Using Timelines in TMG & Second Site

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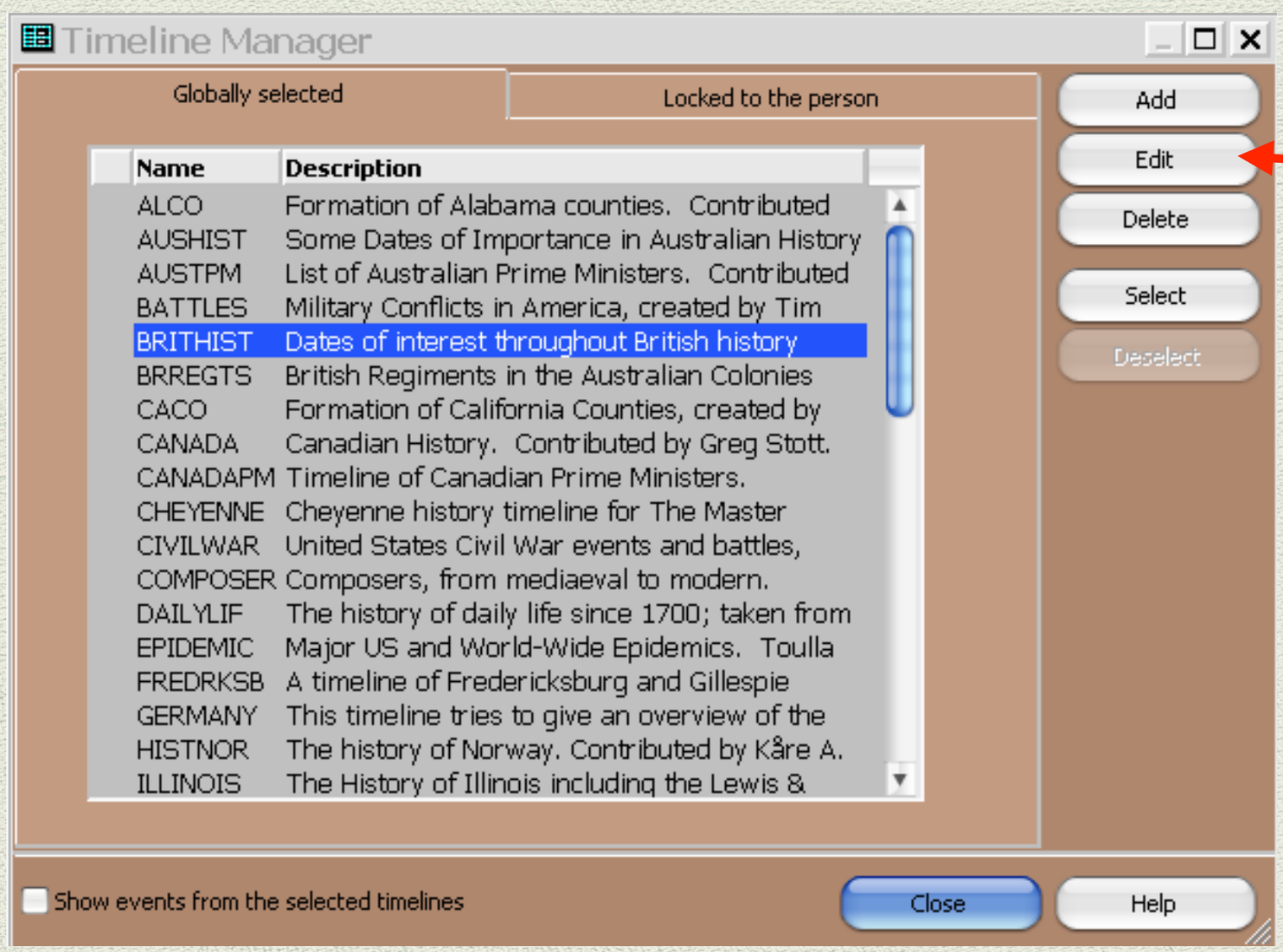
Introduction

- While viewing the Details window in your TMG project, have you ever wondered about possible local or world events might have occurred during the lifetime of each person displayed?
- A wide selection of timelines are included in the TMG program.
- Timelines can also be downloaded from various web sites.
- Timelines are editable files that you can modify, embellish, or create from scratch.

Timeline Manager

Tools > Timeline Manager

Timeline Manager



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Opening window of the Timeline Manager

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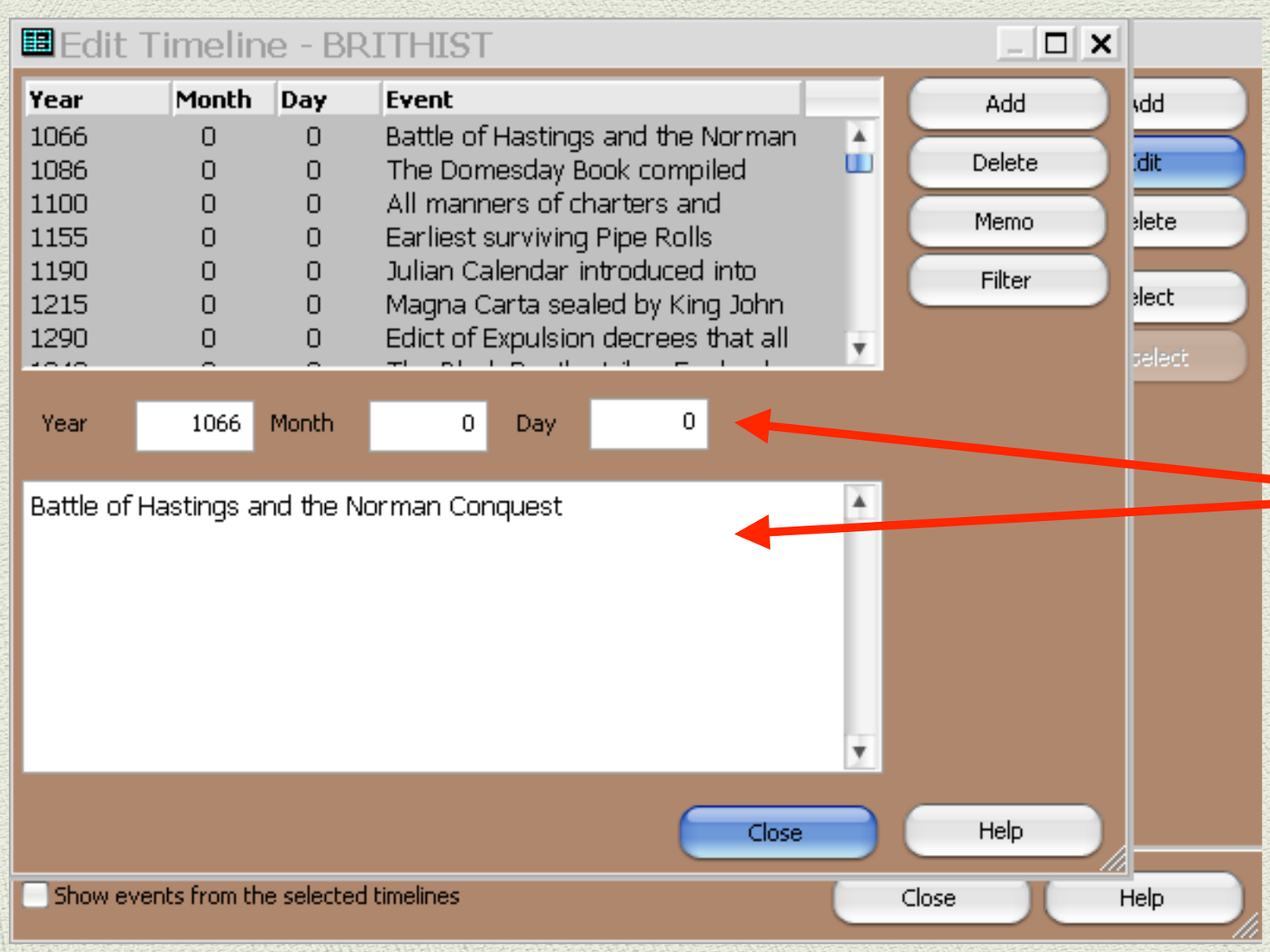

Dates & text are displayed for each event

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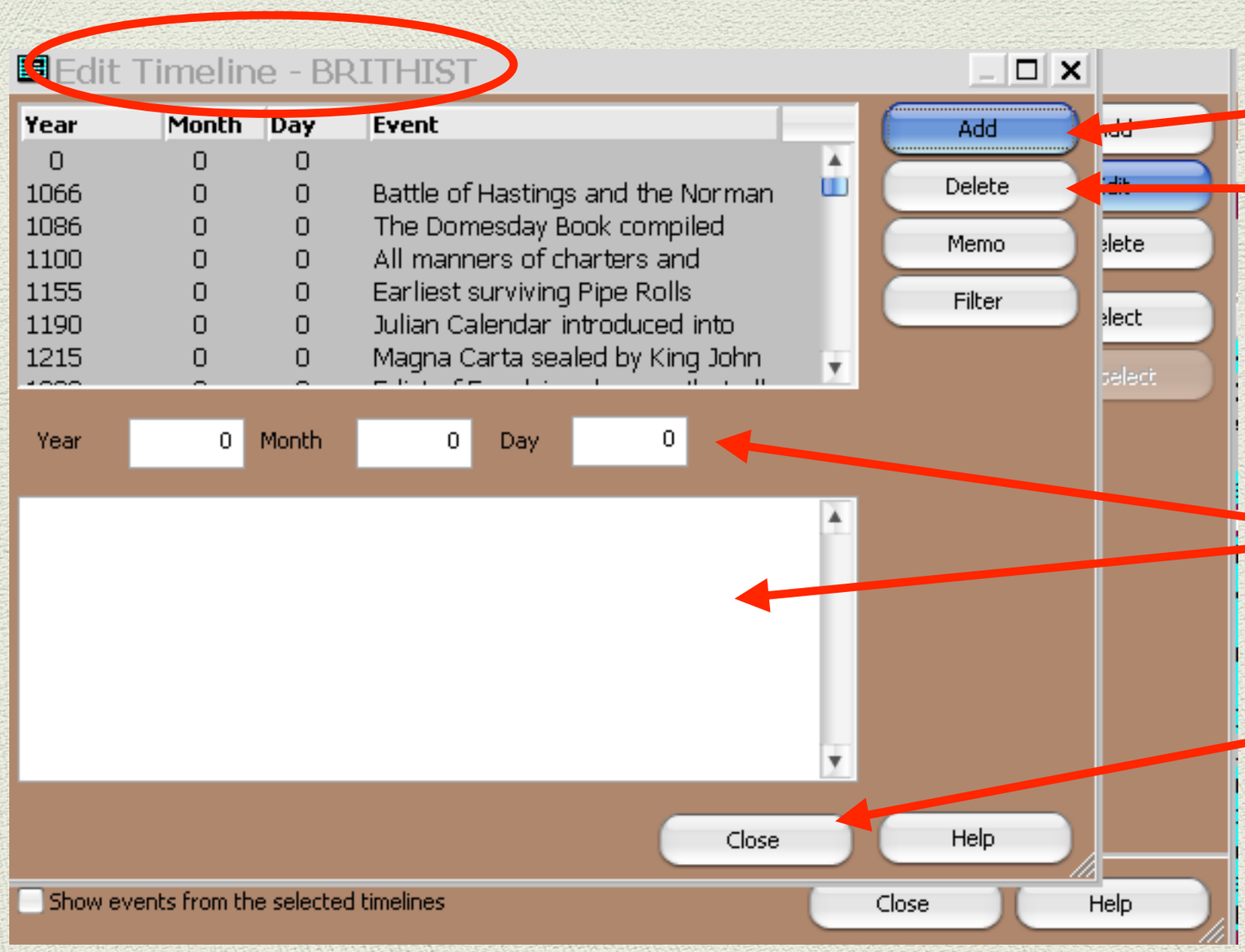

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3. Highlight a line to delete.

2. Fill in date & text.

4. Select Close

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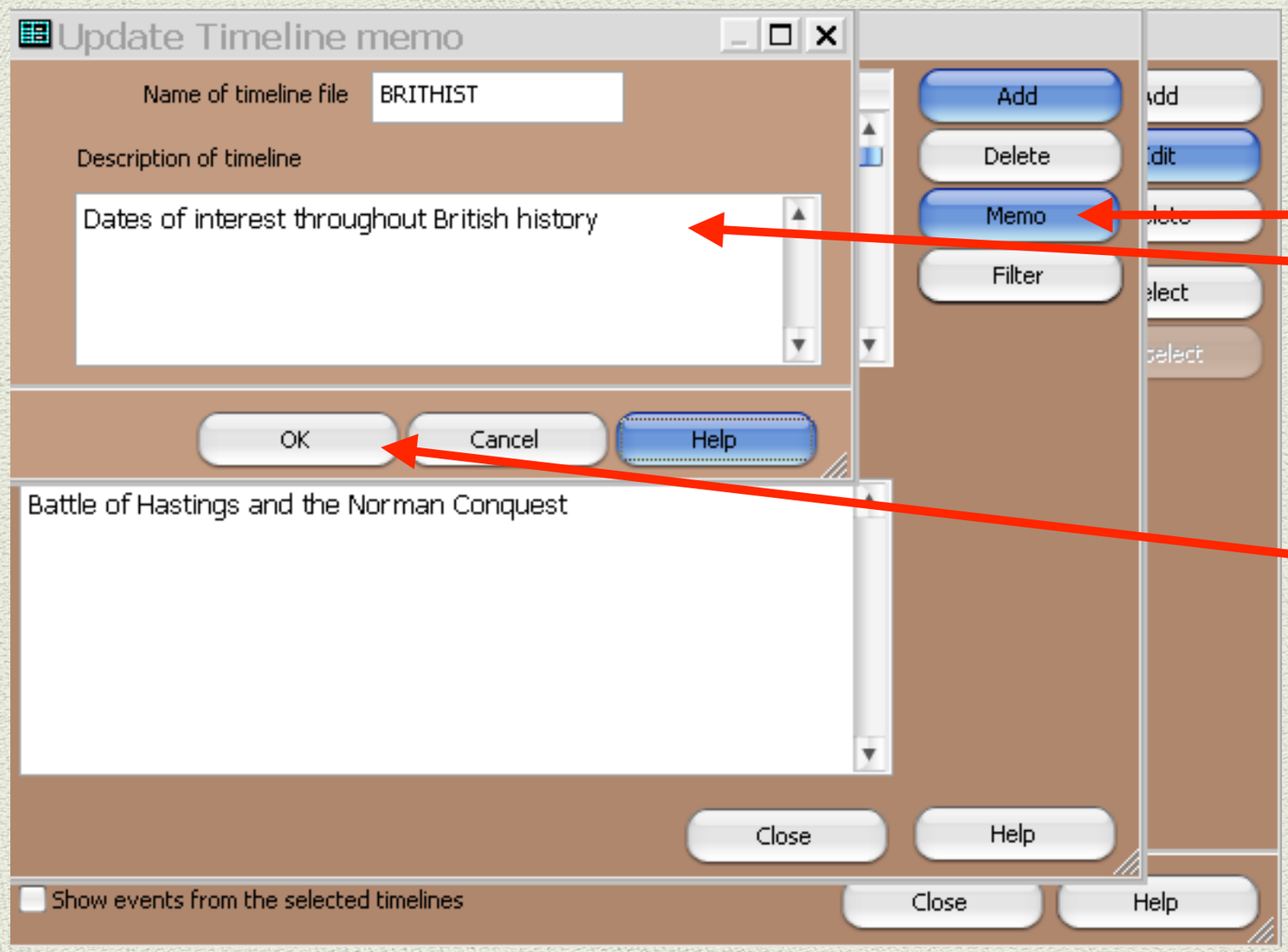

