# Worthington Family History Society Newsletter



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## Worthington Family History Society

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## Worthington Family History Society Newsletter: Edition 4

Welcome to the fourth edition of the WFHS Newsletter. Each member of the Council has been taking turns to write the Newsletter and any volunteers from the membership are very welcome as well. The second three biographies of the Council — Paul, Sidney and me — appear in this edition.

I hope all members are well and searching for their many "yet to be discovered" Worthington ancestors. As a friend told me that "every time a family member dies, it is like a library closing its doors." I know this firsthand experience. I was "too young" when both of my grandfathers were alive to have an interest in genealogy. My grandfather Worthington amassed almost 20 notebooks of family data beginning when he retired in 1936. My grandmother maternal researched her Sherman family who were among the first settlers of Rhode Island. Their library doors — and my father's too — had closed by the /me l had retired. While I had lots of data, I nο resource for answering guestions. It is critical for members of our families to find someone who has read Volume 1 and is excited by the prospect of Volume 2.

There is lots to enjoy in Newsletter 4, aside from the biographies of Paul, Sidney and me!

Christine Worthington has contributed the third instalment of her research into her ancestor John Worthington.

Jan continues her series from the WFHS archives - this edition recaptures 2007 and the Gathering in Annapolis, USA.

lan has some awaited news about Volume 2 and its imminent appearance (not yet complete) on the WFHS website.

There is also a flyer for anyone to use to promote the sales of Volume 1, on which subject, I have received confirmation that the Family History Library in Salt Lake City has received a copy of *Volume 1* for their archives.

Almost lastly, please join the Council and me in welcoming new members to our Society. They are more recently: Luke Richards, Gordon Pike and Dale Tebbe, and previously: Rob Worthington, David Palmer and Virginia Blair. Good to have you all aboard!

And now lastly, I hope to "see" many of you when we hold the Society's Annual General Meeting on June 25 using Zoom (further details within the body of this Newsletter).

Bill Worthington Councillor, North America



## Biographies...Three Council Members share their biographies

I was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and went to school there. Following my graduation from Brown University, I joined IBM where I worked for forty years — mostly with mainframe computers and storage systems (i.e. disks) in a technical sales support role. Home is now in Mountain View, California, where I've lived since 1975.

I was relatively unexposed to genealogy until I retired and after my father had died. I discovered eighteen one-inch, two-ring binders and other research notes in three packing boxes stored in a closet in my father's house. These were the result of family research done when my grandfather Rev. William Worthington retired from the Episcopal priesthood in



1936. He typed his findings, using an Underwood, manual typewriter, in two column format and carbon paper to give each of his children a copy.

Can you imagine creating your family tree using notes you gathered by hand? If he had a typo, he had to erase the error from each and every sheet of paper. Additionally, research meant using the U.S. Mail, trips to England and Ireland aboard a ship, and occasional family reunions. It was a difficult way to trace one's roots. For me, times had changed. I entered the data onto my computer using Family Tree Maker. I then began scouring the Internet and other sites for additional ancestor data. In the process, I discovered that my grandfather's information contained some errors. I asked a question on a genealogical website and Stuart Worthington responded with help. With Stuart's urging, I joined the society in 2009 and became involved with indexing the Registers of Worthington References and with the Worthington Families of the Seventeenth Century. It is a wonderful time to research one's ancestors.



I was born in St. Albans, Hertfordshire and, after graduating from Leeds University in 1963 in Civil Engineering, followed a period of practical experience with consulting engineers and contractors, qualifying as a chartered engineer some six years later. During this time I spent a further year at Leeds studying Transportation Engineering and was awarded a Masters with distinction in 1968. My subsequent UK based career, working on infrastructure projects overseas for a number of firms of Consultants. involved extensive travel to North Africa, the Middle East and Far East. I became a partner and director of a large firm of consultants before becoming an independent Consultant involved in major EU aid programmes for improving transport infrastructure in Eastern Europe.



