

MAKANT ANCESTORS OF DEANE

Hellena or Ellen Makand was born in about 1640 of Over Hulton in the parish of Deane. She married Raphe Rothwell 25 October 1664 in Deane. The name was recorded as Makant, Makand, Makeand, and Maccond in the parish register. Raphe died and was buried 29 October 1672 in Bolton. Ellen had two small children and may have married again, but no marriage records have been found for her.



Deane

Hellena is a Latin version of Ellen, and so is often used in the Deane parish register. There were several Makand/Makant families in Over Hulton in the 1640s. These were the families of four brothers, each of whom had a daughter named Ellen. The brothers were Ellis, John, William and Robert, the sons of Henry and Hellena Makant of Deane.

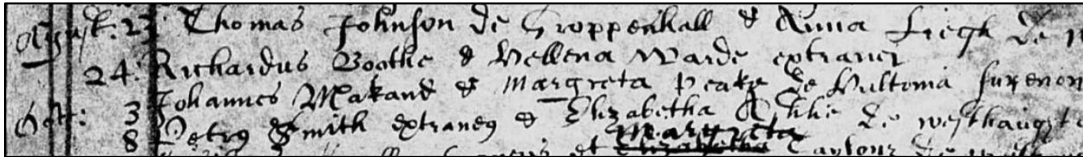
The daughters were:

- **Hellena** the daughter of Ellis and Isabell Makand of Over Hulton was christened 27 May 1643 in Deane.
- **Hellena** the daughter of William Makand and Elizabeth Hindlie of Over Hulton was christened 11 October 1646 in Deane.
- **Ellen**, the daughter of Robert and Ellen Makant was mentioned in Robert's will of 1686. She was named in the will as Ellen Kearsley, so had married a Mr. Kearsley. Robert had a daughter Ellena christened 31 January 1629 in Deane. Robert was listed in the christening record as being of Over Hulton. She was likely too old to be our Hellena Makand.
- **Hellena** the daughter of John Makand and Margret Peak of Over Hulton was christened 3 May 1646 in Deane. John left a will in 1687, mentioning son John, daughter Elizabeth (wife of Jerimiah Woodward), and Elin (wife of James Edge).

Any of the remaining possibilities could be our Hellena Makand. The inventory created for Raphe Rothwell provides hints. The appraisers for the inventory included John Makant and James Edge. Ellen (Hellena) was about 18 years old when she married Raphe Rothwell, and about 26 when she was widowed. She had a six-year-old son. It is likely that John Makant was her father, and helped his young daughter with the inventory. It is also interesting that James Edge was another appraiser. As a young widow she may have married again to help with the inherited farm, and thus became the Ellen, wife of James Edge. Most likely our Hellena Makant was the daughter of John Makant. It is interesting to note that the estate inherited by Ellen and her son was just over £98, as compared to the £39 estate left by her father.

FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JOHN MAKANT AND MARGRET PEAK

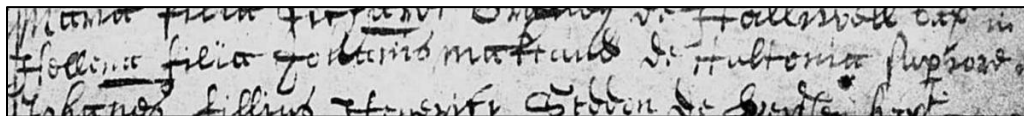
John Makant was born in about 1610 of Deane, Lancashire, England, the son of Henry and Hellena Makant. John married Margret Peak of Over Hulton 3 October 1638 in Deane. John was a yeoman of Over Hulton.



*Marriage record for John Makant and Margret Peak in Deane:
"Oct: 3 - Johannes Makand & Margreta Peake de Hultonia Superenon"
(John Makand and Margret Peake of Over Hulton)*

John and Margret had the following children:

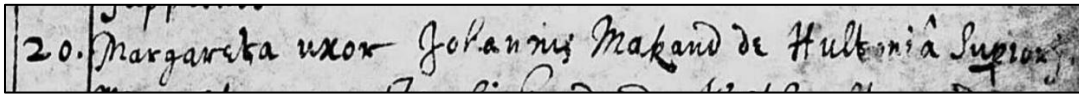
1. **Ellis**, christened 17 February 1639 in Deane, "*of Over Hulton*"; buried 8 July 1640 in Deane.
2. **Ellis**, christened 13 January 1641 in Deane, "*of Over Hulton*".
3. **Elizabeth**, born in about 1645; married Jeremiah Woodward; mentioned in father's will of 1687.
- *4. **Hellena**, christened 3 May 1646 in Deane, "*of Over Hulton*"; mentioned in father's will of 1687.



