

HAWKINS WORLDWIDE DNA Project
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Family pages:
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html

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Fly Your Flag - Join the Hawkins Worldwide DNA Project!

I need the help of everyone that is reading this letter. Our project has been a great help to a few of our participants that have benefited by making a connection that had before been impossible. But there are many that need your help, just look at the list of unmatched participants (33 distinct Hawkins lines with only a single participant). The problem is simply a problem of numbers. We need hundreds of participants to build a strong and large Hawkins database for comparison purposes. Imagine what would happen if just half of you talked to a Hawkins, any Hawkins, about our project and how they could help, how they could benefit, how they could add to our family history. There are hundreds of you that read the letter each month and you are aware of other Hawkins, both family and non-family. They are in your phone book, you meet them in your work, at church, at the sports activities that your children participate in, they are all around you. I cannot reach them all, but collectively you can. If each of you talked to one Hawkins it would increase our numbers manifold in a short time. If some of you contacted two or three just imagine the growth that is possible. Please make it your project by recruiting a new participant.

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We have participating Hawkins lines in Australia, Canada, and the UK. I would like to add Project leaders in each of these countries. Requesting volunteers.

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The following , concerning Native American ancestry, is from *Facts & Genes*, 24 Feb.

Both a Y-DNA test and a mtDNA test will indicate if there is Native American ancestry in the direct line tested, either the direct male line or the direct female line.

The typical problem is that the Native American ancestry has crossed a direct line. For example, your father's mother's father is the direct male line for Native American ancestry. In that case, if your father's direct male line or direct female line was tested, neither would show Native American ancestry, unless these direct lines had unknown Native American ancestry.

To test the Native American lineage from your father's mother's father, you would need to find a direct male descendent of this man, such as from his sons or his brothers.

If it is not known which direct line is Native American for your father's mother's father, testing both his direct male line and his direct female line would tell you if either were of Native American ancestry.

Native American ancestry is determined by the haplogroup of the Y-DNA or mtDNA test results, and represents the ancestry of either a direct male line (Y-DNA) or a direct female line (mtDNA). Both males and females inherit mtDNA, though only females pass it on. Therefore, a male will have his mother's mtDNA.

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Family Tree DNA has announced that they have been certified as the first genetic genealogy organization to adhere to the Safe Harbor framework of the U.S. Department of Commerce as required by the European Union's Directive on Data Protection.

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Jim Terzian writes, "Have you ever found a box or album of family pictures with people you never knew? How much heritage was lost, even though we still have the pictures?" [Make those pictures durable by adding the Who / Where / When / Why (WWWW), using a 6B Artist pencil.]

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Richard Hawkins asks, "I know that the past two generations on my Hawkins lineage has the disease Psoriasis. I'm wondering if you or any one have any information about this from their Hawkins families from farther back? Richard's line is to Jeffery, Group-04

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The Feb 2009 National Geographic, an interesting article on Darwin, extracted:

Page 58, a line reminds us that our genes, or gene, is a sequence of DNA letters (different combination of A, C, G, or T), that make a particular protein when activated. A bit further on, in discussing that beach mice have a lighter coat (that camouflage them from predators) than other mice in the field. In the laboratory it was discovered that a change to a single letter in a single gene reduced the amount of pigment in their fur.

Page 70, New genes can create a new species, or just change the order and pattern of their use and the same thing happens.

Page 71, we aren't just a blend of our parents, but a new model comprised of the traits passed by our parents from their parents and so on back to longer than I can count.

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From Stu Pike, Alamo, CA, "I do Executive Search for a living or as we sometimes call ourselves, I'm a headhunter. Often I have to find people's contact information and these skills are useful in genealogy when you are trying to locate an unknown relative or researching your surname. The top part on this page, lists some of the major tools I use to dig out phone numbers, city or emails.

<http://brownbagrecruiter.com/look-me-up-sometime-lookup-tools-for-recruiters/>

HINT: From experience I've found that there is no perfect tool, so when you are looking for someone, try several.

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RootsWeb Review, 11 February 2009, Vol. 12, No. 2, Ancestry.com

There are many resources for adoption research but the path to discovery often requires the sagacity of Sherlock Holmes, the persistence of a Pit Bull, and more than a bit of luck. The place to start is within your own family. Until fairly recently, adoption was frequently a family matter and often handled informally with few or no official court records. Talk to elderly relatives who may recall long-forgotten details. Look for papers in the attic, notes on the backs of old photos, family diaries or journals--anything that might offer a clue.

Sometimes a child's name change or a revised listing of heirs in a will to include a new child, are the only legal or official clues that a child may have been adopted. Census records sometimes list a child as being an "adopted daughter" regardless of whether court records were ever established to legalize the adoption.

In the U.S.A., adoption laws vary from state to state, as do the courts that handle adoption cases. International adoption laws also differ from country to country. So at the top of your agenda you will want to ascertain the location of the birth and adoption. Next, learn the laws and courts having jurisdiction over adoptions in that country or state. Adoptions could have been local or even international in scope. Emigration was sometimes the solution to the problem of orphaned children. Many children from Great Britain were sent to Canada, for example.

