

A wonderful story set around the race between Britain, America and the Russians to secure Nazi technology and to capture the Von Brauns and other important scientists. The 'surrender' was staged!



A remarkable story of true events. Devastated by the death of my grandfather, Ron, I'm amazed to discover what I thought were the ravings of an unbalanced mind may actually be true. Discovering he was given the title **BEAU BÊTE** (Handsome Beast) by the FFI, I set out to learn more about the wartime unit Ron was always so reticent to talk about. From the scribbled and sometimes manic memoirs of Ron's and the very men that he served with, I decipher the incredible story of a Commando Sniper and the history of Ian 'James Bond' Fleming's TOP SECRET intelligence gathering unit - 30AU, a unit Fleming himself called his 'Red Indians'. From my Nan's treasured love letters her past is revealed, as member of the Maquis (French Resistance - FFI) helping downed Allied Airmen escape and the wealthy family who disowned her for loving a poor English soldier. Her brother's struggle against the Nazi regime and untimely, suspicious death and Ron's involvement in covert missions to capture Hitler's scientists, ahead of the Russians and the Americans, including *the real* story of how *the Nazi/NASA scientists* actually ended up in the USA, working on their space/weapons rocket research programme. They DIDN'T 'surrender'!

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Cover Illustration:- B17 Flying Fortress - Von Braun V2/A4 Rocket  
U-Boat - Helmut Walter Me 163 Rocket Plane - Margot Wilthew, Maquis/Resistance.  
S/Sgt. Rt Waist Gunner W.H. Vickless, Copilot A.M. Swap B17 shot down over France.  
The painting 'BEAU BÊTE' Ron Guy RM 30AU one of Ian Fleming's 'Red Indians'.

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SCREEN PLAY

The true life wartime love story of a beautiful French Maquis Resistance Fighter and a British Royal Marine Commando.

BEAU BÊTE

# Guy Allan Farrin BEAU BÊTE

ROYAL MARINES  
COMMANDO



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Guy Allan Farrin

A story that tells of the true events that surround 30AU  
Ian Fleming's TOP SECRET wartime intelligence unit

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I'd like to say a special '*Thank You*' to Margot  
for all of her thoughts and insights.  
Also mention, Gwen, Mag, Kathy, Ronny, and Rosie.

“If, ten years ago, I had had any clue or even an inkling that life was quite so fleeting, then at least three of the four most important people in both our lives would have been there to witness the day of the celebration of our marriage. Although I know that this sunshine is from them and they are all here in spirit. Thank you very much to all the important people who are here celebrating with us.

Emma and I would like to raise a toast to  
Sid & Connie, Ron & Margot.  
We miss you all very much. Cheers.”

*Emma and my wedding day. Edinburgh. 8th April 2006. (After 28 years of courtship!)*

*Emma and my wedding party. The Lodge. 30th April 2006.*



“Men, intensively trained and experienced in the ways of war, ought to be regarded as skilled tradesmen, and paid as such. It is no excuse for not so treating them that there is no demand for their special skills outside the armed services.”

*Patrick Dalzel-Job - Commander in the field of 30AA.  
Arctic Snow to Dust of Normandy.*

“When I heard they (the Nazi/NASA rocket scientists) were being made national heroes I was disgusted. It was not only showing disrespect to us... (the slave workers who died in their thousands working in the Nordhausen tunnels) but to their own dead.

Thousands, hundreds of thousands of Allied soldiers died to liberate Europe, to defeat Hitler and these people were the mainstays of Hitler’s reign of terror and there they were being fated like heroes, it’s just... (tears)...(silence)...”

*Andrew Herskovits*

*At fourteen years of age he was a forced slave labourer at Mittlewerke, working on V2/A4 rockets. This is a quote from interview in ‘The Hunt for Hitler’s Scientists’. Windfall Films/PBS documentary shown on Channel 5 April 2005.*

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**Quote from Admiralty S.W. Official History of 30AU.**

“Considered as a whole, these operations had been successful in the extreme. 30AU operating in the front line or ahead of the general advance, had penetrated the most closely guarded secrets of the German Navy and had seized not only the major part of its key personnel, but also all of its archives. The early promise of the Unit had been abundantly fulfilled and all commitments had been discharged.”



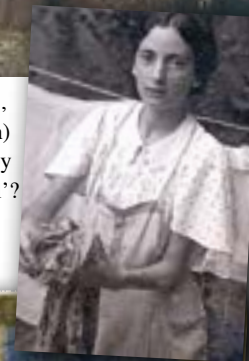
Top: **Family Guy**- Ron, Frank(Snr), Dorothy, Frank.  
 Left: Ron Guy, Royal Marine, CHX3209.  
 Right: Taken at same time as pictures for use on forged papers if captured.  
 Bottom: 'Hairysed-Bootneck' Guy, third left front.  
 ('Spike' Kelly, first left top, and at least one more went on to 30AU.)



al Marines, 413th King's Squad (Passed for Duty Saturday, June 26, 1941)



Top: **Family Wilthew**- Armelle, Marguerite, Margot, Guy(jnr), Guy(snr) (very near to the time of his death)  
 Left: Margot Wilthew, Saint Barbe Chapelle. Taken by Guy Wilthew(jnr) - The 'Angel' to Ron's 'Little Devil'?  
 Right: Garden in Vannes.

