Air Marshal Sir Sidney Richard Carlyle NELSON, KCB, OBE, CStJ, QHP, MD, MCP&S (23273) Director-General RAF Medical Services 1962 to 1967

Born: Died:	13/11/1907 2001	Ponoka, Alberta	
Honours			
01/01/1963+ 26/06/1964+ 01/01/1962+ 01/01/1949+ 23/06/1961+	KCB CStJ CB OBE QHP	Commander of the Order of St. John Commander of the Order of the Bath Officer of the Order of the British Empire Wing	larshal - Royal Air Force larshal – Royal Air Force ice-Marshal - RAF ı Commander - RAF ice-Marshal - RAF
Education			
Early 1930s	MD	University of Alberta Medical Graduate	
Military			
20/08/1934 20/08/1935 20/08/1936 20/08/1938 26/11/1940 01/07/1943 20/05/1944 01/10/1946 01/01/1955 01/07/1957 01/10/1959 27/06/1961 04/09/1962 04/09/1962 19/02/1967	Flying Officer Flying Officer Flight Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant Squadron Leader Wing Commander Squadron Leader Wing Commander Group Captain Air Commodore Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal Air Marshal Air Marshal Air Marshal	Short Service Commission antedated from 1935 to 1936 Short Service Commission for 3 Years Promoted Flight Lieutenant Short Service Commission Granted Permanent Commission as Flight Lieutenant War Substantive rank of Squadron Leader RAF Promoted from S/L to Temporary Wing Commander RAT Temporary W/C to Substantive Squadron Leader Temporary W/C to Substantive Wing Commander Promoted to Group Captain Promoted to Acting rank of Air Vice-Marshal Appointed Honorary Physician to the Queen (QHP) Promoted to Acting rank of Air Marshal Director-General RAF Medical Service Retirement from the Royal Air Force – End QHP	LG 24/09/1935+ LG 22/09/1936+ LG 23/08/1938+ LG 21/02/1941+
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Air Marshal Sir Philip Clermont LIVINGSTON, KBE, CB, CStJ, AFC, KHS, MB, FRCS (Edin), MRCS, LRCP, DPH, DOMS (141060)

Director-General Royal Air Force Medical Services

Born: 02/03/1893 Clevelands, Duncan, Vancouver Island

Immigrated 09/1909 To London, England

Return: 09/1951 To Duncan, Vancouver Island, British Columbia

Married: 08/07/1920 Lorna Muriel London, England

Children: 2 2 Sons

Died: 13/02/1982 Victoria, British Columbia

Honours

08/06/1950+	KBE	Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire	Air Marshal
24/06/1949+	CStJ	Commander of the Venerable Order of St. John	Air Marshal
01/01/1948+	CB	Companion of the Order of the Bath	Air Commodore
13/06/1946+	CBE	Commander of the Order of the British Empire	Air Commodore
11/06/1942+	AFC	Air Force Cross	Group Captain
09/06/1938+	OBE	Officer of the Order of the British Empire	Wing Commander
14/11/1947+	First Class	Medal of Merit (Czechoslovak Republic)	Air Commodore

Education

1912	University	Cambridge University
1914	Rowing Blue	Cambridge University
1915	MB	Cambridge University
09/1917	Internship	London Hospital
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1950 Dr Ophthalmology on Vancouver Island near Duncan, B.C.



Air Marshal Sir Philip Clermont LIVINGSTON, KBE, CB, CStJ, AFC, KHS, MB, FRCS (Edin), MRCS, LRCP, DPH, DOMS (141060) Director-General Royal Air Force Medical Services

Military

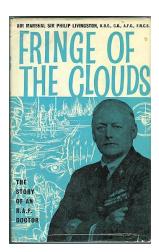
15/09/1915	Surgeon Probationer	RNVR - HMCS Achates (Acasta-class Destroyer)
01/03/1916	Surgeon Probationer	RNVR - HMCS Gloucesterhire (Merchant Cruiser)
01/09/1917	Surgeon Probationer	End RNVR Service

--- To London Hospital ---

01/05/1919	Captain	Medical Branch Royal Air Force	LG 02/05/1919+
22/09/1920	Flight Lieutenant	To India on the Devonshire	
10/1920	Flight Lieutenant	Ambala Cantonment	
05/1922	Flight Lieutenant	Amoebic Dystentery – return to England	
01/1923	Flight Lieutenant	Ophthalmology Training at Moorfields	
07/1923	Flight Lieutenant	Diploma in Ophthalmic Medicine & Surgery	
10/1924	Flight Lieutenant	FRCS Edinburgh	
11/1924	Flight Lieutenant	Central Medical Establishment RAF, Hampstead, London	
1925	Flight Lieutenant	Central Medical Board RAF	
18/12/1929	Squadron Leader	Iraq as a General Surgeon; Gained his Wings RAF HQ Hinai	idi
1931	Squadron Leader	Received Wings in Iraq; Destroyed 3 RAF aircraft	
04/1932	Squadron Leader	Station Medical Officer RAF Station North Weald in Essex	
07/1934	Squadron Leader	RAF Consultant in Ophthalmology Central Medical Establish	ment
01/07/1935	Wing Commander	Promoted from Squadron Leader to Wing Commander	LG 02/07/1935+
23/04/1940	Flying Officer	Appointed Medical Officer Royal Air Forces	LG 14/04/1942+
23/04/1940	Group Captain	Promoted from Wing Commander to Group Captain	LG 07/05/1940+
04/1946	Air Commodore	Senior Medical Officer RAF Air Command South East Asia	
08/1947	Air Commodore	Deputy Director of the Medical Services RAF	
01/03/1948	Air Commodore	Director-General of Medical Services RAF / Honorary Physic	ian To the King
01/07/1949	Air Marshal	Promoted from Air Vice-Marshal to Air Marshal	LG 20/09/1949+
01/03/1951	Air Marshal	Retire	

Book

"Fringe of the Clouds"



Air Chief Marshal David George EVANS, GCB, CBE, Royal Air Force Vice-Chief of the British Defence Staff (1981 to 1983)

(RAF numbers 644206 / 1587477 / 164718)

14 July 1924 Born: Windsor, Ontario Canada

Nickname: Paddy

Windsor, Ontario Education:

Married: Daughter Maxine Jane Evans who married John James Goring

Honours

LG 04/02/1985+	GCB	King of Arms of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath	Air Chief Marshal (ret'd)
LG 16/06/1979+	GCB	Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath	Air Chief Marshal
LG 30/12/1976+	KCB	Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath	Air Marshal
LG 20/12/1966+	CBE	Commander of the Order of the British Empire	Air Vice-Marshal
LG 01/01/1962+	OBE	Officer of the Order of the British Empire	Wing Commander
LG 09/06/1955+	QCVSA	Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air	Squadron Leader

