

HOLT & DISTRICT FARMERS' CLUB

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CLUB MATTERS

February 2017

Norwich City appear to have rediscovered their form which could mean that there's a spark of spring optimism if on Tuesday they can beat Newcastle - the current Championship leaders - when we re-convene on Wednesday. **Steve Hart** champion pig farmer - will be telling us how he built up his outdoor rearing business from tiny, almost destitute, beginnings.

Chairman Jimmy Fowell has recruited **William Youngs** from abroad together with **Richard Youngs** who fishes north of the border to help plan our *trip to Scotland from 6th to 9th June*. The draft itinerary includes travelling by train from Peterborough to Edinburgh where we may see Her Majesty's Yacht Britannia. Floors Castle and visits to the Haddenham and Mertoun estates are possibilities as is a link up with John Jeffrey, Scotland's famous former flanker dubbed the 'White Shark', who farms in The Borders. Anyone interested should register on Wednesday or send a cheque for f150 to **Tony Williams** as soon as possible. Talking of our Treasurer we should congratulate him on featuring in the top 3% of fundraisers in 2016 on the JustGiving website through his conquest of Mount Kilimanjaro in aid of Big C. Tony has asked me to than all who donated.

Mark Jones, Barclays Manager for the Eastern Coast and based in Fakenham, has reminded me of a Farmers' Meeting at Easton College at 4 p.m. on Thursday. This is on "*Water - Sustaining the Supply to Farming*" (details attached) and all are welcome including non Barclays customers and farming guests. Mark just asks that you register beforehand by email to:-nicola.currie@eastonotley.ac.uk A week on **Friday (24th February)** **Stuart Ross's** bowlers do battle again in the match at North Walsham while **David Henley, Principal at Easton**, is our final speaker on **14th March - back to the Tuesday**.

Hon. Secretary..

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