I married Heather, née Worthington, in 1965, having met at university and have two children and four grandchildren. My interests outside of work included support to my professional institutions throughout my career becoming an examiner for the professional review for The Institution of Civil Engineers and Chairman of the South Midlands Branch of the Institution of Highways and Transportation. As a committed Christian I was active in the church communities wherever we lived, serving at the altar and at various times holding the offices of churchwarden, treasurer and Lay Minister for Communion. I was an enthusiastic rifle shot for over 30 years taking part in competitive shooting at club and county level; as a member of the Leeds University small bore rifle team in 1961 I was awarded university colours when we became UAU champions that year; I went on to captain the team in 1962. In retirement I volunteered for the Witness Service for over 15 years, providing support to witnesses when they attended court to give evidence.

I was introduced to the Worthington Family History Society when my wife Heather became involved at the early stages of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Project. I attended several gatherings and in 2016 was asked if I would take over the role of Deputy Treasurer of the Society. I became Treasurer in 2018 and have also assisted in developing and maintaining the website since that time.



I was born in Warwick, England in 1941 and educated at Rugby School, Clare College, Cambridge and Guy's Hospital, London. I qualified in 1966 and became the fifth in a line of doctors going back to 1797. After various post graduate junior hospital doctor appointments and a year as a trainee in general practice I settled in a group practice in Wonersh, Surrey in 1971. I had a special interest in paediatrics and, in particular, child protection, serving on a number of local and county committees. I retired in 2006.



In 1970 I married Pat in Dublin, Ireland and became father of three children, the oldest of whom has just turned 50, and grandad to four.

Sports mad from an early age I played rugby, cricket and hockey at school, together with squash and tennis. I started skiing at the age of 12. I still play tennis and ski, although not as fast as a few years ago! I gave up golf membership when it was pointed out that each round cost £300. I enjoy travelling, especially to Africa where our daughter has been living for 10 years or more, and to Switzerland where the family has a chalet.

I became interested in genealogy at about the age of 35 and have attempted to trace all living descendants of my most distant known male ancestor, Thomas Worthington of Nottingham who died in 1771. I joined the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Project in its second year and initiated the DNA Project in 2009. I am currently the Society's Archivist and representative member of the Guild of One-Name Studies (GOONS).



Good news! We are at the point of being able to publish the first group of pedigrees in relation to the second part of our major project researching the Worthington Families of the Seventeenth Century.

The first group of 11 pedigrees, in narrative and chart form, will appear shortly in the members are of the WFHS website. Full instructions on how to view the information will appear on the website. At present only the narratives will be downloadable to your own computers so you can print them out at home. Alas the pedigree charts are not yet downloadable, but we are working on adding a link to a gedcom file to get over this hurdle.

The first 11 pedigrees are: **Northamptonshire:** Brixworth, Higham Ferrers Sudborough

**Nottinghamshire**Shelford and East Bridgford
Lambley

Leicestershire
Lockington
Newhold Coleorton and Worthi

Newbold, Coleorton and Worthington Leicester, St Margarets

**Staffordshire**Walsall
Seighford and Cannock

**Surrey** Horsell

# Worthington Families of the Seventeenth Century

More will follow shortly for Leicestershire (Orton, Norton- juxta-Twycross, Newton Regis), Warwickshire (Kingsbury) and Hampshire (Ropley).

I am also working on some county overviews which attempt to pull together the pedigrees within a county (and/or an adjacent county) as well as pick up strays and individual family groups not covered in the main pedigrees for that county. These are intended as "living think pieces" and contain some speculation and ideas to be challenged, or agreed with additional/new proof and source material.

The remaining pedigrees for *Cheshire, Montgomeryshire, Kent* and *Connecticut, USA* will follow in slower time, but the intention (and hope!) is to complete these over the coming months.

This has been a monumental piece of work and Stuart, Heather and I would welcome your feedback and any ideas to improve what we have so far been able to produce. As I have mentioned before, the fact that this second part of the Project is digital, means it can be amended, corrected and updated very easily.

