

## Introduction

It does not seem that it is six months since the last Newsletter back in August. You will read in this Newsletter some of what has been happening with regard to the One Name Study, particularly progress with our DNA Project.



## Test Results

We now have had five test results and you can find them on our DNA results page. The first column is for two identical results for Martin and I, both descended from Edward Hagger born about 1763 in Therfield. Then there is a test result for somebody descended from Lavender Hagger born about 1767 in Therfield. Although the DNA test results for these two Therfield Hagger branches are very similar we have no documentation to prove the relationship.

The third column shows the results for an Epping branch of Hagger's and even this branch only has two different marker results from the Edward branch. The final result shown is for a Hagger branch from Sheppey in Kent and this appears to have no recent connection to the other branches.

We are now waiting for results from someone descended from Thomas Hagger, the son of Edward Hagger (born about 1763 in Therfield). This result should match column one. Martin and I are descended from Henry, the son of Edward, and Thomas is another son of Edward.

## Taking Part in the Project

We appreciate that the cost of DNA testing (\$189) may be rather expensive for some folk to fund alone. Therefore, we have set up a Hagger DNA Project Fund and we are willing to subsidise a test for any male Hagger, particularly if they are from a branch for which we do not yet have any test results.

I must emphasise that to take part in the project testing you do need to be a male Hagger. If you are not able to take part in the testing you can support the project by making a donation to the project fund.

If you wish to take part in the project and fund your own test, or wish to donate to the Project Fund, please go to our page at DNA Heritage:

<http://www.dnaheritage.com/surnameform.asp?GroupUnique=239838173&Surname=Hagger>

If you would like to have help from the Project Fund in order to get tested please contact [Peter Hagger](mailto:peter@hagger.org).

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## Spin Off

Recently, Tim, one of the many Hagger Researchers we are in touch with, was reviewing the DNA test results on our web site and realised he could be related to one of our test candidates as he is descended from John Hagger born about 1820 in Epping. By doing a little bit of work we were able to show that Robert,, our test candidate, and Tim are indeed related. Tim is descended from James, the brother of John, whom Robert is descended from; John and James were sons of James born in about 1784.

Robert's family history story is much longer than we have space for here in the Newsletter, but his story bears out the need for checking and double checking your data and facts. Back in 1994, Robert paid Debrett's to research his family history and they concluded he was descended from one of the Therfield Hagger's. Martin Hagger was not totally convinced of this and eventually we traced Robert's roots back to the Epping branch. The problem Debrett's had was finding James Henry Hagger, Robert's Great Grandfather. Subsequently, we found that whilst he was James Henry on his son's marriage certificate he was mainly known as William James. Robert also had some sadness in his family history as his Grandfather (also a Robert) had committed suicide and Debrett's found the press cuttings for his inquest. You will shortly see some more information on the Epping Hagger's on our Ancestors Pages.

### Project News

Thanks to some sterling work by Doug Fitzjohn in Australia, we now have captured all the Hagger (and most variants) Birth, Marriage and Deaths from the GRO indexes up to 2004 - this represents some 19,938 entries. Doug's efforts brought to a conclusion the earlier work done by Martin, Doug, Mike Hagger and myself.

Martin and I have been working on the Wills indexes and we have captured some 1,123 entries from 1858 to 1990. So if you had an ancestor die during this period and wonder whether they left a will contact Peter and he will do a look it up for you.

Other work has also been progressing on building families within our master database and cross referencing from entries in the Times database.

An area where we have made significant progress is on collecting data on marriages occurring between 1837 to 1911. You may realise during this period the GRO Marriage index does not give a spouse's surname. As a result of a project organised by the [Guild of One Name Studies](#), we have now collected marriage information on 329 of the 1,831 marriages in this period. We are now taking part in the project trying to find details of various marriages that occurred during this period in the Royston registration District.

More details on what data we hold can be found on our [Data Available page](#).

## Families

If you are researching these families [Peter Hagger](#) would very much like to hear from you, he may be able to help you or put you in touch with researchers with a common interest.

A Hagger family based in Liverpool - Henry Joseph, born about 1829 was the Vestry Clerk of Liverpool and gets a number of mentions in The Times.

Norman Watson Hagger, born 1893 at Maldon in Essex, was a Canon in the Church of England and died at West Deeping in Lincolnshire in 1972.

William Hagger Barlow, born about 1833 Islington and died in Peterborough in 1908 where he was Dean of the Cathedral. His mother was Elizabeth Hagger born about 1802 in Islington.

[An occasional Newsletter for those interested in the study of the surname Hagg\\*r and its variants.](#)