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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.
24th April, 1940.*

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:—

Lieutenant - Commander Michael Southcote Townsend, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Viscount;
for seamanship and devotion to duty in saving many lives at sea on the occasion of the bombing by the enemy of s.s. Domala.

Lieutenant Alexander William Stewart, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Ark Royal;
for gallantry and resource in making a forced descent rather than abandon his aircraft, when his observer's parachute had fouled: and so risking his life to save another, when he could easily have saved himself.

To be Additional Members of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Vernon John St. Clair-Ford, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Viscount;
for seamanship and devotion to duty in saving many lives at sea on the occasion of the bombing by the enemy of s.s. Domala.

Warrant Shipwright Frederick George Ridout, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Nelson;

for outstanding initiative and resource in effecting repairs to his ship in very trying conditions after an explosion.

*Admiralty, Whitehall.
24th April, 1940.*

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

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:

Lieutenant - Commander Roy Berryman Edwards, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Watchful;
for courage and skill in securing and stripping live enemy mines, without regard for his own safety.

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

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Commander Edward Owen Obbard, Royal Navy.

Lieutenant Harold West, Royal Navy.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Chief Petty Officer Edward George Spriggs,
C/J.47033, H.M.S. Watchful.
Chief Petty Officer Charles Edward Syrett,
C/J.9062.
Chief Petty Officer Robert Charles Bloxsome,
C/J.28834.
Able Seaman Douglas Walter Wilson,
C/JX.146933, H.M.S. Watchful.
Able Seaman Sydney Charles Keen, Pens. 6356,
CJ.36458, H.M.S. Watchful.

Mention in Despatches.

Lieutenant Geoffrey Ambrose Hodges,
R.N.V.R.

Admiralty, Whitehall.

24th April, 1940.

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

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:

Lieutenant-Commander John Isdale Miller,
R.N.R., H.M. Trawler Blackfly;
for exemplary enterprise, zeal, leadership and resource in Anti-Submarine Trawlers, and untiring endeavour to harass the enemy.

Lieutenant-Commander Hugh Percival Price,
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Gleaner;
for outstanding readiness, proficiency and skill in destroying an enemy submarine.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to approve the following awards:—

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Lieutenant-Commander John Wentworth McCoy, Royal Navy, H.M. Submarine Triumph;
for outstanding initiative, skill and resource when a mine struck his ship, and for a good patrol record since the outbreak of war.

Lieutenant Robert Martin Pattinson, R.N.R.,
H.M. Trawler Northern Duke;

Skipper Cyril Coultas, H.M. Trawler Blackfly;
Skipper Harold Earnest Moran, H.M. Trawler Cape Chelyuskin;

for enterprise and devotion to duty in combating enemy aircraft.

Sub-Lieutenant Edward Perry Reade, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Gleaner;

for outstanding readiness, proficiency and skill in destroying an enemy submarine.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Leading Seaman Arthur Richard Johnson,
P/J.83797, H.M. Trawler, Blackfly;

Able Seaman Sidney W. Brown, C/J.104319,
H.M. Trawler Cape Chelyuskin;

for enterprise and devotion to duty in combating enemy aircraft.

E.R.A. 3rd Class John Thomas Jones, R.N.R.,
X2882E.A., H.M.S. Despatch;

for enterprise and resource when an enemy merchant ship was captured and prevented from being scuttled.

Able Seaman Harold Thomas Rhodes,
S.S.S.23375, H.M.S. Gleaner;

Able Seaman William John Trevethan Mellor,
S.S.X.23375, H.M.S. Gleaner;

Able Seaman Bernard Duncan Winstanley,
J.115205, H.M.S. Gleaner;

for outstanding readiness, proficiency and skill in destroying an enemy submarine.

Mentions in Despatches.

Commander Kenneth John Riddell, Royal Navy (Retired), H.M.S. Despatch;

Lieutenant Charles Delphin-Abbott, R.N.R.,
H.M.S. Despatch;

for enterprise and resource in capturing an enemy merchant ship and preventing her crew from scuttling her.

Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander Hugh Latimer Cleave, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Nelson;

for zeal, enterprise and devotion to duty in ordering his sick bay from a state of chaos, and for his skilful and untiring care of the wounded.

Surgeon-Lieutenant Alexander Donald, M.B.,
Ch.B., H.M.S. Viscount;

for zeal, devotion to duty and skill in caring for the sick and wounded survivors of s.s. Domala, bombed by the enemy.

Commander (E) John Irwin Moore, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Nelson;

Lieutenant (E) Trevor Henry Norman, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Nelson;

Chief Shipwright Albert Sidney Tutton,
C/MX.54834, H.M.S. Nelson;

Shipwright Frank Eli Edward Stevens,
P/MX.47006, H.M.S. Nelson;

Petty Officer Charles William Albert Watson,
P/J.111107, H.M.S. Nelson;

Petty Officer William George Knapp,
P/J.97897, H.M.S. Nelson;

Acting Leading Seaman George Walter Humphrey, P/JX.137537, H.M.S. Nelson;

Acting Leading Seaman Edward Royal Kenneth Scoles, P/JX.144968, H.M.S. Nelson;

Mechanician 2nd Class Cecil Frank Guy,
P/KX.80328, H.M.S. Nelson;

Chief Stoker Arthur White, P/K.64042, H.M.S. Nelson;

for outstanding initiative and resource in executing repairs in their ship in very trying conditions after an explosion.

Lieutenant-Commander William Gillett, Royal Navy (Retired), H.M.S. Solon;

Second Hand George Shaul, X.128S.A.,
H.M.S. Solon;

Signalman Alfred Wells, C/J.41825, H.M.S. Solon;

Seaman Charles Alexander Maddox,
JX.174455, H.M. Trawler Blackfly;

Seaman Cook Geoffrey E. Cuthbert, H.M. Trawler Blackfly;

Seaman Ronald J. George, R.N.R., X.18291A., H.M. Trawler Cape Chelyuskin; for enterprise and devotion to duty in combating enemy aircraft.

Lieutenant-Commander Lionel Rupert Knyvet Tyrwhitt, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Hasty; for enterprise and seamanship in preventing the scuttling of an enemy merchant ship.

Lieutenant John Douglas Ballantine, R.N.R.; for seamanship which helped to save the lives of all on board the Norwegian Realf when she was torpedoed.

Lieutenant Karl Henry John Lynch Phibbs, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Escort;

Lieutenant Harold West, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Escort;

Chief Supply Petty Officer Stephen Frederick Greenstreet, C/M.37403, H.M.S. Escort;

Petty Officer Steward Claude Reginald Way, C/L.718, H.M.S. Escort;

Chief Petty Officer Cook Bertrand Leonard Stone, C/MX.52628, H.M.S. Escort;

for devotion to duty in rescuing, rendering first aid to, and caring for, many survivors from a Liner sunk by the enemy.

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