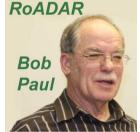
Packington Men's Group PMG

Intense interest was evident among 16 PMG members in February for guest speakers Neil Snow and Bob Paul of RoADAR (RoSPA Advanced Drivers and Riders). Bob gave us a timeline of developments such as speed limits, licences, tests and tax discs, before Neil described RoADAR and the system of Advanced Driving. As we are all fairly advanced in PMG, we were pleased to learn of the



Police Drivers' Handbook, "Roadcraft" and of its "I-P-S-G-A" system for early hazard recognition and negotiation. Did you know that one quarter of road



deaths could be prevented by everyone wearing a seat belt? Do we, always? The friendly RoADAR volunteers are happy to tutor and report on our driving skills in our own vehicles FREE in preparation for Advanced Driving tests, which have possible Gold, Silver or Bronze levels of achievement. One of our PMG members actually holds the Silver Award, and has recently re-qualified - RoADAR re-tests every 3 years.

You are invited to join us on **Thursday 14 March 2013** at the **Memorial Hall** at **7:15pm** for our party evening on a theme of "**St David - patron saint**

of Wales, Land of Song". We have an appreciation of Wales by a Welsh-speaker; a hot meal at round tables, of tasty Welsh lamb stew by Geoff Gasson, with laver bread, bara bridd, Caerphilly cheese & biscuits; and a presentation on St David, by Peter Last. The highlight



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of the evening will be a let-your-hair-down session of **singing of Welsh choral favourite**, "Land of My Fathers", under the direction of Packington's choral **maestro Julian Baker**. There will be a competition for the table that sings the best, with perhaps a small prize. Welsh spring water will be available, but you are asked to bring your own favourite tipple, and also a plate, side plate, cutlery

and a glass. RSVP: and please pay for your ticket, cost £5 from treasurer Wally Instrall, on 416786

Date for your Diary Thursday 11th April 2013 - Evening visit and guided tour of Champney's Springs health Spa.

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