

J S Battye Library of West Australian History  
Private Archives – Collection Listing

MN 1643  
Acc. 5062A, 6302A, 7181A

**STEWART, Raymond Stanley**

Lt Raymond Stanley Stewart 2/28<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Battalion enlisted in Northam in 1940, was captured on 27 July 1942 at Ruin Ridge, El Alamein, Egypt and was a prisoner of war in Europe from 27 July 1942 – 11 May 1945.

**The Papers**

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**Summary of Classes**

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		CERTIFICATES	
7181A/2	SECURITY STACK	26 February 1942 Appointment as officer of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth with the rank of Lieutenant	
7181A/3	SECURITY STACK	30 September 1945 Certificate of Service of an Officer	
		CORRESPONDENCE	
6302A/1		9 August 1942 From Capt. G Keall 2/28 Bn. AIF to Mrs Stewart giving news of Lt Stewart prior to him being posted missing	ORIGINAL AND PHOTOCOPY
6302A/4		9 August 1942 From Lt. Col. J Loughrey about Lt Stewart being posted missing	ORIGINAL AND PHOTOCOPY
6302A/2		25 August 1942 From Capt. A.L.F (Frank) Taylor, 2/28 Bn. AIF to Mrs Stewart expressing sympathy at Lt Stewart being missing in action	ORIGINAL AND PHOTOCOPY
6302A/3		16 August 1942 Postmarked envelope. Contained letters to Mrs Stewart	ORIGINAL AND PHOTOCOPY
		CIRCULARS	
5062A/2		6 September 1945 Letter to officers transferred to the reserve of officers or placed on the retired list	
		DIARIES <i>Original diaries held in Security Stack, use transcripts at 5062A/23</i>	
5062A/3	SECURITY STACK	27 July 1942 Preface to diary written on ruled foolscap	
5062A/4	SECURITY STACK	27 July 1942 – 21 August 1942 Diary entry describing the final action before surrender at Ruin Ridge, El Alamein, Egypt	
5062A/5	SECURITY STACK	27 July 1942 – 12 September 1942 Diary describing day to day life of a prisoner of war written on a toilet roll	
5062A/6	SECURITY STACK	13 September 1942 – 11 December 1942 Diary describing daily life as a P.O.W. in an Italian P.O.W. camp	
5062A/7	SECURITY STACK	11 December 1942 – 7 February 1943 Diary describing the usual camp routine. There are no more diary entries until 30 July 1944 because the prisoners were put on stand by and eventually moved north to Bologna where the Germans took over from the Italians	

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5062A/8	SECURITY STACK	30 July 1944 – 18 November 1944 Diary entry written on a notebook and relates news of the allied advance	
5062A/9	SECURITY STACK	21 November 1944 – 29 March 1945 Diary describes camp routine but also news of the battles taking place	
5062A/10	SECURITY STACK	8 March 1945 – 21 April 1945 Diary/Note book contains daily entries as well as study notes on contract law	
5062A/11	SECURITY STACK	28 April 1945 – 3 May 1945 Diary entry written on prison of war record which describes the liberation of the camp by the Americans. Prisoner of war record form is written in German	
5062A/12	SECURITY STACK	5 May 1945 – 11 May 1945 Final diary written while waiting for transportation to England	
5062A/23		27 July 1942 – 11 May 1945	
		Transcripts of diaries (5062A/5 – 5062A/12)	
		LOGBOOKS	
5062A/13		May 1939 – July 1944	
	SECURITY STACK	Contains list of different camps and the date, also list of books to read, as well as plays, shows, photographs and poetry which have been transcribed. It also contains study notes	
		MEDALS	
7181A/1	SECURITY STACK	Six medals plus six metal uniform insignia	
		MENUS	
5062A/14	SECURITY STACK	25 December 1944 Menu for Christmas day at Oflag. VA. Weinsberg, Germany and programme of music, played by miniature orchestra, inserted into menu	
		MISCELLANEOUS	
5062A/15	SECURITY STACK	Australian Red Cross gift box to prisoners of war	
		PHOTOGRAPHS	
5062A/1		Digitised copies of photographs, prisoner of war record and stamps	
6302A/5		Postcard photograph of POW group, including Ray Stewart, at Oflag VA, Germany.	

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		PROGRAMMES	
5062A/16	SECURITY STACK	December 1943 – February 1945 Theatre programmes from the camp theatre at Weinsberg	
		PUBLICATIONS	
5062A/17		March 1992 Tobruk to Borneo quarterly journal of the 2/28 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and 24 <sup>th</sup> A/Tank Coy. Association Inc	
5062A/18		June 1992 Tobruk to Borneo quarterly journal of the 2/28 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and 24 <sup>th</sup> A/Tank Coy. Association Inc	
5062A/19		March 1998 Tobruk to Borneo quarterly journal of the 2/28 <sup>th</sup> Battalion and 24 <sup>th</sup> A/Tank Coy. Association Inc	
		PAY BOOKS	
5062A/20	SECURITY STACK	2 August 1940 – 4 December 1945	
		RECORDS	
5062A/21	SECURITY STACK	Soldiers record of service book contains records of training and personal issues	
5062A/22	SECURITY STACK	17 September 1945 Demobilisation procedure book contains authority for discharge	

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