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

### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC)**

*Australian Army*

#### **Lieutenant Colonel A**

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as the Commanding Officer of the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA in Iraq during 2016.

#### **Colonel Gavin Michael KEATING CSC**

ACT

For distinguished command and leadership in warlike operations as the Commander Task Group Taji Two on Operation OKRA in Iraq.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

#### **Group Captain S**

For distinguished command and leadership during Operation OKRA from September 2014 until April 2015.

### **BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM and Bar)**

*Australian Army*

#### **Major J**

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations while deployed as the Officer Commanding, Commando Company Group with the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA in Iraq.

### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)**

*Australian Army*

#### **Colonel James Andrew HAMMETT**

ACT

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations during Operation Okra, as the Training Task Unit Commander, Task Group Taji Two in Iraq from November 2015 until June 2016.

#### **Sergeant M**

For distinguished leadership as the Force Protection Team Commander of the Special Operations Advisory Group on Operation HIGHROAD in Afghanistan during 2015.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

#### **Group Captain B**

For distinguished leadership as Commander Task Element 630.1.1 on Operation OKRA.

#### **Air Commodore G**

For distinguished leadership as Director, Combined Air Operations Centre, Qatar on Operation OKRA.

### **COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**

*Royal Australian Navy*

#### **Petty Officer Kevin Michael PAUL**

NSW

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as the Chief Counter Improvised Explosive Devices Training Advisor of the Afghan National Police Central Training Centre during Operation HIGHROAD.

*Australian Army*

#### **Brigadier Michael Herbert ANNETT CSC**

Vic

For distinguished performance of duties as the Commander, Task Group Afghanistan, Kabul on Operation HIGHROAD.

#### **Captain B**

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as a Special Forces Advisory Team Commander with the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA in Iraq.

#### **Major C**

For distinguished performance of duty as an Intelligence Officer with the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA in Iraq during 2016.

#### **Major D**

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as a Special Forces Advisory Team Commander with the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA.

**Commendation for Distinguished Service (continued)**

*Australian Army (continued)*

**Colonel Eamon Patrick LENAGHAN CSC**

NSW

For distinguished performance of duty in warlike operations as the Chief of Plans for Combined Joint Forces Land Component Command, Operation INHERENT RESOLVE, Iraq.

**Captain N**

For distinguished performance of duty on warlike operations as a Special Forces Advisory Team Commander with the Special Operations Task Group 632 Rotation IV during Operation OKRA in Iraq during 2016.

**Warrant Officer Class One John James**

**STONEBRIDGE BM OAM**

NSW

For distinguished performance of duties on warlike operations as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 205th Corps Advisory Team in Kandahar, Afghanistan during Operation HIGHROAD.

**Sergeant Daniel Stephen WOODNEY**

Qld

For distinguished performance of duties in warlike operations as Force Protection Platoon Sergeant on Operation OKRA.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Squadron Leader B**

For distinguished performance of duties, in both airborne leadership in action and operational planning as the Task Element 630.1.1 Flight Commander on Operation OKRA.

**Wing Commander J**

For distinguished performance of duties as Commander Task Unit 630.2 and Australian Target Engagement Authority within the Combined Air Operations Centre on Operation OKRA during 2016.

**Flight Lieutenant T**

For distinguished performance of duties on warlike operations as an F/A-18 fighter pilot in Iraq and Syria while a member of Task Element 630.1.1 on Operation OKRA during 2016.

**BAR TO THE CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS  
(CSC and Bar)**

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Commander William Le Mesurier WATERS CSC RAN**

USA

For outstanding achievement and leadership in non-warlike operations as the Commanding Officer HMAS *Melbourne* on Operation MANITOU.

**CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)**

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Commander Simon James CANNELL RAN**

NSW

For outstanding achievement and devotion to duty in the field of maritime warfare capability development.

**Commander Phillip Andrew HENRY RAN**

NSW

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer HMAS *Darwin* on Operation MANITOU during 2016.

**Commander Marc Louis PAVILLARD RAN**

NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty and performance in the field of naval aviation command.

**Commander Andrew Thomas PEPPER RAN**

NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Executive Officer HMAS *Melbourne*.

**Commander Rachel Emma THOMPSON RAN**

Vic

For outstanding achievement in the field of Maritime Logistics and Health training management.

