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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 Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Gage Darwent SISE, D.S.O., D.F.C., (N.Z.39941), R.N.Z.A.F., 248 Sqn.

This officer has displayed great gallantry in operations against the enemy. He is a brilliant leader whose personal example and untiring efforts have done much towards raising his squadron to the highest standard of fighting efficiency. Since being awarded a bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross, he has led formations of aircraft in several attacks on enemy shipping. In November, 1944, Wing Commander Sise participated in an attack on shipping in Floro Harbour. Much anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Wing Commander Sise's aircraft was hit. One engine caught fire but he pressed home his attack and afterwards flew his damaged aircraft to base. Some days later this officer led a very large formation of aircraft in an operation off Aalsund. His great skill and forceful leadership played a large part in the success of the operation.

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Peter Andrew KLEBOE, D.F.C., A.F.C. (88440), R.A.F.V.R., 109 Sqn.

This officer continues to display the highest standard of skill and gallantry. He has completed a very large number of sorties, many of them against well-defended targets important to the enemy's war effort. In October, 1944, Wing Commander Kleboe took part in an attack on Essen. At the commencement of the bombing run heavy and concentrated anti-aircraft fire was encountered. The aircraft was hit. A large piece of shrapnel smashed through the pilot's windscreen. Wing Commander Kleboe sustained numerous small cuts about the face. This, together with the violent inrush of wind through the broken windscreen, temporarily blinded him. Control was lost. Wing Commander Kleboe quickly levelled out however and, although in great pain, went on to execute a steady and successful bombing run. He afterwards flew the aircraft safely back to this country. He set a fine example of tenacity and devotion to duty.

Acting Squadron Leader Robert FINDLATER, D.F.C. (46337), R.A.F., 109 Sqn.

This officer has displayed courage, tenacity and devotion to duty of a high order. He has completed a very large number of sorties, many of

them being missions demanding the highest standard of ability. One night in November, 1944, he was the navigator of an aircraft detailed to attack Gelsenkirchen. His outstanding work in difficult circumstances played a good part in the success of the sortie. In addition to his notable work in the air this officer has devoted much of his skill and knowledge towards the training of other members of the squadron. His record is most impressive.

Acting Squadron Leader Harry Edward Tony PRAGER, D.F.C. (138695), R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He has displayed outstanding qualities of leadership, great skill and unfailing devotion to duty. On one occasion in September, 1944, he took part in a bombing attack on Le Havre. In the run-in the aircraft came under heavy anti-aircraft fire. The bomb bay was hit and set on fire. In spite of this, Squadron Leader Prager held to a steady run to enable his bomb aimer to release his bombs on the target. Other members of the crew succeeded, with great difficulty, in extinguishing the flames and Squadron Leader Prager flew the aircraft safely to base. His coolness and resolution in dangerous circumstances were most commendable.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Richard Ashley ATKINSON, D.S.O., D.F.C. (70030), R.A.F.O., 235 Sqn.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Service Order, Wing Commander Atkinson has participated in a very large number of sorties. In September, 1944, this officer led an attack on two merchant ships, both of which were sunk. In October, 1944, Wing Commander Atkinson led a formation of aircraft in an attack on a large barge, a tug and two escort vessels. In spite of intense anti-aircraft fire the attack was pressed home with great determination. The two escort vessels were set on fire and the tug was seriously damaged. On yet another occasion this officer led a formation of aircraft in an attack on two small ships, both of which were sunk. By his gallant leadership and great tactical ability Wing Commander Atkinson played a prominent part in the successes obtained.

Flying Officer Conrad Newsham SAUNDERS, D.F.C. (143105), R.A.F.V.R.

As observer, this officer has participated in a very large number of reconnaissances. Throughout he has displayed a high degree of skill and courage and has never failed to secure excellent photographs, often in spite of considerable anti-

aircraft fire. In October, 1944, he was detailed to observe the results of an attack on the sea wall at West Kapelle. In the first run over the target the aircraft was hit in the tail by a high explosive shell. In spite of this, and much concentrated light anti-aircraft fire, several good photographs were obtained. In November, 1944, Flying Officer Saunders again flew with great distinction on a smaller mission over another enemy target. This officer has set a fine example to all.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Wing Commander John Kennedy Francis MACDONALD (Can/C.890) R.C.A.F., Bomber 432 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Pilot Officer Douglas Maxwell Cox (Can/J.88380) R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

In air operations these officers have displayed outstanding bravery, fortitude and devotion to duty, setting an example of a high order.