*Baptism record for Hellena Makant in Deane: "Hellena filia Johannis Makand de Hultonia Superiore"
(Ellen daughter of John Makand of Over Hulton)*

5. **Mary**, married William Hurst 2 February 1667 in Deane. William Hurst was mentioned in John Makant's will as his son-in-law: "*And I do likewise give and bequeath to **Willm Hurst my son in law** one shilling (provided always)*".
6. **John**, christened 9 July 1655 in Bolton; married Margaret Pilkington 23 January 1678 in Deane; mentioned in father's will of 1687.
7. **William**, christened 15 August 1658 in Deane.
8. **Henry**, buried 16 Aug 1661 in Deane.

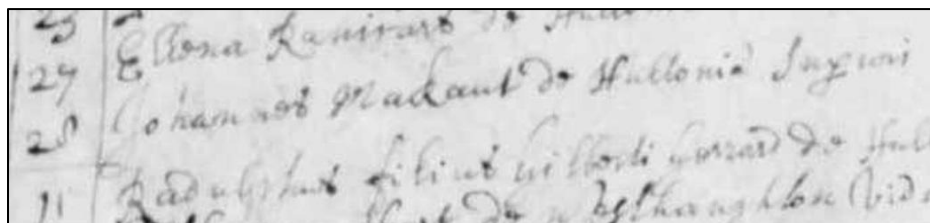
Margaret died and was buried 20 February 1664/5 in Deane.



Burial record for Margaret Makant in Deane:
"20. Margareta uxor Johannis Makand de Hultonia Superiorj"
"Margaret wife of John Makand of Over Hulton"

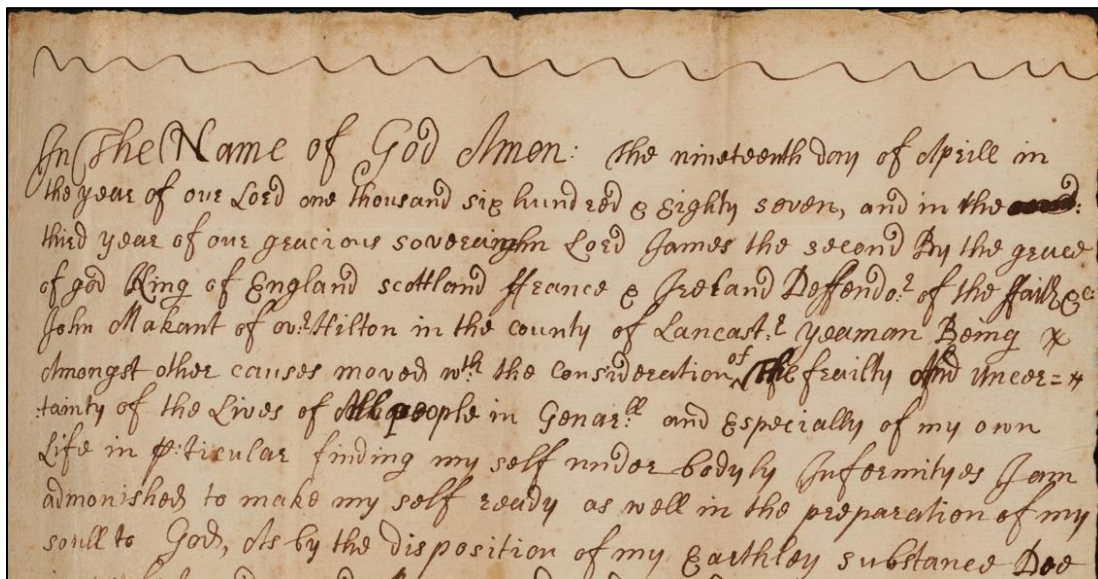
John married again to Philadelphia Stafford of Deane.

John Makant, yeoman of Over Hulton, died and was buried 28 April 1687 in Deane.



