



Kelly's Directory Extract 1895

Durrington



Durrington is a parish and village situated on the river Avon, 6 miles north-by-west from Porton station on the main line of the London and South Western railway, 2 north from Amesbury, and 10 north from Salisbury, in the Southern division of the county, Amesbury hundred and union, petty sessional division of Salisbury and Amesbury, Salisbury county court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Amesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of All Saints is a building of flint and stone, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, aisles, south porch and western tower with pinnacles, containing a clock and 5 bells: the south aisle is Norman; the church was rebuilt in 1851, with the exception of the tower, which is Perpendicular; the remainder is in the Early English style; a Norman arcade has been retained: there are four memorial windows to the late rector, the Rev R. Webb, M.A. and three others are also stained: in the chancel is a canopied double piscina with credence over, and in the south aisle is a piscina: the pulpit, choir stalls and many benches are of ancient carved oak: there are 300 sittings. The register dates from the year 1591. The living is a rectory, average Tithe rent-charge £236, net yearly value about £200, in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Winchester, and held since 1863 by the Rev. Charles Snelling Ruddle, Theol. Assoc. of King's College, London, rural dean of Amesbury portion. Allen's charity is 20s. yearly, derived from the rent charge left in 1714 by Thomas Allen, of this parish, and Alt's charity, nominal value 12s. yearly, to the oldest communicants.

On the Downs are many barrows, among which is Knighton Long Barrow. To the south is the great British station called Durrington Walls.

The manor is held by the Warden and Fellows of Winchester College, and the East End manor is held by Sir Richard Poore bart., under the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. The principal landowners are Mrs Fowle, Ernest Rawlence and E. P. Squarey esqs, Thos. Jenner esq, and Winchester College.

The soil is light and chalky; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats; the area is 2,602 acres of land and 11 of water; rateable value £1,706; the population in 1891 was 393.

Parish Clerk, Andrew Spreadbury.

Post Office – Mrs Emma Thomas, sub-postmistress. Letters through Salisbury via Amesbury arrive at 6 a.m. & 1.45 p.m.; dispatched at 11 a.m. & 6.45 p.m.; Sundays at 4.50 p.m. Amesbury is the nearest money order & telegraph office.

National School (mixed), built in 1850 for 75 children; average attendance, 64: Miss Caroline Marks, mistress

Carriers to Salisbury:- Thomas Rivers, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday; Herbert Toomer, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday .

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Fowle		Mrs		Manor House, Durrington, Wiltshire
Petheram	William Comer	Sir Q.C.		Durrington House, Durrington, Wiltshire
Ruddle	Chas. Snelling	Rev. T.A.K.C.L.	Rector & Rural Dean	Rectory, Durrington, Wiltshire
Smith		Miss		Woodford Cottage, Durrington, Wiltshire

Commercial

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Bailey	William James		Builder	Durrington, Wiltshire
Burden	Jas.		Carpenter & Wheelwright	Durrington, Wiltshire
Carter	William		Grocer & Draper	Durrington, Wiltshire
Coles	Frederick		Farm Bailiff to Mrs Fowle	Acton Cottages, Durrington, Wiltshire
Cooper	Thomas		Blacksmith	Durrington, Wiltshire
Dyke	Robert		Farm Bailiff to Messrs. Rawlence & Squarey	Durrington, Wiltshire
Gardiner	Joseph		Boot & Shoe maker	Durrington, Wiltshire
Hams	Henry		Carpenter	Durrington, Wiltshire
Harris	John		Coal Merchant & Machine owner	Durrington, Wiltshire
Hollins	Sydney William		Butcher	Durrington, Wiltshire
Hollins	William Oliver		<i>Stonehenge inn</i>	Durrington, Wiltshire
Jenner	Thomas Henry William		Farmer, Collin's Farm	Durrington, Wiltshire
Jenner	William		Farmer	Durrington, Wiltshire
Ranger	Mark		Shopkeeper	Durrington, Wiltshire
May	John		Farmer & Overseer, Woodford's Farm	Durrington, Wiltshire
Rose	James		Dairyman	Durrington, Wiltshire
Sandell	William		Farmer	Durrington, Wiltshire
Smith	Frank		Butcher	Durrington, Wiltshire
Thomas	Mark		Machine Owner	Durrington, Wiltshire
Toomer	Allan		Blacksmith	Durrington, Wiltshire
Toomer	Frank		Carpenter	Durrington, Wiltshire
Toomer	Gilbert		Baker, Grocer & Provision Dlr. Wagonette & Trap for hire	Durrington, Wiltshire
Wheeler	Stephen		<i>Plough Inn</i> ; Pleasant drives to Stonehenge & Wiltshire Downs	Durrington, Wiltshire