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This is the newsletter for the One-Name Study of the surname COLLOFF. It will be published twice a year, Summer and Early each Winter and used to keep the other interested Colloff relations up to date with the latest research, whether completed by me, or by one of the other Cousins.

John Colloff, July 2002.

**Comment**

Well, for the first time, I have missed my issue deadline, and this is going out to you all in July and not June. I apologise for this but nothing was available to send unless I had sent out a hand-written issue!

My computer has been poorly. At first I thought that it was a virus, but it appears to have been a Java Script loop Trojan. Whilst my anti-virus programs detected and destroyed it, that was not until this Trojan Horse of a destructive bit of programming code had rewritten some of the operating files. These sent the processor off on a pointless endless task, keeping it so busy it could not work for me, with the result that the computer froze and was unusable. Struggling with this took the time in which I was to have written this issue. I have only just got the machine back into a usable state, and I am afraid that it will be a rather austere black and white issue.

J.C.

**CONVENTIONS**

There will be no publishing of personal details, dates, addresses, etc. of living people without their express permission. If you want to see the details of you and yours on the trees, you will have to write to me giving me express permission to do exactly that. You might like to include your comments on this enterprise as well. ☺

Should you choose to send me a photo or two to include I will take that as permission to publish unless you expressly forbid it. Contributions in the form of letters, articles and/or photos by any of you would be a very welcome addition for me to include in forthcoming issues.

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**Success and Distribution of COLLOFF COUSINS.**

I encourage you to photocopy any of CC and send it on to anyone that you think might be interested. For computer owners I can provide a copy in colour in Adobe <\*.pdf> or MS Word .doc format so that you can print off your own copies. I still hope to have my web page [www.colloff.org.uk](http://www.colloff.org.uk) up and running soon. On it, I hope to have coloured downloadable issues of COLLOFF COUSINS in .GIF and .html browsable formats. If possible the pages containing living family information will only be accessible with a password freely sent to all family members, mainly to avoid Data Protection Act registration.

**DISTRIBUTION.** I have separated the list of 24 copies to the three (and-a-half?) branches as follows.

**Benjamin (c.1760 – 1834).** Kenneth Edward Colloff, Rainham. Roy William Colloff, Alderholt. Mildred, wife of Reginald Percival Colloff, Dagenham.

**Thomas (c.1790 – 1839+).** Matthew via John & Mary Colloff, Tonbridge.

**Joseph (c.1814 – 1876).** Hilary Colloff, Seattle, USA. Charlotte Hinde, West Sussex, William Colloff, Todmorden, Audrey Palin, Phyllis Colloff, Christine & John Wilson, Brian & Pauline Colloff, and Lyn & Garry James, Birmingham. Derek Colloff, Worcester. Audine & Jamie Watson, and Sheila Kirk, British Columbia. Trevor Rogers, Shotton. Edith Colloff, Swansea. Sidney Colloff, Alcester, Helen Williamson, Witney.

**Kohlhoff** Elizabeth Kohlhoff in Kelso, Australia, Katy Kohlhoff, Germany.

**Other.** The British Library. Guild of One-Name Studies, file.

## A Present for the Man who has Everything

*Considering giving a DNA test as a special present? This and two other articles tell you all that you need to know, what has to be considered and what might be achieved. Testing is now available on an affordable commercial basis to anyone. But be warned, there may be a shock or two!*

This idea arose from a comment on a genealogical newsgroup on the Internet, to which I subscribe.

There had been some discussion of DNA testing and developments, where the members of large One-Name Studies (ONS) were being involved, often free, as part of a research project. It turns out that the genealogical links proved by the ONS between male members were welcomed by the DNA research and development teams. Knowing that in most cases (I will come to the exceptions later) there were positive links in their satisfactorily large sample, they could quickly refine their findings. This has enabled the teams to establish methods to generate greater detail in the results of DNA testing.

I had hoped that there might be an opportunity to get some Colloff testing done quickly and cheaply as part of this research. These hopes were quickly dashed when I saw from the reported results that we were too small and exclusive a group to be of research interest. At that time, the researchers were not looking for customers and the commercial cost of testing was around £1,000 per person.

