# Awards to the ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY in 1935

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### FOREIGN AWARD to a Canadian in the RN (1937)

**REPUBLIC of CHINA**

**ORDER of BRILLIANT JADE** (Red Cravat with Blue & White Border)

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AGNEW, Ronald Ian, Commander - RCN / HMCS Saguenay - Officer - Order of the British Empire (OBE) (First Type - Military) - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 10 August 1935.

Born in Toronto on 6 June 1895. Home: 1028 Linden Avenue, Victoria, B.C. Naval Cadet RCN 19 January 1911 and joined the Royal Naval College of Canada (First Term) in 1911. He was 15 years, 7 months when he went the the RNCC. Promoted Midshipman RCN 27 January 1913 and graduated from RNCC. Posted to HMCS Niobe in August 1914. To Naval Service HQ in 1914. To Diana (for duty at NSHQ) 14 April 1915 for special duty with Director of Naval Service. To HMCS Margaret on 10 August 1915. To HMCS Canada 1915. To Grilse as Executive Officer on 22 November 1915. Acting Sub-Lieutenant 26 November 1915. To HMCS Niobe in 1915. Promoted Sub-Lieutenant, RCN with seniority 1 December 1915. To HMS Drake on 25 August 1916. Sub-Lieutenant at this time. HMS Manners 1916. To HMS Princess Royal on 21 February 1917. Acting Lieutenant 15 February 1917. Lieutenant 15 April 1917. To HMS Pegasus (Aircraft Carrier) on 24 March 1919. Served in North Russia Relief Force (Bolshevik Revolution) in 1919. To HMS President 23 October 1919. To Royal Naval College on 4 January 1920. To HMS Dryad for Navigation Course and for Duty on 11 April 1920 to 17 July 1920. To HMS Victory from 17 July 1920 to 31 October 1920. To HMCS Patriot as First Lieutenant; to HMCS Aurora as Navigation Officer on 1 November 1920. To HMS Guelph as Additional to NSHQ in 1921. To HMCS Patrician as 1st Lieutenant and for Naval duties on 20 August 1921. To HMS Repulse (Special Service Squadron) as Assistant Navigating Officer on 22 October 1922. To NSHQ as District Intelligence Officer on 25 April 1923. To HMCS Stadacona for HQ as District Intelligence Officer and Flag Lieutenant to Commodore Hose on 27 August 1923 to 12 November 1923. Flag Lieutenant to Commodore Hose at Imperial Conference on 30 November 1923. To HMS Repulse on 26 February 1924. To HMS Hood as Assistant Navigating Officer 04 May 1924. To HMCS Stadacona in 1925. Promoted Acting Lieutenant-Commander on 15 March 1925. To HMS Dryad (For First Class Ship Course) 1925.
To **HMS Weymouth** as Navigating Officer 1925.
To **HMS Champion** on 12 February 1926 to 10 June 1926.
He and his wife take **S.S. Minnedosa** back to Montreal on 17 June 1926.
Foreign Service leave in Victoria, B.C. from 25 June 1926 to 15 August 1926.
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Patrician** on 16 August 1926.
Appointed Lieutenant-Commander on 13 February 1928.
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Vancouver** (I) from 1 March 1928 to 14 August 1928.
To HMCS Naden as Additional in August 1928.
To HMCS Stadacona as First Lieutenant on 16 September 1928.
P promted Commander to be dated 1 January 1930.
Royal Naval Staff Course on 13 January 1930. Sailed to England 14 Dec. 1929 on **S.S. Athenia**.
**HMS Renown** as Additional and as Staff Officer (Operations) on the Staff of the Rear-Admiral Commanding,
Battle Cruiser Squadron on 16 December 1930 to 1 April 1921.
Commander of **HMCS Naden** and Senior Naval Officer Esquimalt on 24 June 1931.
To NSHQ as Naval Staff Officer on 27 May 1932.
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Saguenay** (River Class Destroyer - D179) from 3 May 1934 to 5 May 1936.
Appointed as Commander (D) Eastern Division in 1934 to 1936.
P romoted to Acting Captain on 18 January 1935.
Awarded Officer - **Order of the British Empire** in 1935.
Captain (D) Canadian Division for exercises 19 January 1935 and 2 May 1936.
Reverted to Commander on 22 May 1936.
To Stadacona as Commander RCN Barracks Halifax on 3 June 1936.
Named Honorary AdC to Governor-General on 20 June 1936
Commanding Officer HMCS Stadacona on 1 October 1938.
Commander-in-Charge RCN Barracks Naden in on 4 November 1938.
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Prince Henry** (Armed Merchant Cruiser - F70) from 13 August 1940 to 20 December 1940.
Captain Commanding Canadian Ships and Establishments in United Kingdom (HMCS Niobe) on 1 February 1941. Promoted Captain on 1 July 1941.
Commanding Officer of **HMS Athelyng** on 21 June 1943 to 30 September 1943.
Awarded an MID in 1943.
Appears to have been on medical leave 1943 to 1945.
To Naden in Temporary Command on 1 November 1945 to 11 March 1946.
Promoted Acting Commodore and made Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff Washington on 20 March 1946.
Senior Canadian Liaison Officer London and Commanding Office Niobe 1947.
Died 22 March 1949 in London Hospital while serving in U.K.
Buried at sea from **HMS Finisterre**. Service Number: 0-1290.
Commodore Ronald Ian AGNEW, OBE

Mention in Despatches - RCN / HMCS Prince Henry - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 9 January 1943 and London Gazette of 1 January 1943.

