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The Governor-General is pleased to announce the following awards:

SECOND BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC and Bars)

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel I

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as part of a Special Operations Force on Operation OKRA from September 2014 to February 2015.

THE BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC and Bar)

Brigadier D

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations on Operation SLIPPER

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Australian Army

Major General Craig William ORME AM CSC (Retd)
ACT

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operations SLIPPER and OKRA from September 2013 to December 2014.

Royal Australian Air Force

Air Commodore Steven Peter ROBERTON AM

Qld
For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as the inaugural Commander Air Task Group 630 on Operation OKRA from September 2014 until January 2015.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel Sean Edward BENPORATH

Vic
For distinguished leadership in warlike operations whilst deployed on Operations SLIPPER and HIGHROAD as the inaugural Commanding Officer Mentor to the 2nd Training Kandak, Afghan National Army Officer Academy from 14 January 2014 to 8 February 2015.

Captain K

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as the Nursing Officer and Health Planner on Operation OKRA.

Royal Australian Air Force

Squadron Leader M

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations in tactical planning and operational risk management on Operation OKRA.

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Royal Australian Navy

Captain Craig Anthony POWELL RAN
NSW

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Director of Operations, Combined Maritime Forces, Maritime Operations Advisor, Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER from 3 December 2013 to 30 June 2014.

Australian Army

Brigadier Andrew William FREEMAN
ACT

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Combined Joint Staff Officer Logistics within North Atlantic Treaty Organization Special Operations Component Command-Afghanistan from 11 January 2014 to 10 December 2014.

Major Danielle Nicole HUGGINS
Qld

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed on Operation SLIPPER as the Female TOLAY platoon commander to the United Kingdom-led mentoring mission to the Afghan National Army Officer Academy at Qargha, Kabul, Afghanistan from February to September 2014.

Captain Katrina Anne KELLY
NSW

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Nursing Officer to the United Kingdom-led mentoring mission to the Afghan National Army Officer Academy at Qargha, Kabul Afghanistan on Operations SLIPPER and HIGHROAD from July 2014 to January 2015.

Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Colonel M

For distinguished performance of duties on Operation SLIPPER.

Major R

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed as the Executive Officer and Officer Commanding on Operation OKRA.

Corporal S

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed as a Team Commander on Operation OKRA.

Brigadier David Peter SHIELDS

ACT

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed on Operation SLIPPER from 14 November 2013 to 15 November 2014.

Major T

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed as an Officer Commanding, Commando Company Group with the Special Operations Task Group Force on Rotation I on Operation OKRA.

Royal Australian Air Force

Flight Lieutenant C

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations while deployed as a Combat Controller on Operation OKRA.

Air Commodore Noel Gregory DERWORT CSC

ACT

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Deputy Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER.

Air Commodore Hayden Kelsey MARSHALL

ACT

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Deputy Commander Support Headquarters Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER from October 2013 to November 2014.

Group Captain R

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations during Operation OKRA.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

Royal Australian Navy

Lieutenant Commander John David DE BOMFORD RAN

Vic

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Marine Engineering Officer in HMAS *Stuart* from December 2013 to March 2015.

Chief Petty Officer S

For outstanding achievement in the Australian Defence Force Counter Improvised Device Task Force.

Commander David Murray WALTER RAN

Vic

For outstanding achievement as the Commander Engineer in HMAS *Canberra*.

Captain Bradley Ian WHITE RAN

ACT

For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as the Director of the Navy People Career Management Agency.

Australian Army

Major B

For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty during Operation Bring Them Home in August 2014.

Lieutenant Colonel Robert Geoffery BRENNAN

Qld

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of the 9th Battalion, the Royal Queensland Regiment and inaugural Commanding Officer of the 11th/13th Brigade Reinforcing Battle Group.

Lieutenant Colonel David Mark EDWARDS

Vic

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of the School of Artillery.

Lieutenant Colonel Gavin Michael KEATING

Qld

For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as the Commanding Officer 3rd Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Lieutenant Colonel John George PAPALITSAS

NSW

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade 1 Capability Development-Training within Headquarters Forces Command.

Lieutenant Colonel Jasmin Clarissa SHORTT

ACT

For outstanding achievement as the Staff Officer Grade 1 - Transitions, Directorate of Soldier Career Management - Army, Army Headquarters.

Major Mitchell John WATSON

ACT

For outstanding achievement as the Officer Commanding D Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment.

Lieutenant Colonel Martin Christopher WHITE

Qld

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer 7th Signal Regiment.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force

Group Captain Robert Timothy CHIPMAN

ACT
For outstanding achievement as the Commander of Task Unit 630.1 during Operation OKRA.

Warrant Officer Brian Edward HOLDCROFT

NSW
For outstanding devotion to duty as the Senior Training Manager of Air Surveillance Training at the Surveillance and Control Training Unit.

Squadron Leader J

For outstanding achievement in establishing the Combat Control Capability for the Royal Australian Air Force.