Military

20/05/1943	Sergeant	To be Pilot Officer on Probation (emergency) 930421	LG 27/08/1943+
07/04/1944	Pilot Officer	To be Pilot Officer on Probation (emergency) 1487477	LG 16/06/1944+
05/1944	Pilot Officer	For Pilot Training in Canada	
07/10/1944	Flying Officer	War Substantive	
1945	Flying Officer	To Ismalia in Egypt for Operational Training	
07/04/1946	Flight Lieutenant	War Substantive	
07/10/1947	Flight Lieutenant	Permanent Flight Lieutenant Seniority 25/08/1947	LG 02/01/1947+
01/10/1954	Squadron Leader	Promoted to Squadron Leader	LG 28/09/1954+
01/07/1959	Wing Commander	Promoted to Wing Commander	LG 26/06/1959+
01/07/1964	Group Captain	Promoted to Group Captain	LG 30/06/1964+
03/03/1973	Air Vice-Marshal	Air Officer Commanding No. 1 Group	LG 05/03/1973+
14/02/1976	Acting Air Marshal	Promoted and appointed Vice-Chief of the Air Staff	LG 17/02/1976+
26/03/1977	Air Chief Marshal	Promoted to the Acting Rank of Air Chief Marshal	LG 29/03/1977+
26/03/1977	Air Chief Marshal	Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief RAF Strike Command	LG 29/03/1977+
26/03/1977	Air Chief Marshal	Promoted to the Acting Rank of Air Chief Marshal	LG 29/03/1977+
15/09/1980	Air Chief Marshal	End C-in-C Strike Command	LG 15/09/1980+
1981	Air Chief Marshal	Vice-Chief of the British Defence Staff	
09/08/1983	Air Chief Marshal	Retire from the RAF	LG 11/10/1983+

1983 Non-Executive Director British Aerospace





Air Chief Marshal Sir John Wakeling BAKER, GCB, MC, DFC, ADC Royal Air Force (03125)

Born: Died:	23/10/1897 10/03/1978	Winnipeg, Manitoba Bromley, England	
Honours			
01/01/1956 1949 11/06/1942+ 26/07/1918 20/11/1925 14/06/1945+	GCB KCB CB MC DFC MID	Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath Companion of the Order of the Bath Military Cross Distinguished Flying Cross Mentioned-in-Despatches	
Promotions		British Army	
02/1916 2 nd Lieutenant (Te 19/08/1917 Lieutenant (Temp			
		Royal Air Force	
01/04/1918 01/05/1919 01/08/1919 01/01/1924 01/01/1932 01/04/1937 01/03/1940 01/12/1942 07/02/1943 01/12/1944 01/04/1946 01/01/1949 01/01/1952	Lieutenant Flying Officer Flying Officer Flight Lieutenant Squadron Leader Wing Commander Group Captain Air Commodore Air Vice Marshal Air Commodore Air Vice-Marshal Air Commodore Air Vice-Marshal Air Marshal Air Chief Marshal	Temporary Seniority of 01/04/1918 Permanent Commission in the RAF Temporary Temporary Temporary Temporary Temporary Substantive	LG 01/08/1919+

Citation for Military Cross

Retired

Air Chief Marshal

17/12/1956

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in carrying out low-flying reconnaissance and contact patrols under heavy machine-gun, rifle and anti-aircraft fire, when he remained in the air for long hours, often under abnormally bad weather conditions and often in darkness or thick mist. On one occasion he fired into enemy troops and transport, causing great confusion, and remained over their lines taking notes until quite dark, when he returned with his machine riddled with bullets. On every flight he obtained most important information, which was dropped at headquarters, and throughout the period his work has been magnificent." (London Gazette - 26 July 1918)

Air Chief Marshal Sir John Wakling BAKER, GCB, MC, DFC, ADC, Royal Air Force (03125)

Military

To 1916	Cadet	Attended Royal Military Academy, Woolwich
02/1916	2 nd Lieutenant (Temp)	Royal Garrison Artillery.
1916	2 nd Lieutenant (Temp)	Gunnery Liaison Officer - No 34 Squadron RFC.
20/09/1916	2 nd Lieutenant (Temp)	Observer - No 4 Squadron RFC.
23/12/1917	Flying Officer	Flying Officer (Observer), RFC (Seniority from 25 Oct 1917)
03/08/1918	Flying Officer	No 28 Wing
27/08/1918	Flying Officer	U/T pilot - No 37 TDS
23/02/1918	Flying Officer	Pilot - No 8 Squadron
01/08/1919	Flying Officer	Permanent Commission in the RAF - Pilot LG 01/08/1919+
01/10/1919	Flying Officer	Pilot - No 12 Squadron (Germany)
21/05/1921	Flying Officer	Staff / Instructor - School of Army Co-operation.
23/11/1923	Flying Officer	Pilot - No 28 Squadron
21/01/1924	Flight Lieutenant	Flight Commander - No 60 Squadron ('Pink's War)
20/09/1916	Flight Lieutenant	RAeC Certificate No 4200
1928	Flight Lieutenant	Conducted trials with oxygen equipment
05/04/1928	Flight Lieutenant	Supernumerary - Non-effective (sick), RAF Depot.
24/07/1928	Flight Lieutenant	Admin Staff - HQ ADGB.
20/01/1930	Flight Lieutenant	Attended RAF Staff College (Left Course early)
25/08/1930	Flight Lieutenant	Flight Commander - No 54 Squadron
19/01/1931	Flight Lieutenant	RAF Staff College
01/01/1932	Squadron Leader	Air Staff - Deputy Directorate of Staff Duties.
12/01/1935	Squadron Leader	Officer Commanding - No 33 Squadron (Harts – UK/Egypt)
09/1935	Squadron Leader	Officer Commanding - No 33 Squadron (Harts - Officer Sypt)
01/05/1936	Squadron Leader	Supernumerary - RAF Depot
18/01/1938	Wing Commander	Imperial Defence College
01/01/1939	Wing Commander Wing Commander	Directing Staff - RAF Staff College
25/08/1939	Wing Commander Wing Commander	Air Staff - Directorate of Plans.
10/01/1940	Wing Commander	Deputy Director of Plans
02/1941	Group Captain	Director of Bomber Operations.
07/02/1943	Air Commodore	Senior Air Staff Officer - HQ Air Forces in India
16/02/1943	Air Vice-Marshal	Senior Air Staff Officer - Air Command HQ South-East Asia
01/01/1945	Air Vice-Marshal	Air Officer Commanding - No 12 Group.
07/1946	Air Vice-Marshal	Director-General - Personnel.
01/11/1948	Air Vice-Marshal	Air Officer Commanding in Command - Coastal Command.
23/01/1950	Air Marshal	Commander-in –Chief - Middle East Air Force.
17/03/1952	Air Chief Marshal	Deputy-Chief of the Air Staff.
01/11/1952	Air Chief Marshal	Vice-Chief of the Air Staff.
29/11/1952	Air Chief Marshal	Air ADC to The Queen / Represent RAF at the Funeral of King George VI
09/11/1953	Air Chief Marshal	Controller of Aircraft - Ministry of Supply
17/12/1956	Air Chief Marshal	Retires

