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**EAGLE, Frederick William, Chief Engine Room Artificer** (21549) - **British Empire Medal (BEM)** - RCN - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 9 January 1943 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1943.

Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

**EAGLE. Frederick William, 21549, CPO/ERA, RCN, BEM~[9.1.43]**

"While on escort duty, Chief Engine Room Artificer Eagle, displayed outstanding skill and ability as a machinist in effecting essential repairs under most difficult conditions."

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**EAKINS, John Smiley, Acting Leading Seaman** (V-34738) - **Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR / 11th Canadian Escort Group - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 5 December 1944.

Home: Toronto, Ontario.

**EAKINS. John Smiley, 0-21554, A/IS, V-34728, RCNVR, MID~[20.1.45]**

P/S/Lt(Temp) [26.1.45] RCNVR, Demobilized [7.12.45]

"For services in destroying an enemy submarine 18 - 19th August 1944."

**HMCS Ottawa (I), HMCS Kootenay, and HMCS Chaudiere** (all River Class Destroyers) sank **U-621** in the Bay of Biscay on 18 August 1944. This action is described in Chapter 49 of **"The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939 - 1945"**.

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**EARL, Lesley Nelson, Lieutenant - Distinguished Service Cross (DSC)**  
 - RCNVR / HMCS St. Croix - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 28 November 1942 and **London Gazette** of 25 November 1942.

Home: Westmount, Quebec.

He was in charge of the Anti-submarine organization of **HMCS St. Croix** (Town Class Destroyer - 181).

**EARL. Leslie Nelson**, 0-21580, A/S/Lt (Temp)

[15.4.40] RCNVR

HMCS NORSAL (Z12) (P) 168/21, p/v, (31.8.40-?)

HMCS PRINCE ROBERT (F56) amc, (3.4.41-?) Lt (Temp)

[15.4.42]

HMCS ST. CROIX (I81) DD, (22.3.42-?) **DSC~[28.11.42]**

Lt (Temp) [15.4.41] HMCS SWANSEA (K328) Fr, (1944?)

Demobilized [24.8.45]



"For meritorious service before the enemy. During a long attack which resulted in the destruction of an enemy U-boat, this Officer was in charge of the A/S organization of his ship, and by his devotion to duty and quick thinking contributed in a large measure to the success of the action."

Details on the action in which **HMCS St. Croix** sunk **U-90** in the North Atlantic on 24 July 1942 can be found in the chapter 12 of the book **"The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939-1945"**.



With LCdr. Dobson on the left, Admiral L. W. Murray congratulates A/S personnel on arrival in St. John's following St Croix' successful attack on U90. Lt. Nelson Earl, the A/S officer, is at the far right.

RCN Photo NF-666

**Medals:** DSC - 1939/1945 Star - Atlantic Star - CVSM and Clasp - 1939/1945 War Medal (on display at the Soldier's Tower, U. of Toronto)

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**EARL, Paul Whitney, Captain - Commander - Order of the British Empire (CBE) - RCNVR / Deputy Commanding Officer, Reserve Divisions and Chief Staff Officer, Reserves - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 5 January 1946 and London Gazette of 1 January 1946.**

Born Montreal, Quebec 27 September 1895.

Home: Westmount, PQ

Served as a Lieutenant RNVR in WW1.

Served in North Sea, Mediterranean, Black Sea and Caspian Sea in motor launches on coastal patrol and anti-submarine duties in WW1. Mobilized as Acting Lieutenant, RCNVR 1 July 1940.

Promoted LCdr and made **Commanding Officer of the Montreal Naval Division** in 1940.

To Naval HQ as Director of Reserve Division and Chief Recruiting Officer in 1941.

Promoted Commander and served as Staff Officer to the Commanding Officer Reserve Divisions in 1942.

Deputy Commanding Officer Reserve Divisions in 1944.

Promoted Captain and to **Naval Service HQ as Chief Staff Officer Reserves** and Member of the Naval Board from 21 May 1945 to 5 September 1945.

Later in 1945 made **Chief of Naval Personnel**.

Promoted **Commodore RCN(R)** and demobilized in July 1946.



Officer-in-Charge Montreal Area and Senior Officer in Command until 19 January 1952 to 1959.

President of Navy League of Canada.

Elected as a Liberal member of the **Quebec National Assembly** in 1948, 1952, 1956, 1960 and 1962.

**Minister for the Mines** in the Lesage cabinet of 5 July 1960 to 28 March 1961 and then Minister for Income from 28 March 1961 to 23 May 1963.

Received his **CD** and made an **Officer and then a Commander of the Order of St. John**.

Married Jean Scott Gatehouse in Montreal on 24 June 1925.

He died in Limerick, Ireland on 23 May 1963 and was cremated in Montreal on 27 May 1963.

**EARL. Paul Whitney**, 0-21600, (b: Montreal, PQ, 29 Sept 1895)

S/Lt RNVR, & Lt, WW.I service.

A/Lt(Temp) [1.7.40] RCNVR, LCdr(Temp) [1.10.40]

RCNVR Division, Montreal, CO, (1.10.41-20.11.41)

HMCS DONNANCONA, RCNVR Division, Montreal, CO, (21.11.41-31.3.42)

Cdr(Temp) [1.1.43] A/Capt(WHA)

HMCS HOCHELAGA(D/S) CO, & NOIC Montreal, (11.9.44-?)

Capt(Temp) [1.1.45] **CBE~[5.1.46]** Cmdre [1.2.46] RCN(R)

Demobilized [9.7.46] Died [23.5.63] Ireland.