**Captain Brendon Michael ZILKO RAN**

NSW

For outstanding achievement as the Commissioning Executive Officer of HMAS *Adelaide*.

*Australian Army*

**Lieutenant Colonel Micah BATT DSM**

ACT

For outstanding achievement in the delivery of All Corps Ab-initio Officer Training for Army as the Commanding Officer and Chief Instructor of the Royal Military College - Duntroon.

**Lieutenant Colonel David Peter BENSON**

ACT

For outstanding achievement in furthering Army's diversity and inclusivity objectives as the Staff Officer Grade One Workforce Strategy in Army Headquarters.

**Lieutenant Colonel C**

For outstanding achievement in the improvement and advancement of the Special Operations Intelligence Enterprise capability in Special Operations Command.

**Lieutenant Colonel Arran Pearce HASSELL**

USA

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of the Defence Force School of Intelligence and Deputy Head of Corps, Australian Intelligence Corps.

**Lieutenant Colonel Roger James HOLMES**

NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty in the support and recovery of wounded, injured and ill members of the Australian Defence Force.

**Major Ben Gerard LANSKEY**

Qld

For outstanding achievement as Officer Commanding Depot Company, Royal Australian Regiment, School of Infantry and as the Operations Officer of the 51st Battalion, Far North Queensland Regiment.

**Chaplain Kerry Andrew LARWILL**

NSW

For outstanding achievement in Forces Command Chaplaincy, including coordination of Chaplaincy support to the Operation Reunite repatriation activity and implementation of the Chaplaincy Reporting Tool.

**Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)**

*Australian Army (continued)*

**Lieutenant Colonel James Anthony McGANN**

USA

For outstanding achievement as the Commanding Officer of 2/17th Battalion and the inaugural Commanding Officer of the 5th and 8th Brigade Reinforcing Battle Group Waratah.

**Lieutenant Colonel Steven Maurice STOCKLEY**

Belgium

For outstanding devotion to duty as Chief of Staff and Deputy Commandant of the Army Aviation Training Centre.

**Lieutenant Colonel Dean Richard THOMPSON**

ACT

For outstanding achievement as Commanding Officer of the 1st Aviation Regiment.

**Lieutenant Colonel Anthony John WATSON**

ACT

For outstanding achievements in the improvement and sustainment of the deployable logistics capability.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Flight Lieutenant Lauren Rachael BISHOP**

Qld

For outstanding achievement in logistics support to Heron remotely piloted aircraft operations for the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Wing Commander Leona Joy DOWN**

ACT

For outstanding achievement as the Project Manager of the Australian Defence Force Deployable Frozen Blood Project.

**Squadron Leader Scott Peter EGAN**

ACT

For outstanding devotion to duty as the Battlefield Airlift Transition Office Operations Pilot and the Number 35 Squadron C-27J Continental United States of America Detachment Commander during the acquisition and introduction of the C-27J Spartan aircraft capability.

**Squadron Leader Damien Luke MALDON**

NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty in the engineering management and capability development of the additional KC-30A multi-role tanker transport aircraft acquisition and conversion.

**Warrant Officer John Lancaster MATTHEWS**

NSW

For outstanding devotion to duty to the C-27J Spartan battlefield airlifter acquisition project as the Technical Liaison Officer within the prime contractor in the United States of America.

**Warrant Officer Alisha O'BRIEN**

Qld

For outstanding achievement as the Airman Aircrew Manager at Headquarters Air Mobility Group.

**Warrant Officer Neil Charles PINKER**

Qld

For outstanding achievement in maintenance reform as the Warrant Officer Engineering at Number 36 Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force.

**Wing Commander Adele SCHWONBERG**

ACT

For outstanding achievement in star rank and senior officer financial management and personnel administration in the Royal Australian Air Force.

**Warrant Officer Ryan Keith WILSON**

NSW

For outstanding achievement as a Loadmaster Instructor at Number 285 Squadron, Number 84 Wing, Royal Australian Air Force.

**CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)**

*Royal Australian Navy*

**Lieutenant Commander Lorrae BLUNDEN RAN**

NSW

For meritorious achievement in the field of military education and training.

**Lieutenant Commander Tina Louise BROWN RAN**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of maritime leadership as Executive Officer HMAS *Darwin*.

**Chief Petty Officer Peter Ian CANNON**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of Navy Weapons Electrical Engineering.