Air Chief Marshal Sir Walter MERTON, GBE, KCB, ADC Royal Air Force (16200) Air Member for Supply and Organization

Born: 29/08/1905 The Grove, Lakefield, Ontario

Died: 23/03/1986

Honours

01/01/1963+	GBE	Knight Grand Commander Order of the Britis	sh Empire	ACM
01/01/1959+	KCB	Knight Commander Order of the Bath	·	AM
01/06/1953+	CB	Companion of the Order of the Bath		AVM
24/09/1941+	OBE	Officer of the Order of the British Empire		W/C
01/01/1941+	MID	Mentioned-in-Despatches		W/C
01/01/1943+	MID	Mentioned-in-Despatches		G/C
14/01/1944+	MID	Mentioned-in-Despatches		G/C
29/12/1942	Officer	Order of George I with Swords	Greece	G/C
1951	Grand Cross	Order of George I with Swords	Greece	A/C
1951	Gold Cross	Order of George with crossed Swords	Greece	A/C
1963	Grand Cross	Order of the Phoenix	Greece	ACM

Promotions

1925	Flt Cadet Sgt	Royal Air Force College at Cranwell	
16/12/1925	Pilot Officer	Royal Air Force	
16/06/1927	Flying Officer	Royal Air Force	
11/03/1931	Flight Lieutenant	Royal Air Force	
01/04/1937	Squadron Leader	Royal Air Force	
01/03/1940	Wing Commander	Royal Air Force (Temporary)	
01/06/1942	Group Captain	Royal Air Force (Temporary)	LG 03/07/1942+
01/04/1942	Wing Commander	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 17/11/1942+
24/04/1944	Air Commodore	Royal Air Force (Acting)	
24/10/1944	Group Captain	Royal Air Force (War Substantive)	LG 14/11/1944+
01/10/1946	Group Captain	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 01/11/1946+
01/06/1949	Air Commodore	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 01/07/1949+
25/08/1952	Air Vice-Marshal	Royal Air Force (Acting)	LG 12/09/1952+
01/01/1953	Air Vice-Marshal	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 01/01/1953+
01/01/1959	Air Marshal	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 30/12/1958+
01/06/1961	Air Chief Marshal	Royal Air Force (Substantive)	LG 06/06/1961+
29/08/1963	Air Chief Marshal	Royal Air Force (Retired)	





Air Chief Marshal Sir Walter MERTON, GBE, KCB, ADC, Royal Air Force (16200) Air Member for Supply and Organization

Military

19/11/1962 Air Chief Marshal Air ADC to the Queen (ADC) LG 20/11/1962+ 29/08/1963 Air Chief Marshal Retire – end Air ADC to The Queen.	01/1924 16/01/1926 06/01/1930 15/08/1930 13/03/1931 08/01/1934 02/05/1936 29/06/1937 04/01/1939 05/09/1939 02/04/1940 28/05/1940 17/01/1941 01/08/1941 01/12/1941 22/01/1943 11/11/1943 24/04/1944 01/08/1944 01/03/1946 01/12/1947 21/11/1948 21/11/1948 21/11/1949 16/02/1951 25/08/1952 23/02/1954 10/09/1956 02/02/1959 08/04/1960 01/06/1961	Flt Cadet Sgt Pilot Officer Flying Officer Flying Officer Flight Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant Squadron Leader Squadron Leader Squadron Leader Wing Commander Wing Commander Wing Commander Wing Commander Wing Commander Group Captain Group Captain Air Commodore Air Commodore Group Captain Air Commodore Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal Air Marshal Air Marshal Air Marshal Air Chief Marshal	Flight Cadet, 'A' Sqn, RAF College Cranwell Pilot - No 7 Squadron at Worthy Down - Flew Virginia night b Photographic Course - School of Photography. Instructor - School of Photography. Photographic officer - No 2 (Indian Wing) Station, Risalpur Viceroy's Pilot - Aircraft Park, Lahore, India Flight Commander - No 38 Squadron - Flew Fairey Hendon Officer Commanding - No 38 Squadron Attended RAF Staff College. Organisation Staff - HQ Bomber Command. Officer Commanding - No 218 Squadron (Honington) Officer Commanding - No 37 Squadron (Feltwell and Egypt) SASO - HQ No 257 Wing Operations Officer - HQ Middle East Command Senior Air Staff Office (SASO) - HQ RAF in Palestine and Tra Senior Air Officer (SAO) - AHQ Levant Officer Commanding - RAF Luqa Directing Staff - RAF War Staff College Assistant Commandant - RAF War Staff College Director of Organisation Officer Commanding - RAF Upwood Air Attaché Prague - Declared 'Persona non-gratia' - returned Deputy Director - Air Force Liaison Air Officer Commanding & Head of RAF Delegation - Greece Air Officer Commanding - No 63 Group AOC - No 22 Group Chief of Staff - Royal New Zealand Air Force AOA - HQ Bomber Command Chief of Staff - HQ Allied Air Forces Central Europe Air Member - For Supply and Organisation Promoted while Air Member for Supply and Organization	ans-Jordan d to UK
	19/11/1962	Air Chief Marshal	Air ADC to the Queen (ADC)	LG 20/11/1962+

Civilian

1964 – 1968 Inspector-General Civil Defence

Air Vice-Marshal Harold Spencer KERBY, CB, DSC, AFC Air Officer Commanding – Coastal Command

14/04/1893 Born: Hamilton, Ontario

Calgary, Alberta London, England, UK Home: Father was the Mayor

Died: 08/06/1963

Honours

02/06/1943+	СВ	Companion of the O	rder of the Bath	Acting Air Vice-Marshal RAF
02/11/1917+	DSC	Distinguished Service	ce Cross	Flight Lieutenant RNAS
01/01/1919+	AFC	Air Force Cross		Acting Major RAF
11/10/1946+	Officer	Legion of Merit	USA	Air Vice-Marshal RAF
25/07/1947+	Commander	Legion of Merit	USA	Air Vice-Marshal (ret'd) RAF