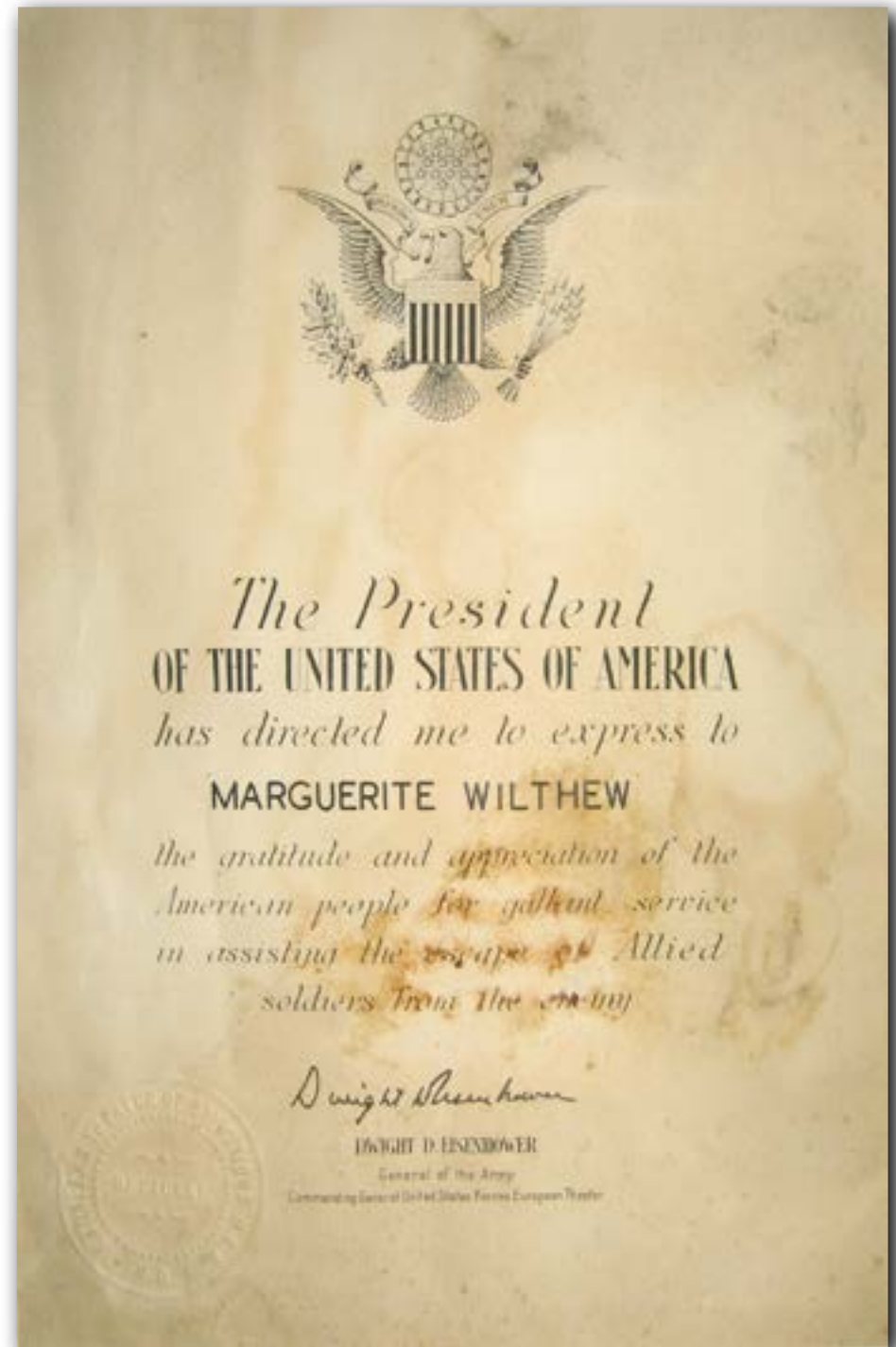


Bottom: Wartime French Identity Paper.





30AU/B Troop - Ron Guy - RM. Bottom right. On first night ashore, D+2 near St. Mere Eglise, three of these men were killed and fourteen wounded by Antipersonnel bombs. (Five killed and twenty wounded in total)



Certificate of gratitude signed by Dwight D. Eisenhower for Margot's assistance in helping Allied airman evade capture during World War Two.



Sniper Course - Ron Guy - RM/30AU. Top left.



Left: Vannes France. Armelle, Margot, Guy Wilthew.

Right: Le Fauët St Barbe Fontaine trail, France. Marguerite, Margot, Guy, Armelle Wilthew.



Left: Margot, Guy Wilthew. Right: Vannes France. Guy Wilthew before occupation sits in contemplation under his childhood portrait painted by his father, Guy Wilthew. Which still hangs there!



Left: Vannes France. Margot in her bedroom on her sister Armelle's Wedding Day.

Right: Vannes France. Margot talented classical pianist. These rooms are unchanged. Below: On a trip to Lourdes? Many of the Le Luexhe family dedicated their lives to religion. Armelle front seat, Margot behind the wheel. Bottom: Vannes France. Priest, in apartment that the Cathedral (opposite house), rented from Marguerite Wilthew, with her daughters, Armelle and Margot.



Photos by Guy Wilthew(Jnr) 145



HEADQUARTERS  
BOMBING TROOP OF OPERATIONS  
F/A and X Detachment  
Military Intelligence Service  
REPORT FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF

**Robert George HENRY, 2d Lt, O-66996** **3 September 1943**

(Name) (Rank) (ASN) (Date)

**1st Bomb Group, 563 Bomb Squadron** **BSG 1409**

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LIST OF CREW PRESENT OFFICIAL STATUS

PILOT	CO-PILOT	NAVIGATOR	ENGINEER	RADIO OPERATOR	TOP TURRET GUNNER	MID TURRET GUNNER	WING GUNNER	WING GUNNER	TAIL GUNNER	PRESENT OFFICIAL STATUS
0-796571	1st Lt Alfred (BOB) KRANER	0-675646	2d Lt Arthur H SWAP	0-675677	2d Lt Robert Leon HOWAN	0-66996	2d Lt Robert George HENRY	5626477	1st Sgt Allan J FRIEDR	DEP RTD
1510380	1st Sgt Eugene Neal SPYER	1506895	1st Sgt Joseph Max THOMAS	3326194	1st Sgt William Herman VICKLESS	3322108	1st Sgt Walter Raymond SOBER	3170982	1st Sgt William Warren CHAPMAN	DEP RTD

Det., time and approximate location of plane crash or landing.  
**6 September 1943 - 2000 hours - The plane crashed 25 miles E of Troyes, France**

Nature and extent of damage to plane when source bailed out. Was it on fire, etc?  
**Most damage unknown. The nose and cockpit was on fire and pilots instruments destroyed.**

At approximately what altitude did source bail out?  
**20,000 feet**

Were any of the crew injured or killed before the plane crashed?  
**Yes - the navigator and Barrett were both injured before jumping.**

What members of the crew bailed out? Did their parachutes open?  
**All the crew jumped and all parachutes believed opened.**

Did the plane explode on striking the ground?  
**No - but it finished burning.**

Did source see any other members of the crew dead or alive after reaching the ground?  
**Yes - I saw Kraner, Vickless and Chapman. I heard about all other except Spuman and Swap.**

Did he receive any information from others as to whether any other members of the crew were dead or alive? If so, give details furnished by his informant and whether the other crew members were identified by name or otherwise.  
**Spuman and Swap were never seen after jumping. A body believed to be Joe Thomas was found near the plane. dead. All others were jumps to, he said and they disappeared after he**

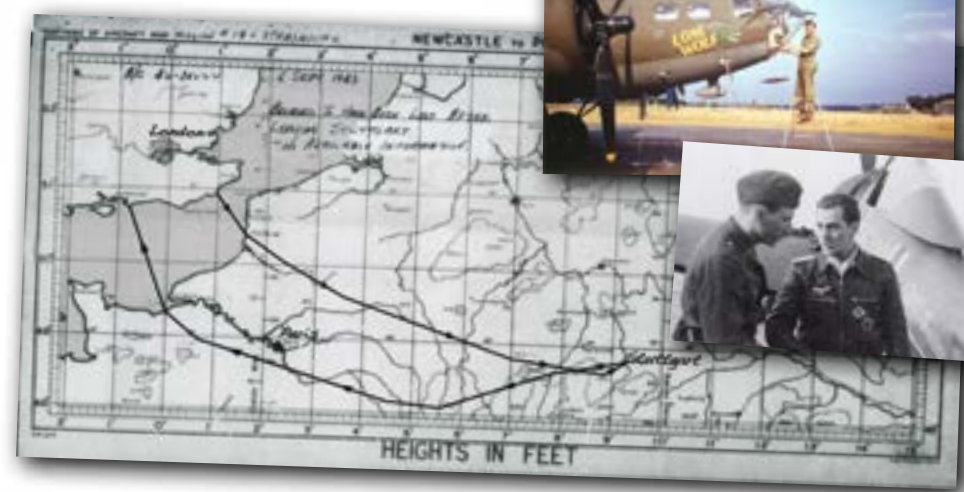
If the plane crashed in water how far was the plane from land and by what means was source rescued and what life rafts, wreckage, etc., remained on the surface that would have assisted other personnel to keep afloat.

