

Part 9. Miscellaneous Revells. Compiled by Mike Clifford and Sue Dauris. Revided July 29th 2009

These sections cover references to pre-17th century Revells who cannot be linked clearly to the groups discussed in [Parts 1 to 7](#).

9a. *Revells of Filton and Bristol*

There are several records that connect Revells to property in the Bristol area, specifically manors at Filton and Stoke Harns. A Roger Revell is named in connection with these manors and the advowson at Filton in 1580 and 1582,^{1, 2} and in 1584 with a Marie Revell, widow.³

In 1607 this property is specified in the marriage settlement of Richard Revell and Jane Phillipps, who married at Bere Regis, Dorset, on April 22nd 1607. In 1609 Richard Revell sold the manor of Filton and the advowson to John Younge for £950.⁴ This Richard Revell might be the son of Roger, baptised Westbury-on-Trim, Gloucestershire, May 12th 1583. This Richard had younger siblings John, Anne, Mary (died an infant) and Raphe baptised in the period 1584 to 1590. Their father, Roger Revell, gent, married Elizabeth Wylson at Westbury-on-Trim on June 5th 1571 and is listed in the Select Roll for Stoke Bishop, Westbury-on-Trym in 1581 and 1585.⁵

A John Revell of Newent, Gloucestershire, had three children baptised at Newent in the period 1598 to 1600 (Margaret, Edward and Thomas who died an infant).

A Jane Revell was baptised at Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, on November 14th, 1578, parents not identified.

A Johan Reavell married Rychard Olyuer at St Nicholas, Gloucester, September 19th, 1576.

December 23rd 1572 Agnetem Revell married Jo'hes Brangell

9b. *Gregory Revell, Yeoman of the Guard*

This Gregory is well documented, albeit sometimes referred to as George, but his parents, and children if any, are obscure. The earliest record, dated 1542,⁶ refers to him receiving expenses for '*riding on the King's business*'. In 1545 he is referred to as Yeoman of the Guard when he leased the Manor of Ockham in Surrey,^{7,8} and in 1548 he is recorded as holding many parcels of land in Surrey,⁹ especially around Normandy and Henley (Park) including Cobbett Hill Farm, at Cleygate, and at Holbridge Meads in Woking and Thermytage in Brookwood.¹⁰ In the period 1553 to 1555 he is recorded in Chancery records and as having business in Guildford.¹¹

9c. *The Revells of the Surrey-Berkshire Border*

There are several references in the period 1433 to 1472 to a William Revell who married Maud a daughter of Nicholas Stanlake, in connection with the Manors of Thorpe, Hinton Pipard (Henton Pippard), and Shaw (Schawe).^{12, 13, 14} Maud's ancestry is well documented, her grandmother was Elizabeth Stanlake née Thorpe and great grandfather was John Thorpe, but William's is not. He is mentioned, along with Maud, in Chancery Records from as early as 1433 suggesting that he was born not later than *ca* 1413.

9d. *The Revells of Shrewsbury*

As discussed in [Part 5](#), a Thomas Revell of Stannington married Anne Wilson on November 16th 1613 and moved to Shifnal in Shropshire.¹⁵ However, there were Revells in Shropshire somewhat earlier, as follows. Thomas Revell married Elyzabethe

1 12148 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=002-12148&cid=0&kw=filton%20%20revell#0>

2 AC/D/4/11 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=002-ac_2&cid=2-4-11&kw=revell#2-4-11

3 12148/6 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=002-12148&cid=1-6&kw=filton%20%20revell#1-6>

4 12148 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=002-12148&cid=0&kw=filton%20%20revell#0>

5 www.bgas.org.uk/subsidy/glos_select_rolls_v1.pdf

6 f. 19 Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, Henry VIII, Volume 17 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=76673>

7 23. Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, Henry VIII, Volume 20 Part 5 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=80386>

8 16. Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, Henry VIII, Volume 19 Part 1 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=80313>

9 www.normandyhistorians.guildford-surrey.co.uk

10 LR 15/139A

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/catalogue/displaycataloguedetails.asp?CATID=8516735&CATLN=6&Highlight=%2CGREGORY%2CREVELL&accessmethod=0>

11 The Descent of Cleygate Manor www.normandyhistorians.guildford-surrey.co.uk

12 A History of the County of Berkshire: Volume 3 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=43213>

13 The birth of the Stanlake Estate http://www.stanlakepark.com/about_us/our_history

14 The publications of the Selden Society http://www.archive.org/stream/publicationsofse10selduoft/publicationsofse10selduoft_djvu.txt

