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# CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

# St. James's Palace, S.W.I.

15th May, 1945.

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

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

Temporary Acting Commander Gerard Alfred Holdsworth, D.S.O., R.N.V.R.,

for most distinguished service in operations in enemy-occupied territory.

Acting Commander Edward Pitcairn Gambier SANDWITH, Royal Navy (Retired),

for outstanding service in the opening up and running of the Port of Dieppe following the Invasion of Normandy.

- To be Additional Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:
- Acting Temporary Lieutenant Gilbert Stewart BRYDEN, R.N.V.R. (Manse of Closeburn, Dumfriesshire),
- Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Evan Desmond JAMES, R.N.V.R.,
- Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Donald KIRKLAND, R.N.V.R. (Cheltenham),
- Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Arthur Douglas RUSSELL, R.N.V.R., for gallant and distinguished service in

for gallant and distinguished service in mine-clearing operations in enemy-held ports during the invasion of Normandy and the Low Countries.

Temporary Lieutenant Adrian George Lewis GALLEGOS, R.N.V.R.,

for outstanding courage, determination and undaunted devotion to duty.

# CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

15th May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards of the George Medal to the undermentioned:---

#### Bar to the George Medal.

Temporary Acting Lieutenant-Commander James Leslie HARRIES, G.M., R.C.N.V.R. (Montreal),

Temporary Electrical Lieutenant William BAILEY, D.S.C., G.M., R.N.V.R.

# The George Medal.

Acting Temporary Lieutenant Ronald Henry SAULL, R.N.V.R.,

Sergeant (Temporary) Ronald George JAKES, Po.X.103320, R.M. (Mansfield),

Acting Able Seaman Maurice Henry Woods, P/JX.519951,

for exceptional gallantry, skill and great devotion to duty, often in close proximity to the enemy, during mine-searching and clearance operations in the ports of Normandy and of the Low Countries.

Able Seaman James CARR, P/JX.695890 (Liverpool),

for outstanding courage in disposing of live ammunition and thus preventing great loss of life in his ship. When the ammunition was being taken out of the ship and two boxes of demolition charges had been placed on the deck ready to be lowered, Able Seaman Carr saw smoke coming from one of them and realised that a fuse had ignited. Well aware of the danger he was running he at once went to pick up the box and throw it over the starboard side where he knew there were no working parties. The box blew up and he was severely wounded.

## CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

# St. James's Palace, S.W.I.

15th May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to:

- Petty Officer William CULLEN, C/JX.294207,
- Petty Officer Joseph Muirhead NEILSON, C/JX. 32029/
- Petty Officer Charles WEBB, D/JX.356626, Leading Seaman Sidney John Victor COOK, C/JX.294498,
- Leading Seaman George Stredwick STEELE, P/J.93462, Able Seaman Guy CARR, P/JX.170645,
- Able Seaman Douglas James DOWNER, P/JX. 326436,
- Able Seaman James Ralph LESLIE, P/JX.
- 323330, Able Seaman Terence Charles SOLDER, P/JX. 515657,
- Able Seaman John Beet SWARBRICK, P/JX.
- 223035, Corporal (Temporary) John GRUNDY, Ply.X. 101726 (Whiston),
- Corporal (Temporary) Walter Тном, Po.X.
- 107028 (Glasgow), Marine (Acting Temporary Corporal) Alexander Gunning MUIR, Po.X.110265 (Chelsmford), rdinary Seaman Douglas Walter BRUCE-
- Ordinary Seaman Douglas Walter BRUCE-JONES, P/JX.428462, Ordinary Seaman Kenneth HARDEN, P/JX.
- 632824, Ordinary Seaman John Goodwin McDONALD, P/JX.632764
- Marine Albert Henry THOMPSON, Po.X.101401 (Newark),
- Marine George Harold WARREN, Po.X.115137 (Farnsfield),

for gallantry and skill in mine-searching and clearing operations in the ports of Normandy and the Low Countries following the invasion of France.

# ADMIRALTY.

#### Whitehall. 15th May, 1945.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following awards:-

For gallantry in saving life:

The Albert Medal in Gold (Posthumous).

Sick Berth Attendant Arturo FANCONI, C/MX.

554517. On 28th June, 1944, Fanconi was summoned to help men wounded by mines at Quineville in Normandy. He at once ran almost half a mile and went through what later proved to be a field of anti-personnel mines to reach them.

