



Post Office Directory Extract 1875



Donhead St Andrew

Donhead St Andrew is a parish and straggling village in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Danworth, Hindon petty sessional division, Tisbury union, Shaftesbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalke, archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury, 16 miles west from Salisbury, 4 north-east from Shaftesbury, and 3 from the Semley railway station on the Salisbury and Yeovil line.

The church of St Andrew, which lies in a deep hollow, is an ancient structure, in the Perpendicular style, built of the green sandstone of the district, and consists of a chancel and nave with aisles. The south side was built in 1826. The chancel, rebuilt in 1838, contains four handsome stained windows. It has a western tower, with an embattled parapet adorned with pinnacles, and contains 4 bells. The register dates from 1645. The living is a rectory, yearly value £850, with residence, in the gift of David Barclay Chapman, esq., and held by the Rev. Horace Edward Chapman, M.A., of Downing College, Cambridge.

There are charities of the yearly value of £8 10s 8d, being the interest of £284 12s 3d Old South Sea Annuities bequeathed by the Rev. W Bowles, a former rector of this parish, for the support of a charity school, built by the late rector in 1835 on glebe land adjoining the churchyard. This school is now merged in the National school, the charity being applied thereto. Groves' charity of £9 yearly is for clothing.

Brick making is carried on here. The country abounds with green sandstone, used for building purposes, and with fossils peculiar to that formation.

The river Don rises in Donhead St Mary, and flows through Donhead St Andrew to Tisbury, turning five mills in its course. It then joins the river Nadder. The remains of the ancient castle of Wardour; Fern House, the seat of Sir Thomas Fraser Grove, bart., J.P., and Donhead Lodge, the residence of the Rev. Henry Mair, M.A., are within this parish.

Lord Arundell of Wardour, lord of the manor, and Sir Thomas Fraser Grove, bart., are the principal landowners.

The soil is principally a sandy loam and clay with some chalk and down land; subsoil, stony. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats beans and pasturage.

The area is 3,540 acres; gross estimated rental, £5,573; rateable value, £4,074; and the population in 1871 was 802.

Easton Bassett, about 2 miles distant, is an isolated and detached hamlet belonging to this parish.

PARISH CLERK Samuel Howell

POST & MONEY ORDER OFFICE & Savings Bank, Whitesand Cross Henry Singleton Postmaster
Letters from Salisbury arrive at 5.30 am.; dispatched at 6.40 pm.

WALL LETTER BOX cleared at 5.45 pm.; Sundays 8.30 am.

INSURANCE AGENTS Royal G Lush
Whittington J Howell

SCHOOLS National Henry Charlton Master
Infant Miss Jane Cook Mistress

CARRIER to Salisbury George Ingram Tuesday

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Chapman	Horace Edward	Rev., M.A.	Rector	Rectory
Dewey	Charles			
Grove	Thomas Fraser	Sir, J.P.		Fern House
Mair	Henry	Rev., M.A.		Donhead Lodge
Singleton	George			
Thompson	William B			Rowbury Cottage

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bennett	John		Miller	Rickett's mill
Bridle	James		Tailor	
Brown	George		Cooper & shopkeeper	<i>New Inn</i>
Budden	John		Blacksmith	
Bunter	John		Landowner	
Bunter	William		Farmer	
Darley	Clement		Farmer	Dengrove
Dewey	Edward		Farmer & blacksmith	
Dewey	Sidney		Veterinary surgeon	
Gould	Edwin		Farmer	
Gurd	Joseph, jun.			<i>Castle Inn</i>
Hatcher	Rennet		Farmer	
Howell	John		Assistant overseer	
Ingram	George		Farmer	
Jeffery	John		Farmer	Arundell farm
Jesty	John		Road surveyor	West End Cottage
King	Thomas		Farmer	Leighcourt farm
Lawes	Thomas Austin		Miller	
Sharp	Elizabeth	Mrs	Miller	West End mill
Sharp	Joseph John		Grocer & draper	
Sharp	Thomas		Miller	West End mill
Singleton	Henry		Postmaster & tailor	
Snelgrove	Caroline	Mrs	Brick maker	
Thompson	William Ballin		Physician & surgeon	Rowbury Cottage
Wilkins	Charles		Blacksmith	
Wright	John		Farmer	Rowbury farm