Burial record for John Makant in Deane:
"28 - Johannes Mackant de Hultonia Superiori"

John left a will proven 9 May 1687.



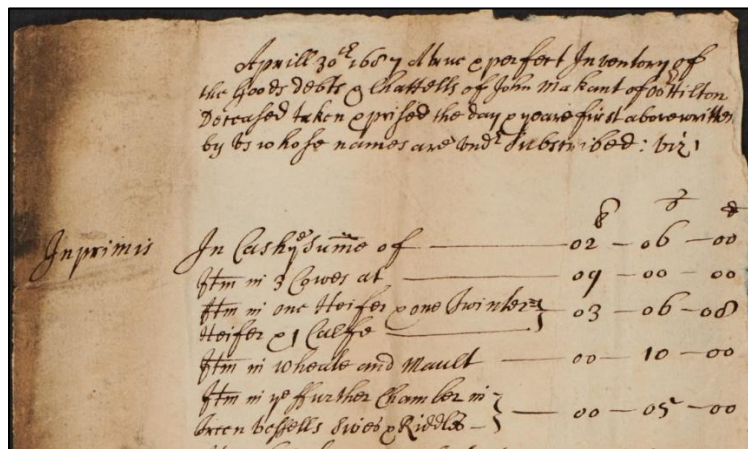
Will of John Makant of Deane, 1687

John's will was written on 19 April 1687: "In the name of God Amen the nineteenth day of Aprill in the year of our Lord One thousand six hundred & eighty seven, and in the third year of our gracious

soverairghn Lord James the second by the grace of God King of England Scotland France & Ireland Defendor of the ffaith I John Makant of Over Hilton in the county of Lancaster yeaman being amongst other causes moved with the consideration of the frailty and uncertainty of the loves of all people in generll and especially of my own life in particular finding my self under bodily infermityes I am admonished to make my self ready as well in the preparation of my soul to God, as by the disposition of my earthley substances doe in perfect and sound memory and understanding (thanks be given to almighty God for the same) make ordain publish and declare this my last will and testimt in manner and form following."

John left bequests to " First I give and bequeath to **Phillydelphia my wife** one third part. Secondly I give and bequeath unto **my son in law Jerimiah Woodward and Elizabeth his wife** a second third part. Thirdly the last third part I do give to **my son Jon: Makant**. And it is my will and mind that my debpts leaguacys & ffunarall epences be paid out of the the whole. And further I give and bequeath to **Elin Edge my daughter the wife of James Edge** one shilling. And I do likewise give and bequeath to **Willm Hurst my son in law** one shilling (provided always) and I do hereby declare that if **Jerimiah Woodward and Elizab: his wife** be contented to stand by this will. And not commens any suits nor caise any trouble but that this will do stand; If the be not contented with the formar expressions of this will, then it is my mind and will that Jerimiah Woodward & my daughter Elizab: shall have but five pound paid by my exacter hereafter named. And I do hereby constitute appoint ordain and make **my loving son Jon: Makant and James Edge yeamon both of Over Hilton** in the County of Lancaster exectrs of this my last will and testament."

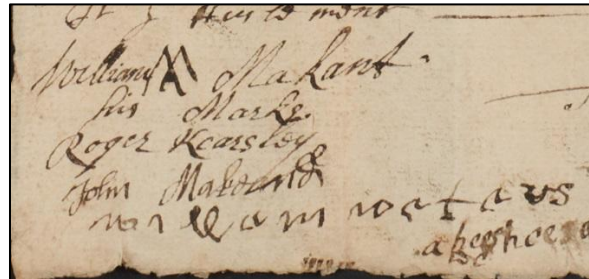
An inventory was created for John's estate. His inventory listed farm animals, such as "3 coves" two heifers and a calfe. Crops were "wheate and mault", "corne" and "oate meale". Farm implements listed were "2 little ladders 1 harrow & pitchfork" but not a plough or harrow. Perhaps he may have already passed those on to his children and did less farming as he got older. Household items included "one table with a drawer int 2 little trunckes 1 little box", one brass clock, "1 grater & one saltpye", and "2 spitts & backspittse 1 ffrying pan 1 hasking knife 1 smoothing iron 1 pressing iron and other odd iron ware". Personal items were "ye deceaseds apparel with his saddle & furniture for a horse". The total for the inventory was just over £39.



