

Ancestry.co.uk Academy

Intermediate

Continuing your family history and making the most of Ancestry.co.uk



At Who Do You Think You Are? LIVE today

- All the presentations from the Ancestry Academy will be available next week on the Ancestry.co.uk site at www.ancestry.co.uk/wdytya
- At the show we're offering a special 20% discount off all new annual memberships and we have a special member pack for those who are already members - make sure you pick yours up
- If you are a member you can also use our Member Lounge upstairs if you would like a sit down and a complimentary tea or coffee
- We also have a scanning area at the show today where we'll scan any photos or documents for you for free and put them onto a data stick so you can put them on your computer or attach them to your tree
- Also on our main stand is our Ancestry Shop where you can find out about our new partnership supporting the National Trust and see our products and special offers

Building Up the Picture

- Adding detail to your ancestors' lives
- Preserving family stories
- Digging deeper into records
- Connecting with others
- Bringing your family stories to life
- Contributing to saving records
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Adding detail to your ancestors' lives

Building a more detailed picture of your ancestors' lives will bring your research to life:

- Attach scanned BMD certificates, letters and other records such as school reports to your online family tree or software
- Compliment records added by attaching a photograph e.g. if your ancestor sailed on a ship include a photo of the ship, or if your ancestor won a medal include photographs of the medals
- Visit the places your ancestors lived and take photos of churches, local buildings, gravestones and houses. If you can't visit; search the internet for photos
- Look up their occupations on the internet and include a summary of the job
- Preserve family stories that you've been told by writing them down and attaching them to your tree

Preserving Family Stories

Family stories are often one of the reasons we start our family history research but they are rarely written down:

- Write out the family stories you know and attach them to your family tree
- Talk to relatives and tell them your stories and ask if they've heard any others
- Ask relatives specific questions about their childhood memories of relatives to jog memories

Family stories can often lead to a whole new direction in family research

Digging Deeper into Records

There's much more to our record collections than just census and BMD:

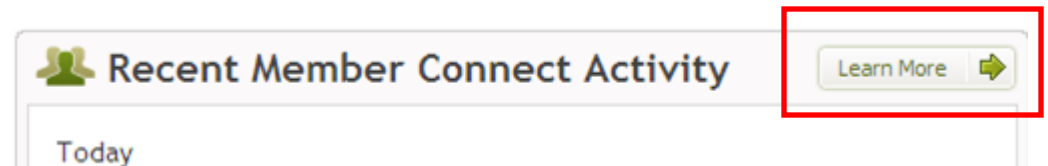
- We are continuing to develop our [Parish collections](#) to allow our customers to go further back in their research
- We have an extensive collection of directories on the site, including those for various different professions ([Medical Registers](#) and [Clerical Directories](#)) as well as [City and County directories](#)
- We have the largest online collection of British WWI [military records](#) including the complete [British Army Service records](#), [Pension records](#), [WWI Medal Rolls](#), [Soldiers Who Died in the Great War](#) and more
- We have an extensive immigration and ships passenger lists collection including the [Alien Arrivals](#) collection we've launched at the show and the [BT26 Incoming Passenger Lists collection](#) from The National Archives
- We have a large collection of both [newspapers and periodicals](#)

Connecting With Others

Member Connect - [find out more](#)

Using Ancestry.co.uk public member trees you can work with others researching the same family members

- Discover others researching the same family members and what they've discovered
- See new activity from other members each time you visit
- Attach records and photos that others have discovered to your tree
- Make contact with others through the Ancestry Messages feature



Click on the “Learn More” button in the Member Connect box on your [home page](#) to learn about Member Connect

Member Connect

The screenshot shows the Ancestry.co.uk homepage. The 'Collaborate' tab is selected, and a dropdown menu is open, highlighting the 'Recent Member Connect Activity' option. The main content area shows a family tree for 'KL Reynolds family tree' and a section titled 'Recent Member Connect Activity' which lists recent edits and saves by other members. A red box highlights the 'Recent Member Connect Activity' section and the corresponding menu item.

This screenshot shows the 'Collaborate' dropdown menu on the Ancestry.co.uk homepage. The menu items are: 'Recent Member Connect Activity', 'Message Boards', 'Ancestry World Archives Project', 'Member Directory', and 'Public Profile'. The 'Recent Member Connect Activity' option is highlighted with a red box. The background shows the 'Family tree' section and a 'Public Profile' for 'Victor Robert J Knight'.

