

## The Family Trees of the STOCKDEN Name

Family trees are fairly easy to follow for any one line. However if, as in this one-name-study, there are several siblings creating their own 'dynasty', then drawing up the individual trees can become a problem. I have tried to maintain some sort of orderly fashion with the Stockden lines - but it was not easy and the reader should therefore use the index at the back to get directly to a particular family line. I have kept to the male line which is the norm in genealogy. History of the daughters is the subject of a separate chapter of this work.

**Tree No: 1** Starting with the marriage of Richard Stockden to Mary Dixon in 1741, this tree traces the descendants down through his only known surviving son, Thomas (1750) and then to Thomas' first son John (1774). From John to his son George (1800) and then his son Thomas (1821). Thomas had only daughters, but his unmarried daughter Emily maintained the Stockden name by having a son in 1883, whose descendants by 1997 are reduced to Edward John (1920), who is the last of this line.

**Tree No: 2** Following the start of Tree No: 1 above, this tree then turns to the second son of John (1774). Of the four sons of John (1804) who survived and married to further the family name, three can be included here, with Wyatt Wall (1840) on a later chart. As can be seen on the chart, from this origin, only Richard Rees (1965) and his brother Andrew David (1967) and their half brother David Carl (1978), survive to have possible future male continuity.

**Tree No: 3** The second son of Thomas (1750) was Thomas (1777). His first son was Thomas (1802) and the lines of his two sons are both shown here. The only male issue to carry on the Stockden name is Jason Elliott B H (1986) and his brother Felix Lewis H (1989) from the adopted son, Neville John Palmer Lewis Stockden, of the second marriage of John (1853) to Susan Williams in 1913.

**Tree No: 4** This tree illustrates the lines of William (1806), another son of Thomas (1777), and those of his two uncles, Richard (1780) and Robert (1789). The chart then follows the line of Thomas (1811), son of Robert (1789) down to currently show that Christopher Andrew (1967), Myles James W (1973), David James (1979) and Jamie John P (1987) are the remaining males left here to carry on the Stockden name.

**Tree No: 5** From the same origin as the previous chart, this comes down the years through the line of George (1824). This chart too, ends with two daughters only, on the line through George (1824), Sydney Jack (1866), Edgar Down (1893), Roy Dennis Edgar (1921) and his son, Dennis Jack (1948).

**Tree No: 6** This tree starts in 1808 with James, third son of Thomas (1777). It also ends up with no males to carry on the name.

**Tree No: 7** There was an 'explosion' of Stockdens in the 1800's, one of the most prolific lines is that of James (1808). His son George (1834), had six sons, but only three ended up with offspring to carry on the name, and again several resulting lines ended up with only daughters. Of all the children born in this line since 1834,

Liam James (1996) is the only current male to continue the line (unless he has some siblings - yet to arrive!).

**Tree No: 8** Through Thomas (1777) again with son John (1817) we see a line started in Wales which brings us up to 1996 with the birth of Kieran Robert Stockden.

**Tree No: 9** From Thomas (1777) we get a line to South Africa through son James (1808) and his son James (1838) and then his son Herbert John (1878). Of the six male Stockdens born and living there today, Adam Justin (1977), Craig John (1979) and Gavin Bryce (1979) will be able to extend the numbers of Stockdens.....

**Tree No: 10** Back to John (1804) line through his son Uriah (1843). Again six sons; but only three married and added to the line. After William Walker (1876) on Tree No:2; we can add his son William Richard (1906), then his son who is now in Canada, Eric William Arthur (1944) to his son Owen James (1984). Also in Canada are the descendents of Uriah's son Frederick (1887) who emigrated in the early part of the century. Frederick's son, Robert L (1925) has sons Robert Charles (1953) and Gary George (1959). Of these, Robert has married twice having Gregory Charles (1986) by his first marriage and Lucas Robert (1995) from his second marriage.

**Tree No: 11** Then we turn to Australia. Three male Stockdens emigrated to Australia during the gold rush of the 1850's. This tree illustrates all the descendents of Wyatt Wall (1840), third son (second surviving) of John (1804). The latest additions here to the Stockden Clan are Stephen Leslie (1971), his brother Kevin (1974), both sons of David William (1938-1992) Stockden; and finally Harley Wyatt (1995) son of Wyatt John (1969). There has been five children named Wyatt to carry forward their ancestors name.

**Tree No: 12** Here we can see how Robert (1824), son of George (1800), started off his large set of descendents. We have quite a list of males to carry forward the Stockden name!! (the final part - George Thomas Stockden's line from his second marriage is on Tree No: 14).

**Tree No: 13** This one shows the third and last Stockden to emigrate to Australia. John (1832), son of Robert (1789), was the first of the three male Stockdens to arrive in the full flush of the gold hunting era. When he arrived in 1855(?) he received a 'miners rights' licence. He was, therefore, probably the first ever Stockden eligible to vote, as this 'miners rights' placed his name on the Victoria State electoral roll for 1855/56! John's line ended in Victoria State as his only son died in infancy, leaving his two daughters who remained spinsters during their lifetime.

**Tree No: 14** The last tree! This tree shows the major Australian branch from George Thomas (1859) Stockden's second marriage. Quite a difficult one to illustrate, but I think it will read OK.