Inventory for John Makant, 1687

Philadelphia Makant was buried 23 April 1687 in Deane, only four days after John's will was written. She was buried five days before John was buried on April 28, but was still included in the will.

Ellis, William, John and Robert were all the sons of Henry and Hellena Makant of Middle Hulton in Deane.

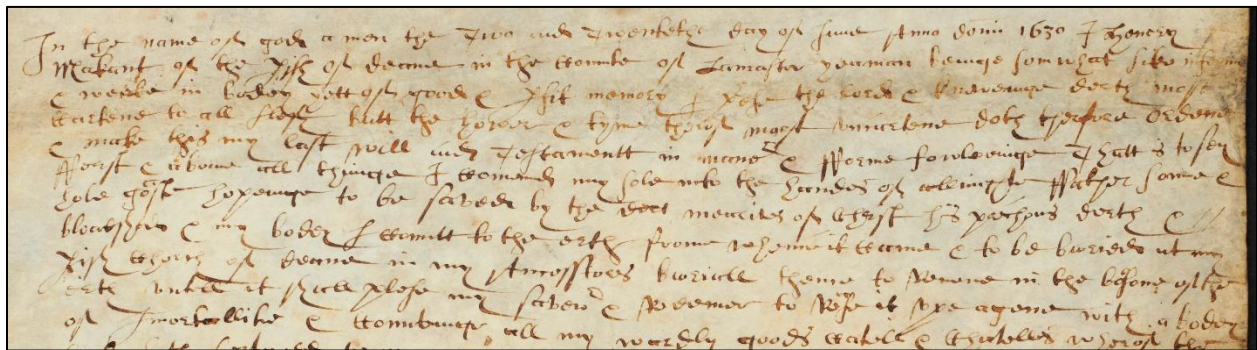


*William and John Makant left their signature or mark on their brother Robert Makant's will in 1685:
"William Makant his marke, Roger Kearsley, John Makeand, WillamWatars"*

FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF HENRY AND HELLENA (ELLEN) MAKANT

Henry Makant was born in about 1575 of Deane. He married Hellena (Ellen).

Henry left a will written 22 June 1630 and proven 13 April 1631.



Will of Henry Makant of Deane, 1630

"In the name of God amen the two and twentieth day of June Anno Domini 1630 I Henery Makant of the parish of Deane in the Counte of Lancaster yeoman beinge somewhat sick inferme & weake in bodey yet of good & perfite memory"

Henry bequeathed his estate to his wife Ellen and his eleven living children: *"Touchinge all my wordly goods catell & chatelles wherof the Lord hath bestowed upon me my debtes beinge first & peacably payed & discharged out of my whole goods I will the same shalbe devyded into three equalle partes or porcons*

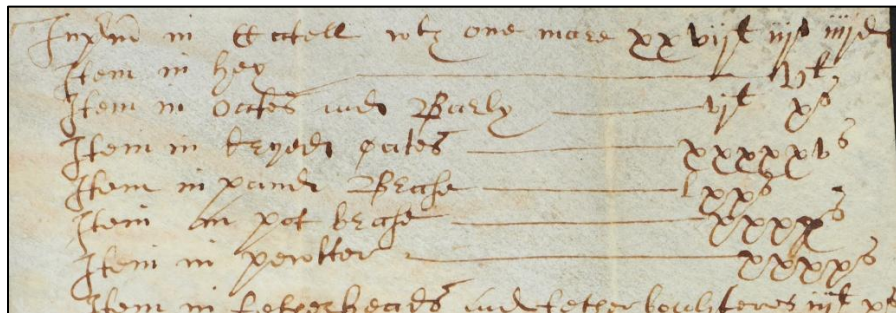
the ffearst partt wherof I well shall remeane to **Ellen my wife** & the second parte of my said goods I well & bequeath to nyne of my childern as namely **Ellis Makantt Willm Mackatt John Makantt Gylles Makant Elizebeth Makant Margerey Makant Margreat Makant Doaritie Makant and Katheren Makantt** to be equaley devyded amonghst theme and the thred & last parcel I take to my selfe soe the discharey of my leagacies & funeral expenses.

