

and several of his bombs hit a hangar. The target was also machine gunned from a height of 300 feet and, in addition, two trains just south of the target were subjected to this form of attack. This officer has, at all times, displayed the utmost determination and courage with a complete disregard for his own personal safety.

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Pilot Officer William Frank TUDHOPE (41224).

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.*

581261 Sergeant Lewis Smith BELTON.

One night in July, 1940, Pilot Officer Tudhope was captain of an aircraft which delivered an attack on enemy warships in Wilhelmshaven harbour from an altitude of only 50 feet. The aircraft was subjected to terrific anti-aircraft fire and was badly hit by a high explosive shell. In spite of this, a second attack was attempted, but owing to the extreme density of the gunfire, one engine was badly damaged and the navigator's cabin was riddled with holes. In spite of this ordeal, Sergeant Belton, the navigator and bomb aimer, with great coolness and courage continued his duties, and enabled Pilot Officer Tudhope to bring the damaged aircraft safely home. This officer and non-commissioned officer have shown conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on many previous occasions.

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.*

565152 Sergeant Sidney Ben FULLER.

551854 Sergeant Albert Gorsuch GOULDER.

Sergeant Fuller was captain of an aircraft which made an attack on warships in the harbour at Wilhelmshaven one night in July, 1940. Despite searchlight glare, and an intense enemy barrage the operation was successful. Sergeant Fuller delivered his attack from a few feet above the docks, and though the aircraft was hit by enemy gunfire Sergeant Goulder, the wireless operator air gunner, directed a heavy fire at the enemy from his machine guns. These airmen have invariably shown conspicuous courage and devotion to duty.

626213 Sergeant Lewis Alan WHITE.

One night in July, 1940, Sergeant White was rear gunner in an aircraft which was attacked by three enemy aircraft when over the aerodrome of Wessel at a height of 14,000 feet. Two enemy aircraft were sent down out of control, and the third flew away and was not seen again. The airframe and turret surrounding Sergeant White's position were riddled with bullets, but he exhibited a high degree of skill, combined with clear thinking and quick judgment in dealing successfully with this combined attack. He has been continuously employed as wireless operator air gunner on operational work, and has carried out a total of fourteen attacks on targets in Norway, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France.

*Air Ministry,  
6th August, 1940.*

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

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Flight Lieutenant Alvin Thomas WILLIAMS (40276)—now missing.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Minchin HEWSON (39083).

Flying Officer Herman Francis Grant EDE (33307)—now missing.

Pilot Officer John Stanley BOOTH (41658).

Pilot Officer Louis Reginald JACOBSEN (41423)—now missing.

Pilot Officer William Edward Vernon MALINS (40838).

Pilot Officer Gerald King SCOTT (41745).

Pilot Officer Reginald Minshall TAYLOR (77692).

Pilot Officer Cyril Bernard TEMLETT (33530).

*Awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal.*

740755 Sergeant Herbert Horatio KITCHENER.

533622 Leading Aircraftman Clarence John Watcyn EVANS.

615352 Aircraftman, 2nd Class, Charles Coburn CLELAND.

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

*Air Ministry,  
6th August, 1940.*

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

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

Flight Sergeants.

24th June 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

562270 John Simpson ROBINSON (44173).

9th July 1940.

(Seniority 2nd May, 1940.)

562035 John Arthur CANT (44174).

Sergeants.

20th June 1940.

(Seniority 2nd May 1940.)

565627 Basil Balfour Wallis HOWE (44175).

3rd July 1940.

(Seniority 12th June 1940.)

580672 Edward Arthur REEMAN (44176).

19th July 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

565906 Edgar Spottiswoode HUMPHREYS (44177).

20th July 1940.

(Seniority 25th Apr. 1940.)

562772 Colin LOGAN (44178).

Leading Aircraftmen.

30th May 1940.

(Seniority 21st Feb. 1940.)

529902 Leslie LEWINGTON (44179).

566717 Tom McKenzie MITCHELL (44180).