

MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY (MG)

Australian Army

Corporal Michael Patrick CHALK, Qld

For acts of gallantry in action in hazardous circumstances while an Engineer Search Commander in the Tangi Valley, Afghanistan, on 10 March 2012.

In the Tangi Valley, Afghanistan, Corporal Chalk's partnered patrol came under effective machine gun, sniper and small arms fire from an enemy force occupying dominating terrain. Corporal Chalk risked his life time and again by moving through open ground and enemy fire to support Afghan National Army soldiers, restoring order and confidence. His actions helped regain the initiative and undoubtedly saved lives.

Sergeant J,

For acts of gallantry in action in hazardous circumstances as an explosive ordnance disposal technician with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Following an improvised explosive device explosion in a compound in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, Sergeant J cleared safe paths to two casualties using only his bare hands and a mine prodder. He continued to clear and evacuate other members of the patrol to safety, discovering additional devices, recovering mission essential equipment and gathering intelligence. His actions undoubtedly saved lives. Sergeant J's gallantry in the most hazardous circumstances was of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

COMMENDATION FOR GALLANTRY

Australian Army

Corporal Anthony Patrick CLARKE, NSW

For acts of gallantry in action while commanding a high risk search team in the 3rd Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment Task Group, in Khas Uruzgan, Afghanistan, on 2 September 2012.

Following an improvised explosive device strike that wounded three Afghan National Security Force personnel, and with complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal Clarke moved through uncleared ground to assist one of the casualties. Only after he was confident that there was no threat to his fellow soldiers did he call medical assistants forward. Corporal Clarke's acts of gallantry in assisting a wounded comrade were in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Private J,

For acts of gallantry in action while on operations with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Private J's courage and determination in the face of sustained heavy fire directly contributed to the safety of his team, and enabled his platoon to manoeuvre effectively against an established insurgent force. His acts of gallantry were in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Private L,

For acts of gallantry in action while on operations with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Private L provided lifesaving first aid to wounded comrades in two separate incidents in difficult circumstances and at considerable personal risk. His courage, determination and skill undoubtedly saved lives. His acts of gallantry were in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

BAR to the DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel I,

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as Commanding Officer of Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Lieutenant Colonel I commanded the Special Operations Task Group during the critical period of initial drawdown of Australian force elements from Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan. Under his distinguished leadership, the Task Group significantly enhanced the security of conventional Australian and Coalition force elements; provided the space for Afghan forces to assume lead security responsibility in the Province; and made a significant contribution to the reduction of the insurgency in southern Afghanistan.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC)

Australian Army

Major K,

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Major K commanded a special forces element through the height of the 2012 Afghan summer fighting season, undertaking a number of demanding independent operations in hostile terrain against a determined adversary. He sustained the Company through a challenging tour in which it achieved a significant effect on the insurgency in southern Afghanistan. His distinguished command and leadership were of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)

Australian Army

Captain A,

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Captain A distinguished himself as a determined and courageous leader in very difficult circumstances. His leadership during sustained, complex operations was exemplary and directly contributed to the safety of all members of the Task Group. Captain A's composure in adversity and devotion to his men were of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Major Gregory John COLTON, Qld

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as Officer Commanding Mentoring Team Charlie, 3rd Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment Task Group on Operation SLIPPER from June to November 2012.

Major Colton's distinguished leadership resulted in the Afghan National Army 3rd Kandak being consistently rated as the best in the 4th Brigade and the first Afghan National Army Kandak capable of independent operations. Through exemplary leadership and personal example Major Colton maintained the focus of his men and the Kandak commander to achieve their combined mission successfully in the most challenging of circumstances.

Major G,

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Major G commanded a special forces element in Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan, during the height of the 2012 summer fighting season. Under his distinguished leadership, his unit contributed to the security of conventional forces in the province, the development of Afghan forces and the reduction of the insurgency in southern Afghanistan. His distinguished command and leadership were of the highest order and in accordance with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Captain Anthony William HARRIS, Qld

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as mobile advisory group commander in Mentoring Team Charlie, 3rd Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment Task Group on Operation SLIPPER from June to November 2012.

