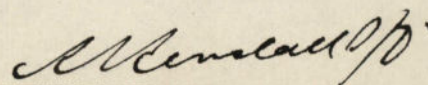
Royal Australian Air Force regulations provide that enrolment and the administering of the oath or taking of the declaration may be performed by an Air Force officer or a Justice of the Peace. As there is no Air Force officer available in your district to enrol the applicant in the Reserve, it is requested that you be kind enough to perform this office on behalf of the Air Force authorities. Your services in this matter would be appreciated. The following information regarding the completion of R.A.A.F. Form P/P.49 is submitted to assist you.

Page 1. - (a) The answers to questions to be put before enrolment should be written in ink either by you or by the applicant, and Declaration signed by applicant.

(b) Medical certificate should be left blank.

Page 2. - ~~Oath or affirmation to be administered or taken and signature obtained, form then to be signed by yourself.~~

Yours faithfully,

  
Recruiting Officer.

(PD.1/40)



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

FORM P.P. 78/76.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,  
No. 5 RECRUITING CENTRE.

Name Mr. B. N. Bell,

Old Legislative Building,  
North Terrace,

ADELAIDE, S. A.,  
24th February, 1942.

Address FARINA, S. A.

I, Bruce Napier BELL, have this day been  
enrolled on the Reserve of the Royal Australian Air Force.  
It has been explained to me that this enrolment is subject  
to the result of my X-Ray Examination.

Should the result of this examination prove that I am  
not up to the medical standard required by the R.A.A.F., I  
am willing to be discharged immediately from the R.A.A.F.  
Reserve and undertake to return my Reservist's badge  
forthwith.

Witness J.P. Cairley JP

Officer

Signed B. N. Bell

Please sign and return to this Centre.

4554-40†



ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and to express my regret that I have been unable to send you a more satisfactory answer. I am, however, sending you the enclosed which I hope will be acceptable. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. B. Macdonald

J. B. Macdonald

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. APPENDIX "T".

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,  
No. 5 Recruiting Centre,  
10 King William Street,  
ADEL A I D E, STH. AUSTR.

NAME.... **BELL, B. H.** ..... ADDRESS..... **PARINA, S.A.**

MUSTERING..... **Aircrafthand** ..... DATE INTERVIEWED..... **19/2/42**

MEMORANDUM TO: The Registrar General, Registrar General & Co.

Please check the following particulars of applicants:

Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Surname.	Christian names.	Father's names.	Mother's full maiden name.	Leave blank.
<b>9/2/1924</b>	<b>Adelaide</b>	<b>BELL</b> <i>130/463</i>	<b>Bruce</b> ✓ <b>Napier</b> ✓	<b>John</b> ✓ <b>Henry</b> ✓	<b>Eva</b> ✓ <b>Annie</b> ✓ <b>NAPIER</b>	

**CERTIFIED CORRECT**

IF MARRIED:

Name of wife..... Surname (before marriage)..... Full Christian names.....

Date of Marriage..... Place of Marriage.....

Denomination - **CHURCH OF ENGLAND.** UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE:

Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Christian Names.	For Office Use.

IMPORTANT. Every care should be taken to ensure that accurate information is supplied regarding surnames, Christian names, dates and places of birth and marriage, otherwise the payment of fees and allowance will be delayed. In any child is not the child of your wife and yourself, full particulars of parentage are necessary.

Certified that the above particulars have been checked.

(Signature) REGISTRAR GENERAL, ADELAIDE.

IF MARRIED.

Name of Church .....

Denomination .....

Officiating Clergyman .....

IF MARRIED AT REGISTRY OFFICE.

ADDRESS OF REGISTRY OFFICE .....



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5 RC.

BRUCE BELL FARINA

could you advise when  
likely to be called up

tel 0330/2 LL bto



BRUCE BELL FARINA  
S.R.C. - 243

PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE YOU WILL  
BE CALLED UP EARLY IN  
APRIL

You are to be enlisted  
21/4/42. Notice posted  
today.

Applicant's file

Libby 8/4

X

0622/2



PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORT - PART "E".

(AIRWOMEN)

NO.5 RECRUITING CENTRE, ADELAIDE, S.A.

Serial No.51/1942.  
Part "A".....nil.  
Part "B".....nil.  
Part "C".....nil.  
Part "D".....nil.  
Page.....1.  
Date.....17.3.42.

Number	Rank	Trade & Group.	Name.	Nature of casualty - date of effect, and authority.
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(n) ALLOWANCES AUTHORISED AND DISCONTINUED:

92476.	Cpl.	Clerk General	(4)	EASTAUGH, H.	Ceased to draw the living
92482.	A.C.W.	"	"	McALINDEN, L.A.K.	away from home allowance
92489.	A.C.W.	"	"	WINTER, S.	at 1/1ld. per diem on and
93586.	A.C.W.	"	"	SMITH, K.I.	from 12th March, 1942.
					Auth: No. 1 T. G. Signal
					F.181, of 13th March 1942.

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*(Signature)*

(A.N.W. DAVISON.)

for / Squadron Leader,  
Commanding No.5 Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F.  
ADELAIDE, S.A.



Bruce Bell FARINA  
S.R.C

— 3/4

You are to be enlisted  
21/4/42 notice posted to-day

~~Burton~~

~~X~~

0728/2.

MB.



PERSONNEL OCCURRENCE REPORT - PART "A".