Since then there are more DNA test facilities that are actively looking for work and the costs have come down. Hence, the recent comment that fired my interest anew.

A lady posted a message saying that she had bought her husband his DNA test as a Christmas present. He was delighted and she reported him as getting far more pleasure from looking at the bars, squiggles and hieroglyphics of his DNA test, than from the more usual socks, tie or shirt.

So my idea was born. If someone is looking to buy you a special present, or you have a medium-sized lottery win, or whatever - **consider having a DNA test!** ☺

Let me know, or keep in touch with each other, and who knows, in a couple of years we might have enough to make some interesting comparisons. I will put any tests and results in the next Colloff Cousins, or not, as you wish.

With this in mind, I began to look into the practical details of DNA testing, and got several surprises as you will see.

For ease of access and reference, I have written two other separate articles in this newsletter. One gives

details of the different sorts of DNA testing for both males and females, and what may be learnt from the results. The other gives specific details of what it costs who does it, and how to have a DNA test done. In the remainder of this article, I feel that it is vital that I discuss the ethical aspects of DNA tests and results.

### FAILSAFE PATERNITY TEST.

One of the surprises about the results so far, is that the results are uncompromisingly accurate and factual about the morals of our ancestors. An almost universal proportion (5% I think is the figure) turn out not to have their natural father named on their birth details. With DNA testing, a father no longer has to accept his wife's word as to the paternity of 'their' child.

So, although the test can be done by a simple mouth swab there is no way that DNA test can be done as a surprise. The testing laboratories insist on having the consent of the donor so that the likely range of the results can be explained to him. In other words, if you would find it distressing to learn that your grandmother (or great grandmother) did actually have a fling with somebody other than the person she put on the birth details, stop now.

### HUMAN FRAILTIES

Let me say straight away that I personally have no qualms. Any such result is a historical fact and my hiding from it will not change it. Perhaps it is because genealogical research involves looking at so many impersonal facts that I welcome anything that makes the people become more human. That is my view and I can fully understand someone not wanting such positive evidence of the morals of his forbears.

In my own family I have found the following human weaknesses which brought the people involved back to life, for me. My Aunt was deeply ashamed of the fact that her brick-making grandfather was a drunkard who drowned in one of his own clay pits. I welcomed this personal detail. At last a real, frail human being, although it did leave me with a puzzle.

When my mother married into our branch of the Colloff family, she was shocked at how much drink my grandfather consumed. She told me how each evening my grandmother (Charlotte Rose) went out to the local off-licence, or 'outdoor', with a conical one-gallon white enamelled metal jug to get his evenings consumption of four, six or even 8 pints of beer. If he

was in funds this was expanded to include half a pint of whisky, also to be drunk in the evening.

This certainly did not sit well with my father, and although he was no teetotaller, he was fairly abstemious and I only ever saw him drunk once. What puzzles me is why my grandfather had not been put off drink by the death of his father, drowned in one of his own clay pits after a night of drinking.

Such details help to confirm the humanity of our earlier relations. I am astounded that my maternal grandmother survived her cycling honeymoon in September 1899 (cycling was the 'in' thing at that time) to produce my mother's older sister in January 1900. The simplicity of the relevant dates meant that my mother questioned them at a fairly early age and was told to mind her own business!

I love it. This revises my image of that sweet, gentle, little old lady that we visited in her black and white timbered cottage in Malvern, Worcs., and lived with for six months during the start of World War II. She

had once been a young, daring and attractive girl. Nothing else could bring her back to life so vividly. The only photograph I have of her as a young woman is her stiff, formal wedding group photograph. On that, all that you see is a neat, straight-laced young lady in early Edwardian dress. I just wish I had a photo of the honeymooners with their machines and in their cycling gear!

However I have digressed a long way from where I started and even into the non-Colloff branch of my own family. I hope from these examples to show how the few extra facts that we manage to glean about our forbears can bring them to life. Nobody is perfect and they had their weaknesses as have we all.

Whatever DNA tests reveal, they will at least be hard and certain facts. These could be invaluable in the future as medical science advances and makes better use of past medical records to forecast possible health problems.

