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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander David Scott Shearman WILKERSON, D.F.C. (62281), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.

This officer has completed many sorties on his second tour of operations. He has displayed high powers of leadership, great skill and determination, qualities which have earned him much success. He is a devoted and zealous squadron commander, whose great drive and tactical ability have contributed in a large measure to the high standard of operational efficiency of the squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flight Lieutenant Alan Frederick FORSDIKE (61953), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

This officer has participated in a large number of attacks on enemy targets, including such centres as Berlin, Hamburg, Essen and Kassel. He is a navigator of high merit, whose example of courage and determination has been inspiring. He has proved his skill in many difficult situations and his efforts have contributed greatly to the successes obtained.

Flight Lieutenant James Norris REYNOLDS (119882), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

This officer has set a fine example of skill, courage and devotion to duty. He has completed a large number of sorties during which he has successfully attacked many dangerous and difficult targets. On one occasion, whilst over Berlin, his aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. The starboard aileron was badly damaged and the aircraft temporarily went out of control. Flight Lieutenant Reynolds regained control however, and, although much physical effort was required to keep the aircraft on a level course, he pressed home his attack and afterwards flew safely to base. This officer displayed skill, determination and devotion to duty of the highest standard.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Thomas NEISON (138890), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 630 Squadron.

In April, 1944, this officer was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft which attacked an industrial plant at Clermont Ferrand. Soon after crossing the enemy coast, on the return flight, Flight Lieutenant Neison sighted an enemy fighter coming in to the attack. In the ensuing fight, Flight Lieutenant Neison defended his aircraft

with much skill and finally struck the enemy aircraft with a well placed burst of fire causing it to explode in the air. This officer has completed a large number of sorties and has proved himself to be a keen and confident gunner. His determination and fine fighting spirit have set an excellent example.

Flying Officer David Robert COURAGE (Aus.426219), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 158 Squadron.

As air gunner, Flying Officer Courage has taken part in a large number of sorties and throughout has displayed a high standard of efficiency and resolution. On one occasion, in an attack on Hamburg, his aircraft was attacked 3 times by fighters. Flying Officer Courage sighted the enemy aircraft on each occasion and his prompt and skilful directions to his pilot played a good part in frustrating the attackers. He has at all times displayed great keenness and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer John Andrew Cameron KENNEDY (Aus.409001), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 467 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

As air bomber, this officer has taken part in very many sorties against targets in Germany and throughout has displayed unflinching devotion to duty and praiseworthy skill. One night in April, 1944, Flying Officer Kennedy took part in an attack on Munich. Whilst over the target he was struck by a fragment of shrapnel and sustained a broken rib and severe bruising. In spite of the pain and discomfort, Flying Officer Kennedy continued to direct the aircraft on its bombing run and successfully attacked the target. Thereafter, he remained at his post until this country was reached. His exemplary conduct was most commendable.

Flying Officer Wilfred Arthur LENNARD (124735), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

In the course of his operational tour this officer has taken part in attacks on a wide range of strongly defended targets in Germany. His navigational ability has been of a high standard throughout and has played a good part in the successes obtained. On one occasion in February 1944, he was the navigator of an aircraft detailed to attack Leipzig. Shortly after crossing the enemy coast the air speed indicator failed. In spite of this, the captain decided to continue the mission. In the face of difficulties, accentuated by heavy cloud, Flying Officer Lennard skilfully guided his captain to the target which was successfully attacked. His ability and resource contributed in a large measure to the success of a most trying sortie.

Flying Officer Dudley Francis WARD (Aus.420413), Royal Australian Air Force No. 463 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has completed numerous sorties and has set a fine example of skill and determination. One night in April, 1944, he piloted an aircraft detailed for a bombing mission. Soon after his attack had been successfully completed one engine of his aircraft failed. Shortly afterwards, two more failed and the bomber began to lose height. The flight engineer succeeded in re-starting one of the defective engines however and the enemy coast was crossed at a low altitude. Eventually, an airfield was reached and Flying Officer Ward effected a safe landing. This officer displayed exceptional skill and determination throughout and his achievement was worthy of the greatest praise.

Pilot Officer Stanley DALE (169884), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

This officer has participated in a large number of successful sorties. He has displayed a high degree of skill and resolution and, on more than one occasion, his navigational ability has contributed materially to the safe return of his aircraft. He has at all times displayed keenness and devotion to duty, setting a praiseworthy example.

Pilot Officer Robert Cecil HOOPER (172176), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 630 Squadron.