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2. Select OK to accept changes and exit

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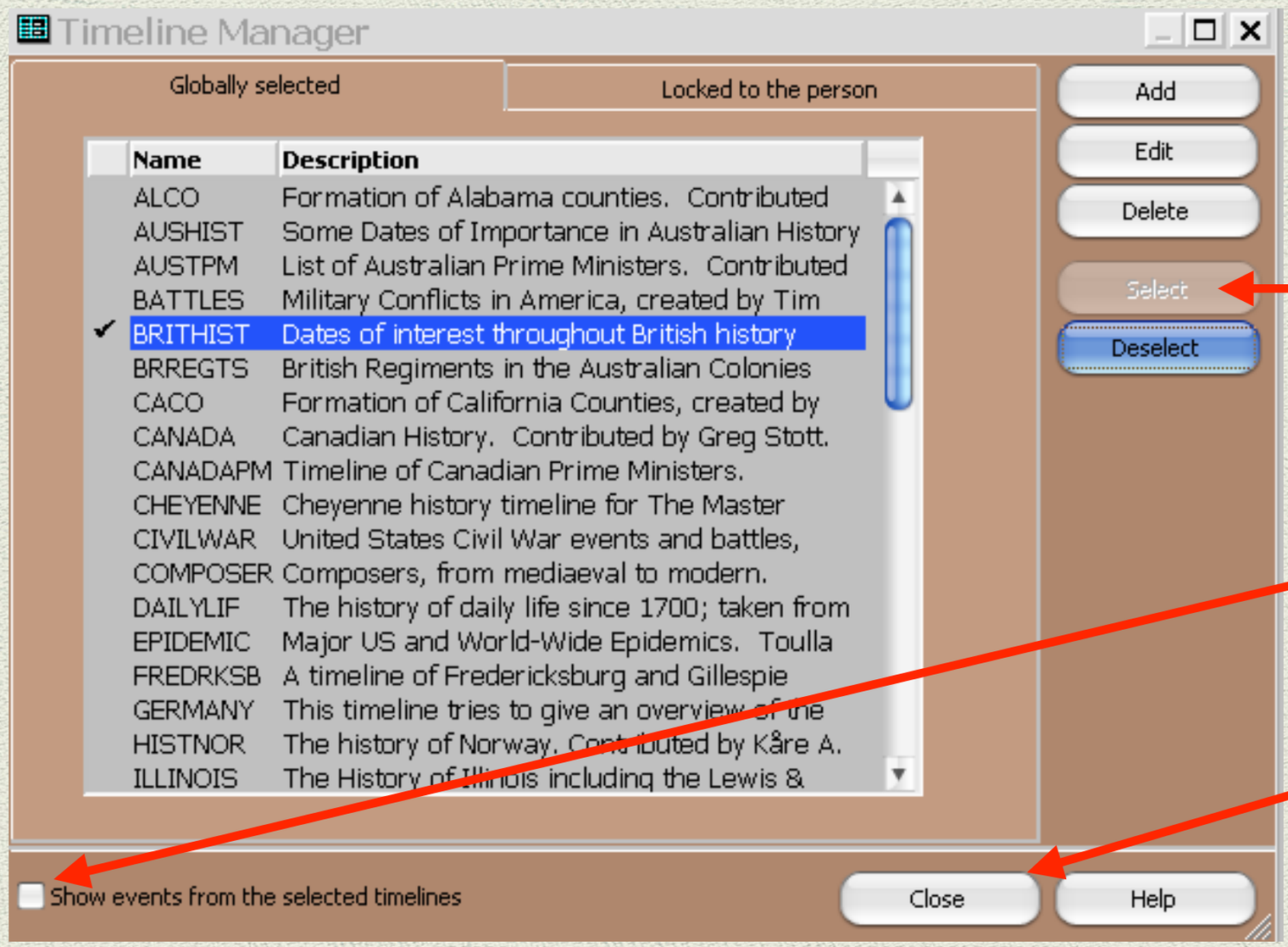

1. Select as many timelines as you wish displayed in TMG. A check mark is displayed.

2. Check ‘Show events…..”

3. Select Close to exit Timeline Manager.

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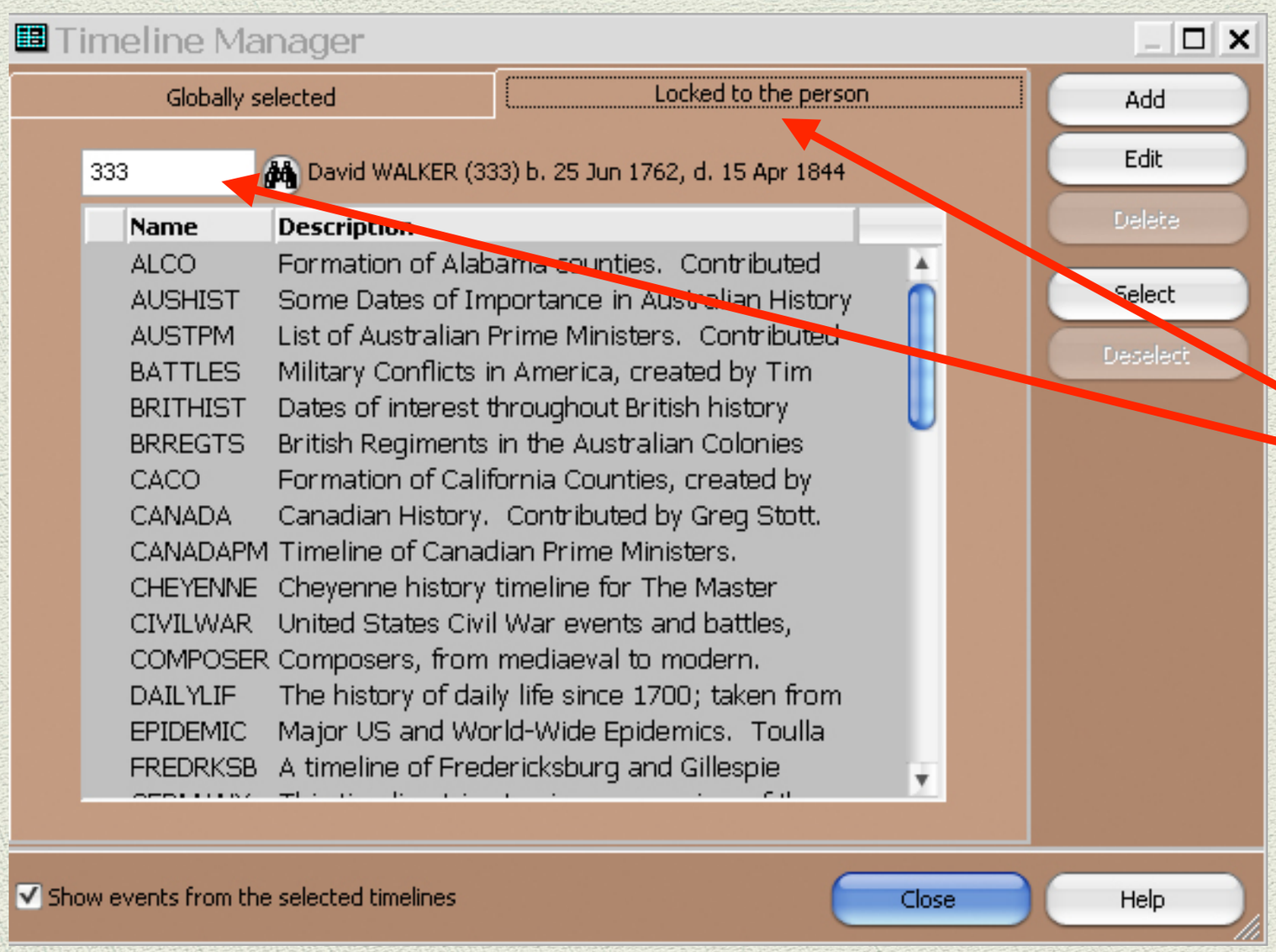

Alternatively, you can lock a timeline to an individual.

The Timeline Manager default is to associate a timeline to everyone in your project.

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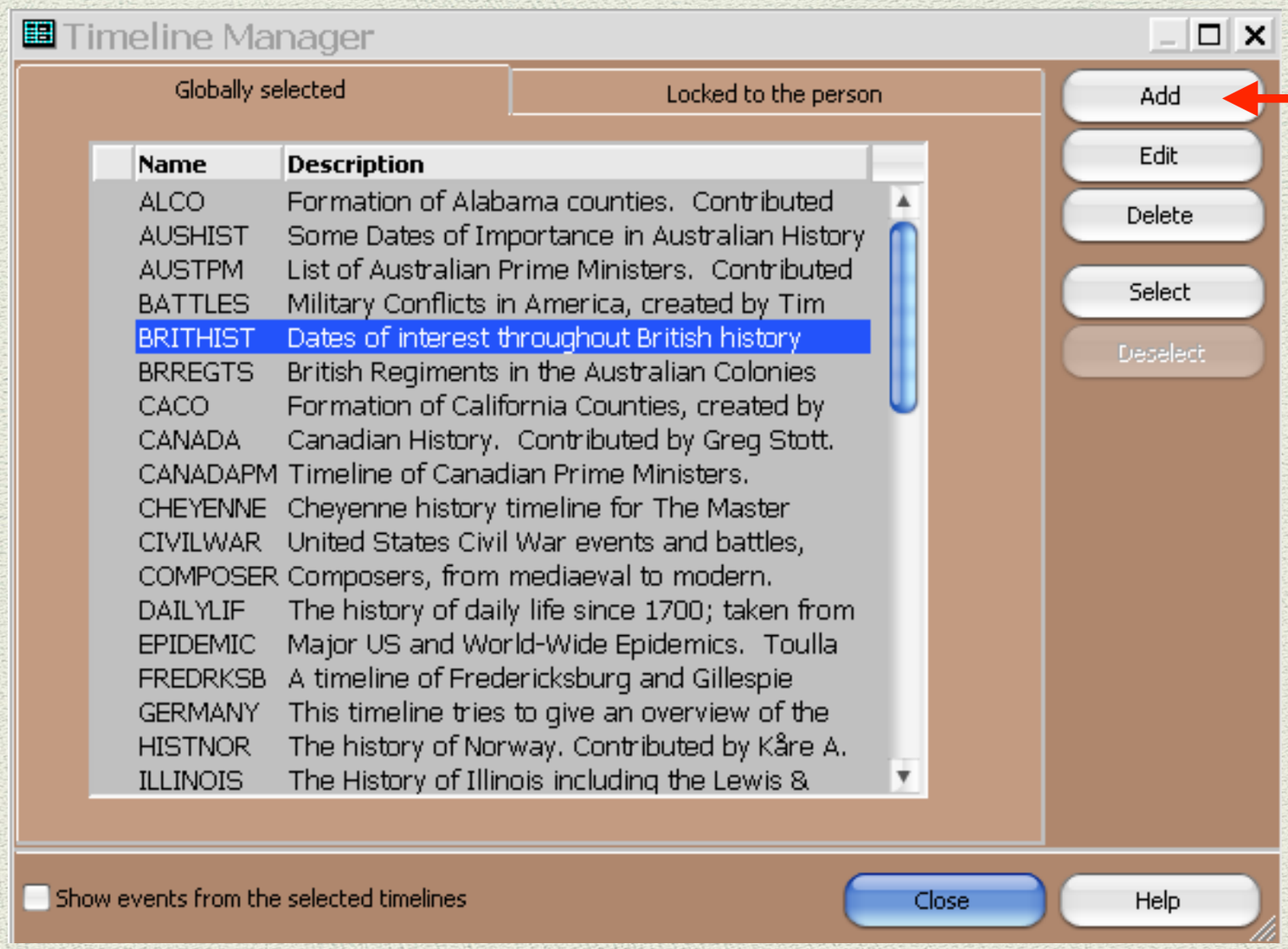