Education

University of Toronto **BEng**

Mechanical Engineer

Military

01/04/1918

Acting Major

Royal Naval Air Service

21/03/1915 04/05/1915	Prob Flight Sub-Lieutenant Temp Flight Lieutenant	Probationary Flight Sub-Lieutenant - RNAS Temporary Flight Lieutenant - RNAS Chingford	
12/06/1915	Prob Flight Sub-Lieutenant	#3 (Naval) Squadron in the Dardanelles	
26/11/1915	Prob Flight Sub-Lieutenant	Wounded while serving in the Dardanelles	
01/12/1915	Temp Flight Lieutenant	Temporary Flight Lieutenant - RNAS	
27/11/1916	Flight Sub-Lieutenant	RNAS – Original Seniority 21/03/15	LG 28/11/1916+
27/12/1916	Flight Sub-Lieutenant	Temporary Flight-Lieutenant - Cranwell	
12/1916	Flight Sub-Lieutenant	To France	
01/01/1917	Temp Flight Lieutenant	Promoted – Pilot Walmer Defence Flight	LG 08/05/1917+
19/01/1917	Temp Flight Lieutenant	Dover Air Station	
28/01/1917	Temp Flight Lieutenant	No. 9 Naval Squadron Dunkirk	
29/03/1917	Temp Flight Lieutenant	No. 3 (Naval) Squadron	
01/08/1917	Temp Flight Lieutenant	Flight Commander – Defence Flight Walmer	
31/12/1917	Flight Commander	Promoted Flight Commander	LG 28/12/1917+
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RNAS amalgamated with RFC to form RAF



Air Vice-Marshal Harold Spencer KERBY, CB, DSC, AFC Air Officer Commanding – Coastal Command

Military

Royal Air Force

01/04/1918 18/05/1918 23/06/1918 20/11/1918 23/03/1919 08/04/1919	Acting Major Acting Major Temp Major (A. & S.) Temp Major Temp Major Temp Major	RNAS amalgamated with RFC to form RAF AG and FS Midlands Area Promoted to Major (A.&S.) WSE Officer Commanding - # 4 Flying School Freisto British Expeditionary Force # 4 Flying School	LG 23/07/1918+ n
01/08/1919 23/12/1919 16/03/1920 03/04/1922 04/04/1923 14/09/1923	Captain Captain Captain Captain Captain Flight Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant	Permanent Commission RAF Staff – School of Technical Training (Boys) Staff – No. 2 School of Technical Training (Boys Attending – RAF Staff College Air Staff, HQ No. 3 Group India	LG 01/08/1919+
14/09/1923 10/10/1928 01/11/1929 23/03/1934 01/07/1935 01/07/1935 16/11/1936	Squadron Leader Squadron Leader Squadron Leader Wing Commander Wing Commander Wing Commander	Air Staff, HQ No. 3 (Indian) Wing Promoted Squadron Leader RAF Staff – Directorate of Operations and Intelligenc Officer Commanding – # 504 County of Nottingl Promoted Wing Commander RAF RAF Singapore Air Attaché – British embassy in China	
01/01/1939 01/01/1939 07/1940 01/01/1941 01/01/1941	Group Captain Group Captain Group Captain Air Commodore Air Commodore	Promoted Group Captain RAF Officer Commanding – No. 72 Wing, AASF Officer Commanding – RAF Binbrook Promoted Acting A/C Air Officer Administration RAF HQ Northern Irel	LG 03/01/1939+ LG 11/03/1941+
01/01/1943 04/03/1943 04/03/1943 01/12/1943 1944 1946	Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal Air Commodore Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal Air Vice-Marshal	Promoted Temporary AVM RAF Promoted Temporary AVM RAF Air Officer Commanding – RAF HQ East Africa Substantive Air Commodore Air Officer Commanding Admin HQ Coastal Con Retire to Monaco	LG 21/01/1943+ LG 30/03/1943+ LG 15/02/1944+



Air Marshal Alfred ('Nick') William CARTER, OBE, DSC Royal Air Force

Born:	29/04/1894	Calgary, Alberta
Died:	17/12/1986	Vancouver, B.C.

Honours

CG 01/07/1946	OBE	Officer of the Order of the British Empire (civil)	Civil Aviation
LG 03/06/1919+	MBE	Member – Order of the British Empire	Captain
LG 29/08/1917+	DSC	Distinguished Service Cross	Flight Lieutenant
	MID	Mentioned-in-Despatches	

Civilian

He was one of the founders of the Victoria Flying Club. Immediately after the Armistice he was employed seeking out German aircraft. He declined a commission in the RAF and returned to Canada, May 1919. Subsequently he was active with the Air Board, 1920-1922 after which he became a Victoria BC auto dealer. He was active in forming the Air Cadet League, January 1939 onwards. He was awarded OBE (Civil), 1 July 1946 for work in civil aviation and Air Cadets

Military

He was appointed as a Probationary Flight Sub-Lieutenant (Temp.) RNAS 1915. He was appointed as a Flight Sub-Lieutenant (Temp.) RNAS (With seniority dated 01/05/1916). He served in #3 (Naval) Wing RNAS 1916. He was appointed as a Flight Lieutenant (Temp.) RNAS 1917. He served in #3 (Naval) Squadron 1917. He was appointed as a Flight Commander RNAS (With seniority dated 01/07/1917). He served in #10 (Naval) Squadron 1917. He served in Home Establishment 1918, (Transferred to RAF 1918). He was appointed as a Captain RAF. He served in #210 RAF Squadron 1918. He was appointed as a Squadron Leader RAF. He was appointed as a Wing Commander RAF. He was appointed as a Group Captain RAF. He was appointed as an Air Commodore RAF. He was appointed as an Air Marshall RAF. (He retired in 1953.) (He had 17 victories in the First World War including 1 balloon and 5 planes destroyed.) "This officer has at all times led his patrols with great courage, skill and pertinacity, often engaging superior numbers of hostile aircraft. On 22 July 1917, he engaged, single-handed for half an hour, five enemy scouts which he prevented from carrying out a reconnaissance. On 24 July 1917, with one other pilot, he attacked four enemy aircraft, one of which he drove down completely out of control." DSC citation, London Gazette, 29 August 1917).

Air Marshall Raymond COLLISHAW, CB, OBE, DSO*, DSC*, DFC

Born: 22/11/1893 Nanaimo, B.C.

Died: 29/02/1979 North Vancouver, B.C.