# Commodore Paul Whitney Earl, CBE, CStJ, CD

Sub-Lieutenant, RNVR	WW1	WWI	(RNVR)
Lieutenant, RNVR	WW1	WWI	(RNVR)
Acting Lieutenant, (Temporary), RCNVR	01 July	1940	(Mobilized for WW2 Service)
Lieutenant-Commander (Temporary), RCNVR	01 October	1940	(Commanding Officer Montreal Naval Division)
Acting Commander (Temporary), RCNVR	01 January	1942	(Staff Officer to the CO Reserve Divisions)
Commander (Temporary), RCNVR	01 January	1943	(Deputy Commanding Officer Reserve Divisions)
Captain (Temporary), RCNVR	01 January	1945	(Chief Staff Officer Reserves)
Commodore, RCN(R)	01 February	1946	(Chief of Naval Personnel)
Demobilized	01 July	1946	(Chief of Naval Personnel)
Commodore, RCN(R)	19 January	1952	(Officer-in-Charge Montreal Area)
Retires	01 September	1959	(In Montreal)

"For outstanding service to the Royal Canadian Navy in the organization and development of recruiting and training. Since the commencement of hostilities, Captain Earl has made an invaluable contribution to the Naval Divisions across the Dominion, in his capacity as Deputy Commanding Officer, Reserve Divisions and, as Chief Staff Officer, Reserves. He has sacrificed his own personal affairs, given unstintingly of his time, and worked tirelessly in his various administrative appointments, and continues to render service of a high calibre in his present appointment as Chief of Naval Personnel."

Awarded **Commander, Order of St. John (CStJ)** as per the **London Gazette** of 29 June 1956 in the rank of Commodore.

Awarded **Officer, Order of St. John (OStJ)** as per the **London Gazette** of 02 January 1953 in the rank of Commodore.

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**EARNSHAW, Eric Phillip, Lieutenant - Mention in Despatches** - RCN / HMCS Huron - Awarded as per **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945 (no Canada Gazette). Home: Ottawa, Ontario.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Huron** (Destroyer - G.24) from 23 October 1944 to 21 February 1946.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Portage** (Minesweeper - 169) from 17 February 1950 to 23 June 1951).

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Assiniboine** (Destroyer Escort - 234) from 16 August 1956 to 23 May 1958.

**EARNSHAW, Eric Phillip**, 0-21620, (Ottawa, Ontario)

Special Entry No.47, Cadet [1.1.39]

HMS FROBISHER (17.1.39-?)

Mid [1.9.39] RCN,

A/S/Lt [1.6.41]

HMCS ST. FRANCIS 1941,

HMCS PRINCE HENRY (F70) amc, (1.6.42-?)

Lt [16.1.43]  
 HMCS SKEENA (I59) DD, (10.5.43-?)  
 HMCS OTTAWA (H31) DD, CO, (10.9.44-6.10.44)  
 HMCS HURON (G24) DD, (15.10.44-22.10.44)  
 HMCS HURON (G24) DD, CO, (23.10.44-21.2.46)  
**MID~[1.1.45]** HMCS ONTARIO(53) LCB, (29.3.47-?)  
 HMCS ONTARIO( 53) LCB, (17.11.47-?) A/LCdr(WHA)  
 HMCS DONNACONA, Montreal Naval Division, CO, (18.3.46-?)  
 HMCS PORTAGE (169) m/s, CO, (17.2.50-23.6.51)  
 LCdr [16.1.51]  
 HMCS CORNWALLIS, (25.6.51-?) CD~[?]  
 HMCS SWANSEA (306) FFE, (27.4.53-?)  
 HMCS SWANSEA (306) FFE, (5.8.53-?)  
 NSHQ for Staff Officer Seamen Personnel, (3.5.54-?)  
 Cdr [1.1.55]  
 HMCS ASSINIBOINE(234) DDE, CO, (16.8.56-23.5.58)  
 HMCS NIOBE for Director Staff RN Staff College, (30.6.58-?) (130)  
 HMCS STADACONA(E18) XO, (13.9.60-?)  
 Capt [1.1.62] NSHQ(D30) (20.8.62-?)  
 CCC4(J004) (28.8.64-?)  
 CDLS/Washington(0045) (15.09.65-?)

"For gallantry or outstanding service in the face of the enemy  
 or for zeal, patience and cheerfulness in dangerous waters and  
 for setting an example of wholehearted devotion to duty,  
 upholding the high traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy." New  
 Years List (Admiralty) A.F.O. 239/45.

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**EARTHY, Bernard Alfred, Stoker Petty Officer (V-30278) - Mention in  
 Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January  
 1945 and **London Gazette** of 26 December 1944.

Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

**EARTHY. Bernard Alfred, V-30278, PO/Stk, RCNVR, MID~[20.1.45]**

"For gallantry, skill, determination and undaunted devotion to  
 duty during the landing of Allied Forces on the coast of  
 Normandy."

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**EASTER, Kenneth Lorne, Stoker First Class (V-63523) - Mention in  
 Despatches** - RCNVR / 11th Canadian Escort Group -Awarded as per  
**Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 5 December  
 1944. Home: Prescott, Ontario.

**EASTER. Kenneth Lorne, V-63523, Stk 1/cl, RCNVR, MID~[20.1.45]**

"For services in destroying an enemy submarine on 18 - 19th

August 1944."

**HMCS Ottawa (I), HMCS Kootenay, and HMCS Chaudiere** (all River Class Destroyers) sank **U-621** in the Bay of Biscay on 18 August 1944. This action is described in Chapter 49 of "**The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939 - 1945**".

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**EASTON, Alan Herbert, Lieutenant - Distinguished Service Cross (DSC)**  
- RCNR / HMCS Sackville - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 21 November 1942 and **London Gazette** of 18 November 1942.

Home: London, Ontario.

'Conway' 1917-1919

Joined RCN in February 1940 and served in **HMCS Acadia** and **HMCS Caradoc**

First **Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Baddeck** (Flower Class Corvette - K147) from 18 May 1941 to 5 April 1942.

**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Sackville** (Flower Class Corvette - K181) from 6 April 1942 to 10 April 1943.



**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Matane** (River Class Frigate - 444) from 22 October 1943 to 03 April 1944).