Select Add to create a new timeline

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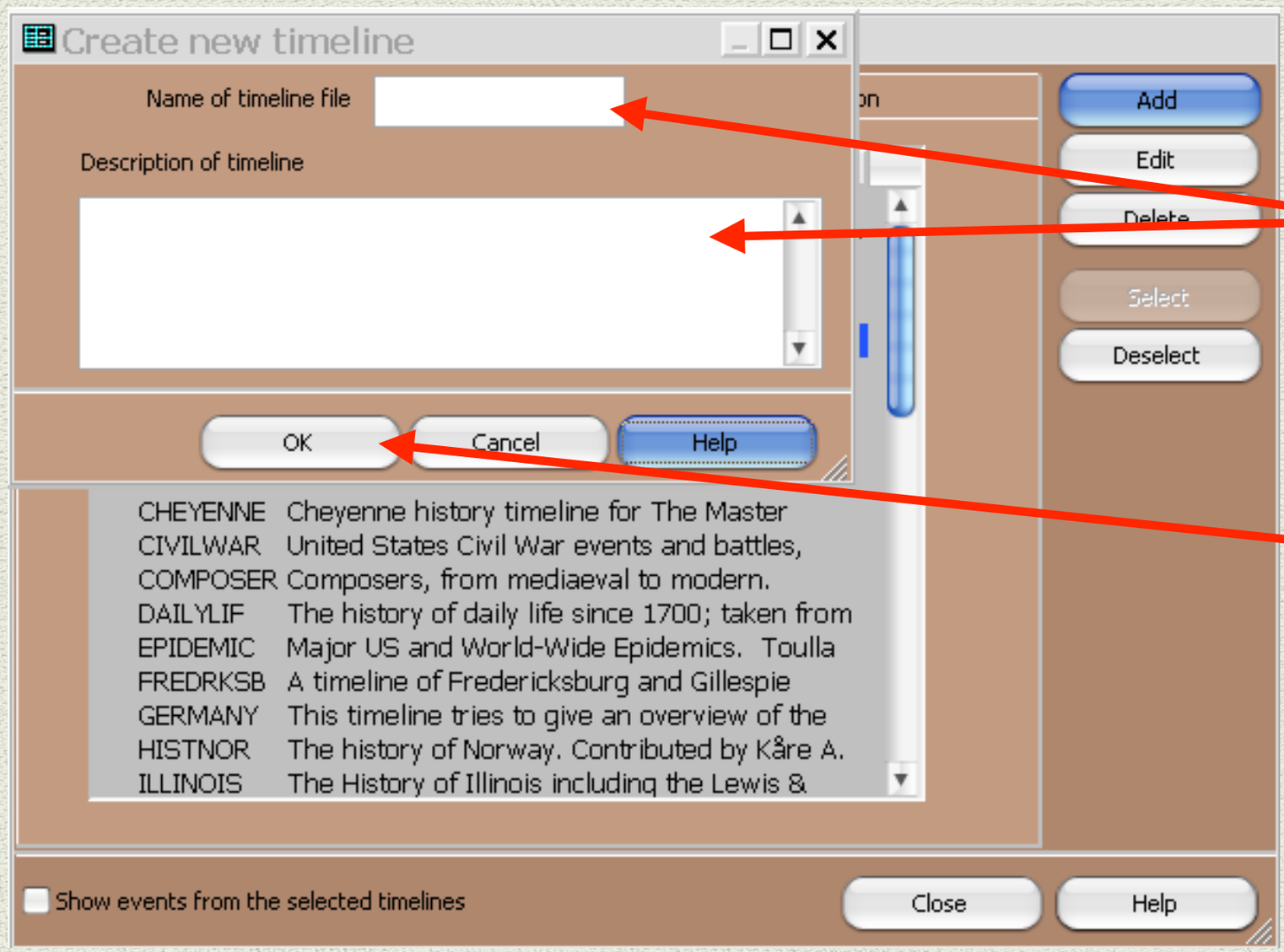

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Select OK to accept changes and exit.

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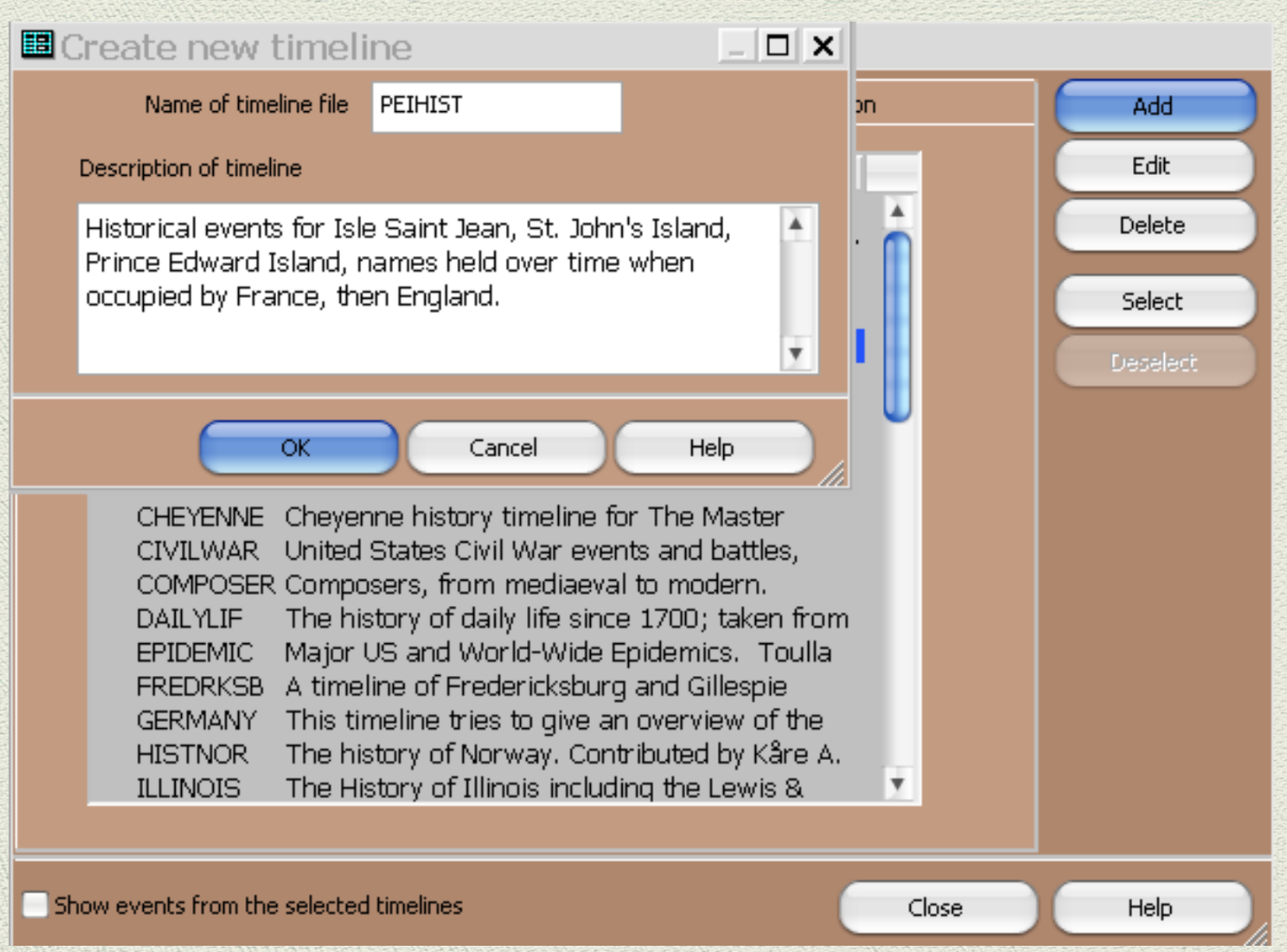
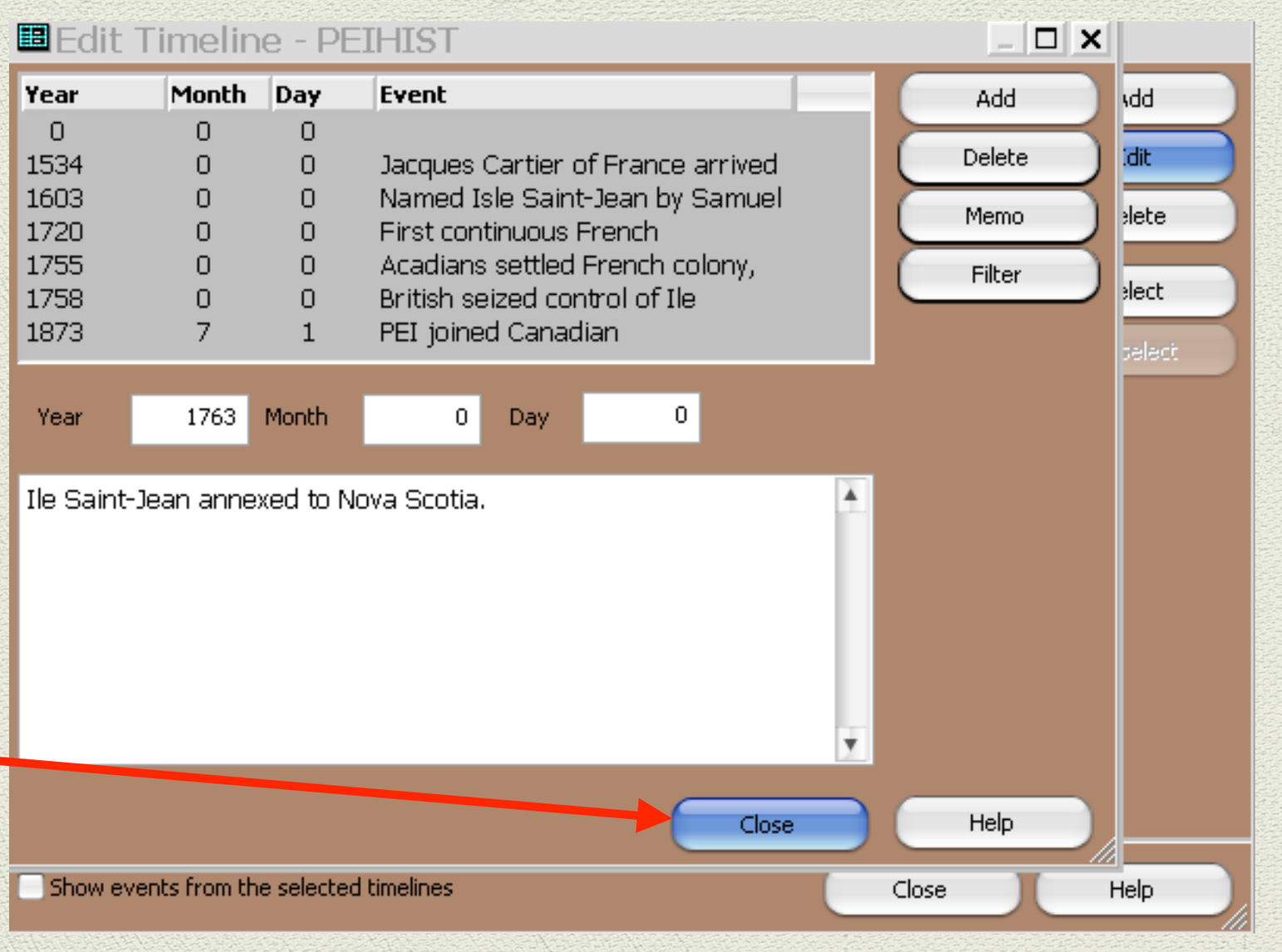


New timeline created for historical events in Prince Edward Island

Timeline Manager

Events over time keyed in. The order doesn't matter as they are sorted chronologically.

Select Close when complete.



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2. Select.

1. Highlight the timeline event.

3. Check “Show events….” box

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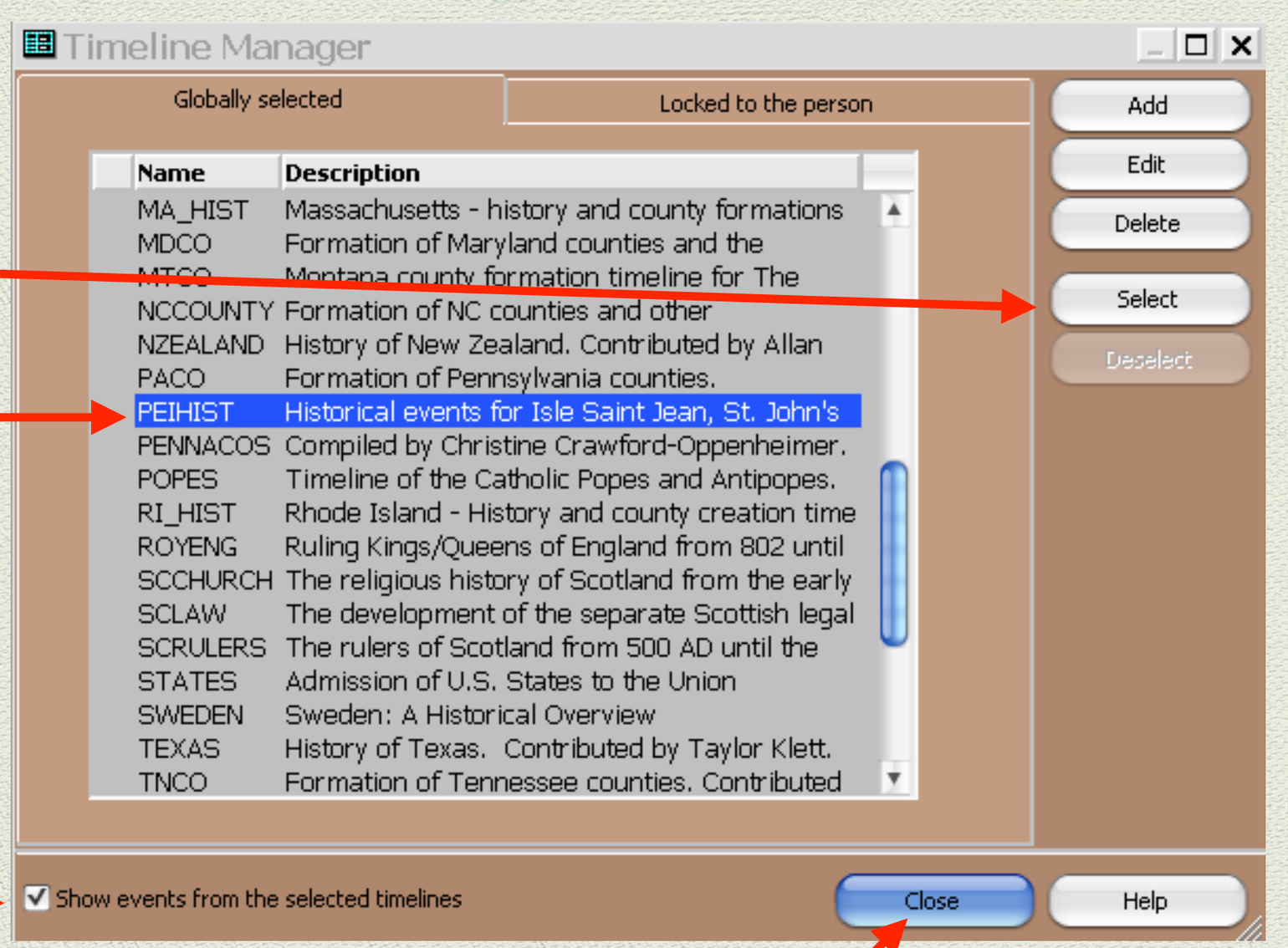

