

Armstrong Keep on Riding;

History is for nations, and genealogy is for families.

With historians information can come from other historians, but with a family researcher it must come from family and vital records. When a record is transcribed errors occur and corrections can be made.

History travels, with great leaders and great wars, language travels with the people.

The Athabaskan language is found in Alaska, Canada, and the Southwest United States. The Zuni language which Coronado attacked in 1540 is a linguistic isolate. The seed for the Germanic language is Northern Germany, and yet German along with Anglo-Danish is a language found in the Scottish Borderlands, old mapping names help. One think may have gotten through the censors; Thorleeshope. Basically means “the valley of the Norse god of war-Thor”. This is a region of the early Elwald-Ellot family.

Surnames are adopted near where the concentration of an evolved name is the greatest.

People of the forest the Elwald, since they soldiered the fort (Hermitage Castle) they adopted their surname from living in groves around The Hermitage. The Armstrong, originally spelled Armistrand (Armystrand), which meant; “army strand along the Liddel. Initials AA are for Alexandir Armistrand II, the son of the first, who had an early death, and a christian burial with a viking sword, showing a person of high status, who died an early death, later on above his initial they put the initials of a person of higher status, MA, which has a name a Scandinavian form of today's Margaret, his wife. History seems to try to distort family values. The cross is on a flat bank (a holm), and was placed near a mill, south Copshaw (cup of trees), now called Newcastleton, from first Liddel Castle, a town built just to the west was called Castletown, then after New Castle Town was built, the original Castle Town became Old Castle Town. This is a flat region (a holm) that goes from Copshaw Holme to Mill Holm (Milnholm), just north of Manger Town, which the Armstrong built a tower on land shaped like a manger, many would disagree with me but is is consistent, with the way names are placed in the region.

Braidley, Old and New where it is planned for a wind farm, was named Broadlee, because of the valley they are in is broad on the lee side. Hermitage hill on the old maps are is basically the region of Anton-Fell. Since Hermitage hill where a hill in the old language is the highest point, was not a hill but a “law”, because Rispylaw is on the 1654 Bleau map, and if one compares is with a contour map on would find that Rispylaw means and extension of a law. Lawis Inferior (N. Nether-under), and Lawis Superior (O. Over), are of this law now called Hermitage Hill. On map the Upper Lawis is Over Braidley, and the lower Lawis is Nether or Under Braidley. People took the word New for New Braidley from Nether, and the word old from Old Braidley from Over. This is the locality listed in 1376 for Lawis Supperior (Over), and Lawis Inferior (Nether). This is the region Martin Elliot brother to Robert 15 leased land from Bothwell, so the Elwald-Ellot could supply soldiers for the fort. This is the area in which a wind farm is planned for the Infinis Windy Edge (Hermitage Hill) supported by the North British Windpower gang of Cessford (Roxburghe), Chiefs; Ferniehirst (Kerr), and Redheugh (Elliot). In opposition is Mangerton (Armstrong), Buccleuch (“Buck”), and now Gorrenberry.

Army strand became Armistrang meaning “strong army”. The Armstrong are a strong army when each pitches in without dispute, for the betterment of all, then the other borders follow suit. Wish the bear could come out of hibernation.

The longer in length of time the name has be adopted in a given region the greater the movement.

The Liddel (Liddel) are along the lower Liddel, with their relatives the Armystrand (Armstrong) which covers the Liddel, the Elwald (Elliot) are in a region from near The Hermitage. The Graham of Grantham are on the English side of the west border, and the Forester (Forstar, Foster) forest on English side, the Hume did not line a wind fame near their castle of Hume/Home, the Kerr do not want a wind farm near Chesters and are covering the valley of the Ker from the foot up (Kerfoothope up the Kerhope), and the followers of Fairbairn, which retained that name are also covering the east border.

It when the Armstrong ride the others will follow suit.

