Sources and References for Guildford Union Workhouse Schoolmistress Mary Ann Ames

The primary sources of information were the Guildford Union Board of Guardians Minute Books, held at the Surrey History Centre, Woking, references BG6/11/1-22. Original Surrey newspapers and parish records are also held there. Board of Guardians meetings were reported extensively in the newspapers of the day, and references to representative articles are given below, sourced through The British Newspaper Archive. Ancestry.co.uk was used for digitised parish, census and other records. Other sources are detailed below. References give names as spelled in documents.

1. **Thomas Ames & Elizabeth Roake** 18 Apr 1805 Marriage London Metropolitan Archives; London Church of England Parish Registers; Spitalfields, Christ Church; ref P93/CTC1/016
2. **Mary Ann James** *sic* 28 Apr 1811 Baptism, 9 April 1811 Birth Family Search; England, Middlesex, Parish Registers; Chiswick, St Nicholas; ref book 7 1798-1812 FamilySearch.org
3. **Elizabeth Roake** 30 Jan 1784 Baptism Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/1/5
4. **Richard James Ames** 24 Mar 1815 Baptism, 17 Mar 1814 Birth *abode Chertsey*
   Thomas Thomas *sic* 23 Mar 1817 Baptism, birth 22 Feb 1817 Birth
   London Metropolitan Archives; London Church of England Parish Registers; Shepperton, St Nicholas; ref DRO/086/004
5. **John Ames** 27 Apr 1823 Baptism, 4 Apr 1823 Birth
   James Richard Ames 27 Apr 1823 Baptism, 3 Sep 1820 Birth
   Ellen Ames 11 Jan 1829 Baptism, 5 Dec 1828 Birth
   Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/4/1
6. **Elizabeth Roake daughter of Sarah Bridger** 30 Jan 1784 Baptism Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/1/5 **Richard Roake & Sarah Bridger** 7 Nov 1784 Marriage Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/2/1 *Grandparents of Mary Ann Ames*
7. **Richard Roake** 6 Sep 1826 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/5/1
   Richard Roake 8 Mar 1827 Probate Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Class PROB 11; Piece 1723; Ref Hober, Quire Numbers 151-200 (1827)
8. **Thomas Ames** 1817 abode Chertsey occupier, Thomas Pudsey proprietor
   Thomas Ames 1821, 1827, 1828, 1830 Chertsey proprietor and occupier, cottage
   Surrey History Centre, Woking; Surrey Land Tax Records; ref 992164
   Thomas Ames 1834, 1835 abode Addlestone Moor own occupation, freehold house & land
9. **John Ames** 27 Nov 1834 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/5/1
10. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** 24 Dec 1836 ref BG6/11/1; page 168