**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Saskatchewan** (Destroyer - H.70) from 7 April 1944 to 8 August 1944.

Author of the book '**50 North**'.

Died at age 93 in Ottawa on 21 September 2001

**EASTON. Alan Herbert**, 0-21650, A/Lt(Temp) [14.2.40] RCNR

HMCS ACADIA (Z00) (A) a/s, (16.3.40-?)

HMCS BADDECK( K147) Cof, CO, (10.4.41-5.4.42)

HMCS SACKVILLE (K181) Cof, CO, (6.4.42-9.4.43) **DSC~[21.11.42]**

LCdr, HMCS BATTLEFORD (K165) Cof, CO, (21.8.43-7.5.44)

HMCS MATANE (K444) Fr, CO, (22.10.43-3.4.44)

HMCS SASKATCHEWAN (H70) DD, (6.4.44)

HMCS SASKATCHEWAN (H70) DD, CO, (7.4.44-8.8.44) **MID~[20.1.45]**

Appointment terminated [20.10.44] Resigned

#### **DSC Citation:**

"For distinguished service before the enemy. Lieutenant Easton was the Commanding Officer of **HMCS Sackville** (Corvette) when a U-boat was sighted on the surface. He immediately shaped course to ram and through skilful handling of his ship and devotion to duty, contributed to the almost certain destruction of one enemy U-boat and probable damaging of another."



Details on the action in which **HMCS Sackville**, **HMCS Skeena** and **HMCS Wetaskiwin** sank **U-588** in the mid-Atlantic on 31 July 1942 can be found in Chapter thirteen of the book "**The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939-1945**".

**EASTON, Alan Herbert, Lieutenant-Commander, DSC - Mention in Despatches** - RCNR / HMCS Saskatchewan - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 3 October 1944.

"For outstanding leadership, skill and devotion to duty in **H.M. Canadian Ships Qu'appelle, Skeena, Saskatchewan** and **Restigouche** in a successful action with enemy trawlers and U-boats."

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**EDGE, Harry, Acting Petty Officer (V-12551) - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 6 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945.

Home: Edmonton, Alberta.

**EDGE. Henry, V-12551, A/PO, RCNVR, MID~[6.1.45]**

"For exceptional cheerfulness under adversity, and for outstanding zeal and devotion to duty."

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**EDMUNSON, Joseph William, Commissioned Engineer - Mention in Despatches** - RCNR / HMCS Long Branch - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945.

Home: Montreal, Quebec. **HMCS Long Branch** is a Revised Flower Class Corvette, pendant K487.

**EDMUNDSON. Joseph William, 0-21820, Wt(E)(Temp) [1.6.42] RCNR,**

HMCS PORT HOPE (J280) m/s, stand by, (13.7.42-29.7.42)

HMCS PORT HOPE (J280) m/s, (30.7.42-?)

HMCS NEW WESTMINSTER (K228) Cof, (26.9.43-?)

HMCS LONG BRANCH (K487) Cofm, (25.8.44-?)

Cd(E)(Temp) [1.1.45] **MID~[16.6.45]** Demobilized [21.11.45]

"This Officer, since taking charge of the Engine Room of **HMCS Long Branch**, has by his unsparing efforts and constant devotion to duty, brought his department up to an unusually high degree of efficiency. His professional and organizational ability have been an inspiration, not only to his own department, but to the ship's company as a whole."

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**EDWARDS, Gordon Cheeseman, Acting Lieutenant-Commander (A) - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR / No. 824 RNAS Squadron HMS Striker - Awarded as per **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945 (no Canada Gazette). Born in Toronto, Ontario in July 1917.



Merchant Navy Cadet with Anchor Donaldson Line.

Then joined the Aircraft Division of Canadian Vickers Ltd. in Montreal in 1938.

Mobilized for WW2 service as a Sub-Lieutenant (Temporary), RCNVR in July 1940 in the Montreal Division.

To the RN for Service on Channel Convoy Duty for anti-aircraft guard in 1940.

Promoted Lieutenant in 1941 and to RN for Pilot Training Course #29.

To RCAF Station Kingston for No. 31 SFTS and then to **HMS Argus** for Deck Landing Qualifications in 1941.

To RNAS Lee-on-Solent for **No. 824 Squadron** in 1942.

To **HMS Unicorn**, **HMS St. Angelo** and **HMS Striker** for **No. 824 RN Squadron** (Swordfish and Wildcat) in 1943.

Commanding Officer **No. 824 RN Squadron** serving on **HMS Striker** (Swordfish and Wildcat) in 1944.

First Canadian in WW2 to Command a British naval air squadron. Operation Tungsten was an aerial raid on the **German Battleship Tirpitz** and **No. 824 Squadron** under LCdr Edwards flew fighter and anti-submarine protection over the fleet.

Commanding Officer **No. 728 RN Deck Landing Training Squadron** (Barracuda) in 1945.

Promoted Commander and to Naval Service HQ as Director of Air Personnel in 1945.

Demobilized in 1947, LCdr RCN(R) and Short Service Appointment on



15 May 1948.

To Naval HQ as Deputy Director Naval Aviation (Air Warfare) in 1948.

To **HMCS Cayuga** (Tribal Class Destroyer - 218) in 1949.

To Royal Navy for Commander (Air) Course in 1950 and to RCAF Staff College Toronto for Staff Course in same year.

To RCAF for Jet Flying Training and given permanent commission (1953).

Promoted Commander and to Shearwater as Commander (Air).

**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Stettler** (River Class Frigate - K681) from 27 February 1954 to 2 September 1955.

**Director of Naval Aviation** from October 1955 to August 1957.

Promoted **Captain** in 1956 and to National Defence College of Canada (Course 11) in September 1957.

**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Athabaskan** (II) (Tribal Class Destroyer - 219) from 25 May 1961 to 15 March 1962 and Commander Third Canadian Escort Squadron.

