AWARDS



• Superintendent Allan Mills

ORDERS

THREE members of the AFP-OAFP received Australian awards in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in June. Chief Superintendent Allan Mills, who recently returned from Washington to take charge of administration in Eastern Region, was made a Member of the Order of Australia for service both in Australia and overseas. He has been involved in A.C.T. and Federal policing since 1962. The award is in recognition of his command organisation ability and work particularly in anti-drug trafficking enforcement.

Ms Carol Budd, Personal Secretary to the Commissioner since 1983, received the Medal of the Order of Australia in recognition for her extremely high standards and selfless devotion to duty, displayed both with the OAFP and during a number of years serving overseas with the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Superintendent Bob Prigg, officer-incharge of Logistic Services, was awarded the medal of the Order of Australia in recognition of his service to the citizens of the A.C.T. as a police officer since 1952. During his years in traffic, General Duties and, latterly, police transport, he has exhibited high standards in his work.





• Carol Budd

MEDALS

FOUR AFP officers have been awarded the Australian Police Medal, announced this year by the Queen. The new award supersedes the Queen's Police Medal and is for distinguished service by a member of an Australian police force.

Those awarded the medal are Assistant Commissioner Brian Bates, Chief Superintendent Peter Dawson, Superintendent Ken Thompson and Acting Inspector Tim Egan.

Assistant Commissioner Bates, Investigations Department, received his for distinguished service in the field of criminal investigation — particularly of drug-related crime, an area in which he has established an international reputation.

Chief Superintendent Dawson, Chief of Staff, Headquarters, was honoured for his service particularly as a police training expert and senior manager in the AFP.

Superintendent Thompson, Commander Central region, received his for long and distinguished service in general policing operations.

Detective Station Sergeant (Acting Inspector) Egan was honoured for his distinguished police service particularly in the crime intelligence field. His recent work in Europe has made a major contribution to the fight against organised crime in Australia.

The new medal carries the Queen's effigy surrounded by the Federation Star on the obverse and bears the inscription 'Australian Police Medal for Distinguished Service' and is encircled by a wattle design on the reverse. The ribbon carries white, 'police blue' and white stripes.

The medal is expected to be available for presentation early next year.

• Superintendent Ken Thompson



• Superintendent Bob Prigg

COMMEND

PERSEVERENCE and skill in pursuing two major related investigations involving a total of six murders has earned a high commendation from the Commissioner for Inspector Ric Ninness, of Northern Region.

The Commissioner made the presentation to Inspector Ninness while in Brisbane.

The citation says that the fact that the offender was eventually brought to justice was due in no small way to Inspector Ninness's unrelenting pursuit of the inquiry. His enthusiastic, diligent and professional assistance had been recognised by the Director of Public Prosecutions.



• Inspector Ric Ninness