

31 March 2020

**Australian Bravery Decorations August 2019**

**The Governor-General is pleased to announce the following awards:**

**STAR OF COURAGE (SC)**

*(For acts of conspicuous courage in circumstances of great peril)*

**Mr Paul Robert CHAPLIN**  
VIC

**Mr Donald Allen ROMNEY**  
Woodvale VIC 3556

**Mr Levi John SYMINGTON**  
NSW

**Mr John Ngahiti WAEREA**  
QLD

**BRAVERY MEDAL (BM)**

*(For acts of bravery in hazardous circumstances)*

**Mr Troy Daniel CUTLER**  
NSW

**Mrs Natalie Jane DEARDEN**  
Apsley VIC 3319

**Mr Darren Charles FYFE**  
New Farm QLD 4005

**Sergeant Mark Hilton HEVERS**  
New South Wales Police Force

**Mr Matthew James IRVING**  
Kurow, Otago, New Zealand

**Mr Timothy Brett KELM**  
VIC

**Sergeant Justin McEVOY**  
New South Wales Police Force

**Mr Regan Angus McMAHON**  
WA

**Senior Sergeant Bradyn Michael MURPHY APM**  
Queensland Police Service

**Mr Anthony Gordon NORTHBROOK-HINE**  
Mount Colah NSW 2079

**Mr David Howard O'DOWD**  
Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799

**Mr Kyle Anthony PATRECH**  
Greenbank QLD 4124

**Senior Constable Ashley Cain RAWLINGS**  
Victoria Police

**Constable Matthew John WOODHAM**  
Queensland Police Service

**COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT**  
*(For acts of bravery considered worthy of recognition)*

**Mr Kurt Luther BLIGH**  
QLD

**Mr George CHAPMAN**  
NSW

**Senior Constable Christopher James COOPER**  
New South Wales Police Force

**Mr Stuart William COUCH**  
VIC

**Senior Constable Thomas Robert DEMPSEY**  
Victoria Police

**Mr Lee James DOBSON**  
Happy Valley SA 5159

**Senior Constable Grant Charlton HAYDON**  
New South Wales Police Force

**Mr Daniel Edward KOTYNIA**  
Prospect Vale TAS 7250

**Mr Benjamin Terence McKENZIE**  
Inman Valley SA 5211

**Leading Senior Constable Mark Douglas McLEAN**  
Victoria Police

**Mr Jamie Ronald O'CONNELL**  
Bellbird NSW 2325

**Major Brendan Andrew ROWE**  
QLD

**Commendation for Brave Conduct** (continued)

**Senior Constable Andrew Palgrave SIMPSON**  
New South Wales Police Force

**Mr Robin Wayne SMITH**  
VIC

**Sergeant Craig Jason STANTON**  
Victoria Police

**Mr Simon Eric WERNE**  
Kalgoorlie WA 6430

**Sergeant Daniel WILLSMORE**  
Victoria Police

**GROUP BRAVERY CITATION**

*(For a collective act of bravery, by a group of persons in extraordinary circumstances, that is considered worthy of recognition)*

*Awardees comprise members of the Country Fire Authority who are recognised for their actions after an armed offender set fire to a house and vehicles at Meadow Heights in Victoria.*

**Mr Brendan Colin EDWARDS**  
VIC

**Mr Francisco GRECH**  
VIC

**Mr Roy William GRIFFITHS**  
VIC

**Mr Matthew David KENT**  
VIC

*Awardees comprise an officer of the Queensland Police Service and a member of the public who are recognised for their actions during the rescue of a man from a burning vehicle at Gympie in Queensland.*

**Constable Jeremy GARDIOL**  
Queensland Police Service

**Mr Alan GIRDLER**  
QLD

*Awardees comprise five members of Fire and Rescue New South Wales and two Ambulance New South Wales paramedics who are recognised for their actions during the rescue of a man trapped in a trench at a building site in Castle Hill, New South Wales.*

**Mr Warren William BOSTOCK**  
NSW

**Mr Christopher HUMPHREYS**  
Castle Hill NSW 2154

**Mr Anthony Gordon NORTHBROOK-HINE**  
Mount Colah NSW 2079

**Mr Terrence Andrew SADOWSKY**  
Burraneer NSW 2230

**Mr Deryck John SALFUS**  
Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

**Mr Bradley Scott TURNER**  
Kellyville NSW 2155

**Mr Anthony WALLER**  
Coogee NSW 2034

*Awardees comprise members of the Tactical Response Group of the Western Australian Police Force who are recognised for their actions during the apprehension of a violent offender near Fitzroy Crossing in Western Australia.*

**Mr Robert Harold BROWN**  
WA

**Mr Dennis Eric COLLINSON APM**  
WA

**Mr Barry John LANSDOWN**  
WA

**Mr Donald Gordon McPHERSON**  
WA

**The late Mr William Frederick MATSON APM**  
Formerly of WA

**Mr David Anthony SHEEHAN**  
WA

**Mr Edward William TRINDALL**  
WA

**Group Bravery Citation** (continued)

*Awardees comprise officers of the New South Wales Police Force and Queensland Police Service who are recognised for their actions during the apprehension of two armed offenders following a high speed vehicle pursuit near Tweed Heads in New South Wales.*

**Mrs Kristie Emma BELL**  
QLD

**Mr Troy Daniel CUTLER**  
NSW

**Senior Constable Brett John BURNS**  
**Senior Constable Luke William DAVIES**  
**Senior Constable Matthew John GRINHAM**  
**Senior Constable Justin Gregory LAVIN**  
**Senior Constable Peter Bradley LEVER**  
**Senior Sergeant Bradyn Michael MURPHY APM**  
**Constable Matthew Kenneth SIDDALL**  
**Senior Constable Andrew Palgrave SIMPSON**

*Awardees comprise members of the Malabar Emergency Unit who are recognised for their actions during a prison riot at Long Bay Gaol in New South Wales.*

**Mr Wayne Francis CARMADY**  
Hat Head NSW 2440

**Mr Alan Gary CLARKE**  
Como NSW 2226

**Mr William DODSON**  
NSW

**Mr Anthony Stefan D'SILVA**  
NSW

**Mr David Shane FARRELL**  
QLD

**Mr David John GOLLEDGE**  
Valla Beach NSW 2448

**Mr Garry William LOCKHART**  
Peregian Springs QLD 4573

**Mr Kenneth Michael NEWBERY**  
QLD

**Mr Domenic PEZZANO**  
Leppington NSW 2179

**The late Mr Mark Anthony RUSSO**  
Formerly of NSW

**The late Mr Stephen John WRIGHT**  
Formerly of NSW

*Awardees comprise members of the public who are recognised for their actions during the rescue of passengers and driver following a bus crash in Lamington National Park in Queensland.*

**Mr Steven Hamish ARMITAGE**  
ACT

**Senior Sergeant Troy Anthony HAMILTON BM**  
Queensland Police Service

**Mr Paul John HUGHES**  
UK

**Dr Samantha NADAY**  
QLD

**Mr Jack William O'DWYER**  
QLD

**Mr Michael John SPRINGFIELD**  
Hope Island QLD 4212

**By His Excellency's command**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Singer', written in a cursive style.

**Paul Singer MVO**

Official Secretary to the Governor-General