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

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Squadron Leader William Thomson BROWN, D.F.C. (N.Z.415405), R.N.Z.A.F., 76 Sqn.

Squadron Leader Brown has now completed a second tour of operational duty, involving many sorties against a variety of heavily defended targets. He has displayed outstanding determination and devotion to duty and his leadership has been of a high order. On more than one occasion his aircraft has been hit by anti-aircraft fire whilst on the bombing run. Despite this, Squadron Leader Brown has pressed home his attack and flown his damaged aircraft to base.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Flight Lieutenant William Richard DENNIS (175297), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.

This officer has completed a tour of operational duty during which he has successfully attacked very many enemy targets. He has displayed high qualities of leadership and courage and throughout his devotion to duty has been unflinching. In October, 1944, Flight Lieutenant Dennis captained an aircraft detailed to attack Bochum. During the operation his aircraft was hit several times by anti-aircraft fire. In spite of this he executed a successful bombing attack. This officer is a most efficient flight commander, whose personal example has greatly inspired his crews.

Flying Officer Lawrence Ernest James DAY (173520), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.

In October, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Duisburg. When nearing the target considerable anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Almost at the commencement of the bombing run the aircraft was hit. Although control was temporarily lost, Flying Officer Day quickly regained control and executed a successful attack in the face of fierce fire from the ground defences. His determination and devotion to duty were typical of that which he has shown throughout his tour.

Flying Officer Donald Boyd FREEBORN. (Can/J.35289), R.C.A.F., 153 Sqn.

One night in October, 1944, this officer captained an aircraft detailed to attack Stuttgart. On the bombing run the aircraft was subjected to anti-aircraft fire. Flying Officer Freeborn was struck by a piece of shrapnel in the thigh. The wound was serious. Nevertheless, this pilot withheld the fact from his crew and pressed home his attack. Not until the bombs had been released did he call for assistance. It became necessary

to apply a tourniquet to his leg, an operation which Flying Officer Freeborn himself superintended. In spite of much physical suffering, this resolute pilot flew the aircraft to this country. He displayed courage, fortitude and devotion to duty of a high order.

Flying Officer Bernard William McCOSKER (Aus.413009), R.A.A.F., 466 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

As air gunner, Flying Officer McCosker has taken part in a large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide range of enemy targets. He has displayed great keenness and ability throughout and has proved himself to be a most dependable member of aircraft crew. On one occasion, in an attack on a railway siding, his aircraft was engaged by a fighter. As the enemy aircraft attempted to close in, Flying Officer McCosker opened fire. After his first burst his guns became jammed. The mid-upper gunner also was unable to fire his guns. Nevertheless, Flying Officer McCosker gave clear and concise evading directions to his pilot who finally out-maneuvred the attacker. By his skill and coolness, Flying Officer McCosker contributed materially to the safe return of the aircraft.

Acting Flying Officer Ronald Desmond CAMPBELL (182957), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.

This officer has set a fine example of courage and devotion to duty. He has completed a large number of bombing missions against various enemy targets and has invariably pressed home his attacks with great resolution. On one occasion he captained an aircraft detailed to attack a target in the Foret de Nieppe area. When approaching the target considerable anti-aircraft fire was directed at the bomber and it was hit. One engine was put out of action. Despite this, Flying Officer Campbell pressed home his attack and afterwards flew the damaged aircraft to base.

Acting Flying Officer Derek Arthur John Brooks WATERMAN (182869), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.

This officer has displayed a high standard of skill, courage and determination in operations against the enemy. In September, 1944, Flying Officer Waterman was the pilot of one of a formation of aircraft detailed to attack an oil refinery at Gelsenkirchen. When nearing the target the starboard engine became unserviceable. Some height was lost but Flying Officer Waterman continued to the target which he attacked in the face of intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire. He set a fine example of courage and resolution.

Warrant Officer Ernest Bell HUDSON (Can/R.154623), R.C.A.F., 70 Sqn.

