

severed an aileron control rod. The bomber immediately went into a steep dive. As Warrant Officer Clark, assisted by the flight engineer, battled to pull the aircraft out of the dive, the aileron control snapped. An enemy fighter then came in to attack, causing further damage by its cannon fire. Despite this, control was regained, the fighter evaded and ultimately, Warrant Officer Clark flew the crippled bomber to base. In the face of a perilous situation, these airmen displayed great gallantry, skill and resource, setting an example worthy of great praise.

*Distinguished Flying Medal.*

Aus.402309 Flight Sergeant Archibald McLaren CLARK, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 104 Squadron.

As captain, Flight Sergeant Clark has completed very many sorties, including successful attacks on important targets during the campaign in Tunisia. More recently, he has participated in attacks on various targets in Italy and has executed his tasks with great skill and accuracy. During a sortie against Naples in July 1943, his determined efforts contributed materially to the success of the operation. Flight Sergeant Clark has set an inspiring example.

1300849 Flight Sergeant Basil Ivor John MORRIS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.

1392605 Sergeant Peter James HAYWARD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.

As pilot and bomb aimer respectively, Flight Sergeant Morris and Sergeant Hayward have undertaken many sorties against targets in North Africa, Sardinia, Sicily and Italy. They have displayed great skill and determination throughout and their many successes have been well illustrated by photographic evidence. An excellent team, these airmen have set a fine example of courage and devotion to duty.

1245952 Sergeant James Henry MALLAN, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 467 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

This airman has participated in 21 successful sorties against some of the most heavily defended targets in Germany. One night in September, 1943, he was the rear gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack Mannheim. After leaving the target his aircraft was attacked by an enemy fighter. Coolly and skilfully, Sergeant Mallan fought the attacker and finally, following a well directed burst of fire from his guns, the enemy aircraft burst into flames and fell towards the ground where it was seen to explode on impact. This airman has invariably displayed coolness and courage in the face of the enemy and has proved himself to be a most dependable member of aircraft crew.

*Air Ministry, 19th October, 1943.*

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

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Pilot Officer John ALISON (52105), Royal Air Force, No. 196 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ronald James ALLEN (52107), Royal Air Force, No. 196 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Thomas Anderson ANGUS (Can/J.16350), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 115 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Horace John BACKHOUSE (148769), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 35 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Harold William Rhodes BAKEWELL (Aus.403492), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 101 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John Henry BARNICOAT (148466), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John BELL (51820), Royal Air Force, No. 102 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Grant Gordon BOOTH (Can/J.17928), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 207 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Kenneth James CAMPBELL (N.Z.411857), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 196 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Maurice Allington CARTER (N.Z.391694), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 156 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Edward John CLEMENT (149152), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Edward Laurence COHN (147915), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 97 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Peter Abernethy COLDHAM (Aus.401908), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 156 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Donald Harrington CRAIG (148835), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 35 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Arthur Kenneth DEAN (142557), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Anthony Trevor ELLIS (146795), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Frederick Cecil EDMONDS (52021), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 429 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ian Lloyd EDWARDS (Aus.408984), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 101 Squadron.

Pilot Officer William Henry ETHERTON (147212), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Charles Reginald FARRAR (148039), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Arthur FEELEY (142914), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 83 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Alan Harry FERNAND (147586), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 427 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Leslie Leonard FLETCHER (148573), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 100 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John Edward FRANEY (148468), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 100 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Mervyn Durham GILLMAN (Aus.404333), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 12 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Gerald Patrick GODWIN (Aus.401845), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 467 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Donald Owen Graham GOLDFINCH (144437), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Joseph GRUDZIEN (Can/J.22090), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Gordon HAMILTON (146105), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 61 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John HARBOTTLE (141809), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Andrew Crawford HARDING (Can/J.16700), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 7 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Milton Augustus B. HARDING (Can/J.18021), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 158 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ivor Lewis John HOWARD (146635), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 35 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Louis Harold JACOBS (147005), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Mervyn JAMES (146930), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 61 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Morton Glenis JENSEN (Can/J.17291), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Cyril Thomas KING (142529), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 466 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Kenneth Henry KING (149202), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 78 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Peter Morris Lowick (148759), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Kenneth Archibald McIVER (Aus.412636), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 467 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Duncan James McMILLAN (Can/J.17955), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 12 Squadron.

Pilot Officer William John MACPHERSON (146862), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Bernard Francis McSORLEY (Can/J.17664), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Pilot Officer Geoffrey Wilson MANDER (148461), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 100 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ivan David MAXWELL (Aus.407947), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 101 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Warren Frederick MIZON (Aus.412172), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 12 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Francis Stephen MOORES (52574), Royal Air Force, No. 51 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Donald Allen MONTGOMERY (Can/J.18042), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 97 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Leonard William OVERTON (52569), Royal Air Force, No. 156 Squadron.

Pilot Officer William Albert OWEN (148043), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Cyril George PEARSE (148836), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.