



HAWKINS WORLDWIDE DNA Project
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If you are not receiving this newsletter with pictures, then I do not have you on the mailing list. This newsletter (with pictures) is posted to our website, where the past six issues are maintained. To view, go to <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/index.html#Newsletter>.



The picture left is of the Roswell Gregory Hawkins Family, believed taken about 1890 in Oklahoma. The family had migrated to the Oklahoma Territory from Missouri. Roswell Gregory was a son of Gregory Farmer Hawkins and Sarah Cannon. Picture was provided by Caroline Vowell.

Left to right: Couples - Etham Ballenger & Fannmie Hawkins Ballenger; James Babbett and Mary LaRue Hawkins Babbett; Charles Hawkins and Ruthie (Dick) Hawkins, Ruth Hawkins, their daughter, (Ruth) is far right, Madison Hawkins

Second Row: Emma Hawkins Thompson, ROSWELL GREGORY HAWKINS, & wife Rhoda Katherine (Howe) Hawkins, Hattie Hawkins Charlesworth

Bottom Row: Callie Hawkins Robinson and Irene Hawkins Parks

I'll bet that many of you have old pictures that you wish you could put names with. And would you believe that 100 years from now your descendants are going to have the same wish. I would suggest that if a picture is worth keeping it should be annotated. Using a 6B art pencil (it is soft, long lasting, will write on any photo, will not bleed through, and can be bought at an art or office supply) record the who/when/where/why.

I have finished with the current update to the site. Everything is up to date, some pictures have been added, and a few minor changes have been made.

We now have 50 participants in our project, and have identified 24 distinct Hawkins lines. There are two individuals that could be our 8th family group (additional testing is being done on one of them), and we are awaiting initial results on three others.

If you have been thinking about joining with us, please do so now. We need YOU! By participating in our Y-DNA project, or sponsoring a participant if you are female, you are making a significant contribution to the knowledge about our Hawkins surname. Even when your tree ends, you can still discover information about your origin. Please give some serious thought as to how you can contribute to this meaningful project.

Family Tree DNA has more than 2000 surname projects running with more than 37,000 records now in their database. To join our HAWKINS project, where you will receive a discount price, go to http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.asp?code=Z47192.

I urge all of our participants to contribute their results to the Genographic Project sponsored by the National Geographic Society. You may do this by going to your home page at Family Tree DNA and clicking on the Genographic tab.

A group of Genetic Genealogy enthusiasts have formed a society for those interested in Genetic Genealogy. The society has been named: The International Society of Genetic Genealogy. ISOGG's web site states: "The mission of the

International Society of Genetic Genealogy is to advocate for and educate about the use of genetics as a tool for genealogical research, and promote a supportive network for genetic genealogists."

Membership is free, and is open to all. The benefits of membership include access to a Yahoo Group mailing list, as well as access to DNA speeches. To learn more or to join, go to <http://www.isogg.org>.

DNA testing relates you to others by matching selected "markers." It associates you with other tested individuals that "match." Matched individuals, as a group of cousins, can then marshal their resources to build a paper trail of proof. As the data base of cousins grows a list of mutations will be presented, but in comparing the mutations of each it is possible to establish the probable DNA of that 300 year old ancestor.

The Y-DNA12 test with a 12/12 match is 99.9% guarantee that you and the match have a common male ancestor, BUT, the time frame may have been many hundreds or even thousands of years ago (Most of the times, 12 marker matches with different surnames are not relevant for genealogical purposes). If you have an 11/12 match (one of your markers does not match), then you may be cousins and you may not. To confirm a relationship within our genealogical time frame would then require an upgrade to the Y-DNA25. If you then match 23/25, you are almost certainly related; if only 21/25 then no relationship exists; 22/25 ???

Looking at testing with the above, I recommend the Y-DNA25 test. If you feel that you cannot afford that test, then go ahead with the Y-DNA12. It will tell you who you are NOT related with, will point to probably/maybe relationships, your DNA will be in the bank at the University of Arizona for the following 25 years, and using the bank you can upgrade at any time to the Y-DNA25, or 37. The Y-DNA37 is the most positive test, and it provides more information in filling in branches of the tree. Eventually you will want to upgrade to the 37.

Questions? Contact me.

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

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

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.

"R1b (most of the Hawkins lines) is just too common to settle for a 12-marker test. You'd do well to start with the 25 (or 37) marker test and save time and (a little) money." If you feel that you can afford only the 12-marker test at the current time, you can use it to confirm a non-relationship and to insure that a sample has been preserved. As the sample is maintained for 20 years, you could at a later time have additional markers tested.

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. Hopefully you have the perfect paper records, but the mutations that occur in the separate lines need to be identified now for succeeding generations. Think about it. Please email me any questions that you might have.

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



The picture left, taken in 1940, shows my brother, sister, and me with "Baby Face." Our father was working as an engineer for the Curtis-Aeroplane in New York and we were staying with our Pumphrey grandfather in Indiana. He didn't have electricity, but that didn't make any difference to us. We had a creek to fish and swim in, a pit to play cowboys and Indians, and war. We pumped water, helped with the milking, rode the tractor, went rabbit hunting, and all kinds of neat things. Bread was delivered, the iceman gave us little pieces of ice when he delivered blocks for the ice-box, and we were always treated when the huckster stopped by. Family gathered somewhere almost every weekend to make ice cream and play cards, and we played Rook and Euchre with all the *old* people. During the week there was always a free outdoor movie in town when mother and granddad went shopping.

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