## **The Types of DNA tests that are available.**

### **A Present for the Man who has Everything, Part Two**

In part three I give all the details about ***Oxford Ancestors*** the testing laboratory offering the Y-Line testing service. Here I want to describe the three tests available and the results that they give.

#### **1. The Y-Line Test, as described by *Oxford Ancestors***

Unlock the Secrets of the Y-chromosome

Y-Line is our new DNA-based service designed to help you research your genealogy or family history. Set to revolutionise the art of genealogy, Y-Line works by producing a genetic signature of your Y-chromosome. This is the chromosome that is passed from father to son. Although Y-chromosome signatures do change very slowly over time, the pattern is stable over hundreds of years. This means that male relatives who have an uninterrupted male-male link between them will share the same, or very similar, Y-chromosome signatures.

Y-Line is particularly useful when a connection between different branches of a family, perhaps with the same surname, is suspected but cannot be proven from written records.

Y-Line, by comparing the Y-chromosome signatures, provides the answer.

Y-Line analyses ten different genetic sites to construct a Y-chromosome signature. These sites are DYS19, DYS388, DYS389i, DYS389ii, DYS390, DYS391, DYS392, DYS393, DYS425 & DYS426.

You will receive your own Y-Line certificate, suitable for framing, as well as full guidance notes on how to compare your Y-chromosome signature with others. In addition you will receive a complete description of the steps we have used to produce your result.

#### **2. The Viking descendant Test**

Here other parts of the Y-line test results are used to compare with a database that recognises ancestry from the Vikings

#### **3. The Seven Daughters of Eve Test**

Both of the above test are available for males only. This test uses the details of another chromosome borne by both males and females to trace ancestry back almost to our human origins.

For most Europeans this leads back to one of the seven daughters of Eve as described in the details of this test in part three

# How to Arrange and Pay For a DNA Test

## A Present for the Man who has Everything, Part Three

### The Y-Line Test, costing £150.

I think that it is simplest if I just quote from the web pages of the laboratory in Oxford, found at <www.oxfordancestors.com>

*'Oxford Ancestors is the world's first company to harness the power and precision of modern DNA-based genetics for use in genealogy. DNA is the genetic material that flows from one generation to the next with no need for written records.'*

*The company builds on over a decade of research into human populations and their Origins carried out by Professor Bryan Sykes, Professor of Human Genetics at the University of Oxford and his team in the world-renowned Institute of Molecular Medicine in Oxford, England.'*

Of the three tests offered by this laboratory, the one that I am suggesting that we are interested in is the Y-line test described in the following instructions

#### Form of Order & Instructions

Please select the service that you require:

MatriLine™ gift pack, MatriLine™, Y-Line™, MyMap™

#### **Price Schedule - valid from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2002**

MatriLine™ (available to MALES and FEMALES)  
and Y-Line™ (available to MALES only).

The discounted prices shown below are available for TWO or more samples submitted for analysis at the same time.

#### PRICE PER ANALYSIS

(e.g. calculated in £)

No. of Analyses	£ Sterling	\$ US	€ Euros	TOTAL COST
<b>1 Standard price</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>220.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>1 x 150.00 = 150.00</b>
Discounted prices				
2. Two to five	140.00	205.00	235.00	2 x 140.00 = 280.00
6. Six and over	130.00	190.00	220.00	6 x 130.00 = 780.00

#### **Additional MatriLine™ certificates** (available to ALL MatriLine™ customers)

Oxford Ancestors now offers its customers the opportunity to order multiple copies of their results certificate, either with your original order or at a later date.

NB: The prices in the table below are valid per additional certificate order placed. For example, if you order one additional copy certificate with your original order, then the price of that certificate will be £20.00. If at a later date, you wish to order three more additional copies, then the cost of the certificates in that order will be £20.00 + £5.00 + £5.00, making £30.00 in total.