What is source's opinion as to the fate of the other crew members and his reason for his opinion?  
**I know that all the member that landed safely were handled by the underground and were sent to various places to hide.**

APPRA-48 3127  
CASUALTY QUESTIONNAIRE

- Your name Swap, Arthur M. Rank Captain Serial No. O-675646
- Organization 15th Gp Commander David Rank Col. Francis J. Edg CO Managler Rank 1st Col
- What year 1943 month September day 6 did you go down?
- What was the mission, Stuttgart/Germany, target, ball-bearing plant, target time, approx. 10:30 a.m., altitude, 21,000 feet route scheduled, \_\_\_\_\_, route flown \_\_\_\_\_
- Where were you when you left formation? About 40 miles Southwest of Strasbourg, Germany.
- Did you bail out? Yes
- Did other members of crew bail out? Yes - all members bailed out.
- Tell all you know about when, where, how each person in your aircraft for whom no individual questionnaire is attached bailed out. A crew list is attached. Please give facts. If you don't know, say: "No Knowledge". All members of the crew bailed out before I bailed out.
- Where did your aircraft strike the ground? About 10 miles Northeast of Troyes, France.
- What members of your crew were in the aircraft when it struck the ground? (Should cross check with 8 above and individual questionnaires) None
- Where were they in aircraft? xxxx
- What was their condition? xxxx
- When, where, and in what condition did you last see any members not already described above? I met all but four of the crew. Two of which were taken prisoner. I was told by the French people that 1st Sgt Joseph Thomas was strafed by an enemy fighter upon landing, and was killed. Since liberation of German held prisoners of war I have been in contact with all members of my crew, except the above mentioned.

(Any additional information may be written on the back)



MACR 3129 summary sheet from report for B17F Lone Wolf 42-30222, 8th AF 388th BG 563rd BS. They lost all eleven aircraft of their Squadron on 6th September 1943 on bombing run to Stuttgart. The 388th Bomber Group was based at Knettishall, Norfolk, England. In the Casualty Questionnaire opposite, Arthur Swap says he was told that Joe was killed after landing, other eye-witness reports and forms filled out by crew members say that it happened in the air and that he was not the only one to be fired at while descending on parachute

that day. Thirteen other airmen were killed nearby. Map showing planned route to target for 563rd Bomber Squadron mission to bomb Stuttgart. This crew were on their 9th such mission and it was 388th Bomber Groups 19th mission. The German fighter pilot was Horst Sternberg (Black 13) FW190 Focke Wulf with 23 victories.



United States  
8th Air Force



388th  
Bomber Group



563rd  
Bomber Squadron  
B17F Lone Wolf  
42-30222

November 1943. Vannes, France. American Airmen whose B17F Lone Wolf was shot down near Paris after bombing raid on Stuttgart factory, hiding in Rue de Chanoines. Copilot Arthur M Swap & Sgt William H Vickless, transported back to Lands End, England with nineteen other airmen in a French lobster boat.



August 1944. The very day Ron and Margot met, in an orchard near Vannes France. 'Love at first sight' - Cpl.Gates, Monique, Cpl.Swann, Wilthew, Guy. (Photos by Armelle Wilthew)



Right: August 1944. Vannes France. Ron Guy, Margot Wilthew, Cpl. 'Ganger' Gates. Left: On one knee?



Left: May/June 1945. Minden Germany. Flynn, Guy, Cpl.Smedley, Rush, Higgins - B-troop. Right: May 45 Neumünster Radio HQ Germany. Guy, Cpl.Webber, Reed, Jemmett, McMullon - A-troop.

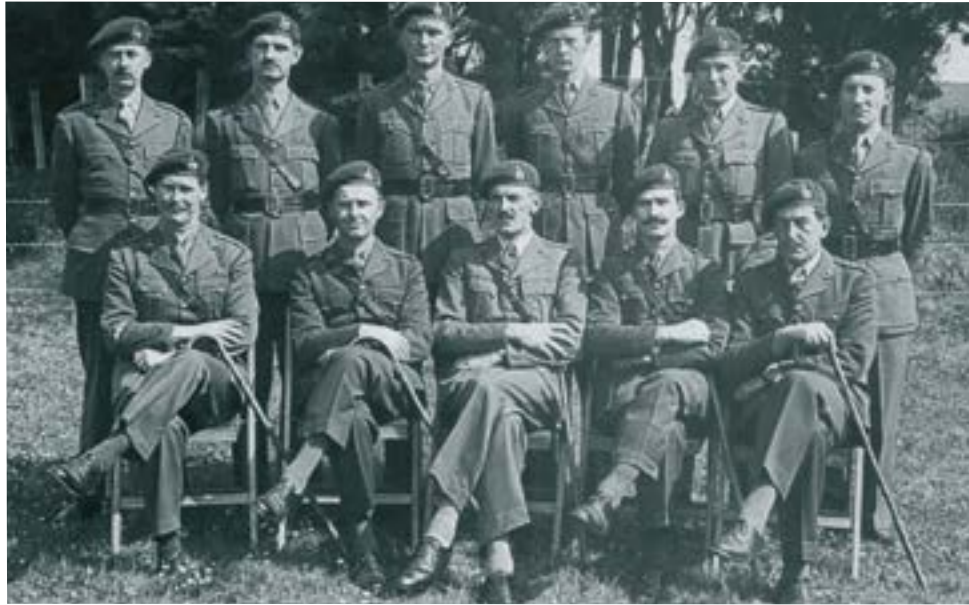


**The liberation of Vannes, Morbihan, Bretagne (Brittany), France in the summer of 1944.**

Of note:- The SAS wings on the side of Jeep (left) and the three Vickers 'K' rapidfire machine guns on 'La Vengeance' (far right). 4th Special Air Service. The Free French of 2e Régiment de Chasseurs Parachutistes. Taken by Armelle or Margot on one of Guy Wilthew's cameras.



30AU did try to avoid what it considered to be the 'retarding' influence of T-force, although all three were involved most notably in the mission to capture Helmuth Walter, at the north German port town of Keil in May 1945. The Walterwerkes factory were involved in the design and manufacture of the Me163 Komet Rocket plane powered by T-Stoff fuel and also midjet submarines and torpedoes amongst much else.



**30 [Commando] Assault Unit, Royal Marine Officers, Littlehampton, May 1944.**

Lt. G.H.Bailey, Capt. C.R.Lambe, Capt G.Pike, Capt. H.O.Huntington-Whiteley, Capt.R.Douglas, Lt. M.Ryder.  
 Capt. J.Hargreaves-Heap, Mjr. A.Evans, Col. A.R.Wooley, Capt. K.G.MacGregor, Capt. C.H.Cunningham.



