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## CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

15th May 1962.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased, on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers, to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:

*To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order, for Gallantry:*

Flight Lieutenant Leslie Jack HODGES (011445), Royal Australian Air Force.

During the disastrous floods of November 1961, Flight Lieutenant Hodges displayed outstanding courage, initiative and devotion to duty. When it became apparent that Royal Australian Air Force Base, Richmond, would be entirely isolated by flood waters, this officer returned to duty, entirely of his own volition, by walking from his home in Windsor across the only means of entry—the railway bridge—where rising and surging flood waters had already reached the level of the track. At this time the bridge had been condemned as dangerous for further use and all rail traffic had ceased. Within a few hours, flood waters were four feet above the line. Upon reaching his place of duty, Flight Lieutenant Hodges set about bringing the Transport Section to a state of readiness for the emergency, modifying many vehicles so that they could be operated in deep water. He then moved out with these vehicles into the area where the flood danger was the greatest and evacuated a number of families from flooded houses. On one occasion, he drove a Michigan tractor into flood waters in darkness to rescue a family. The depth of water was such that the tractor floated. Flight Lieutenant Hodges abandoned it, swam back to dry ground and had the tractor towed to shore. He again entered the water with two aircraft dinghies to complete the rescue of the family and their personal belongings. At a time when there was no known road connection between this Base and Windsor, Flight Lieutenant Hodges pioneered and cleared a route through scrub country, to enable urgent supplies and equipment to be brought to the town. He worked for 36 hours continuously, in danger, under pressure and without rest. His actions are more impressive when it is realised that, throughout this period and subsequently, he was suffering personal physical pain. This officer's actions in a period of emergency have added lustre to the traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force in the past. His behaviour was outstanding for courage in danger, for disregard of personal suffering and for determined resourceful initiative.

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The QUEEN has been graciously pleased, on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers, to approve the award of the George Medal to the under-mentioned:

A. 21811 Sergeant Michael Stewart SWAIN, Royal Australian Air Force.

On 1st November 1961, Sergeant Swain was flying as a technical crew member of a Bell Sioux helicopter of No. 16 ALA Squadron when the aircraft crashed. On impact, the port side fuel tank ruptured and burned fiercely, particularly on the pilot's side of the aircraft. Sergeant Swain released his harness and escaped from the wreck with his clothing alight. He then heard a call for assistance from the pilot who was unable to release his harness. Sergeant Swain, with complete disregard for his personal safety, returned to the flame-enveloped cockpit to assist the pilot. At this stage there was a very great risk of explosion of either the whole of the wreckage, or of the starboard fuel tank. After assisting the pilot from the aircraft, Sergeant Swain attempted to smother, with his hands, the pilot's flaming clothing. This was unsuccessful, so he attempted to remove his flying suit. Being unable to do so, he removed his own overalls and with them extinguished the flames enveloping the pilot. Sergeant Swain's face and hands were very severely burnt. At hospital after the rescue, the pilot was placed on the dangerously ill list and Sergeant Swain on the seriously ill list. During this emergency, Sergeant Swain showed a complete disregard for his own safety. His coolness, self discipline and courage in the face of great danger were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Service. By his act of valour and gallant behaviour, he has set a magnificent example to others.

## AIR MINISTRY

15th May 1962.

### ROYAL AIR FORCE

#### GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

*Appointment to commission (permanent)*

*As Flight Lieutenants (Supplementary List):*

Michael Richard MERRETT (3510758). 5th Jan. 1962.

Albert George TAYLOR (108135). 6th Feb. 1962.

Brian Malcolm ANDERSON (4178986). 30th Mar. 1962.

*As Flying Officers (Supplementary List) :*

Michael Anthony TELFORD (4147087). 26th Jan. 1962.

William Frank NICHOLSON (584255). 16th Feb. 1962.

James Paterson SPEIRS (5190019). 8th Mar. 1962

*Transfer to Supplementary List conditions of service*

Flight Lieutenant J. DAVIS (181216) is transferred to the Supplementary List, retaining his existing rank and seniority. 6th May 1962.

