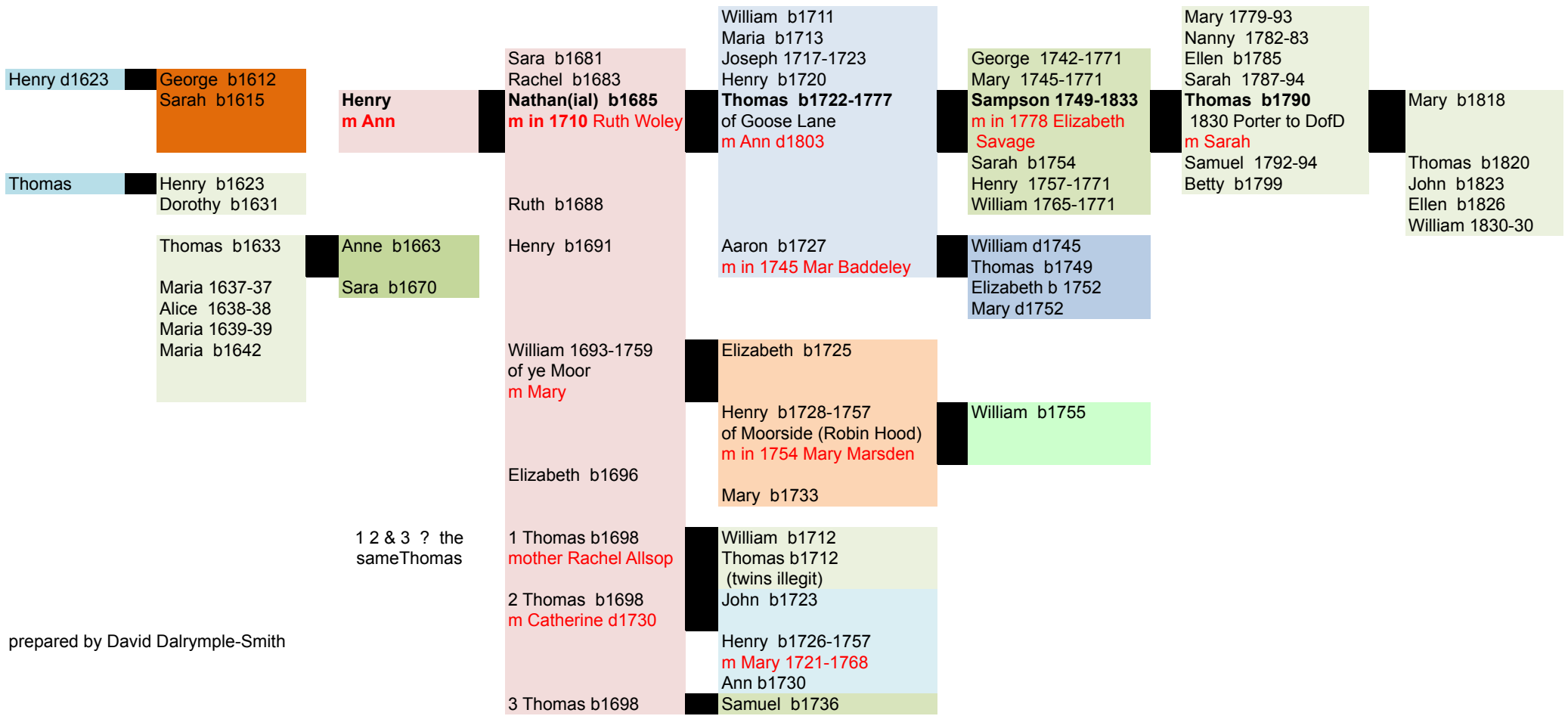


The Alsop Family Tree



Comments for the Alsop Family Tree – see attached Excel file

NB

- *Most of the data comes from the Parish Records, Births, Marriages and Deaths, and from Memorial Inscriptions*
- *Some assumptions have been made and accuracy is not guaranteed.*
- *Spelling varies significantly Allsop Allsopp, Allsoppe, Alsop, Alsopp, Alsoppe*

Information from Chatsworth Archives (private communication)

The following paid rent to the Duke of Devonshire for a house and some land, so probably one family

- 1700 Henry Alsop
- 1719 Widow Ann Alsop
- 1739-1751 Nathan Alsop
- 1774 Thomas Alsop
- 1790 Ann Alsop

The key person is Sampson Alsop, born b1749. He is listed in the schedule of the 1824 Exchange of Lands between the Dukes of Devonshire and Rutland. The map of the exchange puts his house precisely at the junction of the private road from Chatsworth with the 1759 Turnpike road. SK26337200. The house was named (1812 map) Blue Gates. Sampson must have been the gatekeeper.

In the 1824 Exchange of Lands the Duke of Devonshire acquired a tract of farmland which he flattened to make an extension of his park. This included the Alsop's family home. The family was rehoused in Edensor. Thomas b1790 son of Sampson, had been (Parish records) a labourer until 1826. By 1830 he was Porter to the Duke of Devonshire.

The Alsop family had been paying rent to the Duke of Devonshire since 1700, the only family in Baslow to do so. It is reasonable to assume that they had been gatekeepers since a least 1700. The private Chatsworth road would have reached the "main" road at a different point (perhaps Heathy Lea) before the arrival of the Turnpike in 1759, so the Alsops would have moved house at this time.

In 1826, the owner of the house was the Duke of Rutland. I suggest that the Duke of Devonshire was the tenant in chief, subletting to the Alsops: reasonable under the circumstances.

A baptismal record of 1765 locates Thomas Alsop (b1689) at 'Goose Lane'. Perhaps that was the name of the Turnpike road (or a predecessor), which correlates with today's Goose Green .

There was tragedy in the Alsop family in 1771. Four children, aged between 6 and 28 died between Oct 10th and Dec 4th. The gravestone reads

*Weep not for us our parents dear
We are not dead, but sleeping here
Our time was short, our grief was less
Were gone from hence to happiness*

David Dalrymple-Smith

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