Captain (then Lieutenant) Harris displayed exemplary leadership and personal courage while in command of a mobile advisory group tasked to support an Afghan National Army patrol in Qadam Shalay, Khaz Uruzgan. His leadership and personal example enabled the re-establishment of an abandoned checkpoint. Captain Harris was instrumental in facilitating the swift evacuation of a seriously wounded Australian soldier, and his personal intervention persuaded the Afghan National Army not to abandon the position.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)

Colonel Benjamin Nicholas JAMES AM, USA

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as part of Combined Team Uruzgan on Operation SLIPPER.

Colonel James distinguished himself by superior leadership through a long and challenging appointment. In his role within Combined Team Uruzgan, he was a model coalition partner and displayed outstanding judgement in dealing with tactical problems. As a senior Australian officer in Uruzgan Province, he set the standard for operational discipline and the pursuit of Australia's interests. His actions were of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Sergeant K ,

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as a patrol commander with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Details not available at the request of Sergeant K.

Major L,

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding and as the Executive Officer with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Major L made a distinguished contribution to the Special Operations Task Group in Afghanistan over the course of multiple demanding rotations. He contributed to the planning and execution of more than 500 missions, and his responsibilities extended across every facet of the Task Group. Force elements under his leadership invariably produced superior results in even the most difficult circumstances. His leadership was of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Captain N,

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as a platoon commander with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Captain N commanded a special forces platoon during the height of the 2012 Afghan summer fighting season. In often difficult circumstances, he consistently demonstrated exemplary leadership in both acceptance of responsibilities and the application of technical skills. His actions were of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Royal Australian Navy

Commander John STAVRIDIS RAN, NSW

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Commanding Officer HMAS Anzac on Operation SLIPPER from June 2012 to January 2013.

Commander Stavridis gave a distinguished performance as Commanding Officer of Australia's major fleet unit in the Middle East Area of Operations. He delivered highly effective maritime capability to the Combined Maritime Forces and in support of Australian tasking, significantly enhancing regional maritime security and Australia's national interests. His achievements were in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Australian Army

Corporal Steven Patrick COURT, Qld

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as the second-in-command of an infantry section in 3rd Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment Task Group in Khas Uruzgan, Afghanistan, in August 2012.

While supporting an Afghan National Army patrol, Corporal Court responded quickly and decisively to an improvised explosive device detonation which severely wounded an Australian soldier. His command of the situation and administration of combat first aid were instrumental in saving the life of the wounded soldier. His calm leadership, humility and stoicism after the incident inspired all ranks in his team.

Lieutenant Colonel Brendan Patrick COX, Qld

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Chief of Staff of the 205th Corps Coalition Advisory Team on Operation SLIPPER from March to September 2012.

Lieutenant Colonel Cox distinguished himself by his leadership and drive in an appointment that was critical to the development of the Afghan National Army in southern Afghanistan. He worked tirelessly to ensure his unit provided effective mentorship to key staff of the Afghan 205th Corps Headquarters, and was himself a superb mentor for the Chief of Staff of the Headquarters. He also improved systems which greatly enhanced the effectiveness and force protection of his team.

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Brigadier Dianne Maree GALLASCH AM CSC, ACT

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Director General Transition and Redeployment on Operation SLIPPER from January to December 2012.

Brigadier Gallasch led the planning effort for redeployment of Australian forces from Afghanistan following transition of security responsibility to the Afghan National Security Forces. In a complex and highly fluid environment, she developed a comprehensive and thoroughly practical plan which positioned Australia for an effective and efficient redeployment. She distinguished herself through persistent attention to detail, extensive liaison with key stakeholders and a tireless work ethic.

Lieutenant Colonel James Andrew HAMMETT, Qld

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as the Chief of Staff, Headquarters Combined Team Uruzgan on Operation SLIPPER from January to October 2012.