Henry left a small bequest to his married daughter Anne. She may have received her inheritance as part of her marriage settlement: "Item I well and bequeath unto **John Lyegh & Anne his wife** tenne shilling in lewe of her child part or several porcon of goods."

Lastly, Henry left instructions to his son Ellis to pay a bequest to his young son Robartt. "Item I request **Ellis Makant my sonne** that he woald paye & give forth of his partt of goods to **Robartt Makantt my sonne** the some of fortye shillings in lewe & recompence of his child part of goods."

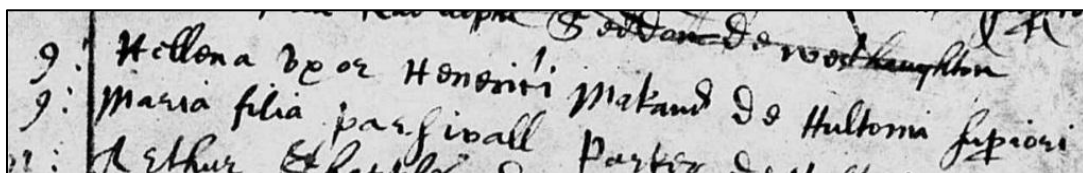
Henry appointed his wife Ellen as the executor for the will. "And after my debtes payed my leagacies & funeral discharged I will & bequeath all the rest & residuwe of my goods unto the said **Ellein Makant my wife** towards the bringine upp & mantaynans of my younger soartt of children. Item I ordene constytutte make & aponte **Ellein my wife** my true & lawfull executors to execut & performe this my last well & testament in all truth as my whole trust is in theme."

An inventory was created for Henry after his death. The inventory listed "catell with one mare", "one pigge", "hey", "oates and barly", "dryed oates", brass and pewter, "fetherbeads" with coverlets, blankets and "shetes", "bacconn", and "spinninge whiles".



Inventory for Henry Makant

Ellen died and was buried 9 January 1641 in Deane.



Burial record for Ellen Makant in Deane:

"9: Hellena uxor Henerici Makand de Hultonia Superiori"
(Ellen wife of Henry Makand of Over Hulton)

Henry and Ellen had the following children:

1. **Ellis**, married 1) Isabella; married 2: Jenet Mullinex 21 January 1650 in Deane; buried 1 October 1681 in Deane, leaving a will. Ellis created the will in 1667, naming his wife Jenet as the sole executor. The will was probated in 1681, but the will is not available in the archives. An inventory was created in 1681 and is available. Jenet renounced her appointment as executor: "*Whereas **my late husband Ellis Makant** of Over Hulton in the County of Lancaster yeo: late deceased hath made his last will and testament bearing date the last day of February 1667 and hath thereby constituted and made mee his sole executrix and I being unwilling to intermeddle with the proveing of the sd will or the execucon of the trust thereby reposted in mee doe hereby renounce the same and desire that letters of administration may bee granted unto **my good friend James Edge** of Middlehulton to administer and act as by the sd will is injoyned in witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this 26th day of October 1681. Jennet Makant her marke*". No mention of any children is found in the probate records for Ellis. The James Edge who became executor is likely same James Edge who married Anne Makant, making him Ellis' son-in-law. James may also be the same James Edge who married Ellen, the daughter of John Makant. He would have then also been Ellis' nephew-in-law.

2. **Anne**, married John Lyegh.

3. **Margaret**, christened 3 February 1605 in Deane.

4. **William**, married Elizabeth Hindlie; buried 28 October 1687 in Deane. William was mentioned in the will of Henry Hinlay, dated 7 March 1652/3 and proven 11 Aug 1663: "*I, Henry Hinlay of Over Hulton, in the county of Lancaster and parish of Deane. One half my goods to be equally divided among my six children; my brother John £10, and the workhouse made fit to lodge in during his life; my brother (in-law) **William Makant**, and **Margret and Ellen his daughters**. Charles Hinlay, my eldest son, to pay to four of my children Richard £6, Henry (youngest son) £12, Margery £6, Elin £6.*" (*Remains, Historical and Literary, Connected with the Palatine Counties of Lancaster and Chester, Vol. 36*)

*5. **John**, married 1) Margaret Peak 3 October 1638 in Deane; married Philadelphia Stafford; buried 28 April 1687 in Deane, leaving a will.

