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Presentation given to the Guild of One-Name Studies (one-name.org) where a copy of the recording can be found, in addition to my own site, <https://anglersrest.net>.

This is setting the scene for the items and considerations that are worthy of pondering in relation to a One-Name Study, before the following sessions which are to be delivered, relating to specific software, on consecutive weeks:

- Family Historian
- Legacy
- Roots Magic
- Family Tree Maker

A One-Name Study can be seen as:

"A journey of a thousand miles, begins with a single step" Lao Tzu

This presentation was about pressing pause on our studies whilst we evaluate and consider options and development, with each review becoming part of the history of our studies.

Considerations

- Seven Steps to progress and deliver a study
- Foundations of a study, as though you were beginning to build a house, brick by brick
- What do you want to achieve? Where do you want your study to go in the future?
- Access to Guild member benefits
 - o Members' Website Program
 - o Guild Blog Program
- How big is the study? Does it matter?
 - o It might mean a different approach is used dependent on size
- Planning for the future –
 - o preservation,

What to look at that suits your (One-Name/Surname) Study

- Development of study and knowledge
- Accessibility in the future
 - Software development

Choices – Update and Support

- Guild mailing list on Groups.io
- Guild Facebook Group
- Guild WebForum
- Groups of the software via Facebook
- Expert Users

Considerations

- Genealogical Software
- Spreadsheets
- Free or Paid software
- **TIP - Take software for a spin – download trials and explore**
- Windows and Macs
 - MacFamilyTree
 - iFamily for Mac
 - Reunion (sadly no trial version)
- Software in different languages
 - Pro and Cons
- **TIP – Back up often and keep software up to date**

Links & Resources

- Researching Surname – Guild to One-Name Studies
 - Guild Members - <https://one-name.org/researching-surnames-booklet/>
 - Non-Guild Members - <https://one-name.org/product/books/>
- Seminars and Webinars
 - GEDSITE - <https://one-name.org/technology-tools/technology-tools-for-your-study-gedsite/>
- Tessa Keough has some great resources on her YouTube Channel (Tessa Watch) <https://www.youtube.com/c/TessaKeough/videos> relating to:
 - Legacy
 - Excel usage - https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnO_AfsN2gON21xxk5DBBHjhrYSAGoD5H
- **Pharos course**, which Guild members can use a discount code (in members room)
- <https://pharostutors.com>
 - Introduction to One-Name Studies (901)
 - Practicalities of a One-Name Study (903)
 - Advanced One-Name Study (902)
- **Julie Goucher's site** – <https://anglersrest.net> where you can find links to the Surname Research material etc.