Ian A Worthington May 2022

## WORTHINGTON 17TH CENTURY PROJECT (Now part of the Worthington Family History Society) The Year 2007 By Janet R Worthington

In the first quarter of 2007 the first definitive 100 page *Register of Worthington References* 17<sup>th</sup> *Century, Volume* 1 was sent out to the 23 members of the Project, all of whom were listed as follows:

	Abbreviation	Country
Dr. Frank A. Brimelow	FAB	USA
Dr. Donald E. Gradeless	DEG	USA
W. Peter Pearre	WPP	USA
Stephen Read	SR	United Kingdom
J. Griffin R. Rountree	JGRR	USA
Sir Knight John E. Shearer (sponsor)	JES	USA
Patricia G. Ward (sponsor)	PaGW	USA
Addison Worthington	AW	USA
Daniel K. Worthington (sponsor)	DKW	USA
Donald J. Worthington (sponsor)	DJW	USA
Garth J Worthington	GJW	New Zealand
Janet R. Worthington (sponsor)	JRW	Australia
Judith S. M. Worthington	JSMW	United Kingdom
Lloyd Worthington (sponsor)	LW	United Kingdom
Marie T. Worthington	MTW	Australia
Neville J. Worthington	NJW	South Africa
Philip G. Worthington	PhGW	United Kingdom
Philip M. Worthington (sponsor)	PMW	United Kingdom
Robert P. Worthington	RPW	United Kingdom
Dr. Sidney Worthington (sponsor)	SW	United Kingdom
Stuart G. Worthington (sponsor)	SGW	Spain
William Worthington	WW	United Kingdom
William C. Worthington	WCW	USA

The research for this first volume of References was undertaken by members, Philip M Worthington, Stuart Worthington, Addison Worthington, Stephen Read, Frank Brimelow, Donald Gradeless, William Worthington (of Penwortham), William C Worthington and myself. Stuart Worthington also produced, edited and wrote the Introduction to the first volume and William C Worthington indexed it. All round a successful team effort and exciting achievement as primary sources

family history research more accessible to members. This was the start of many volumes of References called Phase 1.

The development of pedigrees which according to the Prospectus was due to start at the beginning of 2007 was postponed. On 16 January 2007 Philip sent me the draft of the Introduction, main text and indexes of the final version of the Register of *Worthington References, 17<sup>th</sup> Century, Volume 2* which was being collated and edited. It was published on 31 July 2007. In addition to the aforementioned members carrying out research in 2006, Sidney Worthington, Peter Pearre and new member Heather Lawrence contributed to Volume 2. The Frontispiece of Volume 2 is an image of the memorial of Dr John Worthington (1617-1671) and was discovered by Addison Worthington when searching a collection of papers found by Peter Pearre at a library in Baltimore, Maryland. Philip M Worthington and his wife Judith then visited St John-at-Hackney Church to obtain the photograph of the memorial:



Memorial to Dr. John Worthington (1617-8 to 1671). The stone plaque was originally on the east wall of the south aisle of St. Augustine's Church, Hackney, Middlesex (now London). When that church was demolished in 1798, the plaque was moved to the Urswick Chapel of the new church – St. John-at-Hackney

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During 2007 other items continued to be added to Volume 3 and new Registers covering other time periods. The research team were visiting County Record Offices and libraries to carry out research work. However modern technology was beginning to save research time as library catalogues and databases were coming on line. The National Archives at Kew had scanned copies of Wills from 1838-1858 making them accessible on the home computer; and the Bodleian Library was in the process of making its contents available remotely.

By the end of July 2007 the membership for the Project had grown to twenty-eight with the addition of S Rosemary Douglass (USA), Heather A Lawrence (UK), Arlene B Meservy (USA), Muriel Rutherford (UK), Sir Knight John E Shearer (sponsor USA), Garth J Worthington (NZ), Ian A Worthington (Dominican Republic), Brigadier-General M Hall Worthington (USA) and T H Lloyd Worthington (sponsor UK).

At the 2006 AGM Addison Worthington proposed that the 2007 Annual General Meeting of the Project be held at Annapolis, Maryland, USA. His ancestor, Captain John Worthington bought land and settled in Annapolis in the mid-1600s. The location was well placed for a large proportion of members living in America to attend. His invitation was accepted.