**30 [Commando] Assault Unit, A troop, Littlehampton. April 1944.**

Freeman, Richmond, Halton, \_\_\_\_\_?, Owens, Shaw, \_\_\_\_\_?, \_\_\_\_\_?, Feeley, \_\_\_\_\_?, Fischer, Underwood, Byron.  
 Hedges, Beetlestone, \_\_\_\_\_?, Townsend, Burgoine, \_\_\_\_\_?, Bennet, Powell, MacGregor, Gibson, Marshall, Impett, Plaxton, Collis.  
 Cpl.Connolly, Cpl.Burns, Cpl.Hickling, Sgt Clapson, Cpt. Huntington-Whiteley, Sgt.Brereton, Cpl.Auton, Cpl.Watson, Cpl. Goodwin.  
 Burns, \_\_\_\_\_Cpl. Booth, \_\_\_\_\_Brown.



**30 [Commando] Assault Unit, B troop, Guildford. January 1945.**

Allmark, Howeth, Spurrells, Heys, Hyde, McGregor, Bonny, Wright, Woolcock, Surrey, Cole.  
 Telford, Rush, Kelly, Manning, Billings, Walkerdine, Pearce, Flynn, Hewitt, Cairns, Lees, Chasty, Gates.  
 Cpl Muffett, Cpl Godsell, Sgt Kellaway, CSgt Whyman, Capt Lessing, Sgt Harry Smith, Sgt Causley, Cpl Swann, Cpl Poysier.  
 Taylor, Andrews, L/Cpl Smedley, Cpl Roberts, Jones, Cpl Hutton, LCpl Brough, Williamson, Darwin, Burgoine.



**30 [Commando] Assault Unit, X troop, Littlehampton. Spring 1944.**

Smudge Smith, Jack Twist, \_\_\_\_\_?, \_\_\_\_\_?, \_\_\_\_\_?, Don Cook, \_\_\_\_\_?, Welbourne  
 \_\_\_\_\_?, McKelvey, \_\_\_\_\_?, Donald King, Harrison, Sgt. Bob Burchell, Butch Burnett, Ron Simms, \_\_\_\_\_?, McGrath.  
 Edwards, Foster, Sgt. Lund, Capt. Pike, Muffet, Taff Edwards, Wilkins.  
 Harris, Crowe, \_\_\_\_\_?, Gibbs, Fred Farrington, Bob Brooks, Bill Powell.



**30AU - Navalwing (36), Eckenförde, Germany. December 1945.**

This photo was taken in the Christmas of 1945 at the Nazi Torpedo and Submarine testing facility that 30AU had captured. The men of the Navalwing & scientists were there for many months uncovering all the secrets of the German Navy from within the base and also from many of the 'scuttled' vessels in the bay, (including a submarine loaded with 'treasures' apparently. I wonder where they went?).

The main Naval Officer, Patrick Dalzel -Job that Fleming reportedly used as the basis for his most famous character, had already taken the two Marines assigned to him and their Jeep and left for Norway to find his sweetheart that he had met while on other clandestine operations before joining with 30AU - See '*Artic Snow to Dust of Normandy*' - his memoirs.



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SECRET  
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PROVISIONAL FORMATION OF FIELD TEAMS

1. OBJECT  
To provide 6 field teams for operations which may all be set at the same time or be employed in relays.

2. PROVIDED

(a) Lieut. Col. F. Testolomito RNR  
Captain H.C. Howell, R.N.  
3 Scientists  
Lieut. .... USN  
1. H.O.A.  
Lieut. Holt  
No.1. Section "A" Tp.

(b) Lieut. T.J. Glasville RNR  
Lieut. J.S. Ross R.N.  
3 Scientists  
Lieut. Brockler USN  
1. H.O.A.  
Lieut. Heath  
No.2. Sec "A" Tp.

(c) Col. D.H.C. Curtis RNR  
T.S.M. J. Brerton (RN Offr.)  
3 Scientists  
Lieut. Lamer RNR  
1. H.O.A.  
Lieut. Hill  
No. 3 Sec "A" Tp.

(d) Lieut. Col. Harling RNR  
Lieut. H.M. Brooks R.N.  
3 Scientists  
Lieut. Connel RNR  
1. H.O.A.  
1. V.R.A.  
No.4. Sec "B" Tp.

(e) Lieut. J. Bonnet RNR  
T.S.M. Ugham (RN Offr.)  
Captain Wheeler R.N.(P.I.O.)  
3 Scientists  
1. H.O.A.  
Lieut. Marshall  
No.5. Section "B" Tp.

(f) Lieut.Col. G.G. Turner RNR  
Captain J.A. Ward R.N.(R.M. Offr.)  
3 Scientists  
Lieut. Col. Inard RNR  
1. H.O.A.  
1. V.R.A.  
No. 6 Section "B" Tp.

List of six 30AU 'Field Teams' containing some names that were mentioned within my Grandad's scribbles and also the name of J. Besant that had stuck in my mind because when I had heard it as a boy the unknown man had related it to 'James Bond'. I found the original documents in the National Archives after coming across some poor photocopies at *The Marine* public house, Littlehampton.

TOP SECRET

Organization	Class	Time set by reference if necessary	Day (Month) (date time)	Location or place or personnel	Inference from information
<p>This is an important item. Information is particularly wanted on the following matters :- (S1) Very large, long-range rockets including rocket-propelled aircrafts (S2) Rockets with remote propulsion and radio control; and of low priority :- (S3) Rocket propellants, both for aerial and sea-borne use; (S4) Rocket propellant for the purpose of being launched from the following :- (S5) Rocket motor; (S6) Jet propulsion unit; (S7) Rocket motor's base.</p> <p>The targets are given below solely as a general rocket target with some special targets for sections of the subject:</p>					
<p>Section (a)</p> <p>(1) <u>Research</u> (See General Targets)</p> <p>(2) <u>Research - Rocket</u> (See General Targets)</p>					
				<p>See of former Director of Operations, Department of Science and Technology, with connection with the development of field rockets, rocket experimental firing site, Department of Science and Technology.</p>	
				<p>Research, experimental at Peenemünde.</p>	
				<p>Secret establishments, experimental firing sites.</p>	

Page one from 30AU Target List - Ian Fleming's 'Black List'- headed 'Rockets'.

Top of the list:- Hans von Braun, Engineer at Peenemünde. Hans was probably used in absence of more accurate information at that time, the reference to their father confirms it was relating to the brothers.

Below: The necessity for 'eliminating witnesses' to successful action and the demolition of the building or ship! An order for the men of 30AU to be required to 'murder' in the name of their country?

(1) The customary priorities for secret documents remain in force. These are:

First - Chofenache, Geheime Kommando Sache.  
Second - Geheim, Nach Fuer Den Dienstgebrauch.  
Third - Any other documents.

Should any first priority material be discovered, an Officer or Senior H.C.O. should be detailed immediately to break off operations and ensure its safe arrival in the Admiralty.

The necessity for avoiding or eliminating witnesses to successful action and for the demolition of any building or ship's cabin which has yielded results and which is likely to be re-occupied by the enemy is emphasized.

(2) It is important to ensure that every scrap of paper, including ashes, used blotting pads, carbon paper, the contents of waste paper baskets and odd pieces of paper which may be found concealed under furniture, behind maps or mirrors, etc. should be collected and forwarded to the Admiralty. It is also necessary to ensure that all codes, books and cyphers should be kept dry, as water causes the text to disappear.