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

J. M. CULLINGHAM (4040941). 22nd Mar. 1962.

P. G. MORTEN (4035052). 17th Apr. 1962.

M. W. COOK (3507129). 23rd Apr. 1962.

12th May 1962

T. A. MACINTYRE (4171387).

M. MOORE (4171390).

M. RETALLACK (579644). 14th May 1962.

*Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :*

14th May 1962

R. S. ALEXANDER (5035753).

D. ASTON (4230761).

S. L. BOTTOM (5200016).

C. L. B. BUNTING (2743953).

G. S. CLAYTON-JONES (4230824).

M. J. A. EVANS (4230825).

R. F. FORBES-HARRISS (4230826).

B. D. GOODMAN (4230813).

E. W. GREVES (4230835).

G. W. GRUBB (4230823).

S. LUMSDEN (2618053).

H. G. MAUND (4335004).

A. M. MITCHELL (3147418).

R. J. MORRIS (4230842).

J. OLDROYD (4230776).

E. PARSONS (4230766).

R. B. PAVEY (4230772).

L. J. E. PINCHES (4230777).

R. A. QUARRELL (4230809).

E. L. TODD (4230811).

G. H. WILLIAMS (4230817).

*Regrading**Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer :*

R. F. WOOD (589533). 9th Feb. 1962.

A. R. TINKLER (608156). 14th May 1962.

*Retirement*

Air Marshal Sir Arthur W. B. McDONALD, K.C.B., A.F.C., M.A. F.R.Ae.S. (on account of medical unfitness for air force service). 20th Apr. 1962.

*Air Vice-Marshals :*

H. R. GRAHAM, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C. 28th Apr. 1962.

H. A. V. HOGAN, C.B., D.F.C. 29th Apr. 1962.

Flight Lieutenant L. J. C. WILDIG, D.F.M. (52562) (on account of medical unfitness for air force service). 28th Apr. 1962.

Flying Officer D. P. WRIGHT (4070116) (on account of medical unfitness for air force service). 7th May 1962.

*Commission terminated*

Acting Pilot Officer M. BENNETT (4231068). 19th Apr. 1962.

## TECHNICAL BRANCH

*Appointment to commission (permanent)**Notification amended*

17th Apr. 1962 (p. 3182, col. 1) concerning Stanley Charles NORMAN (506159) *add* (substituted for notification of 13th Feb. 1962 (p. 1208, col. 1)).

*Transfer to Supplementary List conditions of service*

Flight Lieutenant G. W. BARNETT (53087) is transferred to the Supplementary List under the terms of A.M.O. A.209/61, retaining his existing rank and seniority. 3rd Apr. 1962.

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

W. H. VERRALL (570349). 9th Mar. 1962.

*Retirement*

Group Captain J. B. ALTHAM, C.B.E., M.A. (at own request). 4th Apr. 1962.

Squadron Leader C. F. WHITEHOUSE, M.B.E., A.M.I.E.E. (120507) (on account of medical unfitness for air force service). 31st Mar. 1962.

Flight Lieutenant W. J. JULIAN (56003) (at own request). 5th Apr. 1962.

## EQUIPMENT BRANCH

*Promotion**Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :*

G. J. OKE (589509). 10th Mar. 1962.

*Pilot Officer to Flying Officer, W.R.A.F. :*

A. K. FAIRGRIEVE, M.A. (8815). 9th May 1962.

*Retirement*

Wing Commander A. M. R. RAMSDEN, O.B.E. (44728). 3rd May 1962.

Squadron Leader A. J. D. MACKINTOSH, B.A. (60709). 1st May 1962.

Flight Lieutenant W. F. NURSE (175165) (at own request), retaining the rank of Squadron Leader. 13th Apr. 1962.

## SECRETARIAL BRANCH

*Appointment to commission (short service)*

*As Pilot Officer (Supplementary List) (six years on the active list and four years on the reserve) :*  
Aircraftman 2 Winston Neville BOWER (507186). 3rd Apr. 1962.

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

J. S. HASSALL (2727880). 7th Mar. 1962.

*Pilot Officer to Flying Officer, W.R.A.F. :*

9th May 1962

A. P. K. BLAIR, M.A. (8819).

M. C. DEGNAN, M.A. (8818).

*Retirement*

Flight Lieutenant H. S. LEWIS (591081) (on account of medical unfitness for air force service). 4th May 1962.

Flight Lieutenant R. BAILEY (191428), retaining the rank of Squadron Leader. 2nd May 1962.

## ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT

*Appointment to commission (permanent)**As Flight Lieutenant (Supplementary List) :*

George Edmund GORDON-SMITH (507189). 10th Apr. 1962.

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

W. R. EPPS (507031). 15th May 1962.

## AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION BRANCH

*Temporary commission relinquished*

Wing Commander D. J. GRIFFITHS, B.Sc. (Eng.), A.M.I.C.E. (503463). 10th Feb. 1962.

## MEDICAL BRANCH

*Extension of service*

The period of service on the active list of Flight Lieutenant A. A. GILBERTSON, M.B., Ch.B. (506531), is extended to five years from 18th Oct. 1959.

