

SUSSEX,
Hamsey

Mrs J R Goddard

1 May 2001

Dear Mrs Goddard

Thank you for your recent letter enclosing details of The Goddard Association of Europe.

The Goddard in my family is Mary Goddard, who was christened on 14 September 1828 in Hamsey. On 11 June 1850 she married George Grinyer, who was born about 1818. They lived in Brighton and had at least three children – Grace Ann born 1861, Edward born 1863 and Richard born 1867. Grace married John Edwards in 1880 and they were my great-grandparents. I shall be pleased to hear whether you have any information on Mary's family.

There are also Goddards in my husband's family tree, but his Goddards lived in Yorkshire. I therefore think it would be a good idea for me to join the Goddard Association – can you send me an application form or should I contact Mr J C Goddard in Accrington?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Mawren Ward

Mrs M R Ward

brian goddard

From: [REDACTED]@co.uk>
 To: [REDACTED]@com>
 Sent: [REDACTED]
 Subject: [REDACTED]

Hello Brian and Julie

I am prompted to move myself to get in touch with you again by the arrival of the latest Goddard newsletter - a good read, as always. I particularly enjoyed Julie's bit on the jigsaw puzzle. I agree completely, - I have been spending what little spare time I have in the last six months putting together Goddard families in Sussex - you know the feeling. Lots of things to do, but it is much more fun playing with Goddards!

I intended to email you my database of Sussex Goddards some months ago, but I keep adding to it. However, it will never be finished, so I think it would be a good idea to send you a copy now, - I would like to know there is a copy with someone who will take care of it. It is all in Access, - can you accept that alright?

I have also been putting a lot of families in trees, using Excel. My own family, of course, I have in a program, - Brothers Keeper. This program, as you may know, is not very good at drop line trees, and in any case, I wanted to fit families together without actually putting them into a gedcom type program. I will send you print outs of these, but if you would like I can also email you the Excel sheets. I have had great fun with these trees. My own Goddards started in Stopham in the 1600s, and I have a theory that all the Goddards in West Sussex (well most of them, anyway) come from this family. I have certainly traced a number of their descendants through to Brighton in the 1800s, - as you say, one big jigsaw, and it has been great fun putting them together. In addition, I have had several requests lately for help with people who have Goddards in the villages near Brighton, and they are all fitting together quite nicely. I think they all originated in Stopham as well, but whether I will ever be able to prove it I am not sure.

I was very interested to read that Pete in Canada has all the Goddard deaths registered since 1866. Do you think he would be prepared to let me have the Sussex ones? It seems greedy to ask, but he is welcome to any, or all, of the information I have in return. Actually, just to have them up to 1900 would be fine, - I don't have a lot later than that. (I must say that what I have pales into insignificance against over 28,000 entries!)

Very best wishes to you both,

Joan of Hove

Replied 17.7.00

YES PLEASE
 BUT IF CAN YOU EXPORT IT AS DBASE
 IT IS MUCH SMALLER FILE
 YES PLEASE

GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF

4 May 2001

Dear Mrs Ward,

Hamsey Goddards

Thank you for your letter. Would you please send what the president calls "a donation" to the association to John Goddard at Accrington and mention that you have corresponded with me. There is no obligation to remain a member, though we hope that you will like us and do so.

One of our Sussex members has given us her research records for Sussex. Mary Goddard was the daughter of Richard and Ann Goddard of Hamsey. I do not have their marriage details - perhaps in another parish from Hamsey. Their children that we have records for are:

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| Henry | bap 8/10/1815 |
| Ann | bap 3/08/1817 |
| Richard | bap 17/11/1819 |
| Thomas | bap 24/03/1822 |
| Mary | bap 4/09/1828 |

[There is another record of a birth of Thomas to Richard and Ann in 1791, but I think it may have been miscopied and should be Richard & Jane]

Richard was the son of Richard and Jane baptised 31/08/1788 and dying, or being buried, 31/08/1833. He was a labourer.

Richard and Jane had:

| | |
|---------|----------------|
| Ann | bap 9/04/1784 |
| Mary | bap 6/08/1786 |
| Richard | bap 31/08/1788 |
| Thomas | bap 8/05/1791 |
| William | bap 19/10/1794 |
| Sarah | bap 8/04/1798 |

There were other Goddards in Hamsey, presumably cousins, aunts, uncles etc. I can let you have a full copy if you wish.

We do have some Yorkshire records, but nothing consistent ie that trees, but they are here to be consulted.

Membership of the association means that you can advertise your family history in the quarterly Newsletter to see if anyone else is related to you. Sometimes we have reunited families - for example the two John Goddards who attended an evening class in French in Buckinghamshire. They were teased by the rest of the class about their name, so in the coffee interval they got talking and found they shared a flamboyant ancestor who moved from Windsor to Wednesbury, worked as a gas fitter, but ran a theatre too. Having only 250 odd members it is possible that no one is related to you, but we keep letters on file and contact people if a link appears a few years later.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Goddard
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Mrs J Goddard

11 May 2001

Dear Mrs Goddard

Goddard Association of Europe

Thank you for your letter of 4 May enclosing details of the Goddard families in Hamsey, some of whom I have been able to add to my family tree.

