

Packington Men's Group (PMG)

In January we welcomed our **new chairman, David Fill**, who takes over from Rick Melville. A respected founder member, David brings us continuity and stature. We can all sympathise with his modest observation that Rick's leadership is "a very hard act to follow", and we offer David our full support.



Members enjoyed a visit to the **Ashby Fire Station** in January for a well-illustrated talk by **Peter Sherwin, Crew Manager**. Unplanned by him, but



very exciting for us, was a call-out in the middle of his presentation, 6 of his colleagues hastily appearing for an immediate departure in the fire tender. Luckily, they were able to return for us to inspect their vehicle and the equipment carried. We were grateful for the generous hospitality, the

unexpected adrenaline, and a very informative and pleasant evening.

Modern Genealogy Tools is our topic on **Thursday 14th February, at 7.30pm** Until recently, the process of compiling a family tree had altered

little over centuries - you needed plenty of time, drawing skills and much expensive research travel. In the last 20 years it has become far easier, and within only the last 3 years, dramatically easier.

Robert Dilworth will describe modern tools, easily available and usable either FREE or at little cost, that have revolutionised family-tree making. Venue: 14 The Grange, with thanks in advance to Faun Dilworth.



A changed date for your diary: **Thursday 6th March 2008**. Sorry! - but



despite our resolution to meet on second Thursdays, our meeting is re-scheduled for the **First Thursday in March**. Topic: **Homeopathy**, venue: **Yew Tree Farm**, with thanks in advance to Brenda and Brian Moorhouse. Member's Ladies are also invited, to hear the lady guest speaker, **Sue Miles**.

Members' views, and new members, are always welcomed - please contact one of the committee, telephone and email below:

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