

MEMBER (AM) IN THE MILITARY DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

Royal Australian Navy

Rear Admiral Anthony Carl DALTON CSM RAN, NSW

For exceptional service in the field of helicopter acquisition and sustainment in the Australian Defence Force.

Rear Admiral Dalton has made a profound and enduring contribution to the Australian Defence Force helicopter capability and his leadership and vision have led to the progressive renewal of the Navy and Army helicopter fleets. Through his efforts, Rear Admiral Dalton has contributed directly to comprehensive improvements in the acquisition and sustainment of a modern, technically sophisticated and combat-ready helicopter fleet for the Australian Defence Force.

Rear Admiral Gregory John SAMMUT CSC RAN, ACT

For exceptional performance as the Head Future Submarine Program, the Director General Submarine Capability and the Director Submarine and Specialist Ship.

Rear Admiral Sammut's exceptional performance as Head Future Submarine Program in the Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group and Director General Submarine Capability has been outstanding in all respects. Rear Admiral Sammut's superior performance has made a remarkable contribution to the Royal Australian Navy's submarine capability and the Future Submarine Program.

Commodore Brett Stephen WOLSKI RAN, NSW

For distinguished service as Director General Workforce Planning Branch, Defence People Group, and as Director Workforce Modelling Forecasting and Analysis, Defence People Strategy and Policy Group.

Commodore Wolski has made a distinguished contribution to workforce planning, providing excellent support to the Portfolio, Navy, Army, Air Force and the Australian Public Service. His outstanding leadership has provided Defence and Government assurance that Defence will have affordable numbers of people with the requisite competencies to deliver Defence capabilities required by Government.

Australian Army

Colonel Ashley Warren GUNDER, Qld

For exceptional service as the Commander Combat Training Centre and Senior Staff Officer Headquarters 1st Division during the period 2009 to 2015.

Colonel Gunder has demonstrated exceptional service in command, training and development streams over multiple appointments. His superior analytical action, meticulous attention to detail and innovation resulted in the delivery of timely and relevant training for Defence personnel preparing for combat operations. His performance is in keeping with the highest standards and finest traditions of the Australian Army, and the Australian Defence Force.

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Royal Australian Air Force

Group Captain Stephen Victor EDGELEY, NSW

For exceptional service in the field of Joint Battlefield Airspace Control for the Australian Defence Force.

Group Captain Edgeley's exceptional service over a prolonged period has produced enduring benefits to the Australian Defence Force in the development and future sustainability of Defence's Joint Battlefield Airspace Control capability. His perseverance, leadership and extraordinary dedication to the personnel of Number 44 Wing are unrivalled. His outstanding achievements have brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Air Commodore Stephen Leslie MEREDITH, SA

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Air Force in capability sustainment.

Air Commodore Meredith's inspirational leadership, remarkable managerial skill, and extraordinary systems thinking have made an exceptional contribution to the sustainment of major Air Force capabilities over several years of conspicuous dedicated service. He is an officer of impeccable character whose drive, outstanding fortitude, pragmatism and unwavering loyalty to the Royal Australian Air Force and its people have produced a range of enduring benefits that have brought great credit upon him, and been in the finest traditions of the Australian Defence Force.

Group Captain Sandra Patricia RILEY, ACT

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force through her contribution to the development and deployment of the aeromedical evacuation capability.

Group Captain Riley has made an exceptional contribution to the development and deployment of an aeromedical evacuation capability in the Australian Defence Force. Through her vision, drive leadership, skill, and exceptional dedication the contribution she has personally made to development of this strategic capability and the positive impact it has had on the morale and welfare of members of the Australian Defence Force is incalculable. Her achievements have brought credit upon herself and the Royal Australian Air Force, and have been in the finest traditions of the Australian Defence Force.

Air Vice Marshal Gavin Alexander TURNBULL, ACT

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force in air combat capability development and support to military operations.

Air Vice-Marshal Turnbull's extraordinary airmanship and exceptional managerial skill were crucial to improving the operation and sustained preparedness of the F/A-18A Hornet capability. Further, his superior leadership was key to the success of innumerable air and space operations in the Middle East and Australian theatres throughout a period marked by high operational tempo. Of particular significance, his unswerving devotion to duty also contributed to saving lives and reduced the suffering of large numbers of people in need in different parts of our region.

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Air Commodore Peter Craig YATES CSC, ACT

For exceptional service in technical maintenance reform and logistics management.

Air Commodore Yates has positively shaped the technical landscape of the Air Force for decades; through inspirational leadership, conspicuous drive, exceptional engineering skill, and the extraordinary management of complex activities in highly demanding circumstances. He is a most impressive senior engineering officer who has made a significant contribution to technical maintenance reform and logistics management in several prominent appointments since 2007 that have brought great credit upon him and been in the finest traditions of the Australian Defence Force.

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Royal Australian Navy

Warrant Officer Rachelle Lee BURNETT, ACT

For meritorious performance of duty as the Naval Police Coxswain in ARDENT FOUR and HMAS *Toowoomba* during the period 2009 to 2014.

Warrant Officer Burnett demonstrated inspirational leadership, courage, determination and innovation during two deployments to the Middle East Region, border protection operations and the search for Malaysian Airlines Flight MH370. Her treatment of casualties onboard HMAS *Childers* following an explosion on Suspected Irregular Entry Vessel 36, whole ship coordination and leadership of HMAS *Toowoomba*'s Narcotics Disposal Team were instrumental to the operational success.