15 http://www.archive.org/stream/yorkshirearchae13socioog/yorkshirearchae13socioog_djvu.txt

Owen on May 6th 1599 at St Julien Shrewsbury, and might have been the Thomas who gave evidence to an Inquiry in 1620.¹⁶ A Hughe Revell had children baptised there in the period 1599–1611 (Marye, Elyzabethe, Roger, Richard, Edward, Thomas). Hugh was baptised there on May 8th 1561, father Edward. He had younger siblings baptised in the period 1563 to 1575 (Edmunde, Elyzabethe, Thomas, John, Richard and Roger). An older sibling, Thomas baptised 1559, presumably died young. The connection of Edward Revell, born not later than *ca* 1539, to the Revells of Yorkshire, if any, is not known.

9e. *The Revells of Bury St Edmunds*

There is a significant accumulation of records of Revells centred on Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk. At present it is not clear whether or not these Revells are linked to those at Bengoe in Hertfordshire, and / or to those associated with Cambridge, Essex and Suffolk referred to in [Part 1](#) and [Part 7](#)

A Richard Ryvel of Ramsey, Hepmangrove or Bury was assessed in 1290 for the payment of 14d tax,¹⁷ but this is almost certainly Bury about 1 mile from Ramsey in Cambridgeshire rather than Bury St Edmunds. A Walter Revel is a witness to a document dated in the period 1290 to 1312 that refers to Ickworth some four miles from Bury St Edmunds.¹⁸ As discussed elsewhere, he might be connected to the Revells of the West Country and / or the Revells of Northamptonshire. In the period *ca* 1275 to 1300 there are several documents to which a 'Thoma Revel' is a witness, some of which are precisely dated and some less so, recorded in the '*The Pakenham cartulary for the manor of Ixworth Thorpe*'.¹⁹

The earliest record so far located referring specifically to Bury St Edmunds is the will of a '*Johannes Revel (Ryvel) de Bury, 18 Dec. 1410*'.²⁰ It might be his wife, Johanna Revel de Bury, whose will was proved on June 10th, 1418. Later records for wills referring to the environs of Bury St Edmunds include:

Adam Revell of Shimpling, about 10 miles from Bury, dated July 12th 1481 and proved August 16th 1481.

John Revell of Buxhall, about 12 miles from Bury, dated October 24th 1521 proved February 7th 1521 / 2.

Walter Revell of Woolpit, about 9 miles from Bury dated July 16th 1521, proved August 14th 1521.

Jone Revell, the younger, wedowe, of Buxhale, dated July 17th, 1521, proved October 10th 1521.

Walter Revell of Buxhall, dated June 30th 1521 and proved July 13th, 1521.

Wylliam Revell of Chedeber, yeman, dated July 1st, 1528 and proved September 28th 1528.

A John Revell, merchant, is named in a grant referring to property at Bury St Edmunds in 1482.²¹

In the period 1577 to 1606 the IGI has extracted records at Bury St Edmunds for the baptism of 12 Revells all with a father John, as follows, Philipp (March 24th 1577), Frauncis (November 19th 1581), Philip (May 2nd 1585), Ann (June 28th 1587), John (January 29th 1589), Margaret (February 21st 1591), Dorothy (May 6th 1593), Elizabesth (August 6th 1596), Ann (March 12th 1597), Susan (January 25th 1598), Marye (January 6th 1602) and Francisca (January 12th 1606). These are not necessarily all children of the same John.

In the period 1599 to 1610 a Willyam Revell is recorded as the father of Luce (February 24th 1599), William (March 14th 1602), Johannes (August 3rd 1606) and Richardus (September 4th 1610). Surprisingly, there are no later baptisms, suggesting the family either moved away or all died. Unfortunately, the marriage records for that period are not available on the IGI.

Although the records listed above refer to Revells at Buxhall and Ickworth, the IGI has no baptisms recorded there in the period 1558 to 1600.

