

### STAR OF COURAGE

Mr Frank ANDERSON  
Lot 344 Great Eastern Highway  
BAKERS HILL WA 6562

On 21 July 1991 near the reef off Jurien Bay Mr Anderson boarded an abandoned oil tanker under conditions of extreme danger, and once on board took the necessary action to enable the stricken vessel to be towed to safety, thereby averting a major pollution disaster. Mr Anderson was an Engine Room Rating on the oil rig tender "LADY KATHLEEN" which responded to a distress call from the tanker which had lost its fore-section in heavy seas, and was spilling oil. In severe wind and wave conditions, and aware of the risk of conflagration, Mr Anderson volunteered to board the tanker with two companions. Despite both vessels pitching and rolling at different rates and the almost certainty of being crushed or drowned if he missed, Mr Anderson leaped across a two metre gap between the vessels and brought a line aboard the tanker. Working under hazardous and difficult conditions he participated in rigging and connecting a tow line, and remained on board rendering the stricken tanker safe for three days.

By his actions Mr Anderson displayed conspicuous courage.

Mr Kevin Michael HURLEY  
Lot 10 Christmas Tree Court  
NORTH BOYANUP WA 6237

On 21 July 1991 near the reef off Jurien Bay Mr Hurley boarded an abandoned oil tanker under conditions of extreme danger and once on board took the necessary action to enable the stricken vessel to be towed to safety, thereby averting a major pollution disaster. Mr Hurley was an Able Seaman on the oil rig tender "LADY KATHLEEN" when she responded to a distress call from the tanker which had lost its fore-section in heavy seas, and was spilling oil. In severe wind and wave conditions, and aware of the risk of conflagration, Mr Hurley volunteered to board the tanker with two companions to transfer tow wires from "LADY KATHLEEN". Despite both vessels pitching and rolling at different rates and the almost certainty of being crushed or drowned if he missed, Mr Hurley leaped across a two metre gap between the vessels. On board the stricken tanker, working under hazardous and difficult conditions, Mr Hurley and his companions rigged and connected a tow line, and remained on board maintaining a tow watch for three days.

By his actions Mr Hurley displayed conspicuous courage.

## STAR OF COURAGE

Miss Rachelle McNIVEN  
39 Lagoon Street  
NARRABEEN NSW 2101

On the afternoon of 21 March 1992 Miss McNiven rescued a boy from drowning in heavy and dangerous seas off North Narrabeen Beach. Miss McNiven was standing near Narrabeen Baths when she saw a boy being swept by a strong rip through heavy and turbulent seas towards violent, dumping breakers. Aware of the dangers of the situation, and with doubts of her own capacity to handle the conditions, Miss McNiven dived from nearby rocks and swam to the boy. During the ensuing 40 minutes Miss McNiven supported, encouraged and comforted the boy as she swam him over, under and across huge waves and violent breakers. Although Miss McNiven and her charge were carried more than 300 metres off shore and subjected to considerable physical and psychological pressure, she maintained a courageous determination that sustained them both until help arrived.

By her actions Miss McNiven displayed conspicuous courage.

Mr Gregory Charles MEAGHER  
579 Rockingham Road  
SPEARWOOD WA 6163

On 21 July 1991 near the reef off Jurien Bay Mr Meagher boarded an abandoned oil tanker under conditions of extreme danger and once on board took the necessary action to enable the stricken vessel to be towed to safety, thereby averting a major pollution disaster. Mr Meagher was an Able Seaman on the oil rig tender "LADY KATHLEEN" when she responded to a distress call from the tanker which had lost its fore-section in heavy seas, and was spilling oil. In severe wind and wave conditions, and aware of the risk of conflagration, Mr Meagher volunteered to board the tanker with two companions to transfer tow wires from "LADY KATHLEEN". Despite both vessels pitching and rolling at different rates and the almost certainty of being crushed or drowned if he missed, Mr Meagher leaped across a two metre gap between the tender and the ship. On board the stricken tanker, working under hazardous and difficult conditions, Mr Meagher with his companions rigged and connected a tow line, and remained on board rendering the vessel safe and maintaining a tow watch for the ensuing three days.

By his actions Mr Meagher displayed conspicuous courage.

## STAR OF COURAGE

Mr Gregory Christopher READ  
813/55 Walker Street  
REDFERN NSW 2016

On the afternoon of 17 August 1991 Mr Read placed his own life in jeopardy and continued in a life-threatening situation to protect others during a shooting massacre at Strathfield Plaza shopping complex. Mr Read was shopping when he heard several extended bursts of fire and saw a man with a rifle moving through the complex and firing indiscriminately. Fully aware of the risk and without regard for his own safety, Mr Read ran upwards through the Plaza ahead of the gunman warning people to take cover. Despite shots passing closely around him Mr Read continued moving through an exposed position to alert people until, at an upper level car park, the gunman wounded him with two successive shots. At the time he was wounded Mr Read was in an open space advising a motorist to take cover.

By his actions Mr Read displayed conspicuous courage.

Detective Superintendent John Thomas TURNER  
New South Wales Police Service

On the afternoon of 21 February 1992 Detective Superintendent Turner apprehended and participated in disarming an offender at Seven Hills Shopping Mall. Superintendent Turner was off duty and shopping at the Mall when an armed man carrying a cash tin ran towards him. Superintendent Turner, aware of the dangers involved, stood in the path of the offender, stated his office and tensed himself to tackle him. A violent struggle followed, during which Superintendent Turner was struck by the gun which discharged. Eventually Superintendent Turner was able to grab the man's ankle and bring him to the ground. He fell on the offender and attempted to gain possession of the gun which then discharged again. With the aid of bystanders the man was disarmed and detained by Superintendent Turner until the arrival of other police officers.

