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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
2nd December, 1941.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for skill and resource in operations in the Mediterranean:—

*To be an Additional Officer of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Commander Philip Cecil Langdon Yorke, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.

**ADMIRALTY.**

*Whitehall.  
2nd December, 1941.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the grant of the VICTORIA CROSS, for valour and fortitude in action against the Enemy on 18th May, 1941, to:

The late Petty Officer Alfred Edward Sephton, P/JX.130821, H.M.S. Coventry.

Petty Officer Sephton was Director Layer when H.M.S. Coventry was attacked by aircraft, whose fire grievously wounded him. In mortal pain and faint from loss of blood he stood fast doing his duty without fault until the Enemy was driven off. Thereafter until his death his valiant and cheerful spirit gave heart to the wounded. His high example inspired his shipmates and will live in their memory.

His Majesty has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the following Appointment to the Distinguished Service Order, and to approve the following Reward for outstanding

bravery, skill and resolution in successful Submarine patrols:

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:*

Lieutenant Edward Philip Tomkinson, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Urge.

*Bar to the Distinguished Service Order.*

Lieutenant Edward Philip Tomkinson, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Urge.

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

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant James Malcolm Stuart Poole, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Urge.

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant John Sandeman Deane Ransome, R.N.R., H.M.S. Urge.

*Bar to the Distinguished Service Medal.*

Petty Officer Alfred William Reginald Curtis, D.S.M., P/J.110997, H.M.S. Urge.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Engine Room Artificer Third Class Reginald Hellyer, C/MX.47775, H.M.S. Urge.

Petty Officer Benjamin Hughes, D/J.107296, H.M.S. Urge.

Acting Stoker Petty Officer William George Ashford, C/KX.82966, H.M.S. Urge.

Leading Seaman Laurence Frank Groves, C/J.101563, H.M.S. Urge.

Leading Stoker Charles Walter Chidwick, C/KX.81539, H.M.S. Urge.

Telegraphist Roy William George Rogers, D/SSX.26082, H.M.S. Urge.

Telegraphist Henry Ernest Twist, D/JX.225829, H.M.S. Urge.

Able Seaman David Andrew Miller, D/JX.164986, H.M.S. Urge.

Able Seaman Jesse Norris, C/JX.142500,  
H.M.S. Urge.

Able Seaman John Kenneth Rowley,  
C/SSX.21371, H.M.S. Urge.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Sub-Lieutenant Reginald Arthur James Coles,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Urge.

Acting Chief Petty Officer Charley John  
Jackman, D.S.M., P/J.110919, H.M.S.  
Urge.

Acting Leading Signalman Eric Charles Law,  
C/JX.145120, H.M.S. Urge.

Acting Leading Stoker Frederick John William  
Philpott, P/KX.81994, H.M.S. Urge.

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

For gallantry, daring and resolution in air  
attacks on the Enemy:

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished  
Service Order:*

Lieutenant Frederick Michael Alexander  
Torrens-Spence, D.S.C., Royal Navy.

*Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Sub-Lieutenant (A) August Sydney Douglas  
Macaulay, D.S.C., Royal Navy.

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant (A) Charles Bentall Lamb, Royal  
Navy.

Lieutenant (A) Henry Ian Ashton Swayne,  
Royal Navy.

Sub-Lieutenant (A) Peter Winter, Royal Navy.  
Temporary Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) John  
Buscall, R.N.V.R.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Temporary Acting Leading Airman Sidney  
Leonard Boosey, FAA/LD/X.4595.

Temporary Acting Leading Airman Laurence  
Joseph Sims, FAA/FX.77278.

Temporary Acting Leading Airman Lawrence  
William Smith, FAA/FX.76351.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Sub-Lieutenant (A) William Charles Sarra,  
Royal Navy.

For bravery and devotion to duty when  
H.M.S. Auckland was lost:

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant Arthur Philip Culmer, Royal Navy,  
H.M.S. Auckland.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Leading Seaman Henry Thomas Hiscutt,  
P/JX.126644, H.M.S. Auckland.

Leading Supply Assistant John Frederick Dean,  
P/MX.55377, H.M.S. Auckland.

Able Seaman Arthur Henry Stuckey,  
P/J.96026, H.M.S. Auckland.

*Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).*

Able Seaman George Stephen, P/CDX.2901,  
H.M.S. Auckland.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Lieutenant (E) Cecil Linsley Meadley, Royal  
Navy, H.M.S. Auckland.

