



8 th. October 2004.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Having found the GODDARD SOCIETY ASSOCIATION address in the Family History Magazine I am contacting you in the hope that you or someone in your membership can possibly help us with some information.

For some years now my husband and I have researched our family name of BRINSDEN and during this research the GODDARD and SMITH surnames have cropped up several times, even to the extent that a friend and fellow researcher of ours found some BRINSDEN papers held with GODDARD papers in the WILTSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL & HISTORY MUSEUM in Devizes.

My husband's four times great grandfather married a woman named ANNE SMITH in 1770/3 and we are wondering if Ann was a member of the SMITH family who intermarried with the Goddard family (i.e. Edward Goddard of Ogbourne St. Andrew, Wilts. had a daughter who married Matthew Smith of Tockenham, Wilts., and their son was named GODDARD SMITH, born in 1686).

The Rev. John Brinsden (born 1676-died 1744) lived in Tockenham and was the Rector of the church there for 32 years, and in Mr. Goddard Smith's diary, which is also housed in the museum in Devizes, several references are made to MR. GODDARD, MR. SMITH and MR. & MRS. BRINSDEN dining with Lord Bolingbroke at Lydiard Tregoze and at Tockenham.

If any further information can be added regarding the GODDARD, SMITH and BRINSDEN family ties by any of your members, plus any information between them and the AYLIFFE family who intermarried with the Brinsdens and who were also involved with Goddard Smith at his house in Tockenham, Wiltshire, we would be most grateful to receive it. Goddard Smith had a John Ayliffe in his service whose son, also named John Ayliffe, was educated at Goddard Smith's expense at Harrow School, and subsequently this John Ayliffe junior married MISS SARAH BRINSDEN, daughter of the above mentioned Rev. John Brinsden of Tockenham, in 1738.

All these known facts point to a family connection between the GODDARDS, SMITHS and BRINSDENS and we are hoping to prove that ANN SMITH was a member of the Smiths who married the Goddards, though we realise of course that the name SMITH is particularly difficult to research.

I enclose a stamped addressed envelope for your reply.

With many thanks,
Yours faithfully,

Imley & David Brinsden.

GODDARD SMITH

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The Goddard Association
of Europe



14 October 2004

Dear Mr & Mrs Brinsden,

Thank you for your letter and stamped envelope.

We have known about Goddard Smith and his diary from the early days of the association as one of our founder members is greatly interested in him. As your enquiry is mainly about the Brinsden and Smith and Ayliffe families I will put you in touch with her, rather than delve into our Goddard files.

She is Miss Jennifer Walker, of Great Lype Farm, Charlton, Malmesbury, Wilts. SN16 7JA and I have phoned her and she is willing to help you from her files.

I would also suggest that you read "Wiltshire Forefathers" and "Past people in Wiltshire and Gloucestershire" by Countess June Badeni. I think the books are out of print now but the Wiltshire Libraries will have copies.

One of our members is at present doing research into his Goddard family of West Berkshire and has found that there is a connection with the Ayliffe family, through another Goddard branch based on Castle Eaton on Berkshire/Oxfordshire borders and East Woodhay in Hampshire. These are probably a different branch of the Ayliffes, who seem to have been as prolific as the Goddards, but when he contacts us with a copy of his findings I will let you know of any relevant information.

Your sincerely,

(Mrs) Julie Goddard

Research Co-ordinator



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his own house' said unto ... local history
led him to transcribe the diary of Goddard
Smith of Tockenham 1706-1742

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To Goddard Smith Esq.,
at Tottenham near Wootton Bassett in Wiltshire

Tidworth December 30 1740

I am ashamed to be so troublesome; I applied to you all through this affair as a friend, without any mediation which I might have had, I don't doubt. Mr Grinfield was not so positive in the particular I mentioned, but I thought I deserved room to renew my solicitation. I should put it the affair upon this single issue, upon the Lady's own will, if I thought you would give leave. I am sensible of my little merit, but I have such an opinion of her, that I would venture to stand or fall by her word, and if I fall it will be wishing her all the happiness in the world. I wish you the wishes of the season in Roman style *Multos in felices* to the lady in Mr Waller's who says

Madam New Year may well expect to find welcome [upon?] you to whom they are so kind. I am with entire dependance upon your goodness

Your most obedient and very humble servant

J. Goddard

PS Do write two words you should be glad to see me, that favour will break me of theness occasioned by my importunity and ill conduct of this matter. You may assure yourself I will act with honour and decency – though – I am ordered to quit all thoughts of the lady which would be a grief to me, but I must submit to yours within this thing, and cannot mentioning beyond what is your permission.

Dear Mr.

Widworth. Decr. 30. 1740.

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 in Roman. like Mr. Otter of felices. To the Ladies
 in Mr Waller's. who says -
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 welcome to you, to whom there are so kind.
 I am with entire respect, dance upon your
 Goodness - your most Obedient And
 Grateful servant. Goddards

To
 Goddard - Mr. 29
 At the Church near Kington
 Place
 Mr. Otter

From Mr. Spibfield



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To Goddard Smith Esq.,
at Tottenham near Wootton Bassett in Wiltshire

Sir

Tidworth December 13 1740

Misfortunes and my letters seldom come singly. I wish I could come myself as you have half permitted me, but I feared to urge my suit against your prohibition. I could have told Miss Molly many things with sincerity. All I can say is, I have a house and a heart at her service, and I should only have two things in my thought, to make a good Divine and a good husband. If I cannot be so happy to endeavour the last, I must bend my thoughts more intensely on the former. I hope I have not forfeited your good opinion, then I should be more unhappy, being with truth,

Your most obedient servant

J. Goddard

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humble servant, J. Goddard.

To
Goddard, Smith & Co
at Tottenham
written by Adair
in prison

For

Gdd. Smith Esq.

at Farrington to be left at Mr Baylis Apothecary Evesham, Worcestershire

or Mr J. Browne A.ree.[?]

From London June ye 7th 1726

Dear Cousin,

forget you do me ye honor to yourself I heartily wish you and your spouse all happiness this world can give..... and that my assistance of anyto you.....you.... sent is to satisfy.....

ye quantity you desire him?.....my father brother & sister give therein.....to Aunt and also to yourself and spouse and nei.....who all work for much joy please to accept ye same service from

Your obliged humble servant and kinswoman

Martha Oliver

Dear Sir

London June 24th 1626

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~~of my wife and I have~~
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Hon^r Geo. Smith Esq
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be left at Mr

Baylor's Apothecary or
Mr Godham

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