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Welcome to the latest edition of the *Really Useful Bulletin*

inside find...

Lead article *The Magic of Chancery* also FHS at Heritage Open Days/CADW Open Doors
plus news from local FHS and from the Federation

The REALLY USEFUL Family History Show—Belfast



A great day
packed with
happy
ancestor
hunters!



A busy hall (left).
A relaxed Do you
really think you are
Irish, Tim McGarry?
(above). Hotel lobby (right).
See also Federation News.

REALLY USEFUL Family History Show—Nottingham

Pictures just received



Attentive audience for Martin McDowell's DNA presentation.



Helen Tovey, editor of *Family Tree* magazine with visitors.

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Really Useful Bulletin

News from the Federation

REALLY USEFUL FAMILY HISTORY SHOWS

Please note that the **ONLINE** show scheduled for November 2024 has been postponed following the success of the **LIVE** shows this year. 2025 will see further shows—keep an eye on the website for announcements.
www.fhf-reallyuseful.com/

REALLY USEFUL Family History Show—Belfast



What a great day and a huge success too. Lots of visitors who wanted to get into family history and DNA in particular.



The afternoon session with Tim McGarry (left) was very popular. He proved to be a fantastic subject and was delighted with what was discovered about his forebears and origins. He had the audience in stitches! Watch it on YouTube [here](#). An unexpected link at the end.

Exhibitors at the Europa Hotel venue were pleased with the interest in their displays and much help was given to visitors. All of which made for a most successful LIVE Really Useful Family History Show.

Congratulations to North of Ireland Family History Society for pulling out all the stops – well done!



FIND MY PAST – IN PERSON!



Do you have a Calke Abbey connection? Are there mysteries hidden in your family history? Experts from Findmypast and Calke Abbey are joining forces to help visitors unravel their past.

In collaboration with the National Trust, this unique experience will take visitors back in time to meet their ancestors, unlocking amazing family stories, secrets and surprises along the way. Incredible stories about the people who lived and worked at Derbyshire's Calke Abbey will be featured.

There will be eye-opening talks from genealogy experts and special guests to reveal the life-changing power of family research. These will also be available online for those unable to attend in person.

Visitors will leave with all the tips they need to continue their journey into the past. There will be free access to Findmypast's billions of online genealogy records and vast newspaper archive offering the chance to make exciting family discoveries.



Come along on Thursday 12 September and see how your past can shape your future.

See www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/peak-district-derbyshire/calke-abbey/events

FREE Family History Software

The team behind the totally free open-source genealogy software *Ancestris* has asked the *Bulletin* to let you know about this family history program.

We often hear of individuals looking for free-to-use software so that they are fully in control of their research. We also know of individuals who relied upon the facilities provided on some subscription platforms who lost their research.



You can download the software here: www.ancestris.org/

LEAD ARTICLE LAST MONTH

Are you in the right place?



Janet Few would like to apologise for an error in her article in the last bulletin. Poole was never in Hampshire. However, neighbouring Christchurch and Bournemouth were moved from Hampshire to Dorset.

Interestingly, Elizabeth I granted Poole a Charter in 1574, whereby it became a county town which was, at that time, separate from the county of Dorset.

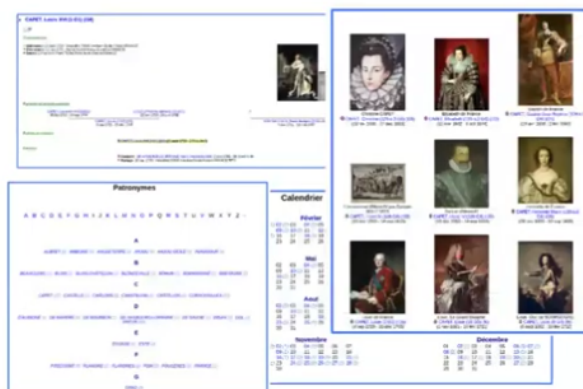
Ed: Thank you to readers for putting us right!



Why to use Ancestris?

To allow all genealogists, from beginners to experts, to build their genealogy in complete freedom. For us your data is what is most important.