9f. *The Revells of Bengoe, Hertfordshire*

The parish of Bengoe lies north of Hertford and west of the parish of Ware, from which it is separated by the River Rib. The parish includes Revel's Hall recorded at the time of the Domesday Survey. Within the period 1141 to 1158 an Andrea Revel and a Phillipo Revel are witnesses to a document signed by Robert Fitz Ralph of Watton, '*granting to his wife Katherine, of half the vill of Watton (Herts.) in dower*'.²²

16 <http://www.discovershropshire.org.uk/html/search/verb/GetRecord/theme:20061005161500>

17 <http://209.85.229.132/search?q=cache:j6VOznmzoiYJ:cuapress.cua.edu/BOOKS/Supplementary/DeWindt/App11.csv+bury+ryvel+OR+ryvell&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=uk>

18 449/2/447 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=174-449_2&cid=1-1-34-70&kw=revel%20revell%20ryvel%20ryvell%20bury%20st%20edmunds#1-1-34-70

19 '*The Pakenham cartulary for the manor of Ixworth Thorpe, Suffolk c.1250-c.1320*' By S. D. Church http://books.google.co.uk/books?id=jiVzbPCgPMsC&pg=PA45&pg=PA45&dq=Willelmo+Revel&source=bl&ots=32XA-rBzhJ&sig=CjyMz8senqHqBgeS_xY_FJ5pl14&hl=en&ei=AuNqSqKRL5DSjAeG4livCw&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=3

20 '*Calendar of pre-reformation wills, testaments, probates, administrations : registered at the probate office, Bury St. Edmunds*' http://www.archive.org/stream/calendarofpreref00redsrch/calendarofpreref00redsrch_djvu.txt

21 EL13/12/15 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=174-fl525&cid=13-1-15&kw=revel%20revell%20ryvel%20ryvell%20bury%20st%20edmunds#13-1-15>

22 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=63960>

Presumably Andrea = Andrew and he is the father of William referred to as follows. 'At some date before 1194 Robert de Burun granted certain lands in Cokenhatch to William son of Andrew de Revel,'²³ and might be the William in 1199 mentioned in Cambridge 'Feet of Fines' as follows. 'William Rivel v. Walkelin de Pernes in -ord & Mordon'.²⁴

It is also recorded that 'The Revels were holding land in Bengeo in 1303, when Geoffrey Revel was returned for half a fee in Bengeo held of the Earl of Oxford',²⁵ but the date at which they left Bengeo, and the circumstances surrounding their departure, seem not to have been recorded. It might have been in the period 1317 to 1337, although they are still in the area as late as 1357, see below.

A Geoffrey Revel de Beningho is named as a witness in 1279 / 80 and again in 1310.²⁶ Galfridus Revell is mentioned in connection with an inquisition in Hertford in 1303.²⁷ Richard Revel of Bengeo is named as a witness in 1317,²⁸ and Walter Revel is a witness to documents referring to the de Petelot family and Villa de Bengho in 1337²⁹ and the Costyn family of Stapleford (ca 3 mles from Hertford) in 1357.³⁰

In 1373 a Thomas Revel was installed as a Subdeacon of Foulmere, diocese of Ely, and as Deacon in 1374.³¹ This might be the Thomas Revell who was Priest at Thorpe St Andrew Episcopi, Norwich, in the period 1399–1405.³² In 1405 this Thomas exchanged his post with John Cutet and moved to Hingham in Norfolk, and then in 1411 exchanged with William Multon the Deanery of Hingham for the Rectory of Hese (Hayes, near Orpington, Kent) in *Canterbury Diocese*.³³

In 1304 a Walter Rivel is mentioned in the Cambridge 'Feet of Fines' in connection with Fordham, 'Edmund de Hemgrave and Robert de la Fenne vicar of the church of Fordham by Walter Rivel v. Robert le Noreys of F. in Fordham'.³⁴

In 1401 a William Reynell and his wife Joan are mentioned in connection with the Manors of Badelyngham, Fordham and Wykes, and in 1423 a William Reynel senior is mentioned along with John Tiptoft in connection with the same property.³⁵

Bedlingham is clearly associated with the west country Revells, but whether the mention of Fordham is sufficient to connect Walter Rivel to the Revells of Bengeo and the Revells of the west country must await further investigation.

A Walterus Revel and his wife, a Thomas Revel and his wife, and a Sabine Revel are listed in the Essex Tax Rolls for the Villa De Fynchynfelde in 1381,³⁶ on the Suffolk border, but it is not clear whether they are connected.

Andrew de Revell. Extant before 1194.

1141 and 1142 Andrea (fn. 8) Revel; Philippo Revel; mentioned in connection with Watton in Hertfordshire.³⁷ Father of William.

