



Pigot & Co Directory Extract 1842-1844

Ramsbury, Aldbourn and Neighbourhoods



Ramsbury is a large village in the parish and hundred of its name, 70 miles W. from London, 7 E. by N. from Marlborough, 5 ½ N. W. by W from Hungerford (Berks), and about 13 S.E. from Swindon, a station on the Great Western Railway; pleasantly situated near the Kennett, upon which river there are some corn mills. It was at one time noted for its beer, but no particular trade or manufacturers are now conspicuous in the place. Sir Francis Burdett, Bart. is proprietor of an estate and mansion here; he is lord of the manor, and holds a court leet annually. The church, dedicated to the Holy Cross, is a large ancient edifice, with a massive tower, supported by strong buttresses, and is considered the mother Church to Salisbury Cathedral. The living is a vicarage, in the patronage of the crown. There are three chapels for dissenters. Two fairs are held – one on the 14th of May, for cattle, the other, a statute, on the 11th of October. The parish contained in 1831, 2,290 inhabitants: and by the last census (1841) 2,535.

About three miles N. N. W. from Ramsbury, in the hundred of Selkley, is **Aldbourn** Village, seated in a fertile valley. It was once a market town, and of much greater extent and consequence than at this period, but a fire, which happened in 1760, consumed upwards of seventy houses, and property to the amount of £20,000. Seasonable relief was afforded to the sufferers by a national subscription, but the market was never afterwards good, and is now unattended. The manufacture of fustians, at one time, employed the capital of many respectable residents here, but that branch of trade is likewise lost. The church of St Michael, is an ancient structure: the living is a vicarage in the patronage of the Bishop of Salisbury. The parish contained, in 1831, 1,418 inhabitants, and in 1841, 1,556.

Post Office, Ramsbury, Henry Iles, *Post Master*. – Letters from all parts arrive (from Hungerford by mail cart) every morning at a quarter past seven, and are dispatched to the town every evening at a quarter before seven.

Conveyance by Railway – The nearest station is Swindon, which is about 13 miles from Ramsbury and 10 from Aldbourn (on the Great Western line) from whence passengers may proceed to London and parts west.

Particulars of the various Railways are furnished by the Railway Tables.

Carriers – To Marlborough, Samuel Fowler and Sylvester Butler, every Saturday; and to Newbury, every Tuesday and Thursday.

Gentry and Clergy

Surname	Given Names	Title	Occupation	Place/Parish
Ashley	Sarah	Mrs		Ramsbury
Ball	Henry	Mr		Ramsbury
Batson	Alfred	Esq		Ramsbury
Batt	Martha	Mrs		Ramsbury
Brown		The Misses		Ramsbury
Brown	Mary	Miss		Aldbourn
Crickett	James	Rev		Ramsbury
Douglas	H	Rev		Ramsbury
Fowle	Henry	Rev		Aldbourn
Hawkins	John C.C.B.P.H	Rev		Ramsbury
Kite	Alfred	Mr	Surgeon	Ramsbury
Labouchere	Henry	Right Hon M.P.		Chiltern Lodge
Merrick	Arthur	Rev		Ramsbury
Neate	Stephen	Mr		Aldbourn
Odam	William	Mr		Ramsbury

Popham		Lieut- Gen		Littlecote House
Seagrim	John	Rev		Aldbourn
Seymour	John R	Esq		Crow Wood
Smith	Mary	Mrs		Ramsbury
Smith	Thomas	Esq		Manor House, Ramsbury
Twine	Joseph	Mr		Ramsbury
Wilkins	Mary	Mrs		Ramsbury
Witts	George	Mr		Aldbourn

Academies and Schools

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Ashley	Ann	Ramsbury
King	Rachael	Ramsbury
King	Thomas	Ramsbury
Lovelock	Charlotte	Ramsbury
Odam	Thomas	Ramsbury

Attorneys

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Edwards	Augustas Frederick		Aldbourn
Rowland	William	Agent to the Sun Fire & Life	Ramsbury

Bakers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Avenell	Charles	Ramsbury
Hazell	William	Ramsbury
Palmer	Grace	Aldbourn
Palmer	Martin	Aldbourn
Reason	Elizabeth	Ramsbury
Smith	Elizabeth	Aldbourn
Smith	Joseph	Ramsbury
Ward	Francis	Ramsbury