Honours

LG 04/03/1941+	CB	Companion of the Order of the Bath	Air Vice-Marshal	RAF
CG 01/07/1946	OBE	Civil Officer of the Order of the British Em	pire *	RAF
LG 12/07/1920+	OBE	Officer of the Order of the British Empire	Wing Commander	RAF
LG 21/09/1919+	Bar to DSO	Bar to the Distinguished Service Order	Temporary Major	RAF
LG 11/08/1917+	DSO	Distinguished Service Order	Flight Lieutenant	RNAS
LG 03/08/1918+	DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross	Major	RAF
LG 20/07/1917+	DSC	Distinguished Service Cross	Flight Lieutenant	RNAS
LG 12/07/1920+	MID	Mentioned in Despatches for South Russia	Squadron Leader	RAF
WWII	MID	3x Mentioned in Despatches		
LG 10/10/1922+	MID	Mentioned in Despatches – For Iraq	Squadron Leader	RAF
	Croix	Croix de Guerre ave Etoile et Palme	France	
	4th Class	Order of St. Vladimir with Swords & Bow	Russia	
		Order of St. Anne	Russia	
		Order of St. Stanislaus	Russia	

Civilian

He was a member of Canadian Fisheries Protection Service 1908-14. (The greatest naval pilot of World War One and the third highest score in the British Empire with at least 60 confirmed victories. His citation from Canada's Aviation Hall of Fame states "No airman has served on more enemy fronts with greater distinction and his indomitable spirit despite adversity gave such leadership to those under his command as to have been of outstanding benefit to Canadian aviation.") Collishaw was the brother-in-law of Canadian ace George Trapp. After his air force service he worked in placer mining at Barkerville. He was President of Craigmant Mines Ltd.



* Note: His OBE (Civil) announced in the Canada Gazette of 01 July 1945 was cancelled in the Canada Gazette of 02 November 1946 as he already had received the OBE (military) in1920. However, there was no real reason to cancel it as you can hold a civil and military decoration at the same time but it was officially cancelled.



Air Marshall Raymond COLLISHAW, CB, OBE, DSO*, DSC*, DFC

Military

1915 Officer Cadet Royal Naval College 10/01/1916 Probationary Flt Sub-Lt Royal Naval Air Service – RNAS Redcar 1916 Probationary Flit Sub-Lt No. 3 Wing RNAS flying Sopwith Pup 30/06/1917 Flight Sub-Lieutenant (T) No. 10 (Naval) Squadron RNAS flying Triplane 1917 A/Flight Commander No. 1 Wing RNAS 31/12/1917 Flight Commander Promoted Flight Commander RNAS LG 28/12/1917+ 1918 Flight Commander Commanding Officer No. 3 (Naval) Squadron 01/04/1918 Temporary Major Royal Air Force (RNAS and RFC combined) 1919 Squadron Leader (A) Royal Air Force in Egypt 01/09/1919 Squadron Leader (A) Commanding Officer No.47 (RAF) Squadron South Russia 22/04/1920 Squadron Leader Commanding Officer RAF Detachment North Russia 1921 Squadron Leader Commanding Officer RAF Detachment (3 Sqd.) in Iraq 1923 Squadron Leader No. 41 (RAF) Squadron 1925 Squadron Leader No. 23 (RAF) Squadron 01/07/1929 Wing Commander Senior RAF Officer HMS Courageous (aircraft carrier) 1932 Wing Commander Commanding Officer RAF Station Bircham Newton 01/07/1935 Group Captain Commanding Officer RAF Station Upper Heyford
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01/04/1939 Air Commodore Air Officer Commanding Egypt No. 204 Group RAF
01/07/1942 Air Commodore Fighter Command in Scapa Flow
21/03/1943 Air Vice-Marshal RAF
01/07/1943 Air Vice-Marshal Retired from the RAF

Medals of AVM Raymond Collishaw:

CB

DSO and Bar

OBE (Military 1st Type)

DSC DFC

1914/1915 Star British War Medal

Victory Medal with MID

British General Service Medal with bar Palestine

with MID

King George V Silver Jubilee Medal

King George VI Coronation Medal

1939/1945 Star

African Star

Defence Medal

1939/1945 War Medal

Croix de Guerre ave Etoile et Palme (France)

4th Class Order of St. Vladimir with Swords & Bow (Russia)

Order of St. Anne Russia Order of St. Stanislaus



Air Vice-Marshal Sir Victor Hubert TAIT, KBE, CB, RAF (04235) Director-General of Signals – Royal Air Force WWII

Born:	08/07/1892	Winnipeg, Manitoba

Died: 27/11/1988

Honours

19/09/1944+	KBE	Knight Commander - Order	of the British Empire	Air Vice-Marshal
02/06/1943+	CB	Companion - Order of the B	Bath	Air Vice-Marshal
09/06/1938+	OBE	Officer – Order of the Britis	sh Empire	Wing Commander
28/12/1945+	Officer	Legion of Merit	USA	Air Vice-Marshal
10/12/1937+	Commander	Order of the Nile	Egypt	Group Captain

Civilian

Prior to 1914	BSc	University of Manitoba - Electrical Engineer
1928	Hockey Player	For Britain at the 1928 Olympics (team finished 4th)
1946	Executive	Director of Operations - BOAC
1948	President	British Ice Hockey Association
1971	President	End President British Ice Hockey Association

Promotions

Canadian Expeditionary Force

23/09/1914	2nd Lieutenant	Canadian Engineers (5470)
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British Army – London Regiment

07/01/1916	2nd Lieutenant	London Regiment (04235)	
29/10/1916	T/Lieutenant	London Regiment (04235)	LG 28/10/1916+
06/04/1917	Acting Captain	London Regiment (2nd Lieutenant)	LG 23/05/1917+
02/04/1918	Acting Lieutenant	(without Pay & Allowances prior to 01/07/1918)	LG 05/09/1919+
01/07/1918	Acting Lieutenant	(Grade A) Whilst Employed	LG 22/11/1918+
01/01/1919	Lieutenant	(without pay & allowances)	LG 18/02/1919+
01/01/1919	Lieutenant	(without P.&A. prior to 01 July 1919	LG 05/09/1919+

Royal Air Force (RAF)

01/04/1918	2nd Lieutenant	RAF	
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02/04/1918	Lieutenant	(without Pay and Allowances) RAF	
01/08/1919	Lieutenant	Permanent Commission in the Royal Air Force	LG 01/08/1919+
01/01/1922	Flight Lieutenant	RAF	
15/06/1930	Squadron Leader	Permanent RAF	LG 08/07/1930+
01/07/1936	Wing Commander	RAF	LG 30/06/1936+
01/04/1937	Acting Group Captain	(unpaid)	LG 25/05/1937+
01/01/1940	Group Captain	Temporary	LG 02/01/1940+
1941	Air Commodore	(Temporary)	
14/04/1942	Group Captain	Substantive	
15/03/1942	Air Commodore	Acting and then Substantive	LG 29/09/1942+
01/10/1942	Air Commodore	Substantive effective 15/03/1942	
15/03/1942	Air Vice-Marshal	Acting (Technical Branch)	LG 01/10/1942+
19/08/1942	Air Vice-Marshal	Acting (Technical Branch)	LG 04/09/1942+
24/08/1945	Air Vice-Marshal	Substantive	

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Victor Hubert TAIT, KBE, CB RAF (04235) Director-General of Signals – Royal Air Force WWII