Timeline Manager

Details

Person | Family | Tree

Type	Name
Name	David WALKER (333) (1762-1844)
Father	
Mother	

Type	Value
Reference	
Soundex	W426
Tag count	39

Type	Date	Name/Place	Age	M	S	W	E	T
Relation >		3rd great-grandfather of David Arthur WALKER (1) b. 21 Jun 1944						
* Anecdote	__ ___ ____	There is a story about the origin of the surname Walker. "Wa(u)liking the Cloth", extracted from a Scottish list:			✓	✓		
Anecdote	__ ___ ____	"Sir Andrew MacPhail in one of his historical articles has intimated that all the "gentlemen" among the Loyalists went			✓	✓		
* Birth	25 Jun 1762	Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 55.07,-3.603	0		✓		✓	
* Son-Bio	18 Feb 1781	Thomas WALKER (339); Wintersheugh Farm, Cummertrees Parish, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 55.016621,-3.323199	18		✓			
* Marriage	01 Jul 1783	Margaret HETHERINGTON (408); Annan, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 54.983,-3.266, they may have been married in	21	✓	✓		✓	
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* Horse Tax	30 Oct 1797	Wintersheugh, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, David paid 4 shillings tax for two horses at this time, equivalent to about £18	35	✓	✓		✓	
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* Son-Bio	14 Nov 1804	James W. WALKER (342); Priestside (Ruthwell Parish), Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 54.978635,-3.394592	42		✓			
* Son-Bio	15 Feb 1807	David WALKER Jr. (343); "Nether Twathes", Twathats (Ruthwell Parish), Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 55.02045,-3.387644	44		✓			
* Son-Bio	11 Mar 1811	Robert WALKER (344); Twathats (Ruthwell Parish), Dumfriesshire, Scotland, 55.02045,-3.387644	48		✓			
* Immigratn	c __ ___ 1819	New Annan, Prince County, Prince Edward Island, "It is recorded of the first of the Walker family, coming to this Island	~57	✓	✓			
* Occupation	21 Oct 1820	New Annan, Prince County, Prince Edward Island, 46.41978,-63.70972, on "A List of Licensed Retailers" in Prince	58	✓	✓		✓	
Occupation	22 Aug 1821	New Annan, listed under "Licensed Retailers", Prince County "David Walker, Lot 19".	59	✓	✓			
Occupation	01 Jul 1823	New Annan, on "A list of persons licensed to sell spirituous liquors in the year commencing July 1 1823..... David	61	✓	✓			
Occupation	01 Jul 1824	New Annan, on a "List of Persons Licensed to Retail Spirituous Liquors for the year commencing July 1 1824", under	62	✓	✓			
* Marr Lic	07 Apr 1825	Ann BRAMBLE (512), this would be the license for his second marriage, to widow Ann Bramble.	62	✓	✓			
* Marriage	13 Apr 1825	Ann BRAMBLE (512); Prince County, Prince Edward Island, Harold Cairns has a marriage year of 1835, but 1825 is	62	✓	✓		✓	
Occupation	01 Jul 1826	New Annan, on a "list of persons licensed to sell spirituous liquors for the year commencing July 1 1826", under Prince	64	✓	✓			
Occupation	01 Jul 1826	New Annan, on a "List of Persons Licensed to sell Spirituous liquors for the year commencing July 1 1825", under	64	✓	✓			
Occupation	01 Jul 1827	New Annan, on a "list of persons licensed to sell spirituous liquors for the year commencing July 1 1827", under Prince	65	✓	✓			
Occupation	01 Jul 1829	New Annan, Prince County, Prince Edward Island, on a "list of persons licensed to sell Spirituous Liquors for the year	67	✓	✓			
Occupation	09 Aug 1830	New Annan, on a published list of "Licensed Retailers of Spirituous Liquors, Colonial Secretary's Office, August 9	68	✓	✓			
Occupation	04 Jan 1831	New Annan, a "Tavern Owner, New Annan, Lot 19", on a published list of "Licensed Retailers of Spirituous Liquors,	68	✓	✓			

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Standard Person View window in TMG.

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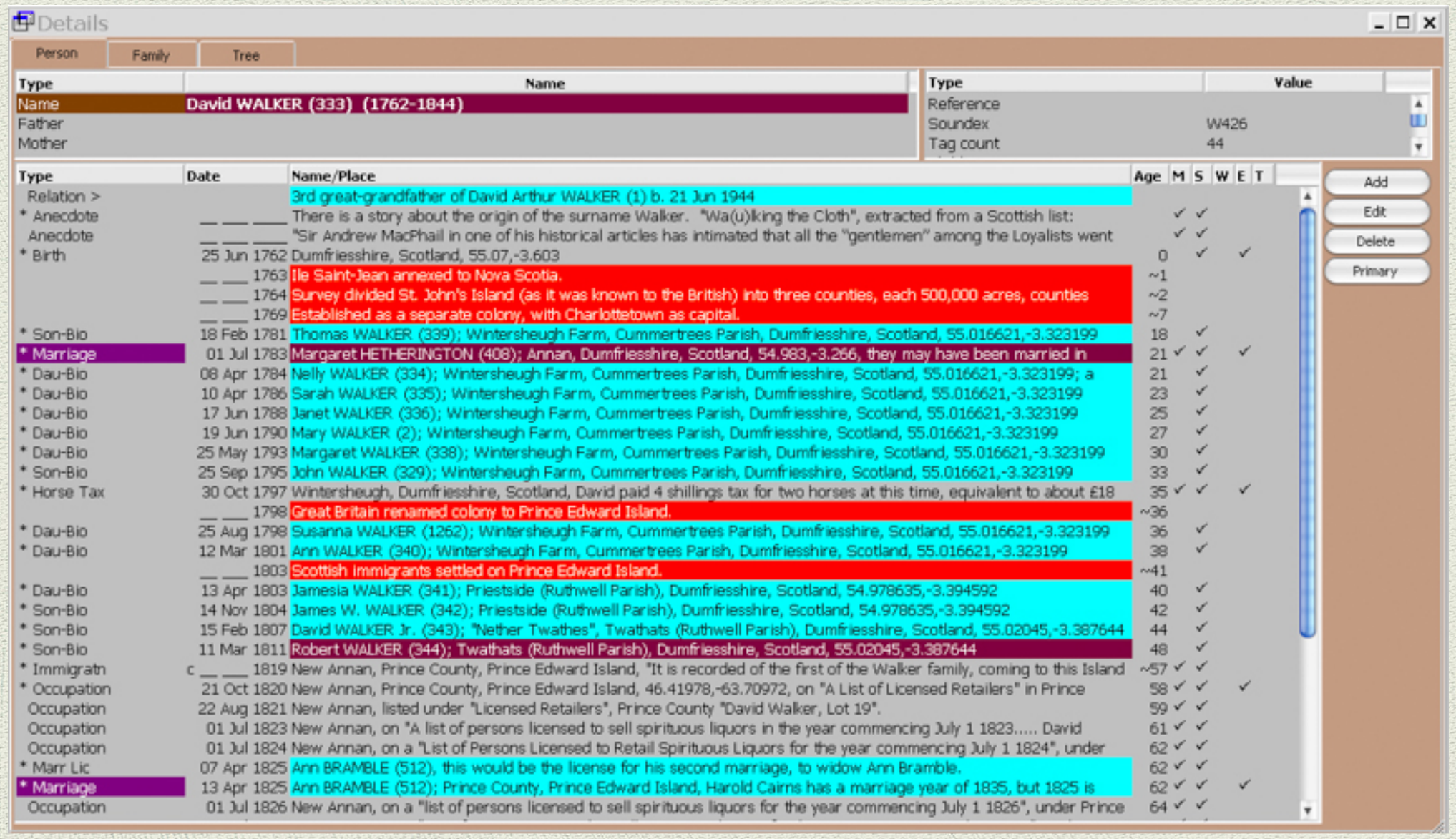

New timeline of historical events in Prince Edward Island during the lifetime of David Walker.

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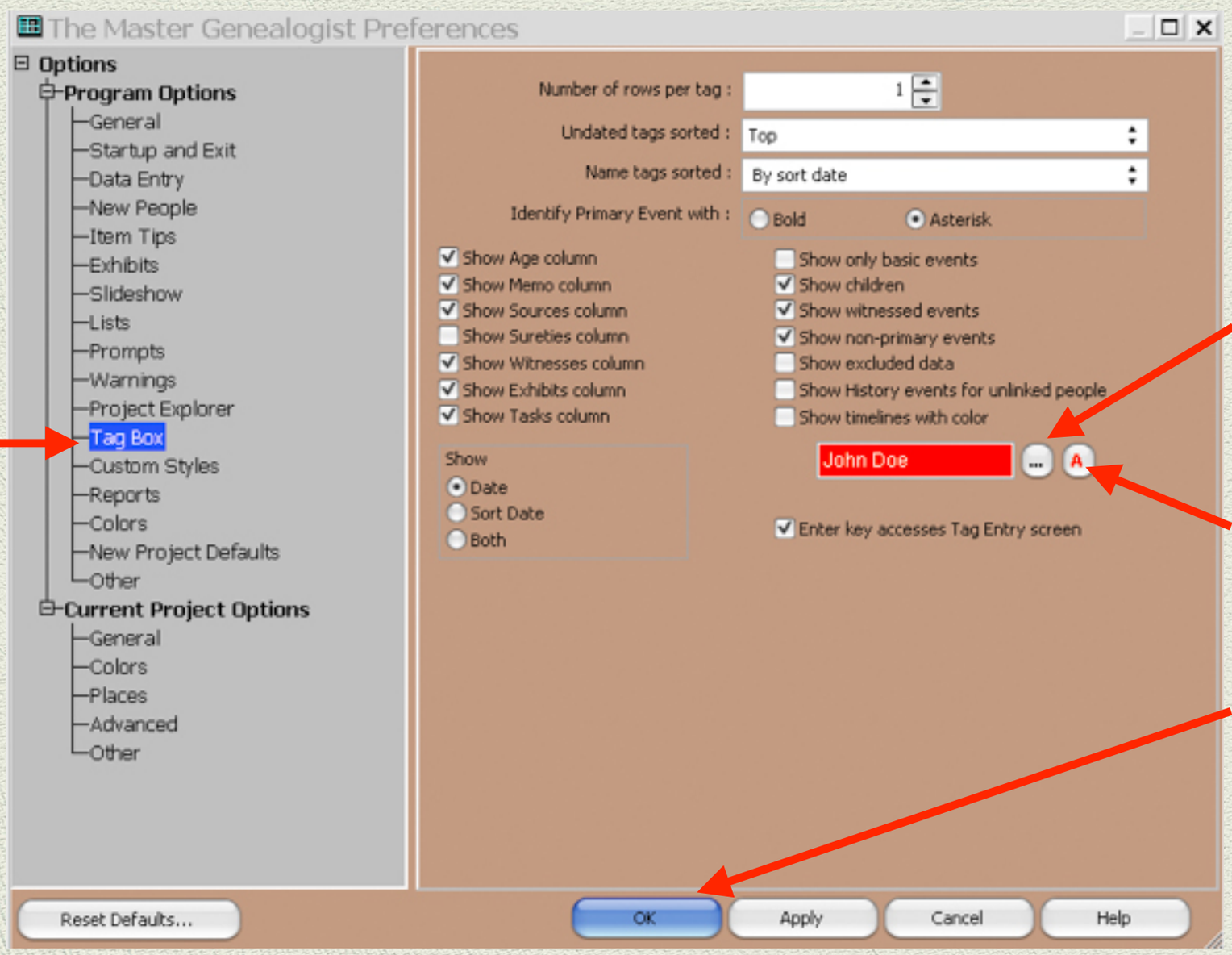

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3. Text colour is changed here.

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The default red colour for the timeline background & text can be changed.

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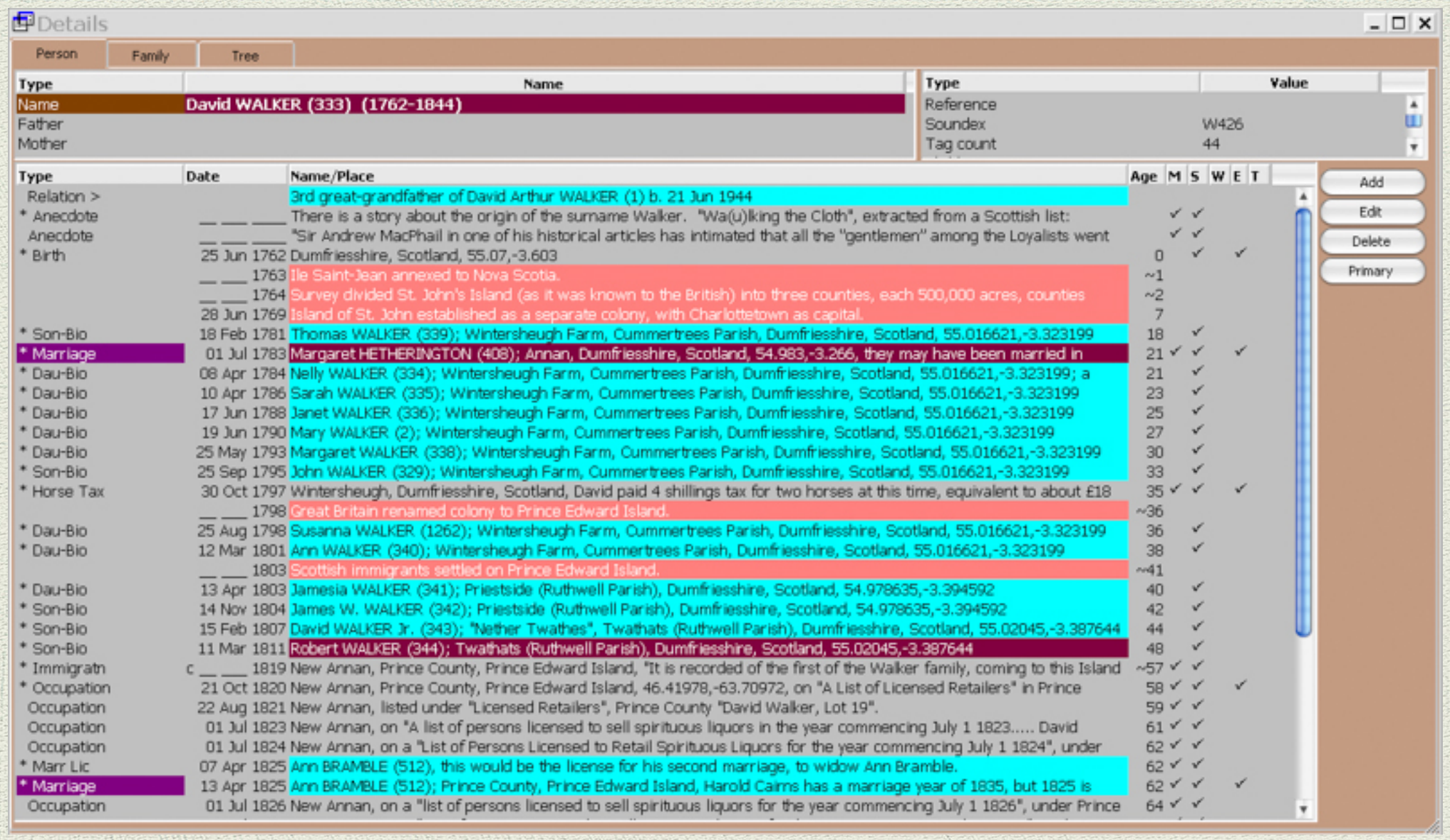

This colour choice is a preferred choice for the timelines.

