

Axbridge Mayor's Special Award for Bravery

2013

Citation

This award is given to **Thomas Adams** in gratitude for his outstanding bravery.

On Sunday 3rd February 1963 Tom Adams rescued two young boys who had fallen through the ice on the Cheddar/Axbridge reservoir. He was at the reservoir with friends when he heard the boys' cries. He started to run to save them but as he ran the ice began to crack. He then crawled across the surface of the frozen reservoir to pull them to safety. It is also recorded that he saved the boys' dog as well!

The Award was presented to Tom on February 24th 2013 by the High Sheriff of Somerset, Mrs Sylvana Chandler, and the Mayor of Axbridge, Mr Ian Laken.