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Australia Day 2026 Honours List (Military Awards)

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

Royal Australian Navy

Commodore Stephen Geoffrey DALTON RAN

For exceptional service in submarine and undersea warfare capability development.

Commodore Nathan Jerome ROBB RAN

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Navy in the field of Maritime Logistics.

Rear Admiral Brett Raymond SONTER RAN

For exceptional performance of duty in senior Australian Defence Force management and international relationship roles.

Australian Army

Colonel Mark Andrew COYLE

For exceptional service as the Commander Australian Contingent on Operation ASLAN in 2020 and Operation OKRA in 2024.

Brigadier Nathan Edward JUCHNIEWICZ DSC and Bar CSC

For exceptional service in senior command appointments in Forces Command and Special Operations Command.

Brigadier M

For exceptional service to the coordination and application of Army's operational capability as the Director of Special Operations and Plans and Director General Land Operations.

Royal Australian Air Force

Air Commodore Maria Josefina BRICK

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Air Force in military legal services and staff appointments.

Group Captain Aleisha Maree BROADHEAD

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force in the introduction of the F-35A Lightning II and the sustainment of air traffic management capabilities.

Squadron Leader Andrew Gordon HARRIS

For exceptional service to the Royal Australian Air Force in the enhancement and employment of air combat capabilities including platforms, people and procedures.

Wing Commander Nadia Justine HARRISON CSM

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

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

Royal Australian Navy

Warrant Officer Cheryl Anne COLLINS CSM

For meritorious performance of duty as Command Warrant Officer Training Force, Command Warrant Officer Navy People, and Warrant Officer Joint Operations Command.

Commander Nicholas Patrick DOYLE RAN

For meritorious performance of duty in the delivery and management of Navy Collective Training.

Commander Wesley Karl NORTH RAN

For meritorious service in submarine engineering and technical submariner workforce development.

Petty Officer Kerryn Sue SEABORN

For meritorious service to the Royal Australian Navy as a Physical Training Instructor.

Chief Petty Officer Erol Jade WILLIAMS

For meritorious service in the field of Indigenous engagement and cultural advancement.



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Warrant Officer Class Two K

For meritorious performance of duty in Training Development and Employment Category Management roles within Special Operations Command.

Warrant Officer Class One Kimberly Yvonne KIELY

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 2nd Health Brigade, Sydney University Regiment, and 3rd Combat Service Support Battalion.

Warrant Officer Class One Michael Patrick KILLEA

For meritorious performance of duty advancing and fostering the Distribution Specialisation trade.

Warrant Officer Class One Anthony James LUCHTERHAND

For meritorious service over successive Regimental Sergeant Major appointments as a senior enlisted advisor, master trainer and mentor.

Royal Australian Air Force

Flight Lieutenant Christopher Leigh RHONE

For meritorious performance of duty in F-35A Lightning II aircraft maintenance for the Royal Australian Air Force.

Wing Commander Estevan SAMANES

For meritorious service in sustainment, maintenance and upgrade operations in support of the F/A-18F Super Hornet for the Royal Australian Air Force.

Air Commodore Brett Robert WILLIAMS CSM

For meritorious performance of duty to the Australian Defence Force as Director of Strategic Design – Air Force and Officer Commanding Air Academy.

Awarded the Commendation for Distinguished Service

Australian Army

Sergeant Ashlee Louise LIVERSEDGE

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as a Medic with Task Group Taji, whilst deployed in Iraq on Operation OKRA on 11 March 2020.

Ms Sarah Jane NIXON

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as a Medic with Task Group Taji whilst deployed in Iraq on Operation OKRA on 11 March 2020.

Awarded the Bar to the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC and Bar)

Australian Army

Colonel Gerard Ryan KEARNS CSC

For outstanding achievement as the Commander Australian Contingent on Operation PALADIN during the period September 2023 to October 2024.

Royal Australian Air Force

Group Captain Anthony KAY CSC

For outstanding achievement in the application of extraordinary skills and judgement in the development and control of Air Mobility capability for the Australian Defence Force.

Air Commodore Kaarin Nina KOOIJ CSC

For outstanding devotion to duty as Director General Joint Transition Authority delivering continuous improvement and operationalisation of the transition operating model that supports Australian Defence Force personnel and their families.

Awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC)

Royal Australian Navy

Lieutenant Commander Malcolm Terence BONEHILL RAN

For outstanding devotion to duty in the field of Navy personnel welfare and support.

Captain Aaron Leon COX RAN

For outstanding devotion to duty in the field of capability management of the Hobart Class Destroyer.

Commander Stefanie Maree CURIC RAN

For outstanding devotion to duty in the management of Navy Engineering training.

Lieutenant Commander Caitlin Melanie FULLER RAN

For outstanding achievement in intelligence training, governance, and capability development for the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Lieutenant Commander Jay PETTIFER CSM RAN

For outstanding achievement in the development of the Naval Force Protection Bureau.

Chief Petty Officer Bradley Scott SMITH

For outstanding devotion to duty as a Senior Enlisted Sailor in Navy's Submarine Force.



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Sergeant Kirsti Anne CLAYMORE

For outstanding devotion to duty in the application of Defence Values and superior judgement to support service personnel and their families in adversity.

Lieutenant Colonel Sven HARRIS

For outstanding achievement and the application of skills as Operations Officer, Headquarters 1st (Australian) Division.

Corporal Geoffrey Michael IZOD

For outstanding devotion to duty as the rescue crewman on an MRH90 helicopter during Operation FLOOD ASSIST 22-1, on 1 March 2022.

Brigadier Caitlin Emma LANGFORD

For outstanding achievement in the development of preventative measures that strengthen the mental health and wellbeing of the Australian Defence Force.

Colonel Scottie James MORRIS

For outstanding achievement as the Commander of Headquarters Middle East on Operation ACCORDION from March 2024 to December 2024.

Lieutenant Colonel Tegan Irene MUSUMECI

For outstanding achievement in the delivery of theatre logistics to the integrated force and our allies and partners as Commanding Officer of Joint Logistics Unit – North.

Sergeant Rick Leslie SCOTT

For outstanding devotion to duty as the rescue crewman on Trooper 70 during Operation FLOOD ASSIST 22-1 on 25 February 2022.

Colonel Lauren Elizabeth WRIGHT

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Project Director for LAND 1508 Greyfin Program and across the Land Systems Division.

Royal Australian Air Force

Group Captain Phillip Bryan GODFREY

For outstanding achievement in career management of senior Royal Australian Air Force personnel as Director Senior Officer Management – Air Force.

Wing Commander Shannon James MCGUCKIN

For outstanding achievement in Air Domain Research, Analysis and Development.

Flight Sergeant Gary Andrew NEIDERT

For outstanding achievement in advancing targeting capabilities within the Australian Defence Force, enhancing interoperability and fostering Coalition cooperation.

Group Captain Lucas RICCIARDI

For outstanding achievement as Commanding Officer of Air Warfare Engineering Squadron, Air Warfare Centre.

Awarded the Bar to the Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM and Bar)

Royal Australian Navy

Lieutenant Commander Justin Magnus DOWNEY-PRICE CSM RAN

For meritorious achievement as the Command Warrant Officer - Fleet Information Warfare Force.

Warrant Officer Lyndon Montgomery QUIRKE CSM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Technical Adviser to the Kiribati Police Service Maritime Unit.

Australian Army

Major Justin Thomas CROSS CSM

For meritorious achievement in delivery of engineering and project management support on Operation ACCORDION from July 2024 to February 2025.

Awarded the Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM)

Royal Australian Navy

Petty Officer Jack Drew BELLINGHAM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Leading Seaman Boatswains Mate in Australian Defence Vessel Reliant.



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For meritorious devotion to duty as Indo-Pacific and Major Fleet Unit planner at Headquarters Joint Operations Command for all Australian Defence Force Regional Presence Deployments 2022 to 2023.

Commander Joshua Wesley CLIFFORD RAN

For meritorious devotion to duty in the delivery of operational intelligence as the Director of Maritime Intelligence.

Lieutenant Commander Daniel Scott DOWELL RAN

For meritorious achievement as Officer in Charge Royal Australian Navy Tactical Data Links.

Chief Petty Officer Gavin Lee DOWNES

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of combat system materiel seaworthiness and tactical development for the Hobart Class destroyers.

Captain Benjamin John HURST RAN

For meritorious achievement in the field of Navy Engineering.

