**Objective:** To analyze the family information and the records and recommend what could be done to further the research on John Horne and Anne Waterman.

**Findings:**

- We verified the marriage date\(^1\) of John Horne and Anne Waterman in the parish registers of Burgh-in-the-Marsh. We verified the death date\(^1\) of Anne Waterman. The family group sheet currently says “of Burgh Le Mars” for the marriage and for the burial of Anne Waterman.
- We found the birth date of William Horne\(^1\). It was the 7\(^{th}\) December 1697. His christening date, 2 January 1697, is in the months affected by the calendar change\(^2\) that happened in 1752 in England. It is better to record the date as January 2, 1697/98 on the family group sheet in order to show that date was originally written in the old calendar.
- We found another child of John and Anne Horne\(^1\). A second Thomas was christened March 10, 1689/1690\(^2\). We looked for a death of Thomas up to 1729 and did not find one. This Thomas is on the International Genealogical Index\(^3\).

**Recommendations:**

The following are possibilities of work that can be done on this family. You can choose which ever one you want to have me work on or I could work on them one at a time in the order you specify and eventually accomplish them all:

- Search the parish registers of Burgh-in-the-Marsh from 1682 back to the beginning of the register. The christenings have been extracted from the Bishop’s Transcripts, but the parish registers might have entries that were missed in the Bishop’s Transcripts. The marriages and burials have not been extracted so there will probably be additional information found in the parish registers.

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\(^2\) The Julian Calendar was in use until 1752 in England. The calendar year went from the 25\(^{th}\) of March to the 24\(^{th}\) of March. Before 1752 January, February, and March up to the 24\(^{th}\) were at the end of the year not the beginning. In 1752 England changed over to the Gregorian Calendar which moved the first day of the new year back to January 1\(^{st}\). Dates of events, taking place before 1752, in the months of January, February, and March up to the 24\(^{th}\) are recorded in a style referred to as double dating. The date is written with two years, the old calendar year and the new calendar year (example January 2, 1697/98).

• Do a 20-mile radius search of the parishes around Burgh-in-the-Marsh. Search all parishes for christenings, marriages, and burials. If there has been extraction done for the parish, then we will search the record that has not been extracted. For example, if the Bishops’ Transcripts have been extracted, then we will search the parish registers.

• During our present research project, we found two entries of christenings of John Horne. The entries are not in Burgh-in-the-Marsh but one of them could possibly be the christening we are looking for. One was in Dunsby by Bourne in Lincoln and the other was in Caistor in Lincoln. We will search those registers to try to obtain clues as to whether one of these John’s could be the christening of the John Horne we are looking for.

• Searches could be made in probate records to see if we could find a will that would provide more information on the family.

• Contact the record office in Lincoln for information on what records they have with regards to settlement certificates that could help with this problem. If we find records at the Lincolnshire Record Office that we want searched, we will either have to hire the record office or a professional researcher over there, or take a trip to search the records.

Summary of Research Undertaken:

We began by looking at the International Genealogical Index³ to see what was there with regards to this family. We found that there were no christenings for John Horne or Anne Waterman. Burgh-in-the-Marsh was extracted so if John and Anne were christened in Burgh-in-the-Marsh, they should have appeared on the IGI. We tried to look at the family information on the Internet that you told me about, but it would not let me into the account.

Boyd’s Marriage Index was the next thing we looked at to see if Horne was a common name in Lincolnshire and where it seemed to be appearing. We did this to help us decide whether to recommend searching further back in Burgh-in-the-Marsh, doing a radius search around Burgh-in-the-Marsh, or looking in parishes where there seemed to be a lot of people by that name. Although there were 101 parishes of Lincolnshire indexed in Boyd’s, we did not find much help in the index. There were not Horne’s listed in Lincolnshire.

We then decided to verify the information on the family group sheet to make sure we had a solid foundation from which to build. The parish registers were on microfilm in the Family History Library along with the Bishop’s Transcripts. The Bishop’s Transcripts were extracted so we decided to look at the parish registers to see if the information agreed with what was recorded on the family group record. We found the actual marriage record¹ of John and Anne. The burial¹ of Anne was also in the parish registers so the place for both of these events can be Burgh-in-the-Marsh and not “of Burgh le Mars” as the family group record that you gave me shows.