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AUSTRALIA DAY 2006 HONOURS

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

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (DSC)

AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Major General Andrew James MOLAN AO
NSW
For distinguished service in command and leadership in action while serving as Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Operations and Deputy Chief of Staff Civil Military Operations with Multi-National Force – Iraq from April 2004 to April 2005, during *Operation CATALYST.*

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Air Vice Marshal Gregory John EVANS AM
NSW
For distinguished service in command and leadership in the Middle East Area of Operations as the Commander Joint Task Force 633 during *Operation CATALYST.*

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Lieutenant Commander Tony Colin JOHNSTON RAN
NSW
For distinguished command and leadership in action as Mission Commander of HMAS ADELAIDE's Seahawk helicopter during *Operation CATALYST.*

Petty Officer Andrew Edward KEITLEY
WA
For distinguished leadership in action as leader of the HMAS ADELAIDE boarding team during a confrontation with heavily armed militant forces during *Operation CATALYST.*

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Wing Commander Michael Charles PATERSON
Qld
For distinguished service in leadership in action while serving as the Commander of the Australian Medical Detachment at Balad Air Base in Iraq from September 2004 to March 2005 during *Operation CATALYST.*

COMMENDATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Trooper Linton Anthony HARRIS
NT
For distinguished performance of duties whilst deployed with the Australian Security Detachment – Iraq on *Operation CATALYST.*

Corporal Daniel Shane MOYLE
Qld
For distinguished performance of duties whilst deployed with the Australian Security Detachment – Iraq on *Operation CATALYST.*

Sergeant Samuel Alan PIKE
Qld
For distinguished performance of duty as the Troop Sergeant, Cavalry Troop Security Detachment and Force Protection Group Detachment to Australian Army Training Team Iraq.

Major Matthew James SILVER
Qld
For distinguished performance of duty whilst deployed to the Middle East Area of Operations as the Officer Commanding Australian Security Detachment VI Baghdad, Iraq.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE CROSS (CSC)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Commodore Timothy William BARRETT RAN
ACT
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Commanding Officer HMAS ALBATROSS and as Chief of Staff Navy Aviation Force Element Group Headquarters.

Principal Chaplain Eric BURTON RAN
ACT
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Director General Chaplaincy - Navy.

Lieutenant Commander James Mackintosh HILLOCK RAN
NSW
For outstanding achievement as Executive Officer HMAS SYDNEY.

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Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (continued)

Royal Australian Navy (continued)

Captain Richard Malcolm McMILLAN RAN
ACT
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Director, Sea Power Centre-Australia.

Captain Robert Stephen PEARSON RAN
NSW
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as the Commander of the Navy Aviation Systems Program Office.

AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Captain Peter John BAXTER
Vic
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as an instructor in logistic operations, acting senior instructor, and project engineer for Project Cassowary.

Colonel Wayne Gregory BUDD
NSW
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as the Chief Plans Officer, Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Major Benjamin Gene BUTSON
Qld
For outstanding achievement as the Regimental Medical Officer of the 1st Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment.

Warrant Officer Class Two Anthony John DILGER
Qld
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as a building supervisor, 19th Chief Engineer Works.

Lieutenant Colonel James Morgan GAYNOR
NSW
For outstanding achievement and the application of exceptional dedication, as well as leadership and legal skills, in his duties as the Deputy Director of International Law and as the Deputy Director of Military Prosecutions.

Major Douglas Watson LAIDLAW
Vic
For outstanding achievement, professionalism and leadership of Rifle Company Butterworth Contingent 68 and providing support of the highest standard to *Operation SUMATRA ASSIST*.

Colonel Gregory Maxwell LAWLER
Qld
For outstanding achievement in the development of aviation training at the Army Aviation Training Centre.

Lieutenant Colonel Christina Marion MATHEWSON
NSW
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Chief Legal Officer, Headquarters Training Command – Army.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Squadron Leader Ian Gordon GOOLD
NSW
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as the Standardisation Officer at Number 78 Wing.

