

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 it's place in history, imparted through websites and other forms of communication.

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

Members

Mark Barnes, Maurice Benson, Basil Newby, Rob Porteus, Brian Ridehalgh, Joan Tindale, Mark Wilson, Ken Edgar jr, 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 April Meeting

1. Picture Show (seen but lead to much discussion)
2. Dinnington Society visit April 12th
3. Oatmeal cakes secret
4. Cowling in the first half of the 20th Century
 - sounds
 - callers at the door
 - jobs/work
 - pastimes/clubs/societies
5. 1901 census –sounds, callers, families, jobs, etc

Agenda for May Meeting

1. History requests/ artefacts/ documents(visitors)
2. Recording of Cowling in the first half of the 20th century
3. 1891 census – What can we record from this?
4. Other items
5. History requests/ artefacts/ documents (members)

Next session: **June 5th Venue: Village Hall, time 7.30 pm**