#### PRICE PER CERTIFICATE

(examples in £ Sterling)

No. of Add'l Certificates	£ Sterling	\$ US	€ Euros	TOTAL COST
1 <sup>st</sup> additional copy	20.00	30.00	35.00	1 x 20.00 = 20.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> additional copy	5.00	8.00	9.00	20.00 + 5.00 = 25.00
Each further copy after the 2 <sup>nd</sup> additional copy	5.00	8.00	9.00	

These prices include postage and packing

#### **Viking ancestry test (requires a Y-Line™ analysis - available to MALES only)**

#### PRICE PER ANALYSIS

(Additional to the cost of Y-Line™)

£ Sterling	\$ US	€ Euros
10.00	15.00	17.00

For further details regarding any of our services and prices, please email us at enquiries@oxfordancestors.com.

## **Y-Line DNA Test Instructions**

**Step 1.** Send an email to enquiries@oxfordancestors.com with your full return postal address and the number of each type of sampling kit that you require.

Alternatively, you can request sampling kits from the following addresses:

From within the UK:       Oxford Ancestors Ltd  
FREEPOST (SCE 12641)  
Oxford OX4 4YZ

From outside the UK (please use airmail):  
Oxford Ancestors Ltd  
PO Box 288  
Kidlington OX5 1WG

SEND NO MONEY AT THIS STAGE. We will mail you your DNA sampling kit(s) with full instructions. The kit contains a small brush, which you use to collect cells easily and painlessly from your inner cheek.

**Step 2.** Return the DNA brush(es) with your payment. Your payment will not be banked until your results have been mailed back to you. Expect delivery within approximately 6 weeks of our receipt of your sample.

Please note:

We welcome multiple requests for our services in the same order but individual results can only be mailed directly to the participating individuals.

We can only offer MatriLine and Y-Line services to individuals who are eighteen years of age or over.

We can only offer Y-Line to males as females do not possess a Y-chromosome.

Y-Line is not designed for use in cases of disputed paternity. If you require a paternity verification test, then please go directly to one of the specialist companies that offers this service.

The same kit can be used for MatriLine and/or Y-Line analyses.

The same sample can be used for both services (for males only).

## **OTHER TESTS AVAILABLE**

If knowing the simple chain of your paternity is not enough for you, Oxford Ancestors can check if you are descended from a Viking, or Norseman. Or if you are female and want to get in on the act, or your interest is in the female line, you can go much farther back along the matriarchal line of descendency;

### **The Seven Daughters of Eve**

#### **Discover your ancestral mother with a Matriline test.**

*"Over the past decade research in Oxford and other universities throughout the world, has shown that our mitochondrial DNA (or mtDNA for short), which is inherited exclusively through the maternal line, uncovers a genetic legacy which has been invisible until now. This female genealogy has created an evolutionary framework going back 150,000 years, and reveals that almost everyone in Europe, or whose maternal roots are in Europe, is descended from one of only seven women. Each of them founded a maternal clan whose descendants make up well over 95% of modern Europeans.*

*These seven women, the 'Seven Daughters of Eve', have been given the names Ursula (Latin for "she-bear"), Xenia (Greek for "hospitable"), Helena (Greek for "light"), Velda (Scandinavian for "ruler"), Tara (Gaelic for "rock"), Katrine (Greek for "pure") and Jasmine (Persian for "flower"). You can now find your own place within this genealogy - by far the world's largest known family tree. If your roots are in Europe, you will discover which of these women is your ancestor and find out about her world.*

*In other parts of the world, twenty-nine equivalent clans have been identified so far. If your maternal roots lie outside Europe, you can find which one of these you belong to and how you are connected to all the other clans."*

## **Oxford Ancestors Limited Privacy Policy**

To show how seriously Oxford Ancestors take the possible legal implications of the results of their DNA testing in certain circumstances, I feel that it is incumbent on me to reproduce in full their privacy policy, which I give below.

"We respect UK Data Protection legislation, and always endeavour to comply with its requirements. We follow strict security procedures in the storage and disclosure of information that you have given to us and take all reasonable care to prevent any unauthorised disclosure of your data.

For the purposes of the Data Protection Act 1998, Oxford Ancestors Limited of Oxford BioBusiness Centre, Littlemore Park, Oxford OX4 4SS is the data controller.

The information you provide will be kept confidential and used to support your customer relationship with us. We collect personal data only if you choose to provide such information, for example by you when ordering our goods and services. This will include name, address, and may include email address and a cell sample, and credit card or direct debit details in order that we may collect payment for your order.