Care should be taken to see that troops do not meddle or play with any ENIGMA machines which may be captured. It is easy to break the setting of the machine by playing on the keys or altering the plug-ins or junction boxes.



signature of General KIEHL, forbidding the destruction of documents or equipment after 0800 on May 5th. In the circumstances, the party under Commander CURTIS showed exemplary tact, since the total of 30 A.U., "T" force and the S.A.S. Regiment amounted to no more than 300 men while the strength of the German forces in KIEL was at least 25,000. Apart from an incident in which a Royal Marine N.C.O. rough handled a German Officer (the conduct of the Royal Marine was subsequently held to be justified) the surrender was taken smoothly and efficiently.

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Information was obtained from Officers, Technicians and Scientists in the area. This was done on the German High Command having surrendered unconditionally, and to their having issued orders that all secrets were to be divulged to the Allies. Otherwise the standstill would have had serious consequences.

the T.V.A. at ~~Blankenburg~~ and set up a subsidiary headquarters

55. Soon after the surrender a party under Commander (R) ATLEN arrived to conduct the exploitation of the WALTHERWERKE, where teams from all the intelligence agencies in the European theatre sent representatives to watch the reconstruction of the various secret weapons which were being developed on the basis of the WALTHER systems of propulsion. These included the U-boats, Types XVII B and XXVI, Torpedoes Types XVII, XVIII and others in a purely experimental stage, the MATYER (anti-aircraft rocket bomb) the rocket propelled fighter plane (Me 262) as well as a number of projects which were only in the early stages of development.

56. Later representatives arrived from most of the technical Divisions of the Admiralty especially from D.F.M.(1), to examine the material captured in the KIEL district and to conduct interrogations of the key personnel. For this purpose interpreters were provided by F.I.U. officers from this organization having accompanied 30 A.U. throughout the operation. All the personnel concerned in this work, except for the U.S. Officers who were billeted with "T" force, were accommodated and victualled in the 30 A.U. headquarters in the WALTHERWERKE and the T.V.A.

57. In the meantime Team 5 under Lieut. LAMIE was following up the clues it had picked up around HANOVER. On April 23rd the party started for the HARK area and proceeded first to BREINA. Here Prof. WAGNER was captured and from him a substantial number of documents and much information relating to the design and production of V-weapons were obtained. Altogether twenty six targets in the HARK district were investigated, much intelligence material of extreme value recovered, the more important items being the following:-

- (a) at BLANKENBURG, HARK, working drawings of the U-boats types XXI and XXIII, together with full information, supported by original documents, relating to the GEBROUWER organization and the progress for the assembly of U-boat hulls from prefabricated segments.
- (b) in an underground store in the HARK mountains, specimens, in working order, of the latest German radar equipment

Handwritten note: "Handwritten notes".



Southern Germany and Austria. The team, as reformed, consisted of Lieut. Commander GLASVILLE (in command) Lieut. Commander (R) HAYNES, Lieut. DESSANT and 5 Royal Marines, transported by a jeep, a Chevrolet armoured car and a 15 cwt. truck. This party started for STUTTGART on April 12th, having first to call at N.T.S. C.O.2. S.M.A.S.P. in order to obtain clearance from VI Army Group, no reply having been received by Formation H.Q. to repeated enquiries on this account.

52. By April 10th, the strength of the Unit was therefore disposed as follows:-

- Team 4 - with the Guards Armoured Division, destined for the capture of BREMEN.
- " 5 - to cover HANOVER and then to proceed to BREMEN.
- " 6 - to remain with the Canadian Armoured Division; to follow that formation to its eventual destination.
- " 7 - to cover BREMEN with the Polish Armoured Brigade.
- " 8 - to cover Western Holland.
- " 10 - to cover HAMBURG and all points East.
- " 55 - (Lieut. Commander GLASVILLE's team) to cover the evacuation areas in the north.

"X" troop which had been training in the U.K. for an airborne operation against KIEL, which was not now to take place, crossed to the continent on April 9th, and immediately moved up to an advanced H.Q. at OSNABRUCK. It was thought at this time that BREMEN would be the first port to fall and that it would be a convenient place for the Unit to rally and from which the field teams could move forward. In this case "X" troop would relieve "B" troop as the Royal Marine element in teams 4, 5 and 10. When it became apparent that the general advance would pass by BREMEN, this port was left to Team 4, leaving Team 10, with the whole of "X" troop free to press on to HAMBURG and, eventually, to KIEL.

54. A further change in plans was caused by the discovery at HANOVER by Team 5, under Lieut. LAMIE, of a number of clues leading to the HARK mountains, which, it was now evident, was a dispersal area for Naval objectives evacuated from the North. In these circumstances Lieut. LAMIE received a new directive to take his team as quickly as possible to BLANKENBURG (HARK), despite the fact that this town was in the area of XII Army Group.

55. On April 22, Team 10 (Commander CURTIS) and "X" troop played an important part in the capture of BUXTEHUDE. This was the first purely Naval Intelligence target to be captured in this area. On April 25th, Team 4 (Lieut. Commander JOE), having pressed on ahead of the general advance, were the first troops to enter BREMEN and accepted the surrender of the town from the acting Burgomaster. The team also captured a HARVEY class destroyer which was lying in the harbour. This yielded some interesting documents.

56. On April 29th a new disposition of forces was made. Team 10, with "X" troop and some other Naval Officers joined the S.A.S. Regiment for the crossing of the ELBE and the exploitation of the BREMEN area. Team 8 was to transfer

Handwritten note: "From...."

National Archive Documents pertaining to the 'History of 30AU'. These two pages outline the capture of Prof. Herbert Wagner designer of the Henschel Hs293 guided glide bomb, already used by the Germans to sink HMS Egret and transport ship HMT Rohna, killing over 1000 troops. This account pinpoints his capture to Steina which is NE of Dresden and a very considerable way behind the frontline at that time. There were other accounts that gave Prof. H. Wagner's location as Blankenburg in the Harz Mountains, both of which were in the Russian Sector. This fact would explain why the Allies then flew him to Bavaria, alongside one of the von Braun's to the 'Staged Surrender' for the world's media to record as 'fact' which then enabled them to deny

the Russians their rights according to the Yalta Agreement. (See Maps, P.169). Prof. Wagner went on to a long career in the USA working for their Navy weapons division. These pages are in stark contrast to the 'Historically Recorded' version of events, which according to media film footage and Tom Bower's *The Paperclip Conspiracy* has all of these Nazi scientists happily 'Surrendering' to the Americans rather than being snatched from their family homes by highly trained teams of commandos who were 'Licenced to Kill' witnesses. (See P.157). I think this list of teams is far from complete.



**Louis Marie Le Leuxhe with wife and twelve of their fifteen children.**  
Alphonse second from left. Marguerite Wilthew on fathers lap.



**Le Faouët covered market square.** Painted by Guy Wilthew.



**Louis Marie Le Leuxhe. 1847-1896.**

French Imperial Court painter, who resigned his commission in protest at the decadent life style his employers led. Died while adjusting the clock on the covered market in Le Faouët.



**Alphonse Le Leuxhe. 1880-1914.**

Painted by Guy Wilthew.

Louis son, an extremely talented artist himself, was killed by the Germans in the first few days of World War One.



