

AUSTRALIA DAY 2012 HONOURS LIST- DEFENCE RECIPIENTS

NON OPERATIONAL AWARDS

Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in the Military Division

Lieutenant General Brian Ashley Power AO CSC

For distinguished service as Commander of the 1st Division, Commander Training Command – Army and Head Military Strategic Commitments.

Air Marshal Geoffrey Charles Brown AO

For distinguished service to the Royal Australian Air Force in senior command and staff appointments.

Major General Timothy Joseph McOwan AO DSC CSM

For distinguished service to the Australian Army in the fields of operations and Special Forces, particularly as Special Operations Commander Australia.

Major General Michael David Slater AO DSC CSC

For distinguished service as Head of the Defence Personnel Executive, Commander 1st Division and Head of the Queensland Flood Recovery Task Force.

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the Military Division

Rear Admiral David Lance Johnston AM RAN

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Navy in senior Naval and Joint operational staff appointments.

Commodore Richard Temple Menhinick AM CSC RAN

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Navy as Director General Navy Transformation and Innovation and Commandant of the Australian Command and Staff College.

Brigadier Phillip Keith Hope Bridie AM

For exceptional service to the Australian Army as Senior Project Officer at Headquarters Training Command and the Commander of the 8th Brigade.

Brigadier Damian Michael Cantwell AM

For exceptional service in the fields of support to Army operations and Army's future concepts and development.

Captain Colin John Lawrence AM RAN

For exceptional service in the field of Aerospace Engineering in the Royal Australian Navy.

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the Military Division (continued)

Group Captain Kathryn Grace Dunn AM

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Air Force in the field of education and training.

Group Captain Steven Peter Robertson AM

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Air Force in the fields of command, capability development and acquisition, and capability introduction and management.

Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm Gerard McGregor AM

For exceptional service to the Australian Army as the Director of the Land Warfare Studies Centre.

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Richard Pearse AM

For exceptional service as the Staff Officer Grade One Doctrine, Land Warfare Development Centre, Commanding Officer of the 1st Combat Engineer Regiment and Commanding Officer of Australian Task Force Rotation 8 (Rear).

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the General Division

Dr Geoffrey Goodwin AM

For service to engineering through contributions to the ships and submarines of the Royal Australian Navy.

Wing Commander David Graham Russell AM RFD QC

For service to the National Party of Australia and to politics, to taxation law and legal education, and to the community.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC)

Colonel Brian James Bailey CSC

For outstanding achievement as Colonel Joint Fires at Headquarters 6th Brigade Australia.

Colonel Michael David Arthur Bond CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of 9th Battalion, the Royal Queensland Regiment.

Colonel Andrew William Constantine CSC

For outstanding achievement in the field of Joint Military Logistics.

Colonel Timothy Fidock Gellel CSC

For outstanding achievement as Australia's Defence Attaché to Japan.

Group Captain Matthew George Hegarty CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of Number 37 Squadron.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Commander Alan William Regan CSC RFD RANR

For outstanding achievement as the Staff officer Grade One Rapid Environmental Assessment, Joint Environment Centre, Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Lieutenant Colonel Craig David Dobson CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of the 10th Force Support Battalion.

Lieutenant Colonel Natasha Anne Fox CSC

For outstanding achievement as Chief Instructor of the Australian Defence Force Academy.

Lieutenant Colonel Nathan Edward Juchniewicz DSC CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Two – Combat Development, Army Headquarters.

Lieutenant Colonel Alan Martin Mellier CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Chief Engineer of the Soldier Modernisation Systems Program Office.

Wing Commander Darren James Goldie CSC

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Very Important Person Operations.

Major Keirin John Joyce CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Two Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Capability Implementation Team, Army Headquarters.

Squadron Leader Stephen Robert Hoadley CSC

For outstanding achievement as Senior Engineering Officer of Number 1 Squadron.

Warrant Officer Class Two Neil George Patrick CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Training Warrant Officer of the Army Explosive Hazards Centre and 20th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Squadron.

Flight Sergeant Russell Leonard Beck CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Number 81 Wing Maintenance Coordinator in support of Hornet Fleet Planning.

Sergeant Brendan John Church CSC

For outstanding achievement as the C-130 Propulsion System Engineering Specialist at Air Lift Systems Program Office.

Public Service Medal (PSM)

Mr Gregory Douglas Farr

For outstanding public service in leading major reforms to the strategy and delivery of Information and Communication Technology Systems, particularly in the Department of Defence.

Mr Neil Richard Orme

For outstanding public service in the fields of Defence policy development, corporate renewal and strategic issues management.

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Military Division

Wing Commander Geoffrey Bowen Kimmins CSC OAM

For meritorious service in the Directorate of Flying Safety, Maintenance Management and Planning Implementation, and the School of Technical Training.