By his actions Detective Superintendent Turner displayed conspicuous courage.

### BRAVERY MEDAL

Mr Arthur William ALDRIDGE  
77 Endeavour Street  
SEVEN HILLS NSW 2147

On the afternoon of 21 February 1992 Mr Aldridge participated in disarming an offender at Seven Hills Shopping Mall. Mr Aldridge was in the Mall when he heard a gun discharge and people screaming. Mr Aldridge then saw two men engaged in a violent struggle, one of them armed. Aware of the dangers involved Mr Aldridge ran towards the man and grabbed the arm that was holding the gun which then discharged again. In order to prevent more shots being fired into the busy Mall Mr Aldridge placed his right index finger between the hammer and the firing pin and held the hammer with his right thumb. Although the struggle continued Mr Aldridge maintained his grip on the gun, ensuring that no bystanders were injured, until the offender released it.

By his actions Mr Aldridge displayed considerable bravery.

Mr 'Isileli Takau 'ALONE  
89 Best Road  
SEVEN HILLS NSW 2147

On the afternoon of 21 February 1992 Mr 'Alone participated in disarming an offender at Seven Hills Shopping Mall. Mr 'Alone was in the Mall when he heard a man shouting to shoppers to stop another man who was running away. Mr 'Alone joined in the pursuit and continued, aware of the danger involved, after he had observed that the man was armed. An older man stepped in front of the offender and a violent conflict ensued. As Mr 'Alone approached the gun discharged, the two struggling men fell to the ground and another shot was fired. Regardless of his own personal safety, Mr 'Alone grabbed the armed man by the right arm and with the assistance of other bystanders took the gun from the man who was detained until the arrival of police.

By his actions Mr 'Alone displayed considerable bravery.

BRAVERY MEDAL

Ms Angela Leigh BURKE  
SUNNYBANK QLD 4109

On the afternoon of 13 November 1991 at Sunnybank Ms Angela Burke, then aged 16, saved a boy under attack from a street gang of youths. Angela was with a male friend when she saw the boy, a stranger to her, being struck and gouged with a beer bottle. Disregarding the danger to herself Angela moved without hesitation to the aid of the boy. While her friend engaged the assailants, Angela drew the injured boy clear and applied first aid to his serious wounds. Despite the imminent danger of her situation, Angela continued to give assistance, comfort and protection to her patient until the arrival of Ambulance Service officers.

By her action Ms Burke displayed considerable bravery.

Mr Douglas Gordan CAINE  
Late of 42 Keymer Road  
BELMONT WA 6104

(Posthumous Award)

(Next-of-Kin: (Ms G. SINGER  
42 Keymer Road  
BELMONT WA 6104)

Early in the morning of 16 February 1992 Mr Caine gave his life in the attempted rescue of a youth from a disused 16 metre well at Walliston. Mr Caine was a guest at a home when told that the youth had fallen to the bottom of the well in the back yard. Without hesitation Mr Caine climbed down a plastic hose pipe which he knew was of insufficient length to afford a means of return and supported the youth clear of the water in the bottom of the well. During the rescue attempt both Mr Caine and the youth were overcome by gas fumes, and lost their lives.

By his actions Mr Caine displayed considerable bravery thereby losing his life.

## BRAVERY MEDAL

Mrs Carol DICKINSON  
Late of 58 Rawson Road  
GREENACRE NSW 2190

(Posthumous Award)

(Next-of-Kin: Miss Belinda Dickinson  
58 Rawson Road  
GREENACRE NSW 2190)

On the afternoon of 17 August 1991 Mrs Dickinson gave her life in a rescue from a shooting massacre at Strathfield Plaza shopping complex. Mrs Dickinson was with her daughter and a friend in a coffee lounge at the Plaza when a male customer began shooting at people indiscriminately. While their friend advanced towards the gunman Mrs Dickinson, without regard for her own safety, immediately leaped onto a nearby table reducing the scope of the gunman's arc of fire. With her daughter shielded by her own body Mrs Dickinson pushed her to safety, suffering a fatal wound from the gunman's rifle as she did so.

By her actions Mrs Dickinson displayed considerable bravery thereby losing her life.

Mr Charles ELWELL  
124 Hampdon Road  
ESK QLD 4312

Late in the afternoon of 9 March 1992 Mr Charles Elwell pursued an armed man in a high speed car chase from Esk towards Brisbane. Mr Elwell was alerted of trouble when he saw two men fighting in a parked car at Esk. As he approached the vehicle Mr Elwell heard a gunshot and saw the car move off in an irregular manner. Mr Elwell immediately ran to his utility and gave chase. During the subsequent pursuit Mr Elwell came under fire from the fleeing gunman but continued the chase despite the risk to his own safety. Undeterred by the further dangers of speeds up to 140 kilometres per hour and uncertain traffic conditions, Mr Elwell maintained the pursuit until he forced his quarry to abandon both car and firearm and take to the fields on foot from where he was subsequently taken into custody.

By his actions Mr Elwell displayed considerable bravery.

BRAVERY MEDAL

Miss Priscilla Anne HENSLER  
Lot 42 Donolly Road  
MORUYA NSW 2537

On the morning of 21 September 1992 off Moruya Heads Miss Hensler paddled her surfboard over a kilometre through dangerous seas to rescue a fisherman from drowning. Miss Hensler was surfing at North Moruya when she was informed that a fisherman had been swept from nearby rocks and carried out to sea by the ebbing tide. After arranging for emergency services to be alerted Miss Hensler entered the heavy seas south of the breakwater and commenced searching for the fisherman. Although well aware of the danger of her own situation, Miss Hensler persisted in her self-imposed task until she reached the now seriously weakened fisherman 800 metres from the shore. In conditions of rising swells and deteriorating visibility, with the shore line out of sight, Miss Hensler supported the fisherman and brought him into calmer waters where she was able to transfer him to a Moruya Surf Club rescue vessel.

