

observer was later winched into a helicopter and flown to hospital where in due course he recovered.

Mr. Green spent nearly an hour in the cold and in darkness and suffered exposure as a result. Without regard for his own safety, in dangerous circumstances, he displayed great bravery, determination and endurance and there is no doubt that the observer's life was saved by his action.

Leslie Frederick JACKSON, Chief Officer Class I, H.M. Prison, Magilligan.

William James WRIGHT, Senior Officer, H.M. Prison, Magilligan.

For gallantry in Northern Ireland.

Thomas Kenneth JOHNS, Constable, Royal Ulster Constabulary.

For gallantry in Northern Ireland.

Arthur Thomas KELLY, Prison Officer, Department of Corrective Services, New South Wales.

Four prisoners, all serving long sentences for serious crimes, armed themselves with knives, the blade from a pair of shears and a hammer from a work shop and attempted to break out from the Central Industrial Prison, Long Bay, New South Wales.

The men succeeded in locking one officer in a store-room and then attacked Prison Officer Kelly, striking him on the head, knocking him to the ground and stunning him. As he attempted to rise he was threatened with the shear blade; Mr Kelly grabbed the blade and severely cut his hand. His hands and arms were bound by the other prisoners and he was again struck from behind and rendered unconscious.

When Mr Kelly revived, he was again threatened with the blade held against his throat. His security keys were taken from his pocket and the escapees ran away while other prisoners held him on the ground.

The escaping prisoners were seen by another Prison Officer as they attempted to scale the wall with an extension ladder. The ladder broke in half and they fell to the ground. The most dangerous and violent of the four men, who was still armed with a hammer and the shear blade, then attempted to climb over the wall using one half of the broken ladder. The Prison Officer closed with the man and with the assistance of Mr Kelly, who had been released, the ladder was pulled from under the prisoner who jumped to the ground and attempted to strike them. After a violent struggle, the two officers restrained the man and disarmed him. The other escapees were also brought under control.

The actions of Prison Officer Kelly, who was unarmed, in continuing the pursuit of the escaping prisoners despite his injuries, demonstrated outstanding bravery and devotion to duty.

Neville McCoubrey, Constable, Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Ronald MORWOOD, Constable, Royal Ulster Constabulary.

William John RAINEY, Constable, Royal Ulster Constabulary.

For gallantry in Northern Ireland.

William Stanley ORR, Principal Officer, H.M. Prison, Maze.

For gallantry in Northern Ireland.

*Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct:*

John Joseph ARNDELL, Prison Officer, Department of Corrective Service, New South Wales.

For services leading to the recapture of four armed and dangerous men who were attempting to escape from Prison.

Herbert Thomas BARTON, Sergeant, Hertfordshire Constabulary.

Alan Dennis SMITH, Sergeant, Hertfordshire Constabulary.

For services leading to the arrest of the ring-leaders of a large gang of youths who had caused an affray.

Roper Lars Scott BROWN, Sergeant Third Class, New South Wales Police Force.

Brian David FRIEND, Constable First Class, New South Wales Police Force.

Gordon George WELLINGS, Senior Constable, New South Wales Police Force.

For services leading to the rescue of five people who were stranded on a ketch which was adrift in gale force winds and very rough seas.

Frank Joseph BUFFONI, Senior Constable, New South Wales Police Force.

For services leading to the arrest of an armed and dangerous criminal.

Nigel Trevor CLARKE, Constable, Northamptonshire Police.

For disarming and arresting an armed thief who threatened him with a gun.

John CROMPTON, Constable, Cumbria Constabulary.

For services leading to the rescue of a boatman who had fallen into a dock and was drowning.

Bryn Leonard CUFFE, Fireman, London Fire Brigade.

Sydney Thomas LANE, Fireman, London Fire Brigade.

John Patrick McCABE, Leading Fireman, London Fire Brigade.

Kenneth James PORTER, Boiler Maker, Messrs. Cubow Ltd., London S.E.18.

For attempting to rescue an injured steeplejack from a disused chimney stack.

John David DAWSON, Manager, William and Glyns Bank, Tottenham Court Road, London W.1.

For disarming and detaining a youth armed with a gun who had attempted to rob a bank.

George Thomas DEEMING, Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Victor Raymond GATLAND, Constable, Metropolitan Police.

For services leading to the eventual arrest of four armed men who had robbed a security van.

Norman Robert DEEN, Senior Constable, New South Wales Police Force.

For rescuing an elderly man who was trapped in his home by a serious fire.

Barry Douglas DIXON, Senior Clerk, Dunlop's Clothing Factory, Wagga Wagga, New South Wales.

William STANFORD, Sergeant Third Class, New South Wales Police Force.

For services leading to the arrest of a mentally deranged man who was armed with a rifle.