Surgeon-Lieutenant Charles John Roberts,  
L.M.S.S.A., Royal Navy, H.M.S. Auckland.

Stoker Petty Officer William Stubbings,  
P/K.64742, H.M.S. Auckland.

Stoker First Class Jack Fogie Froud,  
P/KX.91397, H.M.S. Auckland.

For bravery and devotion to duty when  
H.M.S. Grimsby was lost:

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Temporary Surgeon-Lieutenant Benjamin  
Crawshaw, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., R.N.V.R.,  
H.M.S. Grimsby.

*Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).*

Petty Officer Cook Harold Morgan, P/L.11554,  
H.M.S. Grimsby.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Lieutenant-Commander Frank David Brown,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Grimsby.

Chief Stoker William Edward McFarlane,  
P/KX.76763, H.M.S. Grimsby.

Leading Sick Berth Attendant Andrew Leonard  
Porter, C/MX.54448, H.M.S. Grimsby.

Stoker First Class Thomas Edmond Henry,  
P/KX.93713, H.M.S. Grimsby.

Joiner Fourth Class Maurice Waite, P/MX.  
54252, H.M.S. Grimsby.

For courage, resolution and devotion to  
duty in operations in the Mediterranean:

*Second Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant (A) Philip Donald Julian Sparke,  
D.S.C. (Bar), Royal Navy, H.M.S.  
Formidable.

*Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant-Commander (E) Dudley Frederick  
Hingley Chandler, Royal Navy, H.M.S.  
Isis.

Lieutenant Christopher Lewis Round-Turner,  
D.S.C., Royal Navy, H.M.S. Defender.

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant-Commander Rodney Rhoades,  
Royal Australian Navy, H.M.A.S. Vendetta.

Lieutenant-Commander Jefferson Hirst Walker,  
M.V.O., Royal Australian Navy, H.M.A.S.  
Parramatta.

Lieutenant Harold Walter Barnett, Royal  
Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.

Lieutenant Raymond Hart, Royal Navy,  
H.M.S. Hasty.

Lieutenant Robert Stephen Henly, Royal  
Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.

Lieutenant (A) Patrick Wilfred Villiers Massy,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.

Lieutenant (A) Alfred Jack Sewell, R.N.V.R.,  
H.M.S. Formidable.

Lieutenant (E) Peter Gervase Fyers Turner,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Defender.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) Norman Cullen,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.

Probationary Lieutenant Henry Digory  
Hartnoll, Royal Marines, H.M.S. Coventry.

*The Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.*

Marine Frank Thomas, P/X.1730, H.M.S.  
Coventry,

who was badly hurt while serving his  
gun, but stood to it until the action was  
over. Even then he would not go below  
until ordered to, for he feared that another  
attack might start before he could be back  
at his post.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Chief Engine Room Artificer Norman Philip  
Wilkerson, C/M.37910, H.M.S. Flamingo.

Petty Officer Edward Jackson, D/JX.135566, H.M.S. Hasty.  
 Petty Officer Jack Kemp, P/J.108385, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Yeoman of Signals George Bookless, P/JX.131206, H.M.S. Janus.  
 Stoker Petty Officer William Ashton, P/K.3143, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Acting Stoker Petty Officer Albert Edward Heath, P/K.66391, H.M.S. Isis.  
 Engine Room Artificer Third Class Reginald Gerald Richard Field, D/MX.47778, H.M.S. Defender.  
 Acting Ordnance Artificer Fourth Class Lewis George Sangster, P/MX.63094, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Temporary Acting Leading Airman Colin Hearnshaw, D/JX.152244, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Able Seaman Stanley Gerald Bardsley Fisher, P/LD/X.4401, H.M.S. Coventry.  
 Able Seaman Stephen Huntrods, P/JX.184850, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Stoker First Class Thomas Duffy, D/KX.106301, H.M.S. Isis.  
 Wireman John Menzies, P/MX.68021, H.M.S. Formidable.