One night in April, 1944, this officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Munich. On the outward flight the aircraft was engaged by fighters. Early in the fight the mid-upper and rear turrets were put out of action and the rear gunner was badly wounded. Pilot Officer Hooper manoeuvred his defenceless aircraft with great skill however, and eventually the attackers broke off the engagement. The bomber had sustained much damage but this did not deter Pilot Officer Hooper from continuing his mission. The target was far distant but he went on to execute a successful attack and afterwards flew the damaged bomber to base. This officer set a fine example of skill; courage and resolution.

Pilot Officer Ronald James SCAMMELL (173784), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 218 Squadron.

One night in May, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft which attacked a target in German occupied territory. Soon after the bombs had been released the aircraft was attacked by two fighters. The first one was evaded but machine gun and cannon fire from the second fighter struck the bomber and caused much damage. The flight engineer was killed and the gunners were wounded. The aircraft became very difficult to control and most of the instruments had been rendered useless, nevertheless, Pilot Officer Scammell flew the aircraft to base where, with the flaps and the undercarriage inoperative, he made a successful crash-landing. In most difficult circumstances, this officer displayed a high degree of skill, courage and determination.

Pilot Officer James WISBEY (172872), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 640 Squadron.

This officer has completed very many sorties, including 4 attacks on Berlin and 3 on Frankfurt. He has set a fine example of devotion to duty and has invariably pressed home his attacks with great determination. One night in March, 1944, he piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Stuttgart. Soon after leaving base, it was discovered that the overload tank was not functioning. Nevertheless, Pilot Officer Wisbey flew on to his far distant target and made his attack. He afterwards flew safely back to this country and landed at an airfield with only sufficient petrol left for a few minutes flying. His determination was typical of that he has always shown to complete his allotted task successfully.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Pilot Officer Leonard HUNT (172474), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1874602 Sergeant Montague William SAUNDERS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.

One night in April, 1944, this officer and airman were pilot and flight engineer respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack Friedrichshafen. When approaching the target the aircraft was struck by bursts of machine-gun fire from a fighter.

The rear turret was shattered and its occupant was fatally hit; the mid-upper turret was put out of action and the gunner was wounded. A large hole was torn in the elevator and the fuselage. The bomb doors were damaged, causing a failure of the hydraulic gear, whilst the mainplane itself was riddled by flying splinters. The bomber dived steeply but Pilot Officer Hunt, aided by Sergeant Saunders succeeded in regaining control. Despite the havoc caused by the attacker, Pilot Officer Hunt was determined to deliver his bombs. As the run-in was begun, Sergeant Saunders was hit in the leg and thigh by fragments of shrapnel from a shell which burst near the aircraft. Despite this he refrained from informing his pilot however, and the bombing run was completed with success. By this time, the aircraft was in a perilous position, being so nose heavy that it was beyond the strength of the pilot to keep the aircraft steady. Two members of the crew came to his assistance and finally they fixed a wire from the mid-upper turret to the control column and were able to pull when directed by their pilot. Thus assisted, Pilot Officer Hunt eventually reached this country where he effected a safe landing although as the aircraft touched down the undercarriage collapsed. This officer displayed the finest qualities of skill, courage and tenacity in the face of almost impossible odds. Sergeant Saunders also proved himself to be a brave and devoted member of aircraft crew. Although suffering acutely from his injuries he executed his engineering tasks with great skill, a factor which proved of the greatest assistance throughout the long and trying flight home.

Air Ministry, 23rd May, 1944.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Hugh William ELIOT, D.F.C. (42490), Royal Air Force, No. 255 Squadron.

Acting Wing Commander John Francis NEWMAN, D.F.C. (37823), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 70 Squadron.

Acting Wing Commander Percival Stanley TURNER, D.F.C. (41631), Reserve of Air Force Officers.

Squadron Leader Patrick Hardy Vesey WELLS (72098), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 255 Squadron.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Group Captain Leonard Cain SLEE, D.S.O., D.F.C. (32021), Royal Air Force, No. 139 Squadron.

Acting Wing Commander Kenneth Hughes BLAIR, D.F.C. (39704), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 613 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Stanley Charles NORRIS, D.F.C. (40561), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 11 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Albert Hart CROWE, D.F.C. (47040), Royal Air Force, No. 106 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Ralph Edgar WAGSTAFF, D.F.C. (108045), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Ian HEWITT, D.F.C. (119344), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Desmond IBBOTSON, D.F.C. (129238), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 601 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Eric James RICHARDS, D.F.C. (126507), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 61 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Alexander Charles SHIPWAY, D.F.C. (145344), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 83 Squadron.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Leslie Hall TOLCHARD, D.F.C. (145337), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 83 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Charles Edwin HARRIS (37878), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 434 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Brian Guinness GLOVER (83712), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 102 Squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Derrick Albert Sandison COLVIN (61963), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 249 Squadron.