Although we use encrypted security software, the security of information and payments transmitted via the Internet cannot be guaranteed. Any losses incurred or sustained by customers who transmit information by means of e-mail or other Internet link shall be borne solely and exclusively by the customer and in no event shall any such losses in whole or part be borne by us.

By placing an order you signify that you freely and specifically consent to the collection and processing of any personal data you provide.

We may use the data you provide for our internal business purposes and marketing purposes but we shall not disclose any data to any third party other than entities who perform business functions integral to our business administration (and solely for that purpose), when required or permitted by law, or except as specifically detailed in this privacy policy, without your permission. We do not sell or otherwise provide any customer information to mailing list or direct marketing companies. Cell samples are disposed of once the order to which they relate is delivered. Other data is kept only as necessary for our own internal business and marketing purposes.

We suggest that each time you visit our website, you re-read our privacy policy to keep up to date with any changes we make.

Please be aware that other web sites that may be accessed through our site may collect personally identifiable information about you. The information practices of those third-party web sites linked to our site are not covered by this privacy statement. Please contact us if you require any further information about the use of your personal data."

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## **Terms and Conditions of Oxford Ancestors Ltd.**

I reproduce below the terms and conditions applicable to the testing described and mentioned in the privacy policy previously

Oxford Ancestors Ltd Terms and Conditions  
Oxford Ancestors Ltd Terms and Conditions  
(valid from January 2002)

The interpretation of these Terms and Conditions will not be affected by the headings.

### **Definitions**

(a) "the Company" means Oxford Ancestors Limited.

(b) "the Customer" means the party for whom the Company performs an analysis.

© "Report" means the report on an analysis, supplied by the Company under a Contract.

(d) "Contract" means a contract constituted by the Customer's order for

an analysis to be performed, and the Company's acceptance of it. No

Contract comes into existence until we have accepted your order.

### **Acceptance of Conditions**

Every Contract is governed by these Terms and Conditions unless a variation is agreed in writing by the parties. No Contract is subject to other terms and the Company will not be deemed to accept other terms or any variation of these

Terms and Conditions, by failing to object to terms contained in any

communication from the Customer. By ordering an analysis, the Customer accepts these Terms and Conditions and acknowledges that it has not relied on any information supplied, data published or representation made by or on behalf of the Company.

### **Services**

(a) The Company will be entitled to refuse to perform any service for the

Customer without stating a reason. In such event the Company will refund

any payment made with the order.

(b) The prices of the Company's services will be as stated in the most recent price lists issued by the Company prior to the date of the

Contract.

© Quoted prices include value added tax.

(d) Any agreed discount will only apply if the Customer fulfils the terms

on which the discount is offered.

(e) The Company will be entitled to recover from the Customer any extra

costs arising from meeting the Customer's additional requirements, from

delay on the Customer's part and from any breach of the Customer's

contractual obligations.

### **Payment**

(a) Payment for the Company's services must accompany the Customer's

order. The Company reserves the right not to perform an analysis and/or the right to withhold its Report until payment is made.

Cheques should

be payable to Oxford Ancestors Limited and crossed "A/c Payee only".

(b) In the case of cheques or payments made for more than one analysis,

the Company reserves the right to bank a cheque or payment and issue a

refund for any unperformed Contract by the Company.

### **Delivery**

(a) In respect of Contracts which require biological material supplied by

the Customer, because of the nature of the analyses, the Customer

acknowledges that performance of such Contracts by the Company may take longer than 30 days.

(b) The Company will take all reasonable steps to meet advertised or

contractual delivery times but anticipated dates for supplying Reports

are approximate only and the Company accepts no liability for any loss

of profits or other consequential loss caused by delay in reporting, or

failure to report, as a result of any cause whatever.

Delay in reporting

will not entitle the Customer to terminate the Contract in whole or in

part or to reject supply of the Report unless (i) the

Customer has served written notice on the Company that the delay in

unreasonable and exceptional and (ii) the Customer has not received the

Report within twenty-one days thereafter.

### **Samples**

(a) In submitting a sample the Customer will comply with the Company's

instructions regarding mode of collection, identification, and date and

time of submission.

