

HOWE, GILBERT

RANK: COLOUR SERGEANT

DECORATIONS: DCM, MM, BEM

YEARS OF SERVICE: 1949? -1980?

SHIPS: HMS SHEFFIELD & HMS VANGUARD

OPERATIONAL SERVICE: MALAYSIA, BORNEO

UNITS: SB RHINE SQUADRON

First 38 minutes repeat of part 2

In Germany (HMS Royal Prince), on Rhine. 3 1/2 year tour, met & married German lady. Back to Poole, Sgt Maj 2 SBS. To 42 Commando Singapore, Corps' first Recce Tp. Confrontation (v *Indonesians*) – 2 tours in Borneo. Use of tracker dogs. Award of MM. Back to Poole – 2 SBS. DW (*Devizes – Westminster canoe race*) and his great successes in this event. Pistol shooting/trials, training with police, different types of weapons, long range pistol shooting – up to 300 yds, and competitions. 6 SBS Gibraltar, demolition training.

Trials of new SBS eqpt. X craft, beach recce gear, demos of concealed entry into US harbours successful, but project cancelled.