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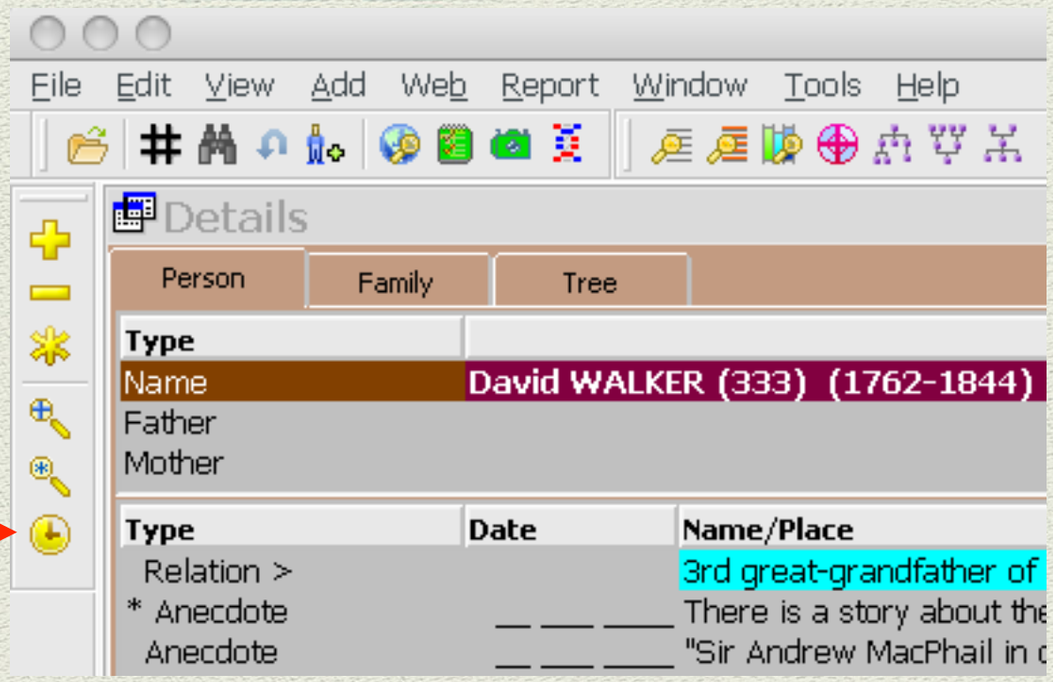
To activate or deactivate the Timeline display, go to Tools > Show Timelines on the Person View (CTRL+backslash)

or click the timeline icon on the Tag Box Toolbar



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Timeline of events in British history in the Person View of David Walker.

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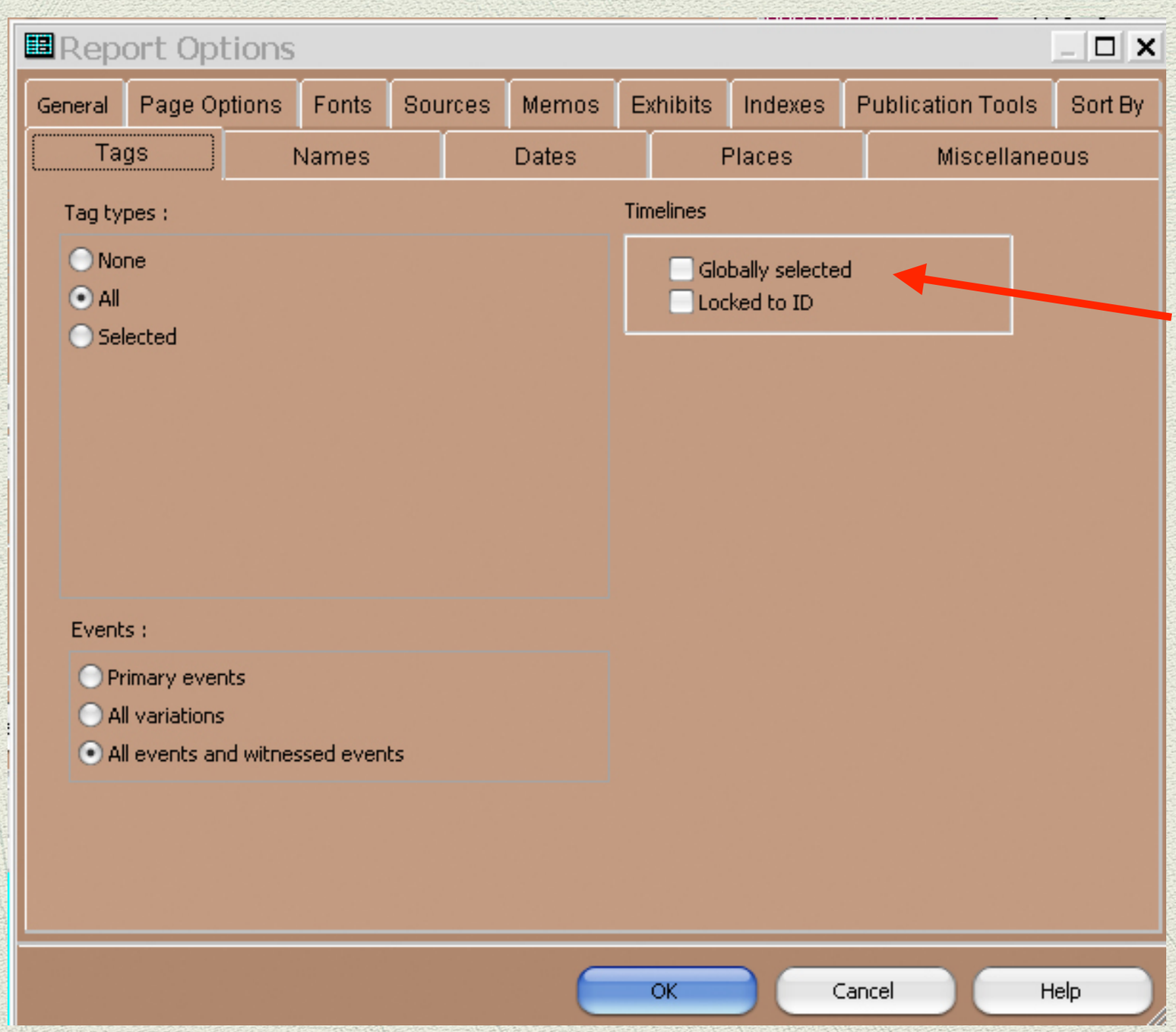
Two timelines displayed simultaneously, of events in British & Prince Edward Island history in the Person View of David Walker.

Timeline Manager & Reports



Some report formats allow inclusion of timelines, either globally selected or locked to an ID.

Timelines & Second Site

- Those using John Cardinal's Second Site program can incorporate timelines.

- http://ss.johncardinal.com/charttime.htm

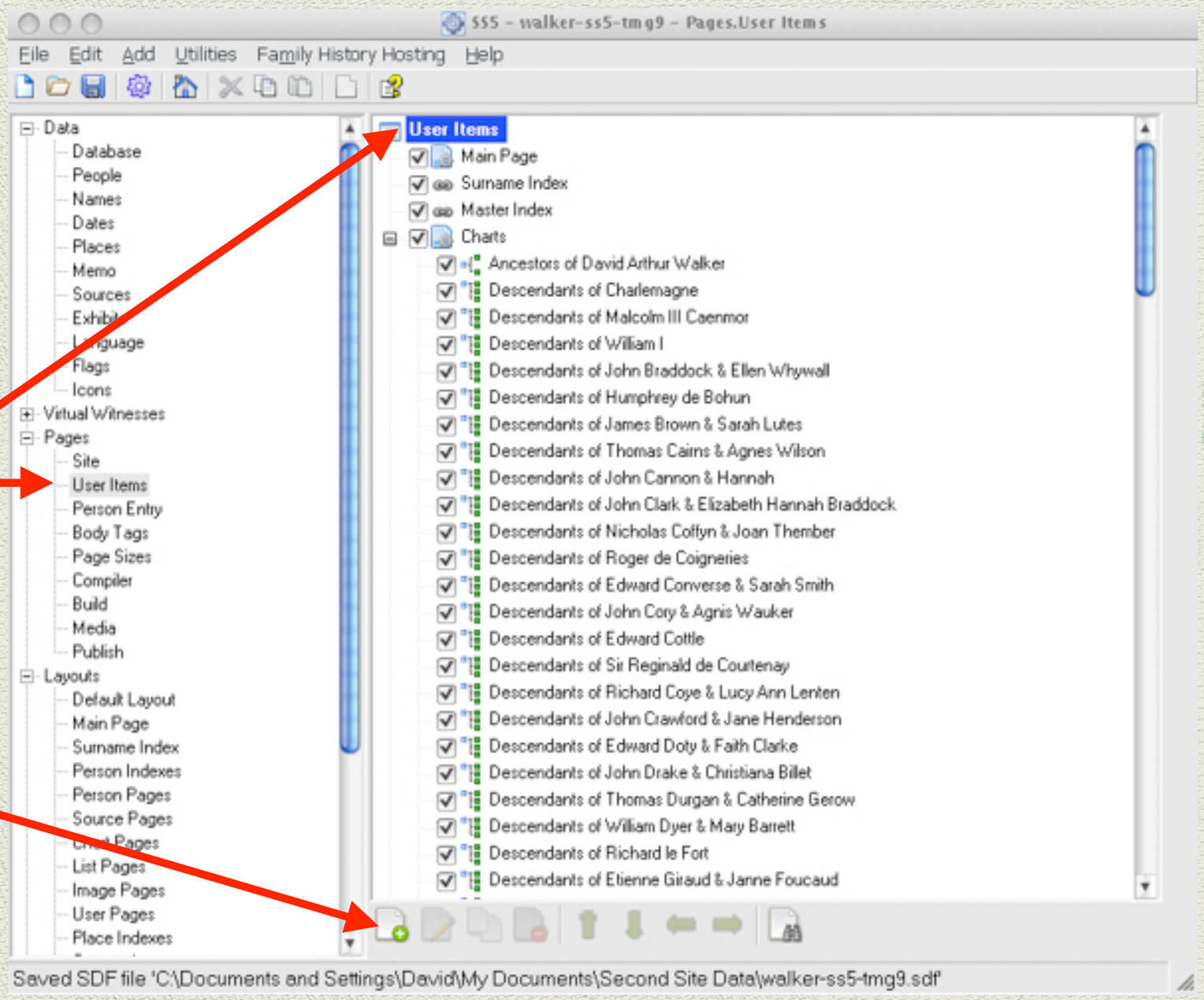
Timelines & Second Site

- In this example I will demonstrate how to combine two timelines, one on British history, the second for the timeline of my 2nd & 3rd great grandfathers.
- The years spanned for the history file extend before and beyond the lifetimes of my two ancestors
- The end result will cover just the period of both grandfathers

Timelines & Second Site

1. Charts are created as a User Item

2. Click the Add icon



If you haven't already created charts for your Second Site project, the procedure is described here.

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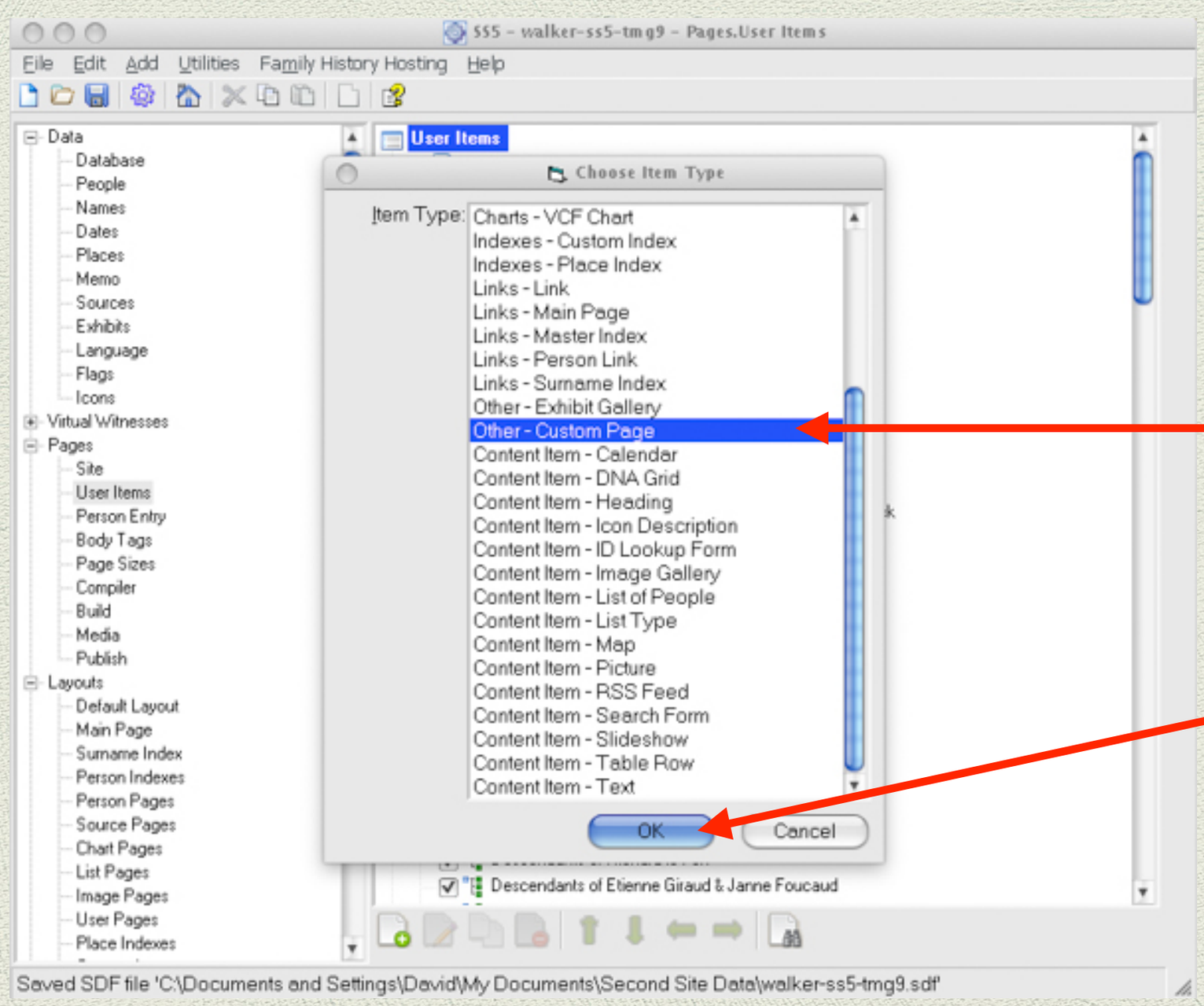