Sergeant Daniel Scott MACKIE

NSW
For outstanding achievement as an Avionics Technician in Number 37 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Brendan Leslie PEARCE

NSW
For outstanding devotion to duty as Staff Officer Grade 2 Capability Development, Headquarters Air Mobility Group.

Wing Commander Natasia Anne PULFORD

Qld
For outstanding achievement as the Joint Program Office Integrated Logistics Systems Coordinator, Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Aircraft Systems Program Office.

Warrant Officer Colin Thomas THACKER

NSW
For outstanding achievement as the Warrant Officer Engineer of the Air Component Coordination Element of Joint Task Force 639 for Operation RESOLUTE.

Group Captain Paul Anthony WADE

ACT
For outstanding achievement as the Director Cyber Coordination Office and Head of the Information Operations Tiger Team.

BAR TO THE CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM and Bar)

Royal Australian Navy

Warrant Officer Debbie Ann BUTTERWORTH OAM CSM

ACT
For meritorious devotion to duty as Ship's Warrant Officer in HMAS *Success*.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Royal Australian Navy

Leading Seaman Mitchell John AUSTIN

WA
For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty as Leading Seaman Propulsion Systems Marine Technician in HMAS *Arunta* from March 2014 to March 2015.

Warrant Officer Gordon Keith DAVIS

NSW
For meritorious devotion to duty as Command Senior Sailor of NUSQN 725 and Senior Maintenance Unit Coordinator during 2013 and 2014.

Commander Narelle Melanie DEVINE RAN

ACT
For meritorious achievement as the Deputy Director-Cyber (Maritime) in Joint Capability Coordination Division.

Petty Officer David Robert HOWARD

WA
For meritorious devotion to duty as the Communications Systems and Navigation Aids Supervisor in HMAS *Sirius*.

Lieutenant Commander Petrus Martinus JONKER RAN

NT
For meritorious achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Two Logistics Operations within Headquarters Joint Task Force 639 on Operation RESOLUTE.

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel Dean Jamie ASHTON

ACT
For meritorious achievement as Deputy Director Curriculum, Australian Command and Staff College.

Lieutenant Colonel Andrew BAKER

Qld
For meritorious devotion to duty as Senior Instructor of the All Corps Majors Course and Advanced Operations Course, Officer Training Wing, Land Warfare Centre.

Sergeant Mark Angelo BIVIANO

SA
For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty as a Rifle Platoon Sergeant in the 7th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class One David Gregory BROMWICH

Qld
For meritorious achievement as Regimental Sergeant Major of the 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Chaplain Stephen Robert BROOKS

Qld
For meritorious achievement as the Brigade Coordination Chaplain, 3rd Brigade.

Sergeant Colin Roger BURROWS

NSW
For meritorious achievement as a movements specialist with the 2nd Commando Regiment and 1st Joint Movement Group.

Warrant Officer Class Two Daniel Colin DONALD

ACT
For meritorious achievement as the Supervisor Separations within the Directorate of Soldier Career Management - Army, Army Headquarters.

Corporal Dean Matthew GEORGE

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty as a Sniper Team Leader in the 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Warrant Officer Class One Brad GRAHAM

Qld

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment.

Lieutenant Colonel Carrissa Cherie IBBOTT

ACT

For meritorious achievements as the Deputy Director of Workforce Modelling Forecasting and Analysis - Army.

Warrant Officer Class Two Joseph Phillip LAYCOCK

NSW

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty as the Squadron Aviation Aircrewman Instructor in the 171st Aviation Squadron, 6th Aviation Regiment.

Major P

For meritorious achievement as the Officer Commanding Joint Task Force 644 in August 2014.

Major R

For meritorious achievement as a signals intelligence officer.

Sergeant S

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty while posted as a Company Operations Sergeant to the 2nd Commando Regiment during 2014.

Royal Australian Air Force

Warrant Officer Gregory John CLIVE

Qld

For meritorious achievement as the Squadron Warrant Officer of Combat Survival Training School.

Flying Officer Justin Troy CROSBY

NSW

For meritorious achievement as the Technical Training Manager at Number 35 Squadron.

Sergeant Billie-Jean HEWSON

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Orderly Room at Number 285 Squadron.

Flight Sergeant Gavin Todd JONES

SA

For meritorious achievement in the improvement of aviation safety critical maintenance at Number 92 Wing.

Squadron Leader P

For meritorious achievement on Operation OKRA.

Squadron Leader Claire Lorraine PEARSON

Qld

For meritorious achievement as Staff Officer Grade Two Requirements and Collection Management at Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Flight Lieutenant R

For meritorious achievement during Operation OKRA.

Squadron Leader Stephen Peter WELLINGS

SA

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Commanding Officer Combat Support Unit Rotation 12 while deployed on Operation ACCORDION from 3 October 2014 to 15 April 2015.

By His Excellency's command



Mark Fraser LVO OAM

Official Secretary to the Governor-General