

OTHER DESCENDANTS
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Julie

I posted my working tree and other items to you yesterday. Hopefully they should arrive today as I sent them first class.

Initially I thought Richard and his son would be the other "O"s but a "I" still lends to my theory that Keith and of course Brian's tree will eventually join up to the main Wiltshire branch and Richard's DNA results merely confirm this. Egotistically I'm keen to be able to definitively do the joining up but realistically I think it unlikely unless the other "O"s have information which would immediately make it all clear to us - say they have access to the Family Bible and it goes back a few more generations than currently we know about. I still wonder about Edward Goddard of Hungerford whose Will seems to indicate that he was the writer of the recipe/receipt book. This was left at the Tottenham Park Estate and we know James Goddard (that name again) was born at Tottenham Park because he always mentions it in the census returns. Its interesting it was kept by people other than Goddards.

I should mention that I have never seen the original of the Prayer Book having a photocopy sent to me. The man who owns it is well into his 90s and although he has a son from what I have heard he is adopted. I have tentatively put out a feeler via his niece that if ever the family wanted to dispose of the Prayer Book I hope they would come to Keith.

I am sure you are right about John being able to sign his name when he married. Perhaps that is the only thing he could do. People born and bred in Essex have a reputation for being very insular compared to the rest of the country. I think anyone who could read and write in Essex at that time would not necessarily pass the knowledge on to someone else. That said just because you couldn't read and write doesn't mean to say you are not clever. You probably have to be even more clever and that goes for today as well. There is a man a couple of doors away from me who obviously had problems when learning to read and write and basically as a pensioner he still can't do it except for a few things like signing his name. His wife sorts everything out for him. Luckily he has children because he is going to be lost if his wife dies first.

Its funny we are the researchers and not our husbands - a family trait? If I do manage to get Keith's tree back to the 13th century I will be elated but also jealous. I don't think there is a chance of my getting past 1790 let alone into the 13th century on my own tree. Collins is such a "popular" surname. No tie in with Ireland although a family tradition mentions it.

I think I had better close now and start some housework.

If anything strikes you about these documents please let me know. I had used Dr Stokes before getting him to look at Kingsclere Goddards/Knights. If you would like a copy of his report on this I am happy to sent you a photocopy.

Best wishes.

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As well as my working family tree of the Goddard Family and the Prayer Book I am sending a copy of a report I received from Dr Phil Stokes. I asked him to check into the information in the Prayer Book. I had forgotten about one of the conclusions of his report. It was he who first drew my attention to East Woodhay but he said the IGI was wrong both on date and that the father's name was given but not one for the mother. You will see he looked at the original entries and he was thinking that the parents of John were Johannes and Maria Goddard who had connections with Kingsclere and are possibly the same couple who had a child Rebecca baptised in Tanglely (near Hurstbourne Tarrant).

He sent a copy of the entry of John and Lydia's marriage with the report. All it really showed was that John could sign his name but Lydia could not. As John could sign his name I feel this points to a higher social status at least at one point. Would a child born of an ordinary labourer be able to read and write in the 1720s? I don't know enough about history on this point but I would have thought not judging by my father's side who were labourers. Was this the one who decided to ride his horse up to the big house and as a result had a change in circumstances?

As soon as I can get out I will post the documents to you.

Jeanne

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Julie

Thanks for the email.

I had a go at some more wild card searches on the internet. It soon became apparent that Oxenwood was once under Shalbourne Parish but in 1786 it was added to Tidcombe Parish. In the late 12th century Tidcombe was held by Henry Hussey (now we have heard that name before). A recent document mentions there is an element of an isolated position as far as Oxenwood is concerned. This may be why we know little about the Oxenwood Goddards.

I will be posting my working copy of the Goddard Family Tree. You will see on it I have included possible first marriages of John Goddard of Hurstbourne Tarrant and Charles Goddard who married at Burbage. My main reason for suspecting a first marriage for both of these men is whilst they marry and/or live in another parish they have connections with parishes that are connected to Keith's side. As to John Goddard there is a man of the same name marrying a Sarah Wedge in Hurstbourne Priors but they are having children baptised in Hurstbourne Tarrant. No death entry has been found for Sarah Goddard nee Wedge but they appear to be the only Goddards in Hurstbourne Tarrant at that time until a John Goddard marries Lydia Batchelor. The later marriage does not name any son John as one might have expected. As to Charles Goddard there is a man of the same name marrying a Hannah Townshend in Great Bedwyn and 2 of the children from this marriage are connected with Kintbury.

