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22 May 2000

Dear Denise,

I think that, rather than photocopy the (sometimes rambling) enquiry letters I have had for various areas of Norfolk, I would summarise them for you and if you thought them to be of any interest I could give you further details.

Carbrooke, near Watton

Two letters about Carbrooke.

Mrs Jennifer Clingo had an ancestor, George Goddard, of Carbrooke Mill, near Watton. The family then moved to Outwell, and then Wisbech.

Mr David G. Goddard, of King's Lynn (High class tailoring) asked about Goddards of King's Lynn, Pentney, Carbrooke and Northwold. Sent no tree.

In initially I put both in touch with member Mrs Betty Metcalf, who has extensive records of the area around King's Lynn, but have now suggested these two enquirers get in contact.

Fersfield, Bressingham, Shipdham

Mrs Shirley Kelcher of Australia has ancestors named Tuck. Elizabeth Goddard married Henry Tuck in Scarning, Norfolk 1791.

Told her that Elizabeth was the daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Goddard. She married Robert in Fersfield and he was buried at Shipdham in 1823.

Could have come from Bressingham, Beckles or Stow Bedon. No reply or further info.

Hoe

Julie Akhurst, 17 Clapham Street, Denholme, Bradford is descended from John Goddard who married Thomasine Blomfield in 1680s in Hoe.

We have nothing about Hoe in the files. I suggested she concentrate on the Blomfields.

Nothing further.

Breckles & Stow Bedon

Prof Tony Goddard, 20 Maze Road, Kew, Surrey, TW9 3DE sent a large family tree. Earliest is John Goddard born around 1828 in Norfolk (nothing more precise). I suggested one in Stow Bedon and another in Hempnall. Prof Goddard is still a member.

Miss Joanna Blatchley, 115 Kay Street, Darwen, Lancs. wrote early in 1990s and sent a large tree for the Stow Bedon Goddards who later moved to nearby Breckles. No contact with her for some years.

Keith Goddard of Eastbourne put his name in the Stow Bedon visitors book and I wrote to him. he wrote back and said he had traced his family back four generations and would we like a copy. I said yes and heard nothing further. Not a member & telephone number has been changed.

#### Kenninghall

Warren J. Luxford of Australia writes that his family were in Kenninghall in 1792+ but are not from there. Could only suggest the James Goddard in 1841 census, but can't help in getting back any further except that Kenninghall is near to Stow Bedon and Breckles.

#### Fakenham

Roger & Sibyl Goddard (still members) and have got back to John Goddard, born 10th April 1849 at Fakenham. Mother's name Mary Ann, formerly Dixon, father John Goddard. Could be the family who moved to Thetford and had a shop. I wrote to Betty Metcalf for them as Fakenham in her area. Have heard nothing further.

The file also contains some of the entries for Norfolk from the Curren-Biggs Index at the SOG.

And a survey of the parishes in the south of the county around Billingford, and further north around Earlham and Hellesdon in the 1841 and 1851 censuses from Andrew & Val Goddard, Ashford, kent.

**brian**

**From:**  
**To:**



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**Cc:** <ppgoddard@treeuk.com>  
**Sent:** 17 August 2000 10:24  
**Subject:** Norfolk Goddards

Dear All

As there are now quite a few of us researching the Norfolk Goddards, and most of us seem 'stuck' I thought it might just be useful to let everyone who I am in contact with and where we are all at. It might just help one of us make the break through, and at least if we come to a dead end for our own research we may spot something that is of use to someone else. This is a summary so far:

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I hope this is helpful. Keep in touch.  
Denise

17/08/00

# NORFOLK

Dear All

I have a CD containing Philimore's Marriage Registers from Hedenham (and a few other parishes, including Carleton Rode). There are no Goddard marriages in Hedenham for the period which is from 1561 to 1812. I don't know if these are complete but the text doesn't say there is a gap at all.

Other parishes covered are: Barton Turf, Burnham Stratton, Carleton Rode (only 1 Goddard marriage), Gresham, Hedenham, Hickling, Ulph, Weeting - St. Mary and Weeting - All Saints. The only Goddard marriage in the whole CD is in Carleton Rode and is between Thomas Goddard, widow, and Margaret Fincham, spinster, both of Snitterton on 29 Sep 1736. C.R includes the marriages for the following dates 1560 to 1812 but doesn't include the following dates 1638-1653, 1707-1710 and 1802-1812. I can do other lookups if anyone wants.