**Commanding Officer** of **HMCS Iroquois** (I) (Tribal Class Destroyer - 217) 20 March 1962 to 30 September 1962.

**Commanding Officer HMCS Shearwater** October 1962 to October 1964. Promoted **Commodore** and to Stadacona as Commodore Personnel Atlantic Coast in 1964 and named Honorary AdC to the Governor General.

**Commanding Officer Naval Divisions and Senior Officer-in-Command Naval Reserves** 16 August 1965 to 18 August 1967. Naval Member of Directing Staff National Defence College of Canada in 1967. Base Commander CFB Borden in 1969 and retired.

**EDWARDS. Gordon Cheeseman "Ted",** 0-21880,

Born: Toronto. Ontario, July 1917

S/Lt(Temp) [12.7.40] RCNVR,

Lt(Temp) [12.7.41] A/LCdr(Temp) 1945, **MID~[1.1.45]**

Cdr(Temp) [22.8.45] Demobilized [30.9.47] (DONNACONA)

LCdr RCN(R) CD~[?] LCdr [1.1.47] RCN,

A/Cdr 1948, Cdr [1.7.50]

HMCS STETTLER(311) Fp, CO, (27.2.54-2.9.55)

Capt [1.7.56] HMCS ATHABASKAN(219) DD, CO, (25.5.61-15.3.62)

HMCS IROQUOIS(217) DD, CO, (20.3.62-30.9.62)

HMCS SHEARWATER(E28) (1.10.62-?)

HMCS SHEARWATER(E28) CO, (3.10.62-?)

Cmdre [6.10.64]

FOAC(E00) &

MARCOMATL(E01) (6.10.64-?)

CANCOND(H00) (16.8.65-?)

Retired 1969

Merchant Navy Cadet

Sub-Lieutenant, RCNVR

Lieutenant (Temporary), RCNVR

Acting Lieutenant-Commander (A), RCNVR

Acting Commander (A), RCNVR

Lieutenant-Commander (A), RCNVR

Lieutenant-Commander (SSA), RCN

Acting Commander (SSA), RCN

Pre-WW2

12 July 1940

12 July 1941

1945

22 August 1945

01 January 1947

15 May 1948

15 May 1948

(Donaldson Line)

(RN for Service on Channel Convoy Duty)

(Commanding Officer **No. 824 RN Squadron**)

(CO of **No. 728 RN Deck Landing Training Sqd**)

(Director of Air Personnel)

(Demobilized)

(Short Service Commission)

(Deputy Director Naval Aviation)

Commander (SSA), RCN	01 July 1950	(Served on <b>HMCS Cayuga</b> )
Commander (P), RCN	24 May 1953	(Commanding Officer of <b>HMCS Stettler</b> )
Captain, RCN	01 July 1956	(Commanding Officer of <b>HMCS Iroquois</b> )
Commodore, RCN	06 October 1964	(Commodore Personnel Atlantic Coast)
Retires	1970	(Base Commander CFB Borden)

"For gallantry or outstanding service in the face of the enemy or for zeal, patience and cheerfulness in dangerous waters and for setting an example of wholehearted devotion to duty, upholding the high traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy." New Years List (Admiralty) A.F.O. 239/45.

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**EDWARDS, John Crispo Inglis, Captain - Commander - Order of the British Empire (CBE)** - RCN / Commanding Officer HMCS Cornwallis - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 15 June 1946 and **London Gazette** of 13 June 1946.

Home: Esquimalt, British Columbia.

Commanding Officer, Royal Canadian Naval Barracks, Halifax, from 1939 to 1941.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Prince Henry** (Armed Merchant Cruiser - F70) from 20 December 1941 to 31 December 1942.

In January 1943, he became the Commanding Officer of HMCS Cornwallis, the largest naval training base in the British Empire. His last posting was to HMCS Naden in Esquimalt, British Columbia in 1946 and he was promoted to **Acting Commodore** that year.

He was promoted to substantive Commodore on 01 January 1949 and retired on 11 October 1950.

He died in Sidney, B.C. on 31 December 1979.

**EDWARDS. John Crispo "Dutchie" Inglis**, 0-21910,

Born: Londerry, NS, 5 July 1896 - - - Died: Sidney, BC, 31 Dec 1978)

Cdt 1912 RNCC 2nd term, Mid [25.1.14] RCN,

HMCS SHEARWATER I, for duty in submarines (8.8.14-)

A/S/Lt [1.12.16]

HMS ARCHER DD, (24.2.17-?) S/Lt [13.6.17]

A/Lt [5.7.18] Lt [5.12.18]

HMS CALLIOPE (25.5.20-?)

HMCS GUELPH (D/S) (6.9.22-?)

HMCS FESTEBURT m/s, CO, (10.3.24-?)

LCdr [5.9.26]

HMCS CHAMPLAIN 1,087/19, DD, CO, (21-5.28 to 26.12.29)

HMCS NADEN (D/S) (17.1.30-?)

NSHQ Assistant Director Naval Reserves (21.12.31-?)

HMCS STADACONA (D/S) (20.6.34-?)

HMCS NADEN (D/S) for RCNB Esquimalt, CO, (6.5.36-?)

Cdr [1.12.38]

RCNB Halifax, CO, (26.12.39-?)

A/Capt 1941,

HMCS PRINCE HENRY (F70) amc, CO, (20.12.41-31.12.42)

Capt [1.1.43] HMCS CORNWALLIS, Cornwallis, CO, (21.1.43-?)  
RCNB Esquimalt, CO, (13.3.46-?) **CBE~[15.6.46]**  
A/Cmdre 1946, Cmdre [1.1.49] Retired 11.10.50.

