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Subject: More Goddards for Your Database.

Dear Julie,

I'm sorry I've been so long sending this addition to the Suffolk Goddards. I hope I haven't sent you too much information or have made too many mistakes while typing it in. Perhaps you can pick out the bits you need.

My great-great-grandfather was Benjamin Goddard, who was numbered 06416 on the copy of Miss Kathleen Millicent Goddard's sketch family tree which you sent me several years ago.

He was born in Sweffling, Suffolk, on January 7th, 1807 and baptised at Rendham Independent Chapel on September 8th 1807. He married Sarah Smith (06417) at St Mary the Virgin, Sweffling on February 8th, 1838. He was buried at Sweffling on July 26th, 1884, aged 77. Sarah was buried at Sweffling on September 6th 1885, aged 75.

Their children were:

1. Sarah Ann, baptised at Sweffling on September 2nd, 1838.
2. John (06432), baptised on September 20, 1840.
3. Eliza, baptised at Sweffling on May 30th, 1841.
4. Emma, baptised at Sweffling on November 19th, 1843.
5. Joshua (06434), baptised at Sweffling on April 20th, 1845.
6. Mary, baptised at Sweffling on July 11th, 1847.
7. Lucy Ellen, baptised at Sweffling on June 24th 1855.

1. Sarah Ann Goddard married Charles Emmerson at Sweffling on September 4th 1859. (I have found them on the 1881 census, living in Knodishall, Suffolk, with five sons and four daughters.)

2. John Goddard married Betsey Daniels (06433) at Sweffling on August 7th, 1867. John died on October 17th, 1915 and was buried at Sweffling on October 21st, 1915, aged 76 years. Betsey died on July 16th, 1919 and was buried at Sweffling on July 21st, 1919, aged 85 years. (There is a tombstone just inside the gate.)

Their children were:

Joshua Goddard, born abt. 1867 in Rendham. (I found a Joshua Goddard of the right age, born in Rendham, a boatman in Bray Berkshire in the 1901 census.)
 Annie Eliza, born abt. 1869 in Sweffling, baptised September 9th, 1869 in Sweffling.
 Clara Mary, born abt. 1870 in Sweffling, baptised November 27th, 1870 in Sweffling.
 (I found her as a house parlourmaid in Colchester in the 1901 census.)

3. Eliza Goddard married William Boast in Rendham parish church on October

16th, 1863. (The Boasts were a well-known family of wheelwrights and carpenters in Rendham.) They had at least six sons and two daughters. Eliza Boast was buried at Rendham Parish Church on May 11th, 1922, aged 81. William Boast was buried at Rendham Church on June 22nd, 1912, aged 70.

4. Emma Goddard married George Gooch at Sweffling on October 3rd, 1864.

5. Joshua Goddard married Mary Anne Tye (06435) at Sweffling on November 5th, 1869. (They were my great-grandparents.) Joshua was buried at Sweffling on September 25th, 1888, aged 43. Mary Anne was buried at Sweffling on July 6th, 1881, aged 32.

Their children were:

Ada Goddard, baptised at Sweffling on May 14th, 1871. She was buried at Sweffling on November 23rd, 1883, aged 13.

Flora Goddard, baptised at Sweffling on May 25th, 1873.

Frederick Ernest Goddard, baptised at Sweffling on August 27th, 1876.

Charles Walter Goddard (my grandfather), born May 12th 1878, baptised at Sweffling on July 7th, 1878.

In 1891, by which time both Joshua and Mary Anne were dead, Frederick Ernest was living with his aunt and uncle, John and Betsey Goddard and Charles Walter was living with his aunt Eliza Boast and her husband and family.

I believe Frederick Ernest Goddard eventually moved to Sussex.

My grandfather, Charles Walter Goddard, married Agnes Parke in Halesworth on December 26th, 1904. He died on May 22nd, 1960 and was buried in Halesworth cemetery. Agnes died on May 20th, 1968, aged 86. She is also buried in Halesworth.

