

Kelly's Directory 1898

CHUTE is a village and parish, delightfully situated on the side of a hill, bordering on Hampshire, 4 miles north east from Ludgershall station on the Midland and South Western Junction railway, 13 south east from Marlborough and 8 north west from Andover, in the Eastern division of the county, Kinwardstone hundred, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, union of Pewsey, Andover county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough (Pewsey portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Nicholas, entirely rebuilt in 1871 and reopened 15th August 1872, is of flint with red brick and stone facings, in the Early English style, and consists of chancel, nave, small south transept, south porch and a south western tower, with spire, containing a clock and 2 bells; there is a fine piscine, with oak leaf and ball flower ornamenting the altar rails, and an ancient Norman font; the chancel was entirely rebuilt in 1869 at a cost of £500, by the late Thomas Everett Fowle, esq., J.P. of Chute Lodge, from designs by the late J.L. Pearson, esq., R.A. and affords 288 sittings; the churchyard is sheltered on the southwest by a row of yew trees.

The register dates from the year 1580.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £160, including 30 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Winchester, and held since 1885 by the Rev. Lancelot Ridley M.A., of Lincoln College, Oxford.

A piece of land was added to the churchyard in 1887 and consecrated by the Bishop of Sarum; in the churchyard are a water tank and pump, placed there for the use of the parish by the Rev. Samuel Conway, M.A. late vicar. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners are the lay impropiators.

There are Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels here. The charities for the benefit of the poor amount to £11 8s yearly and are distributed in fuel and clothing.

Conholt Park is now the property and residence of George Knowles, esq., M.A. LL.M., J.P. The house, portions of which date back to the 17th century, has a front built about 100 years ago by Sir Sydney Medows, Knight Marshal of England; the park extends over an area of 324 acres

George Knowles, esq., and Henry Merceron, esq., of Tangley, Hants, are the principal landowners: the manorial rights being still held by the representatives of the late W.H. Medows, esq.

The soil is clay, subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 3,255 acres, rateable value £1,502. The population in 1891 was 388.

Standen is half a mile east, Haydon Hill and Fosbury, where there is a large camp, 2½ miles north east, Honey Bottom 1 mile south west.

Parish Clerk Henry Collins

Post, M.O., T.O., T.M.O., S.B., Express Delivery, Parcel Post & Annuity & Insurance Office, Chute Standen
 Mrs Emma Smith, Sub postmistress
 Letters arrive from Andover at 8am, dispatched at 5.10pm, Sunday 9.50am
 Wall letterbox, Upper Chute, cleared at 4.35pm, Sunday 9.30am

National School built in 1859 for 130 children, average attendance 40
 Miss S. Walker, Mistress
 The children of Chute Forest also attend this school

Police Constable Walter T. Scott

Carriers

William Coleman, to and from Andover, Mon, Wed & Fri
 Reginald Hayter of Chute Forest, to and from Andover, Mon & Fri

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Bailey	Joseph	Lower Chute
Cookson, Captain	Freville	Standen House
Knowles M.A. LL.M., J.P.	George	Conholt Park
Mellish	Alfred L	Manor House
Nicholas	Edmund	Chute Cadley
Ridley, Rev	Lancelot	Vicarage
Andrews	George	Cross Keys Public House & Overseer, Upper Chute
Andrews	Samuel	Head Gardener to G Knowles Esq, Conholt Park
Barnard	Walter	Gamekeeper to G Knowles Esq, Conholt Park
Batchelor, Miss	Elizabeth	Baker & Shopkeeper, Upper Chute
Batchelor, Mrs	Julia	Farmer, Upper Chute
Coleman	William	Farmer & Carrier, Lower Chute
Collins	Henry	Parish Clerk

Collins	George	Beer Retailer, Lower Chute
Eves	Arthur	Grocer, Upper Chute
Friend	Frank Stagg	Farm Bailiff to G Knowles Esq, Conholt Park
Hayter	Reginald	Carrier, Chute Forest
Hopgood	Alfred	Carpenter, Lower Chute
Hopgood	William	Hurdle Maker, Upper Chute
Horn	Edward	Carpenter & Wheelwright, Upper Chute
Longman	Ernest	Farm Bailiff to C F Randolph Esq, Dean Farm
Maber	George	Farm Bailiff to Mr E B Maton, Manor Farm
Mitchell	Charles	Farmer, Shaw Farm
Scott	Walter T	Police Constable
Scutt	William	Saddler, Upper Chute
Smith	Ernest Victor	Blacksmith
Smith, Mrs	Emma	Sub Postmistress
Steadman	Joshua	Farmer, Gammons Farm
Taplin	Frederick	Farmer, Lower Chute
Walker, Miss	S	National School Mistress
Withers	Harry	The Star public house

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