



Melksham

Wiltshire Friendly Society Membership 1827 – 1871

The Wiltshire Friendly Society was (and still is) a mutual assurance company. These days it is based in Trowbridge but from the time it was founded, in 1828, there were members from across Wiltshire. The Wiltshire Friendly Society offers affordable income replacement to individuals and groups of employees.

There were four types of insurance:

TABLE I: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring two shillings per week during sickness. Bed-lying pay, and one shilling per week. Walking pay: a weekly allowance of one shilling after the age of 65; and two pounds on death. The monthly contributions and the allowances in Sickness are to cease at the age of 65 years.

TABLE II: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a weekly allowance of one shilling after having attained the age of 65. The monthly contributions are to cease at the age of 60.

TABLE III: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a weekly allowance of one shilling after having attained the age of 70. The monthly contributions are to cease at the age of 65.

TABLE IV: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a week.

Year	Surname	Given Name	Abode	Ref. No.	Notes
1847	Abbott	Thomas	Melksham	4287	
1867	Adams	Frederick	Melksham	17404	
1870	Adams	George	Melksham	18686	
1868	Adams	James	Melksham	17815	
1866	Adams	Stephen	Melksham	17097	
1865	Adams	Thomas	Melksham	16577	
1845	Aland	Louisa	Melksham	3177	
1848	Alexander	Amelia	Melksham	5712	
1846	Angel	Caleb William	Melksham	4020	
1846	Angel	Eleanor	Melksham	4019	
1846	Angel	William	Melksham Shaw	4018	
1869	Artell	William	Melksham	18412	
1867	Bailey	Elam	Melksham	17403	
1869	Bartlett	Frederick	Melksham	18203	
1868	Bartlett	George	Melksham	17802	
1842	Barton	Ann	Bowerhill, Melksham	447	
1845	Barton	Benjamin	Melksham	3093	
1868	Barton	John	Melksham	17812	
1846	Beard	Elizabeth	Melksham	3755	
1846	Beard	Jane	Melksham	3753	
1845	Beard	Louisa	Melksham	3178	
1862	Beathe	John	Melksham	14896	
1869	Bodman	William	Melksham	18206	
1849	Berrett	Emma	Melksham	6884	
1869	Biffin	William	Melksham	18174	
1845	Boswell	Mary	Melksham	3176	

1864	Boulter	Benjamin	Melksham	15920	
1849	Box	James	Melksham	6326	
1847	Brown	Charlotte	Melksham	4919	
1869	Brown	George	Melksham	18175	
1864	Bryant	Frederick	Melksham	15683	
1861	Bryant	James	Melksham	14493	
1846	Buckland	Elizabeth	Melksham	3635	
1850	Bull	Isaac	Melksham	7989	
1867	Burgess	Frederick	Melksham	17406	
1847	Butler	Leah	Melksham	4918	
1864	Butler	Robert	Melksham	15684	
1850	Butler	Sarah	Melksham	7523	
1849	Chapman	James Horton	Melksham	7021	
1864	Chives	James	Melksham	16194	
1848	Chives	John	Melksham	5713	
1844	Chives	Maria	Melksham	1152	
1864	Chives	Thomas	Melksham	15685	
1867	Chives	Thomas	Melksham	17412	
1849	Chives	William	Melksham	6325	
1842	Colborne	William	Melksham	446	
1861	Colbourne	Job	Melksham	14373	
1846	Colbourne	Joseph	Melksham	3418	
1847	Colbourne	Nelson	Melksham	4782	
1867	Collect	Thomas	Melksham	17418	
1846	Collect	Sarah Mary	Melksham	10253	
1861	Coombs	Alfred	Melksham	14789	
1863	Coombs	Henry John	Melksham	15175	
1861	Cousins	Ann	Melksham	14495	
1863	Crook	Alfred	Melksham	15177	
1867	Crook	Benjamin	Melksham	17402	
1866	Crook	Charles	Melksham	16944	
1845	Cross	Ann Alder	Melksham	2859	
1845	Cross	Eliza Crook	Melksham	2361	
1862	Davis	George	Melksham	14900	
1861	Davis	Thomas	Melksham	14786	
1848	Deadman	Richard	Melksham	5477	
1847	Deverall	Charles	Melksham	5017	
1861	Dicks	Eli	Melksham	14489	
1849	Dicks	Joseph	Melksham Redstocks	5016	
1861	Dicks	Phineas	Melksham	14494	
1863	Diffle	Fred	Melksham	15511B	
1863	Diffle	John	Melksham	15512	
1843	Dore	Cordelia	Melksham Shaw	3747	
1848	Dore	Sarah Ann Hillier	Melksham	6243	
1867	Douse	Arthur	Melksham	17286	
1867	Douse	James	Melksham	17417	
1848	Downing	John	Melksham	5710	
1848	Downing	William	Melksham	5709	
1847	Edwards	John	Melksham	5015	
1851	Ellis	George	Melksham	8552	
1850	Ellis	Jane Maria	Melksham	7988	
1863	Fell	Thomas	Melksham	15176	
1861	Ferris	Henry	Melksham	14487	

