

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.

Lieutenant Colonel I has displayed exceptional performance of duty as part of a Special Operations Force on Operation OKRA. His leadership and performance are of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command and the Australian Army.

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Australian Army

Brigadier D

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations on Operation SLIPPER

Brigadier D expertly designed a new paradigm for operations framework, and conducted and advised his command through significant enemy action and political crisis. His leadership, operational judgment and professional personal example were exceptional and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC)

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.

Major General Orme distinguished himself as the Commander of Australian forces in the Middle East Region during a period of significant transition; including the cessation of combat operations in Afghanistan, closure of Australian activities in Tarin Kowt, and retrograde in Kandahar. Concurrently, Major General Orme was exceptional in re-orienting the Joint Task Force from draw-down and transition to build-up and commencement of Operation OKRA in support of Australian commitment to the degrading security situation in Iraq.

Distinguished Service Cross (continued)

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.

Air Commodore Robertson commanded the establishment and employment of Air Task Group 630, an operational first of its type for the Royal Australian Air Force. Through tireless devotion and exceptional personal skills he established a cohesive and highly professional multi-aircraft task group that has performed a key role in the coalition air campaign in Iraq. From the tactical to the strategic, Air Commodore Robertson has excelled in both command and leadership. His actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australia Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Lieutenant Colonel Benporath's inspirational leadership in the aftermath of a significant insider attack ensured the health and welfare of his officers and soldiers and a continued focus on his mission. Lieutenant Colonel Benporath was instrumental in the development and delivery of high quality mentoring and training systems that demonstratively improved the quality and capacity of the Afghan staff and 270 graduates of the Afghan National Army Officer Academy.

Captain K

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

Captain K displayed outstanding leadership and dedication to duty as a Nursing Officer. She accepted, planned and executed the most difficult of medical responses and support tasks in extremely austere environments professionally and without fault. She directly contributed to the operational effects of the Special Operations Task Group. Her leadership is of the highest order and in keeping with the traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Distinguished Service Medal (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force

Squadron Leader M

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

Squadron Leader M has demonstrated tireless devotion to his duties and the highest levels of professional mastery in his flight leadership. His distinguished leadership reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Captain Powell is a superior, diplomatic officer whose distinguished performance directly promoted Australia's maritime security interests in the Middle East Region. His ability to prioritise a multitude of disparate demands and to provide timely and accurate advice under pressure, ensured that the Combined Maritime Forces achieved significant operational results. His achievements are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Brigadier Freeman's outstanding leadership and logistics expertise were critical to the command's mission accomplishment in support of Operation SLIPPER. Brigadier Freeman's efforts directly improved the visibility and readiness understanding of Afghanistan Special Security Forces from the tactical to the strategic level. The distinctive accomplishments of Brigadier Freeman are a testament to his logistic prowess and professionalism and are in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

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.

Major (then Captain) Huggins displayed exceptional professionalism and dedication to duty which did more to promote the cause of female training at the Afghan National Army Officer Academy than any other mentor who has served on this mission. Her service provided a benchmark example to other instructors and Partner Nation mentors. Her commitment under arduous circumstances engineered ground breaking ways to mentor both academy staff and enhance the training of cadets. The raising of female instructor capability and development of the training syllabus can be attributed to her tireless efforts. Major Huggins' contribution to the Afghan National Army Officer Academy will endure long after her departure.

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.

Captain Kelly displayed exceptional professionalism and dedication to duty while providing immediate health support to Australian and Coalition Forces. Her level-headed actions following an insider attack at the Marshal Fahim National Defence University had a force multiplying effect which aided the critical treatment and extraction of fourteen casualties. Captain Kelly selflessly provided mental health and welfare support at Qargha which was above and beyond the scope of her prescribed duties and greatly assisted the wellbeing of Australian personnel.

Colonel M

For distinguished performance of duties on Operation SLIPPER.

Colonel M's strategic acumen, combined with superb diligence and communications skills was instrumental in ensuring the successful transition of the coalition force posture. His insight and exemplary analysis underpinned the timely development of operational planning to achieve campaign objectives.

Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Major R

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

Major R has displayed outstanding leadership and dedication to duty as the Executive Officer and Officer Commanding Combat Service Support Team. He accepted, planned and executed the most difficult of operational logistic tasks over multiple theatres professionally and without fault. He has contributed to the operational effects of the Special Operations Task Group and his leadership is of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Corporal S

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

Corporal S demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication to duty as a Team Commander. His superior work ethic, instructional technique, professional mastery, leadership and job competence was instrumental in enhancing the training outcomes for the Iraqi Special Operations Forces Counter Terrorism School. Corporal S' personal example is in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Brigadier Shields displayed outstanding performance of duty as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Afghan National Security Forces Logistics. His drive, commitment and advocacy were instrumental in Coalition efforts to train, advise and assist the development of the logistic capability of the Afghan National Army and Afghan National Police. Utilising his command experience and deep logistic knowledge, he delivered key Campaign outcomes that enabled the assumption of security responsibility by the Afghan National Security Forces within their own country.

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.

Major T displayed distinguished leadership as a Company Commander. He displayed outstanding judgement, tactical acumen, calm professionalism, and a desire to close with the enemy through his 'advise and assist' missions. His distinguished leadership was of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force

Flight Lieutenant C

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

Flight Lieutenant C displayed outstanding leadership and dedication to duty as a Combat Controller. He executed the most difficult of tasks, motivated his team and contributed significantly to the operational effects of the Special Operations Task Group. His leadership, judgement and professionalism are of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

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 Derwort provided distinguished performance of duty as the Deputy Commander in a diverse, widely dispersed Joint Task Force. He provided superior advice to the Commander Joint Task Force 633, exercised national command of Australian forces in the Commander's absence and mentored subordinates. His leadership positioned Joint Task Force 633 for success in the Middle East Region, whilst protecting Australia's strategic interests and reputation.

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.

Air Commodore Marshall distinguished himself through the superior judgement, commitment and leadership in a demanding and complex environment. His skilful management of the final retrograde and closure of Multi-National Base Tarin-Kot, his successful establishment of the enduring support architecture for Australia's ongoing commitment to Afghanistan, and oversight of support requirements for deployment of forces as part of Operation OKRA was exemplary. His achievements are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Group Captain R

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

Group Captain R has displayed outstanding dedication and professional excellence during Operation OKRA. Group Captain R's exemplary judgement and decision-making in the face of a dynamic and complex Coalition operating environment has brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Lieutenant Commander De Bomford's inspirational leadership and commitment cultivated a strong professional, proficient and proud culture within the Marine Engineering Department in *Stuart* whilst also driving the revitalisation of the Marine Engineering standard, condition and reputation across the ANZAC Ship Class. He has distinguished himself as a dedicated mentor within the Navy Engineering Community, and delivered the maximum level of Seaworthy capability to the Royal Australian Navy through an exceptionally challenging materiel and operational period.

Chief Petty Officer S

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

Chief Petty Officer S delivered outstanding results in his contribution to countering the improvised explosive device threat. His dedication to capability development and training has been of the highest order, and has brought credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Commander David Murray WALTER RAN, Vic

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

Commander Walter's outstanding leadership, technical mastery and selfless determination were critical to the introduction into service of HMAS *Canberra*, the largest and most complex warship in the Royal Australian Navy's history. His sustained and committed efforts ensured the realisation of an enduring operational warship and a new and significant Joint capability, underpinned by the values of seaworthiness.

Captain Bradley Ian WHITE RAN, ACT

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

Captain White has executed his duties as the Director of the Navy People Career Management Agency with outstanding leadership and professionalism by implementing contemporary reform initiatives in support of Navy people to provide Defence capability.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Australian Army

Major B

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

Major B's provision of strategically relevant force protection intelligence enabled mission success, significantly enhanced the reputation of, and brought great credit, to Special Operations Command Australia and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

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 Brennan's leadership and initiative were instrumental in the development and employment of the first Army Reserve Reinforcing Battle Group. Through Lieutenant Colonel Brennan's outstanding service the Battle Group demonstrated a fine example of Army Reserve capability on Exercise HAMEL 2014, and represents a significant increase in the development of Army Reserve contributions under Plan BEERSHEBA.

