

of a Messerschmitt 110, whilst leading the escort to a convoy, and three days later he shot down a Dornier 17. This officer's outstanding leadership and high courage have inspired all those under his command with great energy and dash.

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Patrick Geraint JAMESON (37813).

This officer led his flight with determination over completely strange country during operations in the Narvik area. He discovered and set on fire two four-engined enemy flying boats which were concealed against the almost vertical side of Rombaksfjord, in a position most difficult to attack. No trace of them was found during a reconnaissance shortly afterwards. The following morning he destroyed a Junkers 88 over Ofotfjord. During the previous seven months he has led his flight with skill and determination, both by day and by night, often in extremely bad weather conditions. His example has been an inspiration to the rest of the squadron.

*Air Ministry,
July, 1940.*

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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

Appointed a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

Squadron Leader James Kenneth Montague DRYSDALE (25055).

Flight Lieutenant David Christopher YORKE (37059).

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Christopher Grant HILL (25030).

Squadron Leader William Bentley MURRAY (33065).

Flight Lieutenant Alan Coatsworth BROWN (37033).

Flight Lieutenant Edward George CAMPBELL-VOULLAIRE (34228).

Flight Lieutenant Norman Benjamin HALLMARK (25071).

Acting Flight Lieutenant Wallace Stanley BARTON (39484).

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Digby BLACKWOOD (25083).

Acting Flight Lieutenant Peter William Archdale DUDGEON (70934), Reserve of Air Force Officers.

Acting Flight Lieutenant George Rex SHEPLEY (37577) (Since reported killed in action).

Flying Officer John Wilfred Waldron HURNDALL (25116).

Flying Officer Richard John Slack RUST (25133).

Pilot Officer Bernard CLEGG (33536).

Pilot Officer Peter Grenfell DEXTER (41680).

Pilot Officer Melville Percival Conrad HOLMES (70320).

Pilot Officer Arthur HUGHES (41291).

Pilot Officer William Cyril HUTCHINGS (43481).

Pilot Officer Ralph Reginald LANGLEY (33512).

Pilot Officer George Leslie SINCLAIR (41748).

Pilot Officer Peter Duggan SMITH (36186).

Pilot Officer James Roger WHELAN (40330).

Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.

364492 Sergeant Bernard James BROOKS.

563062 Sergeant George Harry COOPER.

613323 Sergeant Raymond Arthur LATHAM.

563388 Sergeant Joseph Henry STRONG.

562350 Sergeant Wilfred Philip WHETTON.

515885 Sergeant Leslie Scott WYSE.

551341 Corporal Arthur DALEY.

532905 Corporal Henry Robert JONES.

516020 Corporal George Peter WATTS.

523675 Leading Aircraftman George John ALLEN.

627077 Leading Aircraftman John BROWN.

527637 Leading Aircraftman John CLARK.

517652 Leading Aircraftman Donald Alexander DREWITT.

551261 Leading Aircraftman George Relton STEPHENSON.

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

*Air Ministry.
23rd July 1940.*

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

The undermentioned are granted short service commissions as Pilot Officers for five years on the active list. 10th July 1940:—

Oakden Parker DAVIES (44121).

David ROCKEL (44122).

Joseph WATTERS (44123).

The undermentioned are granted commissions for the duration of hostilities as Pilot Officers on probation:—

Warrant Officer.

1st Apr. 1940.

349822 Charles William FRANCIS (44048).

Flight Sergeants.

1st Apr. 1940.

564851 Gilbert Strachan FORBES (44049).

362634 Douglas SHAW (44050).

14th June 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

365028 Joshua Stephen WILLIS (44051).

18th June 1940.

(Seniority 2nd May 1940.)

562233 Richard Lawrance Leach

McCULLOUGH (44052).

19th June 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

365793 Kenneth Samuel SMITH (44053).

20th June 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

561078 Leslie CROOKS (44054).

25th June 1940.

(Seniority 9th May 1940.)

508086 Kenneth John PLESTED (44055).

25th June 1940.

366457 James Ronaldson WATT (44056).

26th June 1940.

(Seniority 30th May 1940.)

366048 Gilbert Louis BAYLISS (44057).

1st July 1940.

(Seniority 9th May 1940.)

506231 Alec WEST (44058).