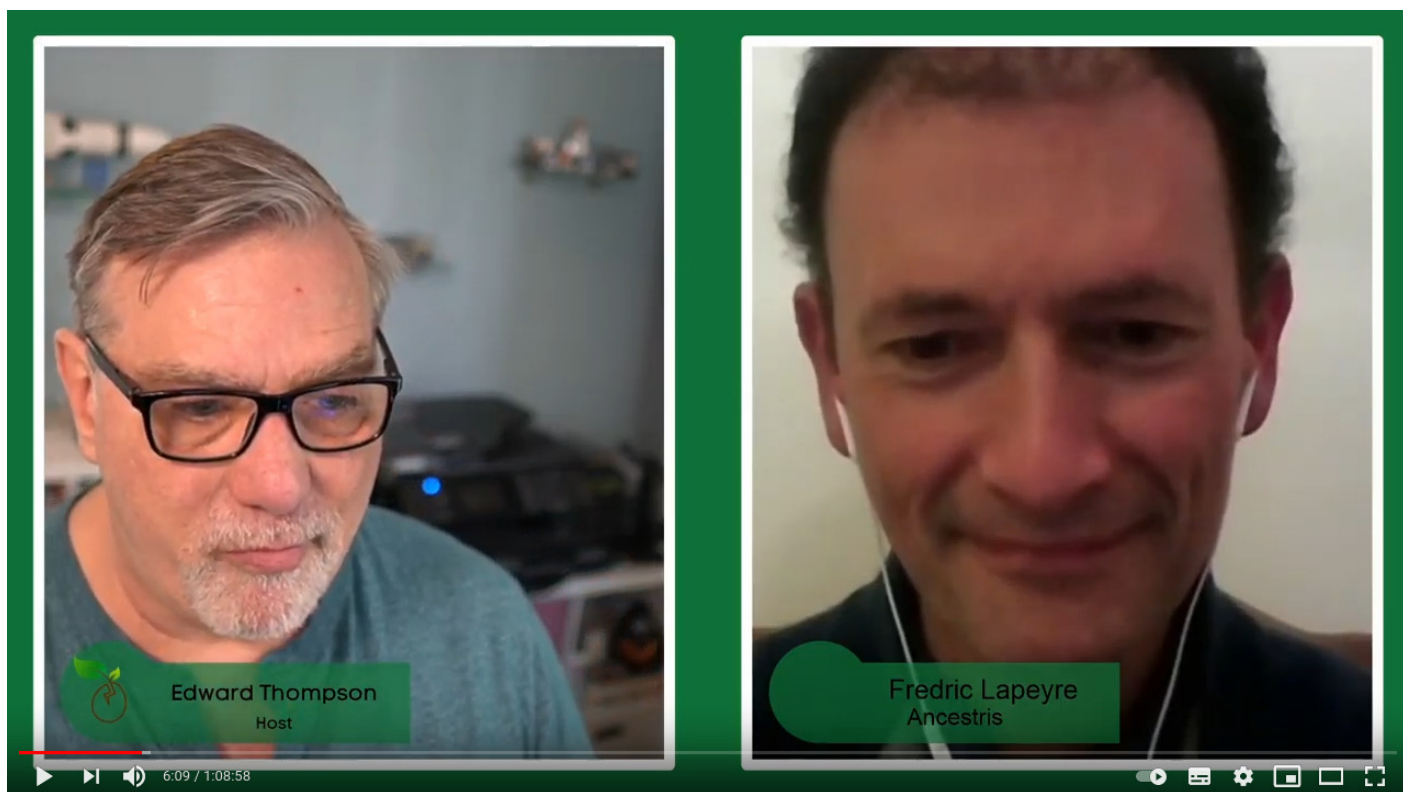
- You pay nothing, the software is free for life, and the updates are free and available directly from the software.
- You are free to store, read, manipulate, and publish your genealogy without depending on any software nor operating system.
- You can manage an unlimited number of individuals, families, and other documents for as many different genealogies as you want.
- You benefit from a free assistance of reactive volunteers and from the users community.
- You can count on a 26 years old software which satisfies thousands of users.
- You benefit from all the features and tools to edit and publish your genealogy.



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May, 6th, 2021 - USA -**Ed Thompson Live Genealogy Software Showcase** on YouTube

Ed Thompson is passionate about genealogy software and he is the creator of **Evidentia**. He is also the creator of a live stream on YouTube focusing on genealogy software where **Frederic Lapeyre** from the Ancestris team was invited by the community to present it.



Other Ancestris appearances in other countries : **[French press review](#)** page, **[Catalan publication](#)** page.

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