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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS
OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
16th August, 1940.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the following posthumous Awards for gallantry in one of H.M. Submarines:—

The Medal of the Military division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for Gallantry.

The late Lieutenant John Niven Angus Low,
Royal Navy, H.M. Submarines.

The late Able Seaman Henry James Miller,
P/J.55387, H.M. Submarines.

*Admiralty, Whitehall,
16th August, 1940.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the grant of the VICTORIA CROSS to Lieutenant Richard Been Stannard, R.N.R., H.M.S. Arab, for outstanding valour and signal devotion to duty at Namsos.

When enemy bombing attacks had set on fire many tons of hand grenades on

Namsos wharf, with no shore water supply available, Lieutenant Stannard ran Arab's bows against the wharf and held her there. Sending all but two of his crew aft, he then endeavoured for two hours to extinguish the fire with hoses from the forecastle. He persisted in this work till the attempt had to be given up as hopeless.

After helping other ships against air attacks, he placed his own damaged vessel under shelter of a cliff, landed his crew and those of two other trawlers, and established an armed camp. Here those off duty could rest while he attacked enemy aircraft which approached by day, and kept anti-submarine watch during the night.

When another trawler near-by was hit and set on fire by a bomb, he, with two others, boarded Arab and moved her 100 yards before the other vessel blew up.

Finally, when leaving the fjord, he was attacked by a German bomber which ordered him to steer East or be sunk. He held on his course, reserved his fire till the enemy was within 800 yards, and then brought the aircraft down.

Throughout a period of five days Arab was subjected to 31 bombing attacks and

the camp and Lewis gun positions ashore were repeatedly machine-gunned and bombed; yet the defensive position was so well planned that only one man was wounded.

Lieutenant Stannard ultimately brought his damaged ship back to an English port.

His continuous gallantry in the presence of the enemy was magnificent, and his enterprise and resource not only caused losses to the Germans but saved his ship and many lives.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the following Appointment to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following Award, for daring, resource and devotion to duty while serving in H.M.S. Arab at Namsos:—

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

Sub-Lieutenant Ernest Thomas Lees,
R.A.N.V.R., H.M.S. Arab.

The Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.

Second Hand David George Spindler, R.N.R.,
X.107S.B., H.M.S. Arab.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the following Appointment to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following Awards:—

For bravery and devotion to duty in certain of H.M. Trawlers employed on the coast of Norway:

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

Lieutenant-Commander Martyn Butt Sherwood,
Royal Navy (Retired), H.M.S. Cap Passaro.

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Sub-Lieutenant Richard Colin Warwick,
R.N.R., 15th A/S Striking Force.

Sub-Lieutenant Howard Owen Turner
Bradford, R.N.V.R., 15th A/S Striking
Force.

Sub-Lieutenant Frederick Meares Osborne,
R.A.N.V.R., 15th A/S Striking Force.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Mr. James Nicholson, 2nd Engineer, R.N.R.,
X.5929 ES, H.M.S. Arab.

Mr. William McCullum, 2nd Engineer, R.N.R.,
X.395 E/T.

Stoker 1st Class Joseph Henry Dyer,
LT/KX.101710, H.M.S. Aston Villa.

Stoker 1st Class Thomas Meikle Hughes,
LT/KX.105701, H.M.S. Aston Villa.

Seaman Robert George Mackenzie, R.N.R.,
X.7448/C.

Seaman Andrew Morrison, R.N.R., X.9456/B.

Seaman Charles Newman, R.N.R., H.M.S.
Arab.

Seaman William Henry Wilson, 1524462.

Telegraphist D. E. Crowsley, CWRX.1241.

Mention in Despatches.

Seaman Charles Hossack, R.N.R., X.21709A.,
H.M.S. Arab.

for courage and resource in the withdrawal
of troops in the neighbourhood of Le Havre.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Able Seaman Samuel John Saunders,
P/J.45304.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the following Appointment to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following Awards for courage, initiative and devotion to duty on service in H.M. Trawlers in the Romsdal Fjords:—

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order.

Commander York McLeod Cleeves, D.S.C.,
R.N.R.

Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Vere Essex
Case, R.N.R., H.M.T. Stella Capella.

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Commander Clarence Dinsmore Howard-
Johnston, Royal Navy.

Skipper Patrick Joseph Quinlan, R.N.R.,
H.M.T. Larwood.

Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).

The late Commander Alan Alastair Fraser
MacLeish, Royal Navy (Retired).

Mention in Despatches.

Probationary Temporary Sub-Lieutenant
Gordon Vincent Doubleday, R.N.V.R.,
H.M.T. Cape Chelyuskin.

Skipper John Coxall, R.N.R., H.M.T.
Warwickshire.

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

For gallant conduct on the occasion of the
loss of H.M.S. Glorious:

Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).

The late Commander Charles Eric Glasfurd,
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Acasta.

The late Lieutenant-Commander John
Frederick Barker, D.S.C., Royal Navy,
H.M.S. Ardent.

The late Sergeant Norman Jagger, Royal
Marines, H.M.S. Glorious.

Mention in Despatches.

Sub-Lieutenant (A) Ian Murray MacLachlan,
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Glorious.

For good services during an enemy air
attack on their ship:

Lieutenant Geoffrey Percival Baker, R.N.V.R.,
H.M.S. Plinlimmon.

Acting Petty Officer Ronald Rhys Williams,
D/JX.138782, H.M.S. Plinlimmon.

Able Seaman Stanley George Currie-Davis,
D/JX.146489, H.M.S. Plinlimmon.

Seaman George Lawrie, R.N.R., X.21138A,
H.M.S. Plinlimmon.

For resource in rescuing a wounded
shipmate:

Wireman (M/S) Joseph Reginald Oliver
Warne, H.M.S. Sisaphon.

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