Lieutenant Colonel David Mark EDWARDS, Vic

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

Lieutenant Colonel Edwards achieved and exceeded requirements in both force generation and support to operations. He displayed outstanding dedication to his duties as the Commanding Officer of the School of Artillery and directly enhanced the School as a modern digitally networked joint fires institution on the international stage. He has played a significant role in successfully introducing new capabilities, supporting the Army's operational commitments while also achieving directed training outcomes.

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 Keating's exemplary and conspicuous service as the Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion during uniquely challenging times saw his direct leadership, influence and outstanding initiative deliver demonstrable improvements and sustainable results in advancing Army's war-fighting capabilities. His performance is of the highest order and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Lieutenant Colonel John George PAPALITSAS, NSW

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

Lieutenant Colonel Papalitsas is an outstanding officer and leader who has demonstrated outstanding performance within Forces Command and the wider Australian Defence Force. He has demonstrated exceptional leadership and management skills as Staff Officer Grade 1 Capability Development-Training to deliver foundation frameworks, concepts and capabilities that will be pivotal to the ongoing development and improvement of Army's ability to achieve success in Joint Land Combat.

Lieutenant Colonel Jasmin Clarissa SHORTT, ACT

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

Lieutenant Colonel Shortt led significant and visionary change, which has enhanced the administration and support of Army's soldiers. Her outstanding leadership, compassion, selflessness and dedication to duty have delivered initiatives that have directly improved the management of Army's most vulnerable soldiers, the sick, wounded and injured. Lieutenant Colonel Shortt has developed and implemented practical mechanisms that have enhanced the Army as a diverse, inclusive and respectful workplace.

Major Mitchell John WATSON, ACT

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

Major Watson's command and leadership were pivotal in reforming his Cavalry Squadron into an Armoured Personnel Carrier Squadron as part of the establishment of Army's first Armoured Cavalry Regiment under Plan BEERSHEBA. His dedication ensured the successful re-raising of the Australian Army's first Armoured Personnel Carrier Squadron against a diverse range of challenges. His contribution towards such a significant level of organisational change will have a positive and lasting impact on the Australian Army.

Lieutenant Colonel Martin Christopher WHITE, Qld

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

Lieutenant Colonel White used his initiative and leadership to revitalise the electronic warfare capability within Army. He has driven system regeneration, introduced new capabilities and developed a comprehensive education and support program, which enables Army to conduct full spectrum operations as part of adaptive campaigning. Lieutenant Colonel White has commanded and managed his unit with distinction, and has led the modernisation of the electronic warfare capability in the Australian Army.

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.

Group Captain Chipman is an exceptional officer who consistently displayed outstanding leadership and operational focus as Commander of Task Unit 630.1 during Operation OKRA. His professional excellence, exemplary diplomacy and dedication to duty in a dynamic and challenging operational environment directly contributed to the Royal Australian Air Force's combat mission success, and greatly enhanced the standing of the Australian Defence Force amongst Coalition nations.

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.

Flight Sergeant Holdcroft has displayed outstanding dedication as the Senior Air Surveillance Training Manager. He significantly improved the training at the Surveillance and Control Training Unit for deploying personnel and Regional Surveillance Directors. These improvements have enabled Defence to meet its national and international obligations through a dedicated and well developed air surveillance capability. Flight Sergeant Holdcroft's achievements have brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Squadron Leader J

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

Squadron Leader J's inspirational leadership and dedication were crucial to the creation, and operational success, of the Combat Control Capability for the Royal Australian Air Force. Squadron Leader J has demonstrated the highest level of professional excellence, initiative and loyalty to enable the effective projection of combat air power in operations. Squadron Leader J's extraordinary achievements, conspicuous service, and outstanding devotion to duty reflect great credit upon him, Air Combat Group and the Australian Defence Force.

