

## CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

### ***Royal Australian Navy***

#### **Lieutenant Debra Jane NEIL RAN, Vic**

For meritorious achievement as the Course Implementation Officer, Royal Australian Navy Recruit School.

As the Course Implementation Officer, Royal Australian Navy Recruit School, Lieutenant Neil has been an outstanding officer who has been responsible for the redevelopment of the General Entry Recruit course. She has taken the course from one that was outdated and no longer complied with Navy's standards or reflected best practice, to one that met both Defence and Navy's mandated requirements and provides recruits with a set of competencies and skills that fully prepares them for their category training and the rigours of life at sea.

#### **Lieutenant Duncan John PERRYMAN RANR, ACT**

For meritorious achievement as the Royal Australian Navy Senior Naval Historical Officer.

Lieutenant Perryman has made a most significant contribution to the historical research undertaken by the Royal Australian Navy. As demonstrated by his involvement in the recent successful search for the wreck of HMAS *Sydney* off the coast of Western Australia, he has shown abundant initiative, clarity of thought and highly effective communication skills. As the key source of advice and direction on a wide range of historical matters, he has shown great skill and acumen in balancing a strong professional background with a practical approach to developing and implementing policy that is consistent with the Royal Australian Navy's heritage.

#### **Chief Petty Officer Paul Ernest PHILLIPS, WA**

For meritorious achievement as the senior electrical sailor onboard HMAS *Anzac*.

Chief Petty Officer Phillips' tireless devotion to duty, outstanding leadership, superb management techniques and dedication to duty are inspirational. His personal commitment to the safety of all personnel and the integrity of the electrical distribution systems onboard HMAS *Anzac* has been outstanding. Able to generate enthusiasm through his 'follow me' leadership style, his mentoring, insightful guidance, and attention to detail, Chief Petty Officer Phillips has produced motivated sailors who, in turn, will sustain electrical knowledge in the *Anzac* Class ships for years to come.

#### **Lieutenant Commander Fraser Anderssen VERGELIUS RAN, NSW**

For devotion to duty as the Submarine Plans Officer, Fleet Headquarters.

Lieutenant Commander Vergelius demonstrated outstanding professional skill and selfless dedication in ably preparing meticulous plans for every major exercise involving Australian submarines over a 4 years' period. His zealous pursuit of excellence was fundamental to the successful conduct of those exercises, to the production and refinement of a wealth of submarine-related doctrine, and to significant enhancements in both the domestic and the international reputation of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

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*Royal Australian Navy* (continued)

**Chief Petty Officer Jeremy Micheal WADE**, United States of America

For meritorious achievement in optimising the materiel state and personnel training as a Marine Technician onboard HMAS *Warramunga*.

Chief Petty Officer Wade has consistently and enthusiastically dedicated himself to ensure that HMAS *Warramunga*'s technical sailors and platform systems have achieved an exemplary level of readiness. His diligent and inspirational leadership and outstanding technical performance in extremely challenging service environments are attributes that have ensured HMAS *Warramunga* has repeatedly achieved numerous significant operational commitments over the past 6 years.

**Chaplain Graeme Maxwell WATKINSON RAN**, Vic

For devotion to duty as the Senior Chaplain Training at HMAS *Cerberus*, particularly towards the introduction of the Lifeskills and Alpha programs into the Royal Australian Navy.

Chaplain Watkinson has successfully introduced two new personal development courses into the Royal Australian Navy. The Lifeskills and Alpha to the Forces programs, to be used by chaplains and others in small groups, are significantly adding to the morale and personal development of Australian Defence Force personnel and their families. His complete commitment to both of these initiatives and to the chaplains who are using them is in accordance with the highest standards of the Royal Australian Navy.

### ***Australian Army***

**Warrant Officer Class Two Glenn David ARMSTRONG**, ACT

For meritorious achievement as Squadron Sergeant Major at the Australian Defence Force Academy.

Warrant Officer Armstrong is an exemplary soldier who has consistently displayed professional excellence, inspirational leadership and mentoring, and an outstanding dedication to the development of junior officers in the challenging and demanding tri-service environment of the Australian Defence Force Academy. Warrant Officer Armstrong's knowledge, extensive Arms Corps experience, abundant capacity and reliability have consistently produced high quality junior officers for the Australian Defence Force.

