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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
24th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

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

Acting Group Captain Morgan Brownson Edwards (26157), Royal Air Force.

One morning in September, 1943, a Beaufighter aircraft crashed on an airfield and immediately burst into flames. Group Captain Edwards, the station commander, proceeded to the scene of the accident and, ignoring the danger from exploding ammunition and air bottles, entered the aircraft to rescue the trapped pilot. He released the pilot's harness and then helped him out of the aircraft, at the same time giving directions and inspiration to others who had come to assist. Thirty seconds after the pilot had been dragged clear of the wreckage the oil tanks exploded. Group Captain Edwards showed courage of a high order and set a fine example to all personnel at the station. His action was all the more commendable as, during the night, two other aircraft had crashed and caught fire within sight of the airfield and Group Captain Edwards had had a disturbed and trying time as a result.

To be Additional Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:—

Flight Lieutenant Simon Theodore WINTER, M.B., Ch.B. (107807), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

When returning from an operational sortie one night in July, 1943, a Stirling aircraft crashed whilst attempting an emergency landing. The bomber burst into flames. Flight Lieutenant Winter, who was the medical officer on duty, immediately proceeded to the scene. Regardless of his own safety he assisted the crew to escape and entered the burning fuselage in a vain endeavour to release the mid-upper gunner who was trapped upside down in his turret. Despite burns to his head and face, Flight Lieutenant Winter then attended to the needs of the injured members of the crew. Throughout he displayed high courage and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Horace TAYLOR (133833), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

This officer, a Seafire pilot on a merchant ship, was sailing in convoy to North Africa in May, 1943, when the ship in which he was travelling was torpedoed and sunk. The starboard accommodation was wrecked by the explosion of the torpedo and Flying Officer Taylor, missing a

brother officer, went to the latter's cabin. He found the cabin door jammed by debris, but broke it open and saw the officer lying unconscious. Flying Officer Taylor, with complete disregard for his own safety, attempted to drag him on deck but was unable to do so owing to his weight. He obtained the assistance of one of the crew and between them they were able to take the unconscious officer on deck. This gallant action, undertaken with the knowledge that the ship was sinking, undoubtedly saved the life of his companion.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
24th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to the under-mentioned:—

Squadron Leader Samuel Leonard THOMPSON (43564), Royal Air Force.

1239396 Leading Aircraftman Donald William SETCHELL, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

Early one morning in June, 1943, a 250 lb. bomb exploded in a bomb dump and set fire to a store containing target illuminators. Squadron Leader Thompson, an armament officer, immediately proceeded to the scene. The steel doors of the store containing the target illuminators which were exploding and burning furiously, were partially closed. Although the heat was intense and a number of fused bombs were lying nearby, Squadron Leader Thompson and Leading Aircraftman Setchell, who worked under the officer's instructions, forced open the doors sufficiently to enable water to be played on the fire which was eventually got under control. It was then necessary to remove the unexploded bombs to a place of safety. Three of the bombs were fused; they had suffered a severe jar from the first explosion and there was a grave risk of detonation. Nevertheless, this officer and airman, ignoring the danger, loaded the bombs on a trolley and moved them to a safe area. Their prompt and courageous action prevented further very severe damage being caused.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,
24th December, 1943.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned:—

NZ.414350 Flight Sergeant Reginald Morris SIMPSON, Royal New Zealand Air Force.

In September, 1943, Flight Sergeant Simpson was captain of an aircraft detailed to attack

enemy targets in Italy. While taking off a tyre burst, causing the bomber to swing and turn through a complete circle. It finally crashed and caught fire. The aircraft had full petrol tanks and carried eighteen 250 lb. bombs. The crew left the aircraft safely and Flight Sergeant Simpson then saw another bomber within 150 yards. Realising the probability that, on his own aircraft exploding, the second bomber would be destroyed, and with full knowledge of the extreme danger and personal risk involved, he decided to taxi the latter aircraft to a safe distance. He was in the act of priming the engines when the crashed bomber exploded, scattering bomb splinters and fragments in all directions. Flight Sergeant Simpson, with cool determination, continued his efforts and taxied the other bomber away undamaged. In most trying circumstances this airman displayed courage and resolution worthy of the highest praise.

365343 Flight Sergeant Edwin Henry SPEIGHT, Royal Air Force.

1331514 Acting Corporal Edward Sidney WEATHERLEY, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

1534400 Leading Aircraftman John Douglas Bowerbank FIDLER, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

A Baltimore aircraft, loaded for a long distance flight and carrying a very large quantity of petrol, crashed whilst taking off and burst into flames. The pilot and wireless operator were killed instantly and a third member of the crew was pinned beneath the burning wreckage. Flight Sergeant Speight, Corporal Weatherley and Aircraftman Fidler, displaying complete disregard for their own safety, immediately endeavoured to rescue the trapped airman. After a considerable time and under great difficulties they succeeded in extricating him. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by the rescuers, undoubtedly saved their comrade's life.

341877 Corporal Daniel FITZPATRICK, Royal Air Force.

In August, 1943, a Spitfire aircraft crashed on a landing ground and immediately burst into flames. Corporal Fitzpatrick, who was in a truck nearby, immediately jumped out and, without hesitation, went to the burning aircraft. Regardless of personal safety, he extricated the pilot even though while so doing more petrol ignited and the fire raged furiously. In effecting the rescue Corporal Fitzpatrick sustained burns but, nevertheless, having got the pilot clear of the aircraft, he persisted in removing his comrade's burning clothes. In dangerous circumstances Corporal Fitzpatrick showed great initiative and courage.

610334 Corporal Terence Henry KING, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

In September, 1943, an aircraft, which was taking off with a load of bombs, crashed into two houses on the edge of an airfield and burst into flames. Corporal King hurried to the scene and, although fully aware that high explosive bombs were likely to explode at any moment, he went to the cottages a few yards from the burning aircraft to warn the occupants of their imminent danger and render assistance. An injured man was found and whilst Corporal King, with the help of a civilian, was taking him to safety a bomb exploded. The bravery shown by Corporal King was instrumental in saving a life, and many more lives might have been lost had it not been for his prompt action in helping to warn occupants of the nearby houses.

1026019 Corporal Alexander REILLY, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

In May, 1943, a Boston aircraft crashed and burst into flames while landing. Four of the crew were trapped in the burning wreckage and Corporal Reilly, on arrival at the scene of the accident, immediately dashed into the flames and dragged one of the crew clear. He then did all in his power to extinguish the flames that enveloped the airman, himself sustaining severe burns to his face, hands and arms. Although his gallant action failed to save the life of the airman, Corporal Reilly showed complete contempt for danger and disregard of his own safety.

942533 Aircraftman 2nd Class Raymond FRAZER, Royal Air Force (with effect from 29th December, 1942).

This airman was one of a draft of Royal Air Force personnel which left Singapore, in one of 2 small steamships, at dusk one evening in February, 1942. The next day the ships were sighted by Japanese aircraft and, after being bombed and set

on fire, they eventually sank off Pompong Island. After swimming ashore, this airman, although wounded in the head, voluntarily assisted in manning a life-boat in which it was intended to return to one of the stricken ships, which was then fully ablaze and sinking, in order to rescue women and children on board. The strong tide prevented the life-boat from reaching the ship which drifted into an area crowded with drowning and wounded people. Aircraftman Frazer still bleeding from the wound to his head, dived into the shark-infested water time and again and assisted some 20 women and children to safety in the lifeboat. A landing was eventually made on the island of Kebat. This airman, displaying great courage and fortitude, continued to assist in making others comfortable until the party was picked up three days later.

