

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.'

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 October Meeting

1. Cowling Water Company
2. Master Builders Association book of prices 1912
3. Peat Digging – Ickornshaw Moor

Agenda for November Meeting

1. History requests/ artefacts/ documents (visitors)
2. Cowling's war deaths. - Joan
3. Youth Club Film & Book - Joan
4. Moonrakers' Website, praise, permission sought, hosting fee. –Mark B
5. Storage items – North Yorks CC – Mark B
6. Recreation ground Event – April - Joan
7. Short Local History Items - Joan
8. Street Names – Mark W
9. Ideas for next meetings
10. Newsletter – "Do you know" for December
11. Other items
12. History requests/ artefacts/ documents (members)

Next session: December 4th Venue: Village Hall, time 7.30 pm