"For excellent organizing ability and tireless devotion to duty throughout the war. Captain Edwards' career has been outstanding since his early appointment as Commanding Officer, Royal Canadian Naval Barracks, Halifax, in 1939. It was through his foresight and guidance that the traffic of ratings through this large establishment was formed into an efficient, organized machine during the two years he was Commanding Officer there. In 1941, he took command of **HMCS Prince Henry**, and the same air of organization pervaded this ship throughout a difficult period, working with the United States Coastal Fleet in Southern Atlantic waters, and subsequently in patrolling West Coast waters and taking convoys to the Aleutians. Latterly, as Commanding Officer HMCS Cornwallis, Captain Edwards, received a most difficult assignment, for this base was just in its infancy and this Officer displayed tireless devotion to duty in organizing and controlling the personnel, and in training thousands of young Canadians for their part on the seven seas at Cornwallis, the largest Naval training establishment in the British Empire."

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**EDWARDS, Robert Pankhurst, Chief Motor Mechanic** (V-30259) - **Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945.

Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

**EDWARDS. Robert Pankhurst**, V-30259, CPO/MM, RCNVR, **MID~[16.6.45]**

"This Chief Motor Mechanic has over a period of three and a half years shown exceptional ability and outstanding devotion to duty, being always an inspiration to others by his capable and cheerful manner in carrying out his duties, frequently of long hours duration."

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**EDWARDS, Thomas Bethell, Temporary Lieutenant** - **Mention in Despatches** - RCNR / HMCS Vegreville

- Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 28 November 1944.

Home: St. Ives, Cornwall, England.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Elk** (Patrol Vessel) 01 November 1941 to

11 December 1942.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Vegreville** (Bango Class Minesweeper - J257) from 12 January 1943 to 6 November 1944.

Coastal Convoy Commodore, Naval Control Service Halifax (HMCS Stadacona) from 08 November 1944 to May 1945.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Arnprior** (Castle Class Corvette K494) from 28 August 1945 to 14 March 1946.

**EDWARDS. Thomas Bottrell**, 0-21970, Lt(Temp) [18.7.40] RCNR

HMCS ELK(Z27) p/v, CO, (1.11.41-11.12.42)

HMCS VEGREVILLE(J257) m/s, CO, (12.1.43-6.11.44) **MID~[20.1.45]**

A/LCdr, HMCS ARNPRIOR (K494) Coc, (28.8.45-14.3.46)

"For gallantry, skill, determination and undaunted devotion to duty during the landing of Allied Forces on the coast of Normandy."

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**EISEN, Ross Douglas, Chief Petty Officer Cook (S)** (40247) - **British Empire Medal (BEM)** - RCN / Cooking Training -Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945. Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

**EISON. Ross Douglas**, 40247, CPO/Ck(S), RCN, **LS&GC~[4.7.38]** CPO/Ck(S) **BEM~[16.6.45]**

"This rating has rendered excellent service over a long period, particularly in the important task of training new entry cooks for general service. His duties in training male ratings and Wren Cooks, the majority of whom have had no previous cooking experience, have been carried out with patience, industry and tact at all times. His efforts are believed to have assisted greatly in the rapidly improving standard of cooking in the Service."

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**EISNOR, Karl Theodore, Chief Motor Mechanic Fourth Class** (V-25030) - **British Empire Medal (BEM)** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 January 1946 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1946. Home: Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

**EISNOR. Karl Theodore**, V-25030, CPO/MM 4/cl, RCNVR, **BEM~[5.1.46]**

"For devotion above and beyond the normal call of duty. With the exception of a short time afloat, this rating has served continuously on the Extended Defences at Halifax, since the outbreak of war. He has shown extraordinary enthusiasm and

ability in maintaining and repairing the auxiliary machinery,  
and in carrying out tasks with which he has been confronted."

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**ELLIOTT, Herbert Lane, Commander (E) - Officer - Order of the British Empire (OBE)** - RCNR / HMCS Prince Robert / HMCS Uganda - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945.

Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

Chief Engineer of the **HMCS Prince Robert** (Armed Merchant Cruiser - F56).

Chief Engineer of the **HMCS Uganda** (Cruiser - 66).

**ELLIOTT. Herbert Lane**, 0-22120, A/Lt(E)(Temp) [7.8.40] RCNR,

HMCS PRINCE HENRY (F70) amc, stand by (12.8.40-3.12.40)

HMCS PRINCE HENRY (F70) amc, (4.12.40-?) LCdr(E)(Temp) [1.1.43]

HMCS PRINCE ROBERT (F56) a/a ship, (12.2.42-?)

HMCS UGANDA (66) L/Cr, stand by, (28.6.44-20.10.44)

Cdr(E)(Temp) [1.7.44] HMCS UGANDA (66) L/Cr, (21.10.44-?)

**OBE~[16.6.45]** Demobilized [5.12.45]

"This Officer has held a series of important engineering appointments both ashore and afloat. As Chief Engineer of **HMCS Prince Robert**, he always kept the Engine Room Department, including the personnel, at a high degree of efficiency, at times under difficult climatic conditions in far northern and southern waters. Recently, as Chief Engineer of the first Canadian Cruiser, **HMCS Uganda**, Commander Elliott has produced an efficient Engine Room Department with personnel who have been accustomed to serving in small ships."

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**ELLIOTT, Walter Alwin, Chief Stoker (21273) - Mention in Despatches** - RCN / HMCS Chaudiere - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945.

Home: Highland Park, Ontario.

Joined the RCN in May 1929 as a Stoker 2<sup>nd</sup> Class.

Served in Royal Navy establishment HMS Victory and HMS Danae and Royal Navy ship *HMS Fisgard*

Served in Stadacona, Cornwallis, and Niobe.

Served in HMCS Champlain, HMCS Saguenay, HMCS Festubert, HMCS Fundy, HMCS Annapolis, HMCS Peregrine, HMCS Warrior, HMCS Magnificent and HMCS Iroquois.

Received the RCN Long Service and Good Conduct Medal in 1944.

Served as a stoker on **HMCS Chaudiere** (River Class Destroyer - H99).

He retired on 10 May 1949 at age 40.

