

5th Sep 2002. Thank for
stamps



Dear Julie, (if I may be so bold to call you thus!)

I just had to write to thank you for your letter of welcome to the Goddard Assoc, and for the transcription of Thomas Goddard's will plus information etc, and of course a copy of Allen Goddard (of Plymouth) family tree. It all made fascinating reading and was such a thrill to arrive so unexpectedly (guess we all love nice surprises, whatever our age!) It was also good to have someone else's research confirm (or at least agree with) your own endeavours - it's the first time I've ever had this happen, despite numerous surname entries in various F.H.S journals. Great!

I've just ordered some photocopies of wills and admons from Hants Record Office - would your Association like to have copies for future reference, and/or copies of Goddard mentions I've taken from Alton parish registers for my own research? Let me know.

I've also just sent a letter to Gem Wishart, so I'll keep my fingers crossed.

My line definitely goes back to the Thomas ment-

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ioned earlier. After that it gets hazy, and I shall soon be hiring more films through the L.D.S at Helston. (i.e. their family history research centre where I do all my research - though not of Mormon persuasion!)

I'm sorry this letter is going on so Julie, you must have little time to spare, but may I ask one question?

As I've researched the Goddard line, I've of course delved into the I.G.1 (1992) and keep coming across a woman who has already entered 'my' forebears names. Usually with precise D.O.B.s, it's kind of eerie as I discover someone only to find she's been there before me! Her earlier entries are as Alice Kate GODDARD (e.g. see Geo' Nicholas Goddard - B - 19 Nov 1846 Alton) and entered 1933, and later she's obviously married and entries are under Alice Kate NOTTRIDGE (see Mary Ann MAYCOCK - B 25 Mar 1845 Ardover) that's put in in 1940.

Do you know, or can suggest, how to find out if, and/or where, she might have a family tree kicking about?

Her mentions go well back into the 1600s and she certainly has some kind of family knowledge.

Anyway, "enough!", I hear you cry. Thanks again

Best wishes

Pete (West).

ALTON / BENTLEY

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8 September 2002

Dear Jim (if I may call you that)

Thank you for your letter and I am pleased that you have been able to make use of the material I sent. Yes, please I would like copies of wills and admons - however you will probably find, on the back of the copies that will be sent to you, that copying is prohibited. Your copies of the entries in the parish registers and hand or type written copies of wills are not prohibited.

We have a lot of records from Hawley and Yateley, but not much from Alton. However, as Peter Tipton, who has been staging an exhibition of the Goddard families from around Yateley comments "the Goddards were a large family straddling about five or six parishes, and the individual members migrated back and forth". I am not sure how far Alton is from Yateley but I think that the same applies. Allen told of his early days in Bentley and said that he knew several of the figures appearing in the TV programme "The Village".

Also we have long been interested in the early Goddards of Crondall nearby where the first name of "Holland" occurs. The later representatives of this line appear to have migrated to Finchampstead in Berkshire.

Looking through our early files I see that I had a letter in 1995 from Mrs E.J.Hawkins of 10 Moathouse Lane, Canley, Coventry, West Midlands CV4 8EF who writes "My great great grandmother was Hannah Goddard baptised 11.2.1819, the day her parents got married and they were Jane Goddard and Edward Ayling. Jane was baptised at Alton on 21.8.1799 parents Thomas and Ann Goddard... Edward Ayling died at Alton on 8.5.1842 his age was given as 42 years. His wife Jane died at Alton on 28.1.1837 her age was given as 37 years. Hannah Goddard was known as Hannah Ayling Goddard. These are the other children of Thomas and Ann Goddard:

James 19.2.1792
John 25.12.1793
Charles 20.12.1796
Anne 6.1.1802
Sarah 25.5.1804
Thomas 23.5.1806
Benjamin 4.8.1809
Hannah 27.12.1814"

Mrs Hawkins did not join the association and I have had no further contact with her. She was however a member of the Hampshire Genealogical Society.

