

SOCIETY PROJECTS

Report by Jeremy Cope

Cowgate Cemetery

Oh dear! What have we done? We have been rained off on more occasions this winter than in any year since that start of our clearance and maintenance work in 2001. We may have angered the gods probably by laughing too much but that will not deter us from continuing the good work, rain or sunshine, wet or dry. Volunteers are always welcome. The dates of our morning work sessions for the rest of the year are as follows:-

Thursday Meetings	Saturday Meetings
5th April	14th April
3rd May	12th May
7th June	23rd June
5th July	14th July
2nd August	11th August
6th September	22nd September
4th October	13th October
1st November	10th November
6th December	15th December

Interested?

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The River Dour

The spawning season for fish is from October to March is so that there is little to be done by way of clearing the river. I learnt that it is an offence to clear rubbish as litter can be a shelter for spawning fish. If anyone complains about the state of the river, my response is that it is not the river that is dirty; it is the people who foul it up.

Dover Pride is trying to get funding for a walk/cycle path and we have been asked to provide a letter of support. The idea is only a proposal at the moment but if anyone has any thoughts or comments please let me know. If this is to go ahead it will need to take account of and work with the existing walkway recently signposted by White Cliffs Countryside Project. There is outline information and a map on www.sustransconnect2.org.uk

HOW THE STREETS OF DOVER GOT THEIR NAMES

by Terry Sutton

The names of many of Dover's streets give an idea of the date when they were planned and built. Many were named after leading national politicians of the time while others recall monarchs and their supporters' way back in history.

Today, in my view unfortunately, the trend is to name new roads after the wives or families of the developer or after some attractive part of the country.

This occasional feature, however, seeks to explain the historical association of some of the streets of Dover, many in the older parts of the town.