

*Distinguished Flying Cross.*

Warrant Officer Peter FOSTER (Can./R.114420), R.C.A.F., 224 Sqn.

Warrant Officer Johnston McDOWALL (997008), R.A.F.V.R., 224 Sqn.

*Distinguished Flying Medal.*

1635160 Sergeant John HAMER, R.A.F.V.R., 224 Sqn.

Flying Officer Moore, Warrant Officers Foster and McDowall and Sergeant Hamer were pilot, wireless operator (air), navigator and flight engineer respectively of an aircraft in which they attacked and destroyed 2 U-boats during a recent sortie. In both actions, which occurred within the space of 22 minutes, Flying Officer Moore pressed home his attack with great skill and gallantry in the face of heavy opposing fire. He was brilliantly supported by his crew whose efficiency and co-operation throughout were of inestimable value. On this notable sortie, Flying Officer Moore and his comrades set an example of the highest order and their feat was worthy of the greatest praise.

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Squadron Leader Alan Geoffrey PAGE, D.F.C. (74709), R.A.F.V.R., 132 Sqn.

On 7th July, 1944, this officer took part in an engagement against a force of more than 30 enemy aircraft, 6 of which were shot down without loss. In this spirited fight, Squadron Leader Page led his formation with skill and determination and one of the enemy's aircraft fell to his guns. He has destroyed 10 hostile aircraft.

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Acting Flight Lieutenant Geoffrey Francis BAKER, D.F.C. (Aus.412356), R.A.A.F., 97 Sqn.

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Flying Officer Albert Henry JONES (158742), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

Warrant Officer Robert Mayo CLARK (77895), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

Flying Officer Jones and Warrant Officer Clark were mid-upper and rear gunners respectively of an aircraft piloted by Flight Lieutenant Baker detailed to attack Prouville. Whilst over the target the aircraft was illuminated in a concentration of searchlights. At that moment, Warrant Officer Clark sighted a Junkers 88 closing in. He promptly warned his pilot who manoeuvred to a good position. These gunners were then able to bring their guns to bear with good effect. Following their accurate bursts of fire the enemy aircraft caught fire and fell to the ground. Almost immediately another enemy aircraft closed in but excellent co-operation between Flight Lieutenant Baker and his gunners frustrated the attacker which was finally shot down. A third fighter then took up the attack but it was driven off. In these determined fights, Flight Lieutenant Baker and his gunners displayed great skill, coolness and resolution.

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Wing Commander Robert Vivian Lansdell PATTISON (34110), R.A.F., 100 Sqn.

This officer has set a fine example of skill, courage and determination which has been well reflected in the fine fighting spirit of the squadron he commands. On 1 occasion in July, 1944, Wing Commander Pattison captained an aircraft detailed to attack a target in the Pas-de-Calais area. Early on the outward flight one engine of his aircraft became useless. Nevertheless, this determined captain went on to the target, which he reached after the main bombing force, and executed his attack from a lower level than planned. His aircraft was repeatedly hit by anti-aircraft fire and sustained damage but he flew it safely to base. He displayed resolution and devotion to duty of a high order.

Wing Commander John Alan RONCORONI (37540), R.A.F.O., 77 Sqn.

This officer has commanded the squadron with success for many months. During the period he has completed very many sorties, including numerous attacks on well defended targets in Germany; he has also completed 2 successful mine-laying missions. He is a model captain, whose fine leadership, great skill and determination have been most inspiring.

Squadron Leader James Gardiner STEWART (Can./J.10959), R.C.A.F. 419 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed a notable tour during which he has attacked many targets important to the enemy's war effort. He has displayed a high degree of skill and determination throughout and his example has been of a high order.

Acting Squadron Leader William Frank HALES (Can./J.6498), R.C.A.F. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has displayed great skill and gallantry in air operations. He has completed very many sorties during which he has attacked successfully such targets as Berlin, Friedrichshafen and Dortmund. On one occasion whilst over an enemy target his aircraft caught fire, sustaining extensive damage before the flames could be extinguished. Despite this, Squadron Leader Hales executed an accurate bombing attack and afterwards flew the damaged bomber to base. He has proved himself a most inspiring leader.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Leonard James BROADHURST (172217), R.A.F.V.R. 78 Sqn.

This officer has completed a tour of operations during which he has attacked such well defended targets as Berlin, Mannheim, Stuttgart and Frankfurt. He is an excellent captain and his determination to complete his missions successfully has won much praise.

Acting Flight Lieutenant John Moore HOLLINGWORTH (Can J.18740), R.C.A.F. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed a tour of operations, involving attacks on such targets as Berlin and centres in the Ruhr area. He is a skilful and courageous captain, whose determination to achieve success has won great praise. On more than one occasion his aircraft has been damaged whilst over the target area but this has not deterred him from pressing home his attack. His example has been worthy of emulation.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Donald Hector MACLEAN (Can./J.19336), R.C.A.F. 419 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed many sorties. He has at all times displayed the greatest determination in pressing home his attacks and his gallant example has greatly inspired his crew. He is an outstanding captain and his services have been of great value.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Arthur Ernest PARMENTER (162618), R.A.F.V.R. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

As flight engineer, Flight Lieutenant Parmenter has participated in very many sorties against enemy targets, including 7 attacks on the German capital. He is a most efficient member of aircraft crew, whose example of coolness and determination under enemy fire has been inspiring. He has at all times displayed exceptional keenness and devotion to duty, and his record is worthy of much praise.

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Stewart PULLAR (Can./J.18049), R.C.A.F. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Flight Lieutenant Pullar is a keen and efficient captain, whose example of courage and resolution has been well reflected in the fine fighting spirit of his crew. He has attacked many heavily defended targets and his successes are an excellent tribute to his ability and tenacity. He has set a fine example to all.

Flying Officer Warren Alvin DUFFY (Can./J.7073), R.C.A.F. 617 Sqn.

Recently, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack an enemy target in Northern France. The operation called for a high degree of resolution and to ensure success, accuracy was essential. In the face of considerable anti-aircraft opposition, Flying Officer Duffy made 3 runs over the target before releasing his bomb which exploded within a foot of the centre of the objective. He displayed great courage and devotion to duty, setting a very fine example. Flying Officer Duffy has completed a large number of sorties and has achieved much success.

Flying Officer John Robert ENNIS (Aus.420339), R.A.A.F. 454 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

In air operations this officer has invariably displayed a high degree of skill and resolution. On a recent occasion, Flying Officer Ennis completed a notable reconnaissance over the Aegean Sea during which he located an enemy convoy. Despite determined opposition by enemy fighters, Flying Officer Ennis displayed great persistence and the information which he passed to base proved of inestimable value to the force which