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Australia Day 2024 Honours List (Military Awards)

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***Appointed as an Officer of the Order of  
Australia in the Military Division (AO)***

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Air Marshal Robert Timothy CHIPMAN AM CSC**

For distinguished service in responsible positions as Australia's Military Representative to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation; and as Head of Military Strategic Commitments Branch.

***Appointed as a Member of the Order of  
Australia in the Military Division (AM)***

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Rear Admiral Matthew Paul BUCKLEY CSC RAN**

For exceptional service in senior leadership roles within the Royal Australian Navy.

**Commodore Peter James LEAVY CSM RAN**

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force in senior command positions.

*Australian Army*

**Brigadier David Charles HAFNER CSC**

For exceptional service in the field of Army Aviation operations and capability management.

**Major General Jason Kyle WALK**

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force in strategic logistics, operations support and sustainment.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Group Captain David John CLYDE CSM**

For exceptional service in development and realisation of cyberspace capabilities for the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Group Captain Dennis DAVISON**

For exceptional service in Space capability development for Australia and its allies.

**Air Commodore Gretchen Elizabeth FRYAR**

For exceptional service in Personnel Management and International Engagement for the Australian Defence Force.

**Air Commodore Anthony John HINDMARSH CSC**

For exceptional service in Personnel Capability Management and organisational sustainment for the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Group Captain Hannah Louise JUDE-SMITH**

For exceptional service in intelligence capability development, strategic planning and international relations for the Australian Defence Force.

***Awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia  
in the Military Division (OAM)***

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Commander Steven John BLISS RAN**

For meritorious service in the fields of joint and combined exercise design and evaluations.

**Captain Jacqueline Margaret KING RAN**

For meritorious service to the Australian Defence Force in seaworthiness, explosive ordnance safety and policy.

**Warrant Officer David John PASSMORE**

For meritorious service to the Australian Defence Force in diving safety, governance and policy.

**Chief Petty Officer Steven David PATERSON CSM**

For meritorious service in the fields of Navy Engineering and Training.

**Commander Liza Jane STEPHENSON RAN**

For performance of duty in the delivery of operational intelligence to Defence.



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**Major David Graeme BROWN CSM**

For meritorious service in the delivery of strategic human resource capability for the Australian Army.

**Warrant Officer Class One Glen Andrew DONALDSON**

For meritorious service as the Afghan National Army Sergeant Major Academy Senior Soldier Advisor, Career Advisor Royal Australian Engineers and the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 5th Brigade and Joint Task Group 629.1.

**Warrant Officer Class Two Tommy MUNYARRYUN**

For meritorious service in cross cultural leadership within the Regional Force Surveillance Group.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Sergeant Justin Luke KURBAN**

For meritorious service in delivery of maintenance outcomes for C-27J Spartan and C-130J-30 Super Hercules tactical airlift capability for the Australian Defence Force.

**Flight Sergeant Grant William REIBEL**

For meritorious service in design and development of Military Working Dog training, operational policy and for driving best practice operational models.

***Awarded the Distinguished Service Medal (DSM)***

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*Australian Army*

**Lieutenant Colonel M**

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as a Task Force Commander on Operation AUGURY from April to November 2022.

***Awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC)***

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*Royal Australian Navy*

**Chief Petty Officer Gillian Louise BRYANT**

For outstanding achievement as a member of the Royal Australian Navy Sea Training Group Defence Cooperation Program.

**Commander Claire Elizabeth JONES RAN**

For outstanding achievement in armaments engineering management and acquisition for the Australian Defence Force.

**Commander Nathan Wyllie LOCKHART RAN**

For outstanding achievement in the field of Navy Communications and Information Warfare.

**Commodore Gustaaf Henri NORD-THOMSON RAN**

For outstanding devotion to duty as a senior leader within Australia's Collins-class submarine program.

*Australian Army*

**Brigadier Mark Norman ARMSTRONG**

For outstanding achievement as Commander Joint Task Group 629.3 on Operation FLOOD ASSIST 2022 from April 2022 to December 2022.

**Lieutenant Colonel Alana BURKITT**

For outstanding achievement as an Australian Defence Force Officer while seconded to the Office of National Intelligence's Joint Analysis Team.

