

HAWKINS DNA Project

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

With a number of late fall trips (48th FBW reunion, Branson, MO for Rest & Relaxation, Reno, NV to spend the Holidays with grandchildren, etc.) I have really been playing catch-up all month (maybe by the end of February). Any way most of this letter will be pointing out changes to project eligibility, the web site, and future plans.

Results of our Hawkins project achieved to date:

Number of participants..... 23
Join requests in process..... 02
DNA results received..... 20
Unique Hawkins lines established..... 12

---Eligibility changes to participate in the Hawkins DNA Project---
(Participants are granted a reduced test rate fee.)

1. Testing at the 25-marker level (preferred is the new 37-marker test) is a minimum (I do not believe the 12-marker test is adequate for what we want to establish (it can prove that you do not belong to a line, or only “probably” that you do belong).
2. A signed release form must be agreed to (If we can not share info with other project members, it defeats the project’s purpose (If an individual desires not to have certain information shown on the web site, I see no reason that we could not honor that request).

-----Changes to the web site-----

Of primary concern is keeping the site simple and easy to use, yet informative.

At the home page: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/>

1. A “Links” section has been added, and I’ll be adding to that in the next weeks.
2. A “Re-unions” section has been added. Please send us information on your reunion (include contact person).
3. A section on the Haplogroups (concerning the origination and the geographical distribution of the different DNA “Eve” groups) has been added. The probable Haplogroup based on the Y-DNA test of our participants has been added to the marker “tables.” Most of our Hawkinses will fall into Haplogroup R1b, the European group.

At the “Trees” page: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html.

1. In the contents section, the oldest ancestor pair is indicated with the participant selector to make searching a bit easier.
2. Group Coordinators have been added for three of the groups. They will be setting the agenda for finding new participants to establish where mutations occurred, and to establishing the “ancestral result” for the group.
3. The trees have been converted to “direct line” descendant tress to make them easier to read. This has removed some of the branches, so individual searchers may need to contact the Coordinator or the participant for additional information. Please contact first – the Coordinator. Both emails are indicated.
4. Information on living individuals is not contained in the trees, including the mother’s maiden name of any living individual.
5. Pictures are being added.

-----Plans-----

1. Increase to 37 columns the Y-marker tables.
2. Add additional pictures.
3. Numbers of participants are important for all of us. I (we) must do more recruiting. We recognize how the DNA project is helping us in our search for ancestors, and we must talk about our successes with others that

would be helped. I have spent too much time working on the web site (learning html), and not enough on "getting the word out." Starting in February, I'll be devoting more time to recruiting.

-----Please Note-----

1. Hawkins Group-03 has five (5) participants (one is not shown currently as we await a release), all showing a nice spread on different branches of their tree.
2. The HAWKINS project is open to any variation of the name (Hackins, Haikins, Hakins, Harkans, Harkens, Harkin, Harking, Harkings, Harkins, Harkinson, Harkis, Haskins, Haukins, Hawckins, Hawken, Hawkens, Hawkin, Hawkines, Hawkings, Hawkins, Hawkinson, Hawkis, Hawkyns, Haykins, Horkins, etc.).
3. Dolores, where are you? Your old or new email is not working???

-----Old Stuff-----

To join the HAWKINS Project go to http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_det.asp?group=Hawkins

If you maintain a web site with Hawkins information, please add a link to our Hawkins DNA Project.

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.

We now have 95 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.

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

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Administrator (No remuneration for this endeavor.)

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