2026866 Leading Aircraftwoman Lilian Sarah ELLIS, Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

In May, 1943, Leading Aircraftwoman Ellis was in charge of a Balloon Site when an enemy air attack developed. Despite the intensity of the raid this airwoman supervised the balloon operation and ensured its completion. At the same time she took every precaution for the safety of the personnel not engaged in flying the balloon. When the operation was complete the site was hit by a bomb which killed 3 and wounded 4 of the airwomen. Although Leading Aircraftwoman Ellis was one who was severely hurt she took charge of the situation and maintained the balloon in its operational position until assistance arrived. She also organised relief parties and, by so doing, undoubtedly saved the life of at least one airwoman who might have died without first aid treatment. Throughout the raid, Leading Aircraftwoman Ellis displayed outstanding leadership, coolness and courage.

Air Ministry, 24th December, 1943.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Squadron Leader Geoffrey Frederick POWELL (70550), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 47 Squadron.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties and has displayed great keenness and determination. In his first sortie with the squadron he led the formation in an attack on shipping and, in spite of intense anti-aircraft fire from a number of armed ships and naval vessels, a large motor vessel was hit and destroyed. Squadron Leader Powell's aircraft sustained much damage in the action but he flew it a considerable distance to base. Since then this officer has participated in many similar missions and has successfully attacked two medium sized vessels and several smaller craft. In November, 1943, Squadron Leader Powell participated in a most successful attack on a Siebel ferry. This officer has displayed inspiring leadership, great courage and devotion to duty. (*Substituted for Distinguished Flying Cross announced in Supplement to London Gazette No. 36267 issued on 30th November, 1943.*)

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander William ABERCROMBY, D.F.C. (44971), Royal Air Force, No. 619 Squadron.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has completed many sorties. In December, 1943, he took part in an attack on Berlin. Whilst over the outskirts of the city his aircraft was illuminated by a large concentration of searchlights. By good tactics, Wing Commander Abercromby manoeuvred his aircraft from the cone and then completed a successful attack. Throughout his tour, this officer's efforts have been featured by great determination and good judgment.

Acting Squadron Leader Ronald George CHURCHER, D.F.C. (68172), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 619 Squadron.

This officer has completed a very large number of bombing missions over Germany, including 5 attacks on Berlin. He has displayed exceptional skill, great courage and resolution, qualities which have enabled him to reach his target on every occasion. His fine record is worthy of the highest praise.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Alexander Campbell MAIR (Can/C.1635), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has participated in very many sorties, involving attacks on a wide variety of important and well defended targets in Germany. Throughout his tour he has displayed great skill and determination, pressing home his attacks with vigour, often in the face of heavy opposition. On several occasions his aircraft has been damaged by enemy action but, despite this, Wing Commander Mair has completed his mission successfully. He is a highly efficient flight commander, whose gallant leadership and personal example have inspired all.

Acting Squadron Leader Frank William Marius JENSEN, A.F.C. (102058), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 181 Squadron.

In October, 1943, this officer participated in an attack on an industrial plant at Caen. In spite of fierce and accurate anti-aircraft fire, Squadron Leader Jensen pressed home a most determined attack from a low level. He has completed a large number of sorties and has invariably displayed skill, courage and resolution of a high order.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Donald Allan MACINNES (145842), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant MacInnes has completed very many sorties, involving attacks on important and well defended enemy targets. He has displayed great skill and courage in pressing home his attacks and his example has been highly commendable. On one occasion whilst over enemy territory, his aircraft was extensively damaged by anti-aircraft fire but, with great skill, Flight Lieutenant MacInnes flew the bomber to base.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Ralph WHITWORTH (131005), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.

This officer has participated in numerous attacks on important enemy targets. On one occasion, in an attack on Hamburg, his aircraft was heavily hit by anti-aircraft fire. Considerable damage was sustained, causing the aircraft to become difficult to control. Despite this, Flight Lieutenant Whitworth flew the damaged aircraft to base and effected a masterly landing. By his great skill and determination this officer was responsible for the same return of the aircraft and its crew.

Flying Officer Frederick James BLAKE (150022), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.

One night in November, 1943, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Leverkusen. Some distance from the target the bomber was hit by anti-aircraft fire. One of its engines was rendered useless and a second was damaged. The aircraft lost some height but, despite this, Flying Officer Blake flew on to the target and bombed it. Displaying superb airmanship this resolute pilot succeeded in flying the damaged aircraft back to this country. His example of courage and devotion to duty was most praiseworthy.

Flying Officer James MANSFIELD (142222), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.

As air gunner, Flying Officer Mansfield has participated in many sorties and has proved himself to be a keen, skilful and vigilant member of aircraft crew. On one occasion he was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft which attacked Hamburg. Soon after the bombs had been released the aircraft was illuminated by the searchlights. Almost immediately a fighter attacked. Machine-gun fire from the enemy struck the bomber and the rear gunner was wounded. Flying Officer Mansfield gave his captain clear and concise evading directions and then opened fire from close range. His bullets caused the attacker to dive steeply with black smoke pouring from it. A second fighter then took up the attack but Flying Officer Mansfield's accurate bursts of fire drove it off. In this spirited action, this officer displayed skill and determination of a high order.

Flying Officer James VAUGHAN (137106), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 622 Squadron.

This officer has taken part in a large number of sorties and throughout has displayed a high standard of navigational ability. On one occasion,

in September, 1943, Flying Officer Vaughan participated in an attack on Mannheim. Shortly after the bombs had been released the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire and sustained damage. In very difficult circumstances, Flying Officer Vaughan navigated the damaged aircraft back to this country. His skill contributed materially to the successful completion of the sortie.

Pilot Officer Garth Stewart HUGHES (Aus.413614), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 514 Squadron.

One night in October, 1943, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Berlin. Just as his bombing run was completed his aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Pilot Officer Hughes succeeded in evading the attacker but his aircraft had been repeatedly hit by bullets from the enemy aircraft. The rear gunner was killed. The mid-upper turret was rendered unserviceable, while the fuselage became filled with smoke which prevented Pilot Officer Hughes from seeing his instruments. The smoke cleared, however, when several small fires in the fuselage were extinguished. Almost immediately another fighter took up the attack but Pilot Officer Hughes was able to evade it and course was set for base. Soon afterwards, one of the damaged engines became useless. Although the aircraft became difficult to control, Pilot Officer Hughes succeeded in reaching base. This officer, who has attacked Berlin on 5 previous occasions, displayed a high degree of skill, courage and determination.

Pilot Officer Frederick Augustus PHILLIPS (Aus.409939), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 622 Squadron.

This officer has taken part in several sorties and has displayed a high degree of skill and determination. One night in November, 1943, he piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Ludwigshafen. Whilst over the target area his aircraft was hit by shrapnel. The petrol cocks were damaged and the petrol supply could not be regulated. Nevertheless, Pilot Officer Phillips, by skilfully using the engines, flew the aircraft back to this country. Some nights later, whilst over Berlin, one engine of his aircraft became unserviceable. On the return flight considerable height was lost and ammunition was jettisoned in an effort to lighten the aircraft. In the face of heavy odds, Pilot Officer Phillips succeeded in reaching base. This officer has displayed great keenness and devotion to duty.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Hugh SUTHERLAND (119916), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 224 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Can/R.122162 Flight Sergeant Alex Paddon GIBBS, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 224 Squadron.

Can/R. 134479 Flight Sergeant Michael Nicholas WERBISKI, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 224 Squadron.

This officer and airmen were pilot, observer and front gunner respectively of a Liberator aircraft detailed to escort a convoy recently. During the passage, 5 or 6 enemy aircraft appeared over the convoy and attempted a bombing attack. Disregarding the heavy anti-aircraft fire which was being directed at the enemy formation from the guns of the convoy, Flying Officer Sutherland flew in and engaged the attackers. He manoeuvred to the rear and above one of the enemy bombers and thus enabled Flight Sergeant Werbiski to deliver a burst of fire which hit the enemy aircraft, setting its starboard engines on fire. After jettisoning its bombs, the aircraft dived away and was not seen again. Flying Officer Sutherland then attacked a second bomber. Once again his skilful manoeuvring enabled his gunners to deliver telling bursts of fire which caused the enemy aircraft to break away with large quantities of black smoke pouring from its starboard engines. With complete disregard of the anti-aircraft fire which was bursting all around, Flying Officer Sutherland attacked a third and then a fourth enemy aircraft, driving them off and forcing them to terminate the engagement. In this very determined action, Flying Officer Sutherland displayed exceptional skill, courage and determination and was well supported by Flight Sergeants Gibbs and Werbiski whose excellent co-operation, good shooting and tenacity set a very fine example.