6. **Elizebeth**

7. **Doaritie**

8. **Margerey**

9. A male child was buried June 1617 in Deane.

10. **Gyles**, christened 17 June 1621 in Deane; buried 20 January 1699 in Deane.

11. **Ellen**, christened 27 January 1622 in Deane; buried 29 October 1629 in Deane.

12. **Katheren**

13. **Robartt**, married Ellen; occupation - chapman - a merchant in the cloth trade; left a will in 1685, with

bequests to wife Ellen and daughter Ellen Kearsley. Ellen Kearsley was the executor for the will: "*And then my will & mind is that the remainder of my estate consisteing in goods & chattles bee devided into twoe equall partes, one parte or halfe whereof I doe hereby give devise & bequeath unto my loveinge wife Ellen Makant. And the other parte or halfe thereof I give & bequeath to my daughter Ellen Kearsley*".

SOURCES: Will of Henry Makant, yeoman of Deane, 1630; will of John Makant, yeoman of Middle Hulton, 1687; Deane parish register; will of Robert Makant, chapman of Over Hulton, 1685; probate records of Ellis Makand, 1681; The Registers of the Parish Church of Deane, edited by Archibald Sparke.

Earlier Makants:

- The wife of Giles Macand was buried 5 August 1613 in Deane.
- Anna Macand, spinster, was buried 7 September 1615 in Deane.
- Henry Macand was buried 20 July 1615 in Deane.
- Robert Macand was buried March 1617 in Deane.
- Ellen Macand married John Ryve 21 January 1621 in Deane.
- Margaret, relict of John Makand of Over Hulton was buried 6 May 1629 in Deane.

The Makants are mentioned in a history of Tyldesley: "*Le Machons Landes - Sometime during the early 14th c. Makants first leaps into the floodlight of recorded documents. Adam was tenant at this time. The deeds are:*

Know all men that I Adam Tyldesley son of Henry Tyldesley have given to Adam le Mason of Tyldesley and his heirs a certain part of my arable land, woods and meadows in the town of Tyldesley. Witnesses: William Atherton, Richard Hulton, Adam Bradshaw, Roger Bradshaw, Ralph Overton, clerk and others. To all men Adam Tyldesley sends greetings in the Lord. Know ye that I have leased to Adam le Machonn and his wife and his sons a piece of land belonging to me in Tyldesley for a term of 16 years from the feast of St. Martin in the first year of King Edward the Second. Witnesses: Hugh Bradshaw, John Harper, Roger Bradshaw, Roger son of Anneis and others.

The name Makants was pronounced soft at this period. Later the " c " hardened. The rent reserved was evidently 6s. 8d. per annum for among the Shakerley deeds there is a receipt of Adam Tyldesley from Adam Mason for that amount in the year 1312. Later in 1315 Henry Shakerley released to Adam Mason and his heirs all his rights and claim in the lands and houses of Makants. From Adam the tenancy eventually fell to Henry le Machon, whose wife was Agnes. In 1371 the widow surrendered all her dower right to her son Adam. In 1391 Henry Tyldesley leased lands in Tyldesley to Henry le Mason, which had been formerly granted to Adam the clerk and William his son. Then in 1402 comes the first recorded settlement of Makants. It was made by Agnes le Machon to Hugh son of Adam le Machon and his heirs, in default to Alice Bradshaw her daughter and heirs, remainder to the rightful heirs of Agnes. This Adam was living in 1432, for he conveyed his lands in Tyldesley to Simon Astley, who in 1450 reconveyed them to Geoffrey Shakerley the elder. Shakerley sold them in 1459 to Gilbert Urmston and the estate in this deed is styled le Machons landes. But the Makants still lived on at the yeoman house in Mort Lane; many of their stolid family were registered at Leigh where the name is spelt variantly, Maconde, Makant. Randulf was tenant in 1572 and Adam, who had £4. 6s. 8d. of goods, in 1585. In Elizabeth's reign

Thurstan Tyldesley of Wardley gave licence to Thomas Fleetwood of the Peel to make a conduit through Makants lands. Randle took the oath in 1641 and Samuel in 1696. In 1838 Peter Makin was tenant of Old Hatters." (A Short History of the Township of Tyldesley, by John Lunn)

Tyldesley is about three miles south of Over Hulton.