**ELLIOTT. Walter Alwin**, 21273, CPO Stoker, RCN, **MID~[16.6.45]**

"This rating has always set an exceptionally fine example to those serving under him by his outstanding zeal, cheerfulness and devotion to duty. His behaviour was exceptionally praiseworthy during the period May to December 1944, when his ship **HMCS Chaudiere** did a high percentage of sea time under particularly trying conditions for the Engine Room Department.

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**ELLIS, Frank Kinnear, Lieutenant - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR / HMCS Ungava - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945. Home: Windsor, Ontario.

Commanding Officer **ML-060** from 18 December 1941 to 17 April 1942.

Commanding Officer **ML-081** from 21 April 1942 to 23 November 1943.

Commanding Officer of **HMCS Merrittonia** (Revised Flower Class Corvette - K688) from 10 November 1944 to 5 April 1945. Commanding Officer of **HMCS Ungava** (Bangor Class Minesweeper - J149) from 10 April 1945 to 16 July 1945.

**ELLIS. Frank Kinnear**, 0-22210, S/Lt(Temp) [1.5.41] RCNVR

HMC ML 060(Q060) (6.9.41-17.12.41)

HMC ML 060(Q060) CO, (18.12.41-17.4.42) Lt(Temp) [1.5.41]

HMCS BROCKVILLE (J270) m/s, CO, (18.9.43-2.8.44)

HMCS MERRITTONIA (K688) Cofm, CO, stand by, (11.9.44-9.11.44)

HMCS MERRITTONIA (K688) Cofm, CO, (10.11.44-5.4.45)

HMCS UNGAVA (J149) m/s, CO, (10.4.45-16.7.45) **MID~[16.6.45]**

Demobilized [19.8.45]

"This Officer has served at sea continuously for the last three and a half years of war in Motor Launches and Escort Vessels in the Atlantic Coast Command. By his zeal, cheerfulness and whole-hearted devotion to duty, he has set a fine example to those working under him."

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**ELLIS, Martin Henry, Lieutenant-Commander - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945 (no Canada Gazette). Home: Victoria, British Columbia.

**ELLIS. Martin Henry**, 0-22250, (Victoria, BC)

A/Lt(Temp) [25.9.39] RCNVR

HMCS MALASPINA(Z00) (P) p/v, 14.11.39-?)

LCdr(Temp) [1.1.43] **MID~[1.1.45]**

Inst/Cdr [1.7.46] RCN,

HMCS MAGNIFICENT (21) RRSN, (22.8.49-?)

Inst/Capt [1.1.51]  
NSHQ for Director Naval Training, (15.12.50-?)  
CD~[?]  
NSHQ for Director Naval Intelligence, (6.8.53-?)  
FOAC, (9.8.54-?)  
NSHQ on Attachment to Joint Staff, UN, (1.9.56-?)  
Released [21.12.58]

"For gallantry or outstanding service in the face of the enemy or for zeal, patience and cheerfulness in dangerous waters and for setting an example of wholehearted devotion to duty, upholding the high traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy." New Years List (Admiralty) A.F.O. 239/45.

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**ELLIS, Stanley Francis, Skipper Lieutenant - Member - Order of the British Empire (MBE)** - RCNR / HMCS Moonbeam -Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945. Home: Verdun, Quebec.  
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Moonbeam** (Auxiliary Vessel - 589) from 4 January 1941 to 7 July 1942 operating from St. John's, Newfoundland.  
**ELLIS. Stanley Francis**, 0-22300, Ch/Skr(Temp) [2.11.40] RCNR, HMCS MOONBEAM 589/13, Oiler, CO, (4.1.41-?)  
Skr/Lt(Temp) [14.5.41] HMCS SUNBEAM 589/11, Oiler, (28.6.43-?) **MBE~[16.6.45]**  
Demobilized [3.12.45]

"This Officer has served in the Newfoundland Command since June, 1941. During the first months of operations of this Base, **HMCS Moonbeam**, which Lieutenant Ellis ably commanded, was employed not only as an oiler for his Majesty's ships, His Majesty's Canadian ships and merchant ships, but also as a harbour supply boat, ammunition lighter and water boat. During this time, when endurance and patience were tried to the limit, this Officer worked diligently to ensure that ships were made ready for sea. Throughout his service, Lieutenant Ellis has performed his often arduous duties with exemplary conduct, efficiency and good humour."

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**ELLIS, William Edwin, Petty Officer Telegraphist (2573) - Mention in Despatches** - RCN - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 June 1943 and **London Gazette** of 2 June 1943. Home: Halifax, Nova Scotia.  
**ELLIS. William Edwin**, 2573, PO/Tel, RCN, **MID~[5.6.43]**

"This Petty Officer's performance of duties at sea has been

outstanding, particularly during action with enemy U-Boats in North Atlantic convoys."

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**ELSEY, George Allen, Able Seaman (V-36217) - Distinguished Service Medal (DSM) - RCNVR / HMCS St. Thomas - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 15 September 1945 and London Gazette of 24 July 1945. Home: West Summerland, British Columbia.**

**ELSEY. George Allen, V-36217, AB, RCNVR, DSM~[15.9.45]**

"For services in **HMCS St. Thomas** in action against a German boat."

Details on the action in which **HMCS St. Thomas** (Castle Class Corvette - K488) and **HMCS Sea Cliff** (River Class Frigate) sank **U-877** in the mid-Atlantic on 27 December 1944 can be found in Chapter 57 of the book "**The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939-1945**".

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**ELWELL, John Beresford, Ordinary Artificer (V-30802) - Distinguished Service Medal (DSM) - RCNVR - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 20 January 1945 and London Gazette of 3 October 1944. Home: New Westminster, British Columbia.**

**ELWELL. John Beresford, V-30602, OA, RCNVR, DSM~[20.1.45]**

"For outstanding leadership, skill and devotion to duty in **H.M. Canadian Ships Qu'appelle, Skeena, Saskatchewan and Restigouche** in a successful action with enemy trawlers and U-boats."

