

John SQUIRE 1881- 1952

What would be needed in 1911 for John SQUIRE to leave his work in Bristol and hop on a boat to South Australia? There were certainly adverts in all the Somerset and Gloucester papers advertising for servants and labourers to come to South Australia for guaranteed work. John was a qualified wheelwright, and it seemed that he arrived in Adelaide, and went at once to Port Wakefield to work for the South Australian railways. Three years later, his girlfriend, Ethel GILL, followed. Ethel was a first cousin to John, so is that why they came to live half way around the world? John and Ethel never returned to Somerset to see their family, but they did make a satisfying life for themselves here.

The earliest ancestral SQUIRE I can find is Symon SQUIRE, born 1721 and baptised at Uplowman, Devon on 20 July 1721. Uplowman is a small village near Tiverton, Devon, and south of Wiveliscombe, where later generations lived. Symon and his descendants were probably agricultural labourers. His son, Robert, was born in 1751, in Uplowman, but Robert's son John, also born in Uplowman, had moved North to Wiveliscombe in Somerset, where his children, including Isaac, were born. It is interesting to ponder how they moved the 15 or so kilometres to Wiveliscombe, whether they walked, or had a horse and cart. How many belongings would they have had?

The SQUIRE family were in Wiveliscombe from about 1805 till 1880, when they moved even further north, to Alcombe, near Dunster. Isaac senior was born in 1806 in Wiveliscombe, and his son, also Isaac, was born in 1846. Isaac junior married Emily GILL, beginning a generational connection between the families. Emily had left home in Alcombe to work as a servant in a nearby rectory, and married Isaac in 1877. Emily's mother Mary died in 1886, so Isaac, Emily and family moved to Alcombe to support her father, James GILL. At this time, Emily's brother William GILL, lived nearby, and his children included Ethel, soon to follow cousin John to Adelaide. I was fortunate to visit the area in 2003 and in 2007, and have photographs of Isaac and Emily's house, Staunton Cottage.

Isaac and Emily had five children, and had the SMITH family as neighbours. When Charlie SMITH's mum died quite young, Isaac and Emily fostered young Charlie for a few years while dad looked after a very disabled sibling.

John SQUIRE was born at Alcombe in 1881, on the Dunster Castle estate, and by the 1901 census, he was described as a coach builder. In 1911, he was living in Bristol as a boarder. He is listed as departing London in September 1911, on the ship *Athenic*, bound for Port Hobart. He clearly disembarked in Port Adelaide, and seems to have made his way quite quickly to Port Wakefield, where he worked for the railways.

Ethel GILL, almost 30 years of age, left London in September 1914 on the ship *Orsova*, alighting in Adelaide. Once John and Ethel married (the day she arrived in Adelaide), they settled into Port Wakefield life, living at 16 Edward Street with their only child Ken, born 1917. The house looks like it should be condemned, and it seems that no-one is living there. But at least it still stands, and I have a recent photograph. John appears to have become a blacksmith, identified as such in the Sands and Mac directories, and they were both involved in their local Methodist Church. John may also have been the local undertaker for a while, because of several notices in local newspapers (accessed from Trove). Interestingly, one of the witnesses to John and Ethel's marriage was Maude RANN, later mother to Connie RUNDLE, who married Ken SQUIRE in June 1944. I suspect Maud was a person roped in by the Port Adelaide Methodist Church church minister, but who remained lifelong friends to Ethel and John.

John retired around 1941, and moved to Torrensville, Adelaide, where they bought a house in Stephens Avenue. Sadly, my grandmother Ethel, died in April 1943, before I was born. However, Ken carried on the name as an only child, so our Adelaide family is rather small. There are anecdotal stories that Ken was 'a bit of a lad' in his youth, but he certainly settled down after marriage. There are plenty of other SQUIRE families in Adelaide, but I have not yet found any connection to any of them. I have a project to explore this further, but it is not top of the list.

Ken and Connie (RUNDLE) lived with John SQUIRE till he died in 1952, unfortunately on brother Jeff's birthday. As a six year old, I remember that morning well. Ken and Connie brought three children into this world, Graham in 1946, (later to become and live as Jan), Jeff in 1949, and Val in 1956. with six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Following is a chart of John SQUIRE's ancestors, and a chart of his descendants. You can find his web page at <https://jansquire.com/tng/getperson.php?personID=I21&tree=squire>




John SQUIRE

♂ 1881 - 1952 (70 years)

Generation: 1



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1.  John SQUIRE was born 7 Sep 1881, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England (son of **Isaac SQUIRE** and **Emily GILL**); died 16 Jul 1952, Stephens Avenue, Torrensville, South Australia, Australia; was buried 19 Jul 1952, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.
John married **Ethel GILL** 31 Oct 1914, Methodist Church, Port Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. **Ethel** (daughter of **William GILL** and **Sophia COX**) was born 31 Oct 1884, Bedminster, Somerset, England; died 6 Apr 1943, Stephens Avenue, Torrensville, South Australia, Australia; was buried 9 Apr 1943, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]

Children:

- i. **Kenneth John SQUIRE** was born 15 May 1917, Hamley Bridge, SA, Australia; was christened 1 Jul 1917, Port Wakefield, South Australia, Australia; died 9 Apr 1984, Glengowrie, South Australia, Australia; was buried 12 Apr 1984, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.

