

Introducing our new President

It is with enormous pleasure and with a great sense of gratitude, that I announce the appointment of David Curtis as our new President. Audrey Spencer, our first President, died in November 2010 and it was with great trepidation, knowing how busy he is, that we, your Committee, approached David to succeed her. To our relief he accepted our invitation. It is a huge honour to have the Artistic Director of the Orchestra of the Swan heading our Society and I hope that you will support him as far as it is possible, both within and outside Shipston, as we work together to promote ever more widely an interest in and a love of music.

Most of you have been aware of David when he has conducted concerts in Shipston and some of you are friends of OOTS, so he is not a stranger to us. Currently, there is a huge amount of activity in progress in Shipston in the Arts. David is involved in this, as are we. I feel it is a measure of David's enthusiasm that he is keen to combine local, national and international work in his desire to further participation in music at all levels and I consider we are most fortunate to have him as our President.'

Clare Faulkes - Chairman