

Diaries of Lieutenant David Bye

(Originals with Family)

Year	Month	Date	Day	Diary Entry	Notes
<u>1945</u>					
1945	Jan	1st	Mon	In hospital at 93 rd BGH Barletta	
1945	Jan	19th	Fri	Transferred to 65 BGH Naples (Approx this date) Hospital Train	
1945	Feb	17th	Sat	Left Naples for U.K. at 14.00 hrs Empire Clyde	
1945	Feb	26th	Mon	Arrived Scotland	Also May's birthday
1945	Feb	27th	Tues	Arrived by hospital train N.S.R. Infirmary	
1945	Mar	3rd	Sat	Went home for the day with Charles	Was this Lieut. Charles Howard, Viscount Morpeth? Injured Dec 1944 in Italy Lost a leg
1945	Mar	4th	Sun	Returned hospital 2.30. Taxi still waiting	
1945	Mar	14th	Wed	Charles - Derek - Roger left for Roehampton	
1945	Mar	15th	Thurs	Operation (Pedicel)	
1945	Mar	31st	Sat	May came to see me. Dinner at N. Staffs Hotel	
1945	Apr	1st	Sun	Walk in A.M. Dinner Castle Hotel	
1945	Apr	2nd	Mon	May went home. Lunch at N. Staffs.	
1945	Apr	4th	Wed	Joan turned up with Mother. What a situation!	
1945	Apr	5th	Thurs	Rec. Badges from May with Mirror	
1945	Apr	6th	Fri	Wrote to May. Letters from Joan, Frank	May's brother
1945	Apr	7th	Sat	Letter from Skipper Letter from Reg. Wrote to Maudie Askell, and May	Sister of mother? Askell was mother's maiden name
1945	Apr	10th	Tues	Medical Board for D for 4 months	
1945	Apr	11th	Wed	Home on leave for 7 days	Mentions lunches, 2 theatre trips with May, meeting May's sister & husband at May's parental home
1945	Apr	18th	Wed	Returned to NSRI	
1945	Apr	19th	Thurs	Operation postponed	
1945	Apr	20th	Fri	Visited Mr Graham – Longton	Geoffrey Graham, a Baptist minister, lived Thistley Hough opp. John Grocott's father
1945	Apr	23rd	Mon	Operation due. Pedicle flap raised	

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1945	Apr	27th	Fri	Got up today	
1945	May	3rd	Thurs	Pedicle delayed	
1945	May	7th	Mon	Got up	
1945	May	8th	Tues	V.E. Day	
1945	May	12th	Sat	May arrived Stoke	
1945	May	15 th	Tues	Splint removed Trentham	
1945	May	16th	Wed	Teeth Cleared. Earl of Harrowby	Local paper reports he visited POWs in NSRI
1945	May	17th	Thurs	Operation. Pedicle to face (6th)	
1945	May	21st	Mon	May returned to London	
1945	June	6th	Wed	Fred-Sid -Arthur came up	Brother-friend -friend
1945	June	7th	Thurs	Above caught 11.10 train	
1945	June	10th	Sun	Great Heywood to see? Drove car	
1945	June	13th	Wed	Trentham with the Grahams	
1945	June	16th	Sat	Hanley dog track	
1945	June	17th	Sun	Out with Mr Macey and family	Horace Macey lived in Upper Cresecent, Hartshill, near NSRI
1945	June	18th	Mon	Shopping in Hanley. Bought civvy clothes	
1945	June	21st	Thurs	Operation (7 th) Theatre 10:20 under local	
1945	June	22nd	Fri	Wrote to pay office re allowances for sick leave	
1945	June	23rd	Sat	Penicillin drip	
1945	June	26 th	Tues	Penicillin drip taken down	
1945	June	29th	Fri	Alternate stitches removed	
1945	June	30th	Sat	More stitches removed	
1945	July	1st	Sun	Final stitches removed except one or two from pedicle.	
1945	Jul	3rd	Tues	Have a date with Harry H	
1945	Jul	4th	Wed	Back to Albert Ward	
1945	July	6th	Fri	May arrived	
1945	July	7th	Sat	Letter from Marjorie	His elder sister
1945	July	13th	Fri	Went to Nottingham with Jack	
1945	July	16th	Mon	Returned from Nottingham. Got leave papers	
1945	July	18th	Wed	Leave commences. Arrived Balham 3 PM	May's parental home. Saw family, his & May's: theatres, Hampton Court, Worthing