By her actions Miss Hensler displayed considerable bravery.

Mr Simon David HOLMES  
23 Woff Street  
SUNNYBANK QLD 4109

On the afternoon of 13 November 1991 at Sunnybank Mr Holmes rescued a boy under attack from a street gang of youths. Mr Holmes was with a friend when he saw the boy, a stranger, being struck and gouged with a beer bottle. Without regard for his own safety Mr Holmes immediately engaged two of the assailants, drawing them away from their victim and allowing his friend to withdraw the wounded boy to a safer position where she could apply first aid. Despite injuries from his opponents Mr Holmes maintained the engagement, drawing the affray further from the wounded boy until the arrival of more people caused the attackers to leave the area.

By his actions Mr Holmes displayed considerable bravery.

## BRAVERY MEDAL

Mr Gregory Patrick HOWARD  
Huon Hotel  
CYGNET TAS 7112

In the early hours of 17 February 1992 Mr Howard rescued a man from the upper storey of a burning hotel at Cygnet. When Mr Howard, the owner of the hotel, was told of the fire he ran from his house next door to rescue the sole occupant. Mr Howard climbed onto the roof of a single storey structure then to a balcony to gain access through a window but was forced by the heat and smoke to withdraw immediately. Following the sound of groans he went to another window which he smashed with his arm but was again unable to enter. Mr Howard then pulled the entire window frame out allowing him to reach in through the clearing smoke and touch the head of the unconscious man. He was now able to climb in and lift the man half over the ledge, climb out and carry him across the roof of the lower level where he was assisted by others.

By his actions Mr Howard displayed considerable bravery.

Mr Thomas Leatham HUNT  
PENOLA SA 5277

On the afternoon of 9 November 1991 Mr Hunt participated in the rescue of a man from a burning vehicle which had overturned on the Moulamein Road at Mallan. Mr Hunt stopped at the scene of the accident and went to the assistance of a woman who had attempted unsuccessfully to remove the driver of the burning crashed vehicle. His first attempt to pull the driver clear failed as he was driven back by the intense heat. Although aware of the dangers involved Mr Hunt tried again and with the assistance of the woman succeeded in removing the driver from the vehicle. At this time the driver's trousers, which had been covered by leaking petrol, were burning. Mr Hunt persevered until he had extinguished the driver's clothing.

By his actions Mr Hunt displayed considerable bravery.

BRAVERY MEDAL

Mrs Janelle Anne MATTISKE  
"Bareenong"  
via FORBES NSW 2871

On the morning of 20 January 1992 Mrs Mattiske rescued four occupants from the blazing wreckage of a crashed car on the Newell Highway near Forbes. Mrs Mattiske had heard the sounds of a vehicle leaving the road and drove to the accident site to offer assistance. On arrival she found the smashed car inverted and burning from a ruptured fuel line with the occupants trapped inside. Without regard for her personal safety Mrs Mattiske forced open a door, removed two adults from the front of the car and assisted them to safety. Although the fire had intensified Mrs Mattiske returned and reaching into the car removed a child. With the car now burning fiercely and likely to explode Mrs Mattiske again returned and went to the rear of the car to rescue a baby. Immediately after, the car was engulfed in flames.

By her actions Mrs Mattiske displayed considerable bravery.

BRAVERY MEDAL

Mr Wesley William MULDOWNNEY  
Late of Graffunder Street  
MACKAY QLD 4740

(Posthumous Award)

(Next-of-Kin: Mrs Laraine WOODFORD  
33 Graffunder Street  
MACKAY QLD 4740)

Early in the morning of 16 December 1989, Mr Muldowney gave his life in rescuing a stranger under attack from a street gang in Brisbane. Mr Muldowney was on a social outing with two friends when he became aware of a group of youths assaulting an elderly man. Although aware of the danger of his actions Mr Muldowney led his two companions into the affray, accepting the obvious risk of severe personal injury in order to save the victim from further harm. Mr Muldowney's bravery was rewarded by the escape of the elderly man. During the encounter Mr Muldowney was struck from behind, and died while still engaged with his adversaries.

By his actions Mr Muldowney displayed considerable bravery thereby losing his life.

Mr Robert Ian PETTIGREW  
Late of 4 Domonic Close  
HARRINGTON NSW 2427

(Posthumous Award)

(Next-of-Kin: Mrs E.M. PETTIGREW  
4 Domonic Close  
HARRINGTON NSW 2427)

On the afternoon of 29 February 1992 Mr Pettigrew lost his life in rescuing a boy and a man from drowning at Crowdy Head. Mr Pettigrew was surfing with his wife at Crowdy Head when he heard a call for help from a boy caught in a powerful rip. Although well aware of the risks involved, Mr Pettigrew immediately went to his aid and after some difficulty removed the boy from danger. At this stage another man, further out, indicated that he was in trouble in the rip. Without regard for his personal safety Mr Pettigrew swam out across the dangerous rip to give assistance. During the rescue attempt Mr Pettigrew drowned.

By his actions Mr Pettigrew displayed considerable bravery thereby losing his life.

