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Dear Phyllis,
Thank you for your letter, received several months ago. I quite agree with you about the situation in Vietnam - many in Australia are opposed to our involvement there. I am glad to see that President Nixon seems to be working towards de-escalation & ultimate arrangements for peace.

I have put my home address on this letter, but actually I am staying at the moment with one of my nieces, & her 4 small children, on Phillip Island, about 85 miles from Melbourne. We have had lovely warm weather over the Easter holidays, & are enjoying our stay by the sea, very much.

Just opposite our house, is a special, walled off part of the beach, where hundreds of Fairy Penguins come out of the sea at sunset, & waddle up the beach to their burrows in the sandhills.

This is one of the greatest tourist attractions on the Island, & the part of the beach where the penguins land, is flood-lit at night.

Another interesting sight is to watch the seals on Seal Island, about half a mile off the beach. At the cafe nearby, one can use a telescope to watch the seals, or one can go on an afternoon ferry trip to view the seals from the ferry. Also on the Island are several sanctuaries for

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koala bears. I expect you have seen pictures of them. They are most cuddlesome little things, & live in manna gum trees, a particular kind of eucalypt, of which they eat the leaves.

Well, I will close now,
With all good wishes,
Yours sincerely,
Mary Shaw