

Moonraking - "the following of crazy fancies." (Chamber's 20th C Dictionary)

This group began in February 2003, so that people with an interest in Cowling's past, could enjoy it together, instead of in isolation.

Aims agreed by the group in 2005 –

To gain enjoyment from recording and sharing as much as possible of Cowling's rich history.

To assist in the revitalising of the village, by raising its profile locally and worldwide, through announcing its place in history, imparted through websites and other forms of communication.

'To tell the story of a community is to give it value.'

Memberships

Mark Barnes, Maurice Benson, Basil Newby, Rob Porteus, Brian Ridehalgh, Joan Tindale, Mark Wilson, Ken Edgar jnr, David Hoyle, Kevin Brigg, Margaret Gott, Maureen Cowgill, , Adrian Haupt, Grant Devine, Dennis Harker, Rachel Vincett, Josie Walsh, Norman Binns and Eric Emmett

Visitors

(Name, contact details and reason for visit)

Items Discussed at February 2009 Meeting

Emmott Diaries – Mark W

Recreation Ground Event – 4th April – old games? - Joan

Nan Scar Amenity Site – Joan

Moonrakers Website – Mark B

Mystery murder of 1908 – Craven Herald

Parish Council History - Joan

Lost Ickornshaw Moor Map - Joan

Ideas for future meetings:

Street Names – reasons for – Mark W

Census Records – What can they tell us about our village? Mark B

Agenda for Meeting March 2009

1. History requests/ artefacts/ documents (visitors)
2. Walk Intake Farm to Snowden Memorial Cairn - 30th March, 6.30pm
3. WW2 school visit
4. Cowling VC books/CDs
5. Website update
6. Ickornshaw Moor map
7. Street Names
10. Newsletter – "Do you know" for March – Mark B
11. Other items
12. History requests/ artefacts/ documents (members)

Next session: April 2nd Venue: Village Hall, time 7.30 pm

