

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the advice of His Majesty's Australian Ministers, to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

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

Temporary Lieutenant (Sp.) Francis Bernard Kington DRAKE, R.A.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant (Sp.) Lachlan de Salis NICOLSON, R.A.N.V.R.

for outstanding bravery, skill and initiative in the performance of hazardous operations.

ADMIRALTY.

Whitehall,

12th June, 1945.

The KING has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following awards:—

For gallantry, outstanding skill and devotion to duty whilst serving in H.M. Ships Rhyl, Rothesay, Brixham, Polruan, Stormoway, Hailstorm and Nebb, and Light Coastal Forces, in minesweeping operations over dense and shallow minefields in the opening up of Greek ports in the Gulf of Corinth:

To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:

Acting Captain Alister Angus MARTIN, D.S.C., R.D., R.N.R.

Third Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.

Temporary Acting Commander Norman Eyre MORLEY, D.S.C., R.N.V.R. (Tilford, Surrey).

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Lieutenant Andrew Hallam Calvert BOOTH, Royal Navy (Burlston, Dorset).

Temporary Lieutenant William Kenneth LEWIS, R.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant Charles Guy VAUGHAN-LEE, R.N.V.R. (Midhurst).

Temporary Lieutenant Gordon Murray Stewart RUSSELL, R.N.Z.N.V.R.

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Chief Engine Room Artificer David Edgar Sharp THOMAS, C/M.38779 (Wimbledon).

Petty Officer Stanley Gordon SUMMERS, P/JX.153094.

Petty Officer William WARDLE, D/J.6959C (Liverpool).

Petty Officer Telegraphist John Russell RICHARDS, D/JX.146718 (Splatt).

Petty Officer Engineman Robert LORIMER, S.A.51709 (Edinburgh).

Motor Mechanic John FORSYTH, P/MX.99669 (Glasgow).

Able Seaman William John GRAHAM, P/JX.366237 (Workington).

Able Seaman Leslie Thomas HARRISON, D/JX.196853 (Wigan).

Mention in Despatches.

Temporary Lieutenant Robert Henry Douglas BARKLIE, R.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant Richard Henry BEALE, R.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant Eric James SELBY, R.N.V.R. (Dartmouth).

Temporary Lieutenant Keith Hamilton WADE, R.A.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant (E) Samuel Fielding RAWLINSON, R.N.V.R. (Hull).

Temporary Lieutenant (S) George Ernest TERRILL, R.N.V.R. (Watford).

Acting Skipper Lieutenant John Richard CLARK, R.N.R., 2833 W.S.

Temporary Skipper William John SANDFORD, LT/TS.943 (Milford Haven).

Chief Engine Room Artificer William Henry CROSWELL, D/MX.48555 (Warrenpoint, Co. Down).

Acting Chief Engineman Thomas CRAIG, LT/KX.101861 (Aberdeen).

Acting Temporary Petty Officer Leonard Wilfred BISHOP, C/SSX.19593 (Birmingham).

Petty Officer Motor Mechanic Charles Albert George PEARCE, P/MX.126427 (Tottenham).

Stoker Petty Officer Ronald Arthur LANE, P/KX.79863 (Basingstoke).

Stoker Petty Officer William MURRAY, D/KX.77589 (Lochgelly).

Stores Petty Officer William George CRIMP, D/KX.79368 (Stonehouse).

Leading Wireman Ernest James COURSE, C/MX.92318 (East Ham).

Temporary Leading Signalman Francis Arthur LUCAS, D/JX.176003 (Newcastle-on-Tyne).

Able Seaman David Forbes SMITH, C/JX.393097 (Aberdeen).

Acting Able Seaman Stanley Joseph WARD, P/JX.510377 (London).

Stoker First Class Lionel SKELTON, P/KX.145968.

Seaman Harold ROSSITER, LT/JX.533495 (North Curry, near Taunton).

Seaman Robert WATSON, LT/JX.232073 (Saltcoats, Ayr).

For gallantry, determination and devotion to duty in carrying out a successful air operation in the face of heavy opposition:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Lieutenant (A) George Frederick CORNISH, Royal Navy.

Mention in Despatches.

Acting Lieutenant-Commander (A) Michael THORPE, Royal Navy.

For skill, perseverance and great devotion to duty whilst serving in H.M. Ships Fly, St. Kilda, Albacore, Squall, Waterwitch, Cadmus, Nimbus, Stormoway, Acute and Brave, and Light Coastal Forces in arduous minesweeping operations along the West Coast of Italy:

The Distinguished Service Cross.

Acting Captain Geoffrey Noel RAWLINGS, D.S.O., Royal Navy (Salisbury).

Temporary Acting Lieutenant-Commander Adam Nicholson ROBERTSON, R.N.V.R. (Millport, Isle of Cumbrae).

Lieutenant (N) Arthur Rodney Barry STURDEE, Royal Navy (Kensington).

Temporary Lieutenant James Granville DIXON, R.N.V.R.

Temporary Lieutenant James McGregor ALEXANDER, R.N.V.R.

Temporary Skipper Charles William CHILVERS, R.N.R., 968 T.S. (Gorleston-on-Sea).

The Distinguished Service Medal.

Acting Chief Petty Officer George Howard MCKINLEY, D/JX.137287 (Polman).