**Captain Michael Robert BLAZELY**, Tas

For meritorious achievement as the Logistics Officer, Rotation 12, Combined Task Force 635, Solomon Islands, between April and August 2007.

Captain Blazely is an exceptional officer who displays professional excellence and exceptional dedication to duty. His commitment and efforts were fundamental to providing the vital logistics support to Combined International Taskforce 635 in the Solomon Islands and supporting the force in its mission to achieve the required operational outcomes. He consistently demonstrated impressive leadership, an exceptional capacity for work and a strong military ethos. Captain Blazely is an outstanding role model for all ranks.

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*Australian Army* (continued)

**Warrant Officer Class One David Graeme BROWN, Qld**

For meritorious achievement as the Chief Clerk of the Headquarters 3rd Brigade in support of operational readiness for deployment to Timor Leste in 2006.

Warrant Officer Brown has exhibited exceptional devotion to service as the Chief Clerk of Headquarters 3rd Brigade. His outstanding analytical ability, planning skills, tireless and exemplary commitment, initiative, and strong leadership ensured a high level of personnel readiness across the 3rd Brigade, critical to the success of the short notice deployment of the Brigade, particularly to Timor Leste in 2006. His ongoing efforts have also made an enormous contribution to the operational capability of the 3rd Brigade. His professionalism, leadership, personal drive, enthusiasm and dedication to duty have brought credit to himself and the Australian Army.

**Warrant Officer Class Two Joanne Pamela CRIPPS, Vic**

For meritorious achievement as the Company Sergeant Major, Administration Company, the 7th Combat Services Support Battalion.

Warrant Officer Cripps' commitment to the Australian Army, its values, ethos and traditions is marked by her outstanding service where she guided the Company in personnel management, administration, training, discipline and ceremonial functions. Warrant Officer Cripps' performance of these functions was well above what would be normally expected of her rank. Her personal drive and dedication as the Company Sergeant Major of Administration Company has been exemplary.

**Warrant Officer Class Two Donald Edward GILSON, NSW**

For devotion to duty as the Warrant Officer Operations for Joint Operations Support Staff, New South Wales.

Warrant Officer Gilson's performance as the Operations Warrant Officer for Joint Operations Support Staff New South Wales has been exceptional. He has managed a complex range of coordination and liaison duties, particularly with State Emergency and Police Services, and Sydney airport authorities to ensure all Defence operational activities within the Sydney region have been achieved over the past two years. His professionalism, dedication and commitment to all duties have been exemplary, particularly during Defence's support to APEC 2007. Warrant Officer Gilson's performance is in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

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*Australian Army* (continued)

**Sergeant Eliot Barlow KRUGER, Vic**

For meritorious achievement as Interface Sergeant and Manager of Telecommunications Systems within the Defence Communications Station Melbourne.

Sergeant Kruger's professional excellence and inspirational leadership has enabled the provision of outstanding levels of communications support. His commitment and technical expertise facilitated a complete restructure of the entire communications station during a busy operational period. The dedication he has displayed is consistent with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and has brought credit to the Defence Communication Station Melbourne and the Australian Defence Force.

**Major Ronaldo Zalamea MANAHAN, NSW**

For devotion to duty as a Staff Officer Grade 2 Training Plans at Headquarters Training Command – Army.

Major Manahan has displayed consistent and profound professional excellence. His initiative, dedication to duty and foresight have enabled him to develop an innovative system to predict the Australian Army's Directed Training Requirement. Major Manahan designed, developed and implemented a system that accurately calculates and manages Directed Training Requirement over a 5 years' period, thereby savings in resources and introducing efficiencies in the staff process.

**Warrant Officer Class Two David Charles OLIVER, Qld**

For meritorious achievement as the All Source Intelligence Facility Commander, 3rd Reconstruction Task Force on Operation SLIPPER.