Acting Squadron Leader Marcus Dods (66013) R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.

This officer has completed a tour of operational duty during which he has displayed skill, courage and resolution of a high standard. In November, 1944, Squadron Leader Dods piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Dortmund. Soon after crossing the English coast one engine became completely unserviceable. This did not deter Squadron Leader Dods who went on to attack the target with his usual determination. His devotion to duty has been outstanding.

Flight Lieutenant Thomas ARMSTRONG (I34035) R.A.F.V.R., 235 Sqn.

As navigator Flight Lieutenant Armstrong has participated in many sorties, involving attacks on a variety of targets such as enemy airfields, road communications and shipping. On one occasion, early in his operational career, Flight Lieutenant Armstrong was wounded when his aircraft was attacked by enemy aircraft. Upon his recovery he soon resumed operational flying and participated in many successful missions. More recently, Flight Lieutenant Armstrong has taken part in several determined attacks on shipping and has set a fine example of skill, courage and devotion to duty.

Flight Lieutenant Surrender BERRY (I33715) R.A.F.V.R., 622 Sqn.

This officer has set a fine example of devotion to duty. He has participated in numerous sorties and has proved himself to be a most able and resolute navigator. In November, 1944, he took part in an operation against Homberg. During the sortie the aircraft sustained much damage. Flight Lieutenant Berry was badly wounded. Although unable to move he maintained a fine spirit and, under his direction, other members of the crew were enabled to navigate the damaged aircraft home. This officer set an example of a high order.

Flight Lieutenant Malcolm Hamilton Murray MACLEAN (Aus. 414311) R.A.A.F., 608 Sqn.

This officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Hanover one night in November, 1944. At one stage of the outward flight, Flight Lieutenant MacLean temporarily lost consciousness. The aircraft went into a deep dive. Flight Lieutenant MacLean quickly recovered and, although the aircraft had lost much height, he succeeded in levelling out. A little later a fighter was encountered. The attacker opened fire several times but by skilful manoeuvring, Flight Lieutenant MacLean prevented his aircraft from being hit. The enemy aircraft was eventually evaded and Flight Lieutenant MacLean continued to the target which he attacked at a height much lower than was originally planned. He afterwards flew safely to base. This officer has completed many sorties and has invariably displayed commendable skill, courage and devotion to duty.

Flight Lieutenant William Harold McCAMUS (Can/J.10049) R.C.A.F., 404 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Flying Officer Louis Celos BOILEAU (Can/J.23870) R.C.A.F., 404 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

These officers have completed many sorties and throughout have displayed a high standard of ability and determination. In November, 1944, they were navigator and pilot respectively of one of a formation of aircraft detailed to attack enemy shipping. The vessels were lying in a fiord bounded on each side by high hills. Despite this, and in

the face of anti-aircraft fire, the attack was pressed home. In this well executed operation these officers displayed a high degree of skill, courage and resolution.

Flight Lieutenant Colin William STACEY (49698), R.A.F., 90 Sqn.

As wireless operator (air) this officer has completed a second tour of operational duty during which he has participated in attacks on a wide range of heavily defended enemy targets. He is a most keen and resolute crew member whose undoubted skill and unfailing co-operation have contributed materially to the successes obtained. His conduct in the face of the enemy has been exemplary.

Flight Lieutenant Edward Walter WATSON (Aus. 413699), R.A.A.F., 455 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties including a number of successful attacks on enemy shipping. On one occasion he observed a force of 15 enemy vessels off the Hook of Holland. After a message reporting the position had been transmitted, Flight Lieutenant Watson went in to the attack. In spite of much fire from the convoy he made three runs over the target and effectively attacked two of the vessels. In November, 1944, he participated in a successful attack on three enemy merchant vessels lying in a fiord surrounded by high hills. In this operation his leadership was brilliant and played a good part in the success achieved. Throughout his tour this officer has displayed the highest standard of courage, skill and determination.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Orville Louis ORENDORFF (Can/J.28324), R.C.A.F., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

In August, 1944, this officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack St. Leu D'Esserent. While over the target, the aircraft was hit by high explosive shells. The main fuel pipe to the two port engines was severed, whilst some sixty holes were torn in the fuselage and wings by pieces of shrapnel. In spite of this, Flight Lieutenant Orendorff completed his bombing run and course was set for home. By skilful airmanship he flew to a base in England where he effected a safe landing although a tyre on one of the landing wheels was punctured. This officer has completed very many sorties and throughout has displayed high qualities of skill, gallantry and resolution.