Chief Petty Officer Adam Clements MOXHAM

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Warfare 1, Warfare 2 and Hydrographic Strategic Career Manager in the Royal Australian Navy.

Leading Seaman Jack Murray SCHULZE

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of Navy technical training.

Lieutenant Commander Scott James SHIPTON OAM RAN

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Command Warrant Officer of the Royal Australian Navy Recruit School and HMAS *Cerberus*.

Lieutenant Perri Anne TREW RAN

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Maritime Human Resources Officer HMAS *Cerberus*.

Chief Petty Officer Tara-Ann WILSON

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Senior Technical Officer in HMAS *Albany*.

Australian Army

Major P

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Administration and Welfare Officer within the Special Air Service Regiment from 2023 to 2024.

Signaller Bailey Aaron CAMPBELL

For meritorious devotion to duty and dedication as an Information Systems Technician during the conduct of Operation BEECH during the period August to November 2024.

Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Paul DENT

For meritorious achievement in support of the Australian Army's international engagement with Japan, as Australian Army Liaison Officer to the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force.

Lieutenant Colonel Julian David FLEMING

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Commanding Officer of the 9th Force Support Battalion.

Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Anthony KUKAS

For meritorious achievement as Staff Officer Personnel Plans, within Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Colonel Andrew Stephen MOSS

For meritorious devotion to duty as a lead Policy Officer in Joint Health Command and the Mental Health and Wellbeing Branch.

Warrant Officer Class One William RENWICK

For meritorious achievement in supply chain management during the withdrawal from service of the M1A1 Main Battle Tank and introduction into service of the Boxer Combat Reconnaissance Vehicle in 2nd/14th Light Horse Regiment (Queensland Mounted Infantry).

Colonel Scott Christian REVELL

For meritorious achievement as Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Queensland University Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class Two Corey James ROCCA

For meritorious achievement in developing equipment viability and maintenance processes within the International Donation Coordination Centre, in support of Ukrainian Armed Forces on SECURITY RESPONSE TEAM-EUROPE from December 2023 to July 2024.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Charles SQUIRE

For meritorious achievement in non-warlike operations as the Deputy Strategy, Plans and Assessments on Operation OKRA from May 2024 to December 2024.

Major Joshua Arnold VOGEL

For meritorious achievement as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer on Operation LILIA from November to December 2023 and Operation RENDER SAFE from July to August 2023 and August to September 2024.



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Warrant Officer Class One Nigel Turner WARD

For meritorious devotion to duty in providing support to Army's people, units, formations and commands as the Pay and Administration Centre New South Wales Army Liaison Officer.

Lieutenant Colonel Shandelle Nicole WELBOURN

For meritorious achievement in the realisation of rapid capability development through the Army Minors Program for the Australian Army.

Royal Australian Air Force

Flight Lieutenant I

For meritorious achievement whilst assigned to the offensive cyber mission within the Australian Signals Directorate.

Flight Sergeant Anthony John AHCHOW

For meritorious achievement in aviation fuels management and mental health coaching.

Warrant Officer Geoffrey William BIRD

For meritorious achievement in the delivery of Dangerous Goods Training in the Australian Defence Force.

Flying Officer Chad Kelvin BOWES

For meritorious achievement in rapid capability development and security transformation on the P-8A Poseidon aircraft.

Warrant Officer Kerrie-Anne Megan HAMMOND

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Squadron Warrant Officer at Number 382 Squadron.

Sergeant Gavin JEFFERIS

For meritorious achievement in maintenance co-ordination for the Royal Australian Air Force.

Wing Commander Grant Guy LEADER

For meritorious achievement as the Liaison Officer within the United States Air Warfare Centre.

Flight Lieutenant Scott Andrew MCNICHOL

For meritorious achievement as the Commander of the Air Task Unit for Operation BEECH from August 2024 to November 2024.

Warrant Officer Ivan PETROVIC

For meritorious achievement as Warrant Officer Ceremonial for the Australian Defence Force.

Flight Lieutenant Thomas James ROGERS

For meritorious achievement in the development and conduct of the Royal Australian Air Force Evacuation Handling Centre capability on Operation BEECH from October to December 2023 and August to September 2024, and New Caledonia Military Assisted Departure in May 2024.