Warrant Officer Stuart Ronald O'BRIEN, NSW

For meritorious service as a Maritime Logistics Personnel Sailor in the field of personnel services and as the founder of the Defence Gay and Lesbian Information Service.

Warrant Officer O'Brien as the Senior Personnel Manager at HMAS *Kuttabul* has positively impacted the lives and welfare of over five thousand Australian Defence Force personnel and their families. As founder and chairperson of the Defence Gay and Lesbian Information Service, Warrant Officer O'Brien has equally enhanced the lives and careers of these members and their families and helped foster a culture of inclusion and respect within Defence. His professionalism and leadership are in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

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Royal Australian Navy (cont)

Chief Petty Officer Jay Barrett STEVENSON, NSW

For meritorious service as a Senior Sailor in the field of Personnel Management and Support.

Chief Petty Officer Stevenson's committed and meritorious career has spanned 19 years. During this time, his contribution to sailor retention, career management and new policy implementation, Navy Continuous Improvement at a time of significant personnel shortfalls, and HMAS *Parramatta's* logistics and aviation capability was underpinned by a relentless drive, professionalism and the ability to solve organisational problems. His dedication to personnel management and support has delivered enhanced capability for the Royal Australian Navy.

Warrant Officer Nigel Mark WILLIAMS CSM, NSW

For meritorious service as a Chief Petty Officer Bosun in the Royal Australian Navy.

Warrant Officer Williams' (then Chief Petty Officer) vigour, enthusiasm, leadership and dedication have achieved the highest professional standards in the execution of his duties and training of subordinates over a twenty one year career. His exceptional commitment to leadership, safety and service has had an enduring impact on the conduct of Navy and Government's Border Security Operations since 2008, and more recently to the materiel preparedness of HMAS *Tobruk*.

Australian Army

Warrant Officer Class One Craig Douglas EGAN, Qld

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of Headquarters 4th Brigade, Corps of Royal Australian Engineers, Combined Arms Training Centre and the 1st Division/Deployable Joint Force Headquarters during the period January 2010 to June 2015.

As a senior Regimental Sergeant Major across several appointments, Warrant Officer Class One Egan has been an exceptional leader and trainer demonstrating superior analytical skill, attention to detail, innovation and high personal standards. His exceptional devotion to duty has directly contributed to improvements in trade structures, combat engineer capability and discipline procedures across the Defence Force. His meritorious service is in keeping with the highest standards, and finest traditions of the Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Warrant Officer Class One Anthony Maxwell HORTLE, SA

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 16th Air Land Regiment and the School of Artillery.

Warrant Officer Class One Hortle developed initiatives, led and supported fundamental changes to unit capability and organisation at 16th Air Land Regiment and has significantly influenced training and development at the School of Artillery. His professionalism, leadership and ability to adapt to new capabilities have inspired all those he has served with, and will have a lasting effect on both the 16th Air Land Regiment and the School of Artillery.

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Australian Army (cont)

Warrant Officer Class One Michael Desmond LANDY, SA

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 31st/42nd Battalion, the Royal Queensland Regiment and the 7th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class One Landy's professionalism, leadership and work ethic have been instrumental in stewarding the soldiers of the 31st/42nd Battalion, Royal Queensland Regiment and the 7th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, in preparation for operational deployments. His application of skills and knowledge combined with his dedication and mentoring of subordinates is exceptional and has directly influenced the development of the Infantry capability in Army.

Warrant Officer Class One Peter Edwin RUSSELL, NSW

For meritorious service as the Senior Cargo Specialist of Maritime Wing, Army School of Transport and Headquarters 17th Combat Service Support Brigade, and Operations Warrant Officer of 10th Force Support Battalion.

Warrant Officer Russell's career has epitomised a passion to excel. His intelligence, skilful planning and dedication to duty has delivered outstanding results in the operational and training spheres. His relentless drive as the Subject Matter Advisor for the Cargo Specialist trade has exponentially strengthened the subordinate trade knowledge. Warrant Officer Russell's outstanding service epitomises Army's values and is in the finest traditions of the Australian Army.

Warrant Officer Class One Peter ZAJAC CSC, Vic

For meritorious performance of duties as Regimental Sergeant Major of the Defence Command Support Training Centre and Ceremonial - Army.

Warrant Officer Class one Zajac consistently fulfilled his duties to an exceptional level over twelve years as a formation level Regimental Sergeant Major with his efforts enhancing Army's reputation in the Australian community and internationally and improving the performance and discipline of all ranks through leadership, promotion of Army values, building of esprit de corps and an unwavering commitment to soldier development and welfare.

Royal Australian Air Force

Warrant Officer Cameron John LAWRENCE, ACT

For meritorious performance of duty as an Aircraft Technician in the Royal Australian Air Force.

Warrant Officer Lawrence has made a significant contribution to the technical integrity of the aviation spares system, logistics sustainment, and maintenance production planning for the Australian Defence Force over several postings since 2003. Through outstanding initiative, superior technical expertise and extraordinary ingenuity he has produced enduring benefits in several areas of Defence activity. Warrant Officer Lawrence's performance has been most outstanding and without peer, and has brought great credit upon him.