It would be impossible to outline here the laws for every locality and every resource available in the search for birth parents of an adopted ancestor, so the next best thing is to provide links to online resources where you can locate the information.

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Input from our Family Groups. The family pages are found at
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html.

If your line is one of our coordinated groups (01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 10, 12, or 17) please forward anything that you think would be of interest for our readers to your Group Leader, marking it *For the Newsletter*. If you fall into one of the groups that we still need a Group Leader for, then mail your print and pictures directly to me. This is your newsletter and we need your input. Try to keep it to a page, or a little more, each month (less is OK). If it is longer, consider breaking it into parts to run over two newsletters.

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Hawkins Family Group-01 (Group Leader is Marsha Moses, mosesm@earthlink.net)
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-01

In a message dated 26 Feb, "I just started a new "cheat sheet" that I would like some help on. I am going to put Hawkins information into a crazy format that I am trying out for a while. I want to put the information in by places that the people lived. So I would like to hear from everyone--even those of you who I know well and already have your information just to help me do this in a way that makes sense. I want name of ancestor and where he/she was living with time frame and if you are involved with the DNA project--which DNA group this ancestor belonged to. So if I were sending my own line in it would look like this:

Marsha Moses

Orange County, Virginia

Benjamin and Thomas R. Hawkins 1770-1885 DNA group #!

Louisa County, Virginia

Edward Pinkard Hawkins 1848-1885 (remarried and moved to Spotsylvania County 1885-1916)

Marsha has received several inquiries into what she is doing with the geographical information that she is collected. She sent one of the pages for the newsletter to show an example of how she

is organizing the information. As more information comes in, Marsha plans to continue to add to the appropriate County in each State.

Dekalb County, Alabama

John I Hawkins--bapt: 1790 VA--between birth and abt. 1835
 White/McMen Co.TN--DeKalb Co.AL abt. 1835 until death bef. 1860--m.Elizabeth
 Cook in TN--children Benjamin III, Alexander, Raleigh, Lucinda, John II,
 Mahulda, James, Preston, William (ours), Mary Ann Hawkins, Jorusha,
 Blanchey--parents are one of the Benjamin & Mary (possible Taylor) Hawkins
 DNA group #1 Nancy Pack



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Hawkins Family Group-02 (Group Leader is Bob Hawkins, bobhawk507@sbcglobal.net)
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-02)

William Hawkins of Orange Co., Va. (1721-1799) lists five sons in his will: William, Reuben, Arculus, Elisha, and John. Some genealogies have Jehu Dyer Hawkins or Jehudiah as a son of William. Is this John? Jehu Dyer is a witness for Elisha on his Am. Rev. Pension. Elisha is witness for Reuben on his Pension. He could be a cousin or nephew or John. Usually the witness is a close relative. The DNA connection is there. We just need to figure out where he fits in. Bob Hawkins.

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Hawkins Family Group-03 (Group Leader is Carol Phillips, cphillips420@yahoo.com.)

Jim Hawkins and his daughter, Pearl Hawkins Burgess. > > >

James was the son of Daniel Young and Sarah Marinda Hawkins. He was born June 19, 1876 and passed away February 12, 1948. He and his wife, Rosie Hays are both buried in the Holly Pond Cemetery, Cullman, Alabama.



Carol needs assistance from the participants, and anyone else relating to this family group, in presenting information and pictures in the newsletter. If you have an interesting story, picture, or information on one of your ancestors please send it to her or to the editor.

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-03

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Hawkins Family Group-04 (My, your editor's, family group, phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net): Earliest known common ancestors are Jeffery and Dorothy (Mattock) Hawkins, emigrating from Wilts, England in 1682 to Bucks Co., PA.

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-04

You do not have to be a participant to send material for this family group. Old pictures, family stories, unanswered questions, brick walls, whatever would be of interest to our line, to your branch of the line, or information on a particular event that might have been an influencing factor in the history of an ancestor (s). If you send pictures please scan at 300 dpi, and furnish the who/when/where/why to the extent you can.

Last month I asked, "Could this be our Dorothy Mattock (m. Jeffery)? Info turned up by Martha Caulk?"

FamilySearch (Mormon-Salt Lake) Dorythe Mattock, Christening 02 Jan 1641 Sutton Veny, Wiltshire, England, Father: Stephen Mattock, Source Info: Batch # C152391, Dates 1564-1884, Source Call #: 1279342. [Copied from the Family History site 26 Jan 2009, Phillip A. Hawkins] The original records are in the Wiltshire County Record Office, Trowbridge.

Following is a scan of the "Dorythe entry line in the Sutton-Veny Parish book of baptisms and deaths. For 1641 there were six entries. The book is in bad shape with many pages unreadable. This page is water damaged and blackened at the top, bottom, and left outside, but fortunately the line on Dorythe Mattock is legible. Studying numerous lines in the book and referencing examples of 17th century letters on the internet it is readable as "Dorythe mattock [verticle line] Dorythe mattock Daughter fo [of] steaphin [the verticle line between the ea is an extension from the above written line] mattock baptized first day of January."



