

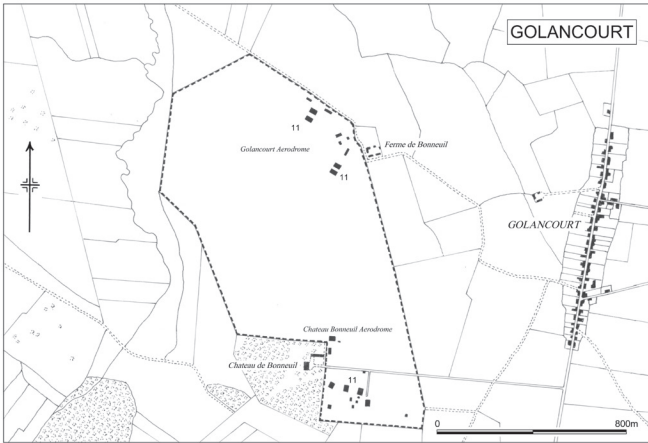
GOLANCOURT (FERME DE BONNEUIL)

St-Quentin A.4, BEF Sheet 66D P.17.d.23.b

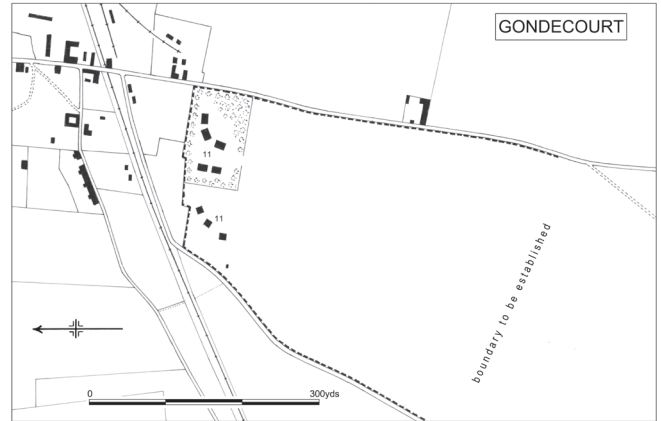
49°42'44.30"N, 3°02'45.82"E

Originally a German aerodrome until their withdrawal to the 'Hindenburg' Line, Golancourt was then taken up by the French who called it Ferme de Bonneuil (Esmerly-Hallon). The RFC then used it for two months until the area fell to the German spring offensive when Jasta squadrons arrived and it became Hostile Aerodrome 299.

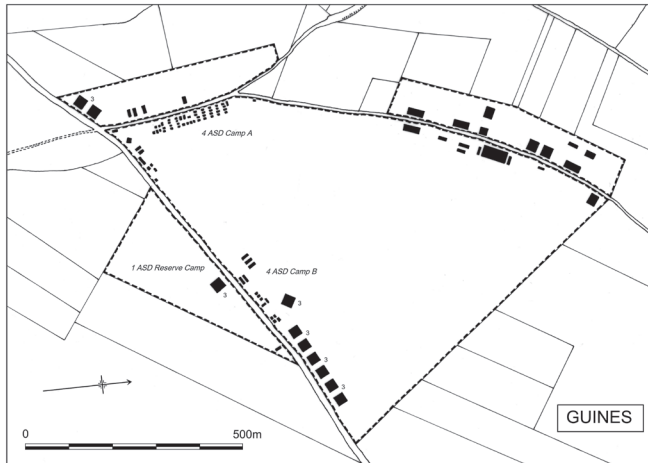
82 Sqn	22.1.1918	from	Savy	22.3.1918	to	Catigny
52 Sqn	23.1.1918		Matigny	22.3.1918		Catigny



The large aerodrome at Golancourt was shown in a reconnaissance photograph to have had two groups of aeroplane sheds when in German hands; one group near Ferme de Bonneuil and the other on the southern boundary near Chateau de Bonneuil. These were regarded as two separate aerodromes by the British – Golancourt to the north and Chateau Bonneuil to the south – although they shared the landing ground.



Based on a reconnaissance photograph, the plan shows the German aeroplane sheds on the northern boundary of Gondecourt aerodrome. Those sheds comprised three 42 x 42ft structures with the others measuring 60 x 42ft.



4 ASD's aerodrome was of triangular shape with a large number of sheds and Bessonneau hangars. 1 ASD's reserve camp was located on the southern boundary.

GONDECOURT (607)

Hazebrouck L.6, BEF Sheet 36C.D.8.a.b.c

50°32'17.10"N, 2°58'47.31"E

Listed as Hostile Aerodrome 286 in August 1918, Gondecourt was taken up by the RAF in October 1918 when it became 607. Recently evacuated by the Germans, the approaches were described as good, but narrow. Eleven sheds were available, 5 of which would hold 4/5 scouts: the remainder would each hold one large two-seater.

88 Sqn	26.10.1918	from	Ascq	28.10.1918	to	Bersee
6 Sqn	9.11.1918		Maretz	16.11.1918		Pecq
108 Sqn	16.11.1918		Bisseghem	16.2.1919		Lypme (as cadre)

GONNEHEM – See CHOCQUES (31)

GORENFLOS (14a)

Lens A.5

50°05'53.88"N, 2°04'17.20"E

Surveyed in early 1918 prior to the 1918 German spring offensive, by May Gorenflos was listed as 'given up'. It was never used.

GRAND FAYT (506)

Valenciennes J.5, BEF Sheet 57A.I.32

50°06'28.05"N, 3°48'22.46"E