**Lieutenant Commander Jodie Elizabeth DEZENTJE RANR**

ACT

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of personnel change management in the Navy Aviation Systems Program Office.

**Chief Petty Officer Justin Magnus DOWNEY-PRICE**

NSW

For meritorious achievement in the field of Electronic Warfare in the Royal Australian Navy.

**Chief Petty Officer Phillip John HIRSCHAUSEN**

NSW

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty in the field of Navy avionics support.

**Able Seaman Daniel John PETERS**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of Navy training course planning and co-ordination.

**Chief Petty Officer Adam Geoffrey SHIMMEN**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty in the field of Navy hospitality management.

**Chief Petty Officer Andrew Wayne SIMS**

NSW

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty in the field of Navy marine engineering.

**Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)**

*Royal Australian Navy (continued)*

**Chief Petty Officer Robert STRUTT**

ACT

For meritorious achievement in the performance of duty in the field of Navy aviation support.

*Australian Army*

**Lieutenant Colonel Phillip Mark BALDONI**

ACT

For meritorious devotion to duty in the maintenance of and improvement in land materiel support and sustainment as the Staff Officer Grade Two - Sustainment in the Directorate of Logistics - Army.

**Sergeant C**

For meritorious devotion to duty as an analyst deployed to the Middle East Region.

**Warrant Officer Class One Stephen Donald**

**CARMICHAEL**

Qld

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Regimental Standards Warrant Officer, 20th Surveillance and Target Acquisition Regiment.

**Major Stephen John CHIESA**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty in managing and undertaking representative duties on behalf of the Australian Defence Force and improving the delivery and output of training for the University of New South Wales Regiment.

**Sergeant Matthew Barlow DAVID**

ACT

For meritorious achievement in the innovation of aerial delivery capability.

**Warrant Officer Class Two Jared Benton FELLOWS**

ACT

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Personnel Advisory Committee Warrant Officer, Post Group, Directorate of Soldier Career Management, Army.

**Lieutenant Colonel Scott Stuart HILL**

Qld

For meritorious achievement to the Australian Defence Force in disaster relief for Operation Fiji Assist 2016.

**Major Daniel Timothy KEMP**

Qld

For meritorious devotion to duty in improving the welfare of wounded, injured and ill soldiers and their families in the 8/9th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

**Warrant Officer Class One Gillian Lorraine KENNEDY**

Qld

For meritorious devotion to duty in the development, training and mentoring of Army's current and future junior leaders.

**Major Jan KOUDELKA**

Vic

For meritorious achievement as the Officer Commanding B Company and the Officer Commanding Support Company of the 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

**Lieutenant Colonel Deane Phillip LIMMER**

ACT

For meritorious achievement in the provision and modernisation of joint communications and electronic warfare training.

**Sergeant M**

For meritorious achievement in the improvement and advancement of climbing and survival operations at the Special Air Service Regiment.

**Warrant Officer Class Two O**

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Mobility Survivability Team Commander Special Operations Engineer Regiment.

**Sergeant Jarrod Leigh POXON**

Qld

For meritorious achievement as the Defence Command Support Training Centre - Formation Indigenous Liaison Officer.

**Warrant Officer Class One Lawrence James WALLACE**

NSW

For meritorious achievement as the Artificer Sergeant Major of 20th Surveillance and Target Acquisition Regiment throughout the period January 2013 to July 2016.

*Royal Australian Air Force*

**Group Captain Iain Gerard CARTY**

NSW

For meritorious devotion to duty as the Commanding Officer of Combat Support Unit Rotation 14 during Operation ACCORDION.

**Flight Sergeant Paul James CROUCH**

NT

For meritorious achievement in managing the rectification of a major incident at the Defence Fuel Installation at Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin.

**Group Captain D**

For meritorious achievement and dedication to duty as the Commander Task Unit 630.1 on Operation OKRA.

**Corporal Benjamin James DAVIS**

SA

For meritorious achievement in cyberspace intelligence analysis and counter improvised explosive device tactics research at Number 462 Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force.

**Warrant Officer Timothy Japhet DUKE**

NT

For meritorious achievement in staff development as Senior Non-Commissioned Officer-In-Charge of the Armament Section at Number 6 Squadron, Royal Australian Air Force.

**By His Excellency's command**



**Mark Fraser LVO OAM**

Official Secretary to the Governor-General