**Le Faouët, Le Luexhe family home.** (Louis died at the clock in the covered market in 1896. Opposite, left.) Guy Wilthew rented Louis studio in 1898 and fell in love with his daughter, Marguerite, one of fifteen children. Guy and Marguerite took on the house and raised their own three children (Guy, Armelle and Margot) there until Guy's early death of suspected TB or possibly Spanish Flu in 1920. Marguerite Wilthew, wore black and mourned his passing for the rest of her life. When Margot was ten they moved to Vannes to be nearer family friends and a better education.





**Guy Wilthew.** English aristocrat.  
Portrait Artist.

Travelled to Le Faouët and fell in love, not only with the natural light and landscape but also with the young daughter of a local artist.



**Marguerite Wilthew neé Le Leuxhe.**  
Painted by Guy Wilthew.

Depicting her deciding between a life dedicated to the church or whether to accept Guy's proposal of marriage, as symbolised by the sowing kit. (Unseen).



**Marguerite Wilthew.**

Unfinished study by Guy Wilthew.  
(Unseen by English side of family until visit to Vannes in April 2007)



**Marguerite Wilthew.** Unfinished study by Guy Wilthew.  
The only painting Margot had of her mother at Bluebells.



**Marguerite and Barbe Le Leuxhe** by Guy Wilthew. This painting is huge and just stunning!  
(Unseen by English side of family until visit to Vannes in April 2007)



**Guy and Marguerite Wilthew, with their child.**

I think this must be the studio that Guy originally rented from the widow of Louis-Marie when he first met the family in Le Faouët at the turn of the century.  
(Unseen by English side of family until visit to Vannes in April 2007)





**Saint Fiacre Chapelle** by Guy Wilthew. (Unseen)  
(A painting I find myself transfixed by)



**Margot Wilthew at Saint Barbe Chapelle**  
(A truly spiritual place) by Guy Wilthew (Jnr).  
The 'Angel' to Ron's 'Little Devil'?



**Ron & Margot Guy** with their first born, Gwen  
named after Vannes (Breton: Gwened) my mother.



Mag, Ronny, Margot, Kathy, Margot and Gwen with  
Rosie on the way. Near Bluebells, with Bluebells.



**Bénitier de l'église Saint Fiacre Chapelle Font**  
by Guy Wilthew 1914.  
The painting that brought to mind the Clogs in  
Bluebells Kitchen.  
Middle: Barbe Le Leuxhe by Guy Wilthew.



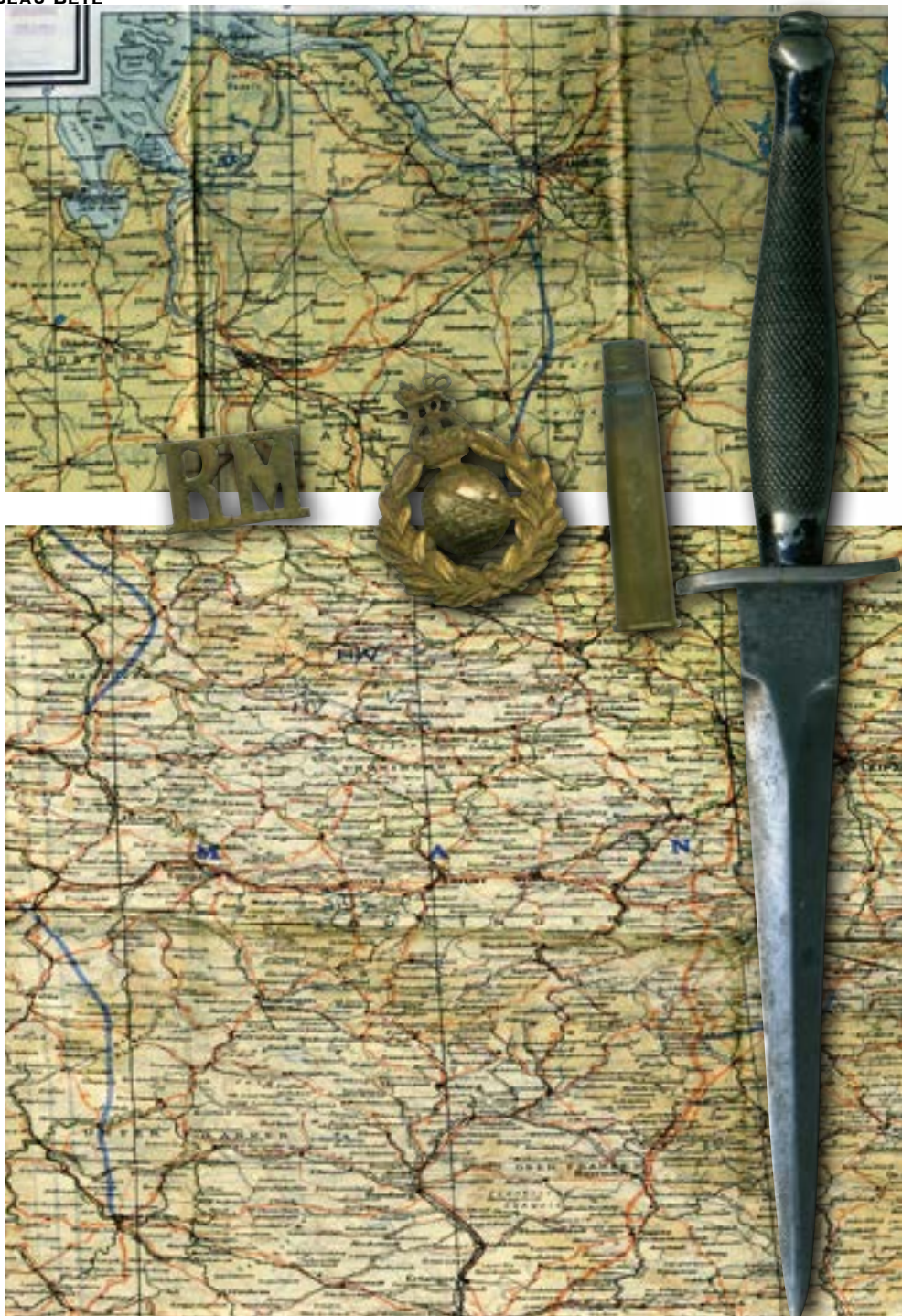
**Saint Barbe Fontaine and trail**  
by Alphonse Le Leuxhe. (Unseen)



**Ron Guy** by Margot Guy.  
With Commando dagger in hand. This used to hang in  
the hall at Bluebells, but only now have I guessed it  
may have been inspired by General Patton's unofficial  
name for 30AU 'A bunch of limey Pirates' the nick  
name he gave them when he first ran into the 'Special  
Authorisation' orders.



**Ron Guy** by Margot Guy.  
The first sketch of which was started during the  
liberation of France on the kitbag canvas, although this  
is not the portrait that was completed on that canvas.  
Entitled 'Beau Bête' (Beautiful but Stupid Beast) the  
nick name Madame Wilthew gave Ron Guy upon their  
first meeting.



Above: Words by Mr. R. Rush, RM 30AU.  
 Right: Site of Beach Hotel, 30AU HQ behind.  
 Below: Plaque on *The Marine* public house.

