



Kellys Directory Extract 1939



Ludgershall

LUDGERSHALL is a parish and village, situated in a hollow, bounded on the south-west by an extensive open country and contiguous to the borders of Chute Forest and the Hampshire boundary and Collingbourne woods, with a station on the Great Western railway, 7 miles north-west from Andover, 17 miles north-east from Salisbury, and 73 from London, in the Devizes division of the county, hundred of Amesbury, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, Pewsey rural district, Andover county court, rural deanery of Amesbury (Amesbury portion), and archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury. This was formerly a market town of considerable importance and a borough by prescription, which sent representatives to Parliament at intervals from the time of Edward 1, but was disfranchised by the Municipal Corporations Act 1832 (5 and 6 Wm. IV c 76). Electricity and main water are available. The church of St. James is an ancient edifice of flint and stone in the Norman and Early English styles, consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, south porch and an embattled western tower, with four pinnacles, containing a clock and 6 bells. In 1908 the existing bells were rehung and a sixth added by Mrs and Miss Awdry in memory of the Rev. W. H. Awdry M.A. rector 1872-1899. The tower was heightened in 1871 in memory of Richard Thomas Everett, by his widow. In a window on the south side of the chancel are the arms of Henry Chicheley, Archbishop of Canterbury 1414-1443. Near the south porch is a recess containing a tomb with shields of arms and two recumbent effigies, erected in 1558, to Sir Richard and Lady Brydges, ancestors of the dukes of Buckingham and Chandos. The chancel was restored in 1873 and the nave re-seated in 1874. In 1900, a reredos and memorial windows were erected to the Rev W H Awdry M.A. rector 1872-1899, and in 1920 a tablet, bearing the names of the 28 men of the parish who lost their lives in the Great War, 1914-1918, was placed in the north wall of the nave. The church affords 300 sittings. The registers date from the year 1609, and are in Latin till the year 1620. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £445, with residence, in the gift of Capt. C. Awdry, and held since 1923 by the Rev. Alfred William Watt, of St. Boniface College, Warminster. There is a mission hall in the village and a curious old market cross about 12 feet in height, with carved representations on the four sides of "The Command to St. Peter," "The Three Maries," "The Crucifixion," and "The Ascension." In commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, in 1897, an ornamental fence was placed around this cross to protect it from further injury, the work being executed by the village blacksmith, from a design by Mr. A. H. Huth, formerly resident at Biddesden House. At the triangle formed by the junction of the Andover-Salisbury road with High Street, stands an obelisk, erected in 1920 in memory of the 28 Ludgershall men who fell in the Great War. Henry Smith's charity of about £6, Everett's of £20 and Blake's of £1 5s are distributed yearly. On the summit of Sidbury Hill is a large space of ground in the form of a heart, surrounded by tumuli. There are some remains of a castle, built soon after the Norman Conquest, and in which it is said the Empress Maud took shelter in 1141 during the civil war with Stephen. Biddesden House, the property and residence of the Hon Bryan Walter Guinness, is situated 2 miles each of the village; it was built by General Webb, about 1713, on the site of a mansion formerly the residence of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos. The War Office, which purchased the Manor Farm in 1898 and owns the manorial rights, and the Hon Bryan Walter Guinness, are the chief landowners. The soil is very light; subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 1,789 acres; the population in 1931 was 1,259.

Post, M.O. & T. Office: - Letters through Andover.

Territorial Army:- 4th Battalion Hampshire Regt (D Company), The Drill Hall, Winchester Street. Officer Commanding Capt. P. C. Taylor

Railway Station & Police Station:- Chaplins Limited, cartage agents to G.W. Railway

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Abbatt	Philip D.	M.B.		St. James's Street
Guinness	Bryan Walter	The Hon.		Biddesden House
Hyson	George Edmund M.C.	Captain, M.C.		Missy Lodge
Macdonald	Edmund Gordon	Major		Highlands, Andover Road
Menzies	John Stewart			Bank House