Conspicuous Gallantry Medal (Flying).

Acting Warrant Officer Edward Sydney ELLIS (1292427), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 625 Squadron.

One night in December, 1943, Warrant Officer Ellis was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Berlin. During the initial bombing run the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire, which injured the rear gunner and rendered his turret unserviceable. Warrant Officer Ellis maintained a steady run, however, and made his first attack. Just as the first bombs had been released the aircraft was raked by bullets from a fighter and the rear gunner sustained a further injury; the mid-upper gunner was also wounded. Although the enemy delivered another long burst of fire, Warrant Officer Ellis continued his run and attacked the target exactly as planned. On leaving the target area it was discovered that much damage had been sustained. The inter-communication and hydraulic systems and the turrets were all unserviceable. The mainplane and the fuselage had been damaged, while the bomb doors could not be closed. In spite of this, Warrant Officer Ellis flew on and eventually reached an air field in this country, landing his aircraft safely without the aid of flaps and in spite of punctured tyres. In harassing circumstances, this pilot displayed skill, courage and devotion to duty beyond praise.

Can/R.191205 Sergeant George William MEADOWS, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 166 Squadron.

This airman was the rear gunner of a bomber detailed to attack Berlin one night in November, 1943. During the operation the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Bullets from the enemy aircraft hit and damaged the mid-upper and rear turrets. One bullet struck Sergeant Meadows in the back. It was deflected by the wiring in his electrically heated clothing and came out in the groin. Another attack developed and the mid-upper gunner, the wireless operator and the navigator were wounded. Despite his injury, Sergeant Meadows remained in his turret and, by his excellent co-operation with his pilot, together with his good shooting, beat off a further 8 attacks by fighters. This airman displayed skill, courage and fortitude of a high order.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Aus.409290 Flight Sergeant Frank Colson CALLANDER, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 10 Squadron.

This airman was the rear gunner of an aircraft which was engaged by 6 Junkers 88's in the course of an anti-submarine patrol. In the first attack, Flight Sergeant Callander was wounded in both legs. Despite this, he remained in his turret and delivered a long and accurate burst of fire which hit one of the enemy aircraft. Flight Sergeant Callander set a fine example of courage and determination.

Aus.412453 Flight Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) William Arthur KIRK, Royal Australian Air Force, No. 90 Squadron.

This airman was the pilot of an aircraft which attacked Kassel one night in October, 1943. When nearing the target the aircraft was intercepted by a fighter. In the ensuing fight, Flight Sergeant Kirk's aircraft was repeatedly hit by the enemy's machine-gun fire which damaged the mid-upper and rear gun turrets and started a fire in the fuselage. Nevertheless, when the engagement terminated, Flight Sergeant Kirk flew on to the target and bombed it. On the return flight it was difficult to maintain course and air speed owing to the damage sustained but Flight Sergeant Kirk succeeded in reaching base. This airman set a fine example of skill, courage and determination.

1323130 Sergeant Donald Sidney HAWKES, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 158 Squadron.

One night in October, 1943, this airman was the flight engineer of an aircraft detailed to attack a target in the Rhineland. Whilst over the target area one of the aircraft's engines was hit. Sergeant Hawkes immediately feathered the damaged engine and, whilst his pilot was endeavouring to regain control of the aircraft which was losing height, made his way to the emergency system and closed the bomb doors by means of the hand pump. The pilot regained control when the aircraft had fallen to 6,000 feet and afterwards flew safely to base. By his promptitude and coolness, Sergeant Kirk set an excellent example. This airman has

completed a large number of sorties and has invariably displayed great keenness and devotion to duty.

1521808 Sergeant Glyn JONES, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 90 Squadron.

One night in October, 1943, this airman was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft which attacked Kassel. When nearing the target the aircraft was engaged by a fighter and was repeatedly hit by the enemy's machine-gun fire. Sergeant Jones' turret was damaged and a fire started just below it. Disregarding the smoke he remained at his post and operated his turret manually to fire his guns at the attacker. In harassing circumstances he displayed great coolness and determination.

635371 Sergeant Thomas KENNEDY, Royal Air Force, No. 158 Squadron.

As flight engineer, Sergeant Kennedy has participated in many sorties, including attacks on Berlin, Hanover and various targets in the Ruhr. He has displayed a high degree of skill and his efforts have contributed materially to the successes obtained. On one occasion, when nearing the enemy coast on the return flight from Dusseldorf, one of the aircraft's propellers fell away. It pierced the fuselage by the engineer's position and destroyed the instrument panel. Nevertheless, Sergeant Kennedy proved his skill by successfully manipulating the fuel and cooling systems without the aid of any gauges. His efforts contributed materially to the safe return of the aircraft.

Air Ministry, 24th December, 1943.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Denis CROWLEY-MILLING, D.F.C. (78274), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Simon Napier Leslie MAUDE, D.F.C. (37865), Reserve of Air Force Officers.

Flying Officer George Alexander TURNER, D.F.C. (115613), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 107 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Derek Ronald WALKER (39952), Reserve of Air Force Officers, No. 182 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Thomas James BUDDLE (112430), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 155 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Gerald John GRAY (88209), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 247 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Dennis WINTON (88722), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 155 Squadron.

Flying Officer Douglas STILLIARD (61073), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 20 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Ronald Charles CHATFIELD (155345), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 107 Squadron.

Pilot Officer Arthur LIDDLE, D.F.M. (155549), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 107 Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

653982 Flight Sergeant John Joseph TAYLOR, Royal Air Force, No. 20 Squadron.

988502 Flight Sergeant (now Pilot Officer) Peter Barrington WHARTON, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 95 Squadron.

548985 Sergeant William McTAGGART, Royal Air Force, No. 204 Squadron.

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

Air Ministry, 24th December, 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Promotion.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Gp. Capt. (war subs.):—

Air Cdre. (temp.) F. J. FOGARTY, D.F.C., A.F.C. 1st Dec. 1943.

Gp. Cpts. (temp.):—

G. S. HODSON, C.B.E., A.F.C. 1st May 1943.

A. R. WARDLE, A.F.C. 20th Oct. 1943.

H. A. CONSTANTINE, D.S.O. 27th Oct. 1943.
 G. L. CARTER, D.S.O., A.F.C. 2nd Nov. 1943.
 R. L. RAGG, A.F.C. 5th Nov. 1943.
 R. PYNE, D.F.C. 1st Dec. 1943.

Wg. Cdrs.:—

1st Dec. 1943.

P. WARBURTON, M.B.E.

A. J. W. GEDDES (Major R.A.), D.S.O., O.B.E.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Wg. Cdr. (war subs.):—

Gp. Capt. (temp.):—

C. A. WATT, 29th Nov. 1943.

M. V. DELAP, D.F.C. 7th Dec. 1943.

Wg. Cdrs. (temp.):—

J. WHITEHEAD (26168). 22nd Nov. 1943.

R. B. WARDMAN, O.B.E., A.F.C. (29028). 23rd Nov. 1943.

J. C. LARKING, D.F.C. (29197). 27th Nov. 1943.

R. E. DUPONT (37298). 27th Nov. 1943.

W. D. BLACKWOOD, D.F.C. (25083). 1st Dec. 1943.

Flg. Offs. to be Flt. Lts. (war subs.):—

R. J. HARRISON (47385). 26th Nov. 1943.

R. R. S. BALLANTYNE, D.F.M. (47517). 17th Dec. 1943.

J. C. FORBES, D.F.M. (48000). 18th Dec. 1943.

19th Dec. 1943.

