

# [News story: The Military division of the Queen's birthday honours list 2019](#)

A number of military personnel have been granted state honours for their work in the Armed Forces.

Defence Secretary Penny Mourdant said:

"I am delighted for the Armed Forces personnel who have been granted state honours by Her Majesty the Queen in the Birthday Honours List.

"It is great to see the exceptional work of our military recognised. Their commitment to serving our country, at home and abroad, is unrivalled and ensures that Britain remains ready to face today's threats."

## **ROYAL NAVY AWARDS**

### **As Companions**

Rear Admiral Jonathan Patrick PENTREATH, OBE

Major General Charles Richard STICKLAND, OBE

### **As Commanders**

Commodore Paul Dominic BURKE, OBE

Major General Matthew John HOLMES, DSO

Vice Admiral Jeremy Paul KYD

### **As Officers**

Commodore Stephen Michael ALLEN

Commander Richard Charles BONE

Acting Captain Christopher John CONNOLLY

Commander Steven Ronald DRYSDALE

Commander Martin John FREEMAN

Commodore Rupert Patrick HOLLINS

### **As Members**

Commander Adam Gregory CLARKE

Chief Petty Officer Air Engineering Technician (Avionics) Thomas Michael ELAND

Air Engineering Technician (Mechanical) Class 1 Matthew Kenneth GALLIMORE

Captain, Royal Marines Ian MCDOUGALL

Warrant Officer 1 (Physical Trainer) Natasha PULLEY

Lieutenant Commander James REYNOLDS

Commander Kevin Francis ROBERTSON

Lieutenant Commander Martin SHAKESPEARE

Chief Petty Officer Engineering Technician (Communication and Information Systems) Helena Gail WARD

Warrant Officer 2 Andrew Philip WATSON

## **QUEEN'S VOLUNTEER RESERVE MEDAL**

Lieutenant Commander David COOPER, RD, Royal Naval Reserve

## **ARMY AWARDS**

### **Knight Grand Cross**

General Sir Nicholas Patrick CARTER, KCB CBE DSO ADC Gen

### **As Knight Commander**

Lieutenant General Nicholas Arthur William POPE, CBE

### **As Companions**

Major General Nicholas John CAVANAGH

Lieutenant General Paul William JAQUES, CBE

### **As Commanders**

Brigadier Paul Robert BURNS

Colonel John Lockhart CLARK, MBE

Colonel Guy Hugh John DEACON, OBE ADC

Chaplain to the Forces (1st Class) Reverend Michael Paul Dare FAVA, QHC

Brigadier Ian Jonathan GIBB

Acting Brigadier George Alexander John MACINTOSH, OBE

### **As Officers**

Lieutenant Colonel Simon Leslie BLAKE, The Royal Logistic Corps, Army Reserve

Colonel Jo BUTTERFILL, MC

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas William DAY, Royal Corps of Signals

Lieutenant Colonel Rupert Spark EVETTS, MBE, The Blues and Royals (Royal Horse Guards and 1st Dragoons)

Colonel Joseph Edward FOSSEY

Lieutenant Colonel Philip Simon James HEPPELL, Royal Army Medical Corps

Acting Colonel Brian Keith HOWARD, The Royal Logistic Corps

Lieutenant Colonel Simon Nicholas MEADOWCROFT, BEM, Royal Corps of Signals

Colonel Edward Dixon SANDRY

Colonel Anthony TAIT

Lieutenant Colonel Neil Kirkby Gow TOMLIN, The Royal Regiment of Scotland

#### **As Members**

Major Simon Peter ASH, VR, General List, Army Reserve

Acting Staff Sergeant Lorraine BENNETT, VR, Adjutant General Corps (Military Provost Staff Branch), Army Reserve

Corporal Alexander Edward BINKS, Royal Corps of Signals

Warrant Officer Class 2 Daniel Charles BIRD, Royal Corps of Signals

Captain Gregory Philip BLEZARD, Royal Corps of Signals

Warrant Officer Class 2 Matthew Stewart BRAGG, The Royal Logistic Corps

Major Tracey Elizabeth BROOKS, Adjutant General's Corps (Royal Military Police)

