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*Air Ministry, 2nd October, 1945.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations:—

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Acting Squadron Leader Allen Edward BROWNE (N.Z.404986), R.N.Z.A.F., 89 Sqn.

This officer has participated in many night fighter sorties. He has consistently displayed the highest standards of keenness and energy and has shown fine qualities as a leader. He has destroyed at least four enemy aircraft and an enemy locomotive. His devotion to duty has been exemplary.

Flight Lieutenant Eric Charles REED (133103), R.A.F.V.R., 79 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenant Reed has completed many sorties, including attacks against airfields and other defended targets in Burma. During July, 1945, he led every squadron sortie, all of which involved flying through the extremely adverse weather of the monsoon season. This officer has taken part in close support sorties in a most commendable manner, often leading his flight to bomb and machine gun targets which have been only a short distance from our ground forces. His services have been of great value to the squadron.

Flying Officer Peter Richard HUNTING (Can/J.44128), R.C.A.F., 356 Sqn.

In August, 1945, Flying Officer Hunting was bomb aimer in an aircraft detailed to attack Benkoelan airfield in Sumatra. During the bombing run, at low level, intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire was encountered. As a result, the navigator was killed. Flying Officer Hunting thereupon assumed the responsibility of navigating the aircraft home. To reach base, a small island, many hundreds of miles over the sea at night had to be flown. Nevertheless, Flying Officer Hunting plotted his way home with great accuracy. His fine work undoubtedly contributed much to the safe return of the aircraft.

*Air Ministry, 2nd October, 1945.*

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

*Bar to Distinguished Service Order.*

*Acting Wing Commander.*

Percy Belgrave LUCAS, D.S.O., D.F.C. (100626), R.A.F.V.R., 613 Sqn.

*Distinguished Service Order.*

*Acting Squadron Leaders.*

Neill CAMERON, D.F.C. (102585), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.

Robert Francis Thomas DOE, D.F.C. (41908), R.A.F.O., 10 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

Robert Withington PEARSON, D.F.C. (44804), R.A.F. (Lieutenant The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales's Own, Yorkshire Regiment)), 140 Sqn.

*Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.*

*Wing Commander.*

John Stewart HAMILTON, D.F.C., A.F.C. (73752), R.A.F.V.R.

*Acting Wing Commander.*

Arthur Dennis MITCHELL, D.F.C., A.F.C. (33373), R.A.F.

*Acting Squadron Leaders.*

Henry AMBROSE, D.F.C. (156922), R.A.F.V.R., 181 Sqn.

Anthony John REEVES, D.F.C. (60099), R.A.F.V.R., 74 Sqn.

*Flight Lieutenants.*

Gerald Grahame TOZER, D.F.C. (108837), R.A.F.V.R., 4 Sqn.

Arthur George WOODS, D.F.C. (122252), R.A.F.V.R., 605 Sqn.

*Flying Officer.*

Frank Cyril COOKE, D.F.C. (187363), R.A.F.V.R., 357 Sqn.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

*Wing Commander.*

Victor Sidney Henry DUCLOS (79532), R.A.F.V.R., 45 Sqn.

*Acting Wing Commanders.*

Ian Norman BAYLES (74327), R.A.F.V.R., 273 Sqn.

Lucien Brett ERCOLANI, D.S.O. (62270), R.A.F.V.R., 159 Sqn.

John Charles PAISH (42520), R.A.F.O., 680 Sqn.

Edward Stanley SMITH, A.F.C. (90093), A.A.F., 264 Sqn.

*Acting Squadron Leaders.*

James Hogan CURRIE (104548), R.A.F.V.R., 4 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

Sidney Alexander SHARPE (45712), R.A.F., 358 Sqn.

Ronald Edward Goodman SHEWARD (120531), R.A.F.V.R., 266 Sqn.

Barry Robert Munro WADE (42776), R.A.F.O., 140 Sqn.  
 John Goldthorp WALKER (106239), R.A.F.V.R., 209 Sqn.  
 Thomas Norman Oldham WHITE (60468), R.A.F.V.R.