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1945	Aug	6th	Mon	Leave Ends. Get photograph taken Duke of York Theatre	
1945	Aug	7th	Tues	Returned to Hospital 2 PM	
1945	Aug	9th	Thurs	Photograph taken 3.30 PM	
1945	Aug	10th	Fri	Medical Board due	
1945	Aug	12th	Sun	Had tea at Barry Smiths with Jack. Saw Mr. Grocott	
1945	Aug	14th	Tues	Medical Board. Cat "D" for 3 months	
1945	Aug	15th	Wed	V.J. Day To Nottingham.	
1945	Aug	18th	Sat	Operation due – cut and trim. Off till Monday. Nottingham Dog Track	
1945	Aug	19th	Sun	Back from Nottingham	
1945	Aug	20th	Mon	Operation Cut Trim and Tissue from leg (8th Op.). Penicillin drip	
1945	Aug	24th	Fri	Penicillin drip taken down. Wrote to Taffy	May's brother in law
1945	Aug	25th	Sat	Half clips & stitches removed	
1945	Aug	26th	Sun	Rest of clips removed. Sat up for a while	
1945	Aug	28th	Tues	Apply for leave (6 weeks)	
1945	Aug	30th	Thurs	Photograph taken 3.30	
1945	Aug	31st	Fri	Frank Home	May's brother, also serving soldier
1945	Sept	2nd	Sun	Leave starts - 6 weeks. Saw Frank	Family visits & Bournemouth 1 week
1945	Oct	12th	Sat	Leave Ends. Extended to 20th	
1945	Oct	19th	Fri	May came to Dinner	
1945	Oct	20th	Sat	Returned to N.S.R.I. Wrote to Adjutant about leave July/August	
1945	Oct	22nd	Mon	Operation. Bone graft. Penicillin drip (9th Op.)	
1945	Oct	26th	Fri	Drip taken down	
1945	Oct	27th	Sat	May arrived Stoke. Alternate stitches from chin	
1945	Oct	28th	Sun	May returned 4.34 PM train. Rest of stitches removed from chin	
1945	Oct	30th	Tues	Alternate stitches from hip	
1945	Nov	1st	Thurs	All stitches removed from hip. Will try leg on floor	
1945	Nov	2nd	Fri	Get up?? HA! HA!	
1945	Nov	8th	Thurs	Out for 1st time (N.A.). Hard work	
1945	Nov	11th	Sun	To Macs for Tea	
1945	Nov	20th	Tues	Med. Board. Cat D 3 months. Got teeth (Top set).	

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1945	Nov	21st	Wed	Saw Mr Upnell about china	Senior at Spode. Lady Joseph had arranged for David+May to choose a service as wedding present
1945	Nov	22nd	Thurs	Wrote to Depot about leave. Photograph taken	
1945	Nov	23rd	Fri	Leave commences. Arrived Euston approx 2.45	
1945	Nov	30th	Fri	Wrote to Army Pay Office about allowances July/Aug and LL&F Sep/Oct also extension. Informed Adj No 2 about extension 12 Oct – 20 Oct	
1945	Dec	8th	Sat	Wrote to Registrar about leave July 17 – Aug 7	
1945	Dec	10th	Mon	Hospital Victory Ball NSRI. Went to Royds	Royds, advertising agency, David employed there since 1931
1945	Dec	13th	Thurs	Wrote to Sister Smith about interview	
1945	Dec	20th	Thurs	Return to N.S.R.I. for examination only	
<u>1946</u>					
1946	Jan	3rd	Thurs	Leave ends. Return to N.S.R.I.	
1946	Jan	7th	Mon	Operation lower lip (10th)	
1946	Jan	9th	Wed	Started rug	Occupational therapy
1946	Jan	13th	Sun	Mr. Grocott - Inlay graft 10 days	
1946	Jan	14th	Mon	Lecture - Massage Dept 7 P.M.	
1946	Jan	15th	Tues	Wrote to Paymaster, Depot about leave 18.7.45 – 7.8.45 and LL&F from 23.11.45 – 3.1.46	
1946	Jan	17th	Thurs	6Yrs service Extra 9d per day. Finished rug. Photo taken	
1946	Jan	21st	Mon	Danillo with Jack & Major Mac	Danillo was local cinema
1946	Jan	22nd	Tues	Wrote to Depot re 1/- leave rate	
1946	Jan	24th	Thurs	Inlay graft? No Monday. Dance at nurses home. Sent cheque for wool (Jack). Received notification of Cat E. Returned Form	
1946	Jan	28th	Mon	Inlay graft (11th)	
1946	Jan	30th	Wed	Mr. Grocott sick	
1946	Feb	2nd	Sat	Expect May for weekend	