E. R. W. ARIS (49992).

J. PATRICKSON (48002).

20th Dec. 1943.

R. ATKINSON (47762).

G. BELL (47578).

J. J. JARMAN (47359).

21st Dec. 1943.

C. E. CASBOLT, D.F.M. (47700).

G. K. W. NEWTON (48997).

22nd Dec. 1943.

H. J. HENRY (47694).

R. M. NIELSEN (47709).

Flg. Offs. granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

L. H. WAKEFORD (48267). 22nd Aug. 1943.

A. H. CROWE, D.F.C. (47040). 16th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—

23rd Dec. 1943.

P. M. F. BABBE (Lt. (temp. Capt.) Hampshire R.) (52375).

R. BARR (Lt. Cameronians) (52373).

D. G. R. CARTER (Lt. R.A.) (52374).

B. B. LEAROLD (Lt. R.A.) (52379).

I. C. MACRAE (Lt. H.L.I.) (52376).

T. E. R. MICKLEM (Lt. R.A.) (52380).

D. W. SCOTT (Lt. K.R.R.C.) (52371).

L. D. SOMAN (Lt. R.A.) (52382).

J. E. E. VERBEKE (Lt. Middx. R.) (52381).

C. A. WADE (Lt. (temp. Capt.) R.A.C.) (52372).

R. ST. C. WALMSLEY (Lt. (temp. Capt.) Hampshire R.) (52377).

G. C. WIGZELL (Lt. R.A.) (52378).

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

J. BENNETT (52765). 3rd Mar. 1943.

R. BAKER (52510). 5th Sept. 1943.

J. P. BRITTON (51879). 5th Oct. 1943.

W. E. BOTELIER (52827). 4th Dec. 1943.

F. A. HARBORD (52887). 11th Dec. 1943.

W. J. ROBERTS (52601). 14th Dec. 1943.

18th Dec. 1943.

A. HILL (52619).

F. T. RUSSELL (52647).

G. McD. STEWART (52714).

P. E. TURNER (52699).

19th Dec. 1943.

K. J. EDINGBOROUGH, D.F.M. (52766).

F. B. JAMES (52127).

W. H. C. RAMSAY (52128).

E. A. VALE (52691).

J. C. BECK, D.F.M. (52694). 20th Dec. 1943.

21st Dec. 1943.

C. A. FOX, D.F.M. (52688).

F. S. MOORES, D.F.C. (52574).

P. H. PEEL (52718).

J. GORDON (52665). 23rd Dec. 1943.

24th Dec. 1943.

T. C. CHIOLE (52243).

H. J. O'BRIEN (52658).

L. D. POPE (52745).

S. W. SILLS (52244).

W. H. WARWICK (52650).

TECHNICAL BRANCH.**Promotion.**

Gp. Capt. (temp.) granted the rank of Gp. Capt. (war subs.):—

27th Nov. 1943.

R. G. HART, O.B.E., M.C.

W. L. FREEBODY, C.B.E., A.F.C.

Wg. Cdrs. (temp.) granted the rank of Wg. Cdr. (war subs.):—

R. C. RICHMOND (29214). 28th Nov. 1943.

S. LUGG (36069). 30th Nov. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

Sqn. Ldrs. (temp.):—

M. C. F. WITTY (44082). 16th Oct. 1943.

F. W. DUFFETT (35402). 27th Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lt. J. G. PORTLOCK (44298). 1st Aug. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

D. H. GRUNDY (44094). 1st Oct. 1943.

L. S. V. HETHERINGTON (46183). 2nd Oct. 1943.

E. S. BURRELL (45290). 9th Oct. 1943.

A. P. LEMMON (45018). 14th Oct. 1943.

V. M. MONTANINI (45847). 17th Oct. 1943.

W. F. NASH (45850). 20th Oct. 1943.

G. A. STOCKER (45014). 25th Oct. 1943.

F. DALTON (46032). 26th Oct. 1943.

L. T. WRIGHT (45287). 30th Oct. 1943.

W. T. RICHARDSON (46137). 30th Oct. 1943.

Flg. Offs.:—

C. H. ARMSTEAD (46578). 1st Oct. 1943.

W. L. LEWIS (46980). 12th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

E. J. W. COLLINS (51553). 18th Dec. 1943.

21st Dec. 1943.

F. E. ASHFORD (51946).

J. EDWARDS (51860).

R. G. BOORMAN (51825). 23rd Dec. 1943.

24th Dec. 1943.

A. BUIK (52142).

T. J. BURDETT (52141).

G. G. COX (52143).

B. L. GOULT (52144).

G. R. HADFIELD (52137).

A. G. HARRIS (52146).

L. R. HARRIS (52149).

R. C. HEATH (52144).

A. M. KING (52147).

C. F. SCOTT (52140).

L. J. STREET (52148).

Regrading.

Actg. Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Plt. Offs. (prob.):—

G. C. CLARKE (51552). 23rd Sept. 1943.

S. G. HOPKINS (52470). 7th Oct. 1943.

Amendment.

In notifn. of 3rd Dec. 1943 (p. 5285, Col. 2), for Air Vice-Mshl. R. S. AITKEN, C.B.E., M.C., A.F.C., read Air Vice-Mshl. R. S. AITKEN, C.B.E., M.C., A.F.C.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.**Promotion.**

Flt. Lt. granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

P. A. R. JUDEN (43324). 8th Dec. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

D. STIRLING (43456). 2nd Oct. 1943.

G. W. BRISBANE (45480). 3rd Oct. 1943.

L. J. GILBERT (44691). 9th Oct. 1943.

L. COOK (45220). 13th Oct. 1943.

C. ADAMS (45927). 17th Oct. 1943.

J. W. TAYLOR (43900). 19th Oct. 1943.

W. C. PUTT (43809). 22nd Oct. 1943.

Flg. Off. A. VICARY (45414). 27th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

18th Sept. 1943.

C. V. MISSEAR (51183).

E. W. PINDER (51207).

1st Oct. 1943.

E. C. ROBERTS (51311).

A. G. TARLING (51312).

H. J. COLEMAN (51724). 21st Oct. 1943. (*Seny.*
27th Aug. 1943.)

A. E. SWEETLAND (52129). 24th Dec. 1943.

Regrading

Actg. Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Plt. Offs. (prob.):—
C. C. CLARKE (51591). 16th Sept. 1943.

2nd Dec. 1943

L. V. GETGOOD (53177).

L. W. PARTON (53164).

H. C. WRIGHT (53159).

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Promotion.

Wg. Cdr. (temp.) granted the rank of Wg. Cdr.
(*war subs.*):—

E. G. NORTHWAY, O.B.E. (21059). 20th Feb. 1943.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

J. P. CODY (31092). 27th Oct. 1943.

Cancellation of notification.

16th July 1943 (p. 3219, col. 2) concerning:

G. C. CLARKE (51522).

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

C. G. SHARP (21203). 7th Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lt. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt.
(*war subs.*):—

E. A. JONES (44398). 10th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Off. (prob.) to be Flg. Off. (prob.) (war
subs.):—

S. J. RUDDALL (51830). 24th Dec. 1943.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Promotion.

Wg. Cdrs. (temp.) granted the rank of Wg. Cdr.
(*war subs.*):—

24th Nov. 1943.

K. S. BATCHELOR, D.F.C. (34214).

P. H. SMITH (24156).

E. G. JONES, D.S.O., D.F.C. (37357).

Sqn. Ldrs. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

T. P. PUGH, D.F.C. (40137). 5th Oct. 1943.

F. E. BURTON, D.F.C. (37623). 19th Oct. 1943.

A. J. HICKS, A.F.C. (32026). 21st Oct. 1943.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Promotion.

Flg. Off. H. BLYTH to be Flt. Lt. in class CC.
2nd Dec. 1943.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

L. R. L. BROWN, D.F.C. (06238). 23rd Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lt. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war
subs.):—

G. W. STODDARD (31467). 15th Oct. 1943.

MEDICAL BRANCH.