One night in July, 1944, this warrant officer was the rear gunner in an aircraft detailed to attack an enemy airfield. Soon after leaving the

target, on the homeward flight, Warrant Officer Hudson saw a Junkers 88 closing in. He promptly warned his captain. Evading action was taken after the rear gunner had opened fire. The enemy aircraft came in again, however, with guns firing. Warrant Officer Hudson was badly wounded. In spite of this he continued to fire his guns to the best of his ability until the enemy aircraft was evaded some five minutes later. Not until the fight had ended was any member of the crew aware that Warrant Officer Hudson had been hit. His injuries were severe but he had fought bravely and well. His efforts contributed in good measure to the safety of the aircraft. His fortitude and strong sense of duty in spite of much physical suffering set a magnificent example.

Warrant Officer Albert William RUSSELL (1376322), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.

In September, 1944, Warrant Officer Russell was the air bomber in an aircraft detailed to attack a well defended enemy strong point in the Calais area. In spite of considerable light anti-aircraft fire, Warrant Officer Russell directed his pilot on six runs over the target before releasing his bombs. The success achieved was proved by the photograph he obtained. This warrant officer has participated in many successful sorties and has invariably displayed the highest standard of skill and courage.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Flying Officer Edward MCGINDLE (Aus.418612), R.A.A.F., 462 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1452215 Flight Sergeant Cecil Frederick BALDWIN, R.A.F.V.R., 462 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Aus.434231 Flight Sergeant Edward George WHELAN, R.A.A.F., 462 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

1159268 Sergeant Stuart Leslie SOAMES, R.A.F.V.R., 462 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer and these airmen were captain, air bomber, wireless operator (air) and flight engineer respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack a synthetic oil refinery at Sterkrade in October, 1944. In the vicinity of the target the bomber was hit by anti-aircraft fire. A fire commenced in the fuselage behind the main bulkhead. Promptly and resolutely, Sergeant Soames attempted to quell the flames. As he fought, the aircraft was again hit. The navigator was seriously wounded; Flight Sergeant Baldwin was also wounded but withheld the fact from his captain in order to help Flight Sergeant Whelan who had gone to the assistance of their stricken comrade. Meanwhile, Sergeant Soames succeeded in putting out the fire. During this trying period Flying Officer McGindle had shown the qualities of a fine captain and his coolness and able directions greatly inspired his crew. One engine had become defective and, a little later, ceased to function completely. The airspeed indicator was unserviceable and much other damage had been sustained. Nevertheless, Flying Officer McGindle flew the aircraft safely to base. This officer displayed great skill and determination throughout. Flight Sergeants Baldwin and Whelan and Sergeant Soames also proved themselves to be devoted and resolute members of aircraft crew. They did everything possible to assist their captain in his endeavour to reach home, whilst their efficient first aid and constant attention to their grievously wounded comrade undoubtedly played a prominent part in saving his life.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1324363 Sergeant Henry HAMMOND, R.A.F.V.R., 466 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

In September, 1944, Sergeant Hammond was the air bomber in an aircraft detailed to attack an oil refinery at Gelsenkirchen. Whilst over the target the aircraft was struck by shrapnel. Sergeant Hammond was wounded. In spite of this he continued to direct his captain on the bombing run to execute a successful attack. He afterwards declined to go to a rest position and insisted on remaining at his post until the mission was completed. On this, his third sortie, Sergeant Hammond displayed the highest standard of determination and devotion to duty.

Air Ministry, 12th December, 1944.

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Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officers.

Daniel John LANE (141568), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
Brian Dane Joseph LANKTREE (151600), R.A.F.V.R., 408 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Frederick Leslie LEACH (174358), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Alan LEWIS (172576), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

James Alexander LONGMUIR (174320), R.A.F.V.R., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

George Alexander MACKIE (169724), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.

Louis Peter MARNEWECK, D.F.M. (160057), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.

William Fisher MARTIN (151609), R.A.F.V.R., 57 Sqn.

Thomas Newlands MILLER (152436), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.

Ronald Victor OSBORNE (145392), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.

Frank Gerald PARKER (171097), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.

William Searle PARKER (162613), R.A.F.V.R., 192 Sqn.

George Edmund PRATT (178245), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

William RICHARDSON (136822), R.A.F.V.R., 434 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

William Arthur Mathew SAVILL (160958), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

Victor Sydney SCOTT (151233), R.A.F.V.R., 51 Sqn.

