

away. Rankin, despite being warned not to get any nearer, went towards the man and endeavoured to reason with him telling him to put the gun down. When the officer was only two or three yards away the man lifted the gun to his shoulder, pulled the safety catch back and as Rankin rushed at him pulled both triggers. The gun did not go off and the man threw his gun at the officer which hit him on the leg. Other officers arrived and with considerable difficulty the man who had gone completely berserk, was restrained and taken into custody.

*Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct :*

Derek Clive BEAUMONT, Constable, Ipswich County Borough Police.

For rescuing a man from drowning.

John Edwin BUCKLAND, Constable, West Sussex Constabulary. (Chichester.)

For arresting a youth armed with a loaded shotgun.

David BUSH, Prison Officer, H.M. Prison, Maidstone.

Joshua KIRBY, Prison Officer, H.M. Prison, Maidstone.

Thomas George SAUNDERS, Prison Officer, H.M. Prison, Maidstone.

For preventing the escape of two prisoners from Maidstone Prison.

Lawrence Stanley CLARKE, Constable, Manchester City Police. (Heald Green.)

Michael Joseph HANNIGAN, Constable, Manchester City Police. (Royton.)

For services when a mentally disturbed man threatened to throw himself off the roof of a building over 200 feet high.

Anthony George GRISDALE, Constable, Manchester City Police. (Didsbury.)

For services when assisting in the arrest of an armed man.

William Derek HANDLEY, Maintenance Foreman, Widnes.

For attempting to rescue a man from drowning in a heavy sea.

Stewart Maxwell JONES, Detective Sergeant, South Australia Police Force.

For disarming a mentally deranged man.

Maurice George LUNNON, Driver, Norfolk Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association, Norwich.

For services when a fire occurred in a Territorial Army Centre.

Noel Arthur McLACHLAN, Constable, New South Wales Police Force.

George STOTT, Constable, New South Wales Police Force.

For services when a man armed with a shotgun threatened to shoot his neighbours.

John Mitchell MARLEY (deceased), Materials Technician, Washington, County Durham.

For attempting to detain an armed robber.

Sosivita NAKAU, Villager, Nukulau Village, Fiji.

For rescuing a child from a burning hut.

Dennis RODGERS, Detective Constable, Derbyshire Constabulary. (Chesterfield.)

John SHAW, Detective Constable, Derbyshire Constabulary. (Chesterfield.)

For services when arresting an armed man.

Norman SMITH, Petrol Pump Attendant, London, N.12.

For services when an armed man attempted to rob a garage.

Neville John WALDEN, Sergeant, 3rd Class, New South Wales Police Force.

For services when an area was contaminated by chlorine gas following an accident to a motor trailer.