"Commander Agnew has been a member of the Royal Canadian Navy since 1911, currently commanding HMCS Saguenay and Senior Officer Afloat in Halifax for continuous good service in the Royal Canadian Navy."

Naval Cadet, RCN 01 January 1911 (Royal Naval College of Canada First Term)
Midshipman, RCN 15 January 1913 (Served aboard HMCS Niobe)
Acting Sub-Lieutenant, RCN 26 November 1915 (Served aboard HMCS Canada)
Sub-Lieutenant, RCN 02 December 1916 (With seniority dated 1 December 1915);
Acting Lieutenant, RCN 15 February 1917 (Served on HMS Pegasus Aircraft Carrier)
Lieutenant, RCN 15 July 1917 (Served in North Russia Relief Force)
Lieutenant-Commander, RCN 15 March 1925 (Commanding Officer of HMCS Vancouver)
Commander, RCN 01 January 1930 (Commanding Officer of HMCS Saguenay)
Acting Captain, RCN 18 January 1935 (Commander (D) Eastern Division)
Awarded OBE 10 August 1935 (Only OBE to RCN between wars)
Captain, RCN 01 July 1941 (Captain Cmd Cdn Ships & Establishments U.K)
Acting Commodore (WHA), RCN 15 March 1946 (WHA = While Holding Appointment)
Commodore, RCN 01 July 1947 (Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff Washington)
Died 22 March 1949 (While Commanding Office Niobe London)

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"Honoured for long and faithful service in the Royal Navy and Royal Canadian Navy."

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HILL, Charles James Thurgill, Chief Petty Officer - British Empire Medal (BEM) - RCN - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 26 January 1935. Awarded the RCN Long Service and Good Conduct Medal on 20 September 1927.

"Honoured for long and faithful service in the Royal Canadian Navy."

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CITATIONS and BIOGRAPHIES to CANADIAN in ROYAL NAVY 1930s

BAILLIE-GROHMAN, Harold Tom, Captain, DSO, OBE - Order of Brilliant Jade (Red Cravat with Blue & White Border) (Republic of China) - Royal Navy - Awarded as per London Gazette of 4 June 1937 (no Canada Gazette).
Born in Victoria, B.C.
He joined the Royal Navy (HMS Britannia) in 1903.
Promoted to Lt (1909), LCdr (1917), Captain (1930); Rear-Admiral (1941) and Vice-Admiral (1943).
Served in WW1 in the Grand Fleet, in Dover Patrol in destroyers and minesweepers and was awarded the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) as per London Gazette of 17 April 1918.
Captain Baillie-Grohman was a member of the British Naval Mission to China 1931-33.
Commanding Officer of HMS RAMILLIES, 1st Battle Squadron, Mediterranean in 1940 and was later attached to the GOC Middle East. He was chiefly responsible for shore to ship arrangements for the evacuation of British Forces from Greece in 1941 and was awarded the CB.
He was Rear-Admiral Combined Operations, 1942 and involved in the initial plans for the Dieppe raid.
On 8 May 1945, Vice-Admiral Baillie-Grohman hoisted the White Ensign over the German Naval HQ, Kiel.

Cadet, Royal Navy 1903 (HMS Britannia)
Lieutenant, Royal Navy 1909
Lieutenant-Commander, Royal Navy 1917 (Dover Patrol in destroyers and minesweepers)
Captain, Royal Navy 1930 (British Naval Mission to China)
Rear-Admiral, Royal Navy 1941 (Evacuation of British Forces from Greece)
Vice-Admiral, Royal Navy 1943

Order of the Brilliant Jade

"Conferred by the President of the National Government of the Republic of China in recognition of valuable services rendered by him as an Instructor in the Chinese Navy"

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de CHAIR, Dudley Lawson Stratford, Admiral, Sir, KCB MVO - Knight Commander - The Order of St. Michael and St. George (KCMG) - Royal Navy / Governor New South Wales - Awarded as per London Gazette of 2 January 1933 (no Canada Gazette).

“Governor of New South Wales”

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Born: Lennoxville, Quebec.

Commanding Officer of HMS Cochrane when awarded MVO.

He was President of the Interallied Naval Commission for the disposal of enemy vessels in 1922.

In 1923, he was made Governor of New South Wales a post he held until 1930.

He was awarded the KCMG in 1933 for this term as Governor of New South Wales.

Awards:

Knight Commander – The Order of Saint Michael and Saint George (KCMG) - LG 02/01/33
Knight Commander – The Most Honourable Order of the Bath (Military) (KCB) - LG 01/01/16
Companion - The Most Honourable Order of the Bath (Civil) (CB) - LG 01/01/14
Member - The Royal Victorian Order (4th Class) (MVO) - LG 16/06/08

MEDALS:


His medals were stolen from St. Osyth's Priority, England in April 1986

de CHAIR, Dudley Lawson Stratford, Captain - Member - Royal Victorian Order 4th Class (MVO) - Royal Navy / HMS Cochrane - Awarded as per London Gazette of 16 June 1908 (no Canada Gazette).

de CHAIR, Dudley Lawson Stratford, Rear-Admiral, MVO - Commander - Order of the Bath (Civil) (CB) - Royal Navy - Awarded as per London Gazette of 1 January 1914 (no Canada Gazette).

de CHAIR, Dudley Lawson Stratford, Rear-Admiral, CB, MVO - Knight Commander - Order of the Bath (KCB) - Royal Navy - Awarded as per London Gazette of 1 January 1916 (no Canada Gazette).

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