11. **Thomas Ames** 1836 abode Chertsey Workhouse, freehold cottage & garden at Addlestone Moor in occupation of Susannah Ellis
    Surrey History Centre, Woking; Surrey Electoral Registers
12. **Thomas Ames** 1847 freehold cottage & garden at Addlestone Moor, place of abode Guildford
    Surrey History Centre, Woking; Surrey Electoral Registers
13. **Thomas Ames** 18 Oct 1847 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/5/2
14. **Guildford Union** 3 Sep 1836, Surrey Standard, page 1 *Advert for 'Governor and Matron, and Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress' at Godalming Workhouse*
    Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians 17 Dec 1836 ref BG6/11/1; page 168 *Appointment of the Ames as Master & Matron of Godalming Workhouse from 24 Dec 1836*
15. **Guildford Union – Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress Wanted** 26 Nov 1836, Surrey Standard, page 1
16. **The Workings of the New Poor Law, Guildford Union Workhouse - Early Years** The Spike Heritage Centre; Charlotteville Jubilee Trust, Guildford charlotteville.co.uk/the-spike/heritage-centre/the-workhouse *Godalming only just under control*
    Poor Law union Wikipedia.org
17. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** 7 Jan 1837 ref BG6/11/1; page 187 *riot 4 Jan*
    Surrey Sessions, Disturbance in a Workhouse 12 Feb 1837, The Weekly Chronicle; page 7
18. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Aug 1838; ref BG6/11/2; page 115 *appointment Master & Matron*
19. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Aug 1838 ref BG6/11/2; page 133 *appointment schoolteachers, John Woodyer, Mary Ann Ames*
20. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** ref BG6/11/2-4
    John Woodyer Aug 1838, resigned Aug 1839
    Job Spooner Aug 1839, resigned Dec 1840
    Charles Holden Dec 1840, dismissed 'incompetent and unfit' Jan 1841
    James Thayre Jan 1841, pleaded guilty to rape of an inmate and dismissed Sep 1841
    Richard Harwood Sep 1841, resigned Feb 1843
21. **Thomas, Elizabeth, Mary Ann, Ellen Ames** 1841 England Census for Guildford Union Workhouse, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1080; Book 3; Folio 49; Page 1
22. **Richard James Ames & Sarah Bailey** 1 Dec 1840 Marriage Somerset Heritage Service, Taunton; Somerset Parish Records; Walcot, St Swithin; Ref D\P\wal.sw/2/1/35
    Richd, Sarah Ames 1841 England Census for Windsor St, Chertsey, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1074; Book 7; Folio 47; Page 14
23. **Thomas Ames** 1841 England Census for Bentley, Hampshire; Class HO107; Piece 394; Book 1; Folio 6; Page 6
24. **James Ames** 1841 England Census for High St, Godalming, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1073; Book 4; Folio 8; Page 8
25. **Guildford Union Workhouse** 1841 England Census for Guildford Union Workhouse, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1080; Book 3; Folio 49; Pages 1-20
26. **Workhouse Schools** Education in the Workhouse Workhouses.org.uk

27. **Duties of the Schoolmaster and Schoolmistress**
Punishments for the Misbehaviour of the Paupers
Visiting Committee
The General Consolidated Order Issued by the Poor Law Commissioners 24th July 1847, and the Other General Orders Applicable to the Unions to which that Order is Addressed; with a Commentary and Notes on the Several Articles, author William Cunnigham Glen Available at Google Books Google.co.uk/books
28. **Life for Children in the Workhouse** A Brief History issue 2 March 2010 author Kay Handford; publisher The Charlotteville Jubilee Trust Ltd
29. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Apr/May 1839 ref BG6/11/2; page 321 *Guardian CA Mangles raises concern over standards of teaching*
page 335 *Visiting Committee refutes concern over standards of teaching*
30. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Feb 1843 ref BG6/11/4; from page 337 *Resignation of Richard Harwood, correspondence with Poor Law Commissioners*
31. **Ellen Ames** 1851 England Census for 32 High St, Guildford Holy Trinity, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1594; Folio 586; Page 24
32. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Jun 1845 ref BG6/11/6; from page 17 *Complaint against schoolmaster*
33. **Thomas Ames** 18 Oct 1847 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Chertsey, St Peter; Ref Chy/5/2
34. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Oct 1847 ref BG6/11/7; SurreyCC.gov.uk *appointment of JR Ames as Master*
35. **E.C. Tufnell : Inspector of Poor Law Schools, 1847-1874** 1976 History of Education, vol 5, no 3, 227-240; author RJ Phillips
36. **General Report by Her Majesty's Inspector of Schools** Mr E Carleton Tufnell, Parochial Union Schools, 1848/9; Committee of Council on Education
37. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Apr 1852 ref BG6/11/9; page 361 *Complaint against MA Ames, competency*
38. **Workhouse Improvements** 7 Nov 1857 Surrey Times; page 2
39. **The Workhouse Schools** 8 May 1858 West Surrey Times; page 3
40. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** ref BG6/11/12; page 361 *Inspector suggests separate drying & laundry yard (p361 is Nov 1857)*
41. **James Richard Ames & Sarah Margaret White** 11 Nov 1851 Marriage Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Stoke Next Guildford, St John the Evangelist; Ref STK/2/5
James Richard, Sarah Margarett, James Richard, Thomas, Elizabeth, Ellen Ames 1861 England Census for Guildford Union Workhouse, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class RG9; Piece 427; Folio 88; Page 1
Fanny Sarah Ames Jul-Aug-Sep 1862 England & Wales Civil Registration Birth Index; Guildford; vol 2A; page 46
Diana Mary Ann Ames *Oct-Nov-Dec 1865 England & Wales Civil Registration Birth Index; Guildford; vol 2A; page 50*
42. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Apr 1863 ref BG6/11/14; from page 412 *JR Ames resigns, new Master & Matron appointed, Elizabeth Ames awarded two thirds pension*
43. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Sep 1863 ref BG6/11/14; page 495 *Mary Ann reprimand for not sleeping next to children's rooms*