1. Select Other - Custom Page

2. Click OK

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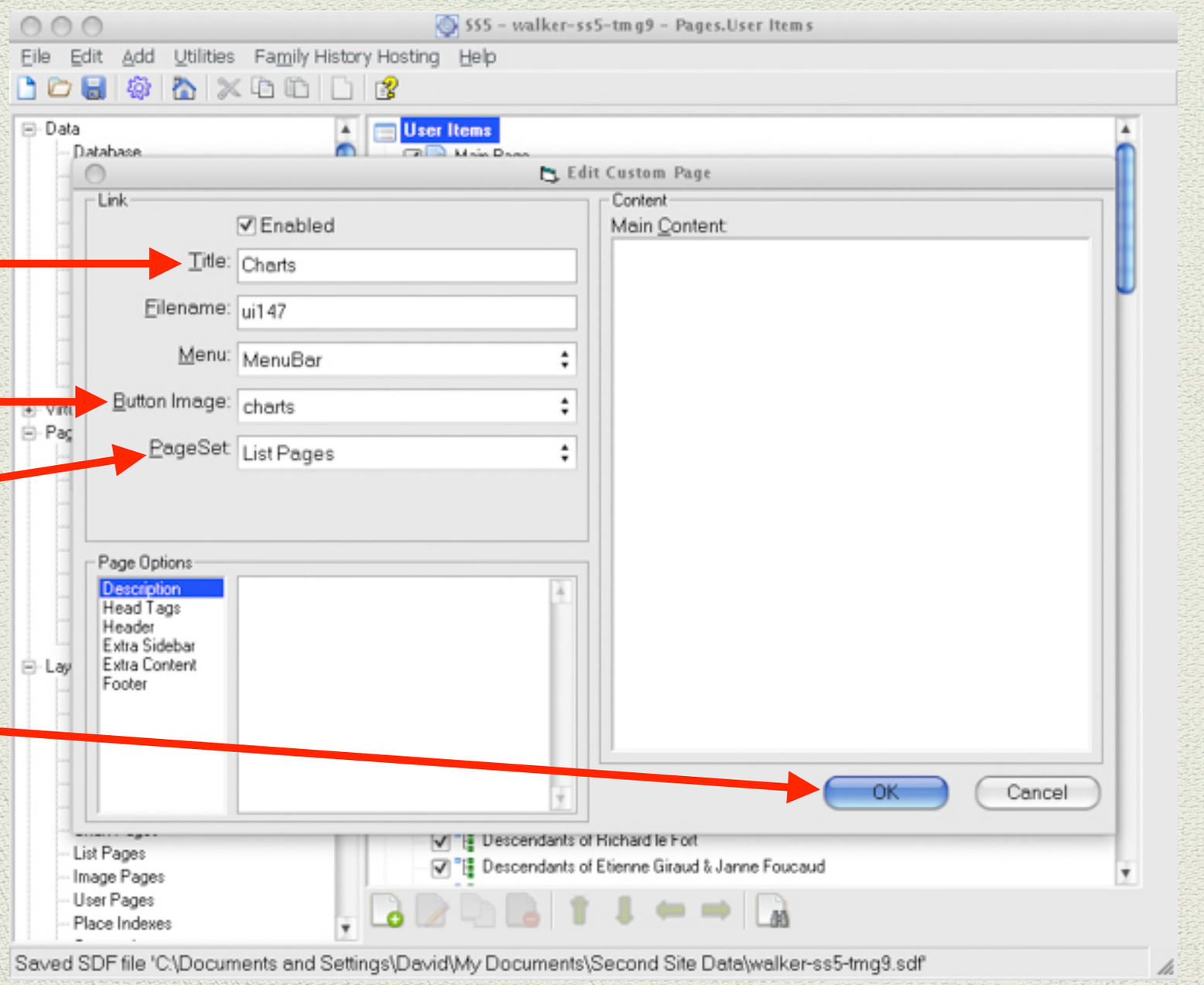
2. Select a button image from a drop down list

3. Select ListPages from the drop down list

4. Click OK when done



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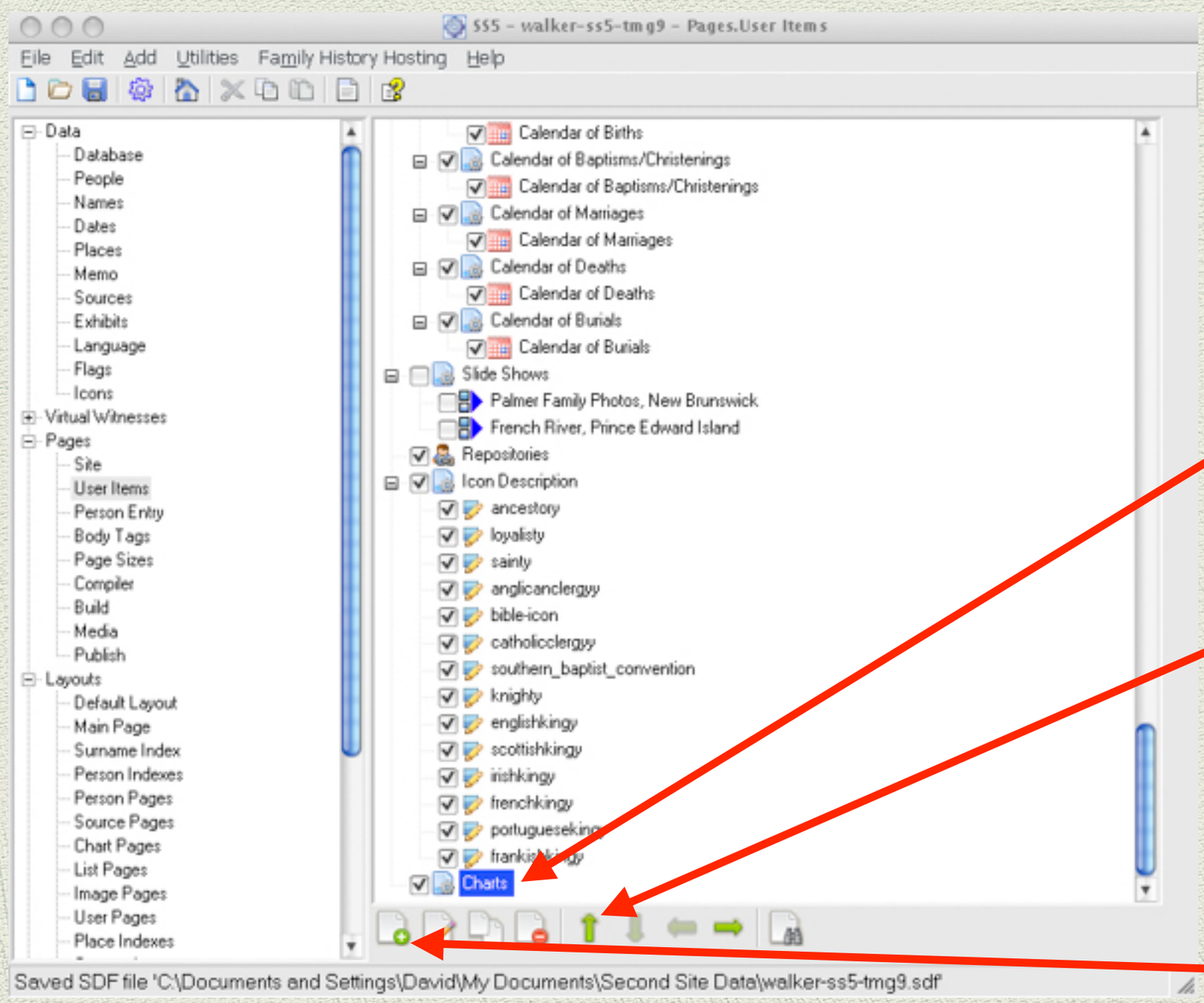

1. The new user item is displayed at the bottom

2. Use the Up/Down arrows to reposition as desired

3. Click the Add icon to start adding charts

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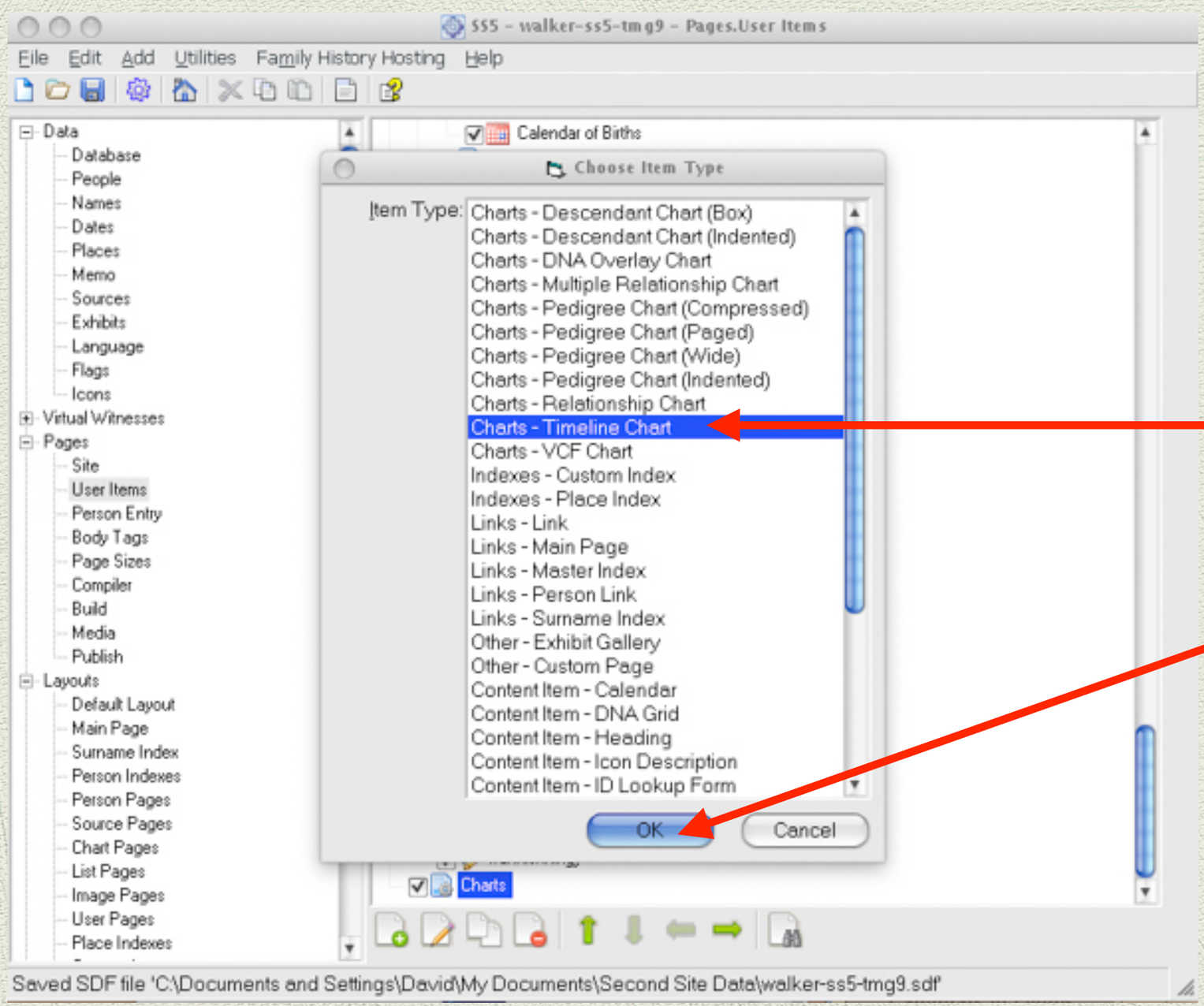

1. Select Charts - Timeline Chart from the list of Item Types

2. Click OK when done

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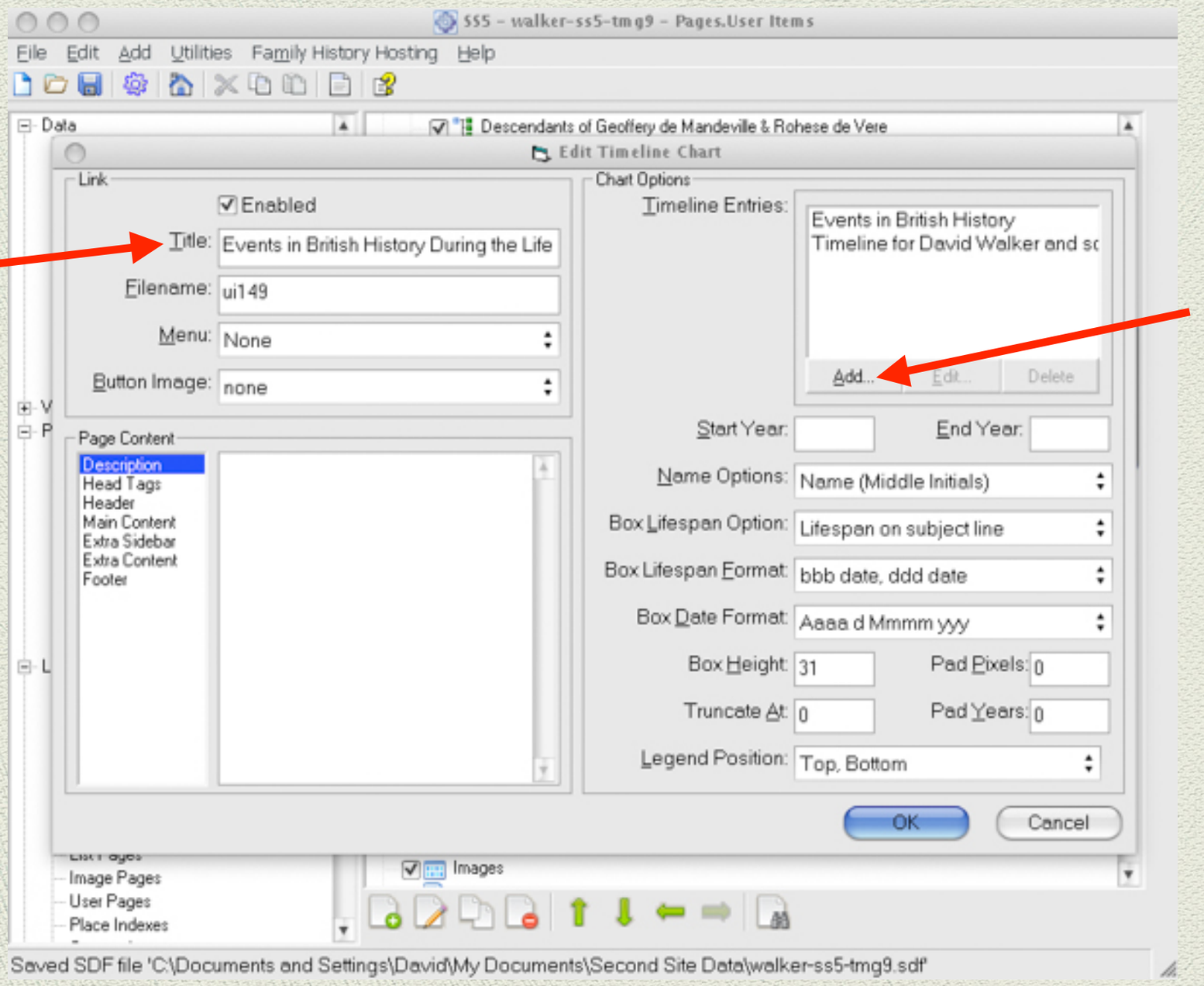
1. Enter an appropriate title