Warrant Officer Sharon Eileen Audrey Campbell OAM

For meritorious service in the field of Leadership and Recruit training in the Royal Australian Navy.

Warrant Officer Class One Stephan Andrew Colman OAM

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of 12th/40th Battalion, the Royal Tasmanian Regiment and 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class One Brent Alexander Doyle OAM

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of 4th Combat Engineer Regiment and 3rd Combat Engineer Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class One John James Miller OAM

For meritorious service to the introduction into the Australian Army of the Abrams Main Battle Tank and as the Regimental Artificer Sergeant Major of the 1st Armoured Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class One Darren James Murch OAM

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of 8th/7th Battalion, the Royal Victoria Regiment, 1st Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment and the Mentoring and Reconstruction Task Force Two.

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division

Colonel Graeme William Finney OAM

For service to the community of Wagga Wagga through a range of charitable organisations.

Group Captain Robert John Black OAM RFD

For service to medicine, particularly in the field of otolaryngology.

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division (continued)

Commander Robert Emulis Nelson OAM RANR

For service to education through development and national delivery of the Science and Engineering Challenge.

Lieutenant Colonel Glyn David Llanwarne OAM

For service to veterans and their families through the recovery of military insignia.

Warrant Officer Class Two Michael Ali OAM

For service to veterans and their families, and to the community of Helensburgh.

Lieutenant Commander Warren Sydney Blee (ANC) OAM

For service to the pharmaceutical industry, and to the Australian Naval Cadets.

Warrant Officer Class One Michael John O'Sullivan (AAC) OAM MM

For service to youth, particularly through the Christ Church Grammar School Army Cadet Unit.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM)

Commander Darren Greville Grogan CSM RAN

For meritorious achievement in the field of Border Protection at Headquarters Northern Command and at the Royal Australian Navy Patrol Boat Group.

Commander Paul James O'Grady CSM RAN

For meritorious achievement as Commanding Officer of the Royal Australian Navy Recruit School.

Wing Commander Stewart Clay Freeman OAM CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Deputy Director Business Management and Development, Directorate of Supply Chain Support within the Joint Logistics Command.

Wing Commander Lara Jayne Gunn CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Health Logistics Staff Officer at Headquarters Health Services Wing.

Lieutenant Commander Micheal Leslie Jacobson CSM RAN

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Executive Officer of Submarine Crew Two in HMAS *Collins*.

Major Ian Thomas Dodd CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Three, Facilities at Headquarters 17th Combat Service Support Brigade.

Major Daniel Scott Farrands CSM

For meritorious achievement as Second in Command of the North West Mobile Force and Joint Task Force 641, Operation OUTREACH.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Major Jason Timothy Kerr CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Project Officer with the Australian Fromelles Project Group.

Squadron Leader Daryl Allan Bossert CSM

For meritorious achievement as a Personnel Manager in the Directorate of Personnel-Air Force.

Squadron Leader Jason Gregory Taylor CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Officer in Charge of Logistics Support Flight and Executive Officer at Number 322 Expeditionary Combat Support Squadron.

Warrant Officer Class One Andrew Charles Grubb CSM

For meritorious achievement in the field of soldier career management.

Warrant Officer Class One Ian Douglas Hancock CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty in support of the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Program and the Defence Cooperation Program.

Warrant Officer Class One Christopher Raymond Hodder CSM

For meritorious achievement as Defence Administrative Assistant, Defence Section, Australian Embassy Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Warrant Officer Gavin Keith Willmetts CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Air Operations Clerk, Australian Defence Staff Papua New Guinea.

Chief Petty Officer Dennis Bentley CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Operations Manager, Royal Australian Navy Relief Trust Fund.

Chief Petty Officer Andrew William Maskell CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Personnel Officer onboard HMAS *Manoora* and for services to the wider naval community.

Warrant Officer Class Two Joanne Maria Novak CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of logistic training development and employment category management.

Flight Sergeant Mathew James Butler CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Targets at Number 82 Tactical Intelligence Flight, Number 87 Squadron.

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OPERATIONAL AWARDS

Distinguished Service Cross (DSC)

Major General John Patrick Cantwell AO DSC

For distinguished command and leadership in action as the Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operations SLIPPER and KRUGER.

Colonel Jason Peter Blain DSC CSC

For distinguished command and leadership in action as the Commanding Officer, the 1st Mentoring Task Force, and Deputy Commander, Combined Team Uruzgan, on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan from January to October 2010.

Lieutenant Colonel Mark Raymond Jennings DSC

For distinguished command and leadership in action as the Commander Officer, the 1st Mentoring Task Force on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan from May to October 2010.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC)

Brigadier Paul David McLachlan CSC ADC

For outstanding achievement as the Commander Joint Task Force 637 on Operation QUEENSLAND FLOOD ASSIST in January and February 2011.