1851	Flower	Ellen	Melksham	8393	
1863	Flower	John	Melksham	15174	
1864	Flower	John	Melksham	16196	
1866	Fox	William	Melksham	16812	
1867	Franklin	William	Melksham	17284	
1866	Frankling	George	Melksham	16943	
1847	Frankling	John	Melksham	4783	
1867	Gaisford	George	Melksham	17409	
1868	Gale	William	Melksham	17820	
1868	Gerrish	Albert	Melksham	17811	
1844	Gingell	Isaac	Melksham	1812	
1846	Gingell	Jane	Melksham	4176	
1849	Godwin	William	Melksham	7020	
1864	Gore	Robert	Melksham	15681	
1864	Gray	Frederick	Melksham	15992	
1867	Gray	Frederick	Melksham	17407	
1864	Gray	Henry	Melksham	16193	
1869	Gray	William	Melksham	18409	
1861	Gregory	Frank	Melksham	14347	
1866	Gregory	George	Melksham	17103	
1861	Gregory	Henry	Melksham	14365	
1864	Gregory	Huntly	Melksham	15918	
1844	Gregory	Thomas	Melksham Forest	1153	
1860	Gregory	Thomas	Melksham Forest	14072	
1861	Gregory	William	Melksham	14354	
1867	Guley	Samuel	Melksham	17400	
1846	Gum	Charles	Melksham	4028	
1846	Gumm	Emma Matilda	Melksham	4144	
1845	Gunston	George	Melksham	2885	
1846	Gunstone	Edwin	Melksham	3745	
1866	Gunstone	George	Melksham	17109	
1866	Gunstone	Henry	Melksham	17108	
1866	Gunstone	James	Melksham	16948	
1867	Gunstone	Mark	Melksham	17413	
1846	Guy	Leah	Melksham	3754	
1868	Harding	Thomas	Melksham	17813	
1866	Harrill	Aaron	Melksham	17098	
1868	Harrol	Charles	Melksham	17817	
1866	Harrold	Alfred	Melksham	16945	
1863	Harrold	Thomas	Melksham	15172	
1864	Harrold	Thomas	Melksham	16195	
1864	Harvey	George	Melksham	16192	
1867	Harvey	George	Melksham	17616	
1867	Hayward	James	Melksham	17542	
1847	Hayward	Sarah	Melksham	5096	
1869	Hedges	Archy	Melksham	18202	
1866	Hedges	Charles	Melksham	16942	
1866	Helps	Henry	Melksham	17102	
1844	Helps	Isaac	Melksham	1811	
1848	Helps	Martha	Melksham	5949	
1868	Hemmings	George	Melksham	17816	
1850	Holder	Mary Ann	Melksham	7990	
1867	Howell	William	Melksham	17285	