Military

23/09/1914 29/10/1916 16/11/1917 16/11/1917 01/01/1919 01/08/1919 01/08/1919 30/01/1920 01/04/1922 16/01/1924	2nd Lieutenant T/Lieutenant Lieutenant Lieutenant Lieutenant Lieutenant Lieutenant Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant Flight Lieutenant	Cdn Engineers – Valcartier, Quebec Transfers to London Regiment Equipment Officer (3rd Class) - London Regiment Seconded to the Royal Air Force Technical Branch Substantive Lieutenant on secondment RAF 8th Battalion, London Regiment ends Commission Permanent Commission in the Royal Air Force Supernumerary (non-effective – sick), RAF Depot Pilot – 4 (RAF) Squadron Staff Officer – Signals Branch	Attestation Paper LG 28/10/1916+ LG 04/01/1918+ LG 04/01/1918+ LG 18/02/1919+ LG 04/06/1920+ LG 04/06/1920+
11/02/1930	Flight Lieutenant	Air Staff (Signals) – RAF Middle East	
15/06/1930	Squadron Leader	Permanent RAF	LG 08/07/1930+
01/08/1932	Squadron Leader	Seconded to the Egyptian Government	LG 09/08/1932+
01/07/1936	Wing Commander	RAF serving with Egyptian Air Force	LG 30/06/1936+
01/07/1936	Wing Commander	Senior air Advisor, British Military Mission, Egypt	
24/04/1940	Group Captain	Ceases to be seconded for Special Duty	LG 24/03/1940+
24/04/1940	Group Captain	Deputy Director of Signals – Technical Branch	
1941	Air Commodore	Director of Radio	
1941	Air Commodore	Director of Radar (RDF)	
1944	Air Vice-Marshal	Director-General of Signals	
29/01/1946	Air Vice-Marshal	Retires from the Technical Branch of the RAF	LG 12/02/1946+

Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire (KBE) "in recognition of services in planning the landings in Normandy".



Air Commodore John Russell GILES, DSO, DFC, Royal Air Force

Born: 1910

Shanghai Victoria, British Columbia Immigrated:

Died:

Honours

Distinguished Service Order Distinguished Flying Cross 23/03/1945+ DSO 13/08/1943+ DFC

Military

04/1936	Acting Pilot Officer	RAF
	Pilot Officer	RAF
	Flying Officer	RAF
	Squadron Leader	RAF
1940	Wing Commander	Commanding Officer # 5 (RAF) Squadron
1942	Wing Commander	Commanding Officer # 90 (RAF) Squadron
1943	Wing Commander	Commanding Officer # 186 (RAF) Squadron
1946	Wing Commander	Left the RAF
1947	Wing Commander	Rejoined the RAF
1953	Group Captain	
1956	Air Commodore	
1958	Air Commodore	Asst/Chief Staff Intelligence HQ Allied Air Forces Central Europe

Air Commodore Alfred Cecil Critchley, CMG, CBE, DSO Youngest Brigadier-General in the British Imperial armies at the age of only 27 Director of Initial Training of Aircrew WWII

Born: 23/02/1890 Calgary, Alberta

Immigrated 1899 To England – for boarding School

Returned to Canada 1907 To Calgary

Married 12/1915 Marion Galt (Sir Max Aitken's cousin) - divorced Married 22/12/1927 Miss Joan Foster of Mount Street, London

Died: 09/02/1963 United Kingdom

Honours

29/03/1919+	CMG	Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. O	George B	Gen att. RAF
03/06/1943+	CBE	Commander of the Order of the British Empire	В	Gen RAF
01/07/1916+	DSO	Distinguished Service Order	Major Strath	icona's Horse

15/06/1916+ MID Mentioned-in-Despatches

Military

1907	Private	Queen Victoria Rifles
1908	Cadet	Royal Military College
1910	2 nd Lieutenant	Temporary Commission Infantry Unit
1910	2 nd Lieutenant	Permanent Commission Strathcona's Horse
1911	Lieutenant	Strathcona's Horse
1913	Captain	Commandant Strathcona's Horse Regimental Riding School
11/1914	Captain	To Salisbury Plain in England with Strathcona's Horse
1915	Captain	To France – Adjutant of Strathcona's Horse
1916	Captain	Return to France – wounded
01/01/1916	Captain	Back to the Front
13/07/1916	Major	Staff Captain at Headquarters of 7 th Infantry Brigade – twice wounded
03/11/1916	T/LCol	Commandant of the Cdn Corps Training School in France
19/12/1916	T/LCol	GSO2 (Training) Headquarters Canadian Corps
31/01/1917	Lieutenant-Col	Commandant of the Canadian Army School at Bexhill
01/03/1918	T/Brigadier	Training of Royal Flying Corps Cadets – Temporary Brigadier
21/04/1919	T/Brigadier	Youngest Brigadier in the British Imperial Armies (age 27) - retires

Civilian

04/1939

1943

Brigadier

Director General

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190)7	Clerk	Bank of Montreal in Calgary
192	20s	Businessman	Central America
192	26	Director	Associated Portland Cement
192	26	Owner	Greyhound Racing Association - Belle Vue, Manchester
192	26	Owner	White Rock city Stadium, London
193	80s	Built	Harringay Stadium and arena
22/	06/1934	MP - Conservative	Won Twickenham by-election and became a Member of Parliament
Mil	litary		

In Charge of Royal Air Force Aircrew Training

British Airways – built Heathrow Airport

Air Commodore Alfred Cecil Critchley, CMG, CBE, DSO Youngest Brigadier-General in the British Imperial armies at the age of only 27 Director of Initial Training of Aircrew WWII



Brigadier-General Alfred Cecil Critchley, CMG, CBE, DSO (23 February 1890 – 09 February 1963) was an entrepreneur and politician in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK). He served as a Conservative Member of Parliament (MP) from 1934 to 1935.

Critchley was **born in Calgary, Canada** in. His mother died when he was two giving birth to his brother. He was brought up on a ranch and soon developed a love for all things physical. In 1899 the family returned to England and he began attending school at The Meads. At twelve his father decided he should join the Royal Navy. However, a bout of scarlet fever and a reduction of the entry age to Osbourne resulted in his failing the entrance exam and no second chance. A move to St Bees School was planned as a preliminary to entering Sandhurst, but when his twin half-brothers were born the financial situation was such that he was sent back to Canada to work in the Bank of Montreal.

In 1907 he joined the Canadian militia, the Queen Victoria Rifles because it was cold in his apartment and the armoury was heated! In 1908, he and his friend, later Major-General Ronald Alexander, applied to attend the Royal Military College and was accepted.