My daughter Amanda Mackevicius and I went to England, met Philip and Judy Worthington for the first time and stayed with them in their home in the village of Knossington, county Rutlandshire. Philip Worthington proposed a preliminary Annual General Meeting be held for United Kingdom members who could not attend the subsequent AGM in the USA. Although we had never met one another before we bonded quickly and had a very enjoyable half day meeting at *The White Lion*, a pub in Hampton in Arden, West Midlands near Birmingham. We gathered at 11.00 am on Monday 20 August 2007. Members present were Philip M Worthington (secretary and archivist), Stephen Read (treasurer UK), Dr Sidney Worthington, William Worthington (of Penwortham) and I as chairman. Those also in attendance were Paul Lawrence and Amanda J Mackevicius.

Apologies were received for both meetings from Donald E Gradeless (webmaster), Muriel Rutherford, Ian A Worthington, Philip G Worthington, Robert P Worthington and T H Lloyd Worthington. The views of the United Kingdom members were later relayed when appropriate during the course of the meeting in the USA.

The Gathering at Annapolis was a four day affair organised by Addison and his wife Frances. Members came from Canada, Spain, England and Australia. It included several social occasions and tours of the charming town which is one of the oldest in the USA. One of the sites we visited was *Governor Calvert House* which was built in 1747 and was once the home of two former Maryland governors named Calvert. It is now a tastefully restored Colonial and Victorian

Hotel with a contemporary conference centre on State Circle. Some of the members stayed there and others stayed at *Robert Johnson House* and the *Maryland Inn* on Church Circle.

On the first day Addison took us for a walk around Annapolis and we visited St Anne's Church to see Captain John Worthington's and Major General John Hammond's tombstones. This was followed by a walk through St John's College grounds to the US Naval Academy Maryland Hall of Records for a tour of the facility. We were all required to show a form of picture identification to be admitted. The Naval Academy is on the original site of the settlement of Providence (late 1649 or early 1650)



and on some of Captain John Worthington's land. This gave us all a lot better feel for what the view of Chesapeake Bay from Annapolis looked like in the 1670s when Captain John first arrived. In the evening Addison and his wife Frances very generously entertained us socially at their home at 8 Stewart Avenue before dinner at a restaurant nearby.



The 2007 Annual General Meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Project was held the following day at 11.00 am on Thursday, 23 August at St Anne's Church Parish Hall, Room 102, 199 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis. Just prior to the formal AGM meeting Addison gave a talk on the history of Annapolis and Chesapeake Bay region as it related to his relatives Captain John Worthington and Samuel Worthington. The venue was significant as the remains of John Worthington, lie under a marker in the church yard. A year later St Anne's Church wanted to move the marker and a lengthy story about John Worthington and his contribution to the Colony appeared in the *Baltimore Sun*.

Several new members of the Project were present at the meeting in Annapolis and by September subscriptions had been received from over 31 members. The Agenda for the meeting included a report on publications with anticipation the 100 page volume of References for the 18<sup>th</sup> Century would be made in December 2007 and a further three 100 page volumes of References in 2008. Eight researchers were now involved in the second year of the Project and the research work was divided by potential sources:

Frank Brimelow
Heather Lawrence
Stephen Read
Janet Worthington
Philip M. Worthington
Sidney Worthington
Stuart Worthington
William Worthington

Lancashire Record Office
Staffordshire records
Libraries & National Archives
Kent & London records
Libraries & English records
Nottinghamshire Archives
Internet & church records
Lancashire Record Office &c.

William Worthington of Penwortham had been particularly productive at the Lancashire County Record Office copying the ancient script of all the wills, admons and inventories for the time period involved. He had already recorded 119 pages of transcriptions on computer disc. Stephen Read had also recovered all the Worthington wills for the time period held at the National Archives at Kew. Other members had researched wills at other County Record Offices and it was suggested that wills should remain a top priority for the first half of Project Year 3. This would make information readily available for those members working on Phase — 2, Pedigrees during the latter half of the year. The scope and presentation of the Pedigrees was discussed. In November Stuart Worthington found an excellent collection of ecclesiastical and civil biographical records which could be extracted for a fee, and this expenditure was approved and paid for by the Project.