As suggested I am sending "a donation" to Mr J C Goddard. I look forward to being a member of the Association and receiving the quarterly newsletter.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Ward

Mrs M R Ward

GODDARD ASSOCIATION

15 May 2001

Dear Mrs Ward,

Goddards of Hamsey

Joan Goddard of Sussex says that she has already been in touch with you over your Hamsey Goddards. She writes that she is endeavouring to prove that all the Sussex Goddards stem from one family. A very ambitious project!

Please let me know if you have any other queries and do use the Newsletter to put in your requests for help. I prefer people to write their own as otherwise my name appears too frequently in the Newsletter!

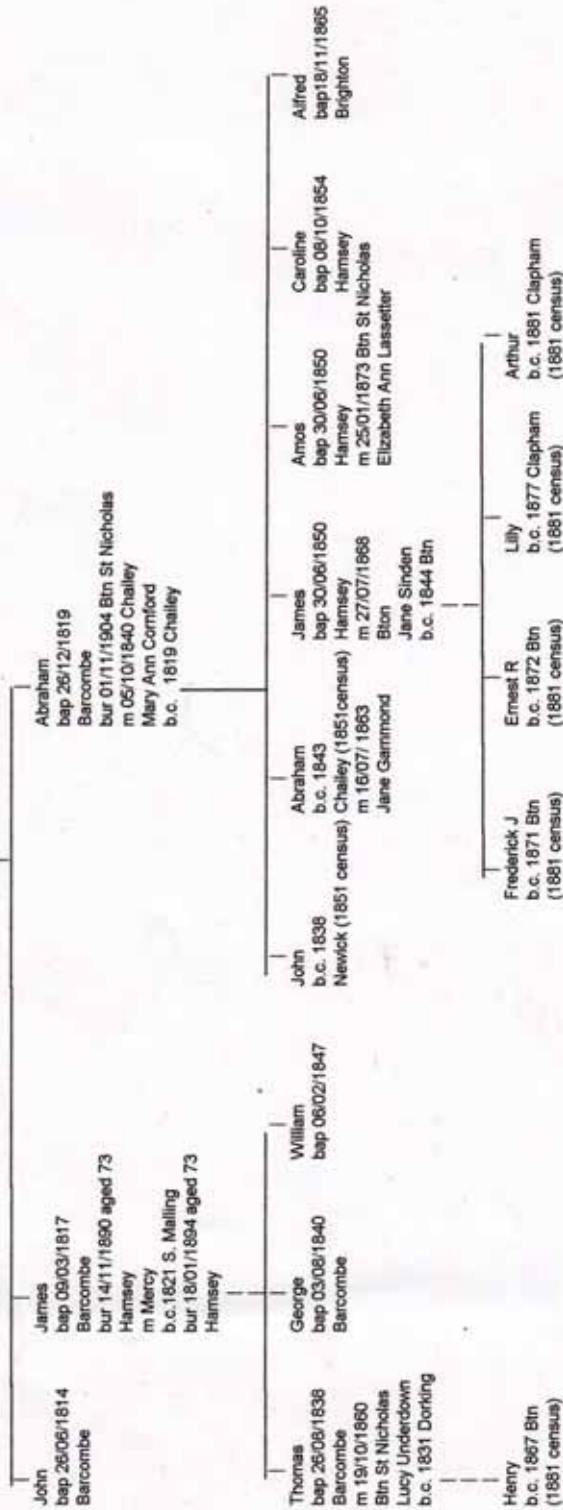
Yours sincerely,

Julie Goddard
Research Co-ordinator

Goddards in Sussex

Barcombe page 1

John (?John son of Henry and Mary, bap 03/09/1787 Ditchling)
 mar Elizabeth
 bur 14/02/1867 aged 81 Hamsey
 died in Ditchling Workhouse



James, 34, Mercy, 31 were in Offham St in 1851 with Thomas, ag lab, and William James, Mercy and their son William, who was a Railway labourer, were in Offham in 1881. By 1891 Mercy was a widower, with William, unrm, 44, ag lab. There is a tombstone in Hamsey churchyard for James & Mercy

John, aged 65, and a widower was a foreman in the Chalk Pit at Cliffe, Lewes in 1881.