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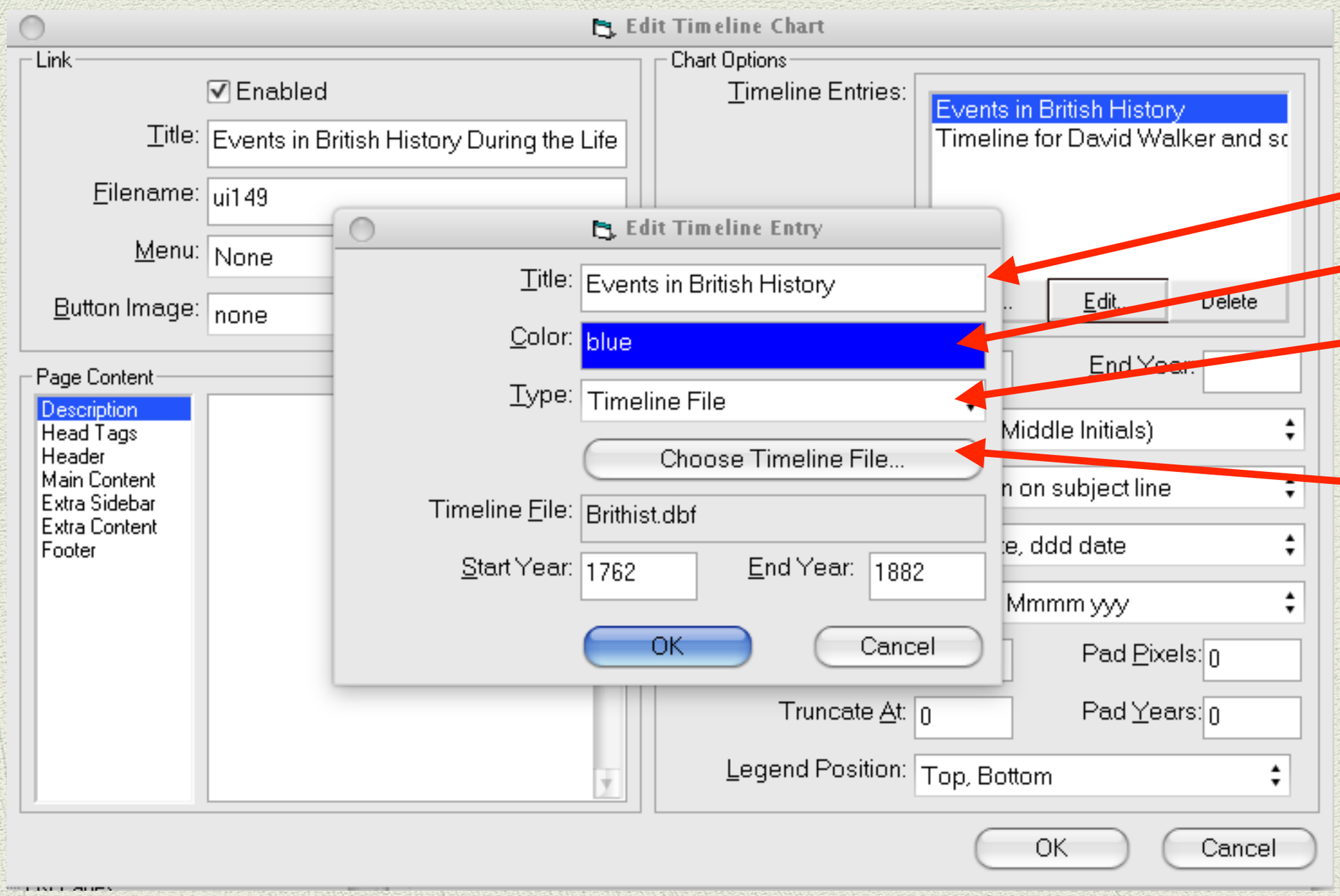
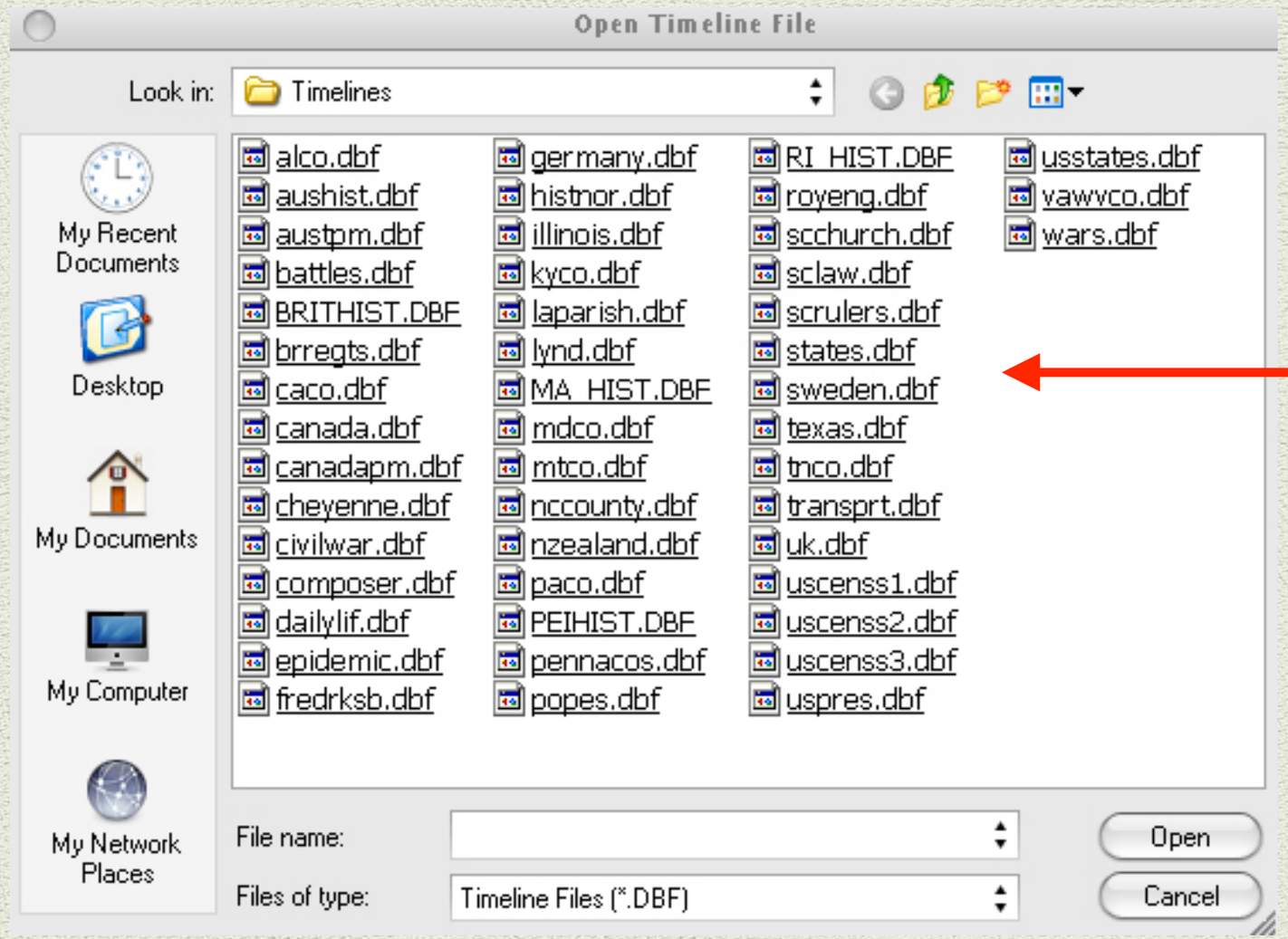
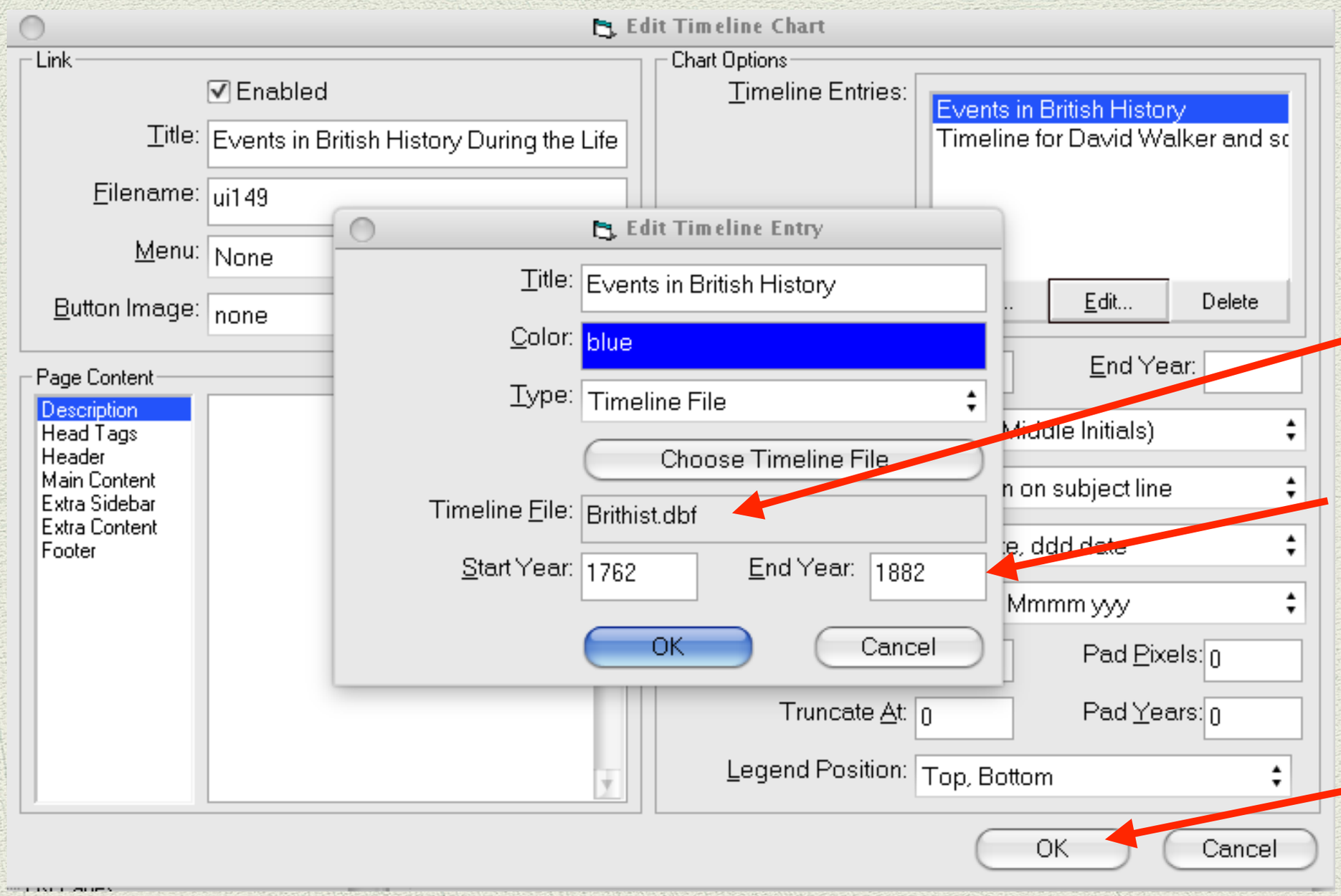


1. Enter a title
2. Choose a colour
3. Select Timeline File from the dropdown list
4. Choose a Timeline File



List of available timeline files in dbf format



1. Selected timeline file is displayed

2. Enter a range of years. In this case I chose the range from the birth year of my 3rd ggf to the death year of my 2nd ggf