#### *Flight Lieutenants.*

William Alfred ALLINSON, D.F.M. (46307), R.A.F., 140 Sqn.  
 Peter John ANSON (120490), R.A.F.V.R., 135 Sqn.  
 Kenneth Robert BOOTH, D.F.M. (133926), R.A.F.V.R., 680 Sqn.  
 Gordon Macdonald BRAIDWOOD (128852), R.A.F.V.R., 322 Sqn.  
 John Pearson BROWN (120780), R.A.F.V.R., 680 Sqn.  
 Stanley Norman CHILTON (120927), R.A.F.V.R., 113 Sqn.  
 Ernest William Durham CREED (115699), R.A.F.V.R., 43 Sqn., with effect from 29th January, 1945.  
 William Ormiston DEEKS (146835), R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.  
 Stanley Arthur EBDON (126869), R.A.F.V.R., 209 Sqn.  
 Peter Charles ELLIS (126648), R.A.F.V.R., 613 Sqn.  
 Ian Alexandra Scott GIBSON (122116), R.A.F.V.R., 28 Sqn.  
 Eric Norman GODFREY (47765), R.A.F., 16 Sqn.  
 Derek Holland HULME (141559), R.A.F.V.R., 357 Sqn.  
 Douglas Charles MARSHALL (125619), R.A.F.V.R., 305 Sqn.  
 Anthony Arthur Duncan MONTAGUE-BROWNE (150441), R.A.F.V.R., 211 Sqn.  
 Douglas POLLARD (150050), R.A.F.V.R., 541 Sqn., with effect from 31st December, 1944 (since deceased).  
 Ronald Walter QUIKLEY (128630), R.A.F.V.R., 28 Sqn.  
 Anthony Hubert RIECK (137415), R.A.F.V.R., 177 Sqn.  
 Gordon ROBERTSON (134367), R.A.F.V.R., 605 Sqn.  
 Edward SLINGER (125578), R.A.F.V.R., 113 Sqn.  
 Peter Neville SMITH (124791), R.A.F.V.R., 211 Sqn.  
 Henry Bell THOMSON (127229), R.A.F.V.R., 21 Sqn.  
 William Allan THORNE (61020), R.A.F.V.R., 4 Sqn.  
 George Francis THORNTON (130634), R.A.F.V.R., 2 Sqn.  
 John Francis WEBSTER (51844), R.A.F., 464 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.  
 Harry Francis WHIDBORNE (117703), R.A.F.V.R., 30 Sqn.

#### *Acting Flight Lieutenants.*

Maurice Reginald DAVISON (54090), R.A.F., 358 Sqn.  
 Ernest HOLMES (157389), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn., with effect from 21st May, 1944.  
 David Leonard HUGHES (160189), R.A.F.V.R., 266 Sqn.  
 Kenneth Warren JONES (175022), R.A.F.V.R., 358 Sqn., with effect from 9th July 1945 (since deceased).

#### *Flying Officers.*

Thomas Neville ALLEN (152808), R.A.F.V.R., 177 Sqn.  
 Robert Ellery ASTLEY (186108), R.A.F.V.R., 113 Sqn.  
 Albert BEGG (190295), R.A.F.V.R., 211 Sqn.  
 David Byron BROWN (174776), R.A.F.V.R., 680 Sqn.  
 Louis James CLAYDON (186881), R.A.F.V.R., 356 Sqn.  
 Victor William CORNWELL (182618), R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.  
 Frederick William COX (173371), R.A.F.V.R., 79 Sqn.  
 Michael Philip FISHER (175401), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.  
 David GOLDING (186423), R.A.F.V.R., 215 Sqn.  
 Wilfred Clyde HEATH (178489), R.A.F.V.R., 16 Sqn., with effect from 17th November, 1944 (since deceased).  
 Christopher Hetherington HEDLEY (56141), R.A.F., 358 Sqn.  
 Desmond Frederick William HINTON (158781), R.A.F.V.R., 135 Sqn.  
 Charles Edwin Michael Deverley HOLE (158686), R.A.F.V.R., 607 Sqn.  
 Malcolm HUSBAND (182622), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.  
 Wilfred Henry JOHNSON, D.F.M. (176398), R.A.F.V.R., 605 Sqn.