1861	Hughes	Wilmot Granger	Melksham	14668	
1866	Hunt	Charles	Melksham	17105	
1866	Hunt	John	Melksham	17100	
1844	Hunt	Jonas	Melksham	1656	
1842	Huntley	Robert	Melksham Forest	528	
1867	Hurn	William	Melksham	17410	
1845	Hutton	Luke	Melksham	2854	
1847	Jones	John	Whaddon nr Melksham	4577	
1862	Jones	Walter	Melksham	14899	
1850	Jordan	Sophia Matilda	Melksham	7426	
1858	Kemp	Job	Melksham	11994	
1867	King	George	Melksham	17405	
1866	King	Henry	Melksham	16811	
1868	Knee	Charles William	Melksham	17814	
1848	Knee	Edward	Melksham	5476	
1845	Knee	Mary	Melksham	3097	
1846	Lake	Elizabeth	Melksham	3751	
1843	Lampard	Ann	Melksham Spa	879	
1847	Lewington	Job	Melksham	4784	
1847	Lewington	William	Melksham	4931	
1867	Marks	Sydney	Melksham	17415	
1845	Matthews	Thomas	Melksham	3179	
1868	Maundrell	David	Melksham	17819	
1860	Mayell	George	Melksham	13157	
1846	Mayell	Reuben	Melksham	3298	
1844	Mayell	Samuel	Melksham Forest	1204	
1846	Miles	Deborah	Melksham	4023	
1850	Missen	George Frederick	Melksham	7424	
1867	Missen	Henry John	Melksham	17287	
1845	Missen	James	Melksham	2858	
1852	Missen	Robert	Melksham	11324	
1869	Misson	Frank	Melksham	18205	
1863	Misson	John	Melksham	14894	
1863	Oakford	Richard	Melksham	15170	
1866	Oatley	George	Melksham	16946	
1867	Oatley	John	Melksham	17408	
1847	Oatley	John	Melksham	4696	
1863	Oatley	Thomas	Melksham	15171	
1850	Oram	Mary Jane	Melksham	7985	
1846	Orchard	Elizabeth	Melksham	4025	
1848	Orlidge	John	Melksham	6187	
1867	Packer	James	Melksham	17614	
1867	Parfitt	Fred	Melksham	17288	
1845	Park	John	Melksham	2857	
1853	Park	Maria	Melksham	9571	
1853	Park	Thomas	Melksham	9569	
1870	Parsons	George	Melksham	18861	
1845	Parsons	Mary	Melksham	2890	
1847	Pead	Samuel	Melksham	4785	
1861	Pead	William	Melksham	14788	
1861	Pearce	Clara Louisa	Melksham	14496	
1861	Pearce	Dan	Melksham	14491	
1847	Perret	Emma	Melksham	4932	

1866	Pinnock	Henry	Melksham	17095	
1851	Powney	George	Melksham	8495	
1851	Price	Ann	Melksham Forest	8128	
1856	Price	George	Melksham	10652	
1855	Price	James Mead	Melksham	10285	
1859	Price	William Raymond	Melksham	12009	
1846	Rawlings	James	Melksham	4141	
1866	Rawlings	John	Melksham	17101	
1868	Rawlings	William	Melksham	17818	
1862	Reeves	Alfred	Melksham	14895	
1866	Reeves	Frank	Melksham	17099	
1864	Reeves	Frederick	Melksham	16197	
1863	Reeves	Mary	Melksham Branch	15571	
1844	Reynolds	William	Melksham	1113	
1842	Reynolds	William	Melksham Spa	443	
1864	Richard	Abraham	Melksham	16190	
1861	Richards	Abraham Feltham	Melksham	14490	
1861	Richards	Edward	Melksham	14488	
1863	Richards	Edward	Melksham Branch	15569	
1847	Richards	Henry	Melksham Forest	4575	
1865	Richards	William	Melksham	16578	
1863	Ring	Eliza	Melksham Branch	15519	
1847	Robbins	Joseph Olpha	Melksham	4288	
1863	Rogers	Eli	Melksham	15514	
1852	Rogers	George	Melksham	8753	
1861	Rogers	George	Melksham	14666	
1865	Rogers	Samuel	Melksham	16579	
1865	Roynon	Frederick	Melksham	14787	
1846	Rudman	Edward	Melksham	4027	
1867	Rutty	Edward	Melksham	17617	
1845	Salter	John	Melksham	2621	
1844	Salter	Joseph	Melksham	1322	
1846	Salter	Joseph William	Melksham	3299	
1846	Salter	Louisa Smith	Melksham	3419	
1849	Salter	Susannah Elizabeth	Melksham	7171	
1869	Salter	Walter	Melksham	18204	
1867	Sawyer	James	Melksham	17411	
1865	Sawyer	Samuel	Melksham	16575	
1846	Selman	Mary Ann	Melksham	3748	
1867	Shewing	Daniel	Melksham	17543	
1869	Sims	Edward	Melksham	18407	
1867	Sims	William Webb	Melksham	17661	
1862	Slade	Ann	Melksham	14954	
1848	Slade	Esther	Melksham	5951	
1869	Smart	Thomas	Melksham	18408	
1864	Smart	William	Melksham, Whitley	15919	
1863	Smith	George	Melksham Branch	15520	
1848	Smith	George Henry	Melksham	5711	
1865	Smith	James	Melksham	16576	
1847	Smith	Julia	Melksham	4933	
1862	Smith	Richard	Melksham	15043	
1864	Southwood	Edward	Melksham	15917	
1849	Spencer	Annie Matilda	Melksham	7013	