(b) Each sample will become the property of the

Company as soon as delivered to the Company's premises. By submitting a

sample for

analysis, the Customer warrants that it has the right to take and submit

the sample and that it does so either as owner of all samples involved

or with full authority of the owner of all such samples.

© After the Company has supplied its Report, the Company will dispose of the sample.

### **Liability**

(a) The Company will not be liable for loss of or damage to a sample

arising in transit, against which the Customer should arrange its own

insurance cover. In case of loss or damage, a fresh sample will be

submitted to the Company at the Customer's expense.

(b) The Company will use all reasonable endeavours to protect samples

submitted to it but in the event of loss of or damage to a sample while

in the Company's possession, or the failure by the Company to produce a

Report from a sample, the Company will, at no further cost to the

Customer, test and report on a replacement sample provided by the

Customer but otherwise will have no liability arising out of such loss,

damage or failure. The Customer shall not have the right to cancel a

Contract because of the request by the Company for a replacement sample.

© The Company will not be liable for loss or damage of any kind

whatever, whether direct or consequential, arising directly or

indirectly from (i) failure to submit a sample in accordance with the

Company's instructions or (ii) incorrect or incomplete information being

submitted with a sample.

(d) Opinions given by the Company in response to particular questions put

to the Company will be given in good faith but the Company will have no

liability for any use made of, or reliance on, such opinions except to

the extent that the Company does not exercise reasonable care in giving

the opinion.

(e) Upon becoming aware of a deficiency or possible deficiency in a

Report, the Customer will forthwith notify the Company in writing. The

Customer acknowledges that failure to do so without delay may prejudice

any rights to which the Customer may be entitled under the Contract.

### **Limit of Liability**

(a) The Customer acknowledges that any particular test cannot be treated

as free of error in every case. In this respect, the Company shall use

all reasonable endeavours in compiling a Report, but

the Company does not warrant that a Report will be accurate or complete,

and consequently the Customer should place no reliance on its accuracy

or completeness.

In this respect the Company does not accept liability for any

consequential loss including loss of profits for errors or omissions in

a Report whether or not arising from its negligence.

(b) In respect of direct loss, the Company's total liability for any one

claim or for the total of all claims arising from any one act or

default, whether arising from the Company's negligence or otherwise,

shall not exceed the price of the Contract.

### **Data Protection**

The Company complies with current Data Protection legislation, and for

purposes of its business may process personal data relating to the Customer.

Such information may be used by the Company as described in the privacy policy

on the Company's website. A copy of the Company's privacy policy is available

on request.

### **Cancellation**

(a) In the case of a Contract for goods which are personalised to a

Customer (e.g. Y-Line, MyMap and MatrilLine) the Customer shall not be

entitled to cancel such a Contract.

(b) In the case of a Contract for goods which are not personalised to a

Customer, the Customer may cancel such a Contract by email post or fax

within 7 days of receipt of the goods. In the event of such cancellation

the Company shall within 30 days of cancellation refund any payment made

by the Customer relating to such cancelled Contract less any amount

applicable under clause 10©.

© In the event of a Customer cancelling a Contract due to no fault of

the Company, the Customer shall return the goods supplied at the

Customer's expense. If the Customer shall fail to do so, the Company may

make a charge to recover such goods.

### **No Set-off**

In the event of a Report being defective or allegedly defective, the Customer

will nonetheless be obliged to pay for other Reports properly supplied by the

Company in compliance with the Contract. For the purposes of the Customer's

payment obligations, each Contract will be treated separately and the Customer

will not be entitled to any set-off.

### **Force Majeure**

The Company accepts no liability for loss or damage

arising from fire, flood, meteorological conditions, war, riot, civil commotion,

malicious damage, industrial disputes, industrial action, transport delays,

accidents of any kind, perils of the sea or rivers, acts of God, government

or local authority restrictions, force majeure or other contingencies which

prevent or delay the Company's implementation of its obligations under the

Contract.

### **Governing Law & Jurisdiction**

The Contract will be governed by the law of England and the parties submit to

the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

In addition, I would remind you of the comments I made in the first section about the acceptability of such factual results. Many of the above clauses are simply because Oxford Ancestors are not interested in getting involved in any legal actions arising from such information.