He applied tourniquets and bandages; then, with help, carried two patients out of the drive which was the scene of the incident. This was a tiring and difficult task as it entailed hugging a wall all the way. Fanconi was on the more dangerous side throughout.

While the rescue party were considering how best to help a third man who lay some distance within the minefield, another mine burst beneath the rubble on which they stood. This killed one helper and wounded Fanconi and another. Despite this, Fanconi tried to collect his scattered medical kit and to help his comrade. He had to crawl to do so, and was in great pain.

In his attempt, he exploded a further mine which blew off one of his feet. The explosion hurled him into the air, and when he fell he set off a third mine which severed his other foot. A Corporal made every effort to help him, but the kit was now of little use and Fanconi could not be saved.

All who had witnessed his selfless courage, his speed and skill in giving aid to others, all the while exposing himself to immediate danger, were inspired by his great example.

For courage, skill and determination while serving in H.M. Ships Portchester Castle, Helmsdale, Braithwaite, Lock Eck, Loch Dunvegan and Bayntun in attacks on enemy submarines:

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

Commander Peter William BURNETT, D.S.C., Royal Navy (West Kirby).

Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.

- Lieutenant-Commander Ronald Clifford FREAKER, D.S.O., D.S.C., R.N.R. (Liverpool).
- Lieutenant-Commander Leo Patrick BOURKE, D.S.C., R.N.Z.N.R. R.D., (Auckland, N.Z.).

#### The Distinguished Service Cross.

- Commander Edward WHEELER, R.D., R.N.R. (Liverpool).
- Lieutenant-Commander Percival John STONER, Royal Navy (Horsham).
- Lieutenant Alexander Gordon Scott, R.N.R. (Aberdeen).
- Sub-Lieutenant Temporary Brian Gifford PENNINGTON, R.N.R. (Warrington).
- Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Benjamin Victor MUIR, Ř.N.V.R. (Colwyn Bay). emporary Sub-Lieutenant De
- Dennis Temporary Ewart WATKINSON, R.N.V.R. (London).
- William Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Kerr WEBSTER, R.N.Z.N.V.R. (New Plymouth, N.Z.).

#### The Distinguished Service Medal.

- Chief Engine Room Artificer David STORMS,
- D/MX.49741 (Dartmouth). Petty Officer Sydney Henry Ja C/X.20310A (London, S.E.16). James ALDAM,
- Petty Officer Robert GOLDSMITH, C/JX.136270 (Gillingham).
- Temporary Petty Officer Harold Paul BUNT, D/J.115431 (St. Ives).
- Acting Temporary Petty Officer Telegraphist Raymond Albert McKEOUGH, P/SSX.30506 (Maidstone).
- Temporary Stoker Petty Officer Edwin KIRBY, P/KX.84903 (Middlesbrough).
- Acting Electrical Artificer Fourth Class Stanley
- Charles KENDALL, P/MX.98523 (Coventry). eading Seaman Leslie Douglas PARRISH, D/JX.148962 (Bolton, Yorks.). Leading
- Leading Seaman John TRIGGS, D/SSX.26162 (Rathcoursey, Eire). Temporary Leading Seaman David George GLOVER, D/JX.160026 (Sanderstead).
- Temporary Leading Seaman Harold Ernest NORMAN, D/JX.196944.

- Acting Temporary Leading Seaman Joseph
- GOODE, D/JX.204282 (Stelsby, Cheshire). Able Seaman Norman KING, P/JX.201442 (Manchester)
- Able Seaman Albert Edward Matthew LINCOLN,
- C/JX.542501 (London, E.15). Able Seaman Peter Angus Ross, D/JX.284216 (Liverpool).
  - Able Seaman Frank TAYLOR, D/JX.146263 (Edinburgh).

Mention in Despatches.

- (E) Frederick Lieutenant Armstrong MACKENZIE, R.N.R. (Blyth, Northumberland).
- Temporary Lieutenant Frederick Peter Boyce, R.N.V.R. (Bradford).
- Temporary Samuel Lieutenant John WIGHTMAN, R.N.V.R. (London, S.W.5). mporary Sub-Lieutenant Derek Aubrey

Temporary BROWN, R.N.V.R. (Sevenoaks, Kent).

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Dennis DRYDEN, R.N.V.R. (Burton-on-Trent) Joyner

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Norman Elcock, R.N.V.R. (Ramsay, Isle of Man).

- Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Desmond Haslett KVLE, R.N.V.R. (Kirkby Lonsdale). Acting Chief Petty Officer John Albert GAYNOR, D/JX.143214 (Barry Dock). Chief Engine Room Artificer William Claude Bran, D/MX space (Disputib)
- BECK, P/MX.51493 (Plymouth). Chief Stoker Thomas STABLER, D/K.67003 (Brighouse, Yorks.).
- Petty Officer Henry BILSBY, P/JX.645991. Temporary Petty Officer George Raymond KILBURN, P/SSX.27211 (Birmingham). Stoker Petty Officer John Timothy MURRAY,
- D/KX.82344 (Cardiff).
- ting Leading Seaman George Robert Frederick RIGGALL, D.S.M., P/JX.217283 Acting (Grimsby)
- Temporary Leading Seaman William John Bell
- TIPPING, D/JX.136359 (Stourbridge). Acting Leading Telegraphist Frank Benjamin BERRISFORD, D/JX.271615 (Loughborough). Able Seaman Kenneth Douglas PRIDHAM,
- D/JX.250610 (Gunnislake, Čornwall). Stoker Leonard Francis LURY, C/KX.133269 (London, S.W.6)
- Ordinary Seaman Norman Holland, C/JX.

542768 (Nr. Scunthorpe, Lincs.). Ordinary Seaman William Henry SHERLOCK, D/JX.707815 (Wirral, Cheshire). Stores Assistant Herbert BOURN, P/MX.105534

(Newcastle).

For bravery, daring and skill whilst serv-ing in H.M. Ships Riou and Seymour and H.M.C. M.T.B.743 in successful engagements with E-Boats:

Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.

Acting Lieutenant-Commander Ian Raymond GRIFFITHS, D.S.C., Royal Navy.

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Sub-Lieutenant Arthur James Temporary Mervyn MANSELL, R.N.V.R. (Bulawayo).

The Distinguished Service Medal.

- Able Seaman Sydney James ANDERSON, V.31852 (Alberta).
- Seaman Norman BILLINGTON, P/JX. Able 357608 (Manchester).
- Able Seaman Robert Henry ELMS, P/JX. 317106 (Guildford).

## Mention in Despatches.

Lieutenant Ronald Mansfield BARGE, D.S.C., R.N.V.R. (Helensburgh, Dumbartonshire).

- Acting Petty Officer Douglas McClarnon, D/JX.158082 (Belfast). Telegraphist (S) Roy Willis, C/JX.573629.

For gallantry, perseverance and devotion to duty in mine-sweeping operations under enemy fire in the Adriatic:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

- Acting Temporary Commander Leonard Kaye PERRIN, R.N.V.R.
- Lieutenant Peter Errington DAVIES, R.N.V.R. (Wolverhampton).
- Temporary Lieutenant Robert Foylon HODGSON, R.N.R.

Temporary Lieutenant Philip Inston Fellows, R.N.V.R. (Erdington, Birmingham). Temporary Lieutenant Alleyn Oliver MARK,

R.N.V.R. (Sunderland).

The Distinguished Service Medal.

- Second Hand William Mitchell REID, LT/X. 19347A.
- Chief Engineman William John MELHUISH, LT/X.4087T. cting Chief
- Acting Engineman Jack WILSON. LT/KX.149100. eading Seaman
- Leading John Geddes MURRAY.
- LT/JX.177021. Leading Seaman Walter Leonard PLATTEN, LT/JX.170553.
- Leading Seaman James Wilfred BELL, C/JX. 318963.
- Able Seaman Lester LORD, C/SSX.30595.

#### Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).

Lieutenant-Commander Temporary Acting Frederick James CALL, R.N.R.

# Mention in Despatches.

- Temporary Lieutenant John Alexander Cossar, R.N.R. (Nottingham)
- Temporary Lieutenant Herbert William LEEDS, R.N.V.R. (Highbury).
- Temporary Lieutenant David MEYLER, D.S.C.,
- R.N.V.R. (London, N.W.11). nief Petty Officer Frederick PRIESTLEY, Chief
- LT/JX.221507. Chief Engineman John Wilson GOODBRAND, LT/KX.131041.
- Acting Chief Engineman William CAMPBELL, C/MX.77856.
- Leading Seaman Patrick Terrence O'CONNOR, LT/JX.190066. Able Seaman Alan CAINE, D/JX.347207.
- Seaman Kenneth James GRISEDALE, LT/JX. 303050.

