

HAWKINS DNA Project

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Project site: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/>.

Results achieved to date:

We now have seventeen (17) individuals participating in the project. Results are in on nine (9) and there are three sets of matches (Group-01 = James M., Gene P., and James R.; Group-02 = Frank & Erik; Group-03 = Joe H. and Melvin) meaning that they are biological cousins. To date we have established six (6) non-related Hawkins lines. We are awaiting the results of six participants, of which four should be received in the very near future.

Other info and thoughts:

All of the family trees (showing b, m, and d), and most of the pictures sent have been added to the site. Participants – Please check, advise corrections, and send missing or additional information and pictures.

Repeated from last month - The Hawkins Project is not just an American endeavor. We Americans have our roots in the British Isles, and we have heritage and cousins in England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, and wherever the Empire extended. We would like to see participants in our project from these other nationalities. If you are in contact with a person or media (web site, etc.) in other parts of our globe, please inform them of our quest, and ask that they spread the word as they can.

Providing a link from your site to our HAWKINS DNA site would be appreciated (the link is in blue at top of page).

As you are aware, I personally recommend the Y-DNA Plus 25-marker test, over the 12-marker test. On the web site I state that, “Hawkins cousins are indicated when, using the 12-marker test, there are at least 11 matching markers; using the 25-marker test, it would require 23 matches. If you were to match on 11 of the 12-marker test, we would recommend that you have the additional 13 tested to insure that the relationship exists. For this reason, if it is affordable, I recommend the 25-marker test to start with.” WHY? Recently, when there was a one-mutation difference (indicating a relationship) in the first 12 markers of a test, there were five additional mutations in the last thirteen markers. If the individual had relied only on the 12-marker test, he would have been researching with a group that he was not related to.

Please advise us of any planned Hawkins reunions for 2004. We would like to list them indicating the patriarch, place, dates, and any other special information.

If you have suggestions for the site, please send them.

We have 84 on our Newsletter mailing list. If you know someone that would like to be on the project information mailing list, please send me their name and email and I'll add them. Anyone that desires not to be on the list should request removal.

The video at www.familyreedna.com is a good source on how DNA and Genealogy are working together to overcome the “brick walls” that we all eventually run into. If you would like to have a presentation about DNA testing for an event or family reunion, consider playing the video. You can order a copy at no charge at http://www.FamilyTreeDNA.com/surname_video.asp. This video is 30 minutes in length, and covers Genetic Genealogy, as told by participants in the project.

Feel free to copy this letter to anyone that you feel would have an interest.

For information on the complete A through Z surname project go to www.familyreedna.com.

My personal info is at <http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/h/a/w/Phillip-A-Hawkins/index.html?Welcome=1052412699>.

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