



# The Worthing Heritage Alliance

## SOCIETY NEWS

**MEMBER: FAMILY AND LOCAL HISTORY RESEARCHER**

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### ABOUT ME:

A seventh generation Worthingite who is descended from the Broadwater blacksmith, William Paine, my interest in local history developed while researching my family. I belong to several local history groups, including the Sussex Family History Group. I am also a member of the research group of the Friends of Broadwater and Worthing Cemetery, and a contributor to their tour guide booklets and newsletter.

My case study, (no 42), *The Paine Brothers of Worthing*, part of the West Sussex and the Great War Project, can be found on [www.westsussexpast.org.uk](http://www.westsussexpast.org.uk)

### LATEST NEWS:

This has been another interesting few months for research, resulting in a number of new contacts from across the world.

Following on from Paul Holden's article in The Worthing Journal relating to letters written by my great uncle, Duke William Paine, from the gold fields of Australia, I have recently made contact with several more of his Australian descendants. I have also been in touch with a descendant of Albert Read, an Attorney from Warwick Street, who made the journey to Melbourne at around the same time. There are many living descendants of former Worthingites now residing in various parts of Australia, who are keen to find out about the town's history, so it is very rewarding to be able to provide them with information.

On New Year's Day, I received an unexpected email from a lady in the United States who had read the WW1 case study on 'The Paine Brothers of Worthing' which I wrote as part of the Great War West Sussex project. Her husband is descended from Duke William Paine's brother, Frank Edward, whose son travelled to Ohio in the 1880s. She has kindly provided me with a tranche of transcriptions of US censuses and copies of several photographs. In return, I have been able to provide her with copies of my research into the Worthing branch of the family.

While continuing my family research for my cousin in Norwich, I came across a website about Norwich businesses, two of which have connections with the Paine family. This has provided me with a wealth of background material for a possible future article.

Research for the FBWC summer tours is well under way, and I am looking forward to representing my grandmother, Catherine Paine, as part of the July tour, 'Relatively Speaking'.

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