

CHESTER GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

- Sunday 2 Sept 11am: Service and welcome for our new Minister
Rev Peter Bates
- Sunday 9 Sept NO MORNING SERVICE.
6pm Service with Sankey Men's Choir.
- Sun 16 Sept 10.30am Breakfast in the hall. 11am Messy Church: informal
service in the hall, everyone welcome – if you've never
tried it why not come along and give it a go? It's
'Church' but not as we know it! Fun and fellowship for
all ages.
- Sunday 23 Sept 11am Service and re-start of Little Fishes Sunday Club for
children during part of the service

LITTLE CHESTER HERITAGE CENTRE

St Paul's Church, Mansfield Road

Interested in Little Chester? Then come and *see our extensive pictorial display of its history with particular reference to the floods, dating back to 1740.* We are open every Sun. 2-4pm until the end of October. Admission free - refreshments available

Also, at the same venue, on **Sun Sept 16th 2-3pm a talk by Joan D'Arcy again about Chester Green**, which you will agree is a very special area of Derby. Admission free with refreshments available. We look forward to seeing you. Everyone welcome. Tel 363354.

BROWNIES AT CHESTER GREEN

We meet at the Community Centre, Darley Fields on Tuesdays between 6.15 and 7.45 (restarting on the 11th September). If you are age 7 - 11 then come along, maybe with a friend; we do things like games, crafts, badge work and trips and generally have fun! Tammy our leader is on 07761 063919

ZUMBA AT CHESTER GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

- **ZUMBATOMIC® Wednesdays 4:30pm - 5:15pm**
A fun, healthy program designed for children using the Zumba Fitness® concept.
- **ZUMBA GOLD® Wednesdays 5:30pm - 6:30pm**
Zumba Gold® modifies the moves and pacing of Zumba to suit active older participants, and those starting their journey to health and fitness. *Try these new classes for just £2.00 on production of this newsletter (one per person) and book a place by contacting Julie on 07840447024 or julie.zumba@hotmail.co.uk.*
- **ZUMBA FITNESS : Mon 8:00pm - 9:00pm at Community Centre and Weds 8:00 - 8:45pm at First Stage Dance Academy (off Stores Road), Little Chester.**

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LITTLE CHESTER RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Retirement of George Lord

George Lord (a.k.a. Lord George of Chester Green) has announced at the age of 87 that he is stepping down as Editor of the 'Little Chester Independent' monthly newsletter.

As many Chester Green residents know, George has not only kept us all informed and amused about local events & issues, he has given decades of selfless service to the community and helped many individuals in times of trouble, always retaining his sense of humour.

We can't allow George's retirement to pass without thanking him most sincerely for his incredible contribution to Chester Green community and for his tireless work over the years.

Thank you George.

76% Rent Increase for City Road Council Garages

The City Council have sent letters to tenants who rent the City Rd council garages stating that they are imposing a 76% rent increase, raising rents from £265 per year to £468 per year from January 2013 after an interim increase in Sept 2012.

Having raised the issue with our Ward Councillors, an email response from council officers states that these increases have been approved by Cabinet Councillors. The LCRA are contacting Martin Repton, Darley Ward and Cabinet Councillor to ask for an explanation and justification of this increase and state our view that the garages will become unaffordable for many local residents and will result in more empty garages, a reduction in revenue to the council and increased parking congestion in Chester Green, particularly in the Marcus St, Camp St. and Chester Green Rd. locality for whose residents the garages were primarily provided, after the council pedestrianised streets and householders lost their on street parking.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE FROM STAFF AT THE COACH AND HORSES

Mick, Deb, the staff and Charities Committee at the Coach and Horses extend our sincere thanks to George for 30 years or more of tireless devotion to the area and residents of Chester Green with his News Letter and countless hours of campaigning for local issues. As a patron and supporter of all the charity events which have taken place at the Coach, George will always hold a special place in this community. Good luck and best wishes Sir ... a special person indeed.

THE AUSTRALIAN VOICES 23rd September, 2012 6.30pm

The Australian Voices, *one of the world's premier Choral groups*, are touring the U.K. this year, performing at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and various other locations. They approached St. Paul's as a possible venue in our area and are organising all aspects of their concert in Chester Green, e.g. ticket prices/sales etc., from their website (see below).

