

MEDAL (OAM) OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA IN THE MILITARY DIVISION

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Lieutenant Simon Andrew COATES RAN, ACT

For meritorious service over a number of years as the Ceremonial Coordinator for ACT and Southern NSW; Chief Boatswain HMAS TOBRUK; and Naval Officer Workforce Modeller within the Directorate of Workforce Modelling and Analysis.

Lieutenant Coates is an exceptional officer who has performed with distinction in a succession of postings and has displayed consistent professional excellence, inspirational leadership and initiative. His dedication and commitment have enhanced the promotion of Navy's values and ethos and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy.

Warrant Officer Andrew John FREAME, NSW

For meritorious service as Junior Officers Warfare Course Divisional Officer, Staff Officer for Boatswains Mate Category Sponsor, and President of the Senior Sailors' Mess at HMAS WATSON.

Warrant Officer Freame has displayed exceptional professionalism and leadership that have culminated in the excellent management of naval personnel at all ranks. An outstanding sailor who continually pursues excellence whilst fostering Esprit de Corp and enhancing morale within the Royal Australian Navy, Warrant Officer Freame epitomises the values expected in our naval personnel. He has made a significant and positive contribution to the Australian Defence Force throughout his career.

Chief Petty Officer Vincent Lee RUDGE, WA

For meritorious service as the Food Services Manager and Support Departmental Regulator in HMAS ARUNTA, and as Leadership Instructor at the Junior Sailors Leadership and Management Faculty – West.

Chief Petty Officer Rudge is an exceptional Senior Sailor. During the last five years, he has demonstrated inspired leadership and meritorious service as Food Services Manager to HMAS ARUNTA and as a Leadership Instructor at Training Centre West. He has consistently motivated his sailors to work as a team to achieve outstanding results. Chief Petty Officer Rudge's capacity to inspire his subordinates, while reinforcing the culture and standards expected in today's Royal Australian Navy, is in the finest traditions of the service and the Australian Defence Force.

Chief Petty Officer Lee Gary SMITH, Vic

For meritorious service as Chief Petty Officer Naval Reserve Diving Team Six, Williamstown, Victoria.

Chief Petty Officer Smith is an outstanding Naval Reserve Senior Sailor who consistently displays exceptional leadership qualities and the highest safety standards in the performance of his duties as the Chief Petty Officer of Reserve Diving Team Six. His superior dedication, diligence and professionalism have ensured that morale amongst Diving Team members is extremely high and that the Team's excellent safety record has been maintained.

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Warrant Officer Class One Michael David JOHNSON, Qld

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 1st/19th Battalion, The Royal New South Wales Regiment and the 1st Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment.

Warrant Officer Johnson's dedication to his role and responsibilities at the 1st/19th Battalion, The Royal New South Wales Regiment and at the 1st Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment has been fundamental in improving the welfare, skills and operational effectiveness of soldiers who have served under him. His tireless efforts in successfully improving the welfare and training of his soldiers have directly contributed to the development of capability, both in the Army Reserve and the 3rd Brigade. Through his selfless dedication and inspirational example, he has made a major contribution to the Australian Army and the Australian Defence Force.

Warrant Officer Class One Donald Garry SPINKS, Vic

For meritorious service to the Royal Australian Armoured Corps and to the Multi-National Force and Observers – Sinai.

Warrant Officer Spinks has provided leadership and direction through a period of significant change for the Royal Australian Armoured Corps. He was instrumental in the successful short-notice deployment of armoured vehicles and personnel on operations, and in the establishment of a new Reserve trade within the Corps. His efforts have been critical to meeting the challenges arising from the introduction of new armoured vehicles.

Warrant Officer Class One Barry Leslie WADE, Vic

For meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 3rd Combat Engineer Regiment and in other senior appointments as a soldier of the Royal Australian Engineers.

Warrant Officer Wade is a soldier of exceptional dedication to the profession of arms. His engineering knowledge and professionalism have been consistently applied to provide the very best level of support to both the commanders and the soldiers of his unit and Corps. His physical robustness and intelligence have enabled him to inspire confidence and lead all ranks by example. Warrant Officer Wade's tireless pursuit of excellence in combat engineering has enhanced the operational capability of each unit in which he has served.

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Group Captain Mark Anthony KELTON, NSW

For meritorious service in the field of combat support to Royal Australian Air Force air operations.

Group Captain Kelton has been instrumental in the major developments in combat support capability within the Royal Australian Air Force for over five years. He is an excellent officer who consistently displays selfless dedication, inspirational leadership and boundless energy and enthusiasm. His outstanding efforts have significantly enhanced the Royal Australian Air Force's capability to provide combat support to air operations and have achieved long-lasting benefits for the Australian Defence Force.

Group Captain Richard James SARGEANT MBE, Qld

For meritorious service in the field of acquisition and logistics support.

Group Captain Sargeant has made an outstanding contribution to the acquisition and logistics support of current and future Royal Australian Air Force capabilities over a prolonged period in the face of a dynamic capability and workforce management environment. He is an excellent officer, consistently displaying boundless energy, outstanding dedication and professionalism, and inspirational leadership and innovation. His personal efforts have achieved long-lasting benefits for the Australian Defence Force.