- To view recent activity from other members through Member Connect either look on your home page or click on “Recent Member Connect Activity” under the “Collaborate” tab

Member Connect

Henry George Reynolds

Birth **24 Oct 1891** in 19 Libre Road, Plaistow, West Ham, London, England
Death **27 Mar 1964** in West Herts Hospital, Hemel Hempstead, England

✓ Edit this person

Show immediate family Search historical records Print or Publish Add a note More options

Overview Facts and Sources Media Gallery Comments Hints Member Connect

Media Gallery (see all)

Photos (6) Stories (2) Audio (0) Video (0)

Upload photos Add a story Record audio Record video

Family Members

Parents

HenryGeorgeReynolds_death
Added by kireynolds3709 on 20 Aug 2007
Death certificate for Henry George

Spouse & Children

Ethel May Campin (A) 1887 – 1956

Douglas Henry Reynolds (A) 1920 – 1997

Irene Margaret Reynolds (A) 1926 – 2002

Doreen Reynolds (A) 1926 – 1963

Add a family member Family group sheet

Recent Member Connect activity

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Connect with members

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- To find out whether anyone in your tree is also being researched by someone else go to their person profile and then look for the “Recent Member Connect Activity” box


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
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Recent Activity Connections (1) Suggested Connections (1) [What's this?](#)

 1 possible connection researching Henry George Reynolds.

Review what other Ancestry members have in their public trees about Henry George Reynolds. Add the ones that seem to match your ancestor to your network. Once you are connected, you will be notified when new content is added in their tree for Henry George Reynolds.

 **Henry George Reynolds** [Compare](#)
Jenkins/ Smith/ Aves/ Kettle/ Broster/ Dawson/ Tucker/ Jaqo/ Campin/ Roberts/ Ar... > Henry George Reynolds.

Added by  **stephen_a_smith** [Connect](#) or [Ignore](#)

Name	Henry George Reynolds
Birth	24 Oct 1891 in 19 Libre Road, Plaistow, West Ham, London, England
Marriage	2 Dec 1916 in West Ham, London, England to Ethel May Campin CONFLICTING
Death	27 Mar 1964 in West Herts Hospital, Hemel Hempstead, England
Relatives	Ethel May Campin Spouse

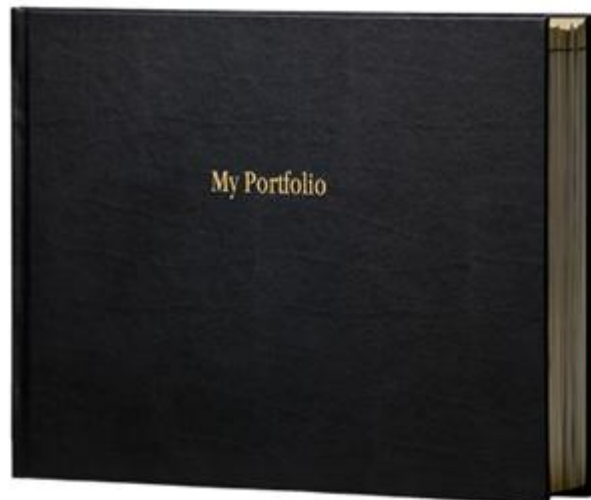
- See the information that the other member holds about your ancestor and decide whether to incorporate it into your tree

Bringing your family stories to life

Create charts and books of your family history by clicking the “Publish” tab



- Print these at home or purchase professionally printed copies
- Share your research with your friends and family



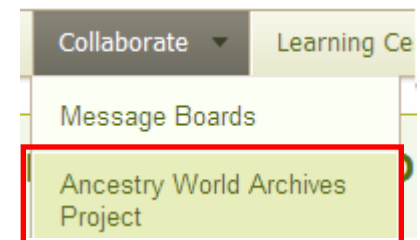
Contributing to saving records

The Ancestry World Archives Project

Help to preserve history and get free access to new collections by helping to transcribe records

- We cannot transcribe all the collections that we'd like to, so by scanning these records and asking for help from the community to get them transcribed we are able to put more collections online
- All completed indexes remain free to the public
- Active contributors will be able to vote on which records are indexed next and receive free access to images

Find out more by clicking on “Ancestry World Archives Project” under the “Collaborate” tab



What's Coming in 2010

We are continually growing our record collections and are planning to launch many more records in 2010:

- Immigration - launch of the Alien Arrivals
- 1911 England and Wales Census Summary Books
- Parish Records
- London Metropolitan Archives collections including Bishop's Transcripts, School Admissions and Probate records
- Occupational records

... and more

Site Improvements since last year's WDYTYA

We are continuously working on site improvements - feedback from you is crucial to do this:

- Tree - improved person page and ability to associate attached photos and records with an event e.g. add a photo to a marriage
- Search - more control, more consistency, and more informative (improved wildcard functionality - using * and ? In searches).
New Image Viewer with transcribed results and image, as well as easier transcription corrections)
- Collaborate - more frequent hinting (increased hintable collections), Member Connect, Message Centre (to see messages you've sent and received)
- Site performance - we have invested a lot time in improving this over the past year

Site Improvements - to come in 2010

Some of the improvements we are planning for this year:

- Place filters in search
- Improved main search page
- Recent search history
- Improved navigation to our vast data collections
- iPhone application for Ancestry.co.uk
- Continuous improvement on integration with FTM trees
- Continuous improvement on hinting

Getting Help

If you get stuck and need help:

- Click on the Help link on the top right of the screen and then type your question
- If you are a member you can email us at support@ancestry.co.uk and we will try to help with your specific research query (it's best to email these queries so we can give you a full answer after looking into the issue)
- If you have a general question about Ancestry.co.uk or memberships you can call our call centre on 0800 404 9723