I see that I have made a note that

Thomas Goddard married Ann Hooker at Bentley 29 Sept 1789. They had a son Thomas baptised at Bentley in 1790 but then appear to have left the parish

Thomas Goddard is perhaps the one buried at Alton on 19th July 1834 aged 67

Ann Goddard buried Alton 4th December 1815 aged 45

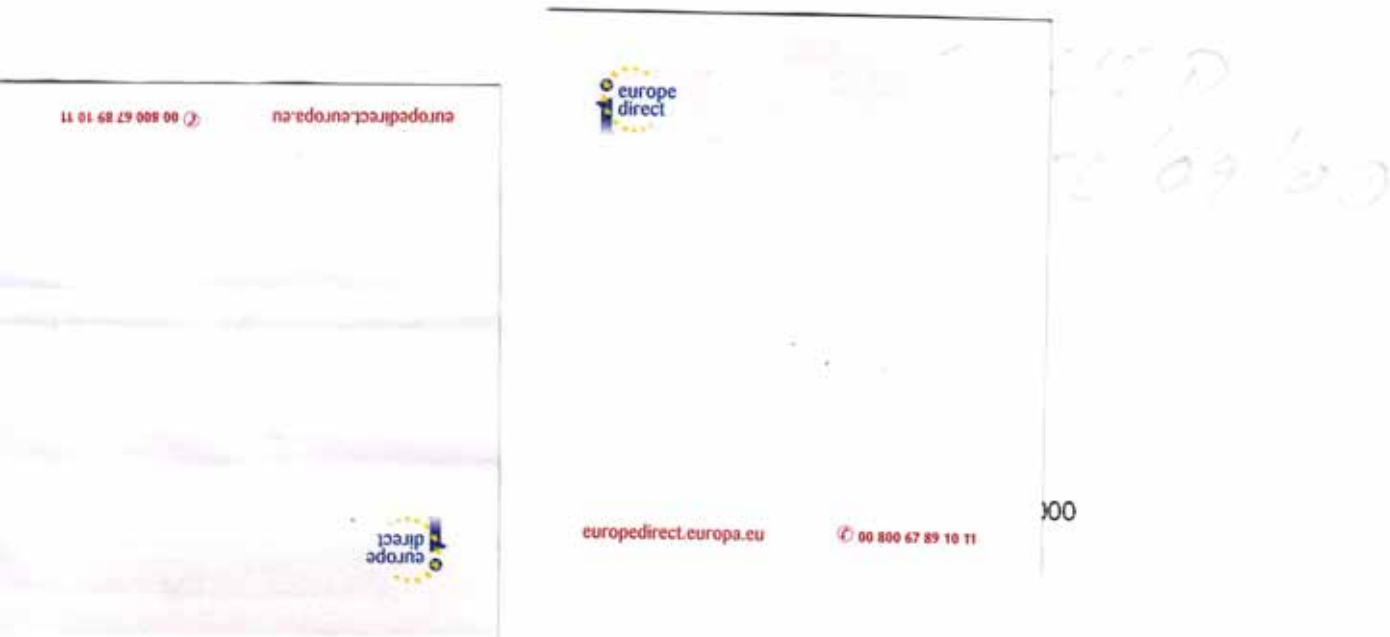
Jim Wishart spends winter in Greece I believe, but I have an address there - which might or might not now apply. Let me know if he does not answer you.

I too have had little success with advertising in family history magazines. But one reply was interesting to say the least; one advert of mine produced the grand daughter of my grandfather's (hitherto unknown to us) illegitimate son by his cousin! I don't think my mother knew about the child either; she couldn't have kept quiet about it for 84 years, could she?

As to the person who has been making entries in the IGI. It is probable that she is a Mormon who has presented her family tree to the Mormon Temple for her ancestors to be baptised - which is their primary purpose in producing the IGI. There is an introductory fiche, or a page at the beginning of the films, which tells you how to find out about the origin of the record. I keep telling people this, but have never tried it out myself. If you ask the staff at the LDS centre they may be able to tell you more. On the other hand the staff are appointed more so that they can learn what is on the records, rather than for being of help. Do get back to me if you need any more help.

Thank you for the stamps, but if you have paid your donation for the year you need not pay any more. I get my expenses paid. Please let me have a copy of your tree when you have put it together. Please do not get run over by a bus - or whatever- and leave no instructions about what to do with your research, as Allen and Ray unfortunately omitted to do. If the Association folds all our records will be deposited in the Goddard Library at The Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society in Devizes and kept for posterity.

BENTLEY



Dear Brian and Julie

May I impose on your valuable time with a query please? I have over the last few years been researching my family at Bentley and came to a grinding halt in the early 1700's. Further investigation has shown that the Goddards were not in Bentley before 1700 as I was given to understand that they were there from 15/1600. A further complication was the main subject of my research had been buried within the Church at Bentley and all records lost(now sorted out).