BRAVERY MEDAL

Mr Johan Marines PRONK  
13/119 Corrimal Street  
WOLLONGONG NSW 2500

On the afternoon of 24 January 1992 Mr Pronk apprehended an armed robber in Wollongong Mall. Mr Pronk, a customer in a nearby store, was told that an armed robbery was taking place at a building society and went out into the Mall. He saw a man carrying a bag running from the location of the robbery and confirmed that this was the offender. Aware of the dangers involved Mr Pronk pursued the robber, crash tackled him to the ground and restrained him until help arrived.

By his actions Mr Pronk displayed considerable bravery.

Mrs Joy Rosalie ROBINSON  
1 Tualka Terrace  
MOULAMEIN NSW 2733

On the afternoon of 9 November 1991 Mrs Robinson participated in the rescue of a man from a burning vehicle which had overturned on the Moulamein Road at Mallan. Mrs Robinson arrived on the scene shortly after the accident had occurred and found the driver still restrained by his seat belt with the rear of the vehicle starting to burn. After some difficulty the seat belt was released and Mrs Robinson, although aware of the dangers involved, tried to drag the driver free but lacked the strength to do so. Within moments the entire vehicle was alight and, as the driver tried to slowly move to safety, Mrs Robinson ran to the road and enlisted the aid of a passing motorist. On their second attempt Mrs Robinson and the motorist were able to drag the driver free with his trousers, which had been covered by leaking petrol, burning.

By her actions Mrs Robinson displayed considerable bravery.

### BRAVERY MEDAL

Mr Dave Jan Roelof SUIKER  
9 Plume Court  
LESMURDIE WA 6076

Early in the morning of 16 February 1992 Mr Suiker placed his own safety at risk in the attempted rescue of a man and a youth from a disused 16 metre well at Walliston. Mr Suiker was present when an older man, going to the aid of a youth who had fallen to the bottom of the well, was overcome by gas fumes. Mr Suiker climbed down a plastic hose pipe which he knew was of insufficient length to afford a means of return and endeavoured to support the youth and the older man clear of the water until he too succumbed to the gas fumes. Mr Suiker was brought to the surface by Fire Brigade Officers but his two companions lost their lives.

By his actions Mr Suiker displayed considerable bravery.

Mr Alan David Lloyd WILLIAMS  
25 Garner Road  
KIRWAN QLD 4817

On 2 May 1990 Mr Williams, then a member of the Queensland Police Service, subdued an armed man at Palm Island. The armed man had threatened to kill himself and other people and had taken up a position with a clear field of fire when (then) Constable First Class Williams and other officers arrived. Police and their vehicle came under intermittent fire and random shots were discharged in the direction of neighbours. Concerned for the safety and wellbeing of nearby residents but aware that the only way of disarming the man was by a direct frontal approach, Mr Williams undertook the considerable personal risk of an open charge to the gunman. During his unprotected approach Mr Williams had the armed man's rifle pointed at him but was able to reach him before the weapon could be aimed and fired. In the ensuing struggle Mr Williams was again under risk from the rifle before successfully disarming the man and bringing to a safe conclusion a situation that posed a serious risk to many people.

By his actions Mr Williams displayed considerable bravery.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr Ian Richard ANGEL  
Corner Stapylton and Quarry Roads  
STAPYLTON QLD 4207

On the afternoon of 7 August 1991 Mr Angel dived into the channel of an artificial rapids ride at a Gold Coast amusement park to rescue a two-year-old child. Mr Angel, who was operating another entertainment, responded immediately to calls for help from the child's mother and ran through the park to intercept the boy in the channel. Despite the fast moving and turbulent water, and aware of the presence of large underwater induction pipes, Mr Angel plunged three metres into the channel, reached the child at the start of a slatted conveyor belt and lifted him to safety.

For his actions Mr Angel is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Steven Charles CARPENTER  
22 Greengate Grove  
HACKHAM SA 5163

On 27 April 1992 Mr Carpenter went to the assistance of a security guard who was struggling with an armed offender at Noarlunga. Mr Carpenter was leaving his car at a shopping centre when he saw that the guard was bleeding from the head and attempting to subdue a man armed with a screwdriver. Regardless of the danger to himself Mr Carpenter ran towards the disturbance. In spite of being attacked by the armed man's female companions Mr Carpenter, with the aid of the security guard and a bystander, restrained the offender, removed him from a car in which he was attempting to escape and held him until the arrival of the police.

For his actions Mr Carpenter is commended for brave conduct.

## COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Ms Neesha Irene COPLEY  
78 Stuart Street  
INGLEWOOD WA 6052

On the morning of 3 August 1991 Ms Copley attempted to rescue a trapped canoeist from the Avon River at Katrine Bridge. As a qualified diver and a member of the Western Australian Underwater Explorers' Club, Ms Copley was on rescue duty at Katrine Bridge for the running of the Avon Descent when a competitor's kayak capsized and he was trapped beneath the river surface against a pylon. Although aware of the dangers of the swift flowing turbulent current and snags, Ms Copley alternated with another diver in repeated attempts to free the canoeist, but was swept away from the kayak by the force of the current on each occasion. When the canoe eventually cleared the bridge Ms Copley again entered the river and assisted her fellow diver with the administration of artificial resuscitation to the canoeist until further help arrived.