Interesting discussions took place at the meeting regarding the structure of officers. Philip needed time to do more research and sought either a secretary or an archivist as he was fulfilling both roles and the archives had not been attended to. A heraldic artist was sought as at least seven of the Worthington lines were registered as armigerous at the College of Arms "and an interesting illustrated article waits to be written." All of the current Officers were re-elected.



After the meeting Peter Pearre took us on a tour of Hammond-Harwood House showing eighteenth century architecture in Annapolis at its best. There was 100% agreement to hold the 2008 AGM and Gathering in Dover, England. To be continued in the next newsletter...

## A selection of photographs from the **Annapolis Gathering**













#### John Worthington Part III: The Four Worthington Boys Christine Worthington

Part I described John Worthington's tough life in England. In 1805 he was found guilty of stealing a load of wood and as punishment was to be 'sent and transported to some point beyond the seas for the term of seven years'. Part II continued his story including his voyage to and life in Australia. Now Part III covers his offspring born in Australia – the four Worthington boys.

We last left the story of John Worthington on the occasion of his final documented appearance on 2 August 1814 when Thomas Rose, a baker of Castlereagh Street, Sydney, attempted to recover funds Worthington owed him. With John Worthington's 'voluntary confession and consent' judgement was made in Rose's favour. Worthington then disappeared, never to be seen again – at least not officially. All future musters record him as having 'left the colony'. It is unlikely that he ever returned to England and in fact, there seems to be a mysterious clue that might indicate he was still in New South Wales years later.

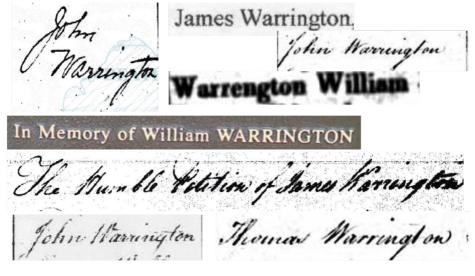
That clue relates to his name. Even though the details of John Worthington's life in England and Australia are sketchy, there is one thing we do know about him personally. In every record I have found where he is present to give information about himself, his name is spelled correctly. This includes court appearances, shipping lists and musters. So even if he may have been generally illiterate, he definitely knew how to spell his name.

Between 1808 and 1812 four children were born in the colony and given Worthington's surname. Their mother was a convict named Catherine Malone(y). In the 1816 muster, she is noted as 'wife of John Worthington, Sydney' and the same entry shows her as having travelled to Australia aboard the ship Alexander in 1806 – a ship that travelled alongside the Fortune, the very ship that carried Worthington to Australia.

Here's an entry from the 1818 Return of Orphans showing John as having 'left the colony' and Catherine residing in Sydney, with 'four children and in great distress'. Notice how Worthington is spelled Warrenton in this entry:

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James (b. 1808), Thomas (b. 1809), William (b. 1810) and John (b. 1812) were variously listed in the official records as Warrington, Warington, Worrington and Warrenton by their illiterate mother and never by the original spelling. As young adults the boys all used Warrington.



Subsequent to the sad entry in the Return of Orphans, Thomas and John would be enrolled at the Orphan School, Liverpool. James and William would be sent to work.

James (my ancestor) was sent to Appin, NSW where he worked as an agricultural labourer for a wheat farmer named Moses Brennan. Brennan was an Irish rebel who arrived in Australia aboard the Anne in 1801 and would become a landholder and Chief Constable and Pound keeper at Appin. Moses provided a solid life, work and security for James. James later petitioned for land of his own and by 1830 was farming 50 acres at East Bargo. In 1833 he married Mary Teresa Byrne, the daughter of Brennan's Anne shipmate James Byrne. James and Mary Worthington had a large family of 13 children and many grandchildren. After a lifetime on the land, James died at the age of 81 in 1889 and is buried at Cootamundra.