(OFFICERS)

NO.5 RECRUITING CENTRE, ADELAIDE, S.A.

Serial No.58/1942.  
Part "B".....nil.  
Part "C".....nil.  
Part "D".....nil.  
Part "E".....nil.  
Page..... 1.  
Date.....26.3.42.

Rank.	Name.	Number.	Branch.	Nature of Occurrence.
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(b) ATTACHMENTS, DETACHMENTS AND CESSATIONS THEREOF.

F/O.	J. A. HUNTER.	2155 (C.F.)	A. & S.D.	Attachment to No.5 R.C. (vide P.O.R., 54/1942.) ceased on 23.3.1942. Auth: No.1 T.G. Signal P.917 of 13th March 1942.
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(f) APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

Acting F/Lt.	R. G. GOODMAN.	981 (C.F.)	A. & S.D.	Promoted to the Temporary rank of Flight Lieutenant on 1.1.1942. Auth: C. of A. Gazette No.45, dated 12.2.1942. vide No.1 T.G. Signal - P.10, dated 20.3.1942.
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(q) ALLOWANCES CEASED:

F/O.	J. A. HUNTER.	2155 (C.F.)	A. & S.D.	Ceased to draw Ration allowance, at 1/9d. per diem, subsistence allowance at 8d. per diem and living away from home allowance at 1/11d. per diem on and from - 23rd March, 1942. Auth: O.C., No.5 R.C.
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*E. G. McMurtrie*  
(E. G. McMURTRIE)

Squadron Leader,  
Commanding No.5 Recruiting Centre, R.A.A.F.  
ADELAIDE, S.A.



# COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE,  
RECRUITING CENTRE.

FORM P.P. 78/35

Mr. B. N. Bell,  
FARINA, S.A.

ADELAIDE, S.A.  
18 KING WILLIAM ST.  
2 APR 1942

Dear Sir,

With reference to your recent application for admission to the Royal Australian Air Force, it is requested that you report to the above address with your luggage at 8 a.m. on 21 APR 1942 for enlistment as a Aircrafthand in Group 5, with the rank and pay of Aircraftsman, Class I.

Please bring with you the following certificates applicable to you:

- The attached Parents' Birth Certificate or Extract of Birth Entry. Consent forms must be signed in duplicate.
- (i) ~~Birth Certificate or Extract of Birth Entry.~~
  - (ii) ~~Marriage Certificate.~~
  - (iii) ~~Birth Certificate of any children.~~
  - (iv) ~~Naturalization papers.~~
  - (v) ~~Militia, Army, or Naval discharge.~~
  - (vi) ~~Completed form M.F.4 (if claiming separation allowance)~~

Enlistment is for the duration of the war and up to a period of twelve months thereafter.

The daily rate of pay applicable to your appointment is 6/- per day. Dependant's allowance payable in respect of the wife and children of a member are:

Wife	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd & each subsequent child
3/6 per day.	2/6 per day which includes domestic allowance of 1/- per day	2/- per day	1/6 per day.

The payment of the dependant's allowance is subject to the airman making an allotment of at least 3/6d. per day. Recruiting Centre, to be advised if married since enrolment on the Reserve.

All airmen are provided with free messing and accommodation. Uniforms and necessaries are also provided at Departmental expense. The full scale of uniform, however, is not issued immediately on enlistment.

Airmen are liable for service either within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

Rail warrant is enclosed herewith to enable you to report to Adelaide., and should you not avail yourself of this offer, it is requested that you advise me immediately, returning the warrant at the same time.

Yours faithfully,



Recruiting Officer.

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF RECRUITS ON ENLISTMENT.

NUMBER. 48040  
 NAME IN FULL. BELL Bruce Napier.  
 MUSTERING ON ENLISTMENT. A. B. N.  
 NEXT OF KIN. BELL. John Henry.  
 RELATIONSHIP. Father James A. H.  
 PERSON TO BE INFORMED  
 OF CASUALTIES. as above  
 RELATIONSHIP. as above  
 ADDRESS. \_\_\_\_\_  
 DENTAL CLASSIFICATION (to be obtained from Dental Officer) 43  
 RELIGION. C.O.E.

PREVIOUS NAVAL, MILITARY OR AIR FORCE SERVICE.

Unit.	From	To	Rank	Discharge
/	/	/	/	/

DEPENDANTS.

Name in full	Relationship	Date of Birth.
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SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications not included in an Airman's Civil Occupation or present mustering such as Foreign Languages, Cinematograph Operator, First Aid, Diesel Engineering, Brass Band Instruments, Civil Aviation, Instructor in Fire fighting, Artificial Respiration, School Teaching etc.,

Service and Civil Qualifications in Aero Engines and Aircraft shall be included (e.g. Lynx, Pegasus, Cheetah Engines or Demon, Anson and Seagull Aircraft.)



NUMBER..... 48040

NAME..... *BELL*..... *Bruce Napier*..... *(Falkland)*

MUSTERING..... *BELL*..... *Amcrapthand*..... *John Henry*

TEXT OF KIN..... *BELL*..... *Farina*

ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN.....

RELIGION..... *C. of England.*..... *A.A.*

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CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

I hereby certify that I am agreeable that my <sup>son</sup> ~~ward~~ joins  
the Royal Australian Air Force for service at home or overseas.

Date...15-4-42...

*W. Bell*  
.....

Signature of Parent or Guardian  
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