

JANUARY 1983

- 10th. Sqn Ldr Bob King. Flt Lt Andy Miller. Sgt Terry Williamson.
Bob Kings 'Swan Song' before he departed to Cyprus to take over the Squadron out there. An evening Medevac of a Heart Attack victim who required specialist treatment from Grimsby to Sheffield Shirecliff, with Doctor, Nurse and all the medical kit which meant Terry didn't exactly have a great deal of room downstairs.
- 23rd Sqn Ldr Chris Paish. Master Nav Ron Dedmen. Master ALM Eric Ainslie.
Just when they were looking forward to a morning off and all ready to hand over the shift at 9 in the morning on this grotty Saturday, up comes a call about a fishing trip which turned into disaster when the boat turned over in the surf as the two men launched it near Withernsea. Eric did the decent thing and got himself wet in the surf picking them up and they were then taken to Hull Royal Infirmary suffering from shock and exposure (hardly the time of year to take a swim).
- 26th Flt Lt Andy Kirkup. Flt Lt Andy Miller. Master ALM Eric Ainslie.
A Mr Sanderson reported as being somewhat unwell and semi-conscious on the Fishing Vessel Radiant Trust 3 miles east of Bridlington. Lifted and taken to the ambulance waiting with the coastguard on the shore.

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Sea-rescue pair to be honoured

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TWO men who braved the stormy North Sea in a dramatic rescue attempt, are to be honoured with Royal Humane Society awards.

A fisherman, Mr. Leslie Harrison, of North End, Roos, was on the beach at Withernsea on January 23 this year when he saw Mr. Stanley Jones, 62, and Mr. Harry Jennings, 39, both of Kinsley, West Yorkshire, being thrown out of their 16ft. boat.

Neither man was wearing a life jacket, so Mr. Harrison undressed and tried to take a line out to the men but he was forced back by the waves.

Then, an ambulanceman, Mr. Gordon Hepworth, 51, of North Road, Withernsea, joined the rescue. He delayed his attempt when he saw an RAF helicopter approaching the two men, who were clinging to their upturned boat.

When he saw Mr. Jones being swept away, Mr. Hepworth plunged into the water, caught Mr. Jones and swam with him towards the shore until the helicopter could help.

With Mr. Jones safely on board the helicopter, Mr. Hepworth swam back to the beach while the air crew rescued

Mr. Jennings, a non-swimmer, who was then taken to hospital, with Mr. Jones suffering from hypothermia.

This Friday, Mr. Michael Olaf Kenriksen and Mr. Robert Stephen Wealthy, will receive Royal Humane Society awards at Anlaby House, near Hull, for their part in rescuing two men whose barge was swamped by a freak wave in the River Humber.