Sergeant Daniel Scott MACKIE, NSW

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

Sergeant Mackie has continuously displayed outstanding commitment and technical leadership as a senior Avionics Technician over a diverse range of roles in Number 37 Squadron. He has made an exceptional contribution by providing direct and measurable maintenance productivity enhancements and increasing the focus on continuous innovation within Number 37 Squadron. Sergeant Mackie's achievements have brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force (continued)

Squadron Leader Brendan Leslie PEARCE, NSW

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

Squadron Leader Pearce is an officer of impeccable character who has made an exceptional contribution to Air Mobility Group capability development over an extended period in challenging circumstances. Through remarkable drive, decisiveness and conspicuous dedication he rapidly delivered a range of complex projects that have significantly enhanced Air Mobility Group aircraft capabilities and systems. His extraordinary knowledge, skills, professional mastery, and devotion to duty are most exemplary and an inspiring example for others.

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.

Wing Commander Pulford has consistently displayed professional excellence and outstanding dedication to duty in developing joint United States Navy and Australian logistics support arrangements for the Australian P-8A Poseidon capability. She has successfully mapped United States Navy processes and set in place the actions required to finalise plans for the initial support of Australia's first P-8A aircraft. Her commitment and outstanding work have put the United States Navy and Australia firmly on the path to provide highly interoperable and operationally effective supply support to the Australian P-8A capability.

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.

Warrant Officer Thacker is an individual of exceptional skill, outstanding dedication and extraordinary technical prowess who significantly contributed to improving the maintenance of AP-3C aircraft under demanding operational circumstances in support of Operation RESOLUTE. His unswerving mission focus, remarkable leadership and conspicuous professionalism were key to the continuous delivery of high levels of mission-capable aircraft that contributed to saving lives at sea; whilst maintaining safe and productive flight lines in support of Australia's national interests.

Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force (continued)

Group Captain Paul Anthony WADE, ACT

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

Group Captain Wade achieved outstanding outcomes for the Australian Defence Force as the Director Cyber Coordination Office and Head of the 2013 Information Operations Tiger Team. He has demonstrated continual outstanding achievement in developing highly complex, critical and evolving cyber related capabilities ensuring the Australian Defence Force is well positioned to address emerging cyber threats. Group Captain Wade's outstanding service has brought great credit upon the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

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*.

Warrant Officer Butterworth's professionalism, dedication and tireless devotion to her duty as a Command Advisor was flawless throughout the busiest period *Success* has experienced in over a decade. Her most conspicuous zeal and dedication to duty have been examples of the highest ideals and standards of the Royal Australian Navy.

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.

Leading Seaman Austin is sailor of outstanding technical mastery, tireless professionalism and continual innovation. His dedication as a Leading Seaman Propulsion Systems Marine Technician in *Arunta* was crucial to the productivity and efficiency of his ship's Marine Engineering department. His contribution to the successful progression of the ship through a very challenging Extended Maintenance Availability has delivered a legacy of enhanced maintenance management in *Arunta* that is in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Royal Australian Navy (continued)

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.

Chief Petty Officer Davis applied outstanding leadership and management skills in partnership with superior technical knowledge during the acceptance and introduction into service of the MH-60R helicopter. His work ethic and passion for innovation focussed his efforts on improvements resulting in more efficient and productive maintenance practices for the MH-60R helicopter. His contribution will be a significant legacy for the service life of this aircraft.

Commander Narelle Melanie DEVINE RAN, ACT

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

Commander Devine has demonstrated meritorious achievement through her contribution to the development of the emerging area of cyberspace operations in the Australian Defence Force. Her exemplary leadership, interpersonal skills, professional knowledge, initiative and commitment as the Deputy Director-Cyber (Maritime) have been of the highest order and have brought great credit upon herself, the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Petty Officer David Robert HOWARD, WA

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

Petty Officer Howard's professionalism, commitment and leadership have been instrumental in the delivery of navigation and communication systems capability in *Sirius*. His exceptional technical skills and service knowledge enabled him to problem solve critical defects, implement new planned maintenance routines and leave a legacy of improved procedures for future incumbents, and ensured that *Sirius* was able to continue supporting Operation SOVEREIGN BORDERS in December 2013.

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.