Watt	Alfred William	Rev., J.P.	Rector	Rectory
Williamson	Herbert Holdrich			

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Abbatt & Gauld	Physicians & Surgeons	St. James' Street
		Adjutants Press Ltd.	Printers	Butt St, Telephone Number 224
		Hocking & Lovell	Drapers	The Triangle; Telephone Number 240
		Morse's Ltd.	House Furnishers	Winchester Street
		Voss & Hatcher	Builders	Butt Street
Abbatt	Philip D.	M.B., Ch.B.	Medical Officer & Police Surgeon	Telephone Number 220
Allerton	Herbert		Boot Repairer	Tidworth Road
Barnes	E. A.	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	Faberstown
Beaves	Harry A.		Hairdresser	Andover Road
Berry	Percy		Farmer	Laurel House
Bridgman	Jas K		Dairy Farmer	Castle Manor Farm **
Broad	George T.		Butcher	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 217
Budd	M. H.		Poultry Farmer	Crawboys Lane
Cannons	Charles Frederick		Fruiterer	High Street
Challis	Herbert		Builders	Faberstown & Butt Street; Telephone Number 219
Challis	John		Builders	Faberstown & Butt Street; Telephone Number 219
Collins	Sidney		Secretary of the British Legion	Castle Street
Collis	William J.		Confectioner	Winchester Street
Diffey	G. H.		Grocers & Proprietor of Sarum Cash Stores	Winchester Street
Draper	C. B.		Hotel Proprietor	Prince of Wales Hotel, Winchester Street; Telephone Number 214 & 248
Dunklin	S.		Fried Fish Dealer	Winchester Street
Elgin	Charles		Drug Store	Winchester Street
Elkins	M.	& Son	Motor Engineers	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 236
Gauld	George Ogg	MRCS Eng., LRCP Lond.		St. James' Street; Telephone Number 220
Gray	Laura May	Mrs.	Confectioner	High Street
Guyatt	F. J.		Bakery Manager, Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes	Bakery & Transport Departments, Simmonds Road; Telephone Number 230
Hatt	Charles		Farmer	Biddesden Farm **; Telephone Number

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Hill	William Thomas		Boot & Shoe Maker	Winchester Street
Jones			Butchers	High Street; Telephone Number 233
Lawes	Albert		Hairdresser	High Street; Telephone Number 209
Lemon	C. E.		Transport Manager, Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes	Bakery & Transport Departments, Simmonds Road; Telephone Number 230
MacCarthy	Michael		Farmer	Biddesden House Farm **; Telephone Number 249
MacGillivray	Duncan B.	Mac's	Ladies Hairdressers Proprietor	Castle Street; Telephone Number 253
Matthews	Gertrude	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	Andover Road
Menzies	John Stewart		Manager, Lloyds Bank Ltd.	Telephone Number 205
Midwinter	William		Secretary of Ludgershall Sports Club	Tidworth Road
Panel	Helen	Mrs.	Nurse	Tidworth Road
Panel	Thomas		Newspaper Reporter	Tidworth Road
Pennels	George		Blacksmith	High Street
Randall	William John		Motor Engineer	Winchester Street
Rawcliffe	Frank		Bakers & Post Office	High Street; Telephone Number 208
Rawlings	George	& Son	Coal Merchant & Garage Proprietor	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 230
Roberts	William		Local Secretary, Pioneer Sick Benefit Society	Tidworth Road
Roy	E. E.	Ltd.	House Furnishers & Removers	High Street; Telephone Number 222
Roynon	George Edward		Clerk to Parish Council	Simmonds Road
Rusher	George		Fried Fish Dealer	Winchester Street
Rusher	George	& Sons	Coal Merchants	Telephone Number 212
Rusher	George, Jnr.		Confectioner	Winchester Street
Russell	B. O.		Manager of Midland Bank Ltd.	Telephone Number 207
Seymour	Robert		Newsagent	Castle Street
Seymour	Robert Victor		Motor Engineer	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 218
Sheppard	Frederick H.		Dairyman	The Woods
Simonds	G.	Ltd.	Brewers	Tidworth Road; Telephone Number 204
Simonds	H	Ltd.	Brewers	Tidworth Road; Telephone Number 204
Simpson	Frederick H.		Commission Agent	Andover Road; Telephone Number 277 & 278
Skerry	James W.		Confectioner	High Street
Spicer	Mortimer		Wheelwright	Castle Street

Sturgess	E. A.	& Sons	Builders & Decorators	Faberstown; Telephone Number 244
Teal	Charles William		Grocer	Andover Road
Thomas	Henry Felix		Publican	Queen's Head Inn, High Street
Thomas	William		Tattooist	Tidworth Road
Vane	Cecil David		Hotelier	Crown Hotel, High Street
Watton	E.	& Sons	Coal Merchants	Butt Street; Telephone Number 239
Watton	Reginald Frank		Poultry Farmer	The Drove
Wiles	Fanny	Mrs.	Newsagent	Winchester Street
Wilkins	Lucy	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	Bell Street
Williamson	Herbert Holdrich	MRCS Engl.	Surgeon & Medical Officer	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 215
Wiltshire		& Sons	Grocers	Winchester Street; Telephone Number 255
Withers	F. W.		Warehouse Manager, Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes	Bakery & Transport Departments, Simmonds Road; Telephone Number 230
Workman	Harry Reginald		Hairdresser	Winchester Street
Yates	V.		Grocers & Proprietor of Triangle Cash Stores	Winchester Street
Younger	George	& Sons, Ltd,	Brewers Depot	Perham House; Telephone Number 258

Entries Marked thus ** farm 150 acres or over