Ronald Aubrey LACEY (188633), R.A.F.V.R., 211 Sqn.  
 Clifford George MONK (178312), R.A.F.V.R., 247 Sqn.  
 John Christopher MUMFORD (156948), R.A.F.V.R., 146 Sqn.  
 Sydney Alfred PICKARD (188707), R.A.F.V.R., 146 Sqn.  
 Gordon Kenneth SENIOR (55931), R.A.F., 69 Sqn.  
 Peter STEAD (175403), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.  
 Ralph VART (185935), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.  
 Neville John WILLOUGHBY (154992), R.A.F.V.R., 464 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

#### *Pilot Officers.*

George Merriel Rubidge EASTWOOD (160103), R.A.F.V.R., 266 Sqn.  
 Alan Leslie GALLANTREE (195067), R.A.F.V.R., 107 Sqn.  
 Dennis Charles Harvey REX (195833), R.A.F.V.R., 56 Sqn.

#### *Warrant Officers.*

Richard James BAKER (771963), R.A.F.V.R., 28 Sqn.  
 Dennis Maurice BECK (1381726), R.A.F.V.R., 83 Sqn., with effect from 12th August, 1944 (since deceased).  
 Maurice Joseph CROGHAN (1231526), R.A.F.V.R., 258 Sqn.  
 Michael Edward DEWING (1336637), R.A.F.V.R., 28 Sqn.  
 Frederick John KING (1331826), R.A.F.V.R., 177 Sqn.  
 Charles Frederick KIRBY (1391233) (now Pilot Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 358 Sqn.  
 Walter John PERRY (1387482), R.A.F.V.R., 177 Sqn.  
 John SWIFT (1452657), R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.  
 Norman Lloyd WOOLSEY (1062764), R.A.F.V.R., 357 Sqn.  
 Arthur WRAGG (1239357), R.A.F.V.R., 28 Sqn.

#### *Distinguished Flying Medal.*

##### *Flight Sergeants.*

658412 Frank Percy LOWTHER, R.A.F., 357 Sqn.  
 1561673 John MCPHAIL, R.A.F.V.R., 613 Sqn.  
 1622273 Peter John WAUGH, R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.  
 1571247 Charles WINTON, R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.  
 1319961 Alan Bernard WYTHE, R.A.F.V.R., 211 Sqn.

#### ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

##### *Distinguished Service Order.*

##### *Squadron Leader.*

Roy David MAY (Aus.402204), 79 Sqn.

##### *Distinguished Flying Cross.*

##### *Acting Squadron Leaders.*

Percival Neville STACEY (Aus.406372), 211 Sqn.  
 Roy Douglas WILLIAMS (Aus.400609), 215 Sqn.

##### *Flight Lieutenant.*

Bruce Cameron OGILVIE (Aus.413492), 4 Sqn.

##### *Flying Officer.*

John Wilson THORPE (Aus.414368), 69 Sqn.

##### *Pilot Officer.*

Frederick Bruce LONG (Aus.410028), 355 Sqn.

##### *Warrant Officer.*

Frederick Angus Alexander FOLEY (Aus.410883), 215 Sqn.

#### ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

##### *Distinguished Service Order.*

##### *Acting Wing Commander.*

George Noble Bryan SPARKS (Can/C.1492), 356 Sqn.

##### *Distinguished Flying Cross.*

##### *Acting Squadron Leader.*

Howard Alvar Lewis SIMPSON (Can/J.9849), 613 Sqn.