Lieutenant Colonel Hammett made an enduring contribution to the effectiveness and force protection of Headquarters Combined Team Uruzgan and Multi-National Base Tarin Kowt through a series of improvements to governance arrangements. He consistently displayed superior initiative, professional knowledge and commitment. His performance was in accordance with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Captain N,

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as an Officer-in-Charge with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Captain N distinguished herself by her dedication to duty and unwillingness to compromise her exceptionally high standards. She found innovative ways to improve intelligence procedures, ensured that priorities were consistent with Australia's policy and international obligations, and shouldered an extraordinary workload in order to maintain the Task Group's tempo. Her achievements are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Lance Corporal Errol John PARSONS, Qld

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as an Engineer Search Brick Commander, Mentoring Task Force 4, in Afghanistan from January to July 2012.

Lance Corporal Parsons consistently maintained the highest standards of technical discipline and dedication to duty in extremely stressful and demanding conditions. Under his calm and decisive leadership, his team reduced large quantities of improvised explosive devices and components in numerous caches. His inspiring work ethic and ability to lead by example kept his team and their partners safe, enhanced security in Uruzgan Province, and contributed to the development of the 4th Brigade, Afghan National Army.

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Major R,

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Major R distinguished himself through consistent superior leadership and application of technical skills. He has provided security to the Afghan people and Coalition forces by directly contributing to national interests in Afghanistan. Major R's distinguished leadership and relentless pursuit of the enemy have been in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Corporal Benjamin ROBERTS-SMITH VC MG, Qld

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as a patrol commander with the Special Operations Task Group on Operation SLIPPER.

Corporal Roberts-Smith distinguished himself as an outstanding leader on multiple high risk counter-leadership operations. He gave generously of his experience in mentoring less experienced soldiers, and skilfully planned and executed even the most difficult and dangerous of operations. His efforts are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Lieutenant Colonel S ,

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as an Officer Commanding with the Special Operations Task Group, and as a Special Operations Forces Staff Officer on Operation SLIPPER in Afghanistan.

Lieutenant Colonel S displayed distinguished leadership as a sub-unit commander with the Special Operations Task Group and subsequently as a senior staff officer on Headquarters International Security Assistance Force Special Operations Forces. He consistently demonstrated high levels of technical skill, outstanding tactical acumen and superb judgement. His performance was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Major Philip WHITEHEAD, Vic

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Officer Commanding the 4th Brigade Operational Mentoring Liaison Team on Operation SLIPPER from January to June 2012.

Major Whitehead gave a distinguished performance as senior mentor to the Afghan National Army 4th Brigade Headquarters. His candid and forthright approach to mentoring instilled confidence in his Afghan National Army partners and resulted in greatly improved enthusiasm, vigour and professionalism in their planning and execution of operations. His achievements were of the highest order and in accordance with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Royal Australian Air Force

Air Commodore Christopher James SAWADE CSC, SA

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as Deputy Commander Joint Task Force 633 on Operation SLIPPER from March to November 2012.

Air Commodore Sawade gave a distinguished performance as deputy to two successive Joint Task Force commanders. His sophisticated understanding of the strategic context of the operation made him a trusted adviser and enabled him, when necessary, to exercise command with authority. He provided valuable support to subordinate commanders and staff, and oversaw measurable improvement in the capacity of the Joint Task Force Headquarters.

BAR to the CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS

Royal Australian Navy

Commander Jan Elizabeth NOONAN CSC RAN, NSW

For outstanding achievement as Deputy Director Navy Category Management (Warfare).

Commander Noonan's superior leadership, meticulous attention to detail and innate ability to analyse and develop simple effective solutions to complex problems have delivered the Maritime Warfare Community a clear path to support future capability. Her unwavering devotion to duty epitomises the Royal Australian Navy's core values and signature behaviours. Her conduct and achievements are of the highest order and in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

Royal Australian Navy

Lieutenant Commander Richard John FOSTER RANR, NSW

For outstanding achievement as Project Officer at Training Authority - Aviation and the development of the Aviation Support Category training package.

Lieutenant Commander Foster's achievements at Training Authority - Aviation have been outstanding. He has delivered a world class Aviation Category training simulation capability for the new *Canberra* class amphibious ships which also has the potential to be expanded to other areas of aviation ground training in an economical and highly effective package. This capability will be of long-lasting benefit to Naval Aviation and all aviation elements embarked in the *Canberra* class.

