

Air Ministry, 14th December, 1943.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of distinguished services:—

Military Cross.

Squadron Leader Hedley Nevile FOWLER (39457), Royal Air Force.

Distinguished Conduct Medal.

748091 Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) Philip Thomas WAREING, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

Military Medal.

Can/R.67749 Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) Charles Edward McDONALD, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 403 Squadron.

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The KING has granted unrestricted permission for the wearing of the undermentioned decoration, conferred upon the officer indicated, in recognition of valuable services rendered in connection with the war:—

CONFERRED BY THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT.

Croix de Guerre, First Class.

Colonel Henry James MARTIN, C.B.E., D.F.C., South African Air Force.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR AIR.

Ottawa, 14th December, 1943.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the publication of the names of the undermentioned personnel who have been mentioned in despatches:—

Air Vice-M Marshals.

N. R. ANDERSON, R.C.A.F.
F. V. HEAKES, R.C.A.F.
L. F. STEVENSON, R.C.A.F.

Squadron Leader.

W. M. DOHERTY (C/1213), R.C.A.F.

Flight Lieutenants.

J. A. CALDER (J.6149), R.C.A.F.
F. COLOSIMONE (J.6647), R.C.A.F.
R. C. JONES (J.6147), R.C.A.F.
D. J. LOWRY (C.1177), R. C. A. F.
J. J. M. VIAU (C.1160), R.C.A.F.

Flying Officer

W. P. IRVING (J.10320), R.C.A.F.

Pilot Officers.

E. G. HODGSON (J.23049), R.C.A.F.
T. A. K. WATERSON (J.21312) (deceased), R.C.A.F.

Sergeants.

R.111111 D. G. COLLINS, R.C.A.F.
Aus.418924 S. N. WALLACE, R.A.A.F.
R.159482 D. E. MANAHAN, R.C.A.F.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

561455 Graham Wilbie George BAZLINTON (53577). 1st Oct. 1943.
634131 Arthur Lane McCOMIE (53643). 21st Oct. 1943.
619670 Charles Albert EDWARDS (53584). 22nd Oct. 1943.
580091 Aubrey Belcher LUND (53638). 25th Oct. 1943.

Flt. Sgts.

531834 Francis MELLING (53554). 14th Sept. 1943.
620310 John PRICE (53581). 24th Oct. 1943.
540422 Richard Frederick MARSHALL-HARDY (53636). 26th Oct. 1943.
642127 Joseph PARR (53582). 3rd Nov. 1943.

Sgts.

573411 Richard John WILLIAMS (53025). 11th Sept. 1943.

575678 George Laurance TAYLOR (53495). 6th Oct. 1943.

566899 Thomas JENKINSON (55241). 15th Oct. 1943.

617285 Ernest John BOXALL (53311). 23rd Oct. 1943.

622628 Alexander Gardiner BOYD (53639). 25th Oct. 1943.

567027 George SMITH (53583). 29th Oct. 1943.

Amendments.

In notfn. of 22nd June 1943 (p. 2821, col. 1) concerning R. H. TURNBULL (52002) for 1st Jan. 1943 read 1st Apr. 1943.

In notfn. of 20th July 1943 (p. 3278, col. 1) concerning Harry COATES (52288) for 27th May 1943 read 5th Apr. 1943.

Grant of acting rank.

Air Vice-Mshl. R. M. HILL, C.B., M.C., A.F.C., as Air-Mshl. 15th Nov. 1943.

Air Cdre. T. W. ELMHIRST, C.B.E., A.F.C., as Air Vice-Mshl. 6th Nov. 1943.

Air Cdre. V. E. GROOM, O.B.E., D.F.C., as Air Vice-Mshl. 8th Sept. 1943.

Amendment.

In notfn. of 16th Nov. 1943 (p. 5027, col. 1) for Air Cdre. A. B. ELWOOD, D.F.C., read Air Cdre. A. B. ELLWOOD, D.F.C.

Reversion to retired list.

Sqn. Ldr. J. C. BROOKE, D.S.C. (02066) (on completion of re-employment for period 25th June 1941 to 30th Oct. 1941). 31st Oct. 1941.

Retirement.

Gp. Capt. R. M. FIELD, C.B.E. 27th Nov. 1943.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp. Wg. Cdr.) P. J. H. HALAHAN, D.F.C. (26033). 4th Nov. 1943.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flg. Off. on prob. (emergency). 21st Oct. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

560863 Elver LEWIS (53286).

As Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 21st Oct. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

560029 Robert Ernest BROOK (53296).

Flt. Sgts.

534122 Frederick Arthur BATTLE (53293).

534712 Thomas Albert CHAPMAN (53290).

517314 Wilfrid DEACON (53298).

529129 Ronald Haydn INSLEY (53284).

Sgt.

574340 Althorp Hazell Christopher MARKEY (53283).

As Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Flt. Sgts.

561761 Hugh JAMES (51753). 21st May 1943.

365604 John Hazel SEABROOKE (52474). 10th Aug. 1943.

21ST OCT. 1943.

365147 Thomas Edward BISHOP (53295).

543972 Albert CATTON (53294).

566172 James Walter HOLMES (53282).

562189 John Edwin LOXTON (53285).

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Appointment to commission.

As Flg. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 21st Oct. 1943:—

Wt. Offs.

505605 Stanley Clifford BAKER (53297).

508333 Vernon PALIN (53288).

As Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency). 21st Oct. 1943:—

Wt. Off.

363322 James Paul Henry SIMMONDS (53299).

Flt. Sgt.

560058 Cyril CROSSLEY (53291).

As Actg. Plt. Offs. on prob. (emergency):—

Wt. Off.

590136 Robert John KENNETT (53281). 21st Oct. 1943.

Flt. Sgt.

514097 Leslie Francis BRAMLEY (53228). 14th Sept. 1943.

Transfer between branches.

Flg. Off. W. R. SMITH (46382) to the R.A.F. Regt. 30th Nov. 1943.