Group Captain John Michael McGARRY
NSW
For outstanding achievement and performance of duty as the Chief Operations Officer of Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Squadron Leader Michael Andrew QUE HEE
NSW
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Executive Officer at Forward Air Control Development Unit.

Group Captain Christopher James SAWADE
ACT
For outstanding achievement in the performance of duty as Director of Air Force Safety.

NURSING SERVICE CROSS (NSC)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Flight Lieutenant Amanda BANKS
NSW
For outstanding devotion and competency in the performance of nursing duties as the critical care Nursing Officer on *Operation CATALYST* within the USAF Theatre Hospital, 332nd Expeditionary Health Group, Balad, Iraq.

CONSPICUOUS SERVICE MEDAL (CSM)

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

Warrant Officer Robert Alan DREW
NT
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as Staff Officer Engineering (Two) with the Minor War Vessel Sea Training Unit.

Chief Petty Officer Gregory Ralph DUNNICLIFF
NSW
For outstanding service as a member of the Australian Fleet Combat Support Group and the Major War Vessel Sea Training Unit.

Chief Petty Officer Ian Richard GOULD
WA
For outstanding performance of duty as the Stores Accounting Officer in HMAS ANZAC.

Lieutenant Commander David Jason TIETZEL RAN
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as Coordinator, Exercise Rim of the Pacific 2004 on the staff of United States THIRD Fleet from December 2002 to December 2004.

Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM) (continued)

AUSTRALIAN ARMY

Warrant Officer Class Two James William DIXON
Qld
For outstanding service in the field of Small Arms Training and Marksmanship.

Warrant Officer Class Two Geoffrey Andrew ELFORD
NT
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the Contracts Manager Support Company, United Nations Security Force for the Australian contribution to the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (*Operation SPIRE*).

Warrant Officer Class Two Maria Helen LEETHAM
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the 5th Brigade Recruiting Liaison Officer.

Sergeant Kevin James O'HANLON
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as a Recruit Training Instructor and Platoon Sergeant of Digger James Platoon, the Rehabilitation and Remedial Training Platoon, Army Recruit Training Centre.

Warrant Officer Class Two Bruce PATERSON
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the Aerial Delivery Project Officer at Air Movements Training Development Unit.

Sergeant Vidal Mark SHEARER
Vic
For outstanding service as the Troop Sergeant and Sergeant Instructor Initial Employment Training Troop, School of Armour, in the training of Initial Employment Training Royal Australian Armoured Corps soldiers.

Warrant Officer Class One Cherylee Dorothy SIMMONDS
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the Unit Recruiting Liaison Officer at the 8th Combat Engineer Regiment.

Captain Steven Jamie TWIDALE
Vic
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the Warrant Officer Watermanship and Bridging Section, Combat Engineering Wing, School of Military Engineering.

Warrant Officer Class Two Edward Peter WRIGHT
NT
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the Mechanised Warrant Officer of 1st Combat Engineer Regiment and the Company Sergeant Major of Support Company, United Nations Security Force, United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE

Sergeant Robert John AUSIC
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of supervisor duties at Number 324 Combat Support Squadron Mechanical Equipment Operations and Maintenance Section.

Squadron Leader Glen Alan FERGUSON
Qld
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as the F-111 Weapons Systems Software Facility Aircrew Liaison Officer and as Number 1 Squadron Operations Flight Commander.

Flight Sergeant Brett Edward HOLLAND
NSW
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as an Instructor at Number 92 Wing.

Squadron Leader Andrew Simeon McHUGH
SA
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as Executive Officer and Temporary Commanding Officer at Number 1 Airfield Defence Squadron.

Wing Commander Robert Peter RODGERS
ACT
For outstanding service in the performance of duty as Commanding Officer, School of Postgraduate Studies, Royal Australian Air Force College.

By His Excellency's Command



Malcolm Hazell
Official Secretary to the Governor-General