For her actions Ms Copley is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Ian James COWAN  
28 Camillo Street  
COOLBELLUP WA 6163

On the morning of 3 August 1991 Mr Cowan attempted to rescue a trapped canoeist from the Avon River at Katrine Bridge. As a qualified diver and a member of the Western Australian Underwater Explorers' Club, Mr Cowan was on rescue duty at Katrine Bridge for the running of the Avon Descent when a competitor's kayak capsized and he was trapped beneath the river surface against a pylon. Without hesitation Mr Cowan entered the fast flowing and turbulent water with a life line and swam to the submerged canoe, but was swept downstream before he could free the canoeist. Although now aware of the considerable danger of the situation and the additional hazard of underwater snags, Mr Cowan alternated with another diver in repeated rescue attempts until the canoe and its occupant were freed. Mr Cowan then accompanied the kayak as it was swept downstream and with the help of his fellow diver administered artificial resuscitation to the canoeist until further help arrived.

For his actions Mr Cowan is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Constable First Class Marguerite Therese EDWARDS  
New South Wales Police Service

On the afternoon of 23 December 1991 at Emu Plains Constable First Class Edwards participated with other officers of the New South Wales Police Service in the pursuit and apprehension of an armed robber. The offender had left the scene of an armed hold-up and was travelling through an industrial/rural area of Emu Plains when he was forced to abandon his car. Constable Edwards with other officers, although under fire from the offender's automatic rifle maintained a confining pressure that kept him away from populated areas, and caused him to retreat to a position from where he had no escape. By accepting the risk to her own safety Constable Edwards enabled a desperate offender to be apprehended without endangering the general public.

For her actions Constable First Class Edwards is commended for brave conduct.

Senior Constable David Sean EGGETT  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 Senior Constable Eggett participated in the removal of an injured passenger from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter at Kelmscott. Constable Eggett was on duty at the Kelmscott Primary School when the helicopter crashed at the adjacent Rushton Park Oval. Although aware of the danger of a rapid spread of fire in the helicopter's engine area, Constable Eggett ran to the crash and helped to free a trapped and injured passenger. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions Senior Constable Eggett is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr Grantley FILMER  
Filmer Road  
TINTINARA SA 5266

On the afternoon of 2 April 1992 on a property near Field Mr Filmer placed his own safety in serious jeopardy in attempting to rescue two electrocuted men. Mr Filmer and two other farmers were transferring lupin seeds when the grain auger made contact with a high voltage overhead wire. Seeing his companions struck down by a charge of sufficient severity to set rubber tyres burning, Mr Filmer, without regard for his own safety, went to their assistance, suffering injuries and being rendered unconscious in the attempt. On recovering consciousness, Mr Filmer again entered the danger area and despite his injuries and shock gave first aid to the two electrocuted men until forced to stop by his own condition.

For his actions Mr Filmer is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Ian Patrick FRAPPELL  
C/- Ardmona Post Office  
ARDMONA VIC 3629

On the afternoon of 15 December 1991 Mr Frappell rescued an injured woman and her young daughter from a burning car in the Nalinga Hills. The car had earlier gone out of control and collided with Mr Frappell's truck, before coming to rest some distance from the road and catching fire. Without hesitation Mr Frappell ran to the burning car, reached into the cabin to remove the injured child and carried her to safety. He returned and despite the increasing intensity of the fire removed the trapped and immobilised driver. Shortly afterwards the car was completely engulfed in flames.

For his actions Mr Frappell is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Andrew Paul FREAN  
108 Kalamunda Road  
GOOSEBERRY HILL WA 6076

On the afternoon of 24 June 1991 Andrew Frean, then aged 14, placed his own safety at risk to give help to a fellow student in the flooded Helena River at Pexton. Andrew was returning from football practice with other students when he responded to calls from two of his fellows assisting a student who had fallen into the river from a submerged crossing. Seeing that the endangered youth was being forced by a strong current into a pipe beneath the crossing Andrew, without regard for his own safety, immediately entered the river at the pipe entry and assisted in the attempt to save his fellow student. When the youth was torn by the force of the water through the pipe, Andrew participated in a downstream search and the eventual recovery of the drowned student.

For his actions Andrew Frean is commended for brave conduct.

Constable First Class Glen Allen GIBBS  
New South Wales Police Service

On the afternoon of 23 December 1991 at Emu Plains Constable First Class Gibbs participated with other officers of the New South Wales Police Service in the pursuit and apprehension of an armed robber. The offender had left the scene of an armed hold-up and was travelling through an industrial/rural area of Emu Plains when he was forced to abandon his car. Constable Gibbs with other officers, although under fire from the offender's automatic rifle maintained a confining pressure that kept him away from populated areas and caused him to retreat to a position from where he had no escape. By accepting the risk to his own safety, Constable Gibbs enabled a desperate offender to be apprehended without endangering the general public.

For his actions Constable First Class Gibbs is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr Douglas Murray GREEN  
4 Seventh Avenue  
WINDSOR QLD 4030

Early in the morning of 16 December 1989 Mr Green participated in the rescue of a stranger under attack from a street gang in Brisbane. Mr Green was on a social outing with two friends when they became aware of an elderly man being assaulted by a group of youths. Although aware of the hazards involved, Mr Green and his companions moved briskly to the aid of the victim. During the subsequent affray the elderly man was able to escape while Mr Green with the assistance of his companions engaged the assailants. Mr Green suffered personal injuries and placed his own safety in serious jeopardy in rescuing the stranger from vicious attack.

For his actions Mr Green is commended for brave conduct.