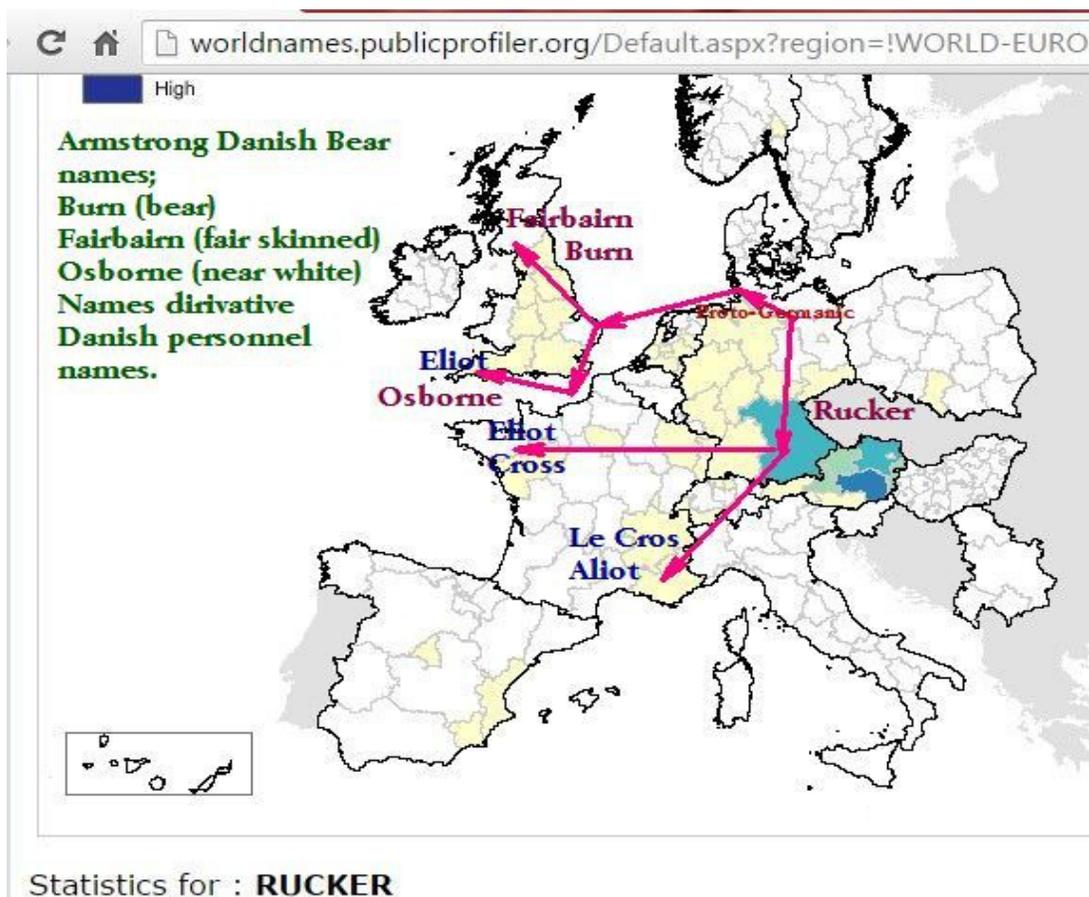
The longer a name has been separate from it's home name the greater the evolution.