Flying Officer John William ABELL (Can/J.36330), R.C.A.F., 431 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has participated in numerous sorties and has displayed a high standard of navigational ability throughout. On a recent occasion he took part in an attack on Wanne Eickel. Whilst leaving the target area the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Flying Officer Abell was wounded. He was given first aid and, although suffering acutely, he did everything he could to assist in navigating the aircraft home. He set a fine example of fortitude and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer James Leonard KING (Can/J.25379), R.C.A.F., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer was the pilot and captain of an aircraft detailed to attack Dusseldorf one night in November, 1944. The target was successfully bombed but, later on the return flight, the aircraft was badly hit by an explosive shell which caused a fire in one of the port wing petrol tanks. Attempts were made to quell the flames but without much success. Flying Officer King thereupon changed course and, displaying great determination reached friendly territory by taking the shortest possible route. By this time the fire in the petrol tank was burning fiercely. Flying Officer King ordered his crew to leave the aircraft by parachute. He himself remained at the controls to keep the aircraft level whilst his comrades jumped. As they got clear, the burning tank fell away. Flying Officer King, therefore, remained at the controls and searched for a likely place to land. Finally, he brought the aircraft down in a field, aided solely by his landing lights. This officer displayed the greatest possible coolness and skill throughout and was undoubtedly responsible for saving a valuable aircraft.

Flying Officer Alan Ivan ROWE (170665), R.A.F.V.R., 115 Sqn.

This officer has set a fine example of skill and courage in air operations. He has completed a second tour of operational duty during which he

has taken part in attacks on many targets important to the enemy's war effort. He is a highly efficient captain whose strong sense of duty has impressed all.

Flying Officer Edward Mason LUKEY (N.Z.404541), R.N.Z.A.F., 149 Sqn.

As air bomber, this officer has participated in a large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide range of enemy targets; he has also taken part in numerous mine-laying missions. He has at all times displayed the greatest keenness and his cool and skilful work, often in the face of heavy enemy fire, has contributed materially to the successes obtained. This officer has rendered much loyal and devoted service.

Flying Officer Laurence Arthur SIMKISS (155570), R.A.F.V.R., 571 Sqn.

This officer has participated in a large number of sorties. On one occasion, whilst over Berlin, his aircraft was subjected to intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire and was hit. A piece of shrapnel shattered the windscreen and Flying Officer Simkiss was struck in the eye. Blood streamed from the injury. After the target had been attacked Flying Officer Simkiss was given first aid. In spite of much physical distress he continued his duties and navigated the aircraft safely home. This officer set a fine example of fortitude and determination.

Acting Flying Officer Charles Arthur Joseph DIONNE (Can/J.88127), R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has displayed high qualities of skill and courage in operations against the enemy. He has completed very many sorties, including attacks on such heavily defended targets as Kiel, Cologne, Dusseldorf and Essen. In October, 1944, he piloted an aircraft in an attack on Duisburg. Whilst over the target the aircraft was hit by shrapnel. Although severe damage was sustained to the controls, Flying Officer Dionne pressed home a successful attack and afterwards flew safely to base. His devotion to duty has set a fine example.

Acting Flying Officer Charles Stuart WALKER (Can/J.87424), R.C.A.F., 424 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

One night in November, 1944, this officer was detailed to attack Bochum. When nearing the target heavy and accurate anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Nevertheless, Flying Officer Walker pressed home a successful attack. Soon after the bombs had been released the aircraft was hit. The port outer engine was put out of action, the mid-upper and rear turrets were rendered unserviceable, and the aircraft was holed in more than 200 places by pieces of shrapnel. Despite this, Flying Officer Walker flew back to base and landed his damaged aircraft safely. This officer has completed many sorties and has set a fine example of skill and determination throughout.

Warrant Officer Llewellyn Arthur COMPTON (657502), R.A.F., 248 Sqn.