Blacksmiths and Whitesmiths

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Andrews	James	Ramsbury
Beckingham	Thomas	Ramsbury
Copland	James	Ramsbury
Smith	Joseph	Aldbourn
White	John	Aldbourn

Boot and Shoe Makers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Bayman	William	Ramsbury
Chamberlain	Eli	Ramsbury
Chamberlain	Samuel	Ramsbury
Lawes	William	Ramsbury
Maslin	Jonathan	Ramsbury
Talmage	William	Ramsbury
White	William	Ramsbury

Bricklayers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Cox	John	Ramsbury
Martin	Charles	Ramsbury
Panting	John	Ramsbury
	Joseph	Ramsbury

Butchers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Humphrys	John	Ramsbury
Martin	Henry	Ramsbury
Tomlins	Thomas	Ramsbury
Wilson	George	Ramsbury

Carpenters and Wheelwrights

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Alexander	Ambrose		Ramsbury
Alexander	John		Ramsbury
Butler	John	Builder and Appraiser	Ramsbury
Langfield	James		Ramsbury
Landsdowne	John		Ramsbury
Luke	James		Ramsbury

Grocers and Dealers in Sundries

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Alexander	John		Ramsbury
Alexander	Mary Ann		Ramsbury
Beckingham	Thomas		Ramsbury
Biggs	John		Aldbourn

Cowley	Joseph		Ramsbury
Fowler	John		Ramsbury
Hacker	James		Ramsbury
Hill	Richard	Spirit Merchant)	Ramsbury
Jones	Samuel		Ramsbury
Large	John	Linen draper	Ramsbury
Lawrence	Thomas	Draper	Ramsbury
Maslin	John		Ramsbury
Palmer	Grace		Aldbourn
Palmer	Jane		Aldbourn
Palmer	Martin		Aldbourn
Smith	Elizabeth		Aldbourn
Smith	Joseph		Ramsbury
Taylor	Stephen		Aldbourn
Trimnell	Joseph		Ramsbury

Inns and Public Houses

Surname	Given Names	Name of Inn or Public House	Place/Parish
Bacon	Thomas	'The Bell'	Aldbourn
Richardson	Francis	'The Bell'	Ramsbury
Butler	Sylvester	'The Bleeding Horse'	Ramsbury
Pearce	Sarah	'The Blue Boar'	Aldbourn
Trimnel	Joseph	'The Burdett Arms'	Ramsbury
Moon	John	'The Castle'	Ramsbury
Tomlins	Thomas	'The Crown'	Aldbourn
Barns	Charles	'The Crown and Anchor'	Ramsbury
Livsey	Martha	'The Malt Shovel'	Ramsbury

Maltsters

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Fosbury	Robert Vaisey	Brewer	Ramsbury
Gould	Charles		Aldbourn
Hazell	William		Ramsbury
May	Thomas		Aldbourn
Reed	Nehemiah John		Ramsbury
Smith	Joseph		Aldbourn

Millers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Atherton	Joseph	Ramsbury
Edwards	George	Aldbourn
Edwards	William	Ramsbury
Osmond	John	Ramsbury

Milliners & Dressmakers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Bayman	Jane	Ramsbury
Lawrence	Jane	Ramsbury
Maslin	Jane	Ramsbury

Painters and Glaziers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Davis	William	Ramsbury
Miller	William	Ramsbury

Straw Hat Makers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Chamberlain	Mary	Ramsbury
Copland	Eliza	Ramsbury
Langfield	Hannah	Ramsbury

Tailors

Surname	Given Names	Additional Trade	Place/Parish
Baker	Charles	Draper	Ramsbury
Taylor	Stephen		Aldbourn
Twycross	James		Ramsbury
Twycross	Richard		Ramsbury

Tanners and Curriers

Surname	Given Names	Place/Parish
Ashley	John	Ramsbury
Goddard	Thomas	Ramsbury
Langfield	John	Ramsbury

Miscellaneous

Surname	Given Names	Trade/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bridgman	James	Bell Founder	Aldbourn
Bushell	George	Watch & Clock Maker	Ramsbury
Darknell	Benjamin	Saddler	Ramsbury
Day	Thomas	Beer Retailer and Eating House	Ramsbury
Lawrence	John	Basket and Sieve Maker	Ramsbury
Maslin	John	Furrier	Ramsbury

Pizzie	William	Willow Bonnet Maker	Aldbourn
Smith	George	Brewer	Ramsbury
Wilson	William	Linen & Woollen Draper	Ramsbury