After completing the course he was not immediately commissioned and he attended the Musketry School at Rockcliffe. Promised a commission in the Cavalry he took a temporary commission in an infantry regiment whilst waiting. In 1910 he was awarded a permanent commission in Strathcona's Horse. Much of his work at this time was in the training and inspection of the Militia, but was then made Commandant of the Regimental Riding School.

Shortly after the outbreak of war his regiment sailed for England, arriving on Salisbury Plain in November 1914. Going to France in 1915 he became Adjutant to his regiment and at the end of the year returned to Britain where he got married to Marion Galt, the cousin of the wife of the press baron Sir Max Aitken, later Lord Beaverbrook.

On his return to France he became a Staff Officer and shortly afterwards was wounded whilst touring the trenches. However, he was back at the front by 1 June 1916 and on 13 July 1916 became a Staff Captain at the Headquarters of 7th Infantry Brigade. He was twice wounded and on 03 November 1916 became the Commandant of the Canadian Corps Training School in France. On 19 December 1916 he was the General Staff Officer 2 (Training) at the Headquarters of Canadian Corps before becoming the Commandant of the Canadian Army School at Bexhill. His success in the training field led to him being seconded to the RAF on 04 March 1918 to take control of the training of RFC cadets, a role he maintained until the end of the war (on 01 April 1918 the RFC became the Royal Air Force). By the end of the war he had become the **youngest Brigadier-General in the British Imperial armies at the age of only 27.** Deciding to not become a career officer, he relinquished his commission on ceasing to be employed on 21 May 1919.

During the inter-war period Critchley involved himself in a number of business ventures in Central America before returning to the UK where he became a director of Associated Portland Cement. In 1926 he formed the private company, the Greyhound Racing Association. Under the auspices of this company he became a significant sporting entrepreneur in the UK. He introduced greyhound racing to the UK in Belle Vue, Manchester in 1926. The success of this initial trial led Critchley to purchase the White City Stadium in London. He subsequently built both the Harringay Stadium and Harringay Arena.

He was married for a second time in London to Miss Joan Foster of Mount Street, London on 22 December 1927.

Critchley contested the 30 May 1929 general election as a Conservative in the Manchester Gorton constituency, a safe seat for the Labour Party, where he was heavily defeated.

On 19 February 1931, he contested the Islington East by-election as a candidate for the Empire Free Trade Crusade and the United Empire Party, which both sought to make the British Empire a free trade bloc. The Empire Crusade had won the Paddington South by-election in October 1930, and hoped to repeat its success. Critchley came second, with 27.2% of the votes, and the Empire Crusade never won another seat.

He rejoined the Conservative Party, and won the Twickenham by-election on 22 June 1934. Nevertheless, he did not contest the 1935 general election.

In April 1939 he wrote to the Air Ministry suggesting that in the event of war the RAF would need a training system for aircrew similar to that he had established in WW1. However, having heard nothing for four months he made plans to re-join the army when he was summoned to the Air Ministry and asked to take charge of RAF aircrew training. He oversaw the initial

plans to re-join the army when he was summoned to the Air Ministry and asked to take charge of RAF aircrew training. He oversaw the initial training of aircrew until 1943 when he was asked to take over the running of BOAC as director general, which also involved the planning of a new airport for London at Heathrow. However, dissatisfied with government plans for post-war



civil aviation he resigned in 1946 and started Skyways, but once again government plans saw the closure of this airline in 1950.

In 1953 he suffered a severe infection which caused him to go blind overnight. In 1954 he was involved in the publishing deals of Robert Maxwell. He continued to carry out a wide range of duties and activities as his condition permitted.

He died on 9 February 1963.



London Gazette entries:

LG 01/09/1916+

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Staff Capts.—Capt. G. C. McDonald, Princess Patricia's Canadian L.I.,

vice Maj. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., Lord Strathcona's Horse. 13th July 1916.

LG 01/09/1916+

Then later in this edition: GENEBAL STAFF.

G.S.O.'s, 2nd Grade Maj. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., Lord Strathoona's Horse, vice Maj. T. S. Morrisey, D.S.O., 13th Canadian Inf. Bn. 13th July 1916

LG 22 January 1917

OVERSEA CONTINGENTS CANADA Lord Strathcona's Horse.

Maj. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., to be temp. Lt.-Col. whilst holding the appt. of Comdt., Can. Corps School. 3 Nov. 1916.

LG 25 January 1917

General List. The undermentioned Majs. to be temp. Lt.-Cols.: — 19 Dec. 1916. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O.

LG 02 February 1917

CANADA OVERSEA CONTINGENTS The undermentioned appts. are made to the Staff in the British Isles: — 'Asst. Mil. Sees.—(Graded for purposes of pay - as a G.S.O., 2nd Grade 2nd Grade.—Lt.-Col. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., Lord Strathcona's Horse. 19th Dec. 1916.

LG 20 March 1917

OVERSEA CONTINGENTS CANADA Temp. Lt.-Col. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., Canadian Local Forces, from a G.S.O., 2nd Grade, to be Cbmdt. Canadian Mil. School. 21st Jan 1917

LG 28 September 1917

Special Appts.—(Graded for purposes of pay as a G.S.O., 1st Grade).—Temp. Lt.-Col. A* C. Critchley, D.S.O., Canadian Cav. whilst empld. as Comdt., Canadian Training School. 1st Apr. 1917.

LG 18 March 1918

Memoranda.—Temp. Lt.-Col. A. C. Critchley, D.S.O., Canadian Cav., to be temp. Brig.- Gen. whilst seed, for duty with the R.F.C. 4th Mar. 1918.

LG 10 April 1918

(Graded for purposes of pay as G.S.O's., 1st Grade).—Temp. Maj. (actg. Lt.-Col.) A. D. Cameron, M.C., Canadian C'av., to be Comdt., Canadian Training School, and to retain his actg. rank whilst so empld. Vice temp. Lt.-Col. A. C. Critchley, D'.S.O., Canadian Cav. 4th Mar. 1918.

LG 31 December 1918 LORD STRATHCONA'S HORSE. Critchley, Capt. (T./Maj.) 0. A.

EG 31 March 1922

The Names of the undermentioned Officers are to be added to those brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War for gallant and distinguished conduct in the Field, by General Sir Douglas Haig, G.C.B., Commander-in-Chief, the British Armies in France, in his Despatch dated 30th April 1916. (**Published in London Gazette dated 15th June 1916**.) (No. 29623.):

Brook, Maj. R. J., D.S.O., 3rd Infy. Bn., Canadian Forces.

Critchley, Maj. A. C., D.S.O., L.S. Horse, Canadian Forces.

Docherty, Maj. M., D.S.O., L.S. Horse, Canadian Forces.

Forde, Maj. E., D.S.O; 15th D.S. Coy. Engrs., Canadian Forces.