Robert Wemyss SHARP (172550), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Allan George SHEFFIELD (176663), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.

Victor Percival SKONE-REES (137377), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Arthur Littlejohn SMITH (151617), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.

Richard Henry SMITH (147760), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Frederick Charles Victor STEED (179073), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Bernard Frank STEEL (174798), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.

George William Arthur STEEL (175643), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.

James William STEWART (171043), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.

Aubrey Waters STRICKLAND (149371), R.A.F.V.R., 571 Sqn.

Walter Augustus TELLING (148866), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.

Frank Albert TERRY (151322), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

Owen Glyndwr THOMAS (137402), R.A.F.V.R., 57 Sqn.

Thomas Henry WARREN (157731), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.

Philemon WATSON (155072), R.A.F.V.R., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Thomas Alfred WELSBY (172871), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Alan Ronald WITTY (158817), R.A.F.V.R., 12 Sqn.

Peter Ernest WORT (173274), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Acting Flying Officers.

Edward Arthur ASKEW (174633), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Eric Charles BOWLEY (182615), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.

Alan Roy CARTER (176881), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.

William Ronald IRELAND (171648), R.A.F.V.R., 576 Sqn.

Robert George LADBURY (175960), R.A.F.V.R., 100 Sqn.

Jack NETHERWOOD (182538), R.A.F.V.R., 106 Sqn.

John Roy STEDMAN (54747), R.A.F., 576 Sqn.

Norman STOCKWELL (170962), R.A.F.V.R., 44 Sqn.

Charles Gilroy WEARMOUTH (174528), R.A.F.V.R., 576 Sqn.

Pilot Officers.

Anthony Albert AVELINE (175074), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

Bartholomew BAINBRIDGE (179638), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.

William Lamperd BAMSEY (54912), R.A.F., 51 Sqn.

Charles Henry BEAKE (182836), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.

James Henry BENNETT (175922), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.

