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***THE ADVENTURES OF 'WALTZING MATILDA': THE
FIRST CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT TO REACH AUSTRALIA
FROM BRITAIN AFTER THE SECOND WORLD WAR***

by

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*Passengers and crew with 'Waltzing Matilda' shortly before leaving England in 1946
(Associated Newspapers)*

David discusses the adventurous and dangerous flight of 'Waltzing Matilda', a converted Halifax bomber that reached Sydney from Britain in June 1946. It had on board men, women and children who all wished to travel to Australia as quickly as possible at a time when commercial transportation links for civilians were almost non-existent. It was perhaps the most unusual flight made along the Britain-Australia air highway.

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