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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS  
OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1.*

*20th November, 1945.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

*To be an Additional Officer of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Matthew Pitsworth WILLIAMSON, Royal Navy (Littlehampton),

for good service as Force Navigating Officer in the planning of the assault on Rangoon and in the co-ordination of the movements of the various convoys in the dangerous and restricted waters of the Irrawaddy in the unfavourable weather of early May, 1945.

*To be Additional Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order.*

Temporary Lieutenant (A) John Fletcher UNDERWOOD, R.N.V.R.,

for great gallantry on 31st August, 1945, when a Seafire Mark XVII aircraft with a full load of petrol crashed and burst into flames. Without hesitation Lieutenant Underwood ran straight into the burning wreckage and got the pilot out from the remains of the cockpit.

Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Ian Douglas HAY, S.A.N.F. (V),

for bravery whilst serving in H.M.M.L. 842. On 26th May, 1945, when the ammunition in an L.C.T. at Suda Bay, Crete, caught fire and began to explode and her crew were trapped Sub-Lieutenant Hay took an open motor boat and went alongside while the ammunition was exploding to take them off. The L.C.T. subsequently blew up.

Flying Officer Bruce Laird ADA, 422826, R.A.A.F.,

for courage, determination and devotion to duty in successful Air Sea Rescue Flight Service under hazardous conditions in the Pacific during offensive operations in the Far East, over a period from March to August, 1945.

ADMIRALTY.

*Whitehall,*

*20th November, 1945.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Distinguished Service Order and to approve the following Awards:—

For courage, efficiency and devotion to duty in the establishment of navigational aids in the approaches to the Rangoon river, in minesweeping and in the survey of the river prior to the assault on the city, May, 1945.

*To be a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order:*

Captain Archibald DAY, C.B.E., Royal Navy.

*Second Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross.*

Acting Temporary Commander Eric John Campbell EDWARDS, D.S.C., R.N.V.R. (Falmouth).

*The Distinguished Service Cross.*

Lieutenant David Noel PENFOLD, Royal Navy (Bampton, Oxon).

Temporary Electrical Lieutenant George William HENDERSON, R.N.V.R. (South Shields).

*The Distinguished Service Medal.*

Petty Officer Wireman Peter Paterson CURRIE, C/MX.6457.

Leading Seaman Thomas Alex INKSTER, LT/JX.400060.

Leading Wireman Eric Stanley ROSS, C/MX.66686.