Eric Douglas 1902 to 1970

Search for Anderson and Hitchcock – April 1929

Bearing to Junjiminji from Wave Hill Station – sketch by Eric Douglas
Excerpts from Flight Lieut Charles Eaton’s official report to the RAAF

“Personnel

It must be noted that the entire personnel of my detachment performed their duties with utmost zeal, endeavour and willingness which was at least equal to the highest traditions of the Australian Flying Corps during the War.

At times work proceeded throughout the night until early morning to enable machines to be fit for flying at daylight. Remarkable energy, skill and enthusiasm was displayed by all ranks to accomplish the mission of the Detachment successfully. Pilots displayed great skill on all occasions and always carried out their duties in the manner of greatly experienced pilots.
Under these circumstances it is difficult to mention particular names, but I wish to bring forward to special notice of the Air Board the names of the following Officer and Airman for their consistent and splendid work throughout the trip – F/O Gerrand and Sgt. Douglas.

**Distances Traversed by Land Party** (Wave Hill station to the Kookaburra and return)

(a) By Flight Lt, Eaton, Sgt Douglas and Mr Moray – by car 84 miles and by horses 140 miles
(b) By natives and horses 265 miles”

Note – with regard to Mr Moray, it is noted that his signature on the ‘Report to the RAAF’ is A Moray Lawrence JP

Sally E Douglas c

1st October, 2013