Promotion.

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

D. W. I. THOMAS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (23288).
26th Oct. 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

Promotion.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr.
(*war subs.*):—

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) A. H. S. BROWNE, D.F.C.
(74946). 31st Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lts.:—

W. V. CRAWFORD-COMPTON, D.S.O., D.F.C.
(65500). 20th Oct. 1943.

D. E. DAVIES, D.F.C., A.F.C. (72987). 21st
Oct. 1943.

C. A. ALLDIS, D.F.C. (74657). 29th Oct. 1943.

Flg. Offs. to be Flt. Lts. (war subs.):—

J. E. McDONALD (60319). 25th Jan. 1943.

J. D. BRIDGE (80107). 16th June 1943.

B. L. KENYON, D.F.C. (112175). 11th Oct.
1943.

W. H. CHAPMAN (126948). 1st Nov. 1943.

R. E. CURTIS (106040). 5th Nov. 1943.

T. C. McNAMARA (79049). 21st Nov. 1943.

W. G. LOCKHART (112728). 1st Dec. 1943.

T. L. KINSEY (115128). 8th Dec. 1943.

17th Dec. 1943.

R. A. BROWN (114156).

G. H. W. GLENN (115233).

J. P. GRAHAM (114167).

D. B. F. NICHOLLS (114121).

18th Dec. 1943.

G. E. ABECASSIS (115865).

L. PARKES (115432).

19th Dec. 1943.

D. J. BACON (132592).

G. BAILEY (121265).

T. R. BARFORD (126697).

R. W. BELL (114205).

A. W. BONNING (119752).

J. R. BRAIN (120414).

J. R. BREW, D.F.C. (121269).

E. W. CATLEY (117446).

M. R. CLARK (119759).

D. I. DEWAR (117449).

W. R. DONAGHUE (121282).

E. C. DUKE, D.F.M. (118147).

A. EVANS (117450).

B. C. FITCH (117468).

J. W. H. FOSTER (134921).

N. H. FREDMAN (115624).

C. G. R. GREENHILL (115630).

J. R. F. GUYTON (116614).

J. H. INNS (117458).

A. S. JACKSON (117496).

G. S. JONES (117498).

P. JOUSSE, D.F.C. (80216).

H. P. KELWAY (117472).

R. S. KINGSFORD (102557).

M. W. KITSON (117501).

R. KORER (119790).

R. J. MALIN (117705).

F. E. J. MELENER (119805).

A. MILLAR (114578).

J. G. MOULDER (119807).

J. H. O'MANT (117506).

T. A. ORD (121357).

J. PARRY (133054).

E. J. PAWSEY (120578).

A. G. SMITH (117649).

S. J. L. SMITH (117651).

R. A. STEPHENS (117652).

W. A. McL. B. STEWART (120044).

M. E. STREET (117654).

A. SUDDEN (114771).

H. SUTHERLAND (119916).

D. F. J. THOM (121405).

S. R. WALKER (117700).

J. E. L. WARING (117701).

W. G. W. WARREN (117661).

A. C. WATSON, D.F.C. (115944).

W. F. WEST (80259).

H. F. WHIDBORNE (117703).

20th Dec. 1943.

C. H. S. CANT (119715).

J. HAMILTON (119738).

K. HOLLAND (116708).

G. M. JONES (114354).

D. B. KEITH (116929).

A. MACLEAN (115298).

M. M. V. L. MULLER (128129).

J. D. NICOLL (115657).

L. R. SMITH (123021).

E. WHITMORE (119327).

B. L. WILKINSON, D.F.M. (115134).

21st Dec. 1943.

P. B. DENNIS, D.F.M. (115856).

A. FULLER (119727).

J. S. McLAUGHLAN (80282).

22nd Dec. 1943.

A. P. BOWMAN (116573).

V. R. BURT (114171).

J. R. BYLES, D.F.C. (129924).

S. H. J. ELLIOTT (115214).

H. FRANCE-COHEN (116605).

J. HAY (117454).

A. C. HEAPY (114330).

J. LOWRY (117476).

W. THOMPSON (117658).

Fig. Offs. granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

L. W. WATTS, D.F.C. (117728). 5th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. to be Fig. Offs. (war subs.):—

F. G. D. WILKINSON (103225). 18th Dec. 1943.

H. J. MOON (144950). 24th Dec. 1943.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Fig. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

R. G. BRYSON (160094). 26th Nov. 1942.

R. A. V. HAZELHURST (127247). 5th Feb. 1943.

L. S. DAVY (155344). 28th Feb. 1943.

G. A. C. CARINGTON (156449). 15th Apr. 1943.

F. LEE (147204). 9th May 1943.

A. N. CANDELAND (155347). 26th May, 1943.

K. H. ELVIDGE (155365). 9th June 1943.

H. F. KERLEY (134741). 12th June 1943.

J. E. VAN-PUYENBROEK (148277). 14th June 1943.

J. R. SCARR (155565). 16th June 1943.

21st June 1943.

L. M. LEA (155332).

A. R. VERRIER (155333).

M. R. SHUTE (155123). 23rd June 1943.

E. LOMAS, D.F.M. (155002). 11th July 1943.

S. OXFORD (155337). 12th July 1943.

26th July 1943.

F. R. DAVIDSON (155121).

N. MARRIAN (155122).

28th July 1943.

W. E. CLAYFIELD (149924).

J. S. MARR (146320).

P. F. L. NICKLESS (143686). 9th Aug. 1943.

F. P. DENMAN (149171). 10th Aug. 1943.

11th Aug. 1943.

G. EBBLEWHITE (149499).

F. RICHARDSON (155017).

T. McCLOHRY (151208). 12th Aug. 1943.

N. HARWOOD (144442). 28th Aug. 1943.

2nd Sept. 1943.

P. J. BROWN (160056).

N. G. TESTER (155336).

A. V. FREEMAN (142884). 3rd Sept. 1943.

D. RIDGEWAY (147640). 5th Sept. 1943.

P. E. PRIOR (144760). 16th Sept. 1943.

19th Sept. 1943.

R. FINNERTY (155558).

H. G. PROUDMAN (151577).

F. T. RIX (141536).

R. WALKER (151633).

E. W. TICKLER (142447). 20th Sept. 1943.

R. H. KILLE (147636). 21st Sept. 1943.

23rd Sept. 1943.

J. KNOTT (155363).

C. ROBINSON (155483).

W. S. ALDERSON (144184). 28th Sept. 1943.

H. F. VYSE (155253). 28th Sept. 1943.

G. T. BENNETT (145506). 29th Sept. 1943.

E. SMITH (155109). 8th Oct. 1943.

R. H. WILLIS (145155). 9th Oct. 1943.

F. E. DEIGHTON (155114). 13th Oct. 1943.

C. J. LANDREY (145493). 13th Oct. 1943.

W. D. WILSON (142063). 15th Oct. 1943.

T. M. B. SESSIONS (151952). 16th Oct. 1943.

R. G. AKHURST (149940). 17th Oct. 1943.

W. J. BOURN (144673). 17th Oct. 1943.

W. J. LAWSON (144677). 17th Oct. 1943.

D. G. CHARLES (142334). 19th Oct. 1943.

F. T. CLEAVER (145658). 24th Oct. 1943.

I. P. MAPP (155498). 26th Oct. 1943.

S. HARDING (149917). 27th Oct. 1943.

J. R. LUNDIE (146986). 5th Nov. 1943.

A. F. LONG (149890). 22nd Nov. 1943.

D. ELLIOTT (148480). 24th Nov. 1943.

R. EVANS (149048). 25th Nov. 1943.

F. R. DOLLING (155855). 30th Nov. 1943.

N. C. WESSON (149357). 30th Nov. 1943.

1st Dec. 1943.