## **RELEASE OF THE 1901 UK CENSUS**

In the last *Colloff Cousins* I said;

*'This is the latest thing that the genealogical world is getting excited about. Under the 100-year rule, this is to be released to the general public in the New Year in a new way ... on 'Pay-to-View' on the Internet. So if you cannot get to London you can use a home computer, or a computer in your local library or computer café, and interrogate the index. If you find an entry of interest you then have to pay, first to view it, and then some more if you want a copy of the entry.'*

**What a letdown that turned out to be! Because of the demand generated from world-wide interest, the system crashed within days, and still, at this time, mid July 2002, there is no date for when it is expected to be back up on line.**

Instead, genealogists are having to go to the PRO at Kew and the Family Records centre at Myddleton Street to view this in the usual way. Others are using the restricted information available at their local record offices. From amongst our number Ken Colloff has managed to delve into these records and has kindly sent Lyn and I copies of the records for my grandfather William, and his brother Joseph.

Other peoples delving into the transcribed records have not been so successful, and Ken was lucky to get at the original records. Despite many assurances to the contrary, 70% of this work was done abroad in India and China with disastrous results. I think that the most publicised was that the transcription of the Queen Mother's record was garbled and incorrect. Mistakes abound and names that any natural British person would intuitively correct have become grossly distorted.

Fortunately, to the best of my knowledge, and thanks to a lot of Ken's hard work, the Colloff One-Name Study is not looking for any key information from this census. However, from my own work on census returns I know how gratifying it is to find your assumptions about a family group confirmed. There, in the middle of a long list of households you find that cosy family group neatly described; Father, Mother, sons and daughters, working or scholars.

Once again I am extremely grateful to Ken for his very hard and diligent work, let alone all the trekking he does all around London to double-check this information.

### **A Christmas Gift from '192.com' in 2001**

As many of you will know 192.com is the name chosen by the company that tries to sell the UK 'telephone directories (and other lists) on CD data discs to computer users. They have been doing this for a number of years now, and are slowly improving, although few people accept their claims for total coverage of the UK population. As a publicity stunt, they decided to open their archive free of charge so that runaways and people missing from home could check the number and telephone home.

This was publicised on the Internet and I decided to try to use it to determine the present state of Colloffs in the UK at Christmas 2001. The company claims that their lists have been compiled from UK telephone directories, Voters lists, and other business listings. This should be the total number of Colloffs in the UK over the age of 18 at the start of 2001. Unfortunately, I think some people have been missed.

In line with their stated objectives, the Company issued the following to be used to get free access to their records:-

**User Name** *Homeless*

**Password** *Home4xmas*

I summarise the results of my search below.

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## The Christmas Gift Returned

I felt that the offering mentioned on the previous page was too good to let others miss, so I publicised it to the other members of the Guild of One-Name Studies that use the Internet. Imagine my surprise when a Dr.Reid-Smith from the heat of Wagga Wagga sent me the following E-mail as a helpful Christmas gift crosscheck. I have not hesitated to publish this list as it is available to anybody purchasing the relevant data CD-ROM

From: "Edward R. Reid-Smith" <ereidsmith@csu.edu.au>

Wed Jan 2 03:22:38 2002

To: "Colloff, John" <lex.us@zetnet.co.uk>

Subject: Colloff in UK-Info disk

Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 14:13:41 +1100

John,

As a matter of interest I downloaded the 137 Colloff entries in the UK-Info Disk (192.com CD-ROM), so you may like to compare them with the ones which you obtained online.