Squadron Leader Steven Charles Parsons CSC

For outstanding achievement as Commander Air Component Coordination Element, Joint Task Force 639.

Medal for Gallantry (MG)

Sergeant Sean Anthony Lanigan MG

For acts of gallantry in action in hazardous circumstances on 24 August 2010 while a platoon sergeant and mentor with Mentoring Team Delta, the 1st Mentoring Task Force at Derapat, Tangi Valley, Afghanistan.

Private Paul Bjorn Langer MG

For gallantry in action in hazardous circumstances on 24 August 2010 while a rifleman with Mentoring Team Delta, the 1st Mentoring Task Force at Derapat, Tangi Valley, Afghanistan.

Distinguished Service Medal (DSM)

Lieutenant Richard Eric Brickacek DSM RAN

For distinguished leadership in action on 20 and 21 August 2010 while leader of an explosive ordnance team in Kipto and in Shah Zafar in Afghanistan on Operation SLIPPER.

Captain James Peter Fanning DSM

For distinguished leadership in action on 24 August 2010 while a platoon commander and a lead mentor with Mentoring Team Delta, the 1st Mentoring Task Force at Derapat, Tangi Valley, Afghanistan.

Sergeant Brett Mathew Wood MG DSM (Posthumous)

For distinguished leadership in action while deployed with Special Operations Task Group Rotation XV on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan.

Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Military Division

Warrant Officer Class One Paul Beadle OAM

For meritorious performance of duty as the Warrant Officer Supply, Deployable Logistic Information Support Systems Support Team from 2007 to 2010.

Warrant Officer Class Two Craig Stuart Duncan OAM

For meritorious performance of duty, including as the Company Sergeant Major, 4th Brigade Reserve Response Force, in Defence aid to the Victorian community during fires and floods from 2009 to 2011.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM)

Squadron Leader Wendy Anne Walker CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Principal Staff Officer Logistics and the Service Delivery Manager on Operation ASTUTE in East Timor from August 2010 to April 2011.

Warrant Officer Class One Brian James Buskell CSM

For meritorious achievement as the Regimental Sergeant Major, Combined Task Force 635 on Operation ANODE in the Solomon Islands in 2010.

Warrant Officer Trevor Allen Scholl CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Warrant Officer Engineer, Joint Task Force 639 Air Coordination Element.

Commendation for Gallantry

Corporal Adam John Heemskerck

For acts of gallantry in action on 20 August 2010 while a section commander with Mentoring Team Alpha, the 1st Mentoring Task Force at Musazai, Mirabad Valley, Afghanistan.

Lance Corporal Shaun Miller Kober

For acts of gallantry in action during October 2010 and January 2011 while a sniper team second-in-command in Mentoring Team Four Three Bravo, Combat Team Delta, the 2nd Mentoring Task Force in Chora, Baluchi Valley, Afghanistan.

Private Shaun Patrick Parker

For acts of gallantry in action on 24 August 2010 while a machine gunner with Mentoring Team Delta, the 1st Mentoring Task Force at Derapat, Tangi Valley, Afghanistan.

Commendation for Distinguished Service

Rear Admiral David Lance Johnston AM RAN

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Deputy Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operations SLIPPER and KRUGER from October 2010 to March 2011.

Commodore Roger Livingstone Boyce RAN

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Deputy Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER in the Middle East Area of Operations from April to October 2010.

Brigadier Simon Roach AM

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Assistant Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER in the Middle East Area of Operations from April 2010 to February 2011.

Colonel Nicholas David Rowntree

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Senior Military Advisor to the Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq on Operation RIVERBANK.

Lieutenant Colonel Richard Anthony Vagg

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as the Commanding Officer, Artillery Training Team Kabul on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan from April to November 2010.

Wing Commander Martin John Smith

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as the inaugural Commanding Officer, Multi-National Base Command Tarin Kowt, on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan from June 2010 to January 2011.

Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)

Major Richard Shannon Simson

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Staff Officer Grade Two – Afghan National Army Development, Headquarters Regional Command (South) on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan, from April to November 2010.

Corporal Brenden Leigh Robins

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations and in action while a combat medic with the 2nd Mentoring Task Force on Operation SLIPPER in Chora, Baluchi Valley, Afghanistan from October 2010 to February 2011.

Note: In addition to the above gazetted awards, the following Honours and Decorations have been awarded, but the recipients cannot be identified for security reasons.

1 x Bar to the Distinguished Service Cross

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2 x Medal for Gallantry

1 x Bar to the Distinguished Service Medal

4 x Distinguished Service Medal

1 x Medal of the Order of Australia in the Military Division

1 x Conspicuous Service Medal

4 x Commendation for Gallantry

8 x Commendation for Distinguished Service