Generation: 2

2.  **Isaac SQUIRE** was born 02 Dec 1846, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; was christened 25 Dec 1846, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England (son of **Isaac SQUIRE** and **Mary REDWOOD**); died 22 Dec 1924, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England .
Isaac married **Emily GILL** 15 Jul 1877, Exton, Somerset, England. **Emily** (daughter of **James GILL** and **Mary CRAZE**) was born 15 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 25 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England ; died 15 Feb 1939, Lynmouth, Devon, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]
3.  **Emily GILL** was born 15 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 25 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England (daughter of **James GILL** and **Mary CRAZE**); died 15 Feb 1939, Lynmouth, Devon, England.
Children:
 - i. **William SQUIRE** was born 09 Jun 1878, Hemyock, Devon, England; died 14 Apr 1936, Aldershot, Hampshire, England.
 - ii. **Mary SQUIRE** was born 29 Jul 1879, Hemyock, Devon, England.
 - iii. 1. **John SQUIRE** was born 7 Sep 1881, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England ; died 16 Jul 1952, Stephens Avenue, Torrensville, South Australia, Australia; was buried 19 Jul 1952, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.
 - iv. **Annie SQUIRE** was born 25 Jul 1884, Hemyock, Devon, England.
 - v. **Lottie SQUIRE** was born 12 May 1886, Lynmouth, Devon, England; died 05 Aug 1968, Lynmouth, Devon, England.
 - vi. **Charlie SMITH** was born 1895, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England .

Generation: 3

4. **Isaac SQUIRE** was born 1806, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England (son of **John SQUIRE** and **Elizabeth DALLEN**).
Isaac married **Mary REDWOOD** 1835. **Mary** (daughter of **John REDWOOD** and **Mary ?**) was born 1808, Clayhanger, Devon, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]
5. **Mary REDWOOD** was born 1808, Clayhanger, Devon, England (daughter of **John REDWOOD** and **Mary ?**).
Children:
 - i. **Sarah SQUIRE** was born 1836, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - ii. **John SQUIRE** was born 1838, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; was christened 13 May 1838, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - iii. **Betsy SQUIRE** was born , Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; was christened 6 Mar 1842, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - iv. **Mary SQUIRE** was born 17 Nov 1844, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; died 24 Sep 1848.
 - v. 2. **Isaac SQUIRE** was born 02 Dec 1846, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; was christened 25 Dec 1846, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; died 22 Dec 1924, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England .

- vi. Mary Hannah SQUIRE was born 16 May 1850, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England; was christened 16 Jun 1850, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - vii. William SQUIRE was born 1853, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - viii. Abraham SQUIRE was born 1857, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - ix. Elizabeth J SQUIRE was born 1859, Dulverton, Somerset, England.
6. James GILL was born 5 Dec 1811, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 29 Dec 1812, Dunster, Somerset, England (son of William GILL and Mary WATTS).
- James married Mary CRAZE 11 Jul 1835, Dunster, Somerset, England. Mary (daughter of Robert CRAZE and Jane HAWKINS) was born 1811, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 10 Apr 1814, Dunster, Somerset, England; died 30 Aug 1886, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England . [[Group Sheet](#)]
7. Mary CRAZE was born 1811, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 10 Apr 1814, Dunster, Somerset, England (daughter of Robert CRAZE and Jane HAWKINS); died 30 Aug 1886, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England .
Children:
- i. Charlotte GILL was born 23 Jun 1838, Dunster, Somerset, England.
 - ii. Ann GILL was born 08 Dec 1841, Dunster, Somerset, England.
 - iii. Elizabeth GILL was born 02 Jan 1843, Dunster, Somerset, England.
 - iv. William GILL was born 16 Nov 1845, Dunster, Somerset, England; died 31 Oct 1914.
 - v. Mary Jane GILL was born 19 Oct 1848, Dunster, Somerset, England.
 - vi. 3. Emily GILL was born 15 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 25 Apr 1851, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England ; died 15 Feb 1939, Lynmouth, Devon, England.
 - vii. John GILL was born 04 Jan 1854, Dunster, Somerset, England.
 - viii. Ann GILL was born 08 Dec 1855, Dunster, Somerset, England.

