

# The Berkshire Shadows Club



## Next Club Meeting on Tuesday 27th September

**T**he tragic loss of our friend Stephen Swann, who passed away on Monday morning, September 12th, was greeted with shock and disbelief by the scores of people who knew him. Stephen was so well known and liked in the Shadows Music Community and for this writer it still seems unbelievable that we will not see him again. Stephen was well known for the critical attention he gave to his music. When he played



the lead guitar, he always strived for perfection both in the way he played and the way he delivered the final result. When he played rhythm guitar the chords were 100% on the nail and the accompaniment always fitted the tune perfectly. You will see the concentration and enjoyment on Stephen's face in the collection of photographs I've put aside for inclusion in this newsletter.

Stephen was a valued member of The Silver Shadows for a period and performed both lead and rhythm guitar with us at the Children In Need concert in

November 2009. The resultant video has some really nice footage of Stephen performing on stage where again he was giving it his all. The Silver Shadows will be attending Stephen's funeral, along with a number of Berkshire Club members, on Thursday 22 September at 2:45 pm. Service will be held at:

St Martins Church, Knebworth, Herts. The church is located at the junction of London Road and St Martin's Road in Knebworth, Herts.

Charitable Donations or Flowers may be sent to the funeral directors.

Austins, 21 High Street, Stevenage, Herts

Tel: 01438 316623



We have sent a floral tribute on behalf of the club.

If there is one phrase that keeps on being repeated within the Shadows Music Community when folks talk of Stephen Swann, it is the phrase that contains the word "gentleman". No matter who one talks to - at some stage the word will come up again, and again, and again. Rest in peace, Stephen. You will be sorely missed.

continue to run it, I'm sure there will be many people who would appreciate your efforts. We have had a lot of fun at Berkshire for the years we've been involved with the running of the club and we'd hate to see it fold without at least trying to find someone to run it. So... let us know - OK?

The next meeting is this coming Tuesday 27th



### Changes at the Berkshire Club

The club has now been active for some three years and Cindy, Eric and I have decided that it's time to hand over the reins to someone else to run it going forward. It's a great club with good attendance, as you know and it would be a shame to lose it completely.

If, therefore, you are of a mind to take over the running of the club, please let one of us know at one of the upcoming meetings. We have decided that should nobody step up to take over, we will close the club in November. This will make the November 22nd meeting the last meeting of the club. Please do give this some thought and, if you'd like to take over and

September. Here's hoping we'll see you all there as usual. Don't forget - the playing starts around 19:30. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Please don't forget to sign in with Cindy when you arrive and pay the toll charge - someone has to pay for the hall, tea and cake!

The band will be ready as early as we can so if you're able to get there for 19:00 we could be ready to back you.

*See you there!*



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For SatNav users the exact location is: N 51.494580 W 0.542670

# A tribute to Stephen Swann

R.I.P. Stephen - September 12 2011 - It was an honour to know you. *(The Berkshire Shadows Club)*