Lieutenant Colonel Richard Neil BYFIELD, Royal Corps of Signals

Captain Gary CASE, The Rifles, Army Reserve

Major Robert John COLQUHOUN, The Royal Regiment of Scotland

Lieutenant Colonel Paul David DENTON, Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

Warrant Officer Class 2 Stephen Christian DIXON, Royal Corps of Signals

Major John Hutchison DUNN, Scots Guards

Lieutenant Colonel Gregory Colin EHLEN, Adjutant General's Corps (Staff and Personnel Support Branch)

Major Rosamund Veronica ELLIOTT, Corps of Royal Engineers

Warrant Officer Class 2 David Robert EVANS, VR, 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards, Army Reserve

Major Roy FALSHAW, VR, The Royal Yeomany, Army Reserve

Major Jonathan David Leonard FERMAN, Royal Tank Regiment

Major Storm William GREEN, Coldstream Guards

Major David Charles GROCE, The Royal Logistic Corps

Major Nicholas Alexander HEPPESTALL, The Royal Logistic Corps

Warrant Officer Class 1 Martin James HOWLIN, Grenadier Guards

Captain Christian Lee HUGHES, The Royal Logistic Corps, Army Reserve

Captain Louise JAMES, Royal Army Physical Training Corps

Warrant Officer Class 2 David KERR, Small Arms School Corps, Army Reserve

Warrant Officer Class 2 Donna LONGHURST, Adjutant General's Corps (Royal Military Police)

Captain Paul John MCCOMB, The Parachute Regiment

Major Mark McGROARTY, The Royal Irish Regiment

Major Nigel Ian MUDD, Royal Regiment of Artillery

Major Gordon William MUIR, The Royal Regiment of Scotland

Captain Geoffrey John NICHOLLS, The Mercian Regiment

Major Shaun Thomas PHILLIPS, The Parachute Regiment

Corporal Netrabahadur RANA, The Royal Gurkha Rifles

Major Fiona Jill ROGERS, Adjutant General's Corps (Educational and Training Services Branch), Army Reserve

Major Taitusi Kagi SAUKURU, QGM, The Royal Logistic Corps

Warrant Officer Class 2 Philip John SMITH, Royal Corps of Signals

Captain Darren Lee TAYLOR, Royal Army Physical Training Corps

Warrant Officer Class 1 Marc THOMSON, Adjutant General's Corps (Royal Military Police)

Acting Major John Dennis WHARTON, Adjutant General's Corps (Military Provost Staff Branch)

## **ROYAL RED CROSS**

### **As an Ordinary Member of the Royal Red Cross, First Class**

Lieutenant Colonel Deborah Louise INGLIS, TD VR, Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps, Army Reserve

## **QUEEN'S VOLUNTEER RESERVES MEDAL**

Lieutenant Colonel Graham Norman COX, VR, The Rifles, Army Reserve

Corporal Lisa Jane INGRAM, VR, The Royal Logistic Corps, Army Reserve

Lieutenant Colonel John Robert LONGBOTTOM, MBE VR, The Honourable Artillery Company, Army Reserve

Warrant Officer Class 2 Ian Donald WESTALL, VR, The Parachute Regiment, Army Reserve