- Derek Charles BIGG (182792), R.A.F.V.R., 149 Sqn.
 Victor Edward BILLINGS (182845), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Dennis BLAKE (178825), R.A.F.V.R., 466 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Robert Henry BODE, D.F.M. (182980), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.
 Norman Aubrey BOYCOTT (179154), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Walter BRAITHWAITE (179856), R.A.F.V.R., 77 Sqn.
 Sydney John BRISTOW (54846), R.A.F., 44 Sqn.
 Lloyd Cyril BURTON (183357), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 George Barten BUSS (182782), R.A.F.V.R., 77 Sqn.
 James Andrew CASTLES (55809), R.A.F., 49 Sqn.
 George Dewhurst CHESWORTH (179302), R.A.F.V.R., 207 Sqn.
 John CHISHOLM (178251), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Harold James CHITTENDEN (193976), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 William Alan CLARE (179367), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Aubrey Thomas COLES (178451), R.A.F.V.R., 158 Sqn.
 Charles James COLVILL (179859), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Ronald Henry CROSBY (177632), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Arthur William Douglas CUMMINGS (182391), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 John DAVIDSON (182846), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Joseph DAVIDSON (174548), R.A.F.V.R., 300 Sqn.
 George Edward DAVIES (175823), R.A.F.V.R., 102 Sqn.
 Hubert George DAVIES (176931), R.A.F.V.R., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Malcolm DAVIS (177446), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 Albert Edward DEVENISH (183639), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.
 Harold Asquith FARNELL (175746), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 Kenneth FILLINGHAM (174115), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 Maurice Wedgewood FINNEY (178086), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 Ronald John GENT (177383), R.A.F.V.R., 571 Sqn.
 Ronald George GILLET (177887), R.A.F.V.R., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Gordon GRAHAM (178579), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Jack GREEN (182417), R.A.F.V.R., 103 Sqn.
 Arthur Joseph HARPER (183915), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Sidney Sutton HARRISON (183065), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 George Frederick HOLBROOK (179298), R.A.F.V.R., 12 Sqn.
 Thomas HOWLEY (143128), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Frederick Ernest JOHNSON (183360), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Thomas John JONES (184141), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Donald Edward KING (176926), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Reginald Gordon LUCKETT (176176), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Albert Laurence MCCARTHY (177281), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Robert McHATTIE (174634), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 George MACKENZIE (54660), R.A.F., 582 Sqn.
 William McGOWAN MAIR (175844), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
 Alexander James MAXWELL (174545), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
 Cecil MONKS (179010), R.A.F.V.R., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Roger Hugh MONTGOMERIE (178575), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 Edward Augustus Robinson PAGE (179823), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 William Edgar Lewis PALMER (176018), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 George Anthony PEERS (183358), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Duncan Henry PERRETT (183353), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 Alfred Sydney PHILLIPS (178793), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
 Kenneth POTTS (183583), R.A.F.V.R., 51 Sqn.
 Neville Mortimer PRINCE (177014), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 John Francis RICHARDS (183630), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Percy John RICHARDSON (183775), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 David James ROBERTS (177714), R.A.F.V.R., 428 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Edward ROBERTS (182857), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Arthur Lindley ROBOTHAM (183430), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
 Wyndham Edgar ROGERS, D.F.M. (178691), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Eric ROWE (182388), R.A.F.V.R. 139 Sqn.
 John James Bowker RYDER (179272), R.A.F.V.R., 576 Sqn.
 Akin SHENBANJO (182854), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Henry John SHIRES (182833), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 James Lee SIDLEY (174506), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 Henry Ernest STANLEY (182669), R.A.F.V.R., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Donald George THOMAS (177336), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Leslie William John THOMAS (183123), R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.
 Geoffrey Parker WADINGTON (178239), R.A.F.V.R., 432 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Henry WALKER (183359), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 Stephen Frederick WALL (182197), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 Norman Stephen WHITWELL (176434), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 Leonard James WILSON (179176), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
 Ronald WYNNE (179625), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
- Warrant Officers.*
 Stanley James BIRCH (1432821) (now Pilot Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 John Arnold Bathurst BROWN (553305), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 Victor George BURGESS (1381077), R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
 Peter James CHIPPING (1393062), R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 Donald DICKSON (987547), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 John Ernest FLACK (1322023), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.
 Theodore GRIFFITHS (1315543), R.A.F.V.R., 23 Sqn.
 Alan Francis Courtney HARROW (1268147), R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
 Evander William HAY (1330616), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 Ernest James HOLLIS (970073), R.A.F.V.R., 141 Sqn.
 James Edward HUDSON (1220559), R.A.F.V.R., 83 Sqn.
 Thomas Joseph McLEAN, D.F.M. (1059877), R.A.F.V.R., 617 Sqn.
 Eric MAUDE (1575606), R.A.F.V.R., 23 Sqn.
 Donald MORRISON, D.F.M. (948169), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Charles Reginald POYNTON (1576659), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.
 Frederick Donovan SAY (752638), R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.
 Walter Henry SMART (658040), R.A.F.V.R., 429 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 George Lawrence WATTS (1527439), R.A.F.V.R., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Louis Patrick WOOLDRIDGE (649746), R.A.F., 578 Sqn.
 John WRIGHT (1020888), R.A.F.V.R., 75 (N.Z.) Sqn.
- Acting Warrant Officers.*
 Idloes Owen HARRIS (1412124), R.A.F.V.R., 83 Sqn.
 Roy Alfred William MATCHAM (1604454), R.A.F.V.R., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Geoffrey Douglas MOIR (1320071), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.
 Hugh WHITE (657890), R.A.F.V.R., 300 Sqn.
 William Garth TROTTER (545377), R.A.F., 83 Sqn.
- Distinguished Flying Medal.*
Flight Sergeants.
 1488450 Eric Stanley JARVIS, R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1239088 John Horatio KEMP, R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.
 1698466 Hugh Joseph KENNAN (now Warrant Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
 1579090 Frank Avelly KIRBY, R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.
 1311792 Hywel LEWIS, R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.
 572993 Kenneth Sutton LEWIS, R.A.F., 582 Sqn.
 1316274 Selwyn LEWIS, R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.
 1399608 Sydney LOSEBY (now Warrant Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.
 1369228 William MANDERSON, R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.
 1320523 Ernie Thomas MANNING, R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.
 1183447 Harry MARTIN, R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
 1437595 Samuel MATHER, R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.
 1579951 William Percival MORGAN, R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 1185302 Edgar Charles MEREDITH, R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.
 2209261 Ronald MOORE, R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.
 1321716 Douglas Silvester NICHOLLS, R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