3. Click OK when done

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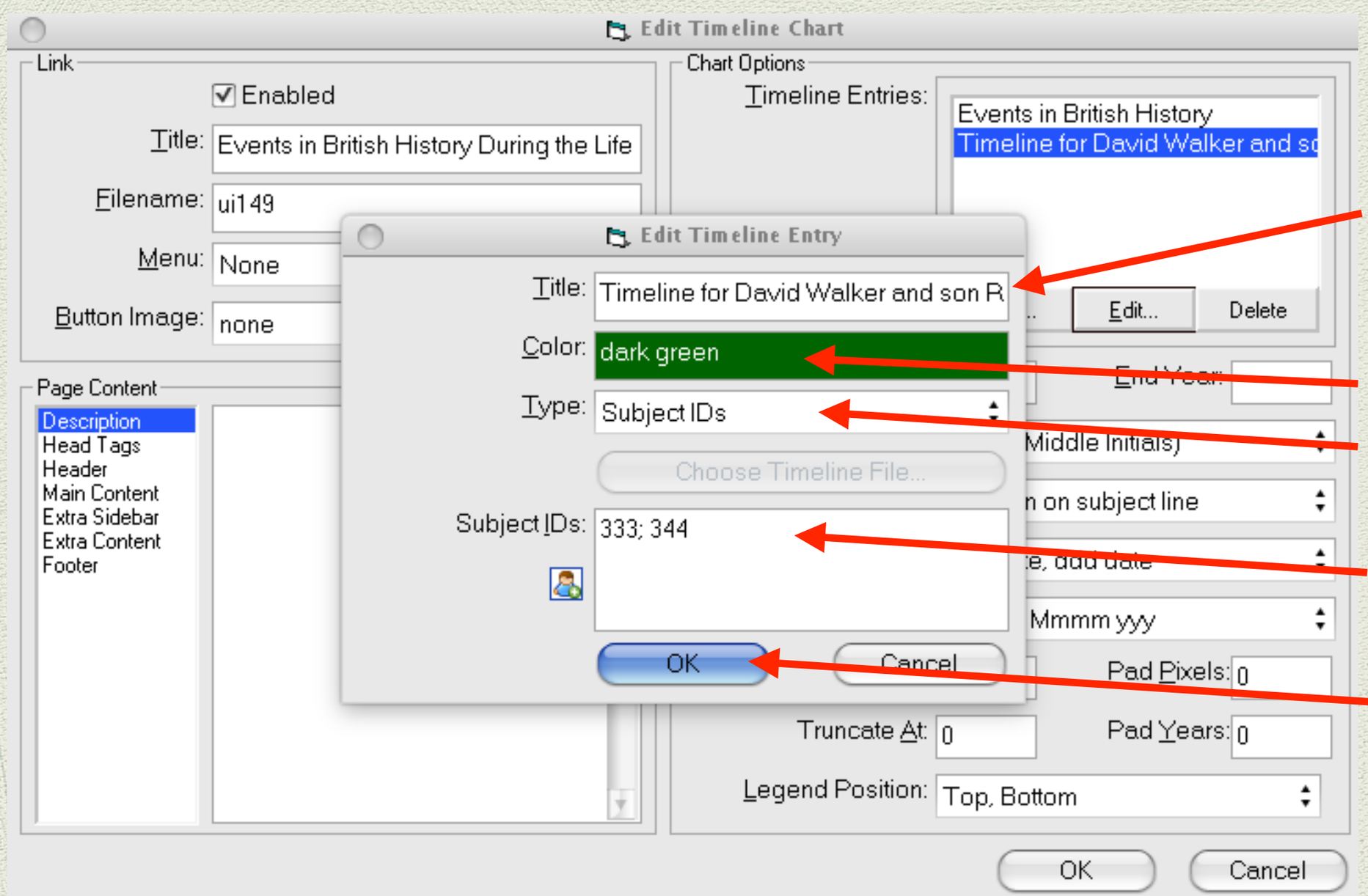

1. The process is repeated for my 2nd & 3rd great grandfathers

2. Choose a colour

3. Choose a Subject IDs from the dropdown list

4. Enter the TMG IDs for each person

5. Click OK when done

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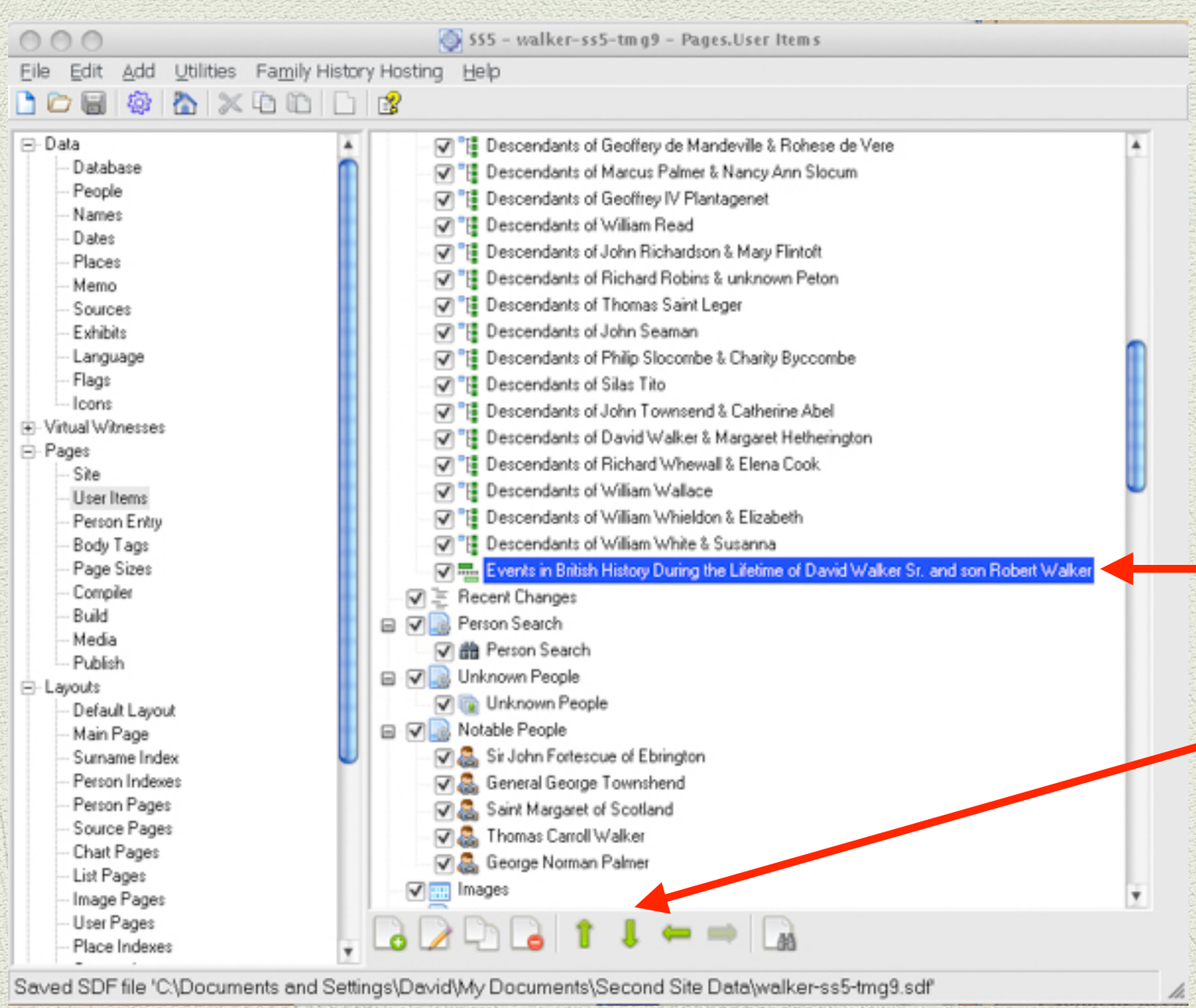

New Chart item appears in the list

Use the Up/Down arrows to reposition in the list if desired.

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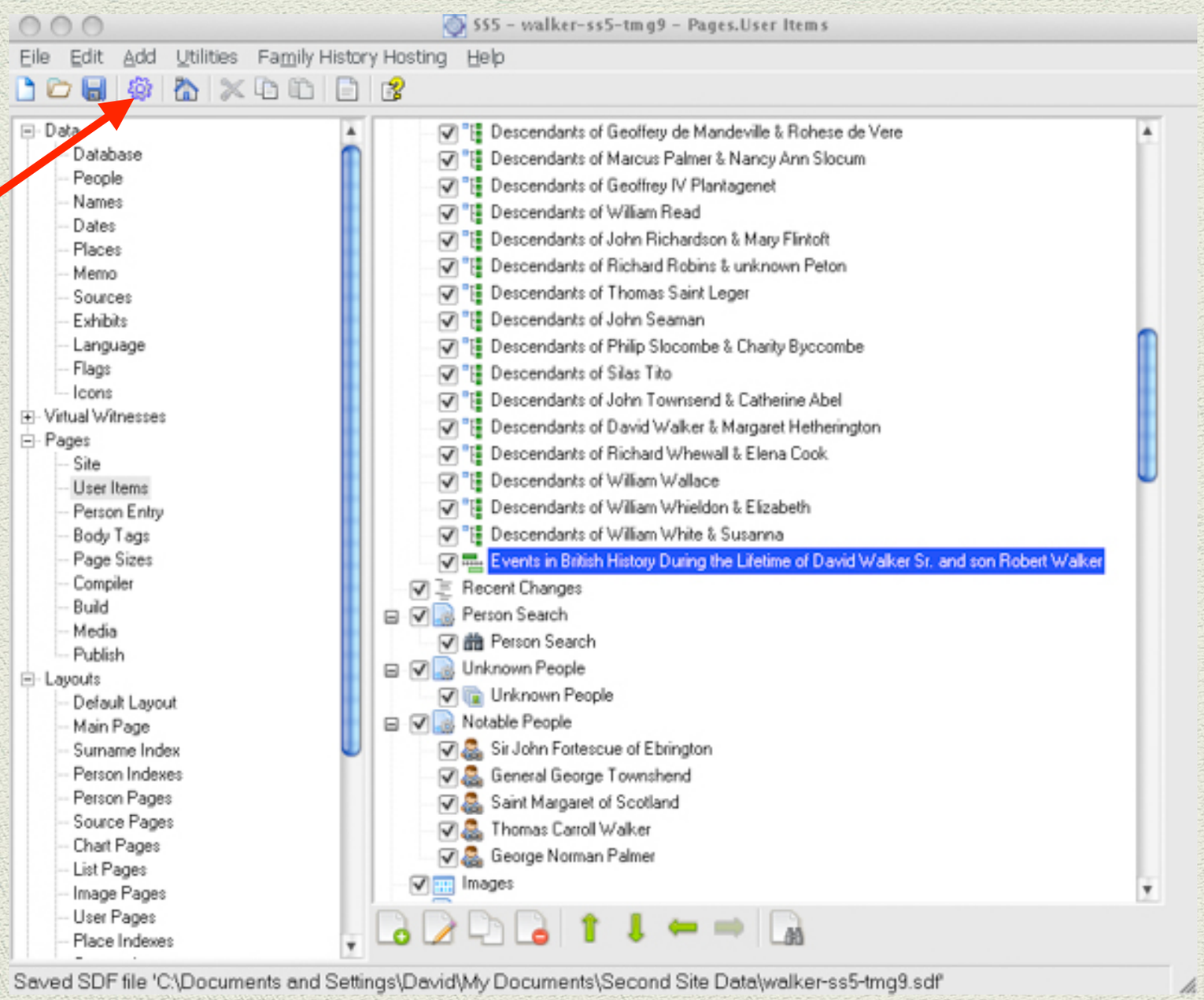
Click the Make Site icon



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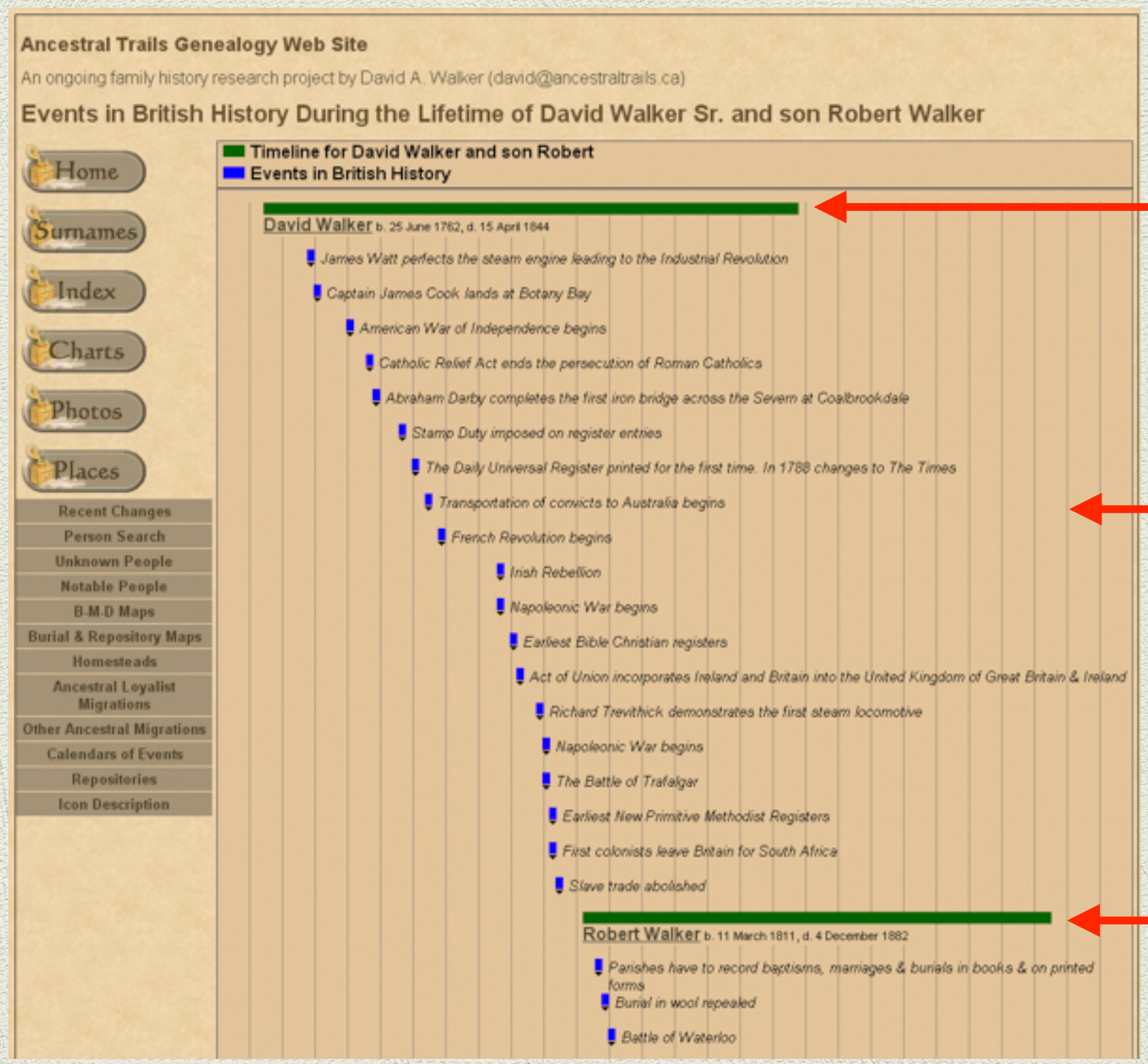

1. Lifetime of 3rd great grandfather

3. Events in British history during their lifetime. Vertical lines represent five year increments.

2. Lifetime of 2nd great grandfather

Timelines available on-line

Timelines usable for TMG are available from Terry Reigel's web site:

http://www.tmgtips.com/timelines.htm

The table displayed differentiates timelines that were bundled with TMG and those available to download.

Suggested Reading

- Refer to the TMG Help file for more suggestions
- *Using Timelines in The Master Genealogist,* by Shane Baker of the Canberra TMG Users Group: http://www.geocities.ws/ctmgug/Timelines.pdf
- *Getting the Most Out of The Master Genealogist,* by Lee Hoffman

End

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