

Transcript index of tape recorded by
Sidney Ridley in 1983.

- Page 1. Childhood memories of The First World War.
Father took Ordnance (hub?) ALBERT RIDLEY 1913
- Zepplin raids on Canadian regiment
in Otterpool Lane.
- Lymington Airfield 1916
Earliest airfield, 1914, at the Grand Redoubt.
- Page 2. Aeroplanes landed on The Green.
Corporation Yard taken over by Canadian Motor
Transport.
- Goddens Wall round The Green. Man killed being
thrown from his horse.
- Dover Harbour - a naval base.
Dover Patrol.
- Evans of the Broke, also of Scott + the Antarctic.
The Broke sank a German destroyer.
- Airships, called, blimps, escorted ships across
the Channel, based at Capel.
- North Sea type NZF.
- Remembrance Road, troops marching up or down.
Gotha bombers, bombed Hythe, killed the Verger.
- Bomb fell down chimney in Cobden Rd. It
disintegrated, showered a District Nurse
with yellow powder.

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Bomb on Tontine St.

Banks of the Canal.

Bottom of Barrack Hill a meadow.

Cows driven to Chapel St. cowsheds.

Chapel St, at least three slaughterhouses.

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Marine Walk St. two slaughterhouses

Church parade, 1912 or 1913.

Senior NCOs in regimental dress.

Fragmentation bombs.

Daylight raid by Gothas.

Mr. Lyth's death. (church warden)

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2nd World War.

Messerschmitt 109 fighters, low level raids

Tanners Hill Gardens, Philbeach, destruction of several houses.

Orchard Valley, Barrack Hill, Military Rd.

three houses bombed

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Fairlight Rd, bomb.

The mortuary in Stade St (?)

Oaklands, Dr Davies

Old bungalows Lynton Rd

Park Rd. mill.

Duke of Wellington, stayed at Wellington House

St Sir John Moore, William Pitt visitors.

Children's clothing in 1st WW, when canal froze

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Luckes' wood, sound of 1st WW shelling.

Fire station, fire brigade, lifeboat.

Alert by maroons, one for fire, two for the lifeboat.

Fire engine, a steamer, horse drawn.

Horses obtained from the brewery or Charlie Newman, carrier.

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Launching the lifeboat

The maids' night out

Sounders at night of a sea battle.

Evans of the Broke charged and sank a German destroyer.

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Tommy Howland on HMS Chester at the Battle of Jutland

Daylight raid, Sat. of Whitsun Week 1917.

German Gotha bombers.

Death of Mr Lythe, verges.

Ormonde Rd., a nurse covered with T.N.T.

Stokes the greengrocers, Tontine St. shoppers killed buying potatoes.

Bombs also dropped at Ashford, Shorncliffe & Dover.

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Night raids by Gothas, on moonlight nights.

Eye witness of Gotha.

Rationing and daylight saving.

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Watching planes fly from the Grand Redoubt.

Toll on people of the war.

Germany's "final fling."

Lympne became a school of aerial gunnery with SE5s, Sopwith Camels & Bristol Fighters.