

ANZAC DAY PARADE UNIT INFORMATION
FOR TELEVISION/BROADCAST COMMENTARY

1. Name of Unit/Association/Ship/Squadron. RTFV/35 SQUADRON ASSOCIATION
RTFV = RAAF TRANSPORT FLIGHT VIETNAM.
2. Approximate Number Marching. 40 - 45
3. Name of Unit Leader and Decorations (if applicable)
WG.-CDR ROD (ROCKY) Mc GREGOR (Retired)
4. When/Where was Unit/Ship/Squadron raised. IN AUGUST 1964 WHEN 3 NEW CARIBOU
AIRCRAFT BEING DELIVERED FROM CANADA TO AUSTRALIA WAS DIVERTED
TO UUNG TAU STH VIETNAM TO FORM RTFV. THEN IN JUNE 1966 NAME
CHANGED TO NO 35 SQUADRON (RTAF) WHEN 4 MORE CARIBOU AIRCRAFT
5. What was the War time strength of the Unit/Ship/Squadron. UP TO 7 CARIBOU AIRCRAFT
AT ONETIME AND APPROX 80 MEMBERS INCLUDING 10 PILOTS ON A
ROTATIONAL BASIS OF UP TO 12 MONTHS IN COUNTRY
6. When/where did Unit/Ship/Squadron serve. IN STH VIETNAM FROM AUGUST 1964 TO
FEBRUARY 1972 - BASED AT UUNG TAU WITH DETACHMENTS STATIONED AT
DANANG THEN AT NHA TRANG FOR ONE WEEK AT A TIME.
ON RETURN TO AUSTRALIA IN 1972 UNIT WENT TO TOWNSVILLE TO
DISBANDMENT IN 2003
7. What was the composition of the Unit/Ship/Squadron (Inf/Armour etc)
7 DE HAVILLAND CARIBOU (STW) TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT,
IN THE 7 1/2 YEARS IN VIETNAM 12 AIRCRAFT SAW SERVICE
THERE INCLUDING 3 DESTROYED/WRITTEN OFF.
8. What was the Unit function - WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH US ARMY
AVIATION & THEN THE USAF. TRANSPORTING - PASSENGERS, VARIOUS FREIGHT,
AMMO - RUEL, MAIL ETC, THROUGHOUT STH VIETNAM, CARRYING 700,000 PASSENGERS
AND 41.3 MILLION KGS OF FREIGHT & MAIL. FLEW 79,739 SORTIES TOTALING
47,000 FLIGHTS
9. Details of famous members and has Unit history been published (Author and Title)

① "WALLABY AIRLINES" - 12 MONTHS IN STH VIETNAM - FROM

AUGUST 1966 TO JULY 1967. by Jeff Pedrina, Pilot.

② DAKOTA-CARIBOU & HERCULES - STEWART WILSON.
THERE IS NO FAMOUS MEMBERS MARCHING HERE IN BRISBANE

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RTFV/35 SQN WAS THE 1ST RAAF UNIT IN STH VIETNAM and the last RAAF
FLYING UNIT OUT IN FEB 1972. THE UNIT/SQN WAS KNOWN AS
"WALLABY AIRLINES" and "Wollaby" was the RADIO CALL SIGN.