They had one son, my father, William Charles Goddard. He was born in Halesworth on January 4th, 1906. He became a school-teacher and moved to Gravesend in Kent. He married Miriam Brennan in St. Luke's Church, in her home town of Barrow-in-Furness, Lancs. on August 23, 1933. He died on April 5th, 1976 and is buried in Gravesend cemetery. After his death Miriam moved to Farnborough, Hants. and died on August 16th, 1990, aged 88. She is buried at Hawley, Hants.

I was Elizabeth Kathleen Goddard, their only child, born on May 8th, 1938. I married Anthony David Leach on December 5th, 1964 at Milton-next-Gravesend, Kent. We now live in Farnborough, Hants. and have three grown-up daughters.

Yours sincerely,

Beth Leach.

Farnborough, Hants.

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109 Nonconformal Godparents of

Robert Goddard mar. Ann
B. 16 D. 1753 B. 1689 D. 1764
bur. Dennington bur. Dennington

They had 3 sons & 3 daughters baptised at Dennington
N. POLAS JEREMIAH ELIZABETH
Bapt. 15 April 1715 Bapt. 25/10/1716 BAP. 12/2/1718
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East Suffolk

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 JOHN BAP. 22/1/1724 DIED 20/11/1787 B. DENNINGTON
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Chapel & afterwards at Rendham Parish Church

George B 1802
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 1861

their fathers Robert & John were brothers. They had 4 sons & 1 daughter born at Poplar Farm Badingham

Henry 1836-1886 27/06/1856
 mar. Julie Stanton 1834-1897
 at Rendham Chapel 1860
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 lived in London

arm Badingham (land in Cranford)

They moved to Herons Wood Farm Buringard in 1880
 Gertrude Ellen 1867-1953 Spinster
 Teacher. Keen (H) worker.
 D at Brother Arthur's Home
 at Saxmundham B. R. L.
 BURIED RENDHAM CHAPEL
 John 1868-1919
 m. Ethel Watts
 Daisy Manager
 Boscombe 2 sons
 to carry on Godbards
 Surname
 Eva Maria 1869-1957
 m. Samuel Goddard 1909
 at Rendham L. He had farm
 at Haveringham + Pensnett
 d. 1936. Families not related
 bur. d. 1957 at B. Arthur's home
 Kate
 Agnes
 B 1870
 D. 1873
 B 1873
 A 1876
 B R. Chapel B Rendham

lived Herons Wood Farm Buringard 1898-1928 - retired to Grundisburgh, Benhall + Saxmundham.

Edna Dillon 1903-1904
 No descendants.
 Goddard surname carried on by the son of John Goddard 1868-1919

4 Leslie 1 daughter

06419 MARY 24/11/1800
 06420 HANNAH 26/07/1802
 06421 BETSY 27/02/1804 REND IND
 06422 YODIA 03/06/1806

Goddard surname
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GODDARD ASSOCIATION

22 January 2002

Dear Mrs Leach,

Thank you for your letter and details of your Goddard family in Suffolk. I enclose a leaflet about the Goddard Association; usually we ask people with enquiries which entail handing over more than a brief yes or no, to join our association, or at least to give a donation. However, as you have supplied us with information and because it was Miss Kathleen Millicent Goddard's wish to trace and record all the Rendham Goddards, I am sending you a copy of the tree which she compiled. You will recognise which parts are in her spidery handwriting. The numbers and additions were made by my husband as he prepared the tree for entry in the Goddard Index.

It seems ironic that you, Church of England bell ringers, discovered information about the nonconformist Rendham Goddards in the church!

Miss Goddard left her papers and notes on her research, and I think her house, to her niece Miss Eileen Horne of 46 Clarence Ave., Queens Park, Northampton NN2 6NZ. Perhaps you would like to write to her. Mention that you have been in contact with me.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs) Julie Goddard
Research Co-ordinator

18th January, 2002.

Dear Mrs Goddard,

A few months ago Mrs Pamela Wise told me that you were interested in finding more people who are interested in the Suffolk Goddards. She suggested you might be able to throw more light on the Sweffling Goddards from information given to you by Miss Kathleen Goddard.