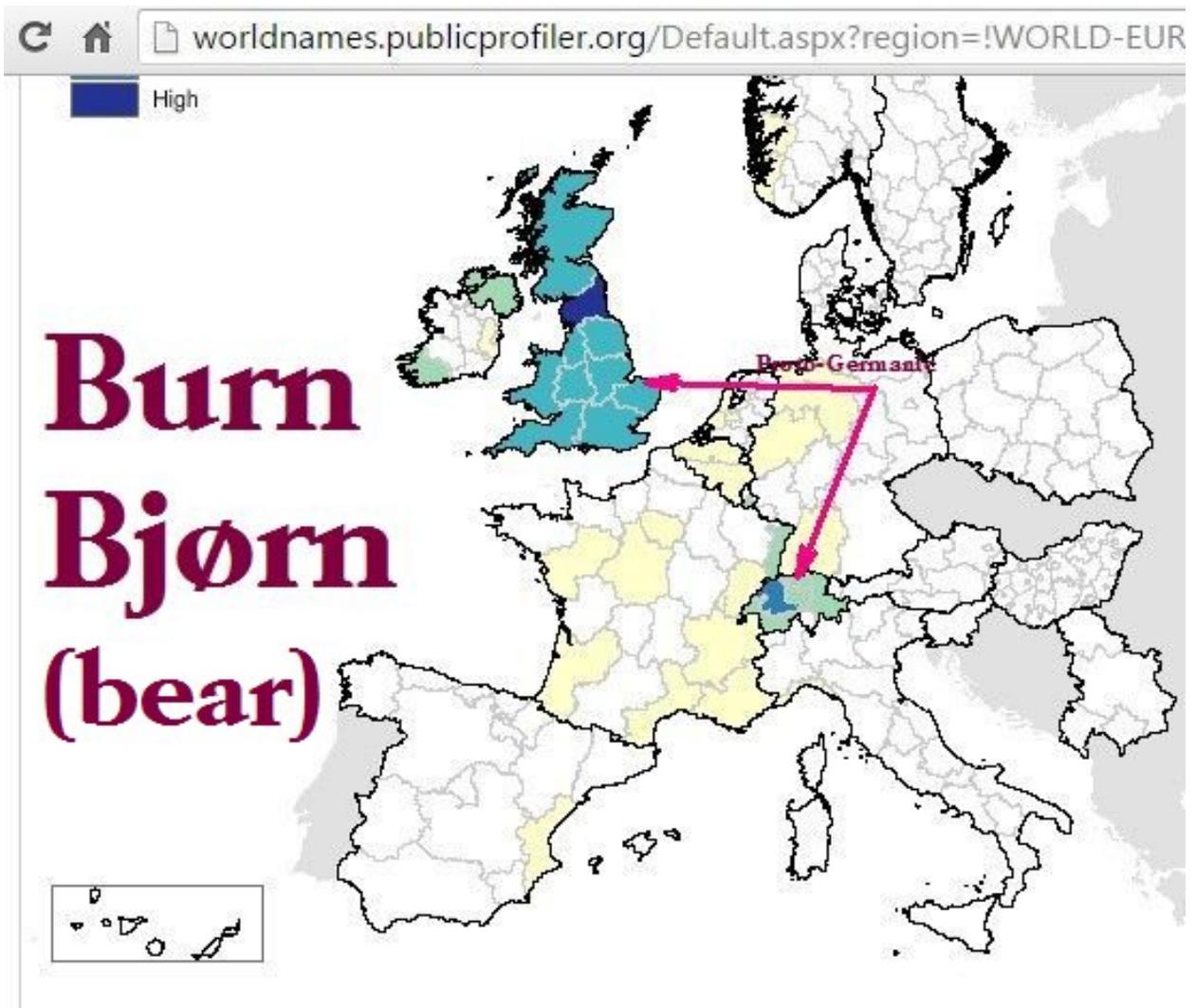
It is found that the border name Elliot has been spread in the English Plantations overseas, and where the name has be separated from their Scottish homelands the longer it reduces the number of Elliot to Elliott, a greater proportion like my family did was to add the extra "t".

Names like Elwald, Burn, and Fairbairn are example of family groups of the given name. Like having Scots or Navajos, or British, sometimes that name becomes adopted as a surname.

Finding a split in the bear family where they have Fair (light skin) Bear, and Bears going north were the Scottish border is at where a lighter skin bear stayed in the south. Remember on this one, one has to thing like an Armstrong-Dane, where Danes, are very light, like the Clan Elliot Chief.

Related to Rucker, and mapped what could be the migration pattern.





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