



SEPTEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

Adamthwaite Archive – new site

Last month I transferred all the pages from the old Adamthwaite Archive website to a new url at www.adamthwaitearchive.org.uk as the original website, which I had tacked on to the end of my own family history website, had expanded so much that I was in danger of running out of space. It now looks as if Google and other search engines have trawled the new site sufficiently for it to show up on most relevant searches, so I will shortly be deleting the archive pages from the old site (which was at www.mastel.org.uk/adamthwaitearchive). Please can you add the new url to your bookmarks and remove any bookmarks to the old site.

Colour coding system

In response to several queries about the colour coding system used throughout the Birth, Marriage and Death pages and also on the Census spreadsheets, I have added what I hope is a helpful explanation about how the system was devised and a short description about each of the lines. There is a link to this explanation from the main BMD and Census pages of the new site. Does it make sense? Please let me know if you feel there should be more on this subject.

Miscellany section

Now there is plenty of space to add any new items – please send me any extra articles about your line of Adamthwaites that you would like included. The Miscellany section has grown a lot in recent months and now contains several interesting articles about particular families, which really bring them to life.

Last month I added '**Rhoda's Story**', written by Toni about her mother's family in Leeds with some super photos of members of the VIOLET line; the fascinating story about the **Quambatook Adamthwaites** of Victoria Australia, written nearly 40 years ago by Vida Adamthwaite, and brought up to date by Elizabeth in NZ; also details of **Adamthwaites in Uniform** listing all the records we have found for military service in the World Wars and earlier – can you add photos or more details of any of your relatives that served in the forces but have not yet been included on these pages?

This month Bob has written a very interesting article about **Adamthwaites in the Workhouse**, which you will also find in the Miscellany Section.

And I am still working on an article about the ORANGE line of Adamthwaites – which is growing longer by the day. If you can add any information about this line I would be most grateful, I am particularly short of photographs for members of this family.

Photo Galleries

After much searching, I have found a better system to display the growing number of photos we are collecting. This new system has allowed me to use slightly better quality images, which you can

download (just right click on any image and select 'save'). Take a look at the Photo Gallery and let me know what you think. Does it still take too long to load some pages?

You may notice that we have no photos at all for the TURQUOISE and BLUE lines and only a few for some of the other lines – if you have got any pictures of your ancestors hidden away in shoeboxes, please email scanned copies to me so that they can be included. If you don't have access to a scanner, just email me for my postal address and I will scan and return any originals immediately.

Useful links

Elizabeth in NZ has been beavering away hunting for Adamthwaites in all the newly digitised books and publications that you can access on Google Books ... more are being added daily, and though it is still a bit hit and miss whether or not the text recognition software actually finds every mention of a particular surname, she has found some brilliant bits of information. We will be adding more to the website section of Adamthwaites in the Press very soon as a result of Elizabeth's work. You may like to have a look yourself at this valuable search tool – you can find it at <http://books.google.com/>

I am sending this newsletter to all members of the Adamthwaite mailing list on Rootsweb and also to all other email contacts I have for Adamthwaite researchers, because I want to be sure that everyone who might want to access the Adamthwaite Archive website knows about the move to the new web address. Please could you forward this newsletter to anyone you know who I may not be in contact with?

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