## **Obituaries** –

**A**lan Tilling of Altrincham, Cheshire, passed away on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January, aged 73, after a long battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis.

It is with a sense of great loss that I report Alan's passing following many years of bravely and staunchly fighting this very debilitating disease. He was such a keen dancer and loved his old-time dancing. He with wife, Ivie, were regular supporters of our Sunday Old Time dances as well as our Wednesday Sequence dances plus the local Saturday evening Social Sequence dances. He will be very much missed by all who knew him particularly for his happy demeanor and cheery 'Hello's' & 'Good-night's'. He was so enthusiastic about his dancing that for the last year or so he has danced with an oxygen bottle strapped to his back. Our Betwixed Charity dance was inspired by him to raise funds for the 'Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis' which we have done for the last few years, raising well over £1000 for them.

Our thoughts are very much with lvie and his daughter at this sad time – President Fred.