Commander Lawrence Harry STUBBS RANR, NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty as Project Manager Fleet Regulatory Review Implementation Team in Fleet Command.

Commander Stubbs' tireless efforts resulted in the successful establishment of the Fleet Regulatory Review Implementation Team and the alignment of its many tasks associated with the implementation of the Navy engineering safety and governance reforms in Fleet Command. His dedication to duty and outstanding professionalism has resulted in significant improvements to safety and seaworthiness management processes throughout the Fleet.

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel David Anthony BISHOP, NSW

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade One Legal at Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Lieutenant Colonel Bishop has made an outstanding contribution to the planning and execution of Australian Defence Force operations and major joint exercises. His exceptional performance in providing legal support to major domestic operations, advice on a range of issues critical to Defence actions and groundbreaking legal work on cyber and emerging technology were pivotal to operational success.

Lieutenant Colonel Glen Jeffrey BRAITHWAITE, ACT

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade One - Base Support in the Directorate of Logistics - Army.

Lieutenant Colonel Braithwaite's tireless commitment and professionalism have ensured, during a time of significant financial constraint, that the Australian Army's Base Support requirements have been appropriately represented and enabled. Lieutenant Colonel Braithwaite achieved this through his exceptional understanding and insight of base support issues, the conduct of detailed research and staff work, and through outstanding leadership. His commitment and motivation are in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

Lieutenant Colonel David Lindsay GARSIDE, USA

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade One Joint Effects Plans at Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Lieutenant Colonel Garside's leadership and superior dedication to duty as the Joint Effects Plans Staff Officer Grade One in Headquarters Joint Operations Command resulted in a superior review and assessment of Australian Defence Force operational plans in Afghanistan, East Timor and the Solomon Islands. His effects-based approach to analysis and planning for major Australian campaigns ensured senior commanders and deployed commanders received cogent, precise and timely operational products to complement strategic national obligations.

Sergeant J,

For distinguished achievement and contribution to facilities management with the 2nd Commando Regiment.

Sergeant J's innovative leadership and exemplary performance while in charge of the Special Forces Training Facility, 2nd Commando Regiment, have significantly contributed to the strong operational performance of the 2nd Commando Regiment. His innovative training methodology and operational alignment have resulted in highly proficient Commandos. Sergeant J's service is in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Lieutenant Colonel Amanda Alice JOHNSTON, Qld

For outstanding achievement as a staff officer within Modernisation and Strategic Plans Division of Army Headquarters.

Lieutenant Colonel Johnston has made an outstanding contribution across the Force Modernisation Continuum. Through her dedication in managing the Australian Army's establishments and leadership while conducting unit establishment changes as a result of Plan BEERSHEBA, she has delivered the necessary force structures whilst maintaining personnel establishment caps and rank and trade sustainability. Her exceptional leadership and dedication have significantly contributed to the Australian Army both now and into the future.

Lieutenant Colonel David Anthony LYNCH, Qld

For outstanding achievement in support of the fielding of the Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter from 2002 to 2012.

Lieutenant Colonel Lynch has contributed greatly to the fielding of the Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter. He has provided significant leadership and guidance into the development of sound conceptual plans, regulations, simulation, flying instruction and tactical development, and the establishment of the first Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter squadron level capability. Through his commitment and knowledge, he has maximised the potential of this aircraft by developing robust plans to ensure the continued growth of this capability.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

Lieutenant Colonel Bradley Noel ORCHARD, NSW

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade One Workforce Reform within Personnel Branch - Army Headquarters.

Lieutenant Colonel Orchard's capacity for original thought, his ability as a leader and as a manager of change have ensured that the Australian Army will be a more inclusive and diverse organisation. His efforts have embedded enduring changes that will allow the Australian Army to become more representative of the nation that it serves. His commitment and motivation are in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Royal Australian Air Force

Wing Commander Karen Elizabeth ASHWORTH, ACT

For outstanding achievement in strategic personnel reform of the Royal Australian Air Force.