Edward

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COLLOFF,STEPHEN P.,SLINGS LODGE,TEMPLETON  
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COLLOFF,ANTHONY D.81.,GLOVERS ROAD,B10 0LE,BIRMINGHAM,  
COLLOFF,FRANCIS 44.,NAFFORD GROVE,B14 5HR,BIRMINGHAM,  
COLLOFF,MARGARET 44.,NAFFORD GROVE,B14 5HR,BIRMINGHAM,  
COLLOFF,NICOLA 11.,EMILY GARDENS,B16 0ED,BIRMINGHAM,  
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COLLOFF,ANN M.15.,HARBOROUGH DRIVE,B36 9UG,BIRMINGHAM,  
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COLLOFF,PETER W.136.,HEATH ROAD,01270764000,CW112LE,SANDBACH,CHESHIRE  
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COLLOFF,STEPHEN 86.,JOHN BURNS DRIVE,IG119RJ,BARKING,ESSEX  
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COLLOFF,LISA M.18.,LOWFORCE,B77 4LU,WILNECOTE,TAMWORTH,STAFFORDSHIRE  
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COLLOFF,PAULINE 21.,CHARLES STREET,ST8 6JB,BIDDLUPH,STOKE-ON-TRENT,  
COLLOFF,KAREN 7.,LAWTON HEATH END,ST7 3RA,CHURCH LAWTON,STOKE-ON-TRENT,  
COLLOFF,STUART A.7.,LAWTON HEATH END,ST7 3RA,CHURCH LAWTON,STOKE-ON-TRENT,  
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COLLOFF,SARA J.77.,OLD CHAPEL ROAD,B67 6HU,SMETHWICK,WEST MIDLANDS  
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COLLOFF,PATRICIA C.49.,INCHFORD ROAD,B92 9QD,SOLIHULL,WEST MIDLANDS  
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COLLOFF,JEAN A.5.,HILLWOOD AVENUE,B90 4XR,SHIRLEY,SOLIHULL,WEST MIDLANDS  
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## **The Spider in his Web.**

### **Names and Addresses inside the Cover**

I have been concerned for some time that I feel a little like a spider sitting in the middle of the Colloff communications web, or network. Should any male Colloff decide to go ahead with DNA testing, the possibilities of the issues that this might raise have exacerbated my spider-like feeling. You see I have all your names and addresses, but each of you knows possibly no more than five or six of the others on my distributions lists. For somebody with DNA results, their main interest would be in comparing their results with those of other Colloff branches, which will be the addresses for them to be least likely to have. Whilst I do not mind being the conduit for matters like these, I do not want to be in the way of whatever exchange of information is desired.

I intend to make this, the sixth issue, the last of volume one, and my next issue will be number one of volume two. This gives me the opportunity to change a few things. So, subject to no objections from any of you, I intend to include all your names and postal addresses inside the back cover sheet. Then if you want to contact each other you do not have to do it through me.

I hope that nobody has any objections, but if so, please do not hesitate to voice them.

### **Colloff Spotting**

I have had two entries in this area since the last Colloff Cousins. One is via Roy from his sister who sent a note about Edwin making political comment about Arafat from the San Francisco Chronicle. Edwin is from the Jewish branch who claim to have changed their name at Ellis Island, and I had earlier recorded his running a half marathon with his son, and later, his son's Bar Mitzvah. The other was a magazine clipping with details of a lady Colloff working in a building Society. Unfortunately, there was not enough detail on which I could follow up. Interestingly my son Will's business is based on arranging difficult mortgages. Perhaps he will find himself dealing with one of her cast-offs one day!

## **The Last Word**

Well this is a very different Colloff Cousins with most of it devoted to the whys and wherefores of personal DNA testing. Very important and topical, especially to a small one-name study like ours. It seems to me like a lot of genealogical marching and not a lot of fighting, - on top of which it is late. I will say no more and hope that you will all give it with all its shortcomings, the kind and generous acceptance that you have given to my previous offerings. Using the laser printer that my son, William gave to me, I have improved this edition in that it is more economical in paper and postage, as it allows me to print cleanly on both sides of the sheets of paper. I also have to thank Ken for his gift of superior quality paper which has made this possible. I do regret not having any colour, though. Maybe I will have recovered sufficiently in my computer abilities by next time to include some colour pictures, if only somebody will send me some. ☺

Despite my problems, this Oh so clever computer tells me that this Newsletter consists of 8,000 words in 485 paragraphs using 300 sentences. It has a readability of Grade Level 8.9, whatever that means!

Our best wishes to you all for a pleasant mid-year. A hot summer for those in the North, and a cooler winter for those in the South, of our hemispheres.

**John and Annette.**

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