"Dorythe mattock Daughter of steaphin mattock baptized first day of January"

Following is a scan of the 1634-35 page with William Mattock [verticle line] william mattock [crease] son ?steaph? [missing area] mattock was baptized ??? A brother of Dorythe?



william mattock son?teaph?.....mattock.....was baptized.....?..?.....?

The parish church in Sutton-Veny (one mile south of Norton Bavant) was St. Leonard's. There are numerous pictures of each at http://www.oodwooc.co.uk/ph_SuttonVL.htm.

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Hawkins Family Group-07 (Group Leader is Sara Hawkins Powell, sara-powell@sbcglobal.net)

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-07

Since the three of us have DNA connections but no "people" connections, I will go out on a limb. I submitted my proven ancestors but not my "probably ancestors" so here is an overview of what I have found in Old Virginia:

Court Order Books show two Benjamin Hawkins: one died in 1745 without a Will and the other Benjamin Hawkins contested the administrator a Benjamin Baldwin. The second Benjamin Hawkins died in 1771 with a Will but only named his wife, Amey and son-in-law Owen Smith. His sons were mentioned but not by name.

It appears to me that a Robert Hawkins b. ca 1766 VA d. 19 Jan 1840 in Sumner Co., TN was one of the sons of the second Benjamin Hawkins. The second Robert Hawkins b. ca 1805 VA d. 1865 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN was one of the sons of the Robert that died in Sumner Co. He did leave a Will which names my ancestor, Thomas James Hawkins b. 2 Aug 1830 in Nashville d. 23 Sep 1880 in Nashville.

I don't know if anyone can find any clues in this game of who belongs to who, but if you can I and my co-harts would be happy for any help or suggestions.

Sara Hawkins Powell - Group 7

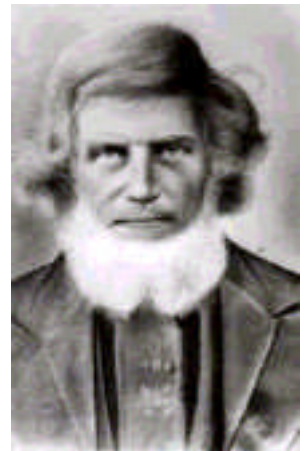
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Hawkins Family Group-10 (Group Leader is James D. Hawkins, bethnjames@earthlink.net)
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-10



< Samuel Hawkins b.1802, d. 02 Jan 1885, a son of Edward Dycus Hawkins b.1773 and Mary Poly Rollins b. 1778.

Edward Walter Hawkins b.1830 d. 11 Jan 1917, a son of Samuel Hawkins b.1802 & Jane Webb b. 1805.
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Hawkins Family Group-17 (Group Leader is R. Scott Hawkins, rshawkins@kumango.net)
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-17

Been a busy month, between Ancestry.com and random connections, I have talked with four different distant group 17 cousins and trying to get a few of them to have their DNA Tested so we can add to our group and build stronger evidence for our connections.

With my furthest ancestor being the furthest back, we have been working that tree forward to figure out the connections of the three branches in the group. I am happy to report that we have a working theory of how John's tree and mine are connected. No primary sources to support it at this point but we have several family reports at familysearch.org, note on an ancestry.com bulletin board, and a side note in a Revolutionary pension record. This with the DNA evidence makes us feel good that what we have found is real. We are both turning over stones to try to find any secondary or primary sources to make it a more solid connection. I also found a branch, which would connect the other tree in but have not heard back from him. Hoping next month to be able to reduce our three trees to two or even one.'

Scott

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Hawkins Participants that have not yet been matched. (33 distinct future Hawkins Groups.)
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#participants

If you are a participant in this group and would like to submit a story, picture, or questions please do so.



Can you help Participant 12761's with his tree? His email is mike@alpinelink.com.

- 1 William Giles Hawkins 1868 -
- 2 Joseph Evans Hawkins 1892 -
- 3 William King Hawkins 1935 -
- 4 **Participant #127611**

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DNA testing is the most powerful tool ever to be available to genealogists. Genetic Genealogy is still in its infancy, and the majority of those researching their family history are not yet aware of this new tool and how DNA testing will assist them with their research.

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If you maintain a web site with Hawkins information, please add a link to our Hawkins DNA Project. If you maintain a website that relates to any of our Hawkins DNA lines, please advise, and I'll list a link for it on our site.

If you know someone that would like to be on the Hawkins 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.

Please advise us of any planned Hawkins reunions. We would like to list them indicating the patriarch, place, dates, and any other special information. Consider collecting donations to have some of the cousins in your group tested. Maybe you have the perfect paper records, but the mutations that occur in the separate lines need to be identified now for succeeding generations (and just maybe, your paper records are not as solid as you assume).

If you have tested with someone other than Family Tree DNA please contact me about also participating in our Hawkins Project.



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