Thomas, Lucy and Henry were living in the village, Portslade in 1881. Thomas was a general labourer

Abraham, 32, ag lab, was in Hamsey with Mary Ann, 32, John, ag lab, Abraham, 8, ag lab, and Amos in 1851

Abraham, Mary Ann and Alfred were at 65, Upper Lewes Road, Bln in 1881. Abraham was a farm labourer

Abraham was a retired gardener when he died in Brighton in 1904

James, Jane and their family were in Lambeth in 1861. James was a stonemason

Amos and Elizabeth were in Inverness Rd, Bln in 1881. Amos was a stonemason's labourer

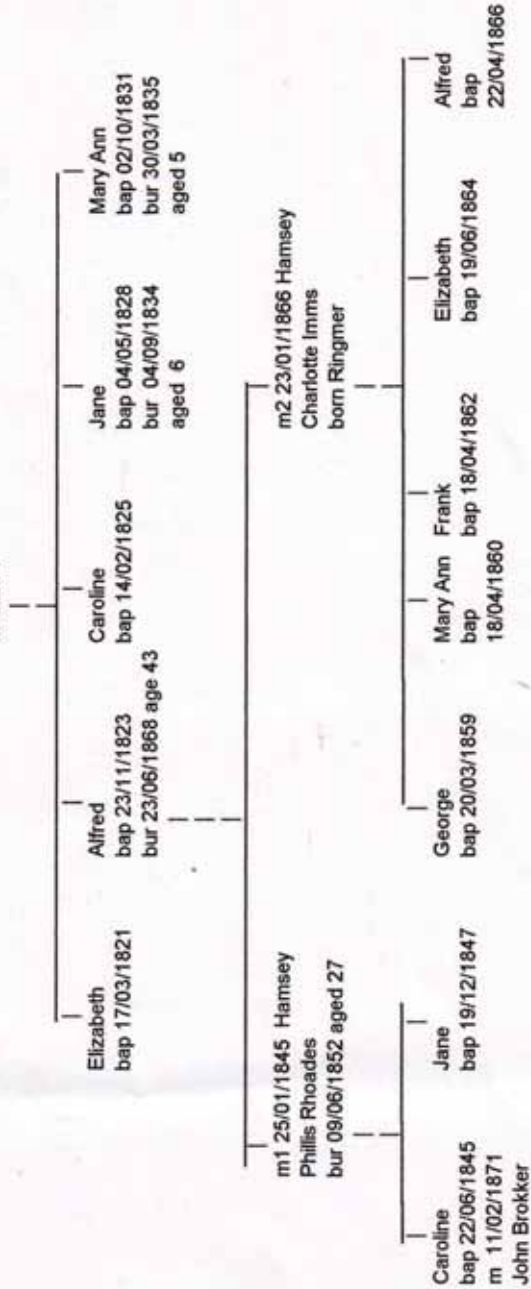
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Thomas son of Richard and Jane see Hamsey page 1

bap 08/05/1791
bur 09/01/1874
aged 84

Died in Chaliley Workhouse
m Eliza ?



Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas and Eliza, was a cook in Brighton in 1851
Thomas, 62, and Elizabeth, 62, were in Hamsey in 1851. He was an Ag Lab and she a charwoman
Alfred, 26, was living with Phillis, 25, Caroline, 5, and Jane, 3, in 1851
In 1871 Charlotte, a widow, was in Barcombe Rd with George, Mary A, Frank, Elizabeth and Alfred
Charlotte was at Yew Tree Cottage, Hamsey, with George, 22, a letter carrier, and Alfred, 15, an ag lab in 1881
Mary Ann was a housemaid in Warbleton, and Elizabeth a housemaid in Lewes in 1881
All events at Hamsey, unless otherwise stated

See also YORKS
Rothwell

Mrs J Goddard

24 August 2001

Dear Mrs Goddard

Further to my letter of 1 May, I am pleased to let you know that a Mary Stoneham Rennie, who was a witness to the marriage of Grace Grinyer and John Edwards, was Grace's sister. Mary Stoneham Grinyer was born to George Grinyer and his wife Mary, nee Goddard, on 23 August 1856 and she married James Rennie at Brighton Register Office on 17 April 1876.

In connection with the Goddards in my husband's family, I am now enclosing a copy of the tree showing Richard Goddard, who married Mary Elizabeth Wand, together with five children, as shown in the 1881 Census. I shall be pleased to hear if you have any information on this particular family and enclose an SAE for your reply.

With many thanks,


Yours sincerely

Mawer Ward

Mrs M R Ward



GODDARD ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE



29 August 2001


Dear Miss Ward,

Goddards

Thank you for your letter and the stamped envelope. There is no need for the latter if you are a member. Research comes out of the general fund.

I am not able to give you any more information about your Sussex Goddards, but may be able to help with the Yorkshire ones. In 1995 Mrs Janet Rose wrote to us to ask if we had any information about her Rothwell Goddards. She wrote

"My paternal great great grandfather Charles Richard Goddard married Mary Ann Goddard in November 1871, shortly after his first wife died. They were married in Leeds and Mary Ann's father's name was Richard and his occupation given as "labourer". Mary Ann was 36 at the time and had two children: Mary Ann born in Rothwell (registration district Hunslet and now part of Leeds) in March 1872 and Thomas George born in 1874. Mary Ann (the mother) died in Rothwell in July 1892 a year after the death of her husband."

Mrs Rose's address is 2  rd, Kent DA1 1LH. I feel that there is some connection between your family and hers and suggest that you write to her.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Julie Goddard
Research Co-ordinator

Mrs M.R. Ward,

