

# HAWKINS WORLDWDE DNA Project

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I have changed the old section on trees to:

## HAWKINS FAMILY PAGES

### Outline Trees, History, and Photos

I shall be adding some stories in my family group section. An example is a writing of Levi Hawkins, c 1901, concerning my gggg-grandmother Ann Milhous that we think it amusing. Ann was a granddaughter of Robert & Elizabeth Milhous (ancestors of President Nixon).

*I have heard my grandmother, Ann Milhous, say that my father, John Hawkins, was born 10/21/1809 in a camp in the woods the first year - or in the fall of the year after they landed in the early summer. Indians and wild beasts were numerous. She told about starting to go to a neighbor's through the woods, leaving the child alone and asleep. She had gone but a short distance when she discovered a black bear leaning against a tree asleep. It is needless to say that the neighbors did not see her on this occasion. Indians were very troublesome. [Ind. State Library file] [The family had migrated from Union Co., SC (Cane Creek MM) to Clinton Co., OH (Caesar Creek MM)]*

My father determined that we were related to three presidents. I have read somewhere that any American with ancestors arriving before 1750 was probably related to at least one president.

I have also added pictures of All Saints, Norton Bavant, Wilts, England. Jeffery and Dorothy (Mattock) Hawkins married there in 1652. Pictures of the log home of Ann (Milhous) Hawkins, built by he husband Amos Hawkins in about 1825 are added.

To view, go to the project site and select "Family Groups." It will be opened in a new window. I invite all of our participants to submit stories and pictures of their family group.

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Results of our Hawkins project achieved to date:

Number of participants..... 25  
Sample kits not yet returned..... 00  
DNA results received..... 22  
Awaiting test results.....03  
Unique Hawkins lines established..... 14  
Participants using or upgrading to the Y-DNA25 test = 20.  
Participants using or upgrading to the Y-DNA37 test = 05 (I have ordered an upgrade)

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I'll be giving a genealogy/DNA presentation to the Arlington, Texas Genealogy Society, 11 May at 6:45 PM at the Community room of the Central Library. Any of you that are in the area, I am sure would be welcome.

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New Hawkins Family Group-05

It is an 11/12 match - waiting on the remaining 13 markers.

The following is what Jeanne was trying to prove when samples from each of the two lines were turned in.

*I have tracked a direct male descendant of Morgan Hawkins whom I believe is a son of Matthew Hawkins, the "elusive one". I also have tracked a direct male descendant of Aaron Hawkins whom I believe is a son of Matthew Hawkins. I have a large body of evidence that Morgan, Aaron and Rhoda Hawkins are siblings. Rhoda said her father is Matthew Hawkins. This is why I am interested in getting the two direct male descendants of Matthew tested. These two, Morgan and Aaron, I am sure are brothers, but I can find no evidence on a hard copy that they are. --2/21*

AND, participant # 15245 is an 11/12 match and looks to be a part of the group when all 25 markers are in. An earlier message received when 15245's results were returned in January.

*Phillip, Have you done anymore looking at the DNA on \_\_\_\_\_ Hawkins? Is there any hope of anyone back that remotely fits? I was hoping for some kind of a match somewhere. Thanks, P\_\_\_\_\_*

IT WORKS FOLKS!

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Most of the time, Y DNA matches with other surnames are not worth pursuing. If your Haplogroup is R1b [Most of the Hawkins in the project are in this Haplogroup], you will usually get a large number of matches with other Surnames. You can eliminate these matches from your results page for Matches, by setting yourself as Private.

A Surname Project can be set as either Public or Private, although by default they begin as Private. The individual participant has control over this setting and may change it (see final paragraph).

The Public/Private setting effects how Y DNA Matches works for searching the Family Tree DNA customer database for matches. When a member is set as Private, the Find Y DNA Matches command only searches in the Surname Project for matches. The member is also invisible when others outside the Surname Project Search for Y DNA Matches.

The Private setting is very beneficial for those with a common Haplotype, who get many matches with other surnames when they are set as Public. [Most of our Hawkins are R1b, the most common of the Haplotypes.] [A 12/12 match with another surname is probably not a match. I would want to look into a 24/25 match]

The Public/Private setting also effects whether you get email notification of new matches. If you are set as Private, you will only receive email notification of matches within your Surname Project. A member with a Public setting will receive notice of all matches to those participants set as Public.

To check or change your Public/Private setting go to: Update Contact Information on your Personal Page. Look below the email address at the line that reads: "Restrict Match notifications to your surname Project." If there is a check mark in the box, you are set as Private. If there is no check mark, you are set as Public.

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12 marker tests that give you many matches are a signal to upgrade the test to more markers. R1b is too common for a 11/12 or 12/12 match to be meaningful unless you have traditional genealogy to guide you to a match or a common surname to justify some investigation. And even then, it's often wise to upgrade. (FTDNA argues that 12 marker tests can be useful for those participants with close matches whose results are uncommon and have matching surnames.) R1b is just too common to settle for a 12 marker test. You'd do well to advise anyone expected to match this first result to start with the 25 marker test and save time and (a little) money.

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Are there other Hawkins out there that have tested with other DNA testing companies? I would like to include you in our project if you would furnish me your test results.

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I have not completed changes the group tables on our Hawkins DNA site to reflect the Y-DNA37 marker results. They Project markers can be viewed at <http://www.familyreedna.com/public/HAWKINS/>.

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The last male descendant in anyone's line should be tested, and the 37 marker test should be used. I receive so many contacts from Hawkins females that no longer have a living Hawkins male to test. Cost sharing among the family would certainly be appropriate in this case. DNA testing for genealogy is still in its infant stage, and I think some really amazing advances will be made in the next couple of years. A sample on file ensures that new discoveries will benefit descendants.

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Pass the hat and share the testing cost.

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WOW!!! Family Tree DNA will celebrate their 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May, with over 8,000 unique surnames being linked within over 900 surname projects.

I am sometimes asked about the relation of Family Tree DNA, and FamilyTreeMaker software and Genealogy.com. The answer is none. It was just a logical name for the first genealogy DNA testing company.

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----Old Stuff----

To apply for participation in the HAWKINS Project go to:  
[http://www.familyreedna.com/surname\\_det.asp?group=Hawkins](http://www.familyreedna.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.

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.

-----Please Note-----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.).

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Administrator (No remuneration received for this endeavor.)

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