Wing Commander Ashworth's outstanding achievements have advanced the status and employability of the Reserves and significantly enhanced the Royal Australian Air Force's reputation as a leader in personnel administration in Defence. She is an exceptional officer consistently displaying inspirational leadership, transformational vision, exceptional perseverance and unswerving dedication to the Royal Australian Air Force in an extremely challenging and difficult period, which has left a most positive organisational legacy that should endure for decades.

Squadron Leader Anthony Mark KAY, NSW

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Force Generation, Headquarters Number 84 Wing.

Squadron Leader Kay has made an outstanding contribution to the Royal Australian Air Force's air mobility capability. His timely and accurate advice has directly contributed to capability development and mission success in support of Australia's deployed forces. He has also been a central figure in reconfiguring the C-130J Raise, Train and Sustain framework, resulting in significant capability and financial improvements.

Squadron Leader Phillip Scott MACKIE CSM, NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty as leader of the Propulsions Integrated Project Team within the Airlift Systems Program Office in support of operational capability.

Squadron Leader Mackie successfully led the development and implementation of a range of propulsion system improvements and initiatives that have delivered major cost and capability benefits to the C-130J Hercules and AP-3C Orion weapon systems. His efforts directly contributed to the achievement of high levels of mission success by both aircraft types in overseas operations, and have generated substantial through-life support cost reductions.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

Wing Commander Colin Edward O'NEIL, Vic

For outstanding achievement as Deputy-Director for Air Mobility, Capability Development Group.

Wing Commander O'Neil's dedication to duty, ingenuity and ability to perform in extremely complex and demanding situations enabled the approval of several major air mobility aircraft projects, enhancing a critical capability for the Australian Defence Force. Approval of these projects has ensured the Australian Defence Force has modern military airlift now and into the future to meet Australia's airlift needs. Wing Commander O'Neil is a credit to Capability Development Group, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Royal Australian Navy

Petty Officer Philip Eric ANDREW, WA

For meritorious achievement as supervisor of the Circuit Card Assembly Test and Repair Facility - Fleet Support Unit West, and as an Electronics Technician in the rectification of defects on Collins Class Submarines and Surface Ships.

Petty Officer Andrew's technical ability, professionalism and leadership have directly contributed to increasing electronic spares and, subsequently, ship availability. His drive has seen the development of a first class circuit card assembly test and repair centre that is reaping significant savings. The results he has achieved have allowed Major Fleet Units to undertake programmed operational commitments, thus maintaining the Royal Australian Navy's capability and reputation.

Petty Officer Mitch Ryan ATKINS, WA

For meritorious achievement as Marine Technician Instructor at the Training Unit, ANZAC Ship Support Centre; developing the computer-based ANZAC Class Frigate Platform Training System for training ANZAC Class Marine Technicians.

Petty Officer Atkins has demonstrated outstanding achievement at the Training Unit, ANZAC Ship Support Centre, by applying his self-developed computer skills to produce a computer-based ANZAC Class Frigate Training System for Marine Technicians. Working unaided and in a most unique and innovative manner, Petty Officer Atkins produced a user-friendly training aid which provides ship familiarisation, system knowledge and 17 simulated ship systems.

Chief Petty Officer James David BISHOP, NT

For meritorious devotion to duty as Senior Technical Officer in ASSAIL SIX.

Chief Petty Officer Bishop is an outstanding Senior Technical Officer who has excelled in performance and leadership during his tenure of four years as head of the Engineering Department in ASSAIL SIX. His outstanding work ethic and dedication to his Command, subordinates and the Royal Australian Navy have been exemplary, and he has worked to achieve all Command and operational aims, often in complex and demanding conditions and circumstances.

Leading Seaman Lauren Elizabeth KING, Vic

For meritorious achievement as a Recruit School Instructor in HMAS Cerberus.