They will also be hosting a Workshop starting at **5.30 pm** to teach "would be" singers a song to perform with the choir during the concert – see website. The Australian Voices Ticket Charges are £15 Adult, £12 Concession. Tickets are available on www.theaustralianvoices.com, or you can pay on the door 30 minutes prior to the Concert. For details please contact Marie on 01332 298079.

CHESTER GREEN PANTO

Thanks to all who turned up at the meeting on August 18th and to those who have contacted me since to say they're interested - we have enough people to make this year's panto viable, so put the dates in your diary: **Thurs, Fri and Sat, December 13th-15th.**

More details to follow closer to the dates and you can also check for up-to-date information at <http://www.chestergreenpanto.co.uk/>. As always, we are looking for sponsors to help us with our running costs (printing, costumes, etc.), so if you or anyone you know, would like to support us, please contact me, Rhian, on 369336. Any sponsors will be acknowledged on the website and in the programme. I'm not saying what the panto is because I want to keep that as a surprise for later (those of you who know, please keep it to yourselves for now!), but expect something out of the ordinary!

CHESTER GREEN COMMUNITY GROUP NEWS

Pocket Panto Saturday 29th September

We are re-starting our entertainment programme on the 29th September with another production by the popular "Pocket Panto" professional company. This year the panto is "Jack and the Beanstalk" and will be great entertainment for all the family.

Doors open at 6.30 for a 7.30 start. Admission : adult member £4, non member £5, member children up to 16 £2, non members £3; under 5s free. From about 8.30 there will be a themed quiz, followed by games. The bar and tuck shop will be open of course! *Our annual panto is always very popular so come early to get a seat!* This will be the last chance to join/renew your membership - (prices as last year) so allow enough time before the show.

Halloween Party 27 Oct

Save the date - our ever popular Halloween party is on the 27th October, and for general information about the Community Group and the Centre programme visit www.chestergreencommunitygroup.yolasite.com

ST PAUL'S CHURCH CHESTER GREEN

Sunday	2nd September	Holy Communion	10.00 am
Sunday	9th September	Contemplative Communion	10.00 am
Sunday	16th September	Soul Sanctuary	10.00 am
		Evensong	6.00 pm
Sunday	23rd September	Holy Communion	10.00 am
Sunday	30th September	Holy Communion	10.00 am

Forthcoming events at St. Paul's for your Diary

Coffee Morning, Wed 26th Sept in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support

10.30 am – 1.00 pm in the Church Hall. *Please come along and help us raise money for this worthy cause – Refreshments, Raffle, a game of Bingo and a chance to chat and make new friends,*

St. Paul's Autumn Fair – Saturday 29th September in the Church Hall From 10.30 am – 3.30 pm – Admission Free. Usual Cake Stall, Tombola Stall, Bric-a-Brac, Raffle, Refreshments and a variety of rented stalls. Funds in aid of St. Paul's Church. If you would like to rent a stall, please contact Pat on 361376 or Bev on 349420.

Advanced notice

- Special Soul Cafe – **Sunday 7th October, 2012** with The Open Road Band and Singer Rosie Meek – 8.00 pm in St. Paul's Church.
- "Redemption" Concert – Friday 19th October 2012 - 7pm in St. Paul's Church.

New Lighting in the Church

The Church now needs re-wiring with a new, more efficient lighting system. We are fund raising and applying for grants to raise the £30,000 needed. A specialist lighting firm from Gloucester are holding a Lighting Demonstration on **Thursday 6th September 2012** at 7.00 pm in the Church. Please come along to the demonstration, perhaps you might like to sponsor a light or a reel of cable, or some light bulbs in memory of a loved one or just make a small donation. We would love to see you there, refreshments available .

Smile—Some non-Olympic Records

Retro running marathon (ie running backwards) : 3 hours 42 minutes
Fastest marathon dressed as a nun: 3 hours 17 minutes
Fastest marathon dressed as a carrot: two hours 59 minutes.

Anyone fancy trying these out on Chester Green?