

Local Man In 'Flying Saucer' Air Operation

A local member of the RAAF took part in the recent air attack on Sydney.

He is A/C 1, R. Walker, of Whitton Street, Gosford.

Walker is a member of No. 22 (City of Sydney) Squadron.

In the defence exercise, which had the code name, "Operation Flying Saucer", No. 22 Squadron, and No. 23 Squadron (City of Brisbane), took part.

Squadron Mustang fighters, in conjunction with Vampire jet fighters from the RAAF operational training base at Williamtown, provided the defending air cover.

The RAAF trains its fighter pilots at Williamtown for service in the Korean theatre.

"Enemy" bombers were made up of Lincoln heavy bombers from Brisbane, and Beaufighters from Canberra.

Radar warning points, and co-ordination centres were manned together by active reservists and members of the permanent air force.

Their co-operation has been praised by high-ranking officers.