

## Kelly's Directory Extract 1898 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, net yearly value about £180, 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. Here is a Congregational chapel, seating 150. Allen's charity of 20s. yearly, is derived from a rent-charge left in 1714 by Thomas Allen, of this parish: Alt's charity, nominally of 12s. yearly, is distributed to the oldest poor communicants at the church.

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 Capt. Sir Richard Poore bart. R.N., Mrs Fowle, Harry Powney esq. H.M. War Office and Winchester College.

The soil is light and chalky; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats; the area is 2,692 acres of land and 10 of water; rateable value £1,642; the population in 1891 was 393.

Parish Clerk, Andrew Spreadbury.

Post Office – Mrs Emma Thomas, sub-postmistress. Letters through Salisbury via Amesbury arrive at 7 a.m. & 1.45 p.m. (callers only); dispatched at 11 a.m. & 6.40 p.m.; Sundays at 4.50 p.m. Amesbury is the nearest money order & telegraph office, 3 miles distant.

National School (mixed), built in 1850 for 75 children; average attendance, 57: Miss Katherine S. Adamson, mistress

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

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| Surname | Given Names    | Title      | Industry/Occupation | Place/Parish             |
|---------|----------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Fowle   |                | Mrs        |                     | Manor House, Durrington, |
|         |                |            |                     | Wiltshire                |
| Ruddle  | Chas. Snelling | Rev.       | Rector & Rural Dean | Rectory,                 |
|         |                | T.A.K.C.L. |                     | Durrington, Wiltshire    |
| Smith   |                | Miss       |                     | Woodfords Cottage,       |
|         |                |            |                     | Durrington, Wiltshire    |

## Commercial

| Surname  | Given Names          | Title | Industry/Occupation  | Place/Parish                           |
|----------|----------------------|-------|--|--|
| Bailey   | William James        |       | Builder  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Baker    | Samuel               |       | Carpenter  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Burden   | Jas.                 |       | Carpenter & Wheelwright  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Carter   | William              |       | Grocer & Draper  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Coles    | Frederick            |       | Farm Bailiff to Mrs Fowle  | Hacton Cottages, Durrington, Wiltshire |
| Cooper   | Thomas               |       | Blacksmith   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Gardiner | Joseph               |       | Boot & Shoe maker  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Hams     | Henry                |       | Carpenter  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Harris   | John                 |       | Haulier  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Hollis   | Samuel               |       | Stonehenge inn; Nearest in to Stonehenge, good accommodation for visitors & Cyclists | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Jenner   | Thomas Henry William |       | Farmer, Collin's Farm  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Powney   | Harry                |       | Training Stables   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Ranger   | Mark                 |       | Shopkeeper   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Rivers   | Thomas               |       | Plough Inn   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Rose     | James                |       | Dairyman   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Sandell  | Charles              |       | Farmer   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Sandell  | William James        |       | Farmer   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Toomer   | Gilbert              |       | Baker & Grocer   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Thomas   | Mark                 |       | Machine Owner  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Toomer   | Allan                |       | Blacksmith   | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |
| Toomer   | Frank                |       | Carpenter  | Durrington, Wiltshire                  |