Warrant Officer Compton has participated in very many sorties, including numerous attacks on enemy shipping. On one occasion he took part in an attack on 2 submarines and 11 escorting vessels. In the operation his aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. The rudder became jammed hard over to one side. Although the aircraft would turn only in one direction, Warrant Officer Compton flew it to base and effected a successful crash landing. On a subsequent occasion, in an attack on 2 enemy vessels, his aircraft sustained damage. In spite of this, Warrant Officer Compton pressed home a determined attack and afterwards flew his damaged aircraft to base. This warrant officer has displayed exceptional determination and devotion to duty.

Warrant Officer George Alexander MACASKILL (1365938), R.A.F.V.R., 248 Sqn.

Warrant Officer Macaskill has completed a large number of sorties, including many reconnaissances and several attacks on enemy shipping. Throughout he has set a fine example of determination and devotion to duty. On one occasion in August, 1944, he took part in an attack on shipping during which his aircraft was badly hit. Some 4 foot of the leading edge of the starboard wing was shot away. The main spar was broken. The aileron hinges and control were damaged. The starboard inner petrol tank was pierced and the windscreen was broken. Although the aircraft became exceed-

ingly difficult to control, Warrant Officer Macaskill flew it to a home based airfield and effected a masterly landing.

Warrant Officer Albert (Dennis) ROWE (1096084), R.A.F.V.R., 73 Sqn.

Warrant Officer Rowe has completed a very large number of sorties including many attacks on enemy road and rail communications and numerous other targets on the ground. He has displayed a high standard of skill and tenacity, qualities which have been well reflected in the successes he has obtained. Warrant Officer Rowe has most effectively attacked 27 locomotives and a large number of mechanical vehicles; he has also shot down an enemy aircraft.

Warrant Officer John Edward ROWLAND (530594), R.A.F., 149 Sqn.

As air gunner, Warrant Officer Rowland has participated in a very large number of sorties, including many attacks on well-defended targets. He has at all times displayed the greatest keenness and throughout his devotion to duty has been of a high order. His vigilance and skill have set an excellent example.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Robert James BRODIE (Can/C.35288), R.C.A.F., 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Can/JR.262844 Sergeant Thoburn Westley CHRISTIE, R.C.A.F., 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer and airman were pilot and rear gunner respectively of an aircraft detailed to attack Dusseldorf. Soon after the target had been attacked the aircraft was engaged by 3 enemy fighters. As they closed in, Sergeant Christie opened fire. His bullets struck one of the attackers, causing it to give up the fight. Nevertheless, the other two fighters attacked with great persistence. Flying Officer Brodie's aircraft sustained much damage. Despite this, he manoeuvred with much skill. Meanwhile, Sergeant Christie used his guns to good effect and the enemy aircraft were finally driven off. Sometime later the bomber sustained further serious damage. Displaying the greatest coolness, Flying Officer Brodie maintained control and effected a successful crash-landing on an open patch of ground in friendly territory. He displayed a high standard of skill, courage and tenacity on this his first sortie as a captain. Sergeant Christie also proved himself to be a resolute and devoted member of aircraft crew. This was his first operational mission and his coolness and confidence in such trying circumstances set a fine example.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Marshall John FROST (144786), R.A.F.V.R., 206 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

N.Z.425655 Flight Sergeant Mervyn Sterling GOLLAN, R.N.Z.A.F., 206 Sqn.

N.Z.428025 Flight Sergeant John Anderson NICHOLSON, R.N.Z.A.F., 206 Sqn.

This officer and these airmen were pilot, mid-upper gunner and rear gunner respectively of an aircraft detailed for a sortie in November, 1944. During the operation the aircraft was intercepted by 3 enemy fighters. A running fight ensued. In the first attack, Flying Officer Frost's aircraft was hit. The constant speed unit of one of the engines was shot away, the hydraulic system was put out of action and the wireless apparatus was damaged. Nevertheless, this pilot manoeuvred with much skill. The enemy aircraft closed in time and time again, however, and further damage was sustained. In all, 9 attacks were suffered. Throughout this trying period, Flight Sergeant Gollan fought with great determination. His good shooting and until the intercommunication system was rendered unserviceable, his skilful evading directions undoubtedly did much to prevent the attackers from causing much further damage. Flight Sergeant Nicholson also proved himself to be a brave and resolute gunner. Early in the fight his leg below the knee was shattered by a bullet when his turret was struck and damaged by a burst of machine gun fire. Despite the severity of his injury and showing outstanding fortitude, he got his turret to function again until, finally, another burst from the enemy's guns put it com-

pletely out of action. Displaying superb airman-ship, Flying Officer Frost eventually flew the seriously damaged aircraft to an airfield where he executed a successful crash landing. In most harassing circumstances, this officer and his two resolute crew members displayed the highest standard of courage and devotion to duty.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1605591 Flight Sergeant George Frederick FELSTEAD, R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