Mr David Leslie HAYCOCK  
12 Savage Road  
KELMSCOTT WA 6111

On the morning of 8 May 1992 Mr Haycock participated in the rescue of two men from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter. Mr Haycock was attending a school function near the site when a helicopter crashed and caught fire at Rushton Park Oval. Although aware of the imminent danger of explosion of the helicopter's fuel, Mr Haycock, without regard for his own safety, ran to the burning wreckage where he helped to free the trapped pilot and helped to remove an injured passenger from the cabin of the helicopter. Mr Haycock then attempted to extinguish the blaze with a hand-held fire extinguisher until, for his own safety, he was prevented by police. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions Mr Haycock is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Senior Constable Lee Mitchell HILL  
New South Wales Police Service

On the afternoon of 23 December 1991 at Emu Plains Senior Constable Hill participated with other officers of the New South Wales Police Service in the pursuit and apprehension of an armed robber. The offender had left the scene of an armed hold-up and was travelling through an industrial/rural area of Emu Plains when he was forced to abandon his car. Constable Hill with other officers, although under fire from the offender's automatic rifle maintained a confining pressure that kept him away from populated areas and caused him to retreat to a position from where he had no escape. By accepting the risk to his own safety, Constable Hill enabled a desperate offender to be apprehended without endangering the general public.

For his actions Senior Constable Hill is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Allen James HOREWOOD  
"Colonnades"  
Beach Road  
NOARLUNGA CENTRE SA 5168

On 27 April 1992 Mr Horewood, a security guard at the Colonnades Shopping Centre, Noarlunga, apprehended and disarmed a man who was attempting to steal a car. When Mr Horewood saw a man with a screwdriver trying to break the door lock of a car he grabbed him and a struggle followed during which Mr Horewood was stabbed twice. In spite of his injuries Mr Horewood pursued the offender to another car where two female companions of the armed man tried to secure his release. Mr Horewood was joined by a bystander and together they restrained the offender, removed him from the car and held him until the arrival of the police.

For his actions Mr Horewood is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr Karl Raymond KELSALL  
19B Tomo Road  
New Lynn  
AUCKLAND NZ

Early in the morning of 16 December 1989 Mr Kelsall participated in the rescue of a stranger under attack from a street gang in Brisbane. Mr Kelsall was on a social outing with two friends when they became aware of an elderly man being assaulted by a group of youths. Although aware of the hazards involved, Mr Kelsall and his companions moved briskly to the aid of the victim. During the subsequent affray the elderly man was able to escape while Mr Kelsall with the assistance of his companions engaged the assailants. Mr Kelsall suffered personal injuries and placed his own safety in serious jeopardy in rescuing the stranger from vicious attack.

For his actions Mr Kelsall is commended for brave conduct.

Kevin John KINGSTON  
Chevalier College  
Moss Vale Road  
BOWRAL NSW 2576

On the afternoon of 17 August 1991 Kevin Kingston, then aged 15, acted with commendable brave conduct to give medical assistance and comfort to the wounded and bereft at the Strathfield Plaza massacre. Kevin was in a coffee lounge with his grandmother, mother and younger brother when a man with a rifle began firing at people indiscriminately. Kevin and his brother came under fire almost immediately and saw their grandmother killed and their mother mortally wounded. Overcoming his shock and mastering his grief, Kevin, trained in first aid, selflessly assisted Ambulance Officers and Police in attending to the wounded and comforted the distressed survivors who had seen relatives and friends killed. Despite the heavy emotional strain placed upon him and aware that the gunman was still in the area, Kevin disregarded his own psychological wellbeing and devoted himself to the welfare of others.

For his actions Master Kingston is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Constable Robert Lindsay LEWIS  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 Constable Lewis participated in the rescue of an injured passenger from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter at Kelmscott. Constable Lewis was on duty near the site where the helicopter crashed and caught fire at Rushton Park Oval. Without hesitation Constable Lewis ran to the burning wreckage and helped to free a trapped passenger from the cabin. He then helped to carry the injured man to safety. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions Constable Lewis is commended for brave conduct.

Matthew Alan McKAIL  
MT NEWMAN WA 6753

On the afternoon of 24 June 1991 Matthew McKail, then aged 14, placed his own safety at risk to give help to a fellow student in the flooded Helena River at Pexton. Matthew was returning from football practice with other students when he responded to a call from one of the group who had fallen into the river from a submerged crossing. Seeing that the endangered youth was being forced by a strong current into a pipe beneath the crossing Matthew, without regard for his own safety, immediately went to his assistance at the same time calling for support from other students. When the youth was torn by the force of the water through the pipe, Matthew participated in a downstream search and eventual recovery of the drowned student.

For his actions Matthew McKail is commended for brave conduct.

### COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

First Class Constable Stephan Russell MAYNE  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 First Class Constable Mayne participated in the rescue of the pilot from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter. Constable Mayne was on duty near the site where the helicopter crashed and caught fire at Rushton Park Oval. Without hesitation Constable Mayne ran to the burning wreckage and helped to free the trapped pilot until forced back by the flames. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions First Class Constable Mayne is commended for brave conduct.

Detective Sergeant Kenneth Robert O'BRYAN  
New South Wales Police Service

On the afternoon of 23 December 1991 at Emu Plains Detective Sergeant O'Bryan participated with other officers of the New South Wales Police Service in the pursuit and apprehension of an armed robber. The offender had left the scene of an armed hold-up and was travelling through an industrial/rural area of Emu Plains when he was forced to abandon his car. Detective Sergeant O'Bryan with other officers, although under fire from the offender's automatic rifle maintained a confining pressure that kept him away from populated areas and caused him to retreat to a position from where he had no escape. By accepting the risk to his own safety, Detective Sergeant O'Bryan enabled the apprehension of a desperate offender without endangering the general public.

