

Flying Officer Hugh CAMERON (49681), No. 114 Squadron.

Flying Officer William James CORBIN (126536), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 72 Squadron.

Flying Officer Harold Cecil CRAFT (131122), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 418 Squadron.

Flying Officer Leslie Clement DORWARD (Aus.404174), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 97 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 14th September, 1942.

Flying Officer Alan Sydney DREDGE (63785), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 183 Squadron.

Flying Officer Norman DUMONT (N.Z.405243), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 614 Squadron.

Flying Officer John Acheson ESLER (64903), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 86 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 15th March, 1942.

Flying Officer John FORTUNE (84994), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 208 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 12th January, 1942.

Flying Officer Dennis Edward HOGAN (N.Z.411897), Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 111 Squadron.

Flying Officer Howard Charles KELSEY (112445), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 141 Squadron.

Flying Officer Alfred Henry John PALMER (106671), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 29 Squadron.

Flying Officer Leslie Austin PLUMMER (131478), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 232 Squadron.

Flying Officer Kenneth Gordon RAYMENT (108000), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 153 Squadron.

Flying Officer William SERVICE (49268), No. 114 Squadron.

Flying Officer Rae Richard SMART (117511), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 605 Squadron.

Flying Officer Raymond Frederick STARNES (120648), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 232 Squadron.

Flying Officer Roger Whitworth STORY (127495), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 18 Squadron.

Flying Officer John Dickie YOUNIE (119103), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 241 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John Douglas Norman BAIN (Can/J.6027), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 156 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 30th May, 1942.

Pilot Officer Percy COPELAND (108956), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 250 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 2nd June, 1942.

Pilot Officer George Greville GILLING-LAX (145494), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 85 Squadron (since deceased).

Pilot Officer George McAULEY (124267), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 218 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 31st July, 1942.

Pilot Officer William Ronald Berriman McCARTHY (46904), No. 218 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 23rd August, 1942.

Pilot Officer William Ivan Hartley MAGUIRE (80455), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 81 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Stanley Sinclair MARTIN (Can/J.15225), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 103 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 19th April, 1942.

Pilot Officer Richard William MEDUS (122992), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 218 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 20th January, 1942.

Pilot Officer Earl Frederick MORTON (Can/J.16333), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 418 Squadron.

Pilot Officer John Patrick MUIRHEAD (100092), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 12 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 24th June, 1942.

Pilot Officer Thomas Reader Russell WOOD (67642), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 115 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 3rd June, 1942.

Warrant Officer (now Pilot Officer) Alan Walter GEAR (745510), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 72 Squadron.

Warrant Officer Peter Ernest MERRALLS, D.F.M. (742016), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 106 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 20th July, 1942.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

968433 Flight Sergeant John Vyvyan CARLILE, No. 360 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 2nd June, 1942.

1053086 Flight Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) Basil Ron FROST, No. 114 Squadron.

635036 Sergeant Robert BUSH, No. 142 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 25th July, 1942.

946584 Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) William Frazer CALDWELL, No. 9 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 28th May, 1942.

976069 Sergeant Norman Henry HOOD, No. 35 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 4th May, 1942.

998697 Sergeant James ROUGH, No. 114 Squadron.

1179274 Sergeant Leslie Arthur SEAMARK, No. 142 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 14th September, 1942.

1549595 Sergeant Edward Miles SMITH, No. 141 Squadron.

N.Z.41612 Sergeant Adam Hudden THOMSON, Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 218 Squadron (deceased), awarded with effect from 22nd October, 1942.

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

Air Ministry, 27th July, 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following award:—

Bar to Air Force Cross.

Flight Lieutenant Geoffrey Clifford BRUNNER, A.F.C. (43941).

In 1943, Flight Lieutenant Brunner was engaged in testing an aircraft. During the flight serious trouble developed. Flight Lieutenant Brunner took immediate remedial action, but despite this, one of the engines commenced to emit large quantities of smoke and oil. A course was set for base, but smoke started to enter the cockpit, and the aircraft entered a steep dive. Efforts to rectify this were at first unavailing but eventually partial control was regained after much height had been lost and Flight Lieutenant Brunner succeeded in reaching an airfield, lowered his under-carriage and landed successfully. Through his skill and courage, a valuable aircraft was saved from complete destruction and this enabled the cause of the failure to be ascertained. The high skill and gallantry displayed by the pilot on this occasion was most commendable and set an outstanding example of coolness, efficiency and devotion to duty.

Air Ministry, 27th July, 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

To be Plt. Offs. (tempy.) on being employed with the R.A.F.:—

Donald Alfred SAUNDERS, Lt. Middx. R. (52429). 28th Feb. 1943.

23rd June 1943.

Peter Michael Frederick BABBE, Lt. (tempy. Capt.) Hampshire R. (52375).

Christopher Antony WADE, Lt. (tempy. Capt.) R.A.C. (52372).

Richard St. Claire WALMSLEY, Lt. (tempy. Capt.) Hampshire R. (52377).

Robert BARR, Lt. Cameronians (52373).

David Geoffrey Reginald CARTER, Lt. R.A. (52374).

Barry Brook LEAROYD, Lt. R.A. (52379).

Ian Cameron MACRAE, Lt. H.L.I. (52376).

Thomas Esmond Romilly MICKLEM, Lt. R.A. (52380).

David Wells SCOTT, Lt. K.R.R.C. (52371).

Lewin Douglas SOMAN, Lt. R.A. (52382).

John Emile Etienne VERBEKE, Lt. Middx. R. (52381).

Geoffrey Charles WIGZELL, Lt. R.A. (52378).

To be Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Wt. Offs.

507570 Vernon William Fox PENFORD (52434). 22nd Feb. 1943.

524497 Henry Roy TINKLER (52400). 27th Mar. 1943.

581163 Ian WHYTE (52399). 2nd Apr. 1943.

580089 Francis Wilson BATEMAN (52433). 4th Apr. 1943.