**Lieutenant Colonel Gwenda Margo CASPERSONN**

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Army Coordination Officer to the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide.

**Colonel John Angus DOUGALL**

For outstanding achievement as the Director Business Intelligence, Army Headquarters.

**Lieutenant Colonel David James EVANS**

For outstanding devotion to duty on Operation MAZURKA as the Commander Australian Contingent and Force Operations Team Commander in the Multinational Force and Observers Headquarters, South Camp, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt from October 2021 to October 2022.

**Brigadier G**

For outstanding achievement in operational command of special and sensitive operations from 18 May 2020 to 5 November 2022.



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**Colonel Michael James KING**

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Commanding Officer of 7th Combat Signal Regiment.

**Brigadier Robert Barton LORDING CSM**

For outstanding achievement as Commander Joint Task Group 629.1 on Operation FLOOD ASSIST 2022 from February to October 2022.

**Colonel Rodney Waldemar PETERSEN**

For outstanding devotion to duty as Staff Officer Class One, Military Employment Classification and Review Service, Joint Health Command.

**Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan David POLLARD**

For outstanding achievement as Staff Officer Grade One 12th Chief Engineer Works Capability Implementation Team and Commanding Officer 12th Chief Engineer Works.

**Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin Lytton WATSON**

For outstanding achievement as an Operational Planner for the Indo-Pacific Integrated Operations Team and lead planner in Headquarters Joint Operations Command for developing an Australian Defence Force operational contingency plan.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Warrant Officer Paul Ernest ARGUS**

For outstanding achievement in aircraft maintenance reform and technical workforce career management in the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Wing Commander David Norman BELL**

For outstanding achievement in introducing the F-35A Lightning II into operational service for the Australian Defence Force.

**Wing Commander Brett Andrew CLARKE**

For outstanding achievement in international engagement in the multi-national Five Power Defence Arrangements forum through development and advancement of Communications Information Systems.

**Group Captain Daniel Christopher DRINAN**

For outstanding achievement as the Director Select Strategic Issues Management in Australian Defence Force Headquarters, managing the Defence response to enterprise-wide serious and sensitive issues.

**Wing Commander Andrew Michael JACKSON  
OAM**

For outstanding achievement during the introduction into service of the F-35A Lightning II.

**Squadron Leader Malith JAYASINGHE**

For outstanding achievement in Cyber Security and Information and Communications Technology Management for the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Warrant Officer Martin James MILLER**

For outstanding achievement in the training, development and technical leadership of the maintenance workforce for the Royal Australian Air Force Maritime Patrol capability.

**Air Commodore Scott Matthew PARRY AM**

For outstanding achievement in strategic air mobility sustainment as the Officer Commanding Heavy Air Lift Systems Program Office.

**Warrant Officer Melinda Jane SKINNER**

For outstanding achievement in movements coordination for the Australian Defence Force as a Movements Warrant Officer in the Royal Australian Air Force.



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**Awarded the Conspicuous Service Medal  
(CSM)**

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Lieutenant Commander Simon Craig ABLEY RAN**

For meritorious achievement as the Commanding Officer of the Maritime Deployable Robotic and Autonomous Systems Experimentation Unit.

**Chief Petty Officer Dennis Andrew ANNING**

For meritorious achievement in engineering and technical mastery within the Mine Warfare and Clearance Diving Group.

**Warrant Officer Jessica Amy BULEY**

For devotion to duty as Communications and Information Warfare Manager in HMAS *Sydney*.

**Lieutenant Commander Michael COPLAND RAN**

For devotion to duty in developing and delivering intelligence to the Headquarters United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Intelligence Enterprise of Australia, United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand and the United States of America.

**Captain Roger FONHOF RAN**

For devotion to duty to the Royal Australian Navy in the field of workforce development and personnel management.

**Lieutenant Commander Mark GALLAGHER RAN**

For devotion to duty as the Executive Officer HMAS *Penguin*.

**Petty Officer Keigan James GUNTHER**

For meritorious achievement as the Senior Systems Maintainer in HMAS *Rankin*.

**Warrant Officer Steven Alexander MCCONNACHIE**

For devotion to duty as the Warrant Officer Electronics Technician – Weapons in Fleet Command.

**Lieutenant Matthew Alex PARRITT RAN**

For meritorious achievement in the field of engineering within the Australian Destroyer Group.

