



SEPTEMBER 2008 NEWSLETTER

Updates to the Adamthwaite Archive website

New details added to

- NEW PHOTOS added to the OLIVE, YELLOW and PINK [photo galleries](#)
- You can now find us on [FACEBOOK](#), with a group called 'Adamthwaites around the World'
- [Adamthwaites in the Workhouse](#) article updated
- New section all about our exciting new Adamthwaite DNA Project

Please can you help with our new Project?

Just over a month ago I emailed everyone I had a contact email address for to tell you about our new Adamthwaite DNA Project, and I received some encouraging replies. We are awaiting the test results for our first two candidates ... one from the YELLOW line and one from the GREY line, but we need more volunteers to make the project a success.

I know that many of you have discovered useful information about your ancestors from the Adamthwaite Archive website, and now you can help us in one of three ways:

- **If you are male and your surname is Adamthwaite** (or if you have a different surname but believe you are descended from a male Adamthwaite through the male line), you can **volunteer to take a DNA test** to represent your branch of the Adamthwaites. The test kit would be posted directly to your home and involves using a simple mouth swab, which you return by post to the testing company. We are able to offer a contribution towards the cost of the test from the Adamthwaite General Fund. The results of your test would be used solely for genealogical purposes and you will not be identified by name in any analysis published on this or any other website. And, if you hurry, the company carrying out the tests for our project are running a **special reduced price** for the 37 marker y-DNA test kit until the end of September 2008.
- If you do not meet the criteria to take the test yourself, but you know someone who does - perhaps you could act as an **Ambassador for the Adamthwaite study** and tell them about our study and ask them if they would agree to take the test
- If you are not in a position to either take the test yourself, or persuade anyone else to do so - you can still help us by **making a small financial contribution** to the Adamthwaite General Fund, so that we can continue to offer subsidised DNA tests to potential candidates

Full details of the Project are shown in the [DNA section](#) of the Archive, but please email me as soon as possible if you would be prepared to take a DNA test, so that I can organise it at the reduced rate.

Some more useful websites

Mining Disasters website – a full index of those killed and injured, together with maps, photos, and plenty of information about the mining industry

<http://www.cmhrc.co.uk/site/disasters/>

French surnames website

This one was circulated on the Guild of One Name studies members' forum and is very interesting to see where in France your surnames can be found – however it came with a 'health warning' not to be tempted to send off for any of the stuff advertised

<http://www.geopatronymie.com>

Daughters of the American Revolution

<http://grc.dar.org/dar/darnet/grc/grc.cfm>

convicts transported to Australia

<http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/info/fh/convicts>

a new service from Google is at <http://news.google.com/archivesearch>

London Consistory Court Wills are held at the London Metropolitan Archives, (mainly on microfilm) and they have been indexed by volunteers. You can find an online copy of the index on this site:

<http://tinyurl.com/5ecq8w>

WWII Canadian Armed Forces War dead <http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/war-dead/index-e.html>

War Memorials in the north of England <http://www.newmp.org.uk/>

Where's the path? This one is great fun ... it shows a detailed Ordnance Survey map alongside a satellite image of the place on the map – you can find streets and even individual houses, as well as more isolated places <http://wheresthepath.googlepages.com/wheresthepath.htm>

Deceased online – limited coverage at present, but it will grow

<https://www.deceasedonline.com/servlet/GSDOSearch>

As always – please let me know if you have any items you would like included in the next Newsletter

With best wishes,
Sue