

1851 CENSUS: HO107/1664. folio 36. page 3.
Address: Nelson-street, Ryde, Newchurch, IW.

Henry AUSTIN. Head. Mar. 40. Mariner. Newchurch, Hants.
Caroline AUSTIN. Wife. Mar. 38. Newchurch, Hants.
Henry Young AUSTIN. Son. U. 16. Pilot Ast. Newchurch, Hants.
George Edwd AUSTIN. Son. 12. Scholar. Newchurch, Hants.
Caroline Mary AUSTIN. Dau. 7. Newchurch, Hants.
Jane AUSTIN. Mother. Widow. 70. Binstead, Hants.

1861 CENSUS: RG9/658. folio 7. page 10.
Address: Wheatsheaf Inn, Nelson-street, Ryde, IW.

Henry AUSTIN. Head. Mar. 50. Publican. Ryde, IW.
Caroline AUSTIN. Wife. Mar. 48. Publican's Wife. Ryde, IW.
George Edward AUSTIN. Son. Un. 22. Captain of Yacht. Ryde, IW.
Caroline Mary AUSTIN. Dau. Un. 19. Ryde, IW.

1891 CENSUS: RG12/891. folio 100. page 40.
Address: 6 Argyll-place, Ryde, IW.

Margaret SNOW. Head. Wid. 84. Living on her own means. Apley, IW.
Caroline AUSTIN. Serv. Wid. 78. Servant Domestic. Ryde, IW.
Blanche AUSTIN. Serv. S. 45. Dressmaker. Ryde, IW.

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Sat 19th February 1898

Death of Mrs. AUSTIN.---Our obituary records the death of Mrs. AUSTIN, a member of an old Ryde family, who had attained the great age of 86. Mrs. AUSTIN has the distinction of being probably the oldest lady chorister in Great Britain, for it was a fact of which she was not a little proud, that she had been a member of the choir of St. Thomas's Church, Ryde, for a period of 79 years. Of late years Mrs. AUSTIN has resided in the Almshouses erected by Miss BRIGSTOCKE in Player-street, and that lady looked constantly after her well being and comfort. The good old lady attended and sang at church regularly every Sunday, and was there a Sunday or so ago. It will be remembered that she attended the Diamond Jubilee dinner at the Town Hall last year and sang the National Anthem.

Mrs. AUSTIN was laid to rest in the cemetery on Tuesday last, when a great deal of respect was paid to her memory. It is said that Miss BRIGSTOCKE intends to perpetuate the memory of one who had such an extraordinary lengthy connection with the choir, by a tablet in St. Thomas's Church.

From the Book RYDE PUBS by Kevin Mitchell (1996) page 164 - with photo
The Wheatsheaf Inn, 28 Nelson-street, Ryde
It was opened by Henry Austin in 1857 and it closed in 1936.