

ments failed and the aircraft stalled and fell into a spin Squadron Leader Fletcher skilfully regained control, but it was found impossible to climb over the Alps Despite bad weather and poor visibility Sergeant Kay navigated the aircraft on another course round the Alps Sergeant Lewis's cool and skilful manipulation of the petrol consumption completed the team work which resulted in the safe return of the aircraft, after flying some 900 miles with 1 of its engines disabled These members of aircraft crew set a grand example of grim determination to triumph over tremendous difficulties

*Distinguished Flying Medal*

Can/R 83335 Flight Sergeant William Desbro MacMONAGLE, Royal Canadian Air Force, No 15 Squadron

Can/R 114511 Flight Sergeant Earle Freeman WARREN, Royal Canadian Air Force, No 15 Squadron.

In December, 1942, Flight Sergeants MacMonagle and Warren were captain and mid-upper gunner respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack a target in Germany When approaching the target, their aircraft was intercepted and severely damaged by fire from two Messerschmitt 110's. Flight Sergeant Warren although seriously wounded shot one of the fighters down in flames By skilful evasive tactics the remaining attacker was eluded and the target successfully bombed On the return flight another Messerschmitt 110 attacked and further damage was inflicted on the bomber The attack was again beaten off and Flight Sergeant MacMonagle flew the disabled aircraft safely back to base Throughout this hazardous operation these airmen displayed great coolness and courage

591214 Flight Sergeant William Frank AUSTIN, No 103 Squadron

During the outward flight on a recent sortie against Frankfurt, Flight Sergeant Austin's aircraft was subjected to 6 attacks by an enemy aircraft These attacks were skilfully evaded and Flight Sergeant Austin proceeded and bombed his target successfully On the return flight another attack was made by an enemy fighter which was destroyed Flight Sergeant Austin has proved himself to be an outstanding captain of aircraft who invariably presses home his attacks with the utmost determination and courage

*Air Ministry, 12th January, 1943*

ROYAL AIR FORCE

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards —

*Distinguished Service Order*

Acting Wing Commander Peter Henry CRIBB, D F C (33360), No 35 Squadron

Acting Wing Commander Victor Henry Paul LYNHAM (34128), No 279 Squadron

Squadron Leader Geoffrey Harland WOMERSLEY (43696), No 156 Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Thomas Gilbert MAHADDIE, A F C (44456), No 7 Squadron

*Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross*

Squadron Leader Walter Ronald Nisbet STURDY, D F C (42906), No 214 Squadron

Flight Lieutenant John Vere HOPGOOD, D F C (61281), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 106 Squadron

*Distinguished Flying Cross*

Squadron Leader Desmond Lloyd George DOUGLAS (Aus 171), Royal Australian Air Force, No 10 (R A A F) Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Charlton Orme BASTIAN (77925), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 7 Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Peter Campbell ELLIOTT (42401), No 35 Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Homer Ashmore FORBES (Can/J 4786), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 405 (R C A F) Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader William Robert Francis GRIERSON-JACKSON (Can/J 5683), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 35 Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Arthur James SAMSON (78850) Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 218 Squadron

Acting Squadron Leader Terence Lindsay SANDES (72486), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 115 Squadron

Flight Lieutenant Douglas William CHAPMAN (72276), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 226 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Denis Elliott Irwin CLARK (76597), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 15 Squadron

Flight Lieutenant Brian John McMASTER (84696), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 542 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Robert Neil Greig ALLEN (63484), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 128 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Alfred Francis BEECHEY (113913), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 101 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Alan O'Moore Slater BRAYTON (81542), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 502 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Peter Ridley GASKELL (63818), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 102 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant David George HEWLINGS (89086), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 204 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Edgar Cardiff KENDALL (Can/J 6648), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 407 (R C A F) Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Bennett Ley KENYON (112175), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 419 (R C A F) Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Edward McCORMACK (Can/J 6136), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 419 (R C A F) Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Patrick Nilus McEvoy (46123), No 35 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Geoffrey Hugh MALCOLM (64301), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 7 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Robert George Walter PLUTTE (104533), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 35 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Charles Bird John PORTER (68137), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 51 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Charles Frank ROSE, D F M (45276), No 521 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Thomas Robert RUSSELL (100614), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 138 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Clifford SANDERSON (Can/J 7331), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 408 (R C A F) Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Edward Henry George STRINGER (102607), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 50 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant Frederick Denzil James THOMPSON (120392), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 7 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Burrows VAUGHAN-DAVIES (101524), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 102 Squadron

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Nelson WHAMOND (101532), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 106 Squadron

Flying Officer Asygel Johnstone CARRINGTON (60548), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 200 Squadron

Flying Officer Thomas Bernard COLE (104459), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 50 Squadron

Flying Officer Albert Hart CROWE (47040), No 106 Squadron

Flying Officer Brian George FROW (100087), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 61 Squadron

Flying Officer Leshe Henry GLASSPOOL (110789), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 12 Squadron

Flying Officer John Graeme GRANT (106093), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 502 Squadron

Flying Officer Charles Davie KEIR (63792), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 97 Squadron

Flying Officer Douglas Herbert Scott LONSDALE (61283), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 9 Squadron

Flying Officer Kenneth Alexander MACKENZIE (Can/J 5050), Royal Canadian Air Force, No 9 Squadron (Since deceased)

Flying Officer Walter Millis MASON (115986), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 44 Squadron

Flying Officer Edward William Noel MORGAN (115581), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 218 Squadron.

Flying Officer Laurence Alan Edward OSBON (82726), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No 101 Squadron