**Commander Peter Dennis SHIRLEY RAN**

For meritorious achievement in the field of Navy combat system engineering.

**Warrant Officer Cheryl Valerie YOUNG**

For meritorious achievement as the Maritime Personnel Manager in HMAS *Canberra*.

*Australian Army*

**Captain Jackson Harris CAIL**

For meritorious achievement as the Construction Officer and Infrastructure Program Manager, Defence Cooperation Program, Papua New Guinea.

**Warrant Officer Class One Damien Mark CHEUNG**

For meritorious achievement as Career Manager Electronic Warfare Operator.

**Warrant Officer Class One Steven Owen DAVIES**

For devotion to duty to the Australian Defence Force in supporting Joint Military Police operations in the most complex and demanding circumstances.

**Bombardier Adam James DAVIES-MOORE**

For meritorious achievement in advancing Army's counter-unmanned aerial system capability.

**Warrant Officer Class One Nigel Roy DOBSON**

For meritorious achievement in the field of signals planning, and the development and implementation of survivable telecommunication networks.

**Warrant Officer Class Two David Robert ELLIOTT**

For meritorious achievement while posted as the Uncrewed Aircraft Systems subject matter expert within the 2nd Commando Regiment, and the 9th Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery from January 2019 to October 2022.

**Captain Nicholas Paul GOLDSWORTHY**

For meritorious achievement in explosive ordnance operational training at the Defence Explosive Ordnance Training School for the Australian Defence Force.

**Warrant Officer Class One Shawn Glenn GOODBODY**

For devotion to duty to Army's transitioning veterans as Member Support Coordinator within the Army Personnel Support Unit.

**Signaller Thomas Anthony GRAYHAM**

For meritorious achievement as the Information Systems Technician for capability development on Joint Task force 629 on Operation COVID-19 ASSIST from July to November 2021 and Operation FLOOD ASSIST 2022 from April to November 2022.

**Warrant Officer Class One Megan Jennifer GRIFFITHS**

For devotion to duty as the Chief Clerk, Defence Signals Intelligence and Cyber Command.



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**Colonel Alison Kim KAINÉ**

For meritorious achievement in the field of sensitive and strategic personnel case management in the Australian Army.

**Warrant Officer Class Two Benjamin James KILGOUR**

For meritorious achievement as the Senior Enlisted Advisor and Operations Warrant Officer deployed to Headquarters Middle East on Operation ACCORDION from July 2022 to January 2023.

**Major Benjamin KREIS**

For meritorious achievement as the career manager within the Senior Warrant Officer portfolio for the Australian Regular Army.

**Major L**

For meritorious achievement as the Legal Officer in support of a Special Operations Task Force deployed on Operation AUGURY - GLOBAL, April 2022 to November 2022.

**Lieutenant Colonel James Thomas PIDGEON**

For meritorious achievement as the Formation Operations Officer and Chief of Staff within the 16th Aviation Brigade.

**Lieutenant Colonel Meng WANG**

For meritorious achievement as the Staff Officer Grade One Rotary Wing Development, Headquarters Aviation Command.

**Warrant Officer Class One Sean Heinz WEBER**

For devotion to duty as the Regimental Artificer Sergeant Major of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment.

**Major Sally WILLIAMSON**

For meritorious achievement as the Staff Officer Grade Two Training Transformation, Headquarters Army Logistic Training Centre.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Chaplain (Wing Commander) Lindsay Brian CAREY**

For devotion to duty in Moral Injury research and the development of resources and training to support Australian Defence Force personnel.

**Wing Commander Denis Brian FRENCH**

For meritorious achievement as an Operational Planner for the Indo-Pacific Integrated Operations Team, Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

**Corporal Matthew PALMER**

For meritorious achievement as an Air Intelligence Analyst – Signals at Number 87 Squadron in developing and implementing world leading signals intelligence support to Number 81 Wing, significantly improving survivability and lethality of F-35A in an enduring capability.

**Corporal Jack Clifford SIMPSON**

For meritorious achievement in C-17A Globemaster workforce training, development and maintenance management for the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Squadron Leader Melissa Jane VREUGDENBURG**

For meritorious achievement in the development and progression of collaborative Space Control capabilities for the Australian Defence Force.