- Acting Squadron Leader Alexander Cherry LAWSON (42508), Royal Air Force, No. 23 Squadron.
- Acting Squadron Leader Roderick Archibald MACKIE (81015), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 160 Squadron.
- Acting Squadron Leader Edward Forbes NELLES (110611), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 627 Squadron.
- Acting Squadron Leader Stanley Lees SMART (124548), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 149 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Allan BARKER (109499), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 255 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Cyril Victor BENNETT (109072), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 256 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Arthur BROWN (80843), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 150 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Peter Marshall CADMAN (114221), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 77 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Terence George CORNER (82188), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant George John CRIBB (120431), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 427 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Jeffrey Robert HAMPSON (100636), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 105 Squadron (with effect from 10th November, 1943).
- Flight Lieutenant Raleigh Willoughby HILKEN (87028), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 600 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Kenneth Albert MAJOR (47262), Royal Air Force, No. 100 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant John Foster NORTON (121433), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 241 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Arthur SANDISON (120598), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 619 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Hugh STILES (103500), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 138 Squadron.
- Flight Lieutenant Adam Peter WILLS (101590), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 177 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant John Hopkinson BRACEWELL (122351), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 12 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant James BROWN (159067), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Charles Ewart Tremenhare CHETHAM (122982), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 97 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Cyril Walter COLLINGWOOD (137220), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 149 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant James DODDS (157404), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 76 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant William Reginald FRANCIS (124714), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 50 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Douglas Frank GILSON (126509), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Gordon HAMPTON (50204), Royal Air Force, No. 223 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Ronald Dow KIRKWOOD (139137), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 76 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant John Bradley MORRIS (150070), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Charles Parnell NEWTON (147782), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 9 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Lawrence Valentine POLLARD (118899), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 429 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Henry John PRYOR (134555), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 207 Squadron.
- Acting Flight Lieutenant Samuel William John UPCHURCH (127307), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 149 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Kenneth Wilfred ARMSTRONG (132709), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 514 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Alan Victor James BARBER (119466), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 192 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Richard Ronald BIRCHALL (130696), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 115 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Harold Charles BOYD (149309), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 109 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Robert Marshall CARPENTER (145322), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 52 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Harold Henry CHADWICK (136882), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Donald Arthur COLOMBO (143466), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 12 Squadron.
- Flying Officer William Leslie COOK (133464), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 102 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Albert Edward FARRANT (139647), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 76 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Stanley Robert GRAFTON (133784), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Edward McPhee GRAHAM (142346), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 576 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Cyril HASSALL (134026), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 692 Squadron.
- Flying Officer James McGregor JOHNSTONE (120991), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 142 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Geoffrey Kenneth KING (138807), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Adrian Charles Edward LANCE (149692), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 619 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Robert William LORENZO (148092), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Robert Alexander McKITTRICK (149126), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 44 Squadron.
- Flying Officer Thomas McNICHOLAS (51288), Royal Air Force, No. 7 Squadron.
- Flying Officer William MORTON (155935), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer John Arthur BARTHOLOMEW (53826), Royal Air Force, No. 97 Squadron (since deceased).
- Pilot Officer Thomas Lightbody BUCHANAN (158784), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 161 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Robert Joseph COXHEAD (54150), Royal Air Force, No. 625 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Victor James William FRYER (162872), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Iain Farquhar GRAY (162615), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 101 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer David William HEARSEY (156073), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Colin Roy Izzard (157641), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Peter Vaughan JONES (151230), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 103 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Graham White KELLY (115276), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve (with effect from 18th August, 1943).
- Pilot Officer Reginald LEVY (159054), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 578 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Robert Jocelyn Henry LITTLETON (162877), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer James Mcgregor (159573), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Stanley MASON (158250), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Dennis Thomas MEAD (160848), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 100 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Kenneth William MORGAN (157998), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Lionel Cranfield POLL (159080), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 105 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer William Gordon RADCLIFFE (53561), Royal Air Force, No. 617 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Stanley Victor SAFFELLE (160850), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 207 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Joseph SHERIFF (160535), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer David Philip STOREY (157623), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 51 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Allan Noel Wauchope WATSON (170747), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer Douglas Antony WEST (171189), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
- Pilot Officer John Ernest WHITLOCK (59431), Royal Air Force, No. 100 Squadron.