William Revell, son of Andrew. Extant before 1194.

1199 A William Rivel mentioned in Cambridgeshire Fines
'William Rivel v. Walkelin de Pernes in -ord & Mordon 10th Ric I'.³⁸

Richard Revell

1199 Mentioned in Essex Fines – Semenistre and Patemere

Geoffrey Revell of Bengeo, possibly son of William. Extant 1279–1310

1279 Geoffrey Revell de Beningho a witness.³⁹

1310 Geoffrey Revel a witness.⁴⁰

23 Bengeo <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=43637>

24 <http://www.archive.org/details/finiumorfinpedes00gearich>

25 Bengeo <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=43637>

26 DE/AS 1-4898 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18#-1

27 'Inquisitions and assessments relating to feudal aids, with other analogous documents preserved in the Public record office; A.D. 1284-1431; published by authority of H.M. principal secretary of state for the Home department (1899)'

http://www.archive.org/stream/inquisitionsasse02grea/inquisitionsasse02grea_djvu.txt

28 DE/AS/2048 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=1-42-41&kw=hertford%20hertfordshire%20woodhall%20revel#1-42-41

29 DE/AS/2053 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=1-42-46&kw=hertford%20hertfordshire%20woodhall%20revel#1-42-46

30 DE/AS/2863 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_2&cid=1-3-1-6&kw=hertford%20hertfordshire%20woodhall%20ryvel#1-3-1-6

31 http://www.archive.org/stream/canterburyork38unknuoft/canterburyork38unknuoft_djvu.txt

32 <http://www.michaelireland.co.uk/16253.html>

33 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=62796>

34 <http://www.archive.org/details/finiumorfinpedes00gearich>

35 <http://www.archive.org/details/finiumorfinpedes00gearich>

36 Charles Oman, *The Great Revolt of 1381*,

37 <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=63960>

38 <http://www.archive.org/details/finiumorfinpedes00gearich>

39 DE/AS/2039, 2040 and 2041 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18#-1

40 DE/AS/2045 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18#-1

Galfridus Revell extant 1303

Richard Revell of Bengoe, possibly son of Geoffrey. Extant 1290–1317–1335

1290 A Richard Ryvell mentioned as a taxpayer in either Ramsey, Hepmangrove or Bury.⁴¹
1317 Richard Revel of Bengoe recorded as a witness.⁴²

Walter Revell of Bengoe, possibly son of Richard. Extant 1290–1337–1357

1290 to 1312 there are references to 'Walter Ryvel of Ickworth'.⁴³

1304 A Walter Rivel mentioned in Cambridgeshire Fines

*'Edmund de Hemgrave and Robert de la Fenne vicar of the church of Fordham by Walter Rivel v. Robert le Noreys of F. in Fordham'*⁴⁴

1337 Walter Revel a witness.⁴⁵

*'At Easter in 1359 the French King went to St. Leonard's Church, Bengoe, to hear a mass by the Black Monks of the Holy Trinity. While he was at the Church, his hounds worried and killed a sow belonging to Master Revell of Revells Hall. The King expressed his regret and paid Master Revell tens shillings compensation for the loss of the sow.'*⁴⁶

1374 William Ryvell, rector of St. Nicholas, Hertford, Lincoln diocese.⁴⁷

1374 William Ryvell parish priest of Sandridge, Hertfordshire.⁴⁸

1407 A Master William Ryvell was the priest at Wellingborough.⁴⁹

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42 DE/AS/2048 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=1-42-41&kw=revel%20revell%20ryvell%20ryvel%20bengeo#1-42-41

43 449/2/447 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=174-449_2&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18#-1

44 <http://www.archive.org/details/finiumorfinpedes00grearich>

45 DE/AS/2053 http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=046-deas_1&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18#-1

46 <http://www.hertford.gov.uk/History-of-the-Castle-History-and-Tours-of-Hertford-Castle-4445.asp?page=4445>

47 *Canterbury and York series* http://www.archive.org/stream/canterburyork38unknuoft/canterburyork38unknuoft_djvu.txt

48 Historic Sandridge http://www.thrale.com/history/english/sandridge/historic_sandridge_11.php

49 *The history and antiquities of Wellingborough* By John Cole

http://books.google.co.uk/books?id=0RQHAAAAQAAJ&pg=PA57&dq=ryvell&lr=&as_brr=1&client=firefox-a#PPA57,M1