For his actions Detective Sergeant O'Bryan is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr David Anthony PARKER (Deceased)  
Unit 3/4 Blyth Street  
RAVENSWOOD TAS 7250

Next-of-Kin: (Mrs Stephanie Parker  
Unit 3/4 Blyth Street  
RAVENSWOOD TAS 7250)

On the morning of 16 December 1990 Mr Parker participated in the attempted rescue of a child from a burning dwelling unit at Ravenswood. Mr Parker had attended the fire to offer assistance when he learned that a child was trapped inside. Disregarding the risk to his personal safety, Mr Parker unhesitatingly entered the burning building and searched for the child until driven back by the intense heat and dense smoke. Mr Parker then assisted by holding faulty hose connections together at the tap to maintain water pressure allowing two other men to enter the unit with the hose.

For his actions Mr Parker is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Miss Jodie Lee PARREMORE  
CLAREMONT TAS 7011

Early in the afternoon of 16 February 1992 at Clifton Beach Miss Jodie Lee Parremore, then aged 10, placed her life at risk to save a young friend in danger. Jodie was swimming at Clifton Beach with other young people when one of the party, a seven-year-old non-swimmer, was knocked by waves into deeper water and then carried out by a strong rip. Immediately realising the danger to her friend, Jodie swam to his aid and despite rough waves and the strong rip, supported him until further help arrived.

For her actions Miss Parremore is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Justin Thomas PICKUP  
5 Como Parade  
PRETTY BEACH NSW 2256

On the afternoon of 2 March 1992 Mr Pickup entered choppy seas to assist an elderly woman who had fallen from the rocks south of Killcare Beach. During Mr Pickup's rescue attempt the woman's son-in-law, a non-swimmer, was washed into the water. Despite choppy seas and a strong undertow, and aware of the hazard of a local whirlpool effect, Mr Pickup was able to support the man and bring him safely ashore, before recovering the body of the woman.

For his actions Mr Pickup is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Sub-Station Officer Shan Werner RAFFEL  
7 Honeymyrle Circuit  
CAPALABA QLD 4157

On 18 June 1991 Sub-Station Officer Raffel attempted to rescue a youth from inside the roof of a burning house at Wynnum West. On arrival at the timber dwelling Sub-Station Officer Raffel was told that a youth was trapped in an attic room above the kitchen which was well alight. Flames and smoke were issuing from the front door and windows were broken. After being forced back by the intense heat and flames he entered through the rear door under the protection of a hose. He twice attempted to gain access to the attic room by the only means, a wooden ladder resting against a manhole. After the collapse of the fire-damaged ladder Sub-Station Officer Raffel made a third ascent using a brigade ladder and entered the attic area. However, he was unable to locate the youth, who in an attempt to escape the fire, had crawled further into the roof and succumbed to the heat and smoke. Although he was wearing protective clothing Sub-Station Officer Raffel suffered burns to various parts of his body.

For his actions Sub-Station Officer Raffel is commended for brave conduct.

Senior Constable Cornelius Michael REGAN  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 Senior Constable Regan participated in the removal of injured persons from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter at Kelmscott. Constable Regan was a crew member of the helicopter which crashed at Rushton Park Oval. Disregarding his own situation, and aware of the dangers as the aircraft burned, Constable Regan gave assistance to an injured passenger before going to the aid of the trapped pilot. He then remained in the danger area fighting the rapidly spreading fire until withdrawn by colleagues. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions Senior Constable Regan is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

First Class Constable Brent Leslie ROBERTS  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 First Class Constable Roberts participated in the rescue of the pilot from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter. Constable Roberts was on duty near the site where a helicopter crashed and caught fire at Rushton Park Oval. Without hesitation Constable Roberts ran to the burning wreckage and helped to free the trapped pilot and assisted in removing him to safety. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions First Class Constable Roberts is commended for brave conduct.

Mr Andrew James RUSH  
158 Tableland Road  
WENTWORTH FALLS NSW 2782

On the night of 17 March 1992 Mr Rush rescued a woman from a burning building at Wentworth Falls. When he became aware that a neighbouring garage, used as a dwelling, was alight, he ran to assist. While the outside of the garage was being sprayed by a garden hose, Mr Rush pulled his jumper over his head, entered the burning and smoke filled garage through a side door to rescue a woman inside, but was forced back. He called to the confused and panicking woman to crawl out but she was unable to help herself. After a second attempt to enter the building failed, Mr Rush went to the locked roller door which he knocked from its runners with a series of kicks. By bending the door he created a gap of sufficient size to enable him to crawl three metres inside and drag the woman to safety.

For his actions Mr Rush is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Mr Peter Ross SHAPLAND  
Corner Herbert Street and Nicholson Street  
BANANA QLD 4702

On the night of 1 December 1991 Mr Shapland swam through raging flood waters to rescue an endangered family at Ten Mile Creek, south of Banana. Mr Shapland responded to a distress call on CB radio from a family of six whose four-wheel drive vehicle had been carried 100 metres downstream from a crossing by the force of a flash flood, and was temporarily lodged against a mid-stream tree. With the flooded creek increasing in force and rising rapidly, the family's position was one of considerable peril. Disregarding his own safety, Mr Shapland several times entered the debris-laden torrent and swam with ropes to the vehicle. With these secured Mr Shapland assisted by other rescuers, formed a human chain and brought the four children and their parents to safety.

For his actions Mr Shapland is commended for brave conduct.

Miss Eden Suzzanne SHAW  
Billabong Caravan Park  
CLIFTON BEACH QLD 4879

In the early hours of 14 March 1992 at The Summit Miss Eden Shaw, then aged six years, overcame pain and shock to summon help that saved the life of her baby brother. Eden was a passenger in a car that left the road and overturned on a bitterly cold night. Although suffering a broken jaw and facial injuries Eden comforted her three-year-old sister, the only other ambulatory survivor of the accident, and shepherded her 800 metres through a moonless night to raise help from the nearest house. Despite her pain and shock, Eden maintained a clear and calm composure to give directions to rescue workers. As a result of this searchers were able to quickly locate Eden's baby brother, who had been thrown some distance from the car, and whose life was in danger from hypothermia. Her actions also led to prompt medical attention for a seriously injured adult passenger.

