

Faroese Kinship Register

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Tjóðskjalasavnið

Faroese Kinship Register : “A registry of the hereditary relationships among the Faroese. The Genealogy Registry contains information regarding Faroese genealogy from app. Year 1650 to date.” <https://biobank.fo/registers/>

- ❖ Automatic & manual merger of material from 5 genealogist: Agerby, Johan Dam, Johan P. Dam, Kári Thorsteinsson, Viggo Christiansen
 - ❖ This material was used for pilot projects while church records were digitalized 2007-2010
 - ❖ Parts of this material is still in use (individuals unaccessible in Faroese church records)
- ❖ Faroese Church records date from: Eysturoy 1687 (oldest) Sandoy 1719, Suðuroy 1745, Suðurstreymoy 1757, Norðoyggjar 1760, Vágoy 1797 og Norðstreymoy 1816.
 - ❖ The digitalization og the church records is not complete so the automatic and manual merger into the register includes mostly births:
 - ❖ Suðurstreymoy only 1893-1993
 - ❖ Baptizing is most complete
 - ❖ Only Eysturoy & Norðoyar pre-1893
- ❖ In addition it is often necessary to make manual searches in scanned material when in doubt
 - ❖ 5 of 7 parishes prior to 1893 are only available in scanned form
 - ❖ No scans of Faroese church records since 2007
 - ❖ We therefore also rely to a certain degree on the Social security records for updates, but SSR is not a family tree - it's a residential register.





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Church register entries have been automatically/digitally merged: Spelling of names differ in various contexts as well as birth data – in addition to the typos in the non-proofread material.

Conditions for automatic merger (date of birth and 3 consecutive letters in name are identical) often create errors:

- 1) Examples shown: Father's date of birth with typo
- 2) Compared to father's original church register at birth
- 3) Wrong father has unfortunately automatically overruled the right one.

ModersNavn: Christine Olsen Christiansen
FadersNavn: Samuel Peter Thomsen
(Udl.Barnefader Ungkarl)
Fødselsdag(tekst): 1928 16-01 DAH.
Thorshavn By og Sogn
F_Kalenderdato: 19280116
Hjemmedåbsdag(tekst):
H_Kalenderdato:
Kirkedåbsdag (tekst): 1929 20-01 Sgp. i kirken
K_Kalenderdato: 19290120
Køn: M
Kildebemærkninger: Daaben forrettet efter Ritualet paa Færosk. Skrift.Tilladelse fra Faderen om, at Barnet faar hans Efternavn, dat. 15-01-1929.
IndtastersBemærkninger:
Ægte/Uægte: U
Flerfødsel antal: 1
FadersErhverv: Købmand
FadersStednavn: Kollefjord
Faders fødselsdag: 18960916

Samuel Peter Thomassen 80083 [+80083](#)
[80083](#) [16.09.1895](#) Dáb K8055 Leypinr: 81

**Poul Johannes
Thomassen 79537**
[+79537](#) [79537](#)
[16.09.1896](#)
Kollefjord

**Christine Olsen
Christiansen Fd:**
[19.10.1885](#)
Thorshavn

9 siblings & 7 “different” parents - most parent registrations are here without dates of birth. In this case relatives assisted us in locating all siblings since many of them didn’t have descendants



Tjóðskjalasavnið

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[+76944 76944 20.09.1901](#) Dáb(udvidet)
K8057 Leypinr: 753

Joen Peder
Napoleon Hendrik
Grot Nolsø Fd:
Kalbak

Pouline Marie Fransiska Nolsø 76258
[+76258 76258 14.11.1902](#) Dáb(udvidet)
K8057 Leypinr: 805

Joen Peder Napoleon
Hendrik Grot Nolsø Fd:
Kalbak

Jacobine Marie Pouline
Nolsø Fd: Kalbak

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[25.09.1904](#) Dáb(udvidet) K8057 Leypinr:
412

Joen Peder Napoleon
Hendrik Groth Nolsø Fd:
Kalbak

Jacobine Marie Poulsen
Fd: Kalbak

Jacob Nolsø 74187 [+74187 74187](#)
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Leypinr: 477

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Pouline Nolsø Fd:
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932

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Henrik Groth Nolsø
Fd: Kalbak

