

of low-powered landing lights, while the 7 members of the party were winched up to safety, bringing the helicopter near to maximum permissible weight. Throughout both rescues, the crew displayed air-manship and teamwork of a high order in circumstances which put their own safety in jeopardy.

11th August 1970.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent)

As Flying Officers :

Sergeant Phillip Johnson SMITH (4266767). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 30th Jan. 1968).

Corporal James Raymond SMITH (1947519). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 14th Jun. 1969).

Senior Aircraftman David FOWLER (4278012). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 29th Sep. 1969).

As Pilot Officer :

Senior Aircraftman Anthony David BOND (8069389). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 1st Jun. 1970).

As Acting Pilot Officers :

Aircraftmen

19th Jun. 1970

Christopher Paul BUNCHE (8025384).
Thomas Dowthat CLOSE (8025340).
Christopher David DAVIES (8025276).
Edward Charles FOSTER (8025391).
Nigel Charles Wentworth GIFFIN (8025322).
Peter Norman HALEY (8025386).
Russell Peter Walton HALL (8025345).
Richard Langford HOWELLS (8025326).
Douglas Maxwell HUNTER (8025351).
Christopher Paul KNIGHT (8025324).
David Iain LOCKIE (8025350).
Paul Anthony SPEARS (8025346).

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

C. S. WILKINSON (609313). 15th Apr. 1970.

5th Aug. 1970.

J. W. BAKER (4232489).
A. J. BOWEN (4232487).
B. M. CASEY (4232429).
M. J. M. COLDREY (687451).
M. A. COOPER (4232441).
J. E. DIXON (4232494).
R. W. GAULT (2602165).
P. C. GIBBON (4232446).
D. J. HEMMINGS (687618).
N. R. KIRBY (4232401).
B. S. MEINKE (4232414).
M. PEDLEY (4232555).
K. REID (4232444).
M. G. SAUNDERS (687753).
J. P. SMITH (4232504).
R. C. SMITH (4232442).
B. TAYLOR (4232507).
C. J. THOMPSON (687492).
R. G. THOMPSON (4232434).
D. A. WARING (4232508).
K. R. WATSON (4232511).
J. R. WHITSTON (4232512).

Regrading

Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer :

8th Aug. 1970

N. J. BIGGS (8025146).
C. A. CROUCH (8025110).
M. P. DOUGLASS (8025152).
J. E. DOWLING (8025149).
M. F. FAWCETT (8024937).
R. FOSTER (8025154).
G. V. GOODSSELL (8025166).
M. E. HALL (8025147).
R. S. HANSON (8025074).
B. D. HOBKIRK (8025113).
W. J. HURST (8025160).
N. M. JOHNSTON (8025151).
D. PARR (8025163).
C. M. G. PEMBERTON (8025128).
I. F. ROBERTS (8025129).
A. E. ROSE (8025162).
N. J. THOMPSON (8025143).
T. C. WARDILL (8025131).

Transfer to General List Conditions of Service

Flying Officer D. G. LEE (687776) is transferred to a Permanent Commission (General List), retaining his existing rank and seniority 20th Oct. 1968.

Change of Commission

The undermentioned Flight Lieutenants have changed their commission to D.E.C.(A.), retaining their existing rank and seniority from the dates stated :

T. M. HOWAT (4230508). 9th Jul. 1969.
M. J. COWAP (4230253). 26th Sep. 1969.
G. P. PENTUM (4230454). 2nd Feb. 1970.

Transfer between Branches

Flight Lieutenant K. I. DOLICHER (4077393) is transferred to the General Duties (Ground) Branch, retaining his existing rank and seniority. 5th Jul. 1970.

Flying Officer C. S. WILKINSON (609313) is transferred to the Supply Branch in the rank of Flight Lieutenant 2nd Aug. 1970. (Seniority 15th Apr. 1970.)

Pilot Officer J. B. CLARK (608952) is transferred to the Supply Branch on a Permanent Commission (General List), retaining his existing rank and seniority 12th Apr. 1970. (Substituted for Notification 19th May 1970.)

Retirement

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Alan BOXER, K.C.V.O., C.B., D.S.O., D.F.C. 18th Jul. 1970.

Wing Commander A. R. KEYS, D.F.C., B.Sc. (3510660) (at own request). 2nd Jul. 1970.

Squadron Leaders :

I. F. WESTON (607283). 1st Jul. 1970.
J. W. NOWELL (607357). 3rd Jul. 1970.
R. M. SALT, M.B.E., A.F.C. (607315). 25th Jul. 1970.
C. N. P. THORMAN (4066770). 8th Aug. 1970.
R. J. SMITH (2497525). 10th Aug. 1970.

Flight Lieutenants :

12th July 1970
E. T. D. EDWARDS (3507656).
D. S. RYLES (585045).
G. A. GOSWELL (4086081). 25th Jul. 1970.
G. L. BATES, B.A. (2600700). 27th Jul. 1970.
N. EVANS (2491911). 28th Jul. 1970.
B. T. HANSON (2494750). 30th Jul. 1970.

Flight Lieutenant D. MASLIN (608217) (at own request). 1st Jul. 1970.

Commission Resigned

Flight Lieutenants :

G. T. GILL (4230507). 11th Jul. 1970.
A. W. OGDEN (4220021). 15th Jul. 1970.

Commission Terminated

Flying Officer P. A. M. M. GELARDI (608782). 2nd Jul. 1970.

GENERAL DUTIES (GROUND) BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent)

As Flying Officer (Supplementary List) :

Sergeant Terence CROWHURST (4220339). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 6th Feb. 1969).

As Acting Pilot Officers :

Aircraftmen

19th Jun. 1970

Michael Charles FELL (8022756).
Richard John MEYER (208174).

Appointment to Commission (Short Service)

As Pilot Officer (Supplementary List) (Six years on the Active List and four years on the Reserve) :
Senior Aircraftman Thomas Michael TASKER (4281271). 19th Jun. 1970 (Seniority 13th Sep. 1968).

Promotion

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :

S. A. WELSH (2603198). 11th Aug. 1970.

Extension of Service

The period of service on the Active List of Flying Officer L. P. SMITH (2797538) W.R.A.F. is extended up to and including 27th Mar. 1973.

Retirement

Squadron Leader L. CASEY, M.B.E. (175447). 31st Jul. 1970.

Flight Lieutenant A. J. T. HILL, B.E.M. (187572). (at own request). 1st Jul. 1970.