## **ROYAL AIR FORCE AWARDS**

### **KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE**

Air Marshal Stuart David ATHA, CB DSO

#### **As Companions**

Air Vice-Marshal Christopher James LUCK, MBE

Air Vice-Marshal Gavin Douglas Anthony PARKER, OBE

#### **As Commanders**

Group Captain Hamish Roy Callender CORMACK

Group Captain Teresa Anne GRIFFITHS, OBE ARRC

Group Captain Shaun HARRIS, MBE

#### **As Officers**

Wing Commander Mark Christopher BUTTERWORTH

Group Captain Joanne Lorraine CAMPBELL

Group Captain Ian Derek CHESWORTH

Group Captain Jason Clarke DAVIES

Wing Commander Edwin Sebastian KENDALL

Wing Commander Jennifer ROBINSON

Wing Commander James Richard SIMMONDS

**As Members**

Warrant Officer John ALPERT

Squadron Leader Beverley CARTWRIGHT

Flight Lieutenant Neil COTTLE

Sergeant Andrew James FLOYD

Squadron Leader Robert Lockhart MCCARTNEY

Squadron Leader Andrew Paul MILLIKIN

Squadron Leader Roisin Mary O'BRIEN

Wing Commander Tara Elizabeth SCOTT

Flight Sergeant Adrian Terry SHEPHERD

Flight Lieutenant Michael Anthony STOKES

Acting Flight Sergeant Ann THOMAS

Warrant Officer John Vaughan WILLIAMS

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## **News story: New noise camera trial to crack down on illegal vehicles**

- new technology will aim to detect illegal, excessively noisy vehicles, helping create quieter streets
- noise cameras could work like speed cameras to target law-breaking drivers automatically
- trials to take place at several locations over the coming months

The Department for Transport is targeting drivers who disturb communities with a crackdown on vehicles which are breaking legal noise limits.

New camera technology to be trialled by the government aims to measure the sound levels of passing vehicles to detect those that are breaking the law on noise limits, and could use automated number plate recognition to help enforce the law.

Research commissioned by the Department for Transport, found that a noise camera system could help tackle extremely noisy vehicles which breach legal noise limits.

- Roadside vehicle noise measurement: study, enforcement and technology

It could also help to catch those who rev car or motorcycles engines beyond legal limits, making life a misery for those who live close by.

Transport Secretary, Chris Grayling said:

Noise pollution makes the lives of people in communities across Britain an absolute misery and has very serious health impacts.

This is why I am determined to crack down on the nuisance drivers who blight our streets.

New technology will help us lead the way in making our towns and cities quieter, and I look forward to seeing how these exciting new cameras could work.

The trial is not intended to target law-abiding drivers, but those who are flouting laws around noise. All vehicles must legally meet strict noise limits before they are allowed on the road. Once a vehicle is in service, exhausts and silencers must by law be maintained in good working order and not altered to increase noise.

CEO of the Motorcycle Industry Association, Tony Campbell, said:

With growing pressure on the environment, including noise pollution, illegal exhausts fitted by some riders attract unwanted attention to the motorcycle community and do nothing to promote the many benefits motorcycles can offer.

All manufacturers produce new motorcycles that follow strict regulations regarding noise and emissions and we welcome these trials as a potential way of detecting excessive noise in our community.

Studies have found that exposure to noise can have significant physical and mental health implications – with heart attacks, high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes and stress all linked to long-term contact with loud environments.

Currently, enforcement is mainly reactive and relies on subjective judgement. The trials of the new technology will determine whether the legal noise limit has been breached by taking into account the class and speed of the vehicle relative to the location of the noise camera.

The government has commissioned a prototype noise camera to be tested at several locations over the next 7 months. If the trials are successful,

recommendations will be made to further develop the system across the UK.

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## [News story: Defra Chief Scientist receives Knighthood](#)

Defra's Chief Scientific Advisor Professor Ian Boyd has today received a Knighthood as part of the Queen's Birthday Honours List (Saturday 8 June 2019). It recognises his crucial role ensuring science and evidence are at the heart of the Government's work to protect our natural environment and his extensive work in marine and polar science and the management of the ocean.

As Defra's Chief Scientific Advisor, Sir Ian has advised Ministers and the department on important issues ranging from air quality, bio-security, and disease and water quality since being appointed in 2012.

He has BSc and DSc degrees for the University of Aberdeen, a PhD from Cambridge University and has received prizes for his research including the Scientific Medal of the Zoological Society of London, the Bruce Medal for Polar Science from the Royal Society of Edinburgh and The Polar Medal awarded by Her Majesty The Queen. He is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

In response to this honour, Professor Sir Ian Boyd said:

I am delighted to have been honoured in this way and would like to extend my gratitude to the Queen for this recognition, as well as my teams at Defra and St Andrews who both do such important work.