As flight engineer, this airman has taken part in a large number of operational missions, many of them against dangerous and difficult targets. He is a most efficient and resourceful member of aircraft crew whose great keenness and complete disregard for danger have set a fine example.

1578121 Flight Sergeant Maurice James WEBB, R.A.F.V.R., 248 Sqn.

Flight Sergeant Webb has participated in very many sorties, including a number of armed reconnaissances and several attacks on enemy shipping. Throughout he has displayed commendable courage and determination and his undoubted ability as navigator has been an important factor in the success of many missions. In spite of several trying experiences, Warrant Officer Compton has shown the greatest keenness for air operations and his example has been worthy of the greatest praise.

1608099 Sergeant Charles Edward SEARLE, R.A.F.V.R., 115 Sqn.

Recently, this airman was the navigator in an aircraft detailed to attack Flushing. It was his second operational sortie. When nearing the target the aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Sergeant Searle was struck in the leg by flying shrapnel. Despite this he continued to navigate the aircraft to the target which was successfully attacked. Although suffering acutely he insisted on fulfilling his duties and he plotted his way home with great accuracy. This airman set a fine example of skill, courage and fortitude.

Air Ministry, 19th January, 1945.

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

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officers.

Andrew GEORGE (151902), R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.
Edmund GLOVER (147677), R.A.F.V.R., 57 Sqn.
Adam Cameron GORDON (54594), R.A.F., 218 Sqn.
Thomas George GREENE (146634), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
Bert GRIFFITHS (53369), R.A.F., 9 Sqn.
Graham Oswald GURNEY (135630), R.A.F.V.R., 427 (R.C.A.F.), Sqn.
Leonard Charles HALL, D.F.M. (158257), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.
Basil HAMILTON (153452), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.
James William HATTON (142035), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.
Kenneth Joseph HAWKINS (171268), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.
Peter Stanley HOBBS (139887), R.A.F.V.R., 608 Sqn.
Joseph Chalmers HUTCHESON (175925), R.A.F.V.R., 550 Sqn.
Henry Lundholm INNISS (151694), R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
Leslie Stuart JAMES (162849), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.
Alexander Paterson JONES (173321), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
Peter Burling KETTLE (168801), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
Alan Ripley KERR (172185), R.A.F.V.R., 630 Sqn.
Richard John KING (158316), R.A.F.V.R., 61 Sqn.
Charles Philip KNIGHT (134707), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.
Richard Donald LAWSON (135113), R.A.F.V.R., 431 (R.C.A.F.), Sqn.
Russell Frederick LEWIS (159933), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.
Willie George Frederick LEWIS (149978), R.A.F.V.R., 640 Sqn.
Gerald LORTHOUSE (172415), R.A.F.V.R., 626 Sqn.
Jack LONGBOOTHAM (153169), R.A.F.V.R., 12 Sqn.
James LORD (175100), R.A.F.V.R., 550 Sqn.
Michael Robert LOVELL (157312), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.

Charles John LYWOOD (169037), R.A.F.V.R., 102 Sqn.

Alexander McCracken (175860), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.

Angus MACKINNON (160775), R.A.F.V.R., 692 Sqn.

Donald Rhodes MALLINSON (174315), R.A.F.V.R., 630 Sqn.

John MASON (152945), R.A.F.V.R., 166 Sqn.

George Fox MAULE (172186), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.

Richard McKnight MINNIS (156062), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.

Stuart Allington MORRIS (152585), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.

Basil Phillip Arthur MOSE (178807), R.A.F.V.R., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Stanley MOSS (146107), R.A.F.V.R., 75 (N.Z.) Sqn.

Walter Stanley MOUNTFORD (161358), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.

Eric Richard OLIVER (174289), R.A.F.V.R., 50 Sqn.

Stanley Gilbert PICKARD (143865), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Louis Donald POPE (52745), R.A.F., 35 Sqn.