Charles' parents John and Lydia appear to have lived in Tidcombe for a while as they had a son Alfred baptised there.

If you handed everything over to the new co-ordinator would you like me to send you a copy of the Prayer Book entries which first sent us on the trail of Hurstbourne Tarrant?

Yes Keith would like a copy of Peter's sheet if possible. I'm anticipating it might be slightly different from Keith's as it will be aimed at Peter's DNA exclusively. The one step away brings Keith and Brian into Richard's tree too.

Its beginning to cloud over here. I'm not surprised as heavy rain has been forecast for late this afternoon and tomorrow. Hope it is nicer where you are.

Best wishes.

Jeanne

On 3/14/08, **Julie Goddard** <ju

Jeanne

Hurrah! We have now worked out what the DNA people have done. peter has explained the colours and sent a copy of the sheet which was sent to him.
Grey= no difference Pale blue = a very close match, only one difference
Yellow = three differences Uncoloured four or more differences.

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Julie

I have been having trouble with my Sky email today - it could be the weather. I typed a reply to you this afternoon but when I sent it the system seemed to freeze. I tried saving it under drafts but that hasn't worked either. The wretched thing is not showing up anywhere. Its either lost in the ether or you may have received it. I am presuming you didn't and that is why I am writing this email.

I came across Bishops Waltham (which seems to be connected to Botley in some way) when I did a wild card search against Fanny Churcher on the internet and IGI. There was a Frances Churcher being baptised in Bishops Waltham who could have been Brian's ancestor (but is probably a little young if baptised shortly after birth). I used the batch number for Bishops Waltham to then do a surname search on that register against Goddard. It was then I found Hannah Goddard. Hers was the only Goddard baptism recorded. With her father being James Goddard her entry interested me. James Goddard had to find his wife from somewhere. Perhaps he married a friend of his sister. Have you ever tried doing batch searches in the IGI? I also like doing wild card searches in the search engine of Google. It was this way I discovered another child for John and Lydia Goddard but this time at Tidcombe. I would probably not have discovered it any other way. Of course I checked the information by buying the Tidcombe Baptisms and Burials registers published by Wiltshire FHS.

When Charles Goddard married Elizabeth Few in Burbage the witnesses were James and Mary Goddard of Shalbourne. I suspect Charles might have been related in some way to James and maybe his son James was named after the witness. There is so far no other James further up Keith's tree. In the Tidcombe burials there is a record of the burial of James Goddard of Oxenwood, Shalbourne on 23rd January 1829. He was 60 at the date of death. This man could have been the witness or related to him.

If Brian's tree does not end up at East Woodhay, Oxenwood/Shalbourne will be my next best guess. It could turn out that it will be both places. The main thing about Keith's James is that he could read and write. Surely that meant something at the beginning of the 19th century as far as the standing of your family was concerned? Would the labouring Goddards at East Woodhay been able to read and write.

What a sad thing about Richard's son-in-law it must be very disappointing about not I agree with you about approaching Peter. He might have written to Richard agreeing for his information to be given

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I also wonder whether Richard got such a response when the various Goddards received their results they didn't. I was this query about 8 people who were sampled as possibly not being from the clan. They might have decided to cut their losses or even be sorry they had had the DNA test.

I shall be interested to hear what Peter says.

Also Keith, like Brian, isn't interested in ancestry. When I get a result he gets interested. He loved showing his results to an ex work colleague who most definitely is interested in family history.

Best wishes.

Jeanne

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Julie

In Brian's hunt for the parents of James Goddard has he looked at Bishops Waltham, which is not far from Botley? I found a Hannah Goddard being baptised there whose parents were James and Kitty Goddard (nee Fox) - a possible sister for James. Hannah appears to be the only Goddard being baptised there. James and Kitty were married at Bishops Waltham on the 25th October 1784. Churchers also live in the parish.

When I did a wild card search via Google on "Bishops Waltham" up popped a newsletter for the Durley History Society which refers to a Robert Pink of Botley. The newsletter is No.2 January 2002 and the site is

www.durley,hampshire.org.uk/dhspages

I think Botley and Bishops Waltham were connected in some way years ago just as Burbage and Hurstbourne Tarrant were.

The old road to Winchester goes through Bishop Waltham.

I've a funny feeling Brian's search might end up at East Woodhay. I'm convinced the baptism Keith is looking for in respect of John Goddard (and his brother George 2 years earlier) are both at East Woodhay but the Vicar has rather inconveniently recorded "Goddard" as the parent.

Best wishes.

