Sandling

East Sandling Camp

Jellicoe Club

Located at the north end of Sandy Lane, Saltwood, and adjacent to the A20. One side of the base of the cross is inscribed "East Sandling Camp 1914-19. British Troops. Canadians 1915-17. R.A.F. Cadets. 31st Middlesex. Russian Relief Force." The other side is inscribed "In Thankfulness To God For Friends Who Met At The Jellicoe Club." The cross pictured above was erected in 1987 and was rededicated by the Reverend Canon Guy L'Estrange, as it is a replacement for an old wooden cross which had stood on the same site for many years. The original wooden cross was erected by Miss Edith Holmes, and two other ladies who had served at Sandling Camp during the Great War. Having been concerned that those who had died at the camp would have no form of rememberance, the three ladies made sure that by erecting the cross, those who

died would be remembered. It seems a nice idea probably by the ladies concerned, to remember those who died as Jellico Club Members, as opposed to war casualties. About 35 years ago, the transcriber asked a Mr. Hobbs who owned the farm adjacent to where the wooden cross stood, what and where was the Jellico Club, and from his reply am given to understand that it was an 'unofficial' club run by locals and was initialy in a house nearby, but as its popularity grew one of the large farm buildings was generously set aside for the use of the Jellicoe Club, and was used until after the hostilities of the Great War.

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