

The Captain of his Flotilla reports as follows:—

"The behaviour of the ship's company in the face of the casualties and damage was of the highest standard. This is what I should have expected of Commander Jolly's ship. Commander Jolly was an imperturbable Commander, of careful judgment, who devoted his energies to perfecting his ship and ship's company for battle. His fearlessness and honesty in counsel were remarkable, and he proved his bravery and devotion to his wounded men when for a long period he manoeuvred his ship despite a mortal wound."

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

The Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for Meritorious Service:—

Harry George Frederick Hazelgrove, Chief Petty Officer. (H.M.S. Mohawk.)
Donald Albert Dodimead, Leading Seaman. (H.M.S. Mohawk.)

Mentions in Despatches.

Lieutenant Denis Guy Douglas Hall-Wright, R.N.
Lieutenant Alfred Lee Harper, R.N., Navigating Officer.
Petty Officer Ernest Edward Lethbridge.
Acting Electrical Artificer Reginald Thomas Simmons.
Sick Berth Attendant Geoffrey Lucas Blomfield.
Able Seaman Thomas Henry Benson.
Leading Stoker Leslie Herbert Painter.
Boy Richard Owen Ayton.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments of Captains of Destroyer Flotillas and Commanding Officers of Destroyers and other craft, to the Distinguished Service Order, for successful actions against enemy submarines:—

To be Officers of the Distinguished Service Order.

Captain Arthur George Talbot, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Inglefield.
Captain George Hector Creswell, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Afridi.
Captain Randolph Stewart Gresham Nicholson, D.S.C., R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Somali.
Captain Charles Saumarez Daniel, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Faulknor.
Captain Richard Stoddart Benson, R.N., Captain (D), H.M.S. Exmouth.
Commander Edward Albert Gibbs, R.N., H.M.S. Fortune.
Commander Stanley Herbert King Spurgeon, R.A.N., H.M.S. Echo.
Lieutenant - Commander Eric Langton Woodhall, M.V.O., R.N., H.M.S. Eclipse.
Lieutenant - Commander Richard Iwan Alexander Sarell, R.N., H.M.S. Broke.
Lieutenant-Commander Phillip Somerville, R.N., H.M.S. Kingston.
Lieutenant George David Archibald Gregory, R.N., H.M. Submarine Sturgeon.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards for similar services:—

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Commander Eric Barry Kenyon Stevens, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Imogen.
Commander Basil Jones, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ivanhoe.
Commander Jack Grant Bickford, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Express.
Commander John William Josselyn, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Intrepid.
Commander Christopher Theodore Jellicoe, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Winchelsea.
Lieutenant-Commander Philip Lionel Saumarez, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Ilex.
Lieutenant-Commander Stephen Hugh Norris, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Fire-drake.
Lieutenant-Commander Edward Bernard Tancock, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Forester.
Lieutenant-Commander William Frederick Eyre Hussey, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Vesper.
Lieutenant - Commander Anthony Frank Burnell-Nugent, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Walpole.
Lieutenant-Commander The Honourable John Montagu Granville Waldegrave, R.N., Commanding Officer, H.M.S. Puffin.
Chief Skipper David Forbes Nobie, R.N.R., H.M. Trawler Cayton Wyke.
Chief Skipper Harry Leonard Lang, R.D., R.N.R., H.M. Drifter Loch Tulla.

Mentions in Despatches.

Commander Henry Alexander King, R.N., H.M.S. Kashmir.
Commander Philip Norman Walter, R.N., H.M.S. Fame.
Lieutenant-Commander John Malcolm Rodgers, R.N., H.M.S. Whirlwind.
Lieutenant - Commander Hugh Gartside-Tippinge, R.N., H.M.S. Volunteer.
Lieutenant-Commander Walter John Phipps, R.N., H.M.S. Woolston.
Lieutenant-Commander Philip Henry Hadow, R.N., H.M.S. Foxhound.
Lieutenant-Commander Richard John Hullis Couch, R.N., H.M.S. Esk.

Awards to other Officers and men for these and like services will be published in the New Year List.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Distinguished Service Order:—

To be an Officer of the Distinguished Service Order.

Lieutenant - Commander Edward Oscar Bickford.

Lieutenant-Commander Bickford was in command of H.M. S/M. Salmon during a brilliant war patrol in which she succeeded in totally destroying an enemy submarine, and torpedoing at least one enemy cruiser.