Warrant Officer William John BENNETT (1381087), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 617 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Sidney James HARROP (1193301), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 600 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Ernest Ronald LANCASTER (751565), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 12 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Eric Arthur MORRELL (625206), Royal Air Force, No. 76 Squadron.
 Acting Warrant Officer Percy Joel ALDRIDGE (1314490), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.
 Acting Warrant Officer Gwyn Lloyd ROBERTS (572468), Royal Air Force, No. 83 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1314939 Flight Sergeant Cyril Gilbert Roy ADAMS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 150 Squadron.
 1021657 Flight Sergeant George ALLAN, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 61 Squadron.
 1028514 Flight Sergeant John Dixon ATKINSON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 35 Squadron.
 1045069 Flight Sergeant Ronald BATSON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 617 Squadron.
 1450085 Flight Sergeant Hugh Taggart BELL, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.
 1390857 Flight Sergeant Frederick Charles BENCE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 101 Squadron.
 1334464 Flight Sergeant Eric Herbert BENTLEY, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 102 Squadron.
 1198814 Flight Sergeant Leonard BRETTELL, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 626 Squadron.
 1349663 Flight Sergeant Alexander BRUCE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 207 Squadron.
 1559084 Flight Sergeant Robert Andrew CHRISTIE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 101 Squadron.
 658871 Flight Sergeant Stanley COSTIN, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 40 Squadron.
 1409786 Flight Sergeant William DAVIS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
 1333552 Flight Sergeant William Thomas DEMERY, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.
 1237652 Flight Sergeant William GABBOTT, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 683 Squadron.
 1321001 Flight Sergeant Edward George GROVER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 77 Squadron.
 1350407 Flight Sergeant James HAMNETT, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 1237627 Flight Sergeant Geoffrey Walling Hooper, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.
 1312738 Flight Sergeant Cyril JENKINS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 1457709 Flight Sergeant Harry JOHNSON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 57 Squadron.
 1148265 Flight Sergeant Thomas Lee KNOWLES, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.
 1331649 Flight Sergeant Victor Frederick Charles LAKER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 44 Squadron.
 1385994 Flight Sergeant Alfred Guy LESLIE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 61 Squadron.
 1254747 Flight Sergeant Dennis Gilbert LUCKING, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
 1336926 Flight Sergeant Cecil Frank MACE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 1453666 Flight Sergeant Alexander Gordon MEARNS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 106 Squadron.
 914735 Flight Sergeant Arthur Llewellyn NORMAN, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.
 1237979 Flight Sergeant John Harrison ORMESHER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 431 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 1230776 Flight Sergeant Norman Wilfred PARKER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 77 Squadron.
 1005565 Flight Sergeant Stanley POOLE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 429 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 634237 Flight Sergeant Albert Edward ROBERTS, Royal Air Force, No. 97 Squadron.

647641 Flight Sergeant Albert George STRETCH, Royal Air Force, No. 83 Squadron.
 1037557 Flight Sergeant Ronald Anthony McLean WARDLE, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.
 1331646 Flight Sergeant Cecil William WICKS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 76 Squadron.
 1083693 Flight Sergeant Eric YOUNG, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
 1039039 Acting Flight Sergeant Thomas Roy SHAW, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 97 Squadron.
 1589347 Sergeant Albert BARKER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 207 Squadron.
 805477 Sergeant Leslie Joseph Broughton BLOOD, Auxiliary Air Force, No. 106 Squadron.
 1377637 Sergeant Arthur George BOUD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 625 Squadron.
 1653004 Sergeant Peter Richard CHAMBERS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.
 1550753 Sergeant Henry Kartar GAREWAL, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 166 Squadron.
 974222 Sergeant Douglas Belmont GERRARD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 1323681 Sergeant James William GRANT, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 101 Squadron.
 1332324 Sergeant Donald Frederic HAYWARD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 103 Squadron.
 1589067 Sergeant Eric Arthur JONES, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 939079 Sergeant William Frederick KINGTON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.
 1106193 Sergeant Harry LOMAS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 1582226 Sergeant Edward MAYFIELD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 100 Squadron.
 1218578 Sergeant Eric James SADDINGTON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 10 Squadron.
 1142631 Sergeant Roy Barker SILVERWOOD, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 138 Squadron.
 1343850 Sergeant Victor William THOMSON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 70 Squadron.
 1313498 Sergeant John Alexandra Dyer WEEKS, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 434 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Horton Douglas MARSH (Aus.397), No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader William Wentworth Meade DEBOOS (Aus.401085), No. 7 Squadron.
 Flight Lieutenant Donald Coar DIXON (Aus.401089), No. 105 Squadron.
 Flight Lieutenant Eric Charles HEY (Aus.412592), No. 683 Squadron.
 Flight Lieutenant James Walter SANDILANDS (Aus.402405), No. 82 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Ronald Alec BINT (Aus.296158), No. 150 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Clarence Charles GARDNER (Aus.416423), No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer Bernard Joseph O'CONNELL (Aus.405496), No. 682 Squadron.
 Flying Officer Arthur Edward KELL (Aus.412969), No. 463 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer Oscar Alfred Simpson PATTERSON (Aus.420256), No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer Richard ROWE (Aus.411400), No. 450 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer Ross Milton STANFORD (Aus.416624), No. 467 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer Hartley Ronald WINCHCOMBE (Aus.415294), No. 37 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer Frank LANGFORD (Aus.412976), No. 90 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer Edward Crawford PRIEST (Aus.421458), No. 578 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer Samuel Sydney Moss TUNSTALL (Aus.414105), No. 150 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer Ernest Lionel VIVEASH (Aus.415288), No. 150 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Ronald LAYH (Aus.413084), No. 40 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Quentin SNOW (Aus.425235), No. 44 Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Godfred Samuel TEITZ (Aus.409614), No. 101 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Aus.416948 Flight Sergeant William Haig BROWN, No. 77 Squadron.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

