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to: me
Lindsay

Glenn / Lindsay

I have been reviewing our meeting today and looking again at the maps re-
Holymans.

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L shaped building or a rectangular building w€th a smaller building to the front
and the house appears to be approached from the west by an avenue of trees,
or has an avenue of trees leading down to the stream?

It is possible the buildings shown on the mid eighteenth century map are a
long house with a separate kitchen building and another outbuilding: typical
of perhaps a large medieval house complex. There also appears to be a fish
pond on the eighteenth century map.

In 1818, on the Glebe map, Holymans appears to be shown as an L shaped
building: the avenue of trees perhaps no longer there, but surrounded by a
well laid out garden .

By 1844, and the date of the Tithe Map, the house complex has gone.

On a modern day aerial map, where the big house stood there appears to be a
rectangular outbuilding surrounded by trees or a flat white area surrounded
by trees (see attached).

I lost my bearings a bit when Carol showed us today the overgrown area near
the stream, but not sure it was the location on the map where the big house
stood at Holymans.

The big house at Holymans may have been a small manor complex but by the
end of the Tudor period it was considered perhaps out of date and the
Tyringharns built a more modern house closer to the village.

Glenn, if you are ever near Dorset whilst you are here in England, take some
time out to visit Fiddleford Manor at Sturminster Newton. It is an old surviving
medieval manor house close to a stream so has some reminiscences in
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Earth image in Microsoft Publisher.**

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part of Caroline's house is the same size as it is on the Google map. If I
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corresponds exactly with the white rectangle and clump of trees on Google
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coincide is the alignment of the current Holyman's Barn buildings but my
conclusion on these is that they were rebuilt after the 18th cent map was
done.**

**I am, more than ever, convinced that "The Manor" was as shown on the
18th cent map.**

**If & when I find a way of doing the super-impositioning in a way that I
can send it I will do so.**

**Regards**

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| **Lindsay Holliman**tome;Anne**Hello** | Jun 19 (13 days ago) |

**I attach a copy of the *Google* Earth (present) image with the 1818 map
superimposed on it. The 1818 map is 50% opaque so hopefully you can *see*both its outline detail and the current.**

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same on the 1818 map as it is today and I have managed to align all of
these between the two maps.**

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Google image.**

**It does seem that, whichever map (mid 18th century or 1818) is used the
large house was in that position - given 10 or so yards.**

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See also DRc/Ele 236/1

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family. See next answer. However, CLARK is a widespread surname so without a
further known ancestral line back in time it is impossible to know.

1. Where is Stoke Mandeville or Stoke Hailing, land they 'rented'?

Stoke Mandeville is very close to Hartwell. Stoke Hailing is a Hamlet within Stoke
Mandeville parish. Best description of the history of Stoke Mandeville is in the Victoria
County History at British History Online [http://www.british-
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the documents mentioned are early Tudor and before so really HAMPDEN documents
that the LEE family acquired on the marriage of Thomas LEE to Eleanor HAMPDEN.
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by page.

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in this agreement is very likely the one who died in 1521 and left a Will. 1
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and HOLYMAN families had already been well acquainted.

The third document, dated 1505, mentions John HOLYMAN. John has acquired a share
of further land and a messuage in Moreton.

The amount of land involved is not great and would correlate with John's status as a
Husbandman in 1521, the year of his probable death. It *is* only egALtp..glisspluticAof
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Archivists at the CBS to check it through to se if there was an inference or mention of
a relationship between Richard HOLYMAN and John HOLYMAN, but there was not.
Richard and John may have been father and son but also perhaps brothers or

other relatives. The document itself was quite short and there is not much more detail in
it than the abstract reference in the catalogue indicates.

The 1505 document relating to John HOLYMAN is not held at the CBS. I have been
advised to look at the catalogue compiler's notes, held at the Bucks Archeological
Society Library to see if there is a mention of where this document is held. The BAS
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uncommon surname so it is difficult to be *sure.*

I have attached some images of the relevant abstract entries from the catalogue for
your reference. I still have not finished looking through the catalogue so there is always
a possibility of finding an entry or two more of relevance.

I will let you know how I get on at the BAS Library next week.

Kind Regards

Anne

**From: Glenn Holliman <**

**Date: Friday, 5 September 2014 16:15**

**To: Anne Holmes <**

**Subject: Re: Marriage Licence John HOLLYMAN and HOLLYMAN Buckinghamshire Database Searches**

5 Attachments

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**Glenn Holliman <****glennhistory@gmail.com****>** 6:05 PM (12 hours ago)to Anne, Lindsay

Anne, thank you for this and please keep the meter running! You continue to find amazing
information. I am grateful. Please keep digging, and when you have enough information, flesh
out more of the family tree.

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I have done a little more research on tracing the ancestry of living descendants of the HOLLYMANS of
Cuddington and Haddenham. The two living individuals to date identified do trace back to Cuddington in
the late eighteenth century. One traces back to a James HOLYMAN of Cuddington in the mid C18: the
other to a Charles HOLLYMAN of Cuddington. It is possible James and Charles may have a common
ancestor. I am still trying to unravel this part of the research as there are several individuals with the
same name confusing the picture. In addition, a possible ancestor of James HOLLYMAN could include
illegitimacy. James had an elder brother Robert. This suggests an ancestor named Robert HOLLYMAN. A
Robert HOLLYMAN died in 1638 in Cuddington. He named his only son, his 'reputed son' Robert as heir.
In this statement there are suggestions that itobert did not know if Robert was his natural son.
Illegitimacy of a male ancestor needed for a DNA line would completely obscure the results.

#04

I have received the results of the Bucks FHS baptism and burial searches for the surname HOLLYMAN
dates 1538 to 1638 and these are attached. I am still waiting on the marriage results. These always take
longer.

From all the sources identified thus far it appears

from the Cuddington/Haddenham area of Bucks. There were the more well connected HOLLYMANS, the
extended family of Thomas HOLLYMAN (d c1558) who were in the main Yeoman farmers and

gentlemen. And then there were the lesser branches of HOLLYMANS, many of whom were

Husbandmen, still farmers but holding much less acreage.

This is the research thus far.
Any queries, let me know.
Kind Regards

Anne

From: Glenn Holliman [mailto:glennhistory@gmail.coml

Sent: 13 October 2012 14:27

To: Anne Holmes

Subject: Great Berhamstead

Anne,

The below message arrived this a.m. on my [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com) link. I assume this Karen Kenan is an
American. I quickly checked the Bristish records and her great grandfather was still living in
Berhamstead in 1911 (census).

So...are there any male Hollimans still in Berhamstead? I wrote Karen (whom I had never heard of
before; she found me via the blog) asking for details. This may be a DNA route either through Karen's
male relatives in the U.S. or Berhamstead.

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No need for apologies, Glenn. Almost everyone, perhaps everyone but me, descends
from Christopher.

Anyhow, Thomas Hollyman was b 31 Aug 1618 in England, and died 10 Nov 1694 in
Philadelphia. We know he had two daughters. If there were other children, they're not
mentioned anywhere. Mary, the older daughter, was born 1656 in Bristol. Sarah, the
younger daughter, from whom I descend, was born 1660 in England. My best guess
would be Bristol. So the family came to the colonies somewhere between 1660 and 1688
when Sarah married John Densey in Philadelphia.

If a branch of the family settled in Bristol by the mid i600s this almost certainly would
be the same family. And that would make it possible to connect back and find our
common ancestor among the folks you've been discussing on your excellent blog.