

THE HAWKE FAMILY OF CORNWALL

Peggy (Margaret) Hawke, of Gwennap, Cornwall, married James Genn on 18 January 1808. James Genn was the Grandfather of Diogo Maddison Genn.

Evidence of the Hawke name in Cornwall dates back to the 1300's. Early forms of the name were spelled: Hoke, Hokke, Hocke and Haucke.

In 1415 William Hawke was listed as Chaplain of Sourton, Cornwall.

The Visitations of the County of Cornwall, 1620, listed several generations of the Hawke family through the 16th century.

Edward Hawke, born in London in 1705, was descended from the Hawkes of Treriven, Cornwall. He became Admiral Hawke, Commander of the Home Fleet 1748-52, First Lord of the Admiralty 1766-71, and Admiral of the Fleet in 1768.

The Hawke name has long been associated with the Cornish tin mining industry. Referring now to the Chart, both brothers Richard Hawke, born 1787, and Edward Hawke, born 1795, were miners. Edward's son Philip Hawke, born 1826, was also a miner. John Hawke, grandfather of James Madison Genn was the Mine Agent at St. Day in 1826. Edward Henry Hawke, born 1800, the uncle of James Madison Genn, was the proprietor of a Rope Walk at Tolgullow, and manufactured ropes of different sizes for the mines of the Gwennap area. He also supplied chain, fuse and explosives. He was an ancestor of Mr. Justice Hawke, who was knighted.

William Hawke was a miner at Kea, Truro, Cornwall about 1785. His gt.gt.gt.gt.grandson, Robert John Lee Hawke was the Prime Minister of Australia.

APPENDIX VI
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The Hawkes of direct concern to us stem from a marriage at St.Petrock, Padstow, 10 August 1751 between Thomas Hawke and Mary Broade. Their first son Philip was baptised at Padstow, 14 October 1754. They then moved to St.Agnes, also on the north coast of Cornwall, about 20 miles to the south-west of Padstow. Here, five more children were born:

Thomas Hawke,	baptised,	16 December	1758
*John Hawke,	"	14 February	1761
Richard Hawke,	"	30 November	1762
Richard Hawke,	"	14 May	1764
Mary Hawke,	"	21 June	1774

We would assume that the first Richard died as an infant.

John Hawke married Ann Bawden, at Gwennap, 10 August 1782. Their children are:

*Peggy (Margaret) Hawke,	baptised,	5 October	1783
John Hawke,	"	9 March	1786
Betsy Hawke,	"	12 March	1789
Ann Hawke,	"	22 June	1791
Anthony Bowden Hawke,	"	28 May	1793
Catherine Hawke,	"	28 June	1795
Mary Hawke,	"	5 June	1797
Edward Henry Hawke,	"	2 June	1800
Julian Hawke,	"	6 June	1802
Richard James Hawke,	"	21 July	1808

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