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Sacred to the memory of James Worthington who departed this life Sept 10th 1889 aged 81 years

Thomas was briefly in the care of a farmer named David Knowland of Airds (part of Campbelltown) before entering the Orphan School in 1818. When he left the school in 1825 David Knowland was listed as his parent. By the time of the 1828 census, Thomas was employed as a carpenter by Rev Cartwright in Cabramatta. He later spent some time living and working as a labourer in Campbelltown. He married a convict named Mary Ann Howard in 1839. They had to seek official permission to marry and on the application 10 May 1839 both were residents of Campbelltown, but by the time of the ceremony on 29 May, they were residents of and married at Stonequarry (Picton, south-west of Campbelltown). I haven't been able to find what became of Thomas and Mary Ann after their marriage and they don't appear to have had any children.

William was employed by the age of 13 by a sawyer named Samuel Fry of Illawarra. Fry's wife, Mary Ann (nee Jones, who appears to have been a shipmate of William's mother aboard the Alexander in 1806). The Frys appear to have had no children of their own and became William's custodians. William would later add Fry to his surname, indicating his regard for them, and some of his children used Fry as part of their surname. William married Louisa Knowland (daughter of his brother Thomas' guardian David Knowland) and after some time in Sydney, the family moved to the Dapto area. They had a family of at least eight children. William died in 1894 at the age of 84.



John was temporarily under the care of a lady named Sarah Smith before being admitted to the Orphan School in 1820 at the age of 8. He left at the end of 1823 and returned to live with his mother at Cornwallis where he worked as a labourer, possibly for farmer Edward Neale. Catherine seems to have been living with Neale from 1822 and they married in 1829 at nearby St Matthew's Church, Windsor. When John had a brush with the law at Windsor in 1842 his stepfather Edward Neale paid bail sureties for him. John was still residing at Windsor in 1852. It is possible that he married Esther Nash in 1849 at St Matthew's, Windsor and that they had a son George born at nearby South Creek in 1850 - but if he did, there is no indication of it on his death certificate. He died aged 86 in 1899 at the Rookwood Asylum for the Aged and Infirm with no family around him.

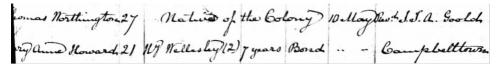
#### What's in a name?

The two younger boys William and John, continued to use the name Warrington all their lives. For a time, William also incorporated the name Fry and was sometimes recorded as William Warrington Fry.

The two older boys, James and Thomas, are a different matter.

There are not a lot of documents for Thomas, but he appears to have returned to the surname Worthington from 1832 onwards. A couple of newspaper reports regarding Campbelltown court appearances (as both defendant and plaintiff) in the 1830s and the application and certificate of marriage are all Worthington, not Warrington.

James' reversion to the original name is even more sudden and definitive. He appeared in the records as Warrington all through his life, including in the 1828 census and petitions



for land in 1824 and 1830. When James married Mary in 1833, he again appeared as Warrington and their first two children were also registered as Warrington.

Then, from 1839 onwards he appears only as Worthington, and the remaining 11 children are all registered as Worthington (including my gg-grandfather John Joseph Worthington, who was born in 1856 while the family were living and farming at Lake George).

Could it be that old John Worthington had not "left the colony" at all? Did he make contact with his two oldest boys at different times and inform them of the correct spelling of their surname? Or is there another way to explain Thomas and James' sudden change in 1832 and 1839 respectively?

James and Thomas would have been six and four years of age at the time of their father's last documented appearance in 1814, so would have had memories of him.

John Worthington would have been 56 years of age in 1832 and 64 in 1839.

This is the only clue we have that convict John Worthington might still have been alive and well and living in New South Wales in the 1830s. No official trace of him has been found beyond 1814 and I do not know where he lived, died or was interred, or how he supported himself.

So ends the story of the life of John Worthington - or at least of what I currently know of him. I am very grateful to the Worthington Family History Society for enabling me to bring you the story of one of the less illustrious of the Worthingtons.

Family history is always an ongoing pursuit so if anyone can shed any light on the mysteries of John Worthington's origins in Lancashire or later life in Australia, I would be very pleased to hear from you.

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## WORTHINGTON DNA PROJECT REPORT APRIL 2022

#### Membership

This past nine months has been disappointing from the point of view of new member numbers with only two. We do, also, have the results of one other member who joined last year. The new members are Kit 97447 Dennis Worthington and Kit 974618 Dean P. Worthington.

