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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
14th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

*To be Additional Officers of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Commander (E) John Bonfoy Rooper, Royal Navy,  
Lieutenant-Commander (E) Patrick MacDonald Rouse, Royal Navy,

*To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Mr. John Nigh Hemmens, Temporary Warrant Engineer, Royal Navy (Devonport),  
for outstanding leadership, courage and skill.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
14th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to:—

Petty Officer Wesley Barker, C/J.103625,  
for gallantry and undaunted devotion to duty.

Marine (Acting Temporary Corporal) George Herbert Gill, Ply.21485 (Newport, Monmouthshire),  
for outstanding courage and resource when a fire broke out in the hold of a ship

carrying explosives, in rescuing an injured companion and putting out the fire before firefighting equipment could be brought to bear.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division), to:—

Chief Stoker William Henry Beckett, D/KX. 77894 (Bude),

Chief Engine Room Artificer Benjamin George Rees, P/M.38381,

Chief Stoker Frederic Marsh, P/K.65754,

Shipwright First Class Albert Harry Farr, P/M.38657,

Chief Stoker Edwin Theodore Prowse, D/KX. 86825 (Devonport),

Stoker Petty Officer James Albert Warren, D/KX.86367 (Syston),

for great bravery, skill and resource.

Stoker First Class John Hawtrey Capes, P/KX.86067,

for outstanding courage, endurance and resource.

Able Seaman Ronald Keith Larkin, R.A.N.R., F.2363,

for great bravery and enterprise while serving in a defensively equipped Merchant Ship, in helping to dispose of an unexploded bomb after an enemy air attack.

## ADMIRALTY.

*Whitehall.*

14th December, 1943.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointments to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following awards:—

For gallantry in action with enemy submarines while serving in H.M. Ships Stork and Stoncrop on Convoy Escort Duty:

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Order:*

Commander George William Emil Castens, Royal Navy (Retd.) (Leamington Spa).

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant-Commander John Patrick Smythe, R.D., R.N.R. (Chandler's Ford, Hants).  
Sub-Lieutenant David Glassford Kay, R.N. (ErIDGE, Sussex).

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Able Seaman George Waugh Gray, D/JX. 253363 (Hawick).  
Able Seaman Sydney Albert Shipp, D/JX. 174136 (Glasgow).

*Mention in Despatches.*

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Roger Leslie Carter, R.N.V.R.  
Temporary Sub-Lieutenant John Hatherley Page-Wood, R.N.V.R. (London).  
Stoker Petty Officer Henry Phillip George Hardy, P/K.55189 (Frimley Green).  
Ordnance Mechanic Fourth Class Harold Cox, D/MX.90826 (Liverpool).  
Ordinary Seaman Stephen McGuinness, D/JX. 368160 (Liverpool).  
Seaman Murdo McLean, D/X.9815B (Kilmarnock).

For gallant and distinguished service in an attack on enemy Merchant Shipping while serving in Light Coastal Craft:

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:*

Lieutenant Humphrey Alexander Barbary, Royal Navy (Gwennap, Cornwall).

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant David Scott, Royal Navy (London).  
Temporary Lieutenant William John Archer, R.N.V.R. (Camberley).  
Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Frederick Norman Frenzel, R.N.V.R. (Birmingham).

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Petty Officer Motor Mechanic Robert Samuel Sutcliffe, P/MX.72893 (Kendal).  
Leading Telegraphist Frank Langford, P/J. 102405 (Luton).

*Mention in Despatches.*

Temporary Lieutenant Kenneth Charles Banks, R.N.V.R. (Liverpool).  
Leading Seaman Thomas Gordon Bousfield, P/JX.147629 (Sunderland).

Leading Seaman Alexander Boyd Watt, D/JX. 144984 (Gosport).  
Able Seaman Albert Alfred Middleton, C/SSX. 27504 (London).

For outstanding bravery and skill in many successful sorties against enemy shipping in the Mediterranean, while operating from Malta and North Africa:

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant (A) René Irving Whitley Goddard, Royal Navy.  
Temporary Sub-Lieutenant (A) William Neville Jones, R.N.V.R.  
Temporary Sub-Lieutenant (A) Dennis Arthur Marchant, M.B.E., R.N.V.R.

For great courage and resolution in action with enemy submarines while serving in H.M. Ships Echo and Ilex:

*Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant George Onslow Graham, D.S.C., R.N.R. (Burnham-on-Sea).

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant-Commander Vere Alison Wight Boycott, O.B.E., Royal Navy.  
Lieutenant-Commander Richard Herbert Calcraft Wyld, Royal Navy.  
Lieutenant James Desmond Rea Haslett, R.N.V.R. (Belfast).

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Acting Petty Officer Joseph Walter Sammels, D/JX.134262 (Dunoon).  
Able Seaman John Oddy Beeston, P/JX. 191327 (Campbeltown).

*Mention in Despatches.*

Temporary Lieutenant Thomas Eric Harris, R.N.V.R. (Radlett, Herts).  
Mr. William Pascoe, Gunner (T), Royal Navy (Bere Alston, Devon).  
Leading Seaman Michael Bradie Rorie, P/JX.136199 (Stevenston).  
Acting Leading Seaman Frank George Farrant, D/BX/X.1773 (Bristol).  
Able Seaman Donald Chisholm, P/CD/X. 1833 (Glasgow).

For courage, endurance and skill in Mine-laying operations:

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Mr. Ernest Albert May, Warrant Engineer, Royal Navy.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Chief Engine Room Artificer Arthur Rufus Kelleway, D/MX.46542.  
Able Seaman Frederick Howard Topliss, D/JX.285596.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Petty Officer Reginald Harry Miller, D/J. 107444.  
Petty Officer Wireman John Harris, D/MX. 62835.  
Stoker First Class Jack Burn Pierce, D/K.61470.

For outstanding services in fire-fighting after an explosion:

*Mention in Despatches.*

Temporary Lieutenant Percy George Leverett, M.B.E., R.N.R.

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Thomas Mark Prim, R.N.R.

Stoker Petty Officer Ernest Leach, D/KX. 84996.

Able Seaman John Batley, D.E.M.S., P/JX. 333826.

For courage and valuable services to the wounded during an air raid:

Supply Assistant William Gelson Barrett, P/PD/X.56 (Bournemouth).

For outstanding coolness and skill in shooting down an enemy aircraft:

Seaman Ernest Albert Brown, LT/JX.277012 (Droylsden, near Manchester).

For skill and devotion to duty while in charge of a craft carrying important supplies in dangerous and uncharted waters:

*Mention in Despatches.*

Mr. John Ray Bennetts, Warrant Officer, R.A.N.R.(S).

For outstanding services:

*Mention in Despatches.*

Captain John Felgate Stevens, Royal Navy.  
Commander (E) Robert Cobb, O.B.E., Royal Navy.

Lieutenant (E) Frank Withers, Royal Navy.  
Mr. Cecil Joseph Halloran, Boatswain, Royal Navy.

Engine Room Artificer Third Class Charles George Adams, P/MX.61991.

Stoker Petty Officer Henry Alexander Hadlow, C/K.61450 (Chatham).

Stoker First Class Edward Hales, C/KX. 134174 (Strood, Kent).

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