Throughout my life I have always tried to do those things I found interesting and that might make a difference and I am very proud of what we have been able to achieve.

During his seven years at Defra, Sir Ian has led on a wide range of important work – chairing the Project Board for the latest projections of the UK's climate, delivering key reports on Waste and Resource productivity, and the Future of the Seas, which have underpinned UK policy change.

He was also instrumental in returning a safe environment in Salisbury through his chairmanship of the Decontamination Science Advisory Group as a key response to the chemical attack in 2018. He has also led on the UK's strategy for eradicating bovine tuberculosis.

Defra Permanent Secretary Tamara Finkelstein said:



I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to Ian on this well-deserved honour, and thank him for his inspiring work for the department over the past seven years.

Ian has been instrumental in a wide range of pioneering work during this time, from tackling TB to cleaning up our seas, and it is great to see his efforts being recognised in this way.

Professor Sir Ian Boyd was formerly Director of the Scottish Oceans Institute at the University of St Andrews and the Sea Mammal Research Unit, a partner institute of the Natural Environment Research Council from 2001-2012. He is now Professor in Biology at the University of St Andrews.

Much of his career was spent in marine and polar science when he worked for the British Antarctic Survey from 1987- 2001 where his interests were focussed on the behavioural and physiological ecology of Antarctic seals and the ecology and management of the Southern Ocean.

He was Chief Scientist for a US Navy study examining the behavioural responses of whales to military sonar and he was a co-developer of environmental risk management procedures used by the Royal Navy. He served on two enquiries in to the future of Scottish Fisheries and the implications of Common Fisheries Policy reform for the Scottish Fishing industry and was a member of an international task force which recommended a global 50 per cent reduction in the level of fishing for some of the planet's most abundant fish species.

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## **Press release: 'Finn's Law' delivered to protect brave service animals**

New legislation to protect service animals such as police dogs and horses will come into force today (Saturday 8 June).

The Animal Welfare (Service Animals) Bill, known as 'Finn's Law', will prevent those who attack or injure service animals from claiming self-defence.

The law is named after Finn, a police dog who was stabbed whilst pursuing a suspect with his handler PC David Wardell. Finn sustained serious stab wounds to the chest and head, but only criminal damage charges could be brought against his attacker.

This new legislation, coupled with the government's plans to increase maximum sentences for animal cruelty offences to five years in prison, will make sure

those who harm service animals are punished accordingly.

According to the group which led the campaign for this law, more than 100 other service animals have been injured since 2012. This includes injuries such as being beaten with an iron bar, kicked or hit by a car.

Environment Secretary Michael Gove said:

This law is about giving our service animals the protection they deserve as they dedicate their lives to keeping us safe.

I am committed to making the UK the best place in the world for the care and protection of animals.

Congratulations to all those who have campaigned to make Finn's Law a reality and to Sir Oliver Heald for campaigning for this from the start.

PC David Wardell said:

The last two-and-a-half years have been quite a journey of discovery for Finn and me. We decided that we just had to bring change to make sure our amazing service animals, including police dogs and horses, had protection in law. We wanted to bring as much positivity from that one negative as we could.

The campaign was run positively on me and my family's request and it was wonderful to see so many thousands of people getting involved. Clearly our service animals are held in high regard, as they should be. We must now make sure we follow up this amazing news on #FinnsLaw with #FinnsLawPart2, the increase in sentencing, as soon as possible.

Sir Oliver Heald, MP for North East Hertfordshire, said:

I am very pleased that the measure which began 18 months ago as my Ten Minute Rule Bill was so strongly supported by colleagues across the House that it is now on the statute book. I pay great tribute to the Campaign Team, Sarah Dixon, Nicola Skelley and, above all, my constituent PC Dave Wardell and the marvellous Finn. From today, service animals and their handlers have the legal recognition they deserve.