Generation: 4

8. John SQUIRE was born 10 Jun 1773, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 25 May 1774, Uplowman, Devon, England (son of Robert SQUIRE and Mary CHAVE).
- John married Elizabeth DALLEN 29 Sep 1799, Washfield, Devon, England. Elizabeth (daughter of Thomas DALLEN and Elizabeth ?) was born 1784, Somerset, England; was christened 15 May 1784, Ilfracombe, Devon, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]
9. Elizabeth DALLEN was born 1784, Somerset, England; was christened 15 May 1784, Ilfracombe, Devon, England (daughter of Thomas DALLEN and Elizabeth ?).
Children:
- i. 4. Isaac SQUIRE was born 1806, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
 - ii. Richard SQUIRE was born 1814, Wiveliscombe, Somerset, England.
10. John REDWOOD
- John married Mary ?. [[Group Sheet](#)]
11. Mary ?
Children:
- i. 5. Mary REDWOOD was born 1808, Clayhanger, Devon, England.
 - ii. Elizabeth REDWOOD was born 1816.
12. William GILL
- William married Mary WATTS 14 Apr 1805, Dunster, Somerset, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]
13. Mary WATTS
Children:
- i. 6. James GILL was born 5 Dec 1811, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 29 Dec 1812, Dunster, Somerset, England.
14. Robert CRAZE was born 1785, Dunster, Somerset, England.
- Robert married Jane HAWKINS 18 Apr 1808, Dunster, Somerset, England. Jane was born 1789, Dunster, Somerset, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]

15. Jane HAWKINS was born 1789, Dunster, Somerset, England.

Children:

- i. 7. **Mary CRAZE** was born 1811, Dunster, Somerset, England; was christened 10 Apr 1814, Dunster, Somerset, England; died 30 Aug 1886, Alcombe, Dunster, Somerset, England .

Generation: 5

16. Robert SQUIRE was born 30 Jun 1751, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 14 Jul 1751, Uplowman, Devon, England (son of **Symon SQUIRE** and **Ann ?**).

Robert married **Mary CHAVE** 20 Feb 1773, Uplowman, Devon, England. Mary was born 25 Jan 1752, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 14 May 1752, Uplowman, Devon, England. [[Group Sheet](#)]

17. Mary CHAVE was born 25 Jan 1752, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 14 May 1752, Uplowman, Devon, England.

Children:

- i. 8. **John SQUIRE** was born 10 Jun 1773, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 25 May 1774, Uplowman, Devon, England.

18. **Thomas DALLEN**

Thomas married **Elizabeth ?**. [[Group Sheet](#)]

19. **Elizabeth ?**

Children:

- i. 9. **Elizabeth DALLEN** was born 1784, Somerset, England; was christened 15 May 1784, Ilfracombe, Devon, England.

Generation: 6

32. Symon SQUIRE

Symon married **Ann ?**. [[Group Sheet](#)]

33. **Ann ?**

Children:

- i. 16. **Robert SQUIRE** was born 30 Jun 1751, Uplowman, Devon, England; was christened 14 Jul 1751, Uplowman, Devon, England.




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- i. 2. [Kenneth John SQUIRE](#) ♂ was born 15 May 1917, Hamley Bridge, SA, Australia; was christened 1 Jul 1917, Port Wakefield, South Australia, Australia; died 9 Apr 1984, Glengowrie, South Australia, Australia; was buried 12 Apr 1984, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.


Generation: 2

2.  Kenneth John SQUIRE ♂ (1.[John](#)¹) was born 15 May 1917, Hamley Bridge, SA, Australia; was christened 1 Jul 1917, Port Wakefield, South Australia, Australia; died 9 Apr 1984, Glengowrie, South Australia, Australia; was buried 12 Apr 1984, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia.
Kenneth married Constance Maude RUNDLE 10 Jun 1944, Methodist Church, Port Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. Constance (daughter of [Edwin Morris RUNDLE](#) and [Maude Holbrook RANN](#)) was born 30 Oct 1920, Osborne Street, Largs, South Australia, Australia; died 04 Aug 1974, Watson Avenue, Rose Park, South Australia, Australia; was buried 07 Aug 1974, Centennial Park Cemetery, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]

Children:

- i. 3. [Graham Kenneth SQUIRE](#) ♂ was born 30 Nov 1946, Semaphore, South Australia, Australia; was christened 18 May 1947, Stephens Avenue, Torrensville, South Australia, Australia.
- ii. 4. [Janice Karen SQUIRE](#) ♀ was born 30 Nov 1946, Semaphore, South Australia, Australia.
- iii. 5. [Jeffrey Phillip SQUIRE](#) ♂ was born 16 Jul 1949, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
- iv. 6. [Valerie Joan SQUIRE](#) ♀ was born 10 Dec 1954, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.