J. S. POWELL (149214).

J. ROBERTSON (155090).

2nd Dec. 1943.

H. E. BOOTHBY (149503).

A. R. TIPPETT (155360).

3rd Dec. 1943.

H. S. J. BEACH (155497).

H. FAWCETT, D.F.C. (155160).

C. J. FRENCHUM (149987).

H. SIMPSON (147584).

A. H. M. STEWART (155241).

J. L. W. LEGG (149959). 4th Dec. 1943.

P. W. KENNEDY (160043). 5th Dec. 1943.

T. S. KING (149935). 6th Dec. 1943.

7th Dec. 1943.

J. D. GERRARD-GOUGH (155229).

J. R. SCOTT (149688).

L. F. W. SCOTT (149544).

M. C. STIMPSON (155249).

P. J. CLIFTON (155502). 8th Dec. 1943.

9th Dec. 1943.

C. M. CALLAN (155153).

P. B. HALL (155093).

T. D. G. JACKSON (143763).

F. MACKINTOSH (155252).

C. S. SMITH (149956).

I. H. WEBSTER (155342).

R. E. KNIGHTS (155224). 10th Dec. 1943.

11th Dec. 1943.

H. A. S. BLACKALLAR (155117).

D. A. FIELD (155125).

C. HAYNES (152382).

J. LANCASTER (152212).

F. ROSS (152445).

W. M. A. VAN LEEMPUTTEN (152444).

J. KING (148453). 12th Dec. 1943.

13th Dec. 1943.

C. E. BOOTH (155113).

T. FINLAY (155015).

R. N. JONES (155094).

14th Dec. 1943.

C. W. BARNETT (155501).

V. S. FLACK (149951).

P. C. SHARP (146164).

J. C. WHITLEY (155499).

H. KIDD (145374). 15th Dec. 1943.

16th Dec. 1943.

B. H. G. ADAMS (155462).

I. C. B. BLACK (155222).

F. H. FITZJOHN (155357).

T. J. KEMPTON (149307).

R. M. PEARCE (155001).

V. H. SEARLES (155330).

17th Dec. 1943.

C. D. BELCHER (148115).

E. WALTON (155110).

T. V. WEBSTER (160083).

18th Dec. 1943.

R. V. BROUGHTON (146275).

S. T. BURT (149973).

W. S. CAMPBELL (149250).

C. W. CROUCH (149502).

P. G. R. GREALY (149106).

L. A. KEELAN (155366).

T. LOWE (148903).

A. O. MANN (147960).

D. A. MESSINGHAM, D.F.C. (147707).

C. G. PEARSE, D.F.C. (148836).

R. V. PIPER, D.F.M. (149500).

P. R. RUDD, D.F.C. (147777).

R. W. WILSON (155235).

19th Dec. 1943.

R. L. ASH (149209).

J. F. BANKS (146378).

D. L. BARRIE (148811).

A. BEEVOR, D.F.C. (149963).

L. W. CARR (155234).

D. M. CLARK (148038).

M. A. COCKREAN (145384).

A. G. CROMAR (149061).

W. H. DAVIE (146374).

J. DREW (146252).

W. R. ELVIN (146259).

G. A. ELY (145385).

A. J. FARMER (146375).

D. L. GIBB (145386).

W. GODDARD (145387).

J. A. GOGGIN (146355).

F. L. HALE (146250).

K. W. HALL (146376).

B. HALLAM (160078).

A. R. HARRIS (146253).

P. HOLROYD (145388).

G. E. IRONS, D.F.M. (148918).

R. JOY (145389).

A. L. LODGE (145390).

B. MURRAY (146373).

E. E. STEPHENS (155353).

K. I. THORNTON (146255).

A. VALENTINE (146257).

L. J. WALKER (146256).

H. J. WILMER (149146).

20th Dec. 1943.

J. H. BOND (155461).
 J. A. CHADWELL (155512).
 J. D. CHARROT (149760).
 R. B. HALL (149572).
 K. J. KINSELLA, D.F.C. (147959).
 D. W. MCADAM (155013).
 A. V. PARKER (155504).
 C. G. PAUL (148767).
 L. V. SCARLETT (149131).
 R. A. WILLIAMS (149493).
 E. A. WORSFOLD (155482).

21st Dec. 1943.

J. H. BARNICOTT, D.F.C. (148466).
 P. BARTLEY (148770).
 C. BERNSTEIN (149142).
 J. C. HIRD (149072).
 J. E. HOUNAM (149468).
 G. W. MANDER, D.F.C. (148461).
 L. MILLER (155154).
 H. A. NEWTON (155356).
 D. SKINNER (149610).
 J. G. STEEL (155005).
 H. F. STEPHENS (155477).
 G. K. A. THORNE (155496).
 K. N. WILSON (148898).

22nd Dec. 1943.

A. C. ALDRIDGE (149129).
 A. J. BROGAN (148896).
 J. ELLIS (149308).
 G. S. HOWARTH (148801).
 K. M. LIDDLE (149353).
 W. A. SIMMONS (149609).
 H. F. WATSON (149079).
 S. C. WOODHAM (148803).

23rd Dec. 1943.

G. D. HOGG (148395).
 R. G. MACLEOD (148454).
 N. W. MANNERS (148109).
 J. H. ORMROD (148800).
 R. A. ROBERTS (155152).
 F. SANFORD (149372).
 A. G. SIMS (149210).
 D. SPINK (148103).
 E. L. TALBOT (148489).

24th Dec. 1943.

S. W. BECKETT (146745).
 A. H. J. BEGERNIE (149515).
 A. BLACK (146746).
 A. G. BROWN (146747).
 A. P. BUXTON (146754).
 W. M. CHANT (146748).
 J. S. M. CHIPPERFIELD (146749).
 G. E. CHURCHER (147750).
 H. S. COOMES (148799).
 H. CORNFORTH, D.F.M. (148101).
 W. J. COXELL (148106).
 E. F. LE CONTE (149330).
 B. MCCONVILLE (146751).
 S. F. MCMASTER (155003).
 P. H. MILLER (155242).
 A. A. MORLEY (148804).
 J. NEWBON (148037).
 P. POWELL-TUCK (146752).
 P. G. SIM (149164).
 T. R. THOMAS (149073).
 J. D. TURNBULL (149218).
 N. VARANAND (146753).
 G. WARD (148184).
 F. W. WINCOTT (155248).

Cancellation of notification.

15th Oct. 1943 (p. 4568, col. 1) concerning Plt. Off. P. J. SHEARMAN (146112).
 3rd Dec. 1943 (p. 5827, col. 2) concerning Plt. Off. H. R. JONES (151974).

TECHNICAL BRANCH.**Promotion.**

Flt. Lts. granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

R. W. JACKSON (79270). 23rd May 1943.
 J. R. BOUNDY (75315). 9th Oct. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) A. WILLIAMS (72433). 1st Apr. 1943.

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

J. R. BOUNDY (75315). 4th Jan. 1943.

1st Oct. 1943.

P. B. SCOTT (75645).
 H. B. JEFFERIES (79045).
 H. A. THOMSON (87142).
 C. R. JEFFRIES (87144).
 R. C. B. SWAINE (87500).

C. D. SHORT (74381). 4th Oct. 1943.

J. E. PRINGLE (76088). 5th Oct. 1943.

C. I. RUTHERFORD (81184). 7th Oct. 1943.

T. F. W. SMITH (73406). 12th Oct. 1943.

K. S. LOCKIE (85829). 15th Oct. 1943.

K. D. U. ROGERS (83897). 16th Oct. 1943.

R. E. SMITH (79640). 21st Oct. 1943.

D. P. FURNEAUX (77803). 25th Oct. 1943.

L. R. BATTEN (82318). 27th Oct. 1943.

J. A. BROOKS (77796). 29th Oct. 1943.

W. H. GARNETT (80589). 31st Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

J. R. SHEARD (144061). 21st Dec. 1943.

24th Dec. 1943.