Jeanne



18/03/05

Dear Jean,

What a fantastic find that Prayer Book was! It is just the kind of document every family historian prays will turn up (if you'll excuse the pun).

I concur with your conclusions. It certainly looks as though this is the correct family, and you have correctly matched up the entries with the known dates concerning your Goddards. One point though. You say the 0 does not appear in the date 1805 for Lidel (sic) Goddards death, but it is there! It is on the downstroke of the 5, very small and indistinct, and clearly written quickly, but it is there. However that does not detract from what you say.

I have copied the marriage entry for John and Lydia, but I'm afraid it does not add to your knowledge, except that the marriage was by licence. Unfortunately the licence does not survive, a shame as this may have given additional information such as occupation, age, state and place of residence. However as a licence was issued it may indicate that John was a widow, and this could account for the 'other' John Goddard who has children by a Sarah. These children are baptised in Hurstbourne Tarrant between 1751 and 1758 (John on July 12th 1751, Mary on August 7th 1753, Elizabeth on September 27th 1755 and Sarah on March 15th 1758), but I can find no burial of a Sarah Goddard in Hurstbourne Tarrant between 1758 and 1760, nor indeed in the whole of Hampshire. The only one close in date is one buried in Stockbridge on December 11th 1757. This John married Sarah Wedge in Hurstbourne Priors on December 27th 1748, but again there is no indication from that marriage entry where either of them came from. Although remaining cautious, I would suggest that this is the same John, and that his wife and daughter, both called Sarah¹, died either outside Hampshire, or in a parish whose records have not survived, or perhaps she left him, and 'disappeared'. However another possibility is that the Sarah baptised in 1758 was an error by the vicar and should be the mother's burial date (unlikely, but not beyond possibility)

I checked the surrounding parishes for the baptism of a John Goddard (Hurstbourne Priors, St Mary Bourne, Tangle, Crux Easton), but there was none. Looking at those

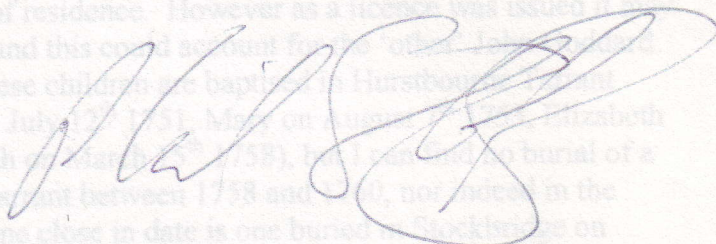
¹ He had another Sarah baptised in 1768, so the first one must have died

parishes covered by the IGI and then checking the original entries resulted in only one possible candidate in Hampshire, that of a John Goddard baptised on March 1st 1727/8 (not 1726 as appears in the IGI), in East Woodhay. His father was named as John, but the space for the mother's name was left blank. This tells me that the vicar was not familiar with the family, and thus possibly indicates that the family were transient. This would tie in with the possibility that the father was the same Johannes (sic) Goddard who married Maria (sic) Fry in Kingsclere on October 3rd 1723, and that this couple are probably the John and Maria Goddard who had a daughter Rebecca baptised in Tangley on April 19th 1730. Perhaps John was moving around north-west Hampshire seeking work, although he may later have returned to Kingsclere or settled in East Woodhay since at least one John was buried in either place in later years that would fit this John.

You also asked me to check the Court Books of Bolton of Hackwood (11M49/11-12), but I'm afraid there were no courts held in Kingsclere manor for the years 1836-46, and thus it is probably best to try Oxford Record Office, as Hampshire do not have records for Witney.

I hope that is OK. If you have any thoughts on where John may have come from let me know. Being right on the Berkshire and Wiltshire borders makes following this family a nightmare! And having the first name John does not help! There seem to be more John Goddards being buried than there are John Goddards being baptised, so I suspect some baptisms are missing.

Yours,



Phil Stokes

CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY
PURSUANT TO THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATIOON ACT 1953

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DEATH Entry no. 178

Registration district of Newbury
Sub district Newbury County of Berks

Cuthbert John GODDARD

Date & place of death 6th February 1977 Newbury District Hospital
Date and place of birth 6th May 1896 Speen Berks

Occupation Carpenter and Joiner, retired
15 Majendie Close, Speen, Newbury

Name and surname of informant John Freeman Goddard son, present at death
Usual address 11 Park Street, Newbury

Cause of Death 1a broncho pneumonia b Carcinoma of Lung
Certified by H.M.Fisher M.B.

Signed John F. Goddard 7th Feb 1977
H.E.Robertson Registrar

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