##### *Flight Lieutenants.*

Campbell Devere BARNETT (Can/J.5289), 107 Sqn.  
 James Henry CARTMELL (Can/J.12030), 140 Sqn.  
 Courtney Spurr GILLIATT (Can/J.10269), 107 Sqn.  
 Hugh Wyndham SETON (Can/J.13483), 258 Sqn.  
 Thomas Sexton SHEPPARD (Can/J.14871), 261 Sqn.  
 Ray Tyler WALKER (Can/J.11051), 146 Sqn.

*Flying Officer.*

John Andrew Joseph Carruthers ANDERSON  
(Can/J.19611), 20 Sqn.

## ROYAL INDIAN AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Flight Lieutenant.*

Minoo Merwan ENGINEER (Ind.1614), 3 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

*Flying Officers.*

Rointon Merwan ENGINEER (Ind.2120), 9 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

Sukumar Krishnan MUKERJEE (Ind.2359), 9 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

Bhaskaroo Koteswara Bhondada RAO (Ind.2437), 2 (R.I.A.F.) Sqn.

## ROYAL NEW ZEALAND AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Flight Lieutenant.*

Wallace Wentworth PEET (N.Z.41933), 74 Sqn.

*Flying Officer.*

Russell Murray CLARKE (N.Z.42190), 485 (N.Z.) Sqn.

*Pilot Officer.*

Raymond Maurice BULLEN (N.Z.425880), 358 Sqn.

*Warrant Officer.*

David Thomas LAING (N.Z.427095), 69 Sqn.

## SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Major.*

Reginald John CLEMENTS (102132V) 16 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

*Captain.*

Gerald Brunette SMITH (47239V), 17 (S.A.A.F.) Sqn.

The above awards are in recognition of gallantry and devotion to duty in the execution of air operations.

*Air Ministry, 2nd October, 1945.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award in recognition of distinguished service.

*Military Cross.*

Acting Flight Lieutenant Hugh Wallace THOMPSON, D.F.C. (175967), R.A.F.V.R., No. 7 Sqn.

*Air Ministry, 2nd October, 1945.*

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

*Military Cross.*

Flight Lieutenant John Thurlow TAYLOR (130134), R.A.F.V.R.

Flight Lieutenant Taylor was officer in charge V.C.P. attached to 4/8 Battalion Gurkha Rifles at Nyaungkashe on the West bank of the Sittang River from 23rd June to 6th July, 1945. During the last five days of the period the enemy made a determined effort to capture Nyaungkashe using a large force around the perimeter and by heavy and intensive shelling. This Officer gave invaluable assistance to the Battalion by his accurate control of air support which was so vital. His skilful direction of low level bombing attacks on enemy targets was beyond all praise. Flight Lieutenant Taylor displayed great courage and a complete disregard for his own safety in face of intense and accurate enemy shell-fire, his inspiring confidence and cheerfulness throughout a most difficult and prolonged operation were an inspiration to all ranks.

*Military Medal.*

1093432 Corporal Stanley Rogerson JACKSON, R.A.F.V.R.

Corporal Jackson was a wireless mechanic during an action at Nyaungkashe on the West bank of the Sittang River when the position was subjected to intense and accurate enemy shell fire. Although the area in which the wireless set was situated became the object of prolonged shelling, Corporal Jackson worked unceasingly on the maintenance of his set. On 5th July, 1945, two shells fell within 20 yards of the apparatus damaging it and wounding him in the chest. Completely disregarding his wound and the continued shelling in the immediate vicinity, this airman remained at his post until the set was repaired and he had succeeded in establishing communication with supporting aircraft. Throughout the remainder of the action this airman continued to work his set under heavy fire and maintained the vital ground to air communication to the end. Corporal Jackson displayed courage and devotion to duty in keeping with the highest tradition of the service.

1433683 Leading Aircraftman Ernest COXSHALE, R.A.F.V.R.

This airman broke cover under shell fire to rescue wounded personnel from a Dakota aircraft which had received a direct hit. It was largely due to his courage and devotion to duty that all of the wounded were rescued. On every occasion when casualties arose due to enemy shelling and mortar fire in the vicinity he was always ready to remove casualties to safety and assist where possible. His complete disregard for danger was, an inspiration to all airmen.

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