

## Chorister Profile - Paul James Newman



Paul was born on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 1950 in Ystrad in the Rhondda Valley. His schooling started in Blaenclydach Infants School and finished in Blaenclydach Secondary Modern Boys School. He left school to start an apprenticeship as a motor mechanic. Paul is currently employed as a Branch Manager with National Plastics. He is married to Debra and they have three children (one boy and two girls), and three grandchildren (one boy and two girls). Paul's hobbies are reading and the Choir.

Paul joined Cambrian Male Voice Choir in 1999. His reason for joining is two fold. He enjoys singing and also enjoys the "company of a good group of men". Of the varied repertoire within the Choir's catalogue, his favourite choral songs are 'American Trilogy' and 'Softly'.

When recalling one memorable moment with the choir Paul recounts the impromptu "singing on the steps of St David's Hall in Cardiff, after the Rugby World Cup". As for his favourite venue he states "Canada, singing with the Orpheus Choir".

When asked to reflect on his personal feelings about being a member of the Choir, Paul states it is "enjoying the company and performing with a mixed aged group of men". He was asked to describe the Choir in a few words. Paul's reply was "Innovative, friendly, boisterous, funny and smart".

Our thanks to Paul for providing the above information and allowing us to use it on this website.