Simplified family tree of the early Oakes family of Mole, from ?1626

The name Oakes is encountered occasionally around MC before the 17thC, & is fairly common in rural Cheshire & in Congleton. A William Oakes who sires an illegitimate child on Kath Boothes in 1626 is a likely candidate for being on the hill, & being a young man at the time is probably the same as the William buried at Church Lawton on Jan 1, 1668 as 'de Mole', which is the first definite evidence of Oakeses on Mole. He's also presumably the same one who married widow Elizabeth Blower or Blore in 1656. It hasn't been possible to establish his relationship to the first Samuel Oakes, from whom most subsequent Mow Cop Oakeses are descended, neither his baptism nor his marriage to Dorothy having been found. Their first child is baptised in 1691, their last 1706, suggesting they're born in the 1660s. The records fail us regarding some later ones of importance too: Ralph Harding's first wife Dorothy in 1753 for instance is obviously a granddaughter of Samuel & Dorothy, born about 1730, but no baptism can be found to tell us which of their offspring was responsible for her. All five of Samuel & Dorothy's sons (& both of their daughters as well) have little Oakeses, three of them with the help of Ford girls, representing an interesting & important liaison of Mow Cop families. A good many though not all Mow Cop Oakeses (and Harriseahead Oakeses & Biddulph Oakeses & Tunstall Oakeses, etc) by the late 18thC are derived from Samuel & Dorothy's son John & his wife Anne Ford.

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William Oakes of Mole d.Dec 1667, bur.Church Lawton Jan 1, 1668; possibly the WO who sired an illegit child on Kath Boothes in 1626; collier = 1656 Elizabeth Blower or Blore, widow d.1695 / probably his 2nd marriage

Peter (1656-1731) of Stadmorslow township 1731+35 = Margery d.1735

William (1681-1751) Stadmorslow 1751, f.1720 list Brerehurst

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Samuel Oakes of Mole [b.c.1665-70], f.1691, d.1744 bur.May 4; a pauper in 1700 & 1743 = Dorothy d.1751 bur.Feb 9, 1751 NS (no m or baps found)

Richard Oakes (1691-1757) bur.Newchapel of Brerehurst Jan 19 = Sarah f.1720-35 (no m found) no d/bur found for Sarah

Mary (1720-1748) Br-48

Samuel b.1722, f.1762-wit /?Saml of Tunstall, victualler, d.1773 is either this one or his cousin son of Samuel II (below)

Martha b.1725, bap.Newchapel Christmas Day (alongside Hannah dtr of Moses & Sarah Hobkin)

Richard (1727-1730) bap.Dec 31

?illegible dtr of illegible –h Oaks bap.Jan 10, 1731 NS

Richard b.1735, f.1758 (RO labourer of Little Chell) deed re cottage at MC, f.1762 called 'Shumaker' on m = 1762 Jan 30 at Wolstanton, Ellen Jervis or Jarvis b.1731 (m wit: Samuel O) no d/bur found for either Richard or Ellen

Mary Oakes b.1692, f.1715 had two illegit children (MO marriages: 1719 Hugh Bourn, Bidd + 1724 Thos Grey, Audley + 1709 Richd Lawton [if latter is Saml's dtr then the illegit chn are a different Mary's! the 1719 Biddulph m is the most likely])

Mary b.1710 illegit dtr by John Turner

Ralph b.1715 illegit son by Ralph Hancock (nearest burs of a Ralph Oakes are Burslem 1763 & 1788)

Samuel Oakes (1695-1778) called of Biddulph 1720; later of Ranscliff (Kidsgrove) = 1720 at Astbury, Margaret Knott (1695-1783) dtr of Thomas & Priscilla of Congleton (bap.Astbury)

Thomas (1721-1722) bap.Congleton, bur.Biddulph

John (1723-1784) bap.Biddulph; of Ranscliff from at least 1754 = 1747 Jan 5 at Wolstanton, Hannah Taylor, presumably of Kidsgrove d.1786

stillborn female bur.Biddulph 1724

Samuel b.1725 bap.Biddulph /?Saml of Tunstall, victualler, d.1773 is either this one or his cousin son of Richard (above)

Solomon b/d.1727 bap.& bur.Biddulph

?Margaret – a MO spinster of Odd Rode bur.Astbury 1762

Jane Oakes b.1697, f.1720 (no likely m found)

Hannah b.1720 illegit dtr by Daniel Hulme

John Oakes (1700-1755) or ?d.1749 = 1726 at Wolstanton, Anne Ford ?d.1764

Mary b.1726 bap.Astbury of Odd Rode (ie Ches side of MC)

Hannah (1728-?1796) = 1751 John Ford (1731-1778) son of Isaac & Grace of MC

John (1730-1796) of Grindlestone = ?(1) 1756 Hannah Durber of Lawton (2) 1773 Hannah Dale (c.1743-1827)

Elizabeth b.1731 = 1755 at Church Lawton, John Cotton of Lawton, brother of Elizabeth below (m wits: Job & Eliz)

Solomon b.1733 = 1767 Ann Cotton of Lawton (no bap found) presumably sister of John & Elizabeth; ?(c.1730-1818)

Job (1736-1799) = 1757 Elizabeth Cotton of Lawton (1737-1814) dtr of Matthew & Margaret

William (1738-1739)

Ann b.1740, ?f.1767

Samuel (1742-1825) = 1763 Ann Wakefield (c.1740-1823)

Elijah (1744/5-1803) of Woodcock Farm = 1766 Martha Hancock (c.1743-1826)

David (1747/8-1831) of Cob Moor = (1) 1770 Sarah Pott of Dales Green (1747-1786) dtr of Thomas & Sarah (2) 1787 Ann Bates, widow d.1808 (3) 1810 Mary Whatton, widow (c.1751-1820)

Solomon Oakes (1703-?1774/1787) = 1728 at Wolstanton, Hannah Ford d.1750

William b.1729 bap.Astbury, Br54 ?d.1784-Br = Mary d.1778-Chell

Job (1731-1741)

Hannah (1733-1803) ?= 1755 Joseph Pointon (1734-1808) of School Farm

Mary b.1735

John b.1741 ?= 1761 Elizabeth Clare of Alderhay Lane (b.1740) dtr of Thomas & Catherine

Solomon b.1746

Samuel b.1747

Job Oakes (1706-1774) = 1733 at Astbury, Mary Ford d.1770

Thomas (1733-1786) bap.Astbury; of Wedgwood & Stadmorslow = 1761 Hannah Holinshead or Hollenshead, widow (probably nee Galley b.1734)

Peter b.1735 bap.Astbury, f.1783; of Stadmorslow = 1762 Esther Rowley b.1741 dtr of Richard & Esther of Mow House

Mary b.1739 bap.Astbury

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