Generation: 3

3.  Graham Kenneth SQUIRE ♂ (2.[Kenneth](#)², 1.[John](#)¹) was born 30 Nov 1946, Semaphore, South Australia, Australia; was christened 18 May 1947, Stephens Avenue, Torrensville, South Australia, Australia.
Graham married [Margaret Anne KEIGHTLEY](#) 29 Aug 1970, Kensington Gardens, South Australia, Australia; divorced 5 Aug 1999, Law Courts, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. Margaret (daughter of [Raymond Stodart KEIGHTLEY](#) and [Dorothy Joan LANGDON](#)) was born 11 Dec 1946, Unley Park, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]

Children:


- i. 7. [Michael John SQUIRE](#) ♂ was born 11 Apr 1973, Calvary Hospital, North Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
- ii. 8. [Christopher Lee SQUIRE](#) ♂ was born 13 Nov 1975, Calvary Hospital, North Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.

4.  [Janice Karen SQUIRE](#) ♀ (2.[Kenneth](#)², 1.[John](#)¹) was born 30 Nov 1946, Semaphore, South Australia, Australia.







5.  Jeffrey Phillip SQUIRE ♂ (2.[Kenneth](#)², 1.[John](#)¹) was born 16 Jul 1949, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
Jeffrey married [Patricia Dawn WALLER](#) 05 May 1973, American River, SA, Australia. Patricia was born 24 Feb 1950, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]

Children:


- i. 9. [Shandelle Kristy SQUIRE](#) ♀ was born 13 Mar 1975, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
- ii. 10. [Lorissa Kathy SQUIRE](#) ♀ was born 21 Apr 1977, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.

6.  **Valerie Joan SQUIRE** ♀ (2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 10 Dec 1954, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
Valerie married **Barrie Frank CRISP** 2 Sep 1989, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia; divorced N. Barrie was born 19 Feb 1949, Bordertown, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]
Children:
i. 11. **Jenevieve Rosemarie CRISP** ♀ was born 12 Jan 1990, Keswick, SA, Australia.
ii. 12. **Luke Edwin John CRISP** ♀ was born 26 Jul 1991, Keswick, SA, Australia.


Generation: 4

7.  **Michael John SQUIRE** ♂ (3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 11 Apr 1973, Calvary Hospital, North Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
Michael married **Kirsty Jayne CRAWFORD** 06 Oct 2001, Clarendon, South Australia, Australia. Kirsty was born 29 Mar 1973, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]
Children:
i. 13. **Amelia Claire SQUIRE** ♀ was born 04 Apr 2003, Ashford Hospital, Adelaide, SA, Australia .
ii. 14. **Caitlin Ella SQUIRE** ♀ was born 04 Apr 2003, Ashford Hospital, Adelaide, SA, Australia.
8.  **Christopher Lee SQUIRE** ♂ (3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 13 Nov 1975, Calvary Hospital, North Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
Christopher married **Sarah TIPPETT**. Sarah (daughter of **Guy TIPPETT** and **Kirsty PERROTT**) was born 29 Jan 1987, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia. [[Group Sheet](#)]
Children:
i. 15. **Asha Paige SQUIRE** ♀ was born 3 Oct 2013, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.
ii. 16. **Macy Jade SQUIRE** ♀ was born 24 Jul 2015, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.
iii. 17. **Beau Guy SQUIRE** ♀ was born 22 Sep 2018, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.
9.  **Shandelle Kristy SQUIRE** ♀ (5.**Jeffrey**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 13 Mar 1975, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
10.  **Lorissa Kathy SQUIRE** ♀ (5.**Jeffrey**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 21 Apr 1977, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.
11.  **Jenevieve Rosemarie CRISP** ♀ (6.**Valerie**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 12 Jan 1990, Keswick, SA, Australia.
12.  **Luke Edwin John CRISP** ♀ (6.**Valerie**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 26 Jul 1991, Keswick, SA, Australia.

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13.  **Amelia Claire SQUIRE** ♀ (7.**Michael**⁴, 3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 04 Apr 2003, Ashford Hospital, Adelaide, SA, Australia .
14. **Caitlin Ella SQUIRE** ♀ (7.**Michael**⁴, 3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 04 Apr 2003, Ashford Hospital, Adelaide, SA, Australia.



15.  **Asha Paige SQUIRE**  (8.**Christopher**⁴, 3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 3 Oct 2013, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.

16.  **Macy Jade SQUIRE**  (8.**Christopher**⁴, 3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 24 Jul 2015, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.

17.  **Beau Guy SQUIRE**  (8.**Christopher**⁴, 3.**Graham**³, 2.**Kenneth**², 1.**John**¹) was born 22 Sep 2018, Bedford Park, South Australia, Australia.

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