- Acting Wing Commander John David PATTISON, D.F.C. (Can/C.957), No. 429 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader Harry GOWAN, D.F.C. (Can/J.17018), No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader Harold Thomas MILES, D.F.C. (Can/J.6946), No. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader Martin SATTLER, D.F.C. (Can/J.21942), No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader William WEISER, D.F.C. (Can/J.10822), No. 405 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Walter Ramon THOMPSON, D.F.C. (Can/J.10506), No. 83 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

- Acting Squadron Leader Clarence Wilfred HIGGINS (Can/J.15695), No. 431 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Squadron Leader Wallace Angus Grayton McLEISH (Can/J.4886), No. 428 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flight Lieutenant William Jarvis HARRIS (Can/J.9766), No. 431 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant James Robert HANSON (Can/J.15599), No. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Murray Carslow HYSLOP (Can/J.17380), No. 39 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Bruce Johnston INGALLS (Can/J.17096), No. 72 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant James Robert MARVIN (Can/J.18724), No. 77 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Francis Neville MURRAY (Can/J.21443), No. 427 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Leslie James TOMS (Can/J.16079), No. 419 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Flying Officer James Lauren GOURLAY (Can/J.21811), No. 44 Squadron.
 Flying Officer John Henry PRATT (Can/J.16236), No. 630 Squadron.
 Flying Officer David Harrison PROTHEROE (Can/J.14679), No. 625 Squadron.
 Flying Officer James RITCHIE (Can/C.7940), No. 600 Squadron.
 Flying Officer Andrew Payton SMITH (Can/J.10025), No. 429 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer George Frederick CLARK (Can/J.18905), No. 429 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Pilot Officer Samuel DAVIDSON (Can/J.19143), No. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.
 Pilot Officer William Robert Samuel NOYES (Can/J.18461), No. 199 Squadron.
 Pilot Officer John Edward POWERS (Can/J.19064), No. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

- Can/R.159333 Flight Sergeant David Raymond CANTERA, No. 90 Squadron.

ROYAL NEW ZEALAND AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

- Acting Squadron Leader Jonathan Arthur NEILSON (N.Z.391364), No. 626 Squadron.
 Flight Lieutenant George Roland GOULD (N.Z.414612), No. 241 Squadron.
 Acting Flight Lieutenant Cedric Stanley GAY (N.Z.417147), No. 90 Squadron.

- Acting Flight Lieutenant John David GRUBB (N.Z.415068), No. 75 (N.Z.) Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Trevor Alexander GILLARD (N.Z.411882), No. 450 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Warrant Officer Donald Anderson HARKNESS (N.Z.411400), No. 142 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

- N.Z.411747 Flight Sergeant Maxwell Graham Frane DOWMAN, No. 617 Squadron.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

- Major Maurice Graham Howson (102849V), No. 15 (S.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Captain Peter DAPHNE (67918V), No. 60 (S.A.A.F.) Squadron.
 Lieutenant Walter Victor BRUNTON (27554V), No. 4 Squadron.
 Lieutenant Rowland William ROWAN (205881V), No. 4 (S.A.A.F.) Squadron.

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Air Force Cross.

- Acting Squadron Leader Anthony Featherstonehaugh MARTINDALE (73005), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

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