Jacobine Marie
Pouline Nolsø Fd:
Kalbak

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[01.04.1908](#) Dáb(udvidet) K8121 Leypinr:
45

Joen Peder Napolion
Hendrik Groth Nolsø
Fd: Kalbak

Jacobine Marie
Pouline Nolsø Fd:
Kalbak

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[71356 19.01.1911](#) 059 Dáb(udvidet)
K8121 Leypinr: 184

Joen Peter Napoleon
Henrik Grot, Nolsøe Fd:
[06.04.1869](#) Kalbak

Jacobine Marie Pauline,
Nolsøe Fd: [22.02.1870](#)
Kalbak

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K8121 Leypinr: 685

Joen Peter Napolion
Henrik Groth Nolsøe (42
Aar) Fd: Kalbak

Jacobine Marie Pauline
Nolsø Fd: Kalbak

Andreas Johan Robert Skeel Nolsø
69486 [+69486 69486 22.09.1913](#)
Dáb(udvidet) K8121 Leypinr: 313

Joen Peter Napoleon Henrik
Grot, Nolsøe Fd: [06.04.1869](#)
Kalbak

Jacobine Marie Pauline,
Nolsøe Fd: [22.02.1870](#)
Kalbak

Social security number the key to public access

2011 – ssn
automatically applied

2018/19 – ssn
automatically applied

2020 – ssn
automatically and
manually applied

15.000 individuals in
Social security register
do not have access or
interest in the public
ÆBS

These are f.i.
foreigners on work
permits with no family
connections in the
country

Children under the age
of 18 have no legal
access



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Example of Ssn.error in FKR/FKR/SSN: examples of differences in human logic and digital logic:
Social security numbering started in 1984 – a person dead since 1938 gets the number because of error
in the proper owner's birthyear...

709539

Født	23-10-1920, Klaksvík
Døbt	
Død	1938, Gekk Burtur Við Fossáni Á
Begr	
ugerID	19201023039

755490

Født	23-10-1921, Syðrugøta
Døbt	
Død	
Begr	
ugerID	19211023000

490512

Født	23-10-1920, Syðrugøta
Døbt	
Død	
Begr	
ugerID	19201023039

Status and benefits after going public 26. okt. 2020

Of 39.000 individuals over the
age of 18, 23.000 currently have
access to **Faroese Kinship**

Register through "The National
Digitalisation Programme of the Faroe Islands"

<https://www.talgildu.fo/english/english/>

**Faroese Biobank is managing the
public FKR**

https://biobank.fo/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/video-1608642269.mp4?fbclid=IwAR3eNt9lsZus6C5griEW_a8hVS0xutrkiWz_kElWYSAwVs-OfH04aww3X2NE

Apprx. 150.000 individuals in the database

- Spanning from the year 160 to 2021
- Anything prior to 1650 is of course unreliable, but nevertheless extremely popular!
- Proofreading happens now on voluntary basis!
- Faroese National archive administers requests for changes from the public:
 - **Requests approved: 338**
 - Add father: 12
 - Add mother: 19
 - Edit Information: 237
 - Register for family tree: 70 (add social Security no.)
 - **Requests not approved: 96**
 - Add father: 2 (double requests)
 - Add mother: 1 (double request)
 - Register for family tree: 47 (double requests)
 - Edit Information: 46 (insufficient sources/against rules/requests without any editing suggestion/sent by mistake)
- Direct e-mailing not included here.



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Standardized answers to requests

1) Thanks for your notification. Your request has been approved and will be available in your family tree on Vanganum by the next update.

2) Your information has been registered in ÆBS and can be seen in your family tree on Vanganum by the next update. Your information is contributing to the development of ÆBS. Thank you.

3) Thanks for your notification. We are sorry that wrongful information has been published. Corrections have been made and will be available on ÆBS by the next update.



Summary

National archive: The digital version must resemble the original at all costs – even the errors in the original

Genetic biobank: The biological connections have first priority – details like spelling of names etc. are insignificant

Digital experts: Odd errors occur when lack of basic knowledge (on both parts) is not taken into account when doing automatic merges

Private genealogists: The quality of the genealogy prior to the church records is difficult to estimate

General public: Emotional ties to persons can result in strong reactions on spelling errors and typos

