Packington Men's Group (PMG)

In October, 13 of us enjoyed a guided tour of the Ashby Museum,



whose **Chairman Ken Hillier** gave us a vibrant talk on its rôles. As well as exhibits, we saw the archives in the 2-storey extension, only added in

2006, which then helped win the prestige "Museum of the Year" award. Tea and cakes in Café 76 nicely



rounded off a pleasant afternoon. Our thanks to Ken and his dedicated team, and to Wally for organising a fine visit.

On Thursday 12th November, at 7.30pm - at 7 Measham Road, we look forward to an evening talk by John Mugglestone on Local

Packington History. John is well known as a dynamic speaker, and will describe some fascinating but less well-known local events and people, including an ancient charity



for "9 poor widows" recorded in the church, as well as the village mill and its water-works. Our thanks in advance to Marion and John Mugglestone for the use of their home, our venue; please contact them on 414964 if you can come, for seating planning.

Also, Thursday 27th November sees our traditional theatre visit



with ladies to the **Ashby Dramatic Society's Venture Theatre**, for their adaptation of a Charles Dickens seasonal classic. Tickets £6 from treasurer Wally on 416786 - first come, first served!

NEW feature! Sunday 7th December, at

2pm, with ladies, PMG visits **Handel's Messiah** by the Swadlincote Messiah Choral Society. Tickets £7 from Mike 414862.

Thursday 11th December- traditional PMG evening pre-Christmas party, this year at a special new venue

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