Leading Seaman King is a professional, passionate and dedicated sailor who has excelled as a Recruit School Instructor. She has been a role model for her fellow instructors and, importantly, she has played a key role in shaping the attitude and approach of the Royal Australian Navy's newest recruit sailors. Leading Seaman King's commitment embraces Navy's core values and signature behaviours and is in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Warrant Officer Shannon Leigh LOCKE, NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty as Hydrographic Surveying Category Manager at the Directorate of Navy Category Management, Director General Navy People.

Warrant Officer Locke has excelled in her duties as the Hydrographic Surveying Category Manager. Through a deep understanding of category issues, professional knowledge of personnel-related processes and procedures, and a strong commitment to organisation betterment, her innovations have significantly strengthened the Hydrographic Surveying category. Her devotion to duty is of the highest order and in the finest traditions of the Royal Australia Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Commander Michael Samuel OBORN RAN, Vic

For meritorious achievement as the Executive Officer, HMAS *Cerberus*.

Commander Oborn is a highly principled officer who has led the way for significant cultural reform at HMAS *Cerberus*. He has tackled difficult issues in a most complex training environment, building a positive and values-based culture. In his actions and words, he embraces the Royal Australian Navy's core values and signature behaviours, making him an exceptional role model, held in the highest of regard.

Chief Petty Officer Steven David PATERSON, WA

For meritorious devotion to duty as Chief Petty Officer Marine Technician in charge of propulsion systems in HMAS *Warramunga* while it was assigned to the Training Task Group.

Chief Petty Officer Paterson's performance during HMAS *Warramunga's* assignment to the Training Task Group has been outstanding. He has been highly engaged in the development and success of *Warramunga's* high intensity training program which has yielded a significant proportion of qualified Marine Technicians across the fleet. His leadership in training Marine Technicians has made a significant positive impact to the Marine Technician workforce, thus enhancing the capability of the Royal Australian Navy.

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel John Terence BOULOUKOS, ACT

For meritorious achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Two Sustainment within the Directorate of Logistics - Army.

Lieutenant Colonel Bouloukos' dedication and logistic knowledge have ensured the highest quality of sustainment support of the Australian Army's land material capabilities in times of significant fiscal pressure. His efforts to minimise capability impacts while finding the necessary savings have been outstanding. His simultaneous redevelopment of Army's Materiel Sustainment Agreements and the creation of a Measures of Success framework have directly improved Defence's land material sustainment. His performance is in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Corporal Rohan James COWLEY, Vic

For meritorious achievement as Communications and Information Systems Detachment Commander for the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Project 2012.

Corporal Cowley displayed initiative, leadership and technical expertise in a remote and challenging environment. By leading his team to establish and maintain communications and information system services for the Project, he contributed to its success and the well-being of team members. Corporal Cowley displayed maturity and proficiency well beyond that normally expected of a non-commissioned officer of his rank and experience.

Chaplain John Anthony CROSBY, WA

For meritorious devotion to duty as Chaplain of the 2nd Combat Engineer Regiment.

Chaplain Crosby's professionalism, dedication and genuine care for soldiers have improved the resilience and mental health of the members of his unit. Through his initiative, drive and perseverance, he has achieved outcomes that have positively changed the lives of countless soldiers and their families. His actions have resulted in deploying and returned soldiers receiving the highest possible care and tailored support, enhancing the performance of the 2nd Combat Engineer Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class Two Paul Ronald DABINET, SA

For meritorious achievement as Manager Company Operations, Defence Science and Technology Organisation, while serving in the Modernisation and Strategic Plans - Army.

Warrant Officer Dabinet has demonstrated an outstanding level of military service. His exemplary achievements are a result of his outstanding level of technical understanding, military judgment, innovation and application of intellect underpinned by an absolute commitment to duty, prodigious drive and unswerving determination to support the Defence Science and Technology Organisation and enhancing military capability. His professionalism and dedication to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Warrant Officer Class Two Paul Ashley DEHNERT, Qld

For meritorious achievement as Reconnaissance Warrant Officer for Tactics Wing, School of Infantry.