D. G. BOYD (146206).

R. M. DENNY (146207).

H. DONINGTON (145065).

Regrading.

Actg. Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Plt. Offs. (prob.):—

C. E. STEINER (139728). 31st Aug. 1943.

G. R. McM. WICKS (134977). 11th Oct. 1943.

C. E. O. WALKER (147416). 29th Oct. 1943.

19th Nov. 1943.

J. S. BRYAN (149257).

S. D. WILSON (147287).

28th Nov. 1943.

J. H. ANDREWS (141046).

T. W. BEAK (137058).

G. T. BOLAN (142394).

J. H. BROWN (138015).

F. CLARKE (141047).

T. G. S. FOTHERINGHAM (137229).

G. H. FOX (1383527).

A. GIBSON (138014).

H. S. HALL (141428).

B. LINCOLN (142395).

F. W. McANDREW (141584).

G. D. MOORE (141585).

J. H. MORTON (137478).

L. SHIRE (141586).

E. H. TAYLOR (141429).

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.**Promotion.**

Sqn. Ldr. granted the rank of Wg. Cdr. (war subs.):—

T. F. D. ROSE (81966). 1st Dec. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

Sqn. Ldrs. (temp.):—

A. J. P. GROOM (24233). 16th Oct. 1943.

J. C. H. W. MIDDLETON-STEWART (75277).

26th Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lts.:—

H. I. WILLIS (82884). 17th Oct. 1943.

C. M. MAUD, D.F.C. (72703). 22nd Oct. 1943.

D. N. TWIST (83902). 24th Oct. 1943.

G. P. M. DAVIS (75635). 1st Nov. 1943.

A. G. BARRETT (85090). 1st Dec. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

J. STONE (86946). 14th May 1943.

S. L. THOMSON (82031). 17th May 1943.

A. J. ALEXANDROFF (88060). 17th June 1943.

1st Oct. 1943.

S. A. C. BARTLETT (73607).

H. S. HENNAH (74520).

S. H. GASKELL (77865).

R. E. R. LLOYD (78052).

J. L. CURD (78573).

R. H. S. LYALL (79781).

R. C. WILLIAMS, M.C. (73481).

G. D. PARK (74761).

E. ROSS-HIME (82049).

J. D. HEATH (85389).

G. G. PRECIOUS (87145).

N. L. MELLUISH (82464). 2nd Oct. 1943.

F. G. S. MUSSON (73311). 4th Oct. 1943.

A. H. H. M. DICKIE (82327). 6th Oct. 1943.

G. A. MORRIS (83923). 8th Oct. 1943.

10th Oct. 1943.

H. C. READE (73656).

J. WICKS (79071).

14th Oct. 1943.

A. N. HOOLE (81843).

D. H. MILLS (87882).

16th Oct. 1943.

N. WELCH (83403).

C. B. SAVORY (84942).

17th Oct. 1943.
J. E. G. ARCHBALD (74409).
J. F. B. EWEN (77381).
E. S. HARMAN (81767).
A. W. COLLEY (87149).
G. F. BULLOCK (84194). 19th Oct. 1943.
A. HAYNES (72851). 20th Oct. 1943.

21st Oct. 1943.
J. H. LIGERTWOOD (85207).
W. HEMINGWAY (85430).
A. G. G. HANKS (84793). 22nd Oct. 1943.

23rd Oct. 1943.
A. J. HARVEY (73534).
J. JAMESON (74523).
A. R. ALBRECHT (86218).
C. S. ARCHER (84544).
S. R. PAINTER (83149). 25th Oct. 1943.
W. M. BROWNE (79106). 26th Oct. 1943.
W. C. SLADE (81277). 26th Oct. 1943.

29th Oct. 1943.
M. C. D. WILSON (87160).
C. D. KIRKBRIDE (88912).

30th Oct. 1943.
G. N. C. NICHOLLS (76971).
M. H. BRADSHAW-JONES (78200).

Flg. Offs.:—

K. E. I. WALLACE-CRABBE (109306). 15th May 1943.

1st Oct. 1943.
D. C. KENNEDY (101471).
H. B. DICKSON (105217).
R. J. LE GRAND (73603). 15th Oct. 1943.
U. A. TITLEY (69559). 16th Oct. 1943.
R. L. BRADFORD, M.C. (89860). 21st Oct. 1943.
F. B. PEARCE (100221). 22nd Oct. 1943.
A. M. M. BAY (117045). 23rd Oct. 1943.
E. BAIRD (88925). 25th Oct. 1943.

26th Oct. 1943
G. M. THACKRAH (66629).
J. WORT (105651).
H. DAVIES (89719). 27th Oct. 1943.
W. V. NOBLE (61343). 29th Oct. 1943.
E. H. TYRELL-MARTIN (105618). 30th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

F. T. CUSHING (138258). 15th Aug. 1943.
J. ANDERSON (135965). 25th Aug. 1943.

4th Sept. 1943.
A. H. A. CURD (139791).
C. L. GOODWIN (139797).

18th Sept. 1943.
C. H. J. DUNGATE (141241).
G. M. FENNIE (141242).
J. FORSYTH (141243).
A. J. F. GRANT (141244).
S. J. HARLOW (141246).
A. F. HEYWOOD (141245).
B. A. IBBITT (141247).
H. H. A. C. LOCKE (141248).
L. J. C. LUCOCK (141249).
H. B. MACKIE (141250).
H. MARTIN (141251).
S. H. MOSS (141252).
M. H. W. ROE (141253).
L. RUTHERFORD (141254).
A. E. SLATER (141258).
A. SMITH (141255).
J. SPENCE (141256).
V. G. STRONG (141257).
W. A. TAYLOR (141259).
C. W. L. TURNER (141260).
N. WELLS (141261).
H. G. WHITE (141262).

1st Oct. 1943.
A. T. ALLAWAY (141911).
T. ALLISON (141910).
C. A. GULLIFORD (141912).
E. G. JOHNSON (141915).
H. JONES (141914).
A. E. MASON (141919).
G. H. MAYHEW (141918).
T. H. MOORE (141916).
R. E. W. MORGAN (141920).
E. A. W. MOSSEY (141917).
H. A. ROGERS (141922).
C. N. SMEE (141923).
J. F. SMITH (141924).
F. C. VICKERS (141925).

A. C. WALKER (141931).
J. WALKER (141930).
T. WALMSLEY (141929).
C. WANNOP (141928).
A. H. WARNER (141927).
E. H. WICKS (141926).
D. N. MURRAY (132523). 5th Oct. 1943.

29th Oct. 1943.
N. L. J. BLANGY (143297).
H. V. COX (143298).
G. S. DANTON (143299).
H. V. DAVIS (143300).
C. L. FOX (139663).
E. G. HARCOURT (143305).
B. HARRIS (143302).
R. J. W. HUGGINS (143301).
W. W. JACKSON (143306).
J. KENNEDY (143308).
J. P. KINGSTON (143309).
W. S. KNOWLES (143307).
H. LLOYD (143311).
K. M. LOGAN (143310).
D. P. McLAUGHLIN (143312).
F. NICHOLSON (143313).
J. O'REILLY (143314).
L. J. PEARSE (143315).
W. RAMAGE (143316).
G. R. SMITH (143317).
F. A. WARTON (143318).
N. G. WHALE (143319).

H. K. BLACK (143533). 6th Nov. 1943.
K. G. MATHIESON (143818). 4th Dec. 1943.
G. C. WEAVING (144050). 17th Dec. 1943.

18th Dec. 1943.
H. S. CROSSLAND (141077).
I. R. SCOTT (143368).
W. H. TOPPING (123268).