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**EMBERLEY, Percy, Engine Room Artificer Second Class (A-2290) - Distinguished Service Medal (DSM) - RCNR / HMCS Ottawa - Awarded as per Canada Gazette of 20 January 1945 and London Gazette of 28 November 1944. Home: Halifax, Nova Scotia.**

**EMBERLEY. Percy, A-2290, ERA 2/cl, RCNR, DSM~ [20.1.45]**

"For courage, resolution and skill while serving in **HMCS Ottawa** and **HMCS Kootenay** in anti-U-Boat operations."

**HMCS Ottawa (I), HMCS Kootenay, and HMCS Chaudiere** (all River Class Destroyers) sank **U-621** in the Bay of Biscay on 18 August



1944. This action is described in Chapter 49 of "**The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939 - 1945**".

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**EMMERSON, Charles Frederick, Acting Stoker Petty Officer (FF)** (V-69549) - **British Empire Medal (BEM)** - RCNVR / Halifax Naval Fire Brigade - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 January 1946 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1946. Home: Montreal, Quebec.

**EMMERSON. Charles Frederick, V-69549, A/Stk/PO, RCNVR, BEM~[5.1.46]**

"This rating was in charge of the Naval Fire Brigade at the time of the Magazine Explosion in Halifax last July (1945). On receipt of the alarm, he immediately put his equipment into action and attempted to halt the conflagration. He remained on duty continuously for three days. This rating displayed outstanding bravery in leading his men and putting the fire-fighting apparatus to the best use. His courage and coolness were an inspiration to the men in his department."

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**ENGLISH, Howard Stewart, Chief Petty Officer (A-4259) - Mention in Despatches** - RCNR / HMCS Morden - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 November 1943 and **London Gazette** of 10 August 1943.

Home: Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

**ENGLISH. Howard Stewart, A-4259, CPO, RCNR, MID~[13.11.43]**

"For good service in rescuing the crew of a sinking merchant ship and salvaging part of the deck cargo."

**HMCS Morden** (Flower Class Corvette - K170) sank **U-756** in mid-Atlantic on 1 September 1942 as described in Chapter 16 of "**The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939 - 1945**". This was not confirmed until 1987.

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**ENGLISH, Roland Fraser, Chief Petty Officer Writer (40845) - British Empire Medal (BEM)** - RCN / HMCS Fort Ramsay, Gaspé - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 January 1946 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1946. Home: Pictou, Nova Scotia.

**ENGLISH. Roland Fraser, 40845, CPO/Wtr, RCN, BEM~[5.1.46]**

"Chief Petty Officer Writer English performed his duties in the ship's office of **HMCS Fort Ramsay**, Gaspé, Quebec, most diligently. His qualities of leadership, loyalty and untiring

efforts in the interest of the Service, at all times, have been an inspiration to all."

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**ERICKSON, Leonard Gustave, Chief Stoker (V-12381) - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945 (no Canada Gazette). Home: Edmonton, Alberta.  
**ERICKSON. Leonard Gustave, V-12381, CPO/Stk, RCNVR, MID~[1.1.45]**

"For gallantry or outstanding service in the face of the enemy or for zeal, patience and cheerfulness in dangerous waters and for setting an example of wholehearted devotion to duty, upholding the high traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy." New Years List (Admiralty) A.F.O. 239/45.

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**EVANS, Catherine Adeline Jane, Acting Matron - Associate - Royal Red Cross (ARRC)** - RCN (Temp) / RCN Hospital HMCS St. Hyacinthe - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945. Home: Watford, Ontario.  
**EVANS. Catherine Adeline Jane, 0-22540, N/S(Temp) [14.8.42] RCN, A/Matron(Temp) [?] ARRC~[16.6.45]**

"This Officer, who is now serving in the Royal Canadian Naval Hospital at HMCS St. Hyacinthe, gave excellent nursing care in the casualty wards to burn cases and survivor patients over a long period. By her cheerful and optimistic disposition, she showed a marked ability in building up a high state of morale among, and inspiring confidence in, those patients who were often required to make difficult adjustments due to physical disabilities and the memory of harrowing experiences."

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**EVANS, Colin Preston, Boatswain - Member - Order of the British Empire (MBE)** - RCN / Assistant Training Officer in the Shore Patrol School - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 15 June 1946 and **London Gazette** of 13 June 1946. Home: Halifax, Nova Scotia.  
**EVANS. Colin Preston, 0-22542, (Halifax, NS)**  
A/Bosn(Temp) [1.9.44] RCN,  
RCNB Halifax, (21.9.44-?)  
**MBE~[13.6.46]**  
Retired [30.9.47]  
HMCS SCOTIAN Cd/Bosn [1.9.44] RCN(R)  
HMCS SCOTIAN Halifax Naval Division, (9.2.50-?)

CD~[?] Lt\* [1.6.56]

"This Officer has served continuously in the Naval Service from 1915 to the present time, having transferred from the Royal Navy to the Royal Canadian Navy in 1943. Since his transfer to the Royal Canadian Navy, he has served as an instructor in physical training and later as Assistant Training Officer in the Shore Patrol School. His loyalty, enthusiasm and devotion to duty have contributed in no small measure to the success of this school and his zeal and ability have been an inspiration to all with who he has come in contact."

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**EVANS, Frank Stanley, Leading Signaller (3909) - Mention in Despatches** - RCN - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 26 December 1944.

Home: Nanaimo, British Columbia.

**EVANS. Frank Stanley, 3909, L/Sig, RCN, MID~ [20.1.45]**

"For gallantry, skill, determination and undaunted devotion to duty during the landing of Allied Forces on the coast of Normandy."

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**EVANS, James Edwin, Chief Petty Officer (2390) - Distinguished Service Medal (DSM)** - RCN - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 24 November 1945 and **London Gazette** of 9 October 1945.

**EVANS. James Edwin, 2390, CPO, RCN, DSM~[24.11.45]**

"For gallant and distinguished service."