Air Commodore Alfred Cecil Critchley, CMG, CBE, DSO Director of Initial Training of Aircrew Royal Air Force - WWII

Born:	23/02/1890	Calgary, Alberta

Died: 09/02/1963 England

Honours

29/03/1919+	CMG	Companion - Order of St. Michael & St. George	Brigadier-General
02/06/1943+	CBE	Commander - Order of the British Empire	Air Commodore
03/06/1916+	DSO	Distinguished Service Order	Major LSH
16/06/1916+	MID	Mentioned-in-Despatches	Major LSH

Civilian

1920	Bank	Bank of Montreal
30/05/1929	Ran for MP	Conservatives – defeated
19/02/1931	Ran for MP	Empire Free Trade Party – defeated
22/06/1934	Ran for MP	Conservative – Elected to the British Parliament
01/06/1943	Director General	BOAC (British Overseas Aircraft Corporation)

Promotions

Canadian Army - Canadian Expeditionary Force

1907	Private	Queen Victoria Rifles
02/09/1908	Officer Cadet	Royal Military College Kingston
01/02/1909	2 nd Lieutenant	Musketry School
1910	Lieutenant	Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians)
1912	Captain	Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadian)
21/12/1915	Temporary Major	Adjutant – Strathcona's Horse CEF
03/11/1916	Temporary Lieutenant-Colonel	•

Royal Flying Corps / Royal Air Force

Temporary Brigadier-General Temporary Brigadier-General Brevet Colonel Air Commodore	Royal Flying Corps Royal Air Force Royal Air Force - on Relinquishing his Commission RAFVR
Air Commodore	RAFVR retired
	Temporary Brigadier-General Brevet Colonel Air Commodore

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Military

Canadian Expeditionary Force

xx/xx/1907	Private	Soldier, Queen Victoria Rifles
02/09/1908	Officer Cadet	Attended Royal Military College - Kingston.
01/02/1909	2 nd Lieutenant	Attended Musketry School
xx/xx/1909	2 nd Lieutenant	Infantry Regiment
xx/xx/1910	Lieutenant	Officer, Strathcona's Horse
xx/xx/xxxx	Captain	Commandant - Regimental Riding School LSH(RC)
xx/xx/1914	Captain	Squadron Commander - Strathcona's Horse
21/12/1915	Temporary Major	Adjutant - Lord Strathcona's Horse
13/07/1916	Temporary Major	Staff Captain - HQ 7th Infantry Brigade
03/11/1916	Temporary LCol	Commandant - Canadian Corps Training School, France
19/12/1916	Temporary LCol	GSO2 (Training), HQ Canadian Corps.
21/01/1917	Temporary LCol	Commandant - Canadian Army School, Bexhill
04/03/1918	(T) Brigadier-General	General Officer Commanding - RFC Training Brigade
01/04/1918	(T) Brigadier-General	General Officer Commanding - RAF Training Brigade
21/03/1919	Brevet Colonel	Relinquished his commission on ceasing to be employed
30/08/1939	Air Commodore	Air Officer Commanding No 54 RAF (Reserve) Group
01/06/1943	Air Commodore	Relinquished his commission

Medals:

 $CMG-CBE\ (2^{nd}\ Type)-DSO\ (GV)-1914/1915\ Star-British\ War\ Medal-Victoria\ Medal\ with\ MID-Defence\ Medal-1939/1945\ War\ Medal$





Brigadier Ernest Benjamin, British Army: b. Canada c.1900

Major-General John Bradstreet, British Army, b. Nova Scotia, Canada, 1714

Admiral Sir Cyprian Arthur George Bridge, Royal Navy, b. St John's, Newfoundland, Canada, 1839

Major-General John George Dartnell, British Army (Honorary): b. Canada 1838

Vice Admiral Sir Archibald Lucius Douglas, Royal navy, b. Quebec City, Quebec, Canada, 1842

General Sir Gordon Drummond, British Army, b. Quebec, Lower Canada, 1772

Major-General William Henry Snyder Nickerson, British Army,b. Dorchester,Canada, 1875

Surgeon-General Herbert Taylor Reade, VC, British Army, b. Ontario, Canada, 1828

General Thomas Willshire, British Army, b Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, 1789

IV Commandant RRMC: 1949 – 1952



Air Vice Marshall James Bert Millward DFC (Bar), GdG(F), CD was born in Montreal, June 1911 and lived in Sherbrooke, Quebec. He attended McGill University receiving his Bachelor of Arts in 1934. He was the Housemaster of Macdonald House at St Andrew's College when he left to join the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1941. He trained at No.3 ITS, No.17 EFTS and No.8 SFTS. He reported from No.23 OTU to He served as a pilot with No.426 Bomber Squadron on 22 October 1942. He was flight commander of No 405 Pathfinder Squadron. S/L James Bert was awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross effective 6 August 1943 as per London Gazette dated 13 August 1943. "On two occasions this officer has flown his aircraft safely back to

base although damage had been sustained from enemy action. He has also had much success in securing photographs of the target area. As deputy flight commander Squadron Leader Millward has assisted in building up the squadron to its present high state of efficiency. The quiet determination with which he completes his duties has won him the admiration and respect of all." He was awarded a Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross AFRO 1849/43 dated 10 September 1943: "Wing Commander Millward has completed many successful sorties during which he has attacked a wide range of strongly defended targets. He is an exceptionally keen and capable flight commander and has at all times displayed fine qualities of courage and devotion to duty." This officer is an exceptionally keen and capable captain who has completed 39½ operational sorties against such heavily defended targets as Berlin, Stuttgart and Mannheim. The work of this officer, both as a Flight Commander and pilot, has been exceptional. He has, at all times, displayed fine qualities of courage, leadership and devotion to duty which have been an inspiration to those serving under his command. Strongly recommended for the award of Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross." Award effective 5 August 1944 as per London Gazette dated 15 August 1944 and AFRO 2101/44 dated 29 September 1944. He was Mentioned in Dispatches effective 14 June 1945 as per London Gazette of that date and AFRO 1395/45 dated 31 August 1945. He left the service in 1945 and earned a Master of Arts from Bishop's University in 1946. Returning to the RCAF, he was appointed the fourth Commandant of Royal Roads Military College from August 1949 to August 1952. He was the first Air Force Commandant to serve at the former Royal Roads Military College. The Millward wing, an extension to the Nixon Building at RRMC, was named in his honour. Opened in 1991, the Milward Wing contains Campus Security Office, Computer Services and learner dorm rooms. He was awarded the Oueen's Coronation Medal, 1953 when CO of Station Trenton. He directed Regular Officer Training Plan programmes in Air Force Head Quarters in March 1960. He was promoted to Air Vice Marshal and made AOC Air Material Command on 20 September 1962. His medals are with the Canadian War Museum (AN 19790183-024).