Carol

----- Original Message -----

From: clive goddard <cli>

dear all,

I was stuck but having spent a day in the Norfolk reading rooms on Monday I have developed a lot more info. First the certainties - as far as Long Stratton and Hempnall are concerned they are now played out. The last known Goddards in Hempnall was 1841 having arrived courtesy of the marriage of James Goddard to Ratchel Ford on the 2nd July 1782. In Long Stratton I was not able to trace any births/deaths or marriages after 1932 but there were other siblings of my great grand parents and I now have a bit of work tracing these. Now the uncertainties - from the banns lists in Hempnall - James Goddard comes from the parish of Bedingham which is South East of Hempnall on the road towards Bungay. Another interesting development is the James's daughter in law came from the parish of Mettingham which is just over the border into Suffolk from Bedingham so it may be that is the next area to research. Denise - sorry it looks like I cannot help you any more at present but at least it means you can cross a couple more parishes off your search list. My brother is over from Zim at the moment and he said that he keeps getting asked whether he is related to the Goddards in Bulawayo - I will share with him your lists to see if he knows anyone. Has the time now come where we make a list of the parish's that have been researched so that we do not start going over the same ground. I am happy to act as point man if this needs to be done but we will need details of dates and categories that have been researched. Denise - I will fill in the new information in your format and send it off to you.

Best regards

Clive

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> Denise



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**Sent:** 24 August 2000 22:23  
**Subject:** Re: Norfolk Goddards

Dear all,

Thank you to all of you for including me on the mailing list. I am somewhat a novice at electronic mailing so will generally be slow to respond, for which I apologise in advance. I have traced my line back to a John Goddard who married Ann Woodcock in Diss in 1776. Incidentally, we discovered that Val's GG Grandmother was a Goddard and we have traced her line back to a John Goddard who married in Stopham, Sussex in 1601.

Returning to Norfolk. In our search for my John Goddard we have looked at BT's for 44 parishes in Norfolk and 24 in Suffolk. Although BT's are not as good as PR's they are a quicker way of finding pockets of families. We have generally looked between 1740 and 1760. For some reason in this area of Norfolk we have found that the surname tends to change. For instance in Shelfanger there is a Richard & Mary who have 5 children between 1761 & 1771; 4 with the surname Goddard and the other Gorrod.

We have also spent a long time proving that John & Ann's son Henry was the right person because his surname changed as follows:-

Henry born - Garrod - in Diss  
Henry married - Garrard - in Bressingham  
Henry buried - Goddard - in Diss

Unfortunately, time is short but we will try and get our information together in the next week or two. We will try and put together a spread sheet of Goddards that are not to be found on the IGI.

All the very best for now  
Andrew & Val

e mail 27.08.00  
Said I would ~~have~~<sup>send</sup> 4 sheets of  
Stopham Goddards  
by snail mail

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31 Aug. 00

Dear Brian

**NORFOLK GODDARDS**

Thanks for your e-mail. I enclose a copy of the Norfolk Boyd Marriage Index, which I hope you will find useful. I will also send you a copy of the Suffolk Boyd Marriage Index, which I need to type from hand-written notes, as it seems that some of us are researching the Suffolk/Norfolk borders.

Will keep in touch.

Best wishes,

*Patricia*

PATRICIA LEE

## BOYD MARRIAGE INDEX - NORFOLK

### **GODDARD MALES**

1718	Thomas Godard & Jane Steel	Narford
1719	Benjamin Godard & Ann Rose	West Rudham
1721	Samuel Godard & Rebecca Rush	Norwich Cathedral
1722	Amos Godard & Eliz Cacomoule	Norwich Cathedral
1723	Thomas Godard & Ann Dove	Schwicken with Leziate
1732	Hugh Goddard & Eliz Blowers	Fersfield
1733	Henry Goddard & Lydia Northorp	Swaffham
1734	Hosea Goddard & Mary Gibbs	Great Yarmouth
1735	Nicholas Goddard & Ann Hunt	Fersfield
1735	Samuel Goddard & Eliz Money	Norwich St Mary in Marsh
1736	William Goddard & Eliz Revell	Bressingham
1736	Thomas Goddard & Margaret Fincham	Carleton Rode
1738	Edwin Goddard & Eliz Savage	Cranwick
1744	William Goddard & Sarah Hellows	Roydon
1746	John Goddard & Martha Heath	Diss
1749	James Goddard & Mary Towel	Diss
1751	John Goddard & Catherine Collett	Diss
1754	James Goddard & Mary Simons	Topcroft
1759	Richard Goddard & Mary Turrel	Shelfanger
1774	George Goddard & Mary Baly	Pentney