## MEDICAL TECHNICIAN BRANCH

*Promotion**Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader :*

P. J. INGRAM, M.B.E. (516085). 15th May 1962.

## EDUCATION BRANCH

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

R. C. HUMPHREY, B.Sc. (506062). 7th May 1962.

*Extension of service*

The period of service on the active list of Flying Officer J. E. MANNING (8813), W.R.A.F., is extended to four years from 10th Aug. 1960.

## PROVOST BRANCH

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

W. M. WALTERS-MORGAN (4175482). 12th May 1962.

PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE  
NURSING SERVICE RESERVE*Commission relinquished*

Flying Officer J. A. I. WINNARD (née FAIRBURN) (406663). 12th Nov. 1961.

ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE  
OF OFFICERS

## GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

*Commission relinquished*

Flight Lieutenant D. AUTY (1851226), retaining his rank. 4th May 1962.

Flying Officer S. M. ARGENT (2820741), W.R.A.F.R.O., retaining the rank of Flying Officer. 14th May 1962.

## SECRETARIAL BRANCH

*Commission relinquished*

Flight Lieutenant H. J. HOLT (39879), retaining his rank. 10th May 1962.

*Flight Officers, W.R.A.F.R.O., retaining the rank of Flying Officer :*

14th May 1962

M. JORDAN (2821791).

P. R. NEVILLE (2821794).

Flying Officer C. P. O. MAWER (2821785), W.R.A.F.R.O., retaining her rank. 14th May 1962.

Flying Officer A. H. McCLYMONT (2821788), W.R.A.F.R.O., retaining the rank of Pilot Officer. 14th May 1962.

## EDUCATION BRANCH

*Commission relinquished*

Flight Lieutenant R. ALLEN (194480), retaining his rank. 3rd May 1962.

Flying Officer J. M. LINE, B.A. (2821789), W.R.A.F.R.O., retaining her rank. 14th May 1962.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER  
RESERVE

(Reconstituted section)

## GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

*Commission relinquished**Flight Lieutenants :*

J. B. KIRKHAM (3130648) (on appointment to the Territorial Army). 23rd Feb. 1962.

R. MARMONT (181974). 2nd May 1962.

P. H. MAY (133723). 5th May 1962.

F. J. WALTER (83752). 6th May 1962.

Flying Officer T. S. WRIGHT (2603685), retaining his rank. 3rd May 1962

## SECRETARIAL BRANCH

*Commission relinquished*

Flying Officer T. E. HILTON, D.F.C. (206452). 14th May 1962.

ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER  
RESERVE

## TRAINING BRANCH

*Promotion**Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :*

H. D. DORMER (1331858). 15th Mar. 1962.

*Notification amended*

10th Apr. 1962 (p. 2931, col. 2) concerning I. R. MUNRO (206681) for 30th Jan. 1962 read 2nd Feb. 1962.

*Extension of service*

*The period of service of the undermentioned is extended by four years from the dates stated :*

*Flying Officers :*

P. R. BROOKMAN (127706). 1st Apr. 1962.

R. A. MOORE (3104835). 12th Apr. 1962.

S. F. MOORE (1286556). 13th Apr. 1962.

14th Apr. 1962

E. C. KEANE (206533).

T. E. MORGAN, B.A. (205416).

L. O. NAIRN (206261). 15th Apr. 1962.

21st Apr. 1962

B. M. FORREST (3511735).

J. GOLLINS (189820).

W. E. A. LOCKHART (560643).

R. MORRIS (198761). 24th Apr. 1962.

E. A. HAIGHTON (100303). 27th Apr. 1962.

D. H. GILES (2590350). 28th Apr. 1962.

29th Apr. 1962

R. P. GOWING (808396).

J. D. LEVERIDGE (137249).

A. J. DYER (1608758). 30th Apr. 1962.

Pilot Officer A. F. MORSE (2305537). 11th Apr. 1962.

*The period of service of the undermentioned Flying Officers is extended by three years from the dates stated :*

T. JONES, B.Sc. (204538). 23rd Apr. 1962.

J. M. ABBOT (1278396). 27th Apr. 1962.

*The period of service of the undermentioned Flying Officers is extended by two years from the dates stated :*

J. A. V. McDONAGH, M.B.E. (64513). 12th Apr. 1962.

J. FROST, B.A. (69792). 29th Apr. 1962.

*The period of service of the undermentioned Flying Officers is extended by one year from the dates stated :*

W. ASHHURST (64665). 21st Apr. 1962.

C. B. GYFORD, B.Sc. (67481). 22nd Apr. 1962.

T. G. BAILEY (340753). 23rd Apr. 1962.

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