
Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/23 14:05

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by TLJ - 2008/02/23 14:16

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Welcome, Jacobsmom.

I don't know if anyone here will be ale to help you,but I'm sure we'll try. Where was your Scottish side from ? What were the surnames ?

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by scunnert - 2008/02/23 16:24

Hello and good luck.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/23 20:02

Hi JacobsMom

Welcome. Nice to hear from you. Be glad to help if I can. We've got 3 moggies and two grown up kids as well. Good luck with your search.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jimbo - 2008/02/23 21:09

Hi Jacobsmom,

welcome to Scotsgait.

Good luck with your family research.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/23 23:58

Thank you all for the wonderful welcome. I do appreciate it.

I have Taylor, Rhind or Rhynd, Laird, MacFarlane in the line. It appears that my great grandfather was illegitimate, his mother was the Rhind/Rhynd. Later married a Muirhead, who may or may not have adopted my great grandfather James. James never lived with his mother and step-father. Later he took on the name Taylor, I'm vguessing that perhaps he found out his true father's last name and decided to take that. He married an Elizabeth Moir Laird, they had several children including our grandmother Janet Moir Rhind Taylor. Others include Robert Muirhead Rhind Taylor, William Rhind Taylor, Martin Taylor, Thomas Black Taylor, Alexander Taylor and Mary Taylor. If any of these names are popping out to any, I would love to hear from them. They recided mostly in the Falkirk area. But also Arrochar, Alloa and possibly Edinburgh and Glasgow.

I do know there is a Grant Taylor out there somewhere, I'd love to be able to find him and share with him, what we do know. Thank you all again, I appreciate it.

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 00:18

Hi Jacobsmom

I'm on it - I'll let you know.....

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 00:27

Jacobsmom

Here are the G. Taylors from the phone book in the Falkirk area (sorry first names not given)might be worth sending them a letter or giving them a call if you're feeling brave!

I'll keep looking.

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 01:01

Hi Jacobsmom

Some more G Taylors in the areas you mentioned. There are lots in Edinburgh and Glasgow - too many to post. Here is the web page for the Telephone directory. You might be able to narrow them down from your own knowledge. It might be worth making up a stencil letter to post out to them, a long shot but you never know!!

<http://www.thephonebook.bt.com/publisha.content/en/index.publisha>

I'm assuming from the fact that you have two grown children and your Mum is 80 that you are aged around 50 - 60 (sorry if not). Very roughly that would mean your Great Grandfather was born at the end of the 19th century around 1870-1890-ish
I have the census for 1881 on disc - I'll see if I can pick him up there- if so you may be able to track the family's whereabouts from records at Scotlandspeople.com (there's a charge for this I'm afraid). Thsi might take a wee while, I'll get back to you.

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/24 01:20

Hi Big Stu,

Thank you, I have tried a couple of these G Taylors but you have given me more to try.

I beg to differ on my age thank you. I am 46, still wet behind the ears....lol My great grandfather was probably born around 1856 or 57 in Arrochar. His mother was named Mary Rhind/Rhynd.

You're sweet, I appreciate anything you may be able to tell me.

Take care,
Stephanie

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There are a lot of Rhinds in the Eater Ross area.....

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/24 14:29

Hi TLJ,

I am not very familiar with Scotland in terms of area, so where would Eater Ross be in comparsion to Arrochar?

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by dws - 2008/02/24 15:03

Hello Jacobsmom and welcome. To answer your question, Easter Ross is over 200 miles from Arrochar, which is on the West coast about 50 odd miles north of Glasgow.

Re genealogy I've been researching mine now for a few years and got back to 1450. I know my way around the archives fairly well so if you want some help, send me a private message with what you've got and I'll help all I can.:)

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Posted by TLJ - 2008/02/24 15:27

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It's best to keep as many personal details off the main forum as it's so public, so, if at all possible, I'd encourage you to PM these things as dws suggests.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 20:33

Noted Jambo

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 20:43

Jacobsmom/dws

Sounds like dws might be the right man for the job if you are going to try to trace the family's whereabouts jeenyalogically (close enough). If you need a hand with any sifting or anything dws - give me a shout. Meantime, Jacobsmom if you have any other utd info on Grant Taylor you can give me there are some other places I could try if you wish. I'm still looking at the 1881 census for the old fella - no luck so far.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 21:06

dws/jacobsmom

I found this- 1881 census. Dates don't look good but names and places do, might be somewhere to start

Dwelling: Wallace Street

Census Place: Falkirk, Stirling, Scotland

Source: FHL Film 0203539 GRO Ref Volume 479-1 EnumDist 8 Page 38

Marr Age Sex Birthplace

James D. TAYLOR M 20 M Arrochar, Dunbarton, Scotland

Rel: Head

Occ: Iron Moulder

E.R. TAYLOR M 19 F Alloa, Clackmannan, Scotland

Rel: Wife

T.L.R. TAYLOR 2 M Alloa, Clackmannan, Scotland

Rel: Son

Elizabeth B. MOIR W 72 F Leith, Edinburgh, Scotland

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/24 21:13

Oops posted too quick! James D. listed here could be the Grandson of Old James and Elizabeth Moir? Bit of work needed I think.

I'll see what else I can find.

Cheers Stu

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by maria143 - 2008/02/26 16:31

Welcome Jacobsmom...I'm also from the USA....

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/27 00:40

This could be them, except the age I believe is a bit off on James'. And he doesn't have a middle name with a D. His middle names are Muirhead and Rhind. But knowing alittle abit about the times back then, it's possible for these slight mistakes to have been made.

TLR Taylor would be I believe the eldest boy, Thomas Laird Rhind Taylor.
And the elder Elizabeth would be Grandmother to the younger Elizabeth I believe.

It's great that you found this so quickly. :laugh:

I think I'm in good hands.

Thank you,
Stephanie

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/27 00:41

Hi Maria,

Where in this country? If you don't mind me asking?

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Big Stu - 2008/02/27 15:20

Jacobsmom

There were only 159 "Grant Taylor" s "born" in Scotland between 1850 and 2006. Not a very common name so there might be good chance of finding his marriage details etc and find a location for him. Can you give me any idea of this gentleman's age? (Or any other details)Please feel free to PM if you prefer.

Stu

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/28 13:13

Ah, the wonderful state of the country music capital. I'm a transplant, so I tell everyone I reside there. My heart is in PA. And yourself?

Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Bigman - 2008/02/28 14:54

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Are you JC on another board?

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/02/29 02:41

No, sorry.

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by maria143 - 2008/03/04 17:24

Jacobsmom wrote:

Hi Maria,

Where in this country? If you don't mind me asking?

I live in Miami Florida...

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Re:Hello, New here

Posted by Jacobsmom - 2008/03/05 00:24

Been to Florida, liked it alot. Never been to Miami though.

What other cities to you like? I absolutely love New Orleans, been several times and itching to go back. Do you have Scottish relatives? Been searching for mine for over a year now. Just recently discovered a box that was kept in a cubby hole in our little home back in PA. My mom let me bring it here with me at Christmas and have intensely trying to find a living relly for her.

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