



Swindon & District Directory Extract 1928



Baydon

Nine miles from Hungerford, 9 from Swindon, and 10 Marlborough. Baydon is situated on the Borders of Berks, and is in the Devizes Division of Wilts, Hungerford Union and County Court District, Marlborough Petty Sessional Division, and Diocese of Salisbury. It is one of the highest inhabited villages in England, being nearly 800ft. above sea level. The living of yearly value £200, with residence, is in the patronage of the Bishop of Salisbury. A reading and recreation room, provided by the Lady of the manor, is known as the Woolland Room. There is a Wesleyan Chapel in the village. Area, 2,485 acres; rateable value, £1.726; population in 1921, 213. Mr. J. W. Brown, Cornelia Countess of Craven, and Mrs. M. Woolland are the principal landowners. The last named is Lady of the Manor. The village is becoming in a small way a summer health resort. The pure air and clear atmosphere were doubtless responsible for the choice of Finch's Farm House by Sir Isaac Newton, the astronomer and philosopher, as a summer residence. Letters, addressed Baydon, Wilts, are delivered at 7 a.m. And 4.30 p.m.; despatched at 1.30 p.m. and 7 p.m. The nearest Telegraph Office is at Aldbourne within free delivery. The nearest station is Lambourn (3 miles).

VICAR – Re, J. S. Holmes.

PARISH CLERK – Mr. T. Pressey

POST MISTRESS – Miss Alder

SCHOOL MISTRESS – Mrs. Thorogood

ORGANIST AND ASSISTANT MISTRESS - Mrs. W. J. Pressey.

G.W.R. BUSES run from Swindon to Lambourn three times daily, and Bristol Buses three times daily from Aldbourne (2 miles) to Swindon and Hungerford.

MOTOR LORRY to Swindon on Mondays.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arkell	A.			Manor House Farm
Barnes	Elizabeth			
Bonfield	W.			The Croft
Clapp		Miss		Burdett Buildings
Cray		Miss		The Bungalow
Calverwell	H.			Bailey Hill Farm
Choules	-			Swindon Road
Davies	H.		Wilton	Church House
Day	F.			Finch's farm
De Val	-			Council Houses
Everitt	J.			Pitt Cottage
Farmer	G.			
Gardiner	G.			
Gigg	C.			Burdett Buildings
Gosling	W. J.			Council Houses
Gosling	W.			Council Houses
Holland		Miss		"The Beeches"
Holmes	J. S.	Rev.		"The Vicarage"
Hussey	C. H.			Baydon House
Ilott	F.			Bailey Hill
Lawrence	A.			
Lawrence	G.			

Lawrence	S.			
Lawrence	A.	Mrs.		
Marchant	W.			
Marks	A.			Blacksmith Hill
Marshall		Mrs.		Model Cottages
Martin	J.			The Limes
Miles	T.			
Miller	D.			Council Houses
Morris		Miss		Swindon Road
Pateman	H.			Gore Lains
Pateman	H.			
Pembroke	A.			Watron,'s Farm
Philips	A.			Gore Lains Farm
Pike	H.			"Casa Alta"
Pressey	J.			The Bungalow
Pressy	T.			Wentworth's Cottages
Radbourne	H.			
Sheppard	H.			Council Houses
Sheppard	C. M.			
Smith	W.			Raynes
Strong	J. W.			
Tottenham		Mrs.		The Elms
Turner	N. T. B.	Capt.		"Five Ways"
Vardy	F.			
Woodley	H.			The Cottage
Woodward	G.			

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Alder		Miss	Post Office	Burdett Buildings
Alder	W. J.		Farmer	Church Farm
Alder	L.		Supply Stores	
Aldridge	W. & A.		Blacksmiths	
Cave	M.	Miss	Dressmaker	Aldbourn Street
Everitt		Miss		The Stores
Ford	C.		Shepherd	
Hunt	H. J.		Farmer	Westfield
Johnson	C.		Game Keeper	Bayfields
Lawrence	F.		Shoemaker	
Pressy	W. J.		Engine Driver	
Read	G.		Roadman	Council Houses
Taylor	W.		Publican	Red Lion Inn
Thorogood		Mrs.	Schoolmistress	School House
Vardy	M.		Publican	Plough Inn