

Aus. 402554 Sergeant Sydney George WELSHMAN.

One night, this airman was engaged on a reconnaissance flight over the Benghazi area when he observed enemy fighters below him. Nevertheless, he decided to complete his mission. Whilst making his run over the harbour, his aircraft was damaged by anti-aircraft fire and then attacked by Messerschmitt 109s. By skilful tactics, Sergeant Welshman finally evaded his attackers and

eventually succeeded in flying his badly damaged aircraft safely back to his base. He secured valuable information.

N.Z. 41388 Sergeant Bert Sam WIPITI, Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 243 Squadron.

Sergeant Wipiti has carried out a large number of operational flights against the enemy and he has displayed outstanding courage and determination whilst engaging large formations of enemy aircraft. He has set a fine example to all.

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