Warrant Officer Dehnert's dedication and achievement to introduce the Advanced Reconnaissance Course into the Australian Army have been exceptional and have produced highly skilled reconnaissance leaders. He demonstrated his initiative and foresight to create a productive network between the Infantry Battalions and the School of Infantry. This resulted in the unrestricted sharing of information to ensure an open discussion of operating procedures and the standardisation of the training of reconnaissance officers and soldiers.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Sergeant Timothy Edwards GRAY, NT

For meritorious achievement as a Corporal Transport Supervisor in the 1st Combat Service Support Battalion and contribution to transport capability in the 1st Brigade.

Sergeant Gray performed to an exceptional standard as a transport supervisor, acting Troop Sergeant and acting Troop Commander in the 1st Transport Squadron of the 1st Combat Service Support Battalion. His dedication, professional knowledge and ability to identify and communicate solutions to complex problems have resulted in sustained improvement to the availability of 1st Brigade's heavy transport support. His outstanding work has contributed to the future of Army heavy transport and resulted in major savings to the Commonwealth.

Colonel Russell John MADDALENA, NSW

For meritorious achievement as Director of Operational Plans in Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Colonel Maddalena's leadership and dedication to duty as the Director of Operational Plans in Headquarters Joint Operations Command resulted in the approval of critical operational-level planning products for new operations, sequels, major branch plans and contingency plans from July 2010 to December 2012. His outstanding and dedicated efforts always ensured the timely and accurate delivery of high quality and executable operational plans to meet priority domestic and overseas national objectives.

Major John Francis PEARSE, Vic

For meritorious achievement as Officer Commanding A Squadron (Victorian Mounted Rifles), 4th/19th Prince of Wales's Lighthorse Regiment.

Major Pearse's leadership has been exceptional in the command of a regionally dispersed Army reserve sub-unit in its support of Plan BEERSHEBA. He grew the organisation and enhanced its effectiveness over four years. He successfully led a Cavalry Combat Team at a 2010 Brigade Training activity, informed the cavalry aspects of the Australian Army's Plan BEERSHEBA and commanded the first Force Protection Group for Exercise HAMEL 2012. His guidance and actions were instrumental in the 2nd Division achieving mission success.

Warrant Officer Class Two Melinda Ann PRICE, Tas

For meritorious achievement as Chief Clerk of the 6th Brigade (Combat Support and Intelligence Surveillance Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance Group).

Warrant Officer Price provided meritorious service in synchronising and aligning the administration of the 6th Brigade Headquarters and its eleven geographically dispersed units. She established and implemented complex administrative and personnel process systems while taking on additional roles and responsibilities across a wide range of unique tasks. Her actions ensured successful implementation of a standardised and synchronised set of administrative processes and procedures for the 6th Brigade.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Warrant Officer Class Two Graham Kenneth ROBERTS, ACT

For meritorious devotion to duty as Psychology Liaison Officer, Defence Force Recruiting.

Warrant Officer Roberts has made an outstanding contribution to both Defence Force Recruiting and Defence Psychology. As Psychology Liaison Officer, he has displayed initiative and enthusiasm in improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the psychology assessment process, and played a leading role in managing the provision of psychology services under an outsourced service delivery model. His professionalism and commitment have helped to ensure that psychology services provided to both recruiting and Defence have been of the highest quality.

Warrant Officer Class One Clint William ROBERTSON, Qld

For meritorious achievement as Artificer Sergeant Major of the 2nd Combat Engineer Regiment and the 2nd/14th Light Horse Regiment (Queensland Mounted Infantry).

Warrant Officer Robertson's technical competence in the fields of maintenance and logistics has been exceptional and has contributed to the operational success of the 7th Brigade. He developed initiatives that improved equipment capability and increased the operational safety to vehicle crews. Warrant Officer Robertson underpinned these improvements with robust maintenance frameworks to ensure a lasting legacy and future capability success within the Brigade.

Sergeant S,

For meritorious achievement and contribution to a specialist capability at the Special Air Service Regiment.

