**Early HOLYMANS in Buckinghamshire - Timeline (excluding known Wills)**

***1345 Feet of Fines (abstract online at www.medievalgenealogy.org.uk)***

A Richard HOLYMAN mentioned in Feet of Fines connected to land in Wycombe, Hughenden, Little Missenden or Wykham (Banbury)

***1349, Apr. 26 - Feet of Fines (abstract online at*** [***www.medievalgenealogy.org.uk***](http://www.medievalgenealogy.org.uk) ***)***

As above in 1345, Richard HOLYMAN mentioned connected to same land in Hughenden, Little Missenden and Wykham (Banbury)

**1376** Antiquities of Buckinghamshire

In **1376** a fine of messuages and lands between Richard Holyman of Haddenham and John Bolere and Margery his wife. The right to Richard Holyman. This was in the reign of King Edward III.

“Roy found the following but didn’t note the source.” (Jean)

“Bills and handgun forbidden to anyone except landowners or persons having an income of £100 per annum. Handgun granted to Bartholomew Nut who was in the service of the Holyman family. He was trained to use it on their behalf. Family had about 20 bills.”

The bill is a [polearm](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Polearm) weapon used by infantry in medieval Europe. The bill is similar in size, function and appearance to the [halberd](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Halberd), differing mainly in the hooked blade form. Other terms for the bill include Englishbill, bill hook or bill-[guisarme](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guisarme).

***1376 Feet of Fines (abstract online at www.medievalgenealogy.org.uk)***

A Richard HOLYMAN purchases tenancy of a messuage and 17 acres of land in

Haddenham.

***1379 Abstract at National Archives Discovery website***

A case against a Richard Holyman of High Wycombe and Thomas Palmer of Thame appears at the Chancery Court. Holyman and Palmer owe £12 to a Thomas Barentyn.

**1386**  There is a Richard Holyman, member of Parliament, 1386, from Chipping Wycombe.  I found his name in an on-line official history of Parliament.

1386 – 1388, Richard Holiman elected to two terms of Parliament from Chipping Wycombe. Geoffry Chaucer serves with him.

***1386 and 1388 Detail online at www.historyofparliamentonline.org***

A Richard HOLYMAN represents Chipping or High Wycombe as MP for the borough. This infers Richard was a Burgess of the town at that time and probably had the residence of a property in the High Street.

**1436** – Date Southfryfolk, 24 March 1436, William Alisandre and Richard Holyman to deliver seisin of property in 564 to parties of the same. Signed Henry Somer, chancellor of Exchequer; FREEFOLK; Appointment of attorney  **44M69/C/565**  *1436/7*

***1448/9 BAS Publication-Haddenham and Cuddington: The Early History of Two Buckinghamshire Villages p24***

A John HOLLYMAN appears in Cuddington paying twenty pence to pasture two cows and calves in the demesne land of Cuddington.

***1490, Jan. 8*** - Land made available to Richard Holyman of Cuddington.

***1491 Hartwell Collection held at Bucks Record Office, Aylesbury***

Feoffment by Richard HOLYMAN of Cuddington to John LEE of Moreton in Dinton, John HOLYMAN of Cuddington and Wm HAYLY of H. of a toft between the lord’s toft and a toft late of Thos HARE………with 1 acre in the fields. Given at Southrope.

***1505 Hartwell Collection held at Bucks Record Office Aylesbury***

Feoffment by Richard CULVERHOUSE of Moreton to Richard BARNARD, William BARNARD, John HOLYMAN and John BENNETT of a messuage in Moreton with 26 acres of land and pasture belonging to it all………….

***1507, June 27*** - John Baldwyn, John Hall and John Basset recover some property from Thos Greneway and John Clark.

***1522*** - Account between Thomas Lee and Francis his brother concerning F. occupying T.L.'s pastures at Moreton between 24 Jan 1521 and 21 Feb. 1522.

***1527 BAS Publication-Haddenham and Cuddington: The Early History of Two Buckinghamshire Villages, p41***

John HOLLYMAN took over the ‘farm’ of Cuddington from the Priory for a lease of thirty years and on his death in 1531 handed this on to his son Thomas who was still farming the manor in 1541/2

***1552*** Certificate for Musters for Bucks: 1552

Loans to the King at the rate of £100-£300. £10 per £100:

John Holiman £30

William Holiman £6

John Holiman Jnr £1

Ellin Holiman £1

Thomas Holiman £1

**1552** - William Holyman of Barming, husbandman, to William Isley of Brasted, esq. for an annual payment of 40s. for 28 years; assignment of a lease made 3 Oct. 1552, by Edward Welshe of Bermondsey, Surrey, gent. to Stephen Waygorne of Chevening, ripier, deceased, whose widow, Elizabeth, William Holyman had married. A Kent shire Holyman.

**1556** - Brought by John Lennard against William Holyman and Elizabeth, his wife, for waste committed on property in Chevening [Copy made 1710]

**1558 – 1579** - Comber v Holyman. Plaintiffs: Thomas Comber. Defendants: Richard Holyman. Subject: debt, Staffordshire

**1560**  - Will of Thomas Holyman, Yeoman of Coddington, Buckinghamshire

**1566** – Hungate and Holyman v. Holyman, Jobson and others in Star Chamber, STAC 5/H73/25.

***1574 BAS Publication - as above p41***

A Richard HOLLYMAN was involved with a case with Rochester Prior concerning *bedripe* that was owed to the chief ‘farmer’ of the manor of Haddenham.

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**1578** – April 10, John Holyman of Cuddington purchases 3 acres property from the estate of his father, Thomas Holyman.

**1587** – Purefey v. Holyman and others, STAC5/P61/24

**1590** – Richard Holyman the younger of Cuddington purchases land from Charles Fytche of Haddenham, yeoman. Close (5 acres in West Mead, Cuddington for 80 pounds . Hungate and Holyman v. Holyman, Jobson and others

***1594, July 13*** - Agreement that T.L. and R.L. shall not drive swine from T.L.'s house in M. through a great close of pasture called the Gallow field in the occupation of Richard Saunders the yr, nor shall they drive kine through the Gallow field to be milked. Land demised in the manor of Moreton to Thos Lee and Ralph his don for a term of 95 years on Apr 1 1538 for a term of 95 years. Thos and r.L. demised to Fra Lee a clase called Little Grove and other parcels. Later Sounders family acquired the land, but Lees kept driving pigs and cows over it.

**1642** Bucks contributions to Ireland 1642: Robert Hollyman 5/- (five shillings: a quarter of a £1)