This law coming into force follows the [recent introduction of legislation in Parliament to achieve Lucy's Law](#). This will ban the third-party sales of puppies and kittens and, alongside our other reforms, including introducing mandatory CCTV in slaughterhouses, will help to cement the UK's position as a global leader on animal welfare.

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## Press release: UK calls for progress in reforming global trade rules at G20

Dr Liam Fox, International Trade Secretary, is attending the G20 Ministerial meeting on Trade and Digital Economy in Tsukuba, Japan this weekend (Saturday 8 to Sunday 9 June).

Top of the UK Government's agenda will be addressing global trade tensions and seeking a resolution to issues around the WTO Appellate Body.

The WTO Appellate Body resolves global trade disputes in a fair and transparent way, however it now faces significant challenges including the pace of decision-making and the stalemate in the appointment of Appellate Body members.

Dr Fox will also be encouraging countries to ensure the global trading system is fit for the 21st century for example by making progress in creating new rules for digital trade.

International Trade Secretary Dr Liam Fox said:

The UK is one of the strongest defenders of the international rules-based system and we will continue to champion a strong, forward-looking approach to reform the World Trade Organization.

Top of my agenda at the G20 meeting this weekend will be addressing global trade tensions, seeking a resolution to issues around the WTO Appellate Body, and making real progress on digital trade rules that are fit for the 21st century.

With the global economy facing significant headwinds, now is the time for governments to come together to ensure a predictable and transparent environment for businesses to trade and invest in each other's economies. This is crucial the shared prosperity of billions of people around the world.

During their discussions, Trade ministers will be considering recommendations made by the B20 international business group, which is comprised of businesses representatives from G20 countries.

Following a summit in Tokyo in March, the B20 has called on the G20 to renew their commitment to the rules-based trading system and to update the global

trade rules so they work better for today's economy and help all countries to develop.

The CBI represented the UK at the Tokyo Summit and led a delegation of British businesses, including BT and Diageo.

Ben Digby, CBI International Director, said:

British businesses, both big and small, rely on the WTO as an independent arbiter, providing transparency and certainty, as they trade highly sought-after goods and services in markets across the globe. But the WTO is heading into choppy waters, with the Appellate Body facing risk of collapse in a few months.

Firms may lose the closest thing they have to a level playing field, and there is a danger the WTO quietly turns into an organisation without the means of enforcing its rules, leaving firms high and dry in key global markets.

Business now has a golden opportunity to shape the WTO, and future proof it for the globalised twenty-first century. We strongly support the Government's efforts to deliver a multilateral solution that protects our shared rules and want a firm commitment that G20 leaders will support them too.

Bas Burger, CEO of BT's Global division, said:

As a provider of secure communications services to the top multinationals across 180 countries, rules-based international trade is crucial to BT and our partners. Our services enable business customers to move ever increasing volumes of data seamlessly and safely around the globe.

Trade rules need to keep pace. A system fit for the today's economy must fully embrace the digital trade and e-commerce which telecoms services underpin. All parties must work together to ensure the updated rules are fair, transparent and enforceable.

Wilson Del Socorro, Global Director of Government Affairs of Diageo, said:

Trade is the lifeblood of Diageo. Our brands are sold in 180 countries and so we require a global trading system that will help to grow our brands for the future.

We welcome the dialogue to improve the international trading order and like other businesses are actively engaging in the broader policy discussions, such as the B20, to ensure that the rules governing trade remain fit for purpose.

Dr Max Mendez-Parra, Senior Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute, said:

The international rules-based system has been key in facilitating the operation of the trade, investment and development links that have benefitted many developing countries in the last two decades. The G20 leaders must make a strong commitment to enhance and update the multilateral rules and institutions to continue their operation.

G20 leaders, including Prime Minister Theresa May, agreed in Buenos Aires last December to support the necessary reform of the WTO. The 2019 G20 Summit Meeting will see leaders meet in Osaka on 28-29 June.