

# Leslie Ernest James ALCOCK



*HMS Sentinel*

**Born:** 28<sup>th</sup> December 1892 in Neatishead  
**Baptised:** 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1894 in St Peter's Church, Neatishead  
**Parents:** Father: Unknown  
Mother: Martha Allcock (born 1873 in Neatishead)  
**Siblings:** No record found  
**Occupation:** Gardener (*source: 1911 census*)  
Bricklayer (*source: on war record at enlisting*)  
**Marriage & Children:** No record found  
**Death:** Record not found

**Military & War service:** K21563, Stoker 1<sup>st</sup> Class  
*First Service Date:* 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1913  
*First Ship Served on:* HMS Pembroke II  
*Last Service Date:* 1<sup>st</sup> December 1925  
*Last Ship Served on:* HMS Dolphin  
Also listed as having served on Sentinel, Hebe,  
Maidstone, Ambrose & Lucia

**1901 census:** Aged 8, living in with:-

Grandmother, Hannah Allcock (born c.1840 Horning) & Uncle, Edward Allcock (born c.1875 Neatishead), who was listed as single, aged 26, and occupation a Bricklayers Labourer

His mother Martha aged 28, was living in Hackney

**1911 census:** Aged 18, single, living with Grandmother & Uncle Edward Alcock at Three Hammer Common.

His mother Martha was a servant in Cleveland

Source: *The North Walsham & District Parish Magazine:-*

**NOVEMBER, 1914.**

We have great pleasure in putting in this month's Magazine a list of all those from the parish who are serving their King and Country in the Army and Navy : Stanley Easlea, A.B., H.M.S. "Vanguard"; Leslie Allcock, Stoker, H.M.S. "Sentinel"; Arthur Deacon, sergeant, 19<sup>th</sup> Royal Hussars; Sam Tungate, private, 1<sup>st</sup> Norfolk Regiment; E. Greenwood, private, R.A.S.C.; W. Purdy, gunner, R.F.A.; J. Harper, gunner, R.F.A.; C. Woods, private, R.A.M.C.; Tom Miller, Charlie Poppy, Bertie Etheridge, Edward Blackburn, Albert Grimes, Jack Goodwin, Herbert Buttifant, Bertie Sands, Jack Newstead, Jim Newstead, W. Westhorpe, (privates), 8<sup>th</sup> Norfolk Regiment, Stanley Easlea, Charlie Jolly, A. E. Fox, (privates), 9<sup>th</sup> Norfolk Regiment; Willie Easton (Cyclist Corps) private, 9<sup>th</sup> Norfolk Regiment. In addition, there are two old Neatishead boys in the Navy; Robert Fox (1<sup>st</sup> class stoker), and Sam Colk (A.B.).

Source: *Wikipedia:-*

HMS *Pembroke II* - Royal Naval Air Station at Eastchurch between 1913 and 1918.

## HMS Sentinel (see photo above)

HMS Sentinel was one of two Sentinel-class scout cruisers which served with the Royal Navy. She was built by Vickers Limited at Barrow, construction started June 1903, launched on 19<sup>th</sup> April 1904 and completed in April 1905 at a cost of about £282,000. **Length:** 116 m **Draft:** 4.30 m

- [HMS Dolphin \(1882\)](#) was a screw sloop launched in 1882. She served as a submarine depot ship in World War I. She foundered in 1925 but was beached and used as a school ship. She was broken up in 1977.
- [HMS Dolphin \(1914\)](#) was originally the depot ship *Pandora*, purchased in 1914. She was renamed *Dolphin* in 1924 and was sunk by a mine in 1939.

**Medal/Badge:** G1 awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1921  
(usually refers to Granting of First Good Conduct Badge)