

The Moose Lodge at Brynmawr.
Loyal Order of the Moose, Brynmawr Lodge No 40.

I came across some plates, bread and butter plates and tea plates some time ago that once belonged to the above lodge. They were in a chapel in Cwm (near Ebbw Vale) that was being closed down and due to be demolished. Thankfully I had been warned about this so went to pick up the various plates and donated them to the Brynmawr Museum.

That there was a moose lodge in Brynmawr was news to me and to the museum so started the search for more information. I failed but the museum came up trumps.

The Lodge was inaugurated between February and March 1928 and closed during World War II. The first meeting was held at the English Wesleyan Chapel which stood on Alma Street now sadly demolished then moved to the Co-Operative building in Beaufort Street in 1930. The first secretary of the lodge was Mr McIntosh of Clifford House, Greenland Road in Brynmawr. Samples of the plates may be seen in a display case at the Brynmawr Museum along with a lapel badge from the Moose Lodge that once belonged to Edward Langford who lived at 1 Dumfries Place in Brynmawr.



Moose Lodge No 1 is in Tredegar, I wonder where No 2 through to No 39 are.

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