Donald Roy PRESTON (148186), R.A.F.V.R., 51 Sqn.

George Albert PRICE (54676), R.A.F., 626 Sqn.

Herbert Edward RAWLIN (159071), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.

Kenneth ROBINSON (151092), R.A.F.V.R., 10 Sqn.

Ronald Frederick SCULTHORPE (174505), R.A.F.V.R., 434 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

William SEARSTON (152727), R.A.F.V.R., 115 Sqn.

Harold Owen SHARMAN (155869), R.A.F.V.R., 161 Sqn.

Kenneth Murtagh SHAW-BROWN (178990), R.A.F.V.R., 433 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Charles Henry SHEPHERD, D.F.M. (171873), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.

Stanley Alan SHEPPARD (168719), R.A.F.V.R., 100 Sqn.

Frederick Howard STANTON (173510), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Hugh Stuart Stucley TROTTER (175626), R.A.F.V.R., 12 Sqn.

John James Hyatt TWYNAM (171694), R.A.F.V.R., 515 Sqn.

Thomas Henry UFTON (161622), R.A.F.V.R., 214 Sqn.

Andrew WATSON (159013), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

Kenneth WILLIAMS (144358), R.A.F.V.R., 78 Sqn.

George Mervyn WRIGHT (152721), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Acting Flying Officers.

James Henry ALLEN (179996), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

William McClue FERGUSON (178886), R.A.F.V.R., 15 Sqn.

Kenneth JURY (176882), R.A.F.V.R., 77 Sqn.

James Robertson HENDRY (182711), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.

Robert John HOPES (182608), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Eugene Patrick MITCHELL (178308), R.A.F.V.R., 630 Sqn.

Ernest Cyril REDFERN (177845), R.A.F.V.M., 9 Sqn.

Graham Mitchell REID (55831), R.A.F., 578 Sqn.

Patrick Vernon Thomas RIBBINS (173313), R.A.F.V.R., 100 Sqn.

Andrew Paterson SIMS (182444), R.A.F.V.R., 625 Sqn.

Matthew Alec SWAIN (176282), R.A.F.V.R., 630 Sqn.

Ben TAYLOR (176284), R.A.F.V.R., 9 Sqn.

John Herbert THORPE (172216), R.A.F.V.R., 35 Sqn.

Pilot Officers.

Peter Moore ABBOTT (182811), R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.

Donald BEAUMONT (182819), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.

Kenneth Donald BROWN (183890), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.

James William CHADWICK (179408), R.A.F.V.R., 432 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Max CLEGG (184616), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

Ronald CRAIG (56018), R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.

James Colin COUPER (185805), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

Evan John DAVIES (182724), R.A.F.V.R., 51 Sqn.

Cecil DEAN (179202), R.A.F.V.R., 467 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Kenneth Tyrrell DENLEY (185221), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

James Lester DISHINGTON (184461), R.A.F.V.R., 101 Sqn.

Colin Joseph DUDLEY (182392), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

Peter Alexander GREENAWAY (184965), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

Sydney Richard John HARPER (182281), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.

William HARVEY (176660), R.A.F.V.R., 97 Sqn.
 Ronald Charles HAYES (185089), R.A.F.V.R., 466 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Eric Francis HEARN (182384), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.
 Norman HEBDEN (183751), R.A.F.V.R., 608 Sqn.
 David Bertram John HICKS (183613), R.A.F.V.R., 582 Sqn.
 John HILL (184192), R.A.F.V.R., 619 Sqn.
 Mervyn Frederick INGMIRE (185574), R.A.F.V.R., 83 Sqn.
 Norman JENNINGS (179704), R.A.F.V.R., 514 Sqn.
 Albert Stanley JONES (184784), R.A.F.V.R., 51 Sqn.
 Frank Thomas KEIGHTLEY (183337), R.A.F.V.R., 640 Sqn.
 Michael William KENNY (177518), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Bernard Frederick KENT (182412), R.A.F.V.R., 467 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.
 Dennis Edward KING (183198), R.A.F.V.R., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.
 Graham Edmund LEWIS (183868), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.
 Denis LONGTON (183787), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 Peter William Burridge MANN (185447), R.A.F.V.R., 12 Sqn.
 Jack Robert MOORE (184423), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.
 Albert Henry MULLARD (185317), R.A.F.V.R., 635 Sqn.
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