44. **Elizabeth Sarah Ames** 15 Aug 1868 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Stoke Next Guildford, St John the Evangelist; Ref STK/5/3
Elizabeth Sarah Ames Memorial St John's Churchyard; Stoke Next Guildford FindAGrave.com
45. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Sep 1869 ref BG6/11/17; page 36 *Inspection*
46. **Elementary Education Act 1870** Education in the UK education-uk.org
47. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Nov-Jan 1874 ref BG6/11/18; *Resignation of schoolmaster Mr Johnstone; appointment of schoolmistress Miss Ann Matthews Rooke*
48. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Feb-Mar 1875 ref BG6/11/18; from page 299 *resignation of Miss Rooke, revert back to schoolmaster at £35 p.a.*
49. **Schoolmaster or Mistress?** 6 Mar 1875 West Surrey Times; page 2
50. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** from Feb 1877 ref BG6/11/19; *Resignation of schoolteacher Mr Buck; Workhouse children to Stoke School*
The Children's Education 3 Mar 1877 West Surrey Times; page 8
Board of Guardians 12 May 1877 West Surrey Times; page 8
51. **Boys' School Log Book 1875-1881, Stoke-Next-Guildford Parochial Schools** 5 Feb 1877 ref 2075/2; page 70 *13 Workhouse boys to Stoke School*
52. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** Nov 1882 ref BG6/11/20; page 356 *Report of Inspector of Schools Wyndham Holgate*
53. **Christmas at the Workhouse** 29 Dec 1883 West Surrey Times; page 5
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55. **Guildford Union – Schoolmistress for the Workhouse School** 10 Aug 1885 Surrey Advertiser; page 1
56. **Minutes of the Guildford Union Board of Guardians** from Sep 1885 ref BG6/11/21 *Appointment of schoolmistress; 27 Oct 1885 advert for schoolmistress for the Workhouse school*
57. **Guildford, Board of Guardians** 2 Mar 1886 Epsom Journal; page 3
58. **The Religious Examinations School Board** 10 Jan 1887 Surrey Advertiser; page 3
59. **Richard James Ames & Sarah Bailey** 1 Dec 1840 Marriage Somerset Heritage Service, Taunton; Somerset Parish Records; Walcot, St Swithin; Ref D\P\wal.sw/2/1/35
Richard James Ames & Ann Nash 24 Feb 1800 Marriage South West Heritage Trust, Taunton; Somerset Parish Records; Bathwick, St Mary; Ref D\P\Batw.M/2/1/16
60. **Richard J, Ann, Mary Ann Ames** 1891 England Census for 11 West St, Freshford, Somerset; Class RG12; Piece 1930; Folio 136; Page 8 *Richard a rent collector*
61. **The Workhouse** 1891 England Census for Guildford Union Workhouse, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class RG12; Piece 560; Folio 199; Page 1 *Officers Master, Matron, Assistant Matron, Porter, Tailor, Caretaker, Nurse, Nurse, Labor Master, Labor Mistress*
62. **Mary Ann Ames** 20 Aug 1891 England & Wales Civil Registration Death Index; Bath; vol 5C; page 336
63. **Mary Ann Ames** 24 Aug 1891 Burial Freshford Cemetery; plot NC 266 Ancestry/FindAGrave.com