Kit No.	Name	Most Distant Claimed Ancestor
IN10385	Aaron Worthington	Samuel Worthington b 1827 Co. Antrim, Ireland
974447	Dennis Worthington	Robert Worthington b c1837 S. Carolina, USA
974618	Dean P Worthington	Amasiah Wetherington b c1778 S. Carolina

#### **Results and Predictions for New Members**

#### **Genetic Group 955**

**Kit IN10385 (Aaron Worthington)** claims descent from Samuel Worthington b 1827 in Co. Antrim, Ireland. However, he has no matches to any Worthington and it is known that a Non-Paternal Event (NPE) occurred a few generations ago. Further research may find another male descendant of Samuel Worthington who is prepared to provide a yDNA sample to try to determine the origin of the line. He has been placed in a separate Genetic Group (GG) for those people with a known NPE.

#### **Genetic Group 110**

**Kit 974447 (Dennis Worthington)** claims descent from Robert Worthington b c1837 in Edgefield District, South Carolina and Robert's father was probably Manoah Worthington. At 37 markers he has only two matches, one of whom is Kit 732980 Jason Worthington. They match at one step difference and Family Tree DNA predict the probability of a common ancestor between them at 8 generations as 89.5%, 98.3% at 1 and 99.7 at 16. Whether this can be proved by paper records remains to be discovered.

#### **Genetic Group 116**

**Kit 974618 (Dean P. Worthington)** claims descent from Amasiah Wetherington b c1778 in South Carolina. However, Amasiah's son, Melyn b 1817, recorded his name as Worthington. Dean has no Worthington matches but virtually all of his

111 have the name of Barton. He also matches two men by the name of McCane and is in touch with the Administrator of the Barton DNA Project who is also a McCane. It will be very interesting to see whether any connection can be made between the three families. He has been placed in a new GG.

#### **Overall Results**

It is fascinating to have a close match between our new member, Dennis Worthington, and Jason Worthington but disappointing that neither of the other new members have matches to any Worthingtons.

#### Worthington Family History Society

E-AGM (on Zoom)



#### 25th June 2022

1.45pm – Pacific Daylight (California) 9.45pm - UK 10.45pm – Central Europe

#### 26th June 2022

6.45am – Eastern Australia 8.45am - NZ

RSVP to wfhs.contact@gmail.com

#### Society Membership Subscription Renewal Reminder

Society Membership renewal fell due on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 and notices about this were sent out to everyone at the beginning of April. A big thank you if you've already responded and renewed your membership for another year. Your ongoing support of the Society is much appreciated.

We hope that those who have yet to send payment will do so very shortly. The Society has kept the subscription the same as for last year; the rates are:

Sterling: £32.00

US Dollar: \$42:00

Australian Dollar: Aus\$55.00

New Zealand Dollar: NZ\$60.00

£ sterling cheques should be made payable to <u>Worthington Family History Society</u> and sent to Paul Lawrence, 1, Bayfield Place, Orpington, Kent, BR6 7FA, United Kingdom.

Alternatively an electronic payment can be made direct to The Co-operative Bank:

Sort Code: 089299; Account Number: 65220074

International Bank Account Number (IBAN): GB66 CPBK 0892 9965 2200 74.

Bank Identification Code (BIC): CPBK GB22

Members who pay in Australian or New Zealand dollars are kindly requested to make payment in £sterling equivalent by arranging a sterling transfer to the Society's UK Co-operative Bank account, details of which are set out above. Please notify Paul if you make a direct payment; e-mail:LPaulVLawrence@aol.com

For payments in US\$, cheques should be made payable to <u>Worthington Family History Society</u> and sent to Larry Rickards, 1710 Hobart Street NW, Washington DC 20009-2908, USA.

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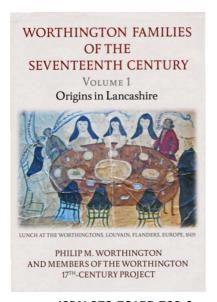
Account Number: 5363183339; Routing Number: 054000030

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## Worthington Families of the Seventeenth Century, Volume 1

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