*Mention in Despatches (Posthumous).*

Lieutenant John Howard Shears, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Temporary Sub-Lieutenant (A) Eric John Hopkins Dixon, R.N.V.R., H.M.S. Formidable.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Commander Edward Kirby le Mesurier, M.V.O., Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Lieutenant-Commander Charles Leo Glandore Evans, D.S.O., D.S.C., Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Lieutenant - Commander John Percival Scatchard, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Kashmir.  
 Lieutenant Alexander James Wright, Royal Marines, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Lieutenant Alan Vincent Turner, R.N.V.R., H.M.S. Janus.  
 Temporary Lieutenant Edwin Stephen Jeffs, R.N.V.R., H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Frederick Hugh Colenutt, R.N.V.R., H.M.S. Glengyle.  
 Mr. Henry James Charles Fry, Gunner, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Petty Officer Thomas Richard Alderson, D/J.105998, H.M.S. Defender.  
 Petty Officer Thomas Bodfield, D/J.106283, H.M.S. Defender.  
 Chief Shipwright Sidney George Eburne, P/M.34621, H.M.S. Defender.  
 Chief Stoker Tom Charnock, D/KX.76553, H.M.S. Isis.  
 Petty Officer Charles Henry James Goldring, P/J.105584, H.M.S. Coventry.  
 Temporary Acting Petty Officer Reginald Bidgood, D/JX.137410.  
 Acting Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class William Boddy, P/M.60363, H.M.S. Janus.  
 Acting Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class Ralph William Wilson, D/MX.88437, H.M.S. Isis.  
 Leading Seaman John Joseph Wray, P/JX.140739, H.M.S. Kashmir.  
 Temporary Acting Leading Seaman Hugh Morse Gravelle, P/JX.200468, H.M.S. Formidable.  
 Temporary Acting Leading Seaman Stephen John Miles, P/JX.200484, H.M.S. Formidable.

Able Seaman Donald William Reuben Davis, P/J.110331, H.M.S. Janus.  
 Able Seaman James Donaldson McRitchie, P/SSX.18921, H.M.S. Kashmir.  
 Telegraphist Walter Leonard Jackson, P/JX.146787, H.M.S. Coventry.

For gallantry and skill in successful Submarine patrols:

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:*

Lieutenant-Commander Edward Christian Frederic Nicolay, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Taku.

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant (E) John Lewis Henry Pearce, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Taku.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Acting Chief Engine Room Artificer 2nd Class George Frederick Herbert, P/MX.46536, H.M.S. Taku.

Petty Officer Henry James Webb Whitbread, C/J.106284, H.M.S. Taku.

Temporary Acting Leading Stoker Arthur Charles Jamieson, P/KX.88849, H.M.S. Taku.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Lieutenant Joseph Tait, R.N.R., H.M.S. Taku.  
 Leading Signalman Robert Augustine Patrick Murphy, C/J.49388, H.M.S. Taku.  
 Able Seaman Alfred Stephen Hollis, D/JX.143782, H.M.S. Taku.  
 Able Seaman Daniel McDonald, P/JX.131771, H.M.S. Taku.  
 Able Seaman Cyril George Richardson, C/J.114005, H.M.S. Taku.

For courage and devotion to duty in rescuing Airmen from the sea:

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Able Seaman Thomas Quigley, D/JX.141105.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Sub-Lieutenant Patrick Williams, R.N.R.  
 Temporary Sub-Lieutenant James Sidney Southcott, R.N.V.R.  
 Acting Flying Officer Richard Easter Thomas, R.A.F.V.R.

For courage and skill in action against Enemy aircraft:

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Temporary Acting Leading Seaman Vincent Buck, C/JX.131776, H.M.S. Shearwater.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Lieutenant Trevor Henry Garwood, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Shearwater.  
 Acting Leading Seaman John Eric Malcolm Harrison, C/JX.148013, H.M.S. Shearwater.  
 Able Seaman John Harold Heathcote, C/SSX.14086, H.M.S. Shearwater.

For courage and enterprise:

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Acting Commander Douglas Henry Fyfe Armstrong, R.N.R.  
 Temporary Lieutenant Stanley Douglas Roote, R.N.R.  
 Temporary Acting Sub-Lieutenant (E) Claude Randolph Keats, R.N.V.R.

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Petty Officer James Alfred Anderson, P/JX.

131205.

Leading Seaman John Graham, P/X.6809C,  
R.N.R.

*Mention in Despatches.*

Temporary Lieutenant George William Jeffrey,  
R.N.R.

Temporary Lieutenant (E) James Roy Slimin,  
R.N.R.

Acting Sub-Lieutenant Ian McEvoy, R.N.R.  
Boatswain's Mate Richard George Hewitt.

The following correction is made in London  
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1941:—

Page 6495:

*For* Midshipman John Randolph Haskins,  
Royal Navy, H.M.S. Ajax,

*Read* Midshipman John Randolph  
Hashim, Royal Navy, H.M.S. Ajax.

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