I am looking for a Michael Goddard who died at Bentley in 1756 aged 67. This puts his birth date around 1689. He married Ann Walding from Farnham in Surrey, at Guildford in 1727 which further throws areas into problems. The family must have been fairly affluent as Michael, his wife and two of their children were buried within the church and in those days I am led to believe it indicated either wealth or privilege.

Another avenue I am looking at is that there were four other Goddards around Michael's time in the area and it may be that they were family(not necessarily as Goddard was a common name in that part of Hampshire) but they all got married as follows which would possibly make them of similar age:

John married Elisabeth Chaundler	14 Jun 1722
Michael as above	
Sarah married	1728/29
Thomas married Anne Burningham	18 Apr 1739

I do appreciate the volume of such queries you must receive, but if you have time it would be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Allen Goddard



The Goddard Association
of Europe



Saturday 23 September 2000

Dear Allen,

We are not going to do much for you over your Bentley Goddards, as you remark the area is littered with Goddards but not yours, most are offshoots of the Cove, Yately & Farnborough family where the name Michael is unknown. We have only the information you gave us previously on our database, no one else seems to be researching your family group.

Unfortunately, the records for Bentley are not available before 1722, if the transcription in the library of the Society of Genealogists in London is to be believed. I have taken the Goddards from there but my records are still in pencil and will not copy on my machine at home, but as I don't think there are any on my list that you have not already found I won't type them up until needed.

However, I did a quick search on the internet I.G.I. Web site and have come up with the attached. Those at Hunton and Nutley look very interesting. You will need to go to the reference library to look up Hunton in a good gazetteer, it's not in my 3" to the mile atlas, but Nutley is and only 10 miles due east of Bentley. I think I have found you some work to do, if only to prove me enthusiasm misplaced or totally in error.

Best wishes for your hunt, keep in touch

Yours Sincerely

Brian Goddard

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Wine

February 18th 1999

Dear Mrs Goddard,

Thank you very much for your letter of December 8th about the Goddards living at Stockbridge, who owned "the inn (still in use as such) called "The Three Cups."

The first Goddard I have a record of was Michael Goddard (innkeeper), who took a lease of "The Swan" (then the premier inn) from Winchester College in late 1642 for 40 years, but had moved elsewhere by 1663 when "The Swan" was let to another family. I suspect that the purchase / setting up of "The Three Cups" may have been his initiative.

Should you have any details about his origins I would be most grateful

Sincerely
M. B. Readhead

This one's
for you - hoo.
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Wine

November 25th 1998



Dear Mr Goddard,

I have been doing some
research into the history of Stockbridge
and have come across a Grand
of the Goddard family with premises
there in the 17th and 18th centuries,
and associated at some point with
an inn known as The Three Cups.

I would be grateful for any
information as to the origin of this
branch, and as to where they subsequently
moved ~~to Goddard's house~~ would be very happy to
provide any details that you might not
have as to their Stockbridge "period"

Yours sincerely
M. B. Readhead

GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE



Tuesday, December 8, 1998

Dear Phil, Irene & Charles Goddard,

Goddards of Stockbridge

We have had an enquiry from Mr M.B.Readhead of Windover Cottage, North Park, Stockbridge SO20 6HW about the Goddards of "The Three Caps" at Stockbridge as he says that he is writing a history of Stockbridge. He does not seem to have done much work and gave me neither dates nor names so I did not reveal that you had some interest in the place, but asked for more information.

If you do indeed recognise the family, perhaps you would like to contact him direct. I suggested that he should also look at the Victuallers Licence records and the Commercial Directories in Hampshire Record Office.

Half the country seems to be writing a history for the millenium!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J.R.Goddard



GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE



Tuesday, December 8, 1998

Dear Mr Readhead,

Goddards of Stockbridge

Thank you for your letter, passed on to me by John Goddard of Accrington.

Goddard is a very common surname in Hampshire. If you could give me the first names of the particular Goddards in which you are interested and the dates when they kept "The Three Caps" I might be able to give you some information.

I would also suggest that you consult the Commercial Directories for Hampshire and the Victuallers Licence records at the Hampshire Record Office.

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for a reply.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J.R.Goddard