My grandparents lived in Halesworth, but I discovered from a newspaper cutting about their Golden Wedding that my grandfather, Charles Walter Goddard, was a native of Sweffling.

My grandfather was born in 1879 and from the 1881 census I found that his father was Joshua:

Dwelling:	Street Cottages						
Census Place:	Sweffling, Suffolk, England						
Source:	FHL Film 1341456	PRO Ref	RG11	Piece 1889	Folio 45	Page 9	
	Marr	Age	Sex	Birthplace	Rel:	Occ:	
Joshua GODDARD	M	36	M	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Head	Gardner	
Mary Ann GODDARD	M	32	F	Rendham, Suffolk, England	Wife		
Ada GODDARD		10	F	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Daur	Scholar	
Flora GODDARD		7	F	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Daur	Scholar	
Frederick GODDARD		4	M	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Son	Scholar	
Charles GODDARD		2	M	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Son		

From Joshua's age and from information in the IGI he seems to be the son of Benjamin and Sarah. Benjamin and Sarah were still alive in 1881:

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Benjamin GODDARD	M	74	M	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Head	Ag Lab	
Sarah GODDARD	M	72	F	Sweffling, Suffolk, England	Wife		

John Goddard and Betsy and family were also living in the village. I believe they were my grandfather's uncle and aunt.

Last July we had a short break in Suffolk and, as my husband and I are both church bell-ringers, we found out the times of the local ringing practices. One of the towers where we rang was Sweffling and we were told that in a little room under the ringing floor there was a local history collection. I discovered that it contained typed copies of several of the parish registers. As we were not able to visit the Suffolk Record Office, these were invaluable.

I found the marriage on the 5th of November, 1869 of Joshua Goddard and Mary Ann Tye, my great-grandparents. I also found my grandfather's baptism and those of his siblings, and my great-grandparents' and great-great-grandparents' deaths. I remembered hearing that my great-grandfather had died at a relatively young age. He was 43, and it was noted that he had been parish sexton. His wife died in 1881. In the churchyard, just inside the gate, we found the tombstone of John and Betsy.

We also saw the Rendham Independent Chapel, now a private house. Over the road is the little graveyard, which contains gravestones moved from round the chapel itself. Some of these seemed to be of Goddards, but we found it impossible to read the Christian names. From the IGI, I think Benjamin was baptised here and was the son of Robert and Ann. Benjamin's children were baptised at Sweffling Parish Church but, if my interpretation of names and dates is correct, his siblings seem to have had their children baptised at Rendham Independent Chapel.

I saw some of the microfilms of the Rendham Independent Chapel records, including some membership lists, at the PRO at Kew, and Sweffling Goddards seemed very much in evidence.

On a visit to the Family Records Centre in London I found Robert and Ann Goddard, my grandfather's great-grandparents, in the 1841 census, living in Sweffling with Joshua, who seems to be their youngest son. Joshua's age was given as 31, which ties in with the IGI baptism date of the 3rd of November, 1809. Robert's age was given as 75 and Ann's as 70, presumably rounded down, so that perhaps they were born between 1766/1762 and 1771/1765 respectively. It said Robert was kept by charity. They were both born in Suffolk.

I have had some correspondence with Jenny Tyson, a Sweffling resident, and through her with Ken and Carol Goddard, (Wiltshire Goddards) who live in the house which used to adjoin the Sweffling Old Meeting House. They knew Miss Kathleen Goddard, who gave them some hand-written notes on their house, the Meeting House and Daniel Goddard. Jenny scanned them in and sent them to me. They are sometimes difficult to decipher, but near the end is a reference to a Robert Goddard, farmer of Sweffling, with reference to a bond of 7th Dec 1808. I suppose it is possible this could be the same Robert.

Pam thought you had a rough family tree left behind by Miss Goddard and I wondered if it might be able to throw any more light on Robert and Ann please. I enclose a stamped, addressed envelope, in case you have any information you think could be of assistance. If you know of anyone for whom my information might be useful, I would be glad to write to them.

Yours sincerely,

Beth Leach.

(Elizabeth K. Leach (née Goddard))