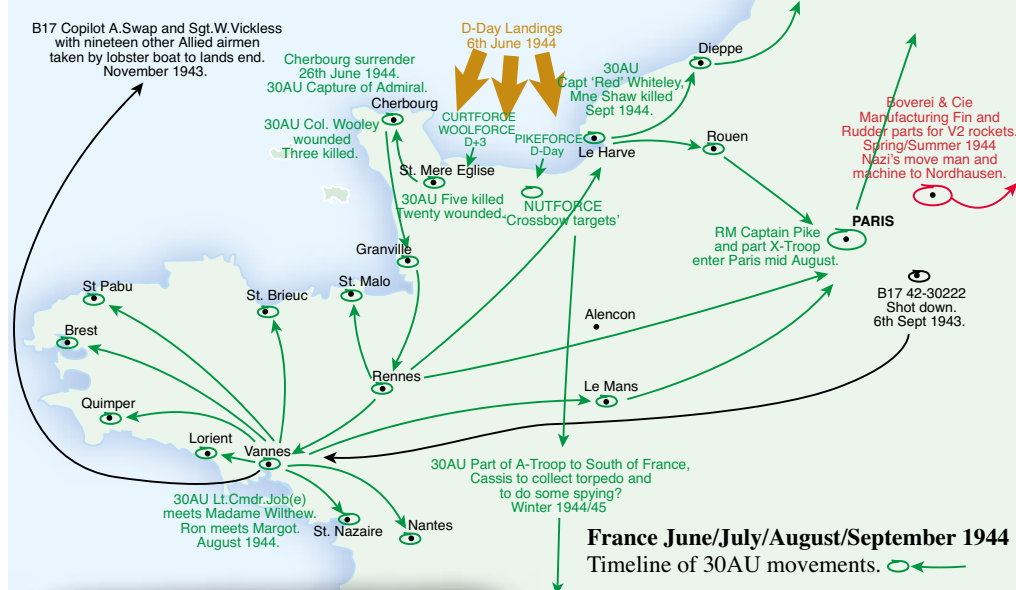


Le Fauouët, France.

Essex, England.

Small sections of Central and Northern Germany from Ron Guy's Special Issue Silk Escape Maps, found hidden in attic at 'Bluebells' along with Ron & Margot's treasured love letters, F-S Fighting Knife (pattern1-type2) and these badges and 404 casing.

**BEAU BÊTE**

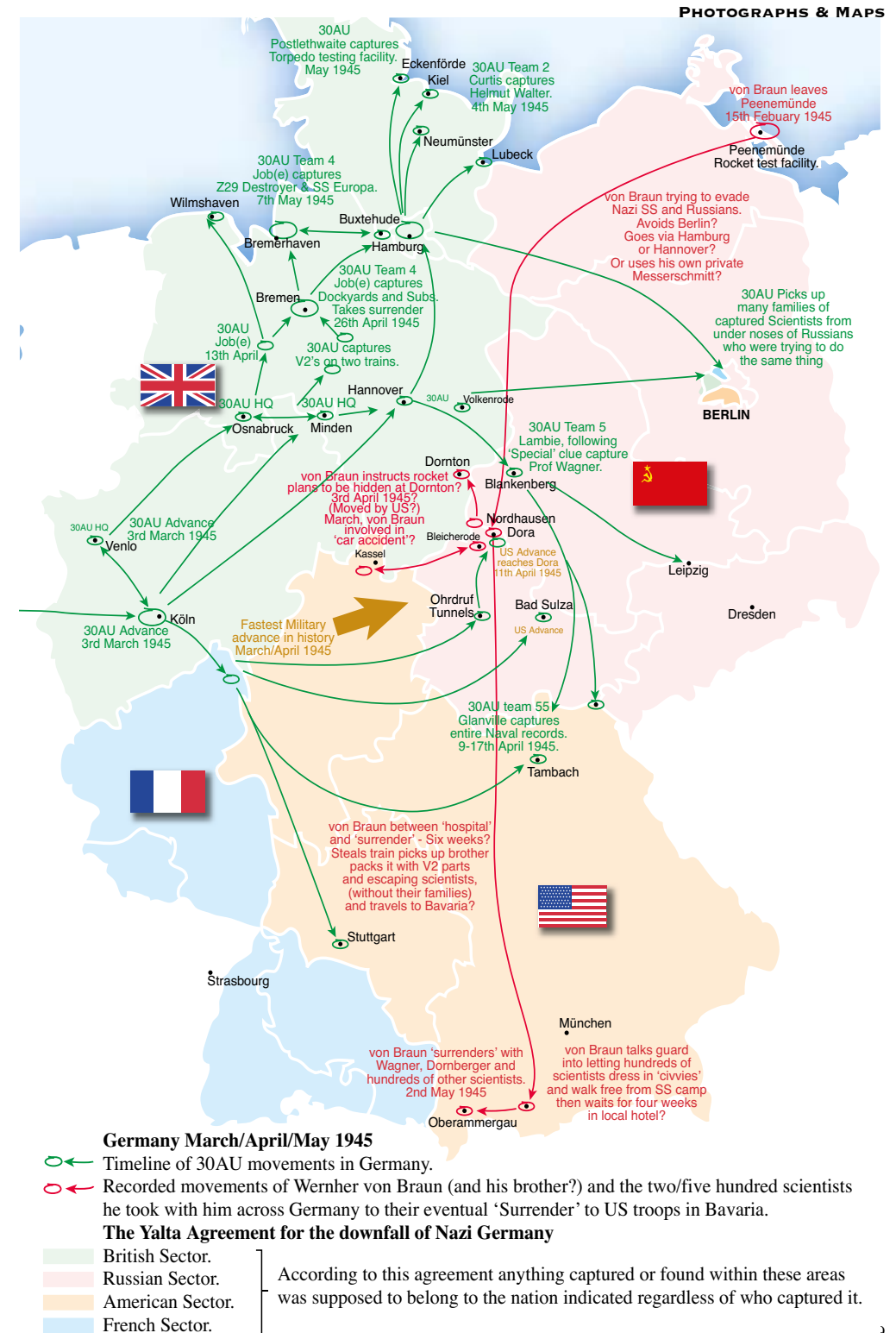


Top: 30AU part in Liberation of France.

Left: Royal Marines emblem drawn by Japanese death row prisoner that Ron Guy befriended while on guard duty in Kowloon, Hong Kong. Of note: 'Woolies Looters' addition near base. A reference to the treasures and papers found within the opened enemy safe boxes of Europe and shipped back to...? Or possibly just a reference to the group of six-ish 30AU Royal Marines that were caught stealing a payroll near Paris and returned to their units in disgrace? (At least one of whom was from Royal Marines 413 King's Squad)

Far Right: Timeline of Allied invasion of Germany, 30AU recorded movements and historical record of Wernher von Braun supposed movements while he rescued five hundred Nazi scientists single handedly? (He had broken his other arm).

Right: Clark, Angus and Guy. 42 Commando, B-troop. Kowloon, Hong Kong.