Sergeant S is an inspirational soldier who has provided dedicated service to the Special Air Service Regiment. He has made significant contributions in the fields of sniper training and the wartime capabilities of the Special Air Service Regiment and the Royal Australian Regiment. Sergeant S's contributions are of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Major Peter Nathan SCOTT, Qld

For meritorious achievement as the Personnel Operations and Personnel Plans Major at Headquarters 1st Division.

Major Scott has demonstrated exemplary performance in completing the combined duties and responsibilities of personnel operations and plans. His meticulous attention to detail, accurate foresight and tireless work ethic have ensured the best possible manning and policy support for deploying forces. His achievements are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Royal Australian Air Force

Flight Sergeant Sean Alan BELL, NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty as a senior non-commissioned officer and Ground Systems Technical Lead for Project AIR5376 Phase 2 Stage 3 at Tactical Fighter Systems Program Office.

Flight Sergeant Bell is an exceptional senior non-commissioned officer, displaying professional excellence, creative thinking and innovation, resulting in cost-effective solutions to long standing aircraft maintenance limitations. His outstanding engineering designs and dedication have been recognised by the awarding of the prestigious Rolls Royce Eagle Trophy. He has contributed to an improved safety culture within the Royal Australian Air Force and has shown exemplary leadership, dedication and work ethic over his long career.

Sergeant Ewan Gordon EADIE, Qld

For meritorious achievement as Unit and Facility Security Manager at Number 1 Squadron during the introduction to service of the F/A-18F Super Hornet.

Sergeant Eadie was instrumental in the successful delivery and rapid establishment of the Super Hornet, displaying selfless work ethic and devotion to duty in shouldering an excessive workload for over three years. Complex facility and platform security requirements were faultlessly achieved, enabling the declaration of Final Operational Capability by Number 82 Wing.

Squadron Leader Jason Malu EASTHOPE, NSW

For meritorious achievement as Plans Officer Number 81 Wing Headquarters and as a tactical leader within Number 81 Wing.

Squadron Leader Easthope has demonstrated outstanding professional mastery, leadership and dedication to duty through his accomplishments as the Number 81 Wing Plans Officer. His contributions have had a significant, positive impact on Air Combat Group's ability to sustain a credible air combat capability during periods of significant resource constraints.

Warrant Officer Michelle Patricia FOLEY, Qld

For meritorious devotion to duty as Amberley Detachment Warrant Officer at Number 1 Combat Communications Squadron.

Warrant Officer Foley has demonstrated exceptional leadership and commitment in the most challenging of circumstances and has ensured Number 1 Combat Communications Squadron continues to meet operational requirements. Warrant Officer Foley's efforts in support of members, their careers and their families are an inspiration to all Royal Australian Air Force personnel. Her achievements are of the highest order and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

Flight Lieutenant David John SAVINA, NSW

For meritorious achievement as Instructor at Surveillance and Control Training Unit.

Flight Lieutenant Savina's exceptional drive, innovation and dedication to duty have delivered a simulation capability that is able to replicate the complexity and dynamism of the air combat environment to an unprecedented level. He has enhanced the quality of training for personnel operating in the modern air combat environment. His outstanding achievements have brought great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force.

Sergeant Donovan SILVERWOOD, SA

For meritorious achievement as the Training Manager within Project CORONIS, Electronic Systems Division, Defence Materiel Organisation.

Sergeant Silverwood's exceptional leadership and management as the Project CORONIS Training Manager were consistently outstanding and led to the successful introduction into service of the AP-3C (EW) aircraft. His leadership and personal commitment to all tasking was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force.

Sergeant Leeton Bruce WEBB, NSW

For meritorious achievement as Senior Non-Commissioned Officer and Instructor at the Royal Australian Air Force School of Technical Training.

Sergeant Webb is an exceptional airman who has demonstrated strong and compassionate leadership to technical trainees in need of personal or academic support. His investment in working closely with trainees to improve their welfare reflects an exemplary level of professionalism, judgement, commitment and devotion to duty. Sergeant Webb's efforts are of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force.

MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION

Force Communications Unit, Australian Defence Force

For sustained outstanding service in warlike operations through the provision of communications support to the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia from 15 March 1992 to 7 October 1993.