



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

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

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If you have a Hawkins picture that you think others would be interested in seeing, especially if it has a story to go with it, please email me a copy.

The following is an update on Hawkins Family Group-04 (Jeffery & Dorothy), http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/tree_g-1.html#Group-04, that we have been discussing. It is instructive to everyone in how DNA can be used in family history.

As you recall, the current group of five, previously four were working to determine two facts. First, what is the probable value of the marker #439 for James II, 1715-1793, the father of two lines, with one line (undetermined) showing a double mutation at 439. And second, where does the fourth member that traces his line through the South to SC in the early 1800s, connect with the North group that were there until about 1807 before migrating on to Oh and IN? This past month participant five, another South Hawkins, was added. He also traces his line to SC (but it is different than number four from SC that continues to CA).

Concerning the markers, four of the five (two Yankees and two Confederates) are perfect matches, with the remaining Yankee having a double mutation difference at marker 439. Since the connection point of the two latest participants has not yet been determined we are yet in question as to which line the mutation has occurred in. If they connect with my John, 1744-1816, or later (placing the four of us that are perfect matches in the same branch) we have not yet resolved the value of 439 in John's father James II. However, if we connect them to another brother of John and Benjamin (the participant that has the different 439 value is in the line from Benjamin), then the preponderance of two of three brothers would indicate the correct value for the father, James II, (and likely the immigrant Jeffery). Again, (while we are working out the connection of the Southerners) a participant from a line of one of the other five brothers would also indicate the likely historical value of 439.

I am in contact with a descendent of Isaac, a brother of John and Benjamin. His branch went from SC to AR. Hopefully he will join our project and provide the probable solution to the mystery of, "who is our mutant?" Does anyone have a copy of the will of Isaac Hawkins, b. before 1746, m. Margaret Kenworthy, d. 1816 in Union County, SC? Executors were his son Jonathan and son-in-law Isaac Gregory. I would greatly like to be copied (also any Isaac Hawkins will anywhere in SC at this time).

A group of us (the Confederate lines and myself) are working diligently to correctly identify the connections that are traceable to SC in the early 1800s (? and NC ?).

With that in mind, I am attempting to identify all Hawkins that were in Union County, SC from 1800 through 1875. If you have Hawkins ancestors that were there in that time frame please provide me with an FTW or GED outline descendent file for your line. As I am able to link some of these families I'll post to the Rootsweb site listed below.

Do you monitor the Hawkins List at RootsWeb? It is a mailing list for people who are interested in any or all aspects of Hawkins genealogy, anywhere in the world. Try it. There is a lot of Hawkins family information traded there. Questions are posted by anyone, and answers are provided as available. It's very simple.

To subscribe (free), just send an e-mail to ROOTS-L-request@rootsweb.com with the message subscribe.

To unsubscribe (not everyone chooses to stay), send to that same address the message unsubscribe.

As the project continues to grow, I am finding it more and more difficult to keep up. We need Group Coordinators for Groups - 02, 03, 04, 06, 07, 09, 11, 12, and additional family groups as they are found. You do not need to be a project participant to be a coordinator - just a deep commitment to discover more about your Hawkins line.

I would also like to see the family groups develop their own web pages as an extension to what we are currently placing on the Project's Family Page. Maybe an individual within each of the groups might volunteer to do this, or maybe there is a friend that would do it for you. We could then provide a link from ours to yours' for additional information.

Anyone, if you have a site that has information on someone in our family groups, we would be happy to post a link from our family group to your information (please provide us the link directly to that information).

What can you tell me about search engines (good / bad)? I want to add one in November.

What else can we do to make all of this better???

We added one participant this month making 88 of us. Eleven (11) Family groups have been formed and are sharing knowledge. To date 37 distinct Hawkins lines have been identified. With so many distinct lines it is no wonder that so many of us run into those brick walls. Thank goodness that we now have the DNA tool to help find our way out of the maze and onto the correct path. Hopefully most of the new participants will be falling into one of our established family groups, or matching a previously unmatched participant to form a new family group.

One thing we can say for sure. Some of the participants have benefited **greatly** from the results of participating. Some of those closed doors have been blown off their hinges, and as each month goes by we see more of those brick walls crumbling. For those that are not matched yet, it is just a matter of time until they see a green light. It is truly exciting when it's you that the door opens for.

Family Tree DNA surname projects total 3,637, and they have more than 80,600 Y-records now in their database. To join our HAWKINS project go to http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.asp?code=Z47192 where you will receive the group discount price.

All past newsletters with pictures have been added to our project web site at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hawkinsdnaproject/#Newsletter>.

Questions? Contact me at phil_hawkins@sbcglobal.net.

The following message was received in October from Family Tree DNA www.familytreedna.com.

To Hawkins group manager,

Family Tree DNA is pleased to announce that Advanced DNA tests from DNA-Fingerprint are now available to Family Tree DNA customers!

Customers can now order individual markers or panels for the Y-chromosome (male only), X-chromosome, and autosomal DNA. These tests can be used to broaden the possibilities for complex kinship testing (ex. sister siblingship test). A database for comparisons is currently being developed. The CODIS autosomal markers are also available in this section as well.

Participants will now see two options when they go to the "Order Tests" section on their personal page. The "Standard" option will offer the Y-DNA and mtDNA tests we have previously offered. For all of typical genealogy group members the Standard section is the one for them. The "Advanced" option will offer these new tests which leads into somewhat different areas.

An explanation is available for each panel of markers.

We are very excited to offer these new tests to our existing customers. In the next few days we will be offering these tests to individuals who may not have tested their DNA prior, but for the next several days these test will only be available to existing FTDNA and DNA-Fingerprint clients.

DNA-Fingerprint customers can now give permission to transfer their data to Family Tree DNA to be included on their personal page in 1-2 months.

We appreciate choosing Family Tree DNA for your genetic genealogy needs, and are proud to continue to be at the forefront of genetic genealogy testing.

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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 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).

Phil Hawkins 30 November 2006 Administrator [No remuneration received]

Family Tree DNA is pleased to announce milestones achieved and new features.

1. The following milestones have been achieved:

Family Tree DNA now has over 81,000 records in our database of Y-DNA results. We also have over 3,600 Surname Projects, which include over 57,000 surnames. Our mtDNA database has over 35,000 results.