Warrant Officer Oliver's understanding of Taliban Command and Control structures, along with their methods of operation, resulted in the capture of 5 low-level Taliban commanders, the detection of numerous Improvised Explosive Devices and the capture of a key Taliban Improvised Explosive Device facilitator. Through a combination of excellent leadership and an outstanding appreciation of the high threat environment, Warrant Officer Oliver directly contributed to the force protection of Australian and Coalition troops in Oruzgan Province, Afghanistan.

**Private Michael Anthony RAYNER, SA**

For devotion to duty as the Operator Supply of the 110th Air Defence Battery, the 16th Air Defence Regiment.

Private Rayner has demonstrated exceptional dedication in his appointment as the Operator Supply of the 110th Air Defence Battery, the 16th Air Defence Regiment. His superior work ethic and ability to perform his duties and responsibilities effectively, demonstrates maturity, professionalism and dedication beyond that expected of his rank and experience. Private Rayner has provided his Battery with exceptional service, and served the Australian Army with distinction.

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*Australian Army* (continued)

**Warrant Officer Class Two Dale Bradley WALLACE, NSW**

For devotion to duty as the Training Warrant Officer, Regimental Headquarters, 1st/15th Royal New South Wales Lancers.

Warrant Officer Wallace displayed outstanding leadership, initiative and professional excellence in fulfilling his primary and additional duties. He skilfully designed, delivered and resourced training to support the implementation of the new Light Cavalry capability within the 5th Brigade. At all stages he energetically supported his Commanding Officer in this endeavour while positively influencing unit morale during a period of significant cultural change. His dedication to duty has been in accordance with the highest standards of the Australian Army.

***Royal Australian Air Force***

**Corporal Robert John BEDGGOOD, NT**

For meritorious achievement as the Non-Commissioned Officer-in-Charge of Delamere Air Weapons Range, Number 44 Wing Detachment Tindal.

Corporal Bedggood has displayed outstanding initiative, professional excellence and dedication to duty resulting in upgraded communication and security systems at the Delamere Air Weapons Range. The operational capability at Delamere Air Weapons Range has been significantly enhanced through the outstanding efforts and commitment of Corporal Bedggood.

**Warrant Officer Wayne Thomas MILLIGAN, NSW**

For meritorious achievement as an Airworthiness Flight Systems Engineer at Air Movements Training and Development Unit.

Warrant Officer Milligan has displayed great professional skill, initiative, drive and motivation during his posting as an Airworthiness Flight Systems Engineer. Through his tireless creation of aircraft loading aids, such as instruction manuals and computerised tools, he has greatly streamlined the aircraft loading process and made it safer and more effective. As a result, he has significantly enhanced the capability of Air Lift Group within the Australian Defence Force.

**Wing Commander Sarah Jane PEARSON, NSW**

For meritorious achievement in support of air combat capability as the Commanding Officer of the Strike Reconnaissance Logistics Management Unit.

Wing Commander Pearson is an exceptional officer who displays outstanding professionalism, inspirational leadership and initiative, and an exceptional dedication to duty under extremely challenging and demanding circumstances. Wing Commander Pearson has made an outstanding contribution to maintenance and support of the Royal Australian Air Force's air combat capability in the face of a highly dynamic capability and resource management environment.

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*Royal Australian Air Force* (continued)

**Corporal David Gerard RAYFIELD, Qld**

For meritorious achievement as the General Support Equipment Fitter at Royal Australian Air Force Base Scherger.

Corporal Rayfield is an outstanding airman who consistently displays outstanding professional expertise above that expected of his rank and exemplary dedication to duty during times of increased hardship created by reduced manning in a remote locality. Corporal Rayfield has not only maintained his large fleet of vehicles at a very high serviceability rate but also travelled to the other bare bases, increasing the operational capability of all bare bases and improving their efficiency.

***United States Air Force***

**Major Lee Campbell GUTHRIE, Qld**

For meritorious achievement as the C-17A Globemaster United States Air Force exchange officer and the Standards and Role Qualification Flight Commander at Number 36 Squadron.

Major Guthrie has been instrumental in the successful stand-up of Initial Operating Capability of the C-17A aircraft and in meeting the operational airworthiness standards. The exceptional achievements of Major Guthrie are truly remarkable considering the workload involved, complexity of that workload, and the unprecedented short timelines required. He personifies the highest of professional standards and brings great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the United States Air Force.