### **GODDARD FEMALES**

1701	Mary Goddard & Robert Briston	Roydon
1702	Thom. Goddard & Benjamin Frost	Mileham
1710	Anne Goddard & Charles West	Norwich St Mary in Marsh
1715	Mary Goddard & Daniel Gunn	Billingford
1716	Hannah Goddard & Joseph Barnes	Diss
1721	Ann Goddard & Wright Wigg	Mileham
1721	Eliz Goddard & Math Tomson	Great Yarmouth
1724	Sarah Goddard & James Nasmith	Norwich St Mary in Marsh
1724	Martha Goddard & Noah Etridge	Tivetshall St Mary
1725	Sarah Goddard & Robert Smith	Bressingham
1726	Eliz Goddard & Robert Gower	Starston
1729	Eliz Goddard & Robert Brown	Bressingham
1730	Mary Goddard & John Dixon	Norwich St Mary in Marsh
1731	Mary Godard & Thomas Athill	Litcham
1732	Susan Goddard & William Neal	Great Yarmouth
1732	Margaret Goddard & John With	Brockdish
1733	Mary Godard & Thomas Wisker	Great Cressingham
1736	Margaret Goddard & Thomas Scott	Great Yarmouth
1737	Eliz Goddard & Francis Arnham	Caister
1745	Eliz Godard & Joseph Hunt	Norwich Cathedral
1746	Sarah Goddard & William Spinsby	Norwich St Mary in Marsh
1747	Mary Goddard & John Hines	Brockdish
1754	Rebecca Godard & John Malcomb	Whissonsett

THE STAMPS ARE  
SELF STICK



11.5.01.

Dear Julie Goddard,

Many thanks  
for your letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> March I  
am sorry I haven't been able to  
reply before about my appeal on  
Teletext.

I am already a  
Member of 'Goddard Association of  
Europe' and have attended the  
AGM especially at Swindon as I  
find it easy to get to as  
my sister (who is also a member)  
and I are no youngsters.

What I am looking  
for is my Great Grandfather who  
is JOHN GODDARD, according to the  
1851 <sup>census</sup> (he was living in London) he  
was born in Norwich and his

father was Samuel Goddard and  
he was a farmer.

JOHN was married twice  
be I can't find any record of  
the first marriage, the second  
I have full documentation i.e.  
where, children etc, and I have  
his death certificate.

I have no idea what  
Parish he was born in and  
have been to Norwich Record Office  
and I can't find it, what am  
I doing wrong?

If there is help you  
can give I will be very  
happy as I have been deadlocked  
now for approx 2 years.

Yours sincerely  
Joy Mitchell

I am enclosing some stamps might  
be of some help.

# GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF E



Dear Mrs Mitchell,

I am sorry that I did not realise that you were already a member. The membership secretary and treasurer obviously have not given me an up-to-date membership list. I am returning the stamps, bar one, as members do not have to pay anything further. I am sorry that you cannot get to Fleet Inn at Twyning; I may not go this year either. If the Goddard Arms at Swindon treated us better then we would go there more frequently.

With reference to your great grandfather **John Goddard**, it could be that he did not know where he was born (he was very young at the time) and just said "Norwich" to get rid of the enumerator. Someone who was not literate would probably regard the census as interfering officialdom. I cannot say that I was 100% accurate in the answers which I gave to this years census!

And bear in mind that many vicars did not always put any value on keeping the church registers accurately - even today. My father-in-law's name is given incorrectly on my marriage certificate. I had not at that time got "Harry Bertie John Dryden Goddard" off by heart. I tried to correct myself but the vicar brushed aside my comments. Remember Lady Diana got Charles's names in the wrong order in their marriage service. There must, also, be many times when the vicar had scrawled a note of the baptism or burial on a piece of paper which was thrust into his pocket and later discarded, or damaged in the wash, without going in the register. My friend, a churchwarden, found when looking at her local parish register, that her husband's burial was not listed, so it is still happening.

Have you put an account of your difficulties in the Goddard Newsletter? I cannot recall seeing one. There are five members with Norfolk ancestry working away to compile their tree and they might have something of help to you. Have you tried advertising in *Family Tree Magazine*? Do you belong to the Norfolk Family History Society? I had great success with writing an article about my Siddons family and sending it to Leicestershire FHS magazine. Four distant cousins wrote to me and a photocopy of the article was being passed around the family village.

Best wishes and good hunting,

Julie Goddard

GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE



4 March 2001

Dear Ms Mitchell,

John Goddard born c 1750 Norwich

I have seen your appeal on Teletext and am writing on the offchance that you have not discovered anything further.

As you will see from the enclosed we collect records of Goddards. We have four members who are actively researching their Goddard families in Norfolk, mainly concentrated around Bunwell from whence their ancestors upped and moved to London to find work.

I have looked at what records which we have for Norwich and there were certainly Goddards there from the 16th century. Boyd's Marriage Index gives two Godard marriages in Norwich Cathedral parish in the 1720s and one in 1740s; and two in St Mary in Marsh parish in the 1720s. The spelling of Goddard with one d could indicate a French imigrant, or perhaps just that the parish clerk was bad at spelling.

In the 1841 census of Norwich there was a John Goddard aged 70 a shopkeeper and his wife Ann aged 67, living in Regent Street. I gather that a large number of the pages of this census were unreadable - this is the one where the enumerators used pencil I think.

If you would like to lodge details of your family with us, or even join us, do please write. Write to me first, even thogh the leaflet gives our membership secretay's address.

Yours sincerely,

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