

Major Ernest Ruscombe SANDFORD (489689), Ulster Defence Regiment.
 Major Joseph John James THOMPSON (474072), Corps of Royal Engineers.
 Captain Timothy Patrick WHELAN, D.C.M., The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.
27th March 1979.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of The Queen's Gallantry Medal in recognition of service in Northern Ireland during the period 1st August 1978 to 31st October 1978:

24199552 Private (Acting Lance Corporal) William Eric GLASS, Ulster Defence Regiment.

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St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.
27th March 1979.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned in recognition of Meritorious service in Northern Ireland during the period 1st August 1978 to 31st October 1978:

24092682 Sergeant Anthony Gilbert COWDREY, Intelligence Corps.
 24042560 Staff Sergeant John DAVIS, Army Air Corps.
 24064491 Corporal (Acting Sergeant) Michael Rosslyn DAWES, The Gloucestershire Regiment.
 22781704 Staff Sergeant (Acting Warrant Officer Class 2) John Samuel MCMENEMY, Ulster Defence Regiment.
 24213807 Corporal (Acting Sergeant) Roy Alfred MILLARD, The Gloucestershire Regiment.
 23892831 Staff Sergeant Anare Ravula RAVAI, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.

Whitehall, London S.W.1.
27th March 1979.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the Military Medal and the publication of the names of those Mentioned in Despatches in recognition of distinguished service in Northern Ireland during the period 1st August 1978 to 31st October 1978:

Awarded the Military Medal for bravery:

24140941 Sergeant Richard George GARMORY, Grenadier Guards.

Mention in Despatches:

Major (Quartermaster) William Manning BERRIDGE, B.E.M. (468866), Royal Army Veterinary Corps.
 Lieutenant Ronald Thomas BEVAN (506231), The Light Infantry.
 24125221 Sergeant Phillip Michael BOWLER, Grenadier Guards.
 Captain Robin Vaughan BRIMS (490334), The Light Infantry.
 Lieutenant Alexander James COOPER (502533), The Queen's Regiment.
 2nd Lieutenant Reinhardt DAMM (504576), The Gloucestershire Regiment.
 24181879 Lance Bombardier Nigel DEAKIN, The Royal Regiment of Artillery.
 Major Martin Charles Knight EDWARDS (479219), The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.
 Major Bryan Michael ELLIOTT (472532), The Light Infantry.
 23487359 Warrant Officer Class 1 John Robert Keith FOWLES, Royal Army Ordnance Corps.
 Major Timothy HARRIS (477417), The Light Infantry.
 Captain (Acting Major) Keith JOHNSON (492818), Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
 Lieutenant Alan Nigel KILBEY (502898), Corps of Royal Engineers.
 Major Robert Norwood LENNOX (475679), Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Major Andrew John McCONVILLE (488284), Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Lieutenant Colonel Peter John SINCOCK, M.B.E. (449057), The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.

23678231 Warrant Officer Class 2 Victor Roy TETLOW, Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

Captain Jeremy Hugh Kennedy TREVASKIS (488498), Scots Guards.

24091669 Warrant Officer Class 2 Christopher John VIGRAS, Intelligence Corps.

24171941 Sergeant Peter Kenneth WARD, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.

23938502 Warrant Officer Class 2 Michael Keith WATKINS, Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Captain Charles David Lindsey WINN (493570), The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers.

24302879 Corporal Norman Frederick WISE, Corps of Royal Military Police.

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St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.
27th March 1979.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of The Queen's Gallantry Medal to the undermentioned:

24168345 Corporal Alan John WILLIAMS, Corps of Royal Engineers.

Corporal Williams was a member of the Army Long Distance canoe team which gathered in Scotland for the Inter Services long distance canoe race held on the River Tay from Kinclaven to Perth. On the 15th September 1978 at about 17.30 hours he was taking part in a practice run down the course in a K1 single handed canoe. The water level in the river was high due to heavy overnight rain, but conditions had been assessed as not being too bad for a practice run to take place. All members of the team were wearing life jackets. At Campsie Lynn near Stanley two K2 canoes capsized whilst shooting a rapid and one crew member from each boat was left holding onto the boats which were drawn into a large whirlpool below the rapids. Corporal Williams, showing great courage and skill shot the rapids and went into the whirlpool to attempt the rescue of the two crew members.

He succeeded in getting one of them onto the back of his boat and towed him to safety. He then went back into the whirlpool to try to rescue the second man. He succeeded in getting him onto the back of his boat but was unable to break free from the pool. The second man was unable to keep hold of the boat and disappeared beneath the water. The first soldier had meanwhile been drawn back into the whirlpool and was holding onto a log. Corporal Williams showing great presence of mind returned and managed to tow him to safety again after 3 or 4 minutes. He then returned to look for the second soldier but was unable to find him after an extensive search. Although other members of the canoe team were in the vicinity at the time, none were in a position to go to the assistance of the two soldiers in the water.

Throughout the incident Corporal Williams showed great courage and skill and acted with complete disregard for his own safety in a very difficult situation.

AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.
20th March 1979.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in recognition of distinguished service in Northern Ireland during the period 1st August 1978 to 31st October 1978:

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

Squadron Leader David William SUTCLIFFE (4335243), Royal Air Force.

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