996397 Robert NUTLEY, R.A.F.V.R., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 1684518 Squire NUTTALL, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1436831 Roy OLLERHEAD, R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
 1183515 Arthur Leslie POLE, R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.
 1439928 Wilfred Ernest PRICE, R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
 1639906 George Hossack REDFORD, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1836244 Kenneth James REES, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1114181 Allan Newton ROBINSON, R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.
 952534 Leonard ROBERTS, R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1851346 Lawrence Douglas Arthur ROLFE (now Pilot Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 218 Sqn.
 1389536 Robert Henry SADLER, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1592964 James Alan SCORER (now Pilot Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1494689 James SKIDMORE, R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.
 1851882 Ronald SMITH, R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 960576 John Francis STEARN, R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 1852691 Montague James THORNE, R.A.F.V.R., 57 Sqn.
 1397351 Malcolm WADDELL, R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 1581755 Jack WEAVER, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1658439 William John WILKINSON, R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1479326 Albert John Charles WILSON, R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

Sergeants.

1493970 Thomas Michael Patrick KETTLE, R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
 1891939 Hugh McCormick KNOX, R.A.F.V.R., 44 Sqn.
 1592532 John Alfred Denys LYON, R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
 1821218 William McALLISTER, R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 1697939 Joseph William McIVER, R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.
 2206052 Kenneth NIGHTINGALE, R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.
 1825942 Alexander PATON, R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1813959 John Albert RICHARDS, R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.
 1400614 William Gwyn RICHARDS (now Pilot Officer), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1800824 Albert Edward SMITH, R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
 1541858 Robert Edgar SMITH, R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.
 1862542 Leonard George James STEVENS, R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 1277620 John Stanley WHITEHOUSE, R.A.F.V.R., 76 Sqn.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Acting Flying Officers.*

Phillip Herbert MARTIN (Aus.427006), 61 Sqn.
 Ronald James THOMAS (Aus.418205), 462 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Francis William Gordon TROPMAN (Aus.413453), 35 Sqn.

Pilot Officers.

Phillip William ALLWOOD (Aus.416479), 83 Sqn.
 Ronald Irving BELL (Aus.426282), 15 Sqn.
 Louis Edmund CLAES (Aus.414386), 78 Sqn.
 Stanley Orma DALEY (Aus.421966), 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Merlyn Charles GRIFFITHS (Aus.417577), 12 Sqn.
 William Norman Rex HANNA (Aus.408991), 578 Sqn.
 Gordon Joseph HENDERSON (Aus.63097), 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Robert Kingsley HUTCHINSON (Aus.427969), 578 Sqn.
 Kenneth KEIGHTLEY (Aus.417850), 578 Sqn.
 Lawrence Holden McEACHERN (Aus.413229), 7 Sqn.
 Edward James Herbert ROBERTS (Aus.408451), 61 Sqn.
 Vernon John ROBLEY (Aus.417238), 83 Sqn.
 Kenneth Girvan SELLECK (Aus.418725), 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Gregory Benedict TODD (Aus.422819), 582 Sqn.
 John Roff TRENGOVE (Aus.418594), 77 Sqn.
 Keith Roger TRUEMAN (Aus.418314), 578 Sqn.

Warrant Officers.

George Thomas ANDERSON (Aus.413069), 460 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Alexander James CROLL, D.F.M. (Aus.406774), 97 Sqn.
 Francis Harold GREEN (Aus.410484), 97 Sqn.
 Wallace John STEWART (Aus.421942), 35 Sqn.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Flying Officers.*

Glen Carson MCKAY (Can/J.19619), 434 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Roland Waldo MACKENZIE (Can/J.14101), 166 Sqn.
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 Ewart Vernon MACKLIN (Can/J.24560), 434 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
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