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**EVANS, John Forbes, Lieutenant - Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR / HMCS Brandon - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 1945 and **London Gazette** of 14 June 1945. Home: Montreal, Quebec. Commanding Officer of **HMCS Brandon** (Flower Class Corvette - K149) from 26 May 1944 to 26 April 1945.

**EVANS. John Forbes, 0-22570, Lt(Temp) [21.5.41] RCNVR, HMCS SASKATOON (K158) Cof, (28.12.41-?) HMCS BADDECK (K147) Cof, (5.9.42-?) Lt(Temp) [21.5.40] HMCS BRANDON (K149) Cof, CO, (26.5.44-26.4.45) MID~[16.6.45] Demobilized [26.7.45]**

"This Officer has served for three years of war in escort

vessels engaged in the Battle of the Atlantic. By his zeal, energy and wholehearted devotion to duty, he has set a fine example to those working under him."

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**EVANS, Leighton, Chief Skipper - Mention in Despatches -**  
RCNR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 9 September 1943 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1943. Home: Vancouver, British Columbia.  
**EVANS. Leighton**, 0-22590, Ch/Skr [13.4.42] RCNR, **MID~[9.1.43]**  
Skr/Lt [13.4.44] LCdr(WHA) Demobilized [13.4.44]

"Contributing an expert knowledge of salvage to the successful operation of salvaging a torpedoed merchant ship, this officer rendered invaluable service."

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**EVANS, Philip Cabell, Acting Lieutenant-Commander - Mention in Despatches -** RCNR / HMCS Trillium - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 10 June 1944 and **London Gazette** of 8 June 1944.  
Home: Washington, D.C., USA.  
Commanding Officer of **HMCS Trillium** (K.172) from 26 February 1942 to 21 May 1944.  
Only Commanding Officer of **HMCS Levis** (Flower Class Corvette - K115) from 21 July 1944 to 6 September 1944; again from 18 September 1944 to 19 September 1945; and again from 23 October until paid off on 30 January 1946.  
**EVANS. Philip Cabell**, 0-22620, Lt(Temp) [16.7.40] RCNR,  
HMCS ST. CROIX (I81) DD, (4.8.41-?)  
HMCS TRILLIUM (K172) Cof, CO, (26.2.42-24.3.43)  
Lt(Temp) [16.7.39]  
HMCS TRILLIUM (K172) Cof, CO, (18.4.43-21.5.44) **MID~[10.6.44]**  
A/LCdr(Temp) [1.7.43]  
HMCS LEVIS (K400) Fr, CO, stand by (5.6.44-20.7.44)  
HMCS LEVIS (K400) Fr, CO, (21.7.44-6.9.44)  
HMCS LEVIS (K400) Fr, CO, (18.9.44-19.9.45) LCdr [1.1.45]  
HMCS LEVIS (K400) Fr, CO, (23.10.45-?) Demobilized [13.3.46]

"For consistently good service for a period of over two years as Commanding Officer of one of His Majesty's Canadian corvettes engaged in convoy escort duties in the North Atlantic. This Officer has at all times, under very trying circumstances at sea, displayed initiative, efficiency and a high devotion to duty. He has worked hard to develop new ideas and methods and has always conducted himself with courage and ability in numerous combats with enemy submarines."

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**EVANS, William Thomas, Able Seaman** (V-45046) - **Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 6 January 1945 and the **London Gazette** of 1 January 1945.

Home: Toronto, Ontario.

**EVANS. William Thomas**, V-45046, AB, RCNVR, **MID~[6.1.45]**

"Able Seaman Evans has a remarkably cheerful disposition which has helped to keep the whole ship's company in good spirits at all times. He has always performed his duties with complete accuracy, no matter how hectic the occasion."

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**EVERRET, Alfred William, Lieutenant** - **Mention in Despatches** - RCN / HMCS Saskatchewan - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 20 January 1945 and **London Gazette** of 3 October 1944.

Home: Winnipeg, Manitoba.

**EVERETT. Alfred William**, 0-22680, S/Lt [2.5.43] RCN

HMCS SASKATCHEWAN(H70) DD, (7.11.43-?)

Lt [11.2.44] HMCS KOOTENAY(H75) DD, (4.12.44-?)

**MID~[20.1.45]** Resigned [6.1.46]

"For outstanding leadership, skill and devotion to duty in **H.M. Canadian Ships Qu'appelle, Skeena, Saskatchewan** and **Restigouche** in a successful action with enemy trawlers and U-boats."

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**EXCELL, Douglas, Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class** (V-31576) - **Mention in Despatches** - RCNVR / HMCS Trentonian - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 January 1946 and **London Gazette** of 1 January 1946. Home: New Westminster, British Columbia.

**EXCELL. Douglas**, V-31576, ERA 4/cl, RCNVR, **MID~[5.1.46]**

"Following the torpedoing of his ship **HMCS Trentonian**, this rating remained behind at risk of his own life to assist in the removal of the wounded men from the quarterdeck. This action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy."

The sinking of **HMCS Trentonian** (Revised Flower Class Corvette Increased Endurance - K368) by **U-1004** south of Falmouth,

England, on 22 February 1945, is described in Chapter 60 of  
**"The Canadian Naval Chronicle 1939 - 1945".**

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**EYRE, William Bular, Patrolman (V-67134) - Commendation -**  
RCNVR - Awarded as per **Canada Gazette** of 5 January 1946 and **London**  
**Gazette** of 1 January 1946. Home: Bowsman River, Manitoba.  
**EYRE. William Bular, V-67134, Patolman, RCNVR, Commendation~[5.1.46]**

"On the occasion of the explosion at the Naval Magazine,  
Bedford, Halifax, in July 1945, this Patrolman entered the  
south area in an endeavour to combat the fire. He was trapped  
there by explosions and fire, escaping the following morning.  
His bravery and coolness were in keeping with the high  
traditions of the Royal Canadian Navy."

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