For her actions Miss Eden Shaw is commended for brave conduct.

COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

Clinton James TAYLOR  
1 Bulkirra Court  
HELENA VALLEY WA 6056

On the afternoon of 24 June 1991 Clinton Taylor, then aged 13, placed his own safety at risk to give help to a fellow student in the flooded Helena River at Pexton. Clinton was returning from football practice with other students when he responded to a call from one of his fellows assisting a student who had fallen into the river from a submerged crossing. Seeing that the endangered youth was being forced by a strong current into a pipe beneath the crossing Clinton, without regard for his own safety, immediately entered the river at the pipe entry and attempted to save his fellow student. When the youth was torn by the force of the water through the pipe, Clinton participated in a downstream search and the eventual recovery of the drowned student.

For his actions Clinton Taylor is commended for brave conduct.

Constable Ian Gordon TOWER  
Western Australia Police Force

On the morning of 8 May 1992 Constable Tower participated in the rescue of an injured passenger from the blazing wreckage of a crashed helicopter at Kelmscott. Constable Tower was on duty near the site where a helicopter crashed and caught fire at Rushton Park Oval. Without hesitation Constable Tower ran to the burning wreckage and helped to free a trapped passenger from the cabin. He then helped to carry the injured man to safety. Shortly afterwards the helicopter was engulfed in flames.

For his actions Constable Tower is commended for brave conduct.

GROUP CITATION FOR BRAVERY  
TO

Captain Rolfe Aage FARSTAD  
Mr Frank ANDERSON  
Mr John Alfred ASHTON  
Mr Christopher George EDMONDS  
Mr John ELLINGHAM  
Mr Alan HATTEN  
Mr Errol HOLMES  
Mr Kevin Michael HURLEY  
Mr Willem Casparus JENEZON  
Mr Gregory Charles MEAGHER  
Mr Peter REED  
Mr Paul Richard WOOLLAMS

Members on board the oil rig tender "LADY KATHLEEN" on 21 July 1991, in recognition of bravery in exceptional circumstances

In July 1991 the ship's company of the oil rig tender "LADY KATHLEEN" displayed high courage which, aided by initiative and exemplary seamanship, enabled them to avert a major pollution disaster by removing a stricken oil tanker to safety. On the morning of 21 July 1991 "LADY KATHLEEN" responded to an emergency call from a burning oil tanker which had lost its bow in heavy seas off the reefs north west of Wedge Island. When "LADY KATHLEEN" arrived the tanker was spilling oil and being driven shorewards. Operating in conditions of extreme hazard and difficulty, with strong winds and heavy seas and in imminent danger of conflagration, "LADY KATHLEEN" closed on the tanker to pick up a useable line streaming from its stern. A towing attempt was frustrated when the line parted. Returning to the danger zone, "LADY KATHLEEN" lay alongside the tanker and succeeded in putting a line party aboard, enabling the connection of a towing rig. Despite the difficult conditions "LADY KATHLEEN" was able to hold the tanker until wind and sea abated sufficiently to enable her to tow the vessel further off shore. Throughout this demanding action, the ship's company of the "LADY KATHLEEN" maintained a calm and purposeful dedication to the operation and performed their dangerous tasks with courage and enterprise.

GROUP CITATION FOR BRAVERY  
TO

Captain Ian Edward Adam CLARK  
Mr John Charles NELSON  
Mr Rodolfo Rudy RICERCATO

Crew of the Bristow Search and Rescue Helicopter based at RAAF Base Pearce, Western Australia, in recognition of bravery in exceptional circumstances on 21 July 1991

On the morning of 21 July 1991 Captain Clark, Mr Nelson and Mr Ricercato, the crew of a rescue helicopter, removed to safety 17 survivors of a stricken oil tanker off the Western Australian coast, in hazardous and difficult conditions. In severe turbulence and with visibility inhibited by fog and rain, the crew winched six people from the deck of the crippled vessel and carried them ashore. Returning to the tanker the helicopter crew again experienced considerable difficulty due to the air turbulence and violent movements of the ship in the heavy seas, but persevered to lift another five people to safety. A third flight enabled them to winch the last six members of the tanker's crew aboard and bring them to safety.

GROUP CITATION FOR BRAVERY  
TO

Special Constable Clive MAYO  
Special Constable Ray William RUDGE  
Constable First Class Glen David RUDRUM  
Special Constable Derek Vincent WHITFIELD

Crew members of Western Australia Police Force Air Wing,  
Jandakot, in recognition of bravery in exceptional  
circumstances on 21 July 1991

On the morning of 21 July 1991, Special Constable Mayo, Special Constable Rudge, Special Constable Rudrum and Special Constable Whitfield flew 24 sorties in the Police Helicopter Polair, under hazardous and difficult conditions to rescue 24 crew members from a stricken oil tanker off the Western Australian coast. Operating in conditions of extremely low visibility, strong winds and severe turbulence Polair winched individuals from the deck of the tanker and carried them ashore in batches of three and four. During the morning, despite further deterioration in the conditions, Polair's crew made frequent returns to the tanker and although aware of the added dangers from the ship's superstructure in the violent seas, operated from a low level to winch aboard more survivors from the stricken tanker, and remained with the vessel until the evacuation was completed.