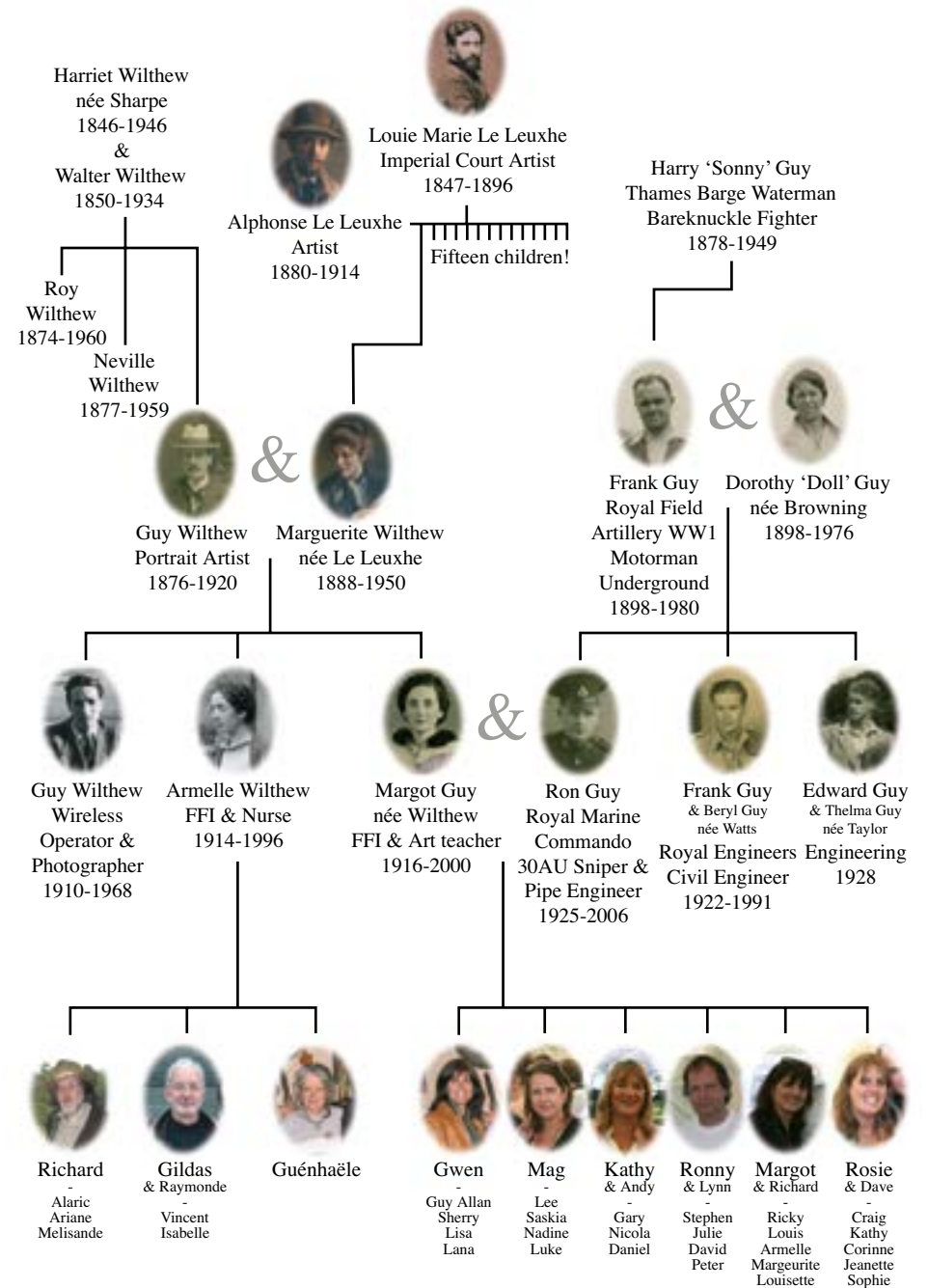
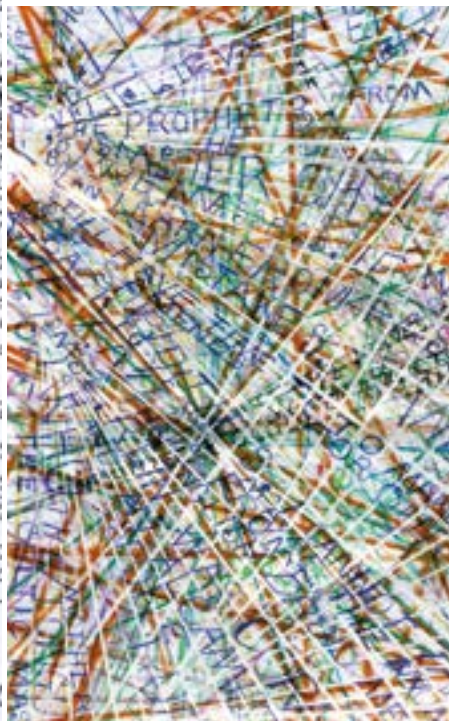
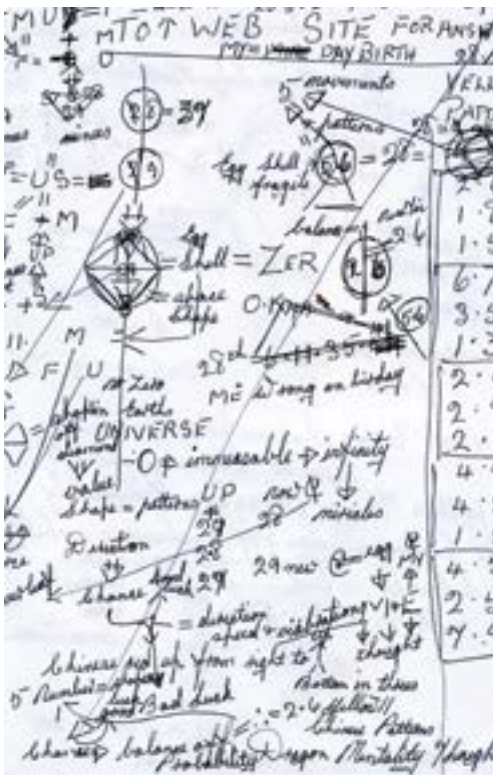




**A mind in turmoil**

What pressures and torment could bring a rational, intelligent, loving man's mind to this? The larger proportion of the writing within the huge piles of paper were perfectly legible, but there was also sections which deteriorated even further than this and a great many pages that were discarded before being studied properly, before the possible importance was realised.

Left: This page mentions, Guy, Cdr. Job, Cdr. Turner, Sgt. Smith, Cpt. Bligh, Prof. von Braun and Ian Fleming. It also refers to the men of 30AU as 'Valiant Knights'. There was a great deal of repetition throughout all of the writing. Below: Coincidence chart with 'magic' numbers!



This tree is very small proportion of full thing, but I thought it might help the obvious confusion caused by everyone using the same names within the book! (Apparently family Le Leuxhe goes back an English King, family Guy has a connection to Guy's Hospital and family Wilthew has a connection with Madame Chevalier, but I have yet to check any of those claims!)



**Commando Memorial, Spean Bridge.**  
Near Achnacarry and Fort William, Scotland.  
As a small boy on family holiday with Ron & Margot this statue and countryside made a big impact on me, that has lasted even to this day.