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    Sarah Ames 4 Feb 1879 Burial Freshford Cemetery; plot NC 266 Ancestry/FindAGrave.com *first wife of Richard*
65. **Richard, Sarah Ames** 1851 England Census for Halliford, Shepperton, Middlesex; Class HO107; Piece 1696; Folio 37; Page 1 *Richard a coachman*
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    Richard, Sarah Ames; Sarah Baily 1871 England Census for Church St, Freshford, Somerset; Class RG10; Piece 1923; Folio 6; Page 1 *house agent*
    To be Let 21 May 1874 Bath Chronicle, page 4 *plus many other adverts in 1870s*
    Richard J, Ann, Ellen *niece* **Ames** 1881 England Census for Trowbridge Rd, Freshford, Somerset; Class RG11; Piece 2050; Folio 94; Page 2 *general agent/carman*
    Richard J, Ann, Mary Ann Ames 1891 England Census for 11 West St, Freshford, Somerset; Class RG12; Piece 1930; Folio 136; Page 8 *rent collector*
66. **The License of the Sandford Arms** 27 May 1865 Surrey Advertiser; page 2
67. **Charge of Embezzlement** 11 Jun 1870 West Surrey Times; page 2 Sanford Arms landlord Harry Honey
68. **James R, Sarah R, James R, Thomas H, Ellen, Fanny S, Diana M Ames** 1871 England Census for Addison Rd, Guildford Holy Trinity, Surrey; Class RG10; Piece 813; Folio 20; Page 32 *plumber's lab*
69. **James R, Sarah M, James R, Diana MA Ames** 1881 England Census for 35 Addison Rd, Guildford Holy Trinity, Surrey; Class RG11; Piece 778; Folio 24; Page 42 *Bailiff of County Court*
70. **James Richard Ames** 31 Jul 1889 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Guildford, St Nicholas; Ref GUN/5/2
71. **Thomas Ames** 1841 England Census for Bentley, Hampshire; Class HO107; Piece 394; Book 1; Folio 6; Page 6
72. **Thomas Ames & Ann Windebank** 27 Jun 1844 Marriage Hampshire Archives, Winchester; Anglican Bishops' Transcripts; Bentley, St Mary; Ref 80001/1/10
73. **Thomas, Ann Ames** 1851 England Census for Swan Lane, Guildford St Mary, Surrey; Class HO107; Piece 1594; Folio 524; Page 35 *Grocer's porter*
    Thomas, Annie Ames 1861 England Census for Bank Cottages, Swan Lane, Guildford St Mary, Surrey; Class RG9; Piece 428; Folio 40; Page 25 *Grocer's warehouseman*
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    Thomas Ames 29 Jan 1881 Burial Surrey Church of England Parish Registers; Stoke Next Guildford, St John the Evangelist; Ref STK/5/4
    Thomas and Ann Ames Memorial St John's Churchyard; Stoke Next Guildford FindAGrave.com
75. **Borough Bench** 14 Feb 1881 Surrey Advertiser; page 2 *Transfer of off licence from Thomas Ames to his widow*
76. **Ann Ames** 1891 England Census for 3 Drummond Rd, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class RG12; Piece 559; Folio 98; Page 32 *beer house keeper*
    Ann Ames 1901 England Census for Springfield House Tavern, Stoke Next Guildford, Surrey; Class RG13; Piece 603; Folio 40; Page 23 *retired laundress*

77. **Ann Ames** 3 Jan 1910 Death Stoke Old Cemetery; plot A, 1-N Ancestry/FindAGrave.com
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    Ellen Ames 1861 England Census for Gothic House, Wimbledon, Surrey; Class RG9; Piece 454; Folio 48; Page 18 *servant*
    Ellen Ames 1871 England Census for 4 Belmont, Hove, Brighton, Sussex; Class RG10; Piece 1091; Folio 36; Page 66 *nurse*
    Ellen Ames 1881 England Census for 4 Belmont, Dyke Rd, Hove, Brighton, Sussex; Class RG11; Piece 1095; Folio 58; Page 52 *matron domestic*
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