## HOLT & DISTRICT FARMERS' CLUB

## FOUNDED 1948

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## BILLY HAMMOND



1926 - 2021

It is with much sadness that we hear of the passing on Thursday of G. W. 'Billy' Hammond of Manor Farm, Aldborough just days short of his 95th birthday.

He was the second President of our club when succeeding Sir Charles Mott-Radclyffe in 1993 and he served us with distinction until 2011. At our AGMs he would chronicle the incidents and developments of his long life and career in North Norfolk centered on the quintessential English village of Aldborough. Farming initially with horses and for along time without electricity, Billy accumulated a fine collection of farm machinery while building Aldborough Farms into a large and successful arable operation with his son Jack and grandson Will. His tales were told in a charming idiosyncratic manner interspersed with his characteristic chuckle. He wore many hats including chairman of the parish council, president of the cricket club as well as of Aylsham Show in 2005.
He played bridge and golf to a grand age; he had a devoted wife Anne along with a large and happy family. Everyone knew and liked Billy. He was the salt of the earth.

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