19th Dec. 1943.
W. J. A. HASWELL (142848).
R. J. SIELY-CROWE (144980).

20th Dec. 1943.
W. H. JOY (144564).
R. LEWIS (144242).
M. F. KENNEA (144362). 21st Dec. 1943.

22nd Dec. 1943.
G. G. McK. CHISHOLM (143936).
L. S. MARLOW (145823).
J. L. PURCHASE (145824).
D. DALEY (144176). 23rd Dec. 1943.

24th Dec. 1943.
F. R. CRADDOCK (146227).
T. H. FREEMAN (146229).
R. GOOD (146230).
E. F. L. HART (146231).
W. M. HIGHAM (146009).
J. S. R. KEITH (146232).
P. KENT (145066).
C. F. METZGER (146233).
G. D. RICH (146245).
C. M. RIORDAN (146234).
W. H. ROBERTS (146235).
D. C. SMITH (146236).
W. I. E. TAYLOR (146237).
G. B. TEMPLAR (146194).
P. J. THROWER (146238).
A. C. TROTT (146239).
J. WALKER (146241).
W. WALLHEAD (146240).

Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Flg. Offs. (prob.) (war subs.):—

4th Sept. 1943.
R. G. CHARLTON (139793).
A. W. CRAGGS (139792).
G. EDWARDS (139795).
R. E. GOULD (139796).
E. KENT (139798).
R. W. LEEING (139800).
G. J. MECHAN (139802).
J. MELLING (139801).
W. L. OVERD (139803).
H. PEACOCK (139804).
L. D. YOUNG (139805).

(Subs. for notifi. of 29th Oct. 1943 (p. 4771, col. 2).)

J. J. CALLANDER (142239). 8th Oct. 1943.
(Subs. for notifi. of 3rd Dec. 1943 (p. 5295, col. 2).)

Grant of higher rank.

Flg. Off. D. H. WILSON (156031) is granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (temp.). 3rd Apr. 1943.

*Regrading.**Actg. Plt. Offs. (prob.) to be Plt. Offs. (prob.):—*

S. T. TONG (117922). 1st Apr. 1943.
H. V. NUNN (149404). 14th Oct. 1943.
25th Nov. 1943.
D. BOSWELL (156519).
J. H. MECKLIFFE (156842).

2nd Dec. 1943.

J. H. W. ADDINGTON (157248).
C. H. BARBER (157251).
E. F. BARBER (157252).
H. S. BARKER (141598).
R. H. BARNACLE (157250).
W. A. BEARE (157254).
W. E. BOARDMAN (157261).
H. BOWDEN (157253).
D. H. BOWIE (157208).
J. K. CLEGG (157258).
N. J. CONNELL (157259).
T. R. B. COOM (160117).
R. G. DEBENHAM (157244).
W. P. L. EAGLES (157240).
E. A. FARRANT (157239).
L. G. GIBB (157243).
P. A. GOALEN (157238).
J. W. GOLDIE (159237).
L. C. HALLIER (157234).
W. D. HAYLE (157235).
T. HAMILTON (157232).
E. T. HILL (157233).
L. P. HODGES (157230).
G. K. A. HOLLETT (157227).
K. HORNSEY (157228).
G. E. HUNT (157226).
E. H. HODGE (157231).
T. R. IBBETSON (157225).
S. B. JACKSON (157212).
P. H. JOHNSON (157224).
A. W. JAMES (157222).
D. H. KING (157211).
H. LLOYD (157210).
I. A. LOMAS (157263).
D. E. LOW (157264).
E. F. MADDIN (157266).
R. L. MOODY (157268).
A. A. NICHOLSON (157269).
E. A. PAINTER (157207).
M. H. POTTER-IRWIN (157205).
J. A. RENCH (157220).
R. E. L. SPALDING (157218).
H. G. T. THOMPSON (157286).
H. THORP (157215).
J. L. WEIGH (157214).
R. MAYNARD (143345). 21st Dec. 1943.

Cancellation of notifications.

4th June 1943 (p. 2572, col. 2) concerning J. J. CALLANDER (142239).
9th July 1943 (p. 3100, col. 2) concerning H. K. BLACK (143533).

METEOROLOGICAL BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Plt. Offs. to be Flg. Offs. (war subs.):—
P. S. E. STONE (140095). 23rd Apr. 1943.
J. R. O. SANDISON (142702). 2nd May 1943.
J. R. DEAN (140636). 23rd May 1943.
A. A. MASON (140336). 7th June 1943.
L. A. M. BRADING (140690). 3rd July 1943.
L. H. TEBBITT (140832). 16th Aug. 1943.
G. R. SHURMER (140835). 17th Aug. 1943.
F. W. YOUNG (142770). 1st Oct. 1943.
F. A. BARNES (142772). 4th Oct. 1943.
J. HAIGH (142771). 8th Oct. 1943.

TRAINING BRANCH.*Regrading.*

The Actg. Plt. Offs. named in cols. 2843 to 2854f of the September 1943 Air Force List, with the exception of those who have ceased to serve, to be Plt. Offs. with effect from one year after the dates stated.

EQUIPMENT BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Sqn. Ldr. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

R. T. CACKETT (72256). 26th Oct. 1943.

Flt. Lts. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

G. W. HARPER (79903). 1st Oct. 1943.
K. M. BRYAN (80722). 7th Oct. 1943.
J. FREEMAN (89012). 12th Oct. 1943.
A. G. HEATH (79908). 13th Oct. 1943.
R. H. CAIN (75930). 14th Oct. 1943.
J. McL. PATERSON (75960). 20th Oct. 1943.
G. A. P. BANCE (79487). 24th Oct. 1943.
J. E. HOWLETT (75786). 25th Oct. 1943.

Plt. Off. (prob.) to be Flg. Off. (prob.) (war subs.):—

B. MARTIN (144562). 22nd Dec. 1943.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flt. Lts. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

M. V. BAXTER (79326). 7th Oct. 1943.
J. E. JENKINS (84829). 1st Nov. 1943.

Plt. Off. (prob.) to be Flg. Off. (prob.) (war subs.):—

F. P. AINSWORTH (141521). 11th Dec. 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.*Promotion.*

Wg. Cdr. (temp.) granted the rank of Wg. Cdr. (war subs.):—

J. H. HARRIS (74827). 1st Dec. 1943.

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

Flt. Lts. (temp.):—

H. B. WARE (81209). 1st Oct. 1943.
E. V. ST. GEORGE-TAYLOR (87210). 13th Oct. 1943.

Flg. Offs.:—

1st Oct. 1943.

G. V. BAXTER (86190).

B. J. KING (178112).

R. W. A. WOMBWELL (63218). 12th Oct. 1943.

W. L. E. PAGE (65016). 16th Oct. 1943.

AUXILIARY AIR FORCE.**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.***Promotion.*

Sqn. Ldrs. (temp.) granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

J. C. REYNOLDS (90064). 12th Oct. 1943.
A. H. H. TOLLEMACHE, G.C. (90100). 16th Oct. 1943.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SPECIAL DUTIES BRANCH.*Promotion.*

The undermtd. are granted the rank of Sqn. Ldr. (war subs.):—

Sqn. Ldrs. (temp.):—

J. SCRIMGEOUR (90444). 1st Oct. 1943.
E. J. SMART (90406). 1st Dec. 1943.

Flt. Lt. H. ELTHERINGTON (91210). 16th Oct. 1943.

ACCOUNTANT BRANCH.*Promotion.*

Flt. Lts. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

R. F. GOULD (91151). 14th Oct. 1943.
V. C. HUMFREY (90908). 17th Oct. 1943.

ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT.*Promotion.*

Flt. Lt. (temp.) granted the rank of Flt. Lt. (war subs.):—

A. C. NEILL (90887). 27th Oct. 1943.

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