1845	Spencer	James	Melksham, Redstock	3091	
1846	Stackwell	Louisa	Melksham	3535	
1845	Stockwell	Elizabeth	Melksham	2082	
1845	Stockwell	Samuel	Melksham	2850	
1866	Stokes	Charles	Melksham	16947	
1861	Stokes	Harriet	Melksham	14663	
1861	Stokes	Mary Jane	Melksham	14665	
1861	Stokes	Sarah	Melksham	14664	
1861	Stokes	Singer	Melksham	14486	
1845	Stokes	Singer	Melksham	2848	
1851	Stone	Richard James Davis	Melksham	8351	
1851	Stow	Alexander	Melksham	8354	
1862	Stow	Alexander	Melksham	14901	
1851	Stow	James	Melksham	8353	
1867	Sumbler	Abraham	Melksham	17615	
1863	Sumbler	David	Melksham	15173	
1844	Taylor	Benjamin	Melksham	1447	
1844	Taylor	Ruth	Melksham	1446	
1867	Taylor	Edward	Melksham	17416	
1866	Taylor	Fred	Melksham	16813	
1867	Taylor	Henry	Melksham	17414	
1863	Taylor	William	Melksham	15566B	
1846	Taylor	Charles	Melksham	4143	
1861	Taylor	Edmund	Melksham	14374	
1847	Taylor	Frederick	Melksham	4695	
1861	Taylor	Henry	Melksham	14492	
1858	Taylor	William Henry	Melksham	11993	
1847	Townsend	John	Melksham	5094	
1848	Townsend	George	Melksham	5950	
1863	Townsend	Job	Melksham	15515	
1866	Trueman	Thomas	Melksham	16810	
1861	Trueman	Benjamin	Melksham	14366	
1863	Tucker	George	Melksham	15568	
1863	Tucker	James	Melksham	15513	
1868	Wakeley	Thomas	Melksham	17810	
1869	Wakely	Henry	Melksham	18410	
1869	Walker	John	Melksham	18413	
1864	Watson	John	Melksham	15916	
1870	Watson	John	Melksham	18687	
1846	Webb	Elizabeth	Melksham	4142	
1846	Webb	Francis	Melksham	3750	
1849	Webb	George	Melksham	6745	
1850	Webb	John	Melksham	7425	
1845	Webb	Samuel	Melksham	2083	
1844	Weeks	Maria	Melksham	1092	
1864	West	Job	Melksham, Shaw Hill	16191	
1867	West	John	Melksham	17401	
1869	West	Thomas	Melksham	18173	
1845	Weston	Eliza	Melksham	2845	
1847	Weston	James	Melksham	4576	
1866	Weston	William	Melksham	17104	
1847	White	Hannah	Melksham	5057	
1851	White	Henry John	Melksham	8352	

1871	Wilkins	Samuel Henry	Melksham	19171	
1869	Willis	Frank	Melksham	18411	
1847	Wilshere	Martha	Melksham	4574	
1843	Wilshere	Susanna	Melksham	556	
1845	Wiltshire	Abraham	Melksham	2886	
1846	Wiltshire	Elizabeth	Melksham	3752	
1850	Wiltshire	James	Melksham	7987	
1847	Wiltshire	Mary	Melksham	5095	
1851	Witts	Eliza	Melksham	8397	
1851	Witts	Ellen	Melksham	8396	
1851	Witts	Jane	Melksham	8398	

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