For courage and skill whilst serving in H.M.S. Retalick:

#### The Distinguished Service Medal.

Able Seaman Ronald ARROWSMITH, C/JX. 236932 (Liverpool).

For bravery and resourcefulness following the loss of their ship by enemy action:

#### Mention in Despatches.

Temporary Lieutenant Charles George Kidd

EDGAR, R.N.V.R. (Dundee). Sub-Lieutenant (E) James Sidney THURSTON, R.N.V.R. (Berwick-on-Tweed).

Petty Officer Frederick William KENDAL, C/J. 96223 (London). Leading Motor Mechanic John PIRIE, C/MX.

634323 (Carstairs Junction, Lanarkshire).

For good service in rescue work after his ship had struck a mine:

# Mention in Despatches.

Donkeyman Donald NICOLSON (Newton Grange, Midlothian).

For good service and untiring devotion to duty in carrying out arduous work in the build-up operations following the invasion of Normandy:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Captain Geoffrey STORR, Master, Merchant Navy.

#### Mention in Despatches.

Captain Malcolm Townsend ENGLAND, Master,

- Merchant Navy. Captain Stanley WILLIAMS, Master, Merchant Navy.
- Captain John Varndell TAYLOR, Master, Merchant Navy. Captain William George DALTON, Master, Mer-
- chant Navy.
- Captain Thomas John McGARRY, Master, Merchant Navy.

Chief Engineer Officer William Chisholm WHITING, Merchant Navy.

- Motor Mechanic Hugh MACKAY, Merchant Navy
- Chief Mechanician Ronald MAUGHAN, Merchant Navy.

Boatswain Walter KIRBY, Merchant Navy.

- Able Seaman Douglas MUNSON, Merchant
- Navy. Able Seaman George SPEAKMAN, Merchant Navy.

Driver John Joseph HALLISSEY, Merchant Navy.

Carpenter Robert CAMPBELL, Merchant Navy. Rigger Martin DALY, Merchant Navy.

For good services and devotion to duty, whilst serving with H.M. Ships Diadem and Mauritius, in an attack on three German destroyers:

#### Mention in Depatches.

- Captain Eric George Anderson CLIFFORD, Royal Navy.
- Captain Charles Alfred Evelyn STANFIELD, Royal Navy.
- (E)  $\mathbf{P}$ aul Aloysius Commander Bernard CARUANA, Royal Navy (Esher). Commander (E) William John ROBB, Royal
- Navy (Portsmouth).
- Lieutenant Commander Neville Townlie MCHARG, D.S.O., Royal Navy (Windermere)
- Acting Lieutenant-Commander Geoffrey Harry CAREW-HUNT, Royal Navy (Blyth, Notts.).
- Lieutenant (E) Michael Richard Lloyd HAYES, Royal Navy (Huntley). Temporary Chief Stoker Robert George
- Temporary
- Temporary Cinici Stoker Ukberl George Edward PURCHASE, C/K.60454 (Reading).
  Temporary Chief Shipwright Sydney George SLOCOMBE, C/MX.54268 (Gillingham).
  Temporary Regulating Petty Officer Daniel Victor Wells, P/MX.634013 (Wallington).
- Acting Ordnance Mechanic Fourth Class Patrick McGIVERN, P/MX.126072 (Paisley).

For devotion to duty in fighting and extinguishing fires following a serious explosion:

# Commendation.

Leading Seaman Charles James TURNER, C.JX.240330.

For bravery and skill in mine-clearing operations in enemy-held ports during the invasion of Normandy  $\operatorname{and}$ the Low Countries:

#### Mention in Despatches.

Commander Francis Halley ASHTON, O.B.E., R.N. (Retired).

Sub-Lieutenant Arthur STORER, R.N.V.R.