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1946	Feb	3rd	Sun	May returns on 4.30	
1946	Feb	5th	Tues	Leg dressing taken down	
1946	Feb	8th	Fri	Medical Board president to visit. Cat E notice received	Not sure of the word
1946	Feb	19th	Tues	Medical Board due? NO	
1946	Mar	15th	Fri	Return to N.S.R.I.	
1946	Mar	25th	Mon	Operation due (12th op performed). Trim & pedicle removed	
1946	Mar	29th	Fri	Half Stitches removed from face, half Stitches removed from chest	
1946	Apr	8th	Mon	Operation. Separation of web under local No. 13	
1946	Apr	12th	Fri	Stitches removed	
1946	Apr	15th	Mon	Leave! Arrived home 3 PM	
1946	Apr	24th	Wed	Visit to Royds??	
1946	May	1st	Wed	East Grinstead	May 4th D&M married
1946	May	21st	Tues	East Grinstead <u>Report</u> ?? Return to N.S.R.I. for lower denture? No! Operation (14th) trimming lower gum.	Not sure of this word
1946	May	26th	Sun	Home for the night	
1946	May	27th	Mon	X-ray. Impression taken. Wrote to Sister Smith	
1946	May	29th	Wed	Granted Leave to 12/6/46	
1946	June	3rd	Mon	Commence work? No. E. Grinstead for teeth 2 P.M.	
1946	June	11th	Tues	E. Grinstead (Teeth) 11 A.M.	
1946	June	12th	Wed	Leave Expires: E.G. 14days leave extension	
1946	June	13th	Thurs	E.G.	
1946	June	16th	Sun	18 months is up	This refers to date when David was injured in Dec 1944
1946	June	17th	Mon	Started Work	
1946	June	21st	Fri	Medical Board at E.G. No! Rly Warrant arrived from E.G.	
1946	June	24th	Mon	to N.S.R.I. 4.05 Euston	
1946	June	25th	Tues	No Board! Returned Home 3.27	
1946	June	26th	Wed	Leave Expires Wrote to Paymaster re Allowances	
1946	July	17th	Wed	April/May – N.S.R.I. May 29 – June 16 E.G.	
1946	July	23rd	Tues	E. Grinstead! Tooth filled. X-ray	
1946	Aug	6th	Tues	E.G. 11 A.M.	

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1946	Aug	7th	Wed	Op 10 A.M. 5 roots removed (15th)	
1946	Aug	9th	Fri	Went home for night	
1946	Aug	11th	Sun	Discharged E.G.	
1946	Aug	12th	Mon	Medical Board Millbank 11 A.M.	
1946	Aug	22nd	Thurs	Wrote to Paymaster – Allowance July	
1946	Sept	3rd	Tues	Demob leave starts	
1946	Sept	14th	Sat	E.G. 10 A.M. (New teeth?)	
1946	Sept	19th	Thurs	E. Grinstead 10 A.M.	
1946	Oct	1st	Tues	East Grinstead 10 A.M.	
1946	Oct	28th	Mon	56 days expires 30 days ?? leave begins	?? looks like overseas
1946	Oct	30th	Sun	Pension awarded £84-0-0 per annum	£84 unclear
1946	Nov	12th	Tues	Interview at Ministry of Pensions (Med. Board).	
1946	Nov	13th	Wed	Gratuity £99.0.0	
1946	Nov	28th	Thurs	Discharge leave ends	