Lieutenant Commander Jonker displayed exceptional devotion to duty, providing superior logistics support, well above that expected of his worn rank. His high level liaison and establishment of the Christmas Island Logistic Support Element have ensured that Australian Defence Force operations in the Indian Ocean are effective and sustainable. His commitment in a complex, time sensitive, geographically remote operation directly contributed to the Australian Defence Force's contribution to Border Protection Operations and Joint Task Force 639.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Australian Army

Lieutenant Colonel Dean Jamie ASHTON, ACT

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

Lieutenant Colonel Ashton has demonstrated meritorious devotion to duty in the development of leading education practices at the Australian Command and Staff College. As Deputy Director Curriculum his peer leadership, personal enthusiasm and professionalism has been fundamental in ensuring the highest military academic education is provided at the Australian Command and Staff College and the wider Australian Defence Force.

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.

Lieutenant Colonel Baker displayed superior performance and dedication during the delivery, conduct, development and continuous improvement of the All Corps Majors Course and Advanced Operations Course. His contribution to doctrine development has provided a lasting legacy for Officer Education, and the conduct of operations in Army. His professionalism and dedication epitomise Army's core values, and are in the finest traditions of the Australian Army.

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.

Sergeant Biviano has been instrumental in contributing to the establishment of world-class junior leadership training, combat shooting, and tactics in the 7th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment. His exemplary conduct, professional knowledge, and determination to see soldiers trained to the best possible standard have ensured that the battalion stands out in the Regiment as a place of innovation and excellence.

Warrant Officer Class One David Gregory BROMWICH, Qld

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

Warrant Officer Class One Bromwich's dedication, professionalism excellence and knowledge have been instrumental in transitioning the 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment to a Standard Infantry Battalion, preparing the Battalion to assume the Ready Battle Group and developing its junior ranks. Warrant Officer Class One Bromwich has shown exemplary leadership, making a lasting impact on the 6th Battalion and the Army's capacity to respond to short notice deployments.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Chaplain Stephen Robert BROOKS, Qld

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

Chaplain Brooks has displayed tireless commitment and dedication to duty to achieve a high degree of pastoral care and religious ministry that has significantly enhanced the well-being of 3rd Brigade personnel. His ability to identify and understand complex welfare cases and then deliver effective care has positioned him at the forefront of Royal Australian Army Chaplaincy. Chaplain Brooks' achievements continue to bring great credit upon himself, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Sergeant Colin Roger BURROWS, NSW

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

Sergeant Burrows has displayed unwavering commitment, outstanding professionalism and leadership whilst serving with both the 2nd Commando Regiment and 1st Joint Movement Group. His enthusiasm and dedication to duty have identified him as an exceptionally professional soldier and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Corps of Transport, the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Warrant Officer Class Two Donald's meritorious achievements in this demanding role have directly enhanced the implementation of the highest soldier standards across Army. His tireless work ethic, attention to detail and keen strategic acumen has enabled effective communication with all levels of command to improve administrative action where Army's values have been contravened. His outstanding personal and professional standard of behaviour and development and mentorship of junior soldiers through personal example demonstrates the highest level of commitment to Army's ethos. His performance has been in the best tradition of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Corporal Dean Matthew GEORGE, ACT

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

Corporal George's skill, professionalism and drive have been instrumental in building the warfighting excellence capability within the 6th Battalion. He has developed the tactics, techniques and procedures and has overseen the introduction of a number of new capabilities into the Sniper cell. Corporal George's dedication and achievements are in the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Warrant Officer Class One Graham's management, technical expertise, dedication to duty and commitment to duty whilst serving as the Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment have been outstanding. He was instrumental in ensuring the seamless transition and relocation of 2nd Cavalry Regiment from Darwin to Townsville, enabling an immediate contribution to the 3rd Brigade in the Ready cycle upon arrival.

Lieutenant Colonel Carrissa Cherie IBBOTT, ACT

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

Lieutenant Colonel Ibbott has made a number of significant contributions to the Australian Army and Australian Defence Force in the field of workforce modelling, forecasting and analysis. She was instrumental to a project that has modernised Defence's workforce reporting and analysis system, ensuring that Defence can better understand and manage its workforce. She has demonstrated dedication, commitment and leadership of the highest order.

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.

Warrant Officer Class Two Laycock has been instrumental to the maintenance, growth, enhancement and safety culture of the Special Operations Aviation Task Group within the 6th Aviation Regiment. He has consistently displayed professional excellence and his accomplishments and outstanding devotion to his duty over a sustained period of time have contributed directly to both the Special Operations and Conventional Aviation capability.