- Sub-Lieutenant Peter Temporary emporary Sub-Lieutenant (Sp.) Peter Fleetwood Rynd, R.N.Z.N.V.R. (Wellington).
- Petty Officer William ELLIOTT, C/JX.320648. Leading Seaman John DALTON, C/JX.320281.
- Leading Seaman James FRANCIS, C/JX. 302801.
- Leading Seaman Charles William MCKENZIE, C/JX.294465.
- Leading Seaman Edward John TURNER, P/JX. 302801.
- Able Seaman Ernest BROWN, P/JX.322308.
- Able Seaman Harold William COTTLE, P/JX. 330545.
- Able Seaman Donald Collins DANIELS, C/JX. 331315. Able Seaman Thomas James Емм, Р/JX.
- 41532**6.** ble Seaman
- Able John William HORNCASTLE, P/JX.30771.
- Seaman Edward Kenneth McGuirk, Able P/JX.382454. ble Seaman Francis
- Able MCILDUFF, P/JX.
- 430542. Able Seaman Robert George McKerracher, P/JX.306762.
- Able Seaman Francis Gordon Joseph McVITTIE,
- P/JX.321875. Able Seaman Roy Vincent Chapple MAYS, P/JX.381171. Able Seaman Thomas Noel MERGLER, P/JX.
- <u>52049</u>3.
- Able Seaman Stanley Filby PARKER, C/JX. 320044.
- Able Seaman Patrick SCULLY, P/JX.252848 (Athlone).
- Able Seaman Harry SIMMONS, C/JX.549535.
- Able Seaman Trevor Edward STEADMAN, P/JX.523100.
- Able Seaman John Samuel STEVENS, P/JX. 324686.
- Able Seaman Duncan WILSON, P/JX.294608
- Acting Able Seaman Edward DE ASHA, P/JX. 515260.
- Stoker 1st Class Leslie J. S. LEWIS, R.A.N., 21622.
- Ordinary Seaman Kenneth Roy ELMS, P/JX. 651215.
- Ordinary Seaman Victor Thomas Power, P/JX.629949.

For bravery and skill in mine-clearing operations in enemy-held ports during the invasion of Normandy and the Low Countries:

# Mention in Despatches.

Sergeant (Temporary) (Acting Temporary John Sergeant) Charles Colour HALL, Ch.X.859, R.M. (Birchfield Common. Berks.).

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- Corporal (Temporary) James Fairnington, Ch.X.102491, R.M. (Musselburgh).
- Corporal (Temporary) Joseph LAVELLE, Ex.614, R.M. (Birtley, Co. Durham).
- Corporal (Temporary) Thomas John MAHONEY, Ply.X.110001, R.M. (Swansea).
- Marine Arthur BERKLEY, Po.X.115496, R.M. (Ormskirk).
- Marine Thomas William HALL, Ex.844, R.M. (Scarborough).
- Marine John Michael Hughes, Ex.4912, R.M. (Kidsgrove).
- Marine Kenneth Frank SMITH, Ch.X.104036, R.M. (Norwich).
- Marine James Peter STONE, Po.X.113556, R.M. (Camden Town).
- Marine Ronald TRAVERS, Ply.X.106024, R.M. (Newport).
- Marine Leslie Norman WAIGHT, Po.X.101343, R.M. (Edgbaston).

For good service and devotion to duty in an attack on three German destroyers whilst serving in H.M.S. Diadem:

Mention in Despatches.

Sergeant (Temporary) Frank Henry HARDY, Po.X.2130, R.M. (St. Helen's, Lancs.).

Corporal (Temporary) Charles Clarence WEBSTER, Po.X.4258, R.M. (Rosyth). For bravery and undaunted devotion to duty whils<u>t</u> serving with the 15th Indian Corps:

The Distinguished Conduct Medal.

Company Sergeant Major (Temporary) Albert James WELSH, EX.1217, R.M.

The Military Medal.

- Corporal (Temporary) Ronald Frank RUSSELL, Ch.X.3093, R.M.
- Marine Wilfred John BARKS, Po.X.102116, R.M.
- Corporal (Temporary) Ernest FENTON, Ex.1300, R.M.

For gallantry, skilful leadership and daring whilst serving with the Indian Army in the assault on Nyebon and Kangan:

Second Bar to the Distinguished Service Order:

Major (Acting Colonel Commandant) (Temporary Brigadier) Campbell Richard HARDY, D.S.O., Royal Marines.

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:

Captain (Brevet Major) (Acting Colonel) Halford David FELLOWES, Royal Marines. The Military Cross.

Temporary Lieutenant (Acting Temporary Captain) Eric LANGLEY, Royal Marines. The Military Medal.

Sergeant Alexander Beverley PIRIE, Ch.X. 1175, R.M.

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