

Pilot Officer James Colin STIRLING (175706), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 145 Squadron.

This officer has proved himself to be a keen and resolute fighter. He has taken part in numerous attacks on mechanical transport and locomotives with much success. His fine fighting spirit was well in evidence on one occasion when, single-handed, he engaged a force of some 12 enemy aircraft, one of which he shot down. He has destroyed at least 2 more hostile aircraft.

Pilot Officer Garnet George Archie WHITEHEAD (161399), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 76 Squadron.

In air operations this officer has displayed courage, determination and devotion to duty of the highest order.

Conspicuous Gallantry Medal (Flying).

N.Z.421067 Flight Sergeant Marcus Louis LANGLEY, Royal New Zealand Air Force, No. 489 (N.Z.) Squadron.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1466012 Flight Sergeant Ernest George PARISH, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 489 (N.Z.) Squadron.

As pilot and navigator of aircraft respectively these airmen have participated in numerous attacks on enemy shipping and have set a fine example of skill and dash. In May, 1944, they took part in an attack on a heavily armed convoy and obtained a hit on one of the vessels. Flight Sergeant Langley also used his machine guns to good effect on 2 minesweepers. Some days later these airmen were again in action against enemy shipping. At the outset of the fight Flight Sergeant Langley was wounded in the throat, arms and thigh. In spite of this he pressed home his attack and afterwards flew the aircraft to base. He displayed courage and fortitude of the highest order. Flight Sergeant Parish also proved himself to be a cool and resolute member of aircraft crew. On the return flight he tended to his wounded pilot and did everything within his power to assist him in his endeavours to reach this country. He proved a tower of strength.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1807113 Sergeant John William CARRIGAN, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 428 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has completed a tour of operations during which he has taken part in attacks on a variety of targets important to the enemy's war effort. Throughout, he has displayed high qualities of zeal and resolution and his engineering skill has played a worthy part in the successes obtained. During a recent sortie his aircraft was hit by bullets from a fighter and caught fire. Coolly and resourcefully, Sergeant Carrigan helped to extinguish the flames and afterwards assisted in navigating the aircraft home in addition to executing his normal engineering tasks. His exemplary conduct at all times has been most commendable.

Can/R.68020 Flight Sergeant Harold Lewis GRAYSON, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

As flight engineer this airman has taken part in very many sorties involving attacks on such targets as Berlin, Hamburg and various centres in the Ruhr area. He has at all times displayed a high standard of skill and has proved himself to be a cool and resolute member of aircraft crew. His fearlessness and strong sense of duty have set an excellent example.

Government House, Canberra, 16th June, 1944.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Group Captain Redmond Forrest Michael GREEN (Aus.146).

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader Arthur John CLELAND (Aus.411004).
Squadron Leader Arthur Alexander THOMSON (Aus.281731).

Acting Squadron Leader Geoffrey Charles AHERTON (Aus.408030).

Acting Squadron Leader Bruce Edward BROWN (Aus.402342).

Flight Lieutenant John Sanger AUSTIN (Aus.400363) (since deceased).

Flight Lieutenant Ronald Archibald DICKSON (Aus.407115).

Flight Lieutenant Michael HELSHAM (Aus.411780).

Flight Lieutenant Dare Maxwell HOLYMAN (Aus.407190).

Flight Lieutenant Richard Lancelot LEWIS (Aus.406166).

Flight Lieutenant John Keith MCCARTHY, A.F.M. (Aus.2876).

Flight Lieutenant Hugh Dundonnell MACKENZIE (Aus.404347).

Flight Lieutenant Charles Stuart WALSH (Aus.406065).

Acting Flight Lieutenant Selwyn McKenzie CLARK (Aus.406004).

Flying Officer Sydney Roy CARTER (Aus.405373).

Flying Officer Alfred Ferguson CATT (Aus.407223).

Flying Officer John Bruce LEMCKE (Aus.412154).

Flying Officer Alan Alexander MACKAY (Aus.412638).

Flying Officer George Robert MAUGHER (Aus.17037).

Pilot Officer Raymond Stanley HARBER (Aus.32803).

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Aus.415400 Flight Sergeant (now Flying Officer) Edward Charles CLARK.

Aus.421681 Flight Sergeant Ronald Stanley JORDAN.

Aus.402707 Flight Sergeant Leslie Allen LANGDON.

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

Wing Commanders.

W. S. ARTHUR, D.S.O., D.F.C. (Aus. 565).

T. A. CUMMINS (Aus. 250995).

D. MARSHALL (Aus. 285339).

Squadron Leaders.

E. L. CHAUNCEY (Aus. 261826).

J. F. CRAMER-ROBERTS (Aus. 251501).

L. M. HOGAN (Aus. 281940) (deceased).

F. R. MCGRILL (Aus. 575).

R. A. SPINNEY (Aus. 261143).

Acting Squadron Leaders.

J. V. ANGUS (Aus. 262693) (deceased)

C. B. HARLEY (Aus. 263118).

J. K. MANNING (Aus. 262660).

Flight Lieutenants.

J. A. CORRIGAN (Aus. 270374).

C. G. HARVEY (Aus. 3492).

I. R. KINNROSS (Aus. 250731).

D. H. MACLEAN (Aus. 404652).

J. D. RIMES (Aus. 411523).

D. R. STONE (Aus. 3406).

T. S. YOUNG (Aus. 11006).

Acting Flight Lieutenants.

H. T. F. BOLTON (Aus. 275374).

T. O. BUTCHER (Aus. 120555).

R. A. ROBINSON (Aus. 266301).

Flying Officers.

J. C. BIRT (Aus. 415392).

J. L. HANNAGAN (Aus. 296651).

W. E. HENRY (Aus. 403740).

F. A. MILLER (47966) R.A.F.

E. B. MORRIS-HADWELL (Aus. 1433).

E. R. STALEY (Aus. 401679).

P. J. WHITE (Aus. 5804).

Pilot Officers.

R. J. HARPER (Aus. 408651).

A. E. L. MACKENZIE (Aus. 413882).

Warrant Officers.

D. A. ALLAN (Aus. 406908).

E. P. GOOD (Aus. 14580).

A. R. HARRINGTON (Aus. 4791).

J. P. McDONALD (Aus. 2985).

R. J. NASH (363177) R.A.F.

Flight Sergeants.

C. G. DAVIES (Aus. 205916).

W. R. DAVIS (Aus. 35745).

D. F. FORDE (Aus. 6258).