Major P

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

Major P's leadership, operational mastery, initiative and relentless pursuit of excellence have significantly enhanced the reputation of, and brought great credit to, Special Operations Command Australia and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Australian Army (continued)

Major R

For meritorious achievement as a signals intelligence officer.

Major R has worked tirelessly to improve signals intelligence support to Australian Defence Force operations. Through her professionalism and expertise, Major R led the delivery of the highest standards of accurate and effective signals intelligence to operational and strategic decision makers.

Sergeant S

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

Sergeant S demonstrated exceptional leadership, professionalism and dedication to duty in contributing to the enhancement of 2nd Commando Regiment international engagement activities and enabling short notice operational responses. His achievements are of the highest order and are in keeping with the finest traditions of Special Operations Command and the Australian Army.

Royal Australian Air Force

Warrant Officer Gregory John CLIVE, Qld

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

Warrant Officer Clive is an exceptional airman and has achieved outstanding results in the advancement of combat survival training in the Australian Defence Force. By aligning combat survival training with coalition procedures and providing bespoke pre-deployment training to fast-jet aircrew he has been instrumental in improving the survivability of Australian Defence Force aircrew. He has brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Flying Officer Justin Troy CROSBY, NSW

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

Flying Officer Crosby is an exceptional officer who has displayed outstanding leadership and extraordinary innovation in developing the C-27J Spartan aircraft technical training system to enable an effective and highly efficient maintenance workforce. Of great significance was his remarkable professionalism in establishing a Quality Management System to ensure his Unit is prepared to commence C-27J flying operations. His superb achievements are of the highest order, and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force (continued)

Sergeant Billie-Jean HEWSON, NSW

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

Sergeant Hewson designed and implemented innovative administrative procedures to address governance shortfalls at Number 285 Squadron, creating an exemplar across Air Mobility Group and resulting in annual savings of \$45,000 for Air Force. Sergeant Hewson's continued drive for excellence is an example to all in her mustering and to those of her rank. Sergeant Hewson's extraordinary achievements and dedication to duty epitomise Air Force's values and are in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Flight Sergeant Gavin Todd JONES, SA

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

Flight Sergeant Jones has continuously displayed superior leadership, technical skill and initiative in his role within the Number 92 Wing Maintenance Quality Management team. His extraordinary professionalism and commitment to aviation safety has distinctly improved the maintenance culture of Number 92 Wing and improved the airworthiness of the entire AP-3C Orion aircraft fleet. Flight Sergeant Jones' achievements have brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Squadron Leader P

For meritorious achievement on Operation OKRA.

Squadron Leader P has made an outstanding contribution during Operation OKRA. His exceptional initiative and sustained dedication to duty in the face of a dynamic and demanding Coalition operating environment, is in the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.

Squadron Leader Claire Lorraine PEARSON, Qld

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

Squadron Leader Pearson has demonstrated great passion in championing the requirements and collection management cause, and in driving the development of a highly effective Australian Defence Force requirements and collection management capability. Through her extraordinary skill, outstanding professionalism, and remarkable initiative; Defence now has a vastly improved federated intelligence requirements and collection management enterprise. Her conspicuous dedication to duty has brought great credit upon her and accords with the highest ideals and standards of the Australian Defence Force.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

Royal Australian Air Force (continued)

Flight Lieutenant R

For meritorious achievement during Operation OKRA.

Flight Lieutenant R has demonstrated meritorious leadership and exceptional diligence in a dynamic operational environment during Operation OKRA. Her adept management and professionalism has brought great credit on herself and the Royal Australian Air Force, and has been in the finest traditions of the Australian Defence Force.

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.

Squadron Leader Wellings has displayed outstanding devotion to duty and exceptional leadership as the Commanding Officer Combat Support Unit 12. His superior foresight and management ensured that vital enabling support was delivered to deployed forces to achieve the Australian Defence Force mission in the Middle East Region. Concurrently, he significantly enhanced cooperation and support with the host nation and coalition forces. His extraordinary achievements have brought great credit upon himself, the Royal Australian Air Force and the Australian Defence Force.