

Kellys Directory Extract 1915 Chilmark



CHILMARK is a village and parish a short distance southward of the road from Salisbury to Hindon and Wincanton, 3 miles north-east from Tisbury and 3 north-west from Dinton railway stations on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the London and South Western railway, 12 west from Salisbury and 9 north-east from Shaftesbury, in the Southern division of the county, Tisbury petty sessional division and union, Dunworth hundred, Shaftesbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion), archdeanery of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Margaret is an ancient structure, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of four bays, transepts, north aisle, south porch, and a noble tower springing from the intersection, with a spire and containing a clock and six bells, two having been added in 1877: an ancient Norman doorway forms the entrance to the aisle: beneath a pointed arch in the south wall of the chancel and in the transept are piscinae: the east window and several others are stained: the church was restored in 1856, at a cost of £1,700. In the churchyard is a modern lychgate. The register dates from the year 1653. The living is a rectory, net yearly value about £300, including 24 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Earl of Pembroke, and held since 1894 by the Rev Griffith Williams, of Jesus College, Oxford. The Reading and Recreation Room was erected in 1910 by Hugh Morrison esg. Most of the land is the property of Capt the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery MVO who is lord of the manor. In this parish are great quarries of siliceous limestone, which have been worked for many centuries, and have yielded the stone used in erecting most of the churches and other buildings in the southern parts of Wilts, as also in the parts of Dorsetshire bordering on this locality; the walls, buttresses, and other substantial parts of Salisbury cathedral, and the new spire of Chichester cathedral, are constructed of Chilmark stone. The soil is light and chalky; subsoil, chalk and flint and stone. The chief crops are barley, wheat and turnips. The area is 3,210 acres; rateable value £1,776; the population in 1911 was 409 in the civil parish, including Ridge, 422 in the ecclesiastical parish.

RIDGE is a tithing, 1.5 miles south-west. Here is a small Congregational chapel. By Local Government Board Order, dated March 25, 1885, a detached part of this parish known as Upper Chilmark Mill was amalgamated with East Tisbury.

Verger and Sexton: Francis Harding

Post Office: Sam Pain, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Salisbury at 5.30am & 2.55pm; dispatched at 11.30am and 7pm. Teffont, 2 miles distant, is the nearest telegraph and money order office.

Elementary School (mixed), with classrooms & master's residence, erected in 1861, at a cost of £1,000 & enlarged in 1895, at a further cost of £200, for 115 children; Edmund Arthur Seamark, master.

Carrier to Salisbury: Sidney Street, Tues. & Sat. returning same day.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Ansdell	Frank			The Cleeves
Bennett	Edward John			Manor Farm
Edmonds	George			South View
Flower	James	JP		The Ridge
Lewis	George M			Chilmark House
Williams	Griffith	Reverend	Rector	Rectory

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	William		Farmer	Ridge
Bennett	Edward jun		Farmer	Manor Farm
Bowles	Levi		Quarry Owner & Stone Merchant	
Coombs	Brian		Blacksmith	
Flower	James	JP	Farmer	Ridge
Gething	TT	& Co	Quarry Owners	
Hannam	William		Farmer	Ridge Farm
Harding	Francis		Carpenter	
Harris	George		Farmer	Ridge
Jukes	Harry W			Black Dog PH
Lidford	F	Hon Sec	Chilmark Reading & Recreation Room	
Pain	Sam		Grocer	Post Office
Street	Sidney		Carrier & Beer Retailer	
Viney	Reginald Tom		Farmer	