

HOLT & DISTRICT FARMERS' CLUB

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CLUB MATTERS Before The Ides of March 2022

Thank you for making the effort to provide an excellent turnout for Rob Mutimer on Tuesday. He gave a fluent and sobering account of the current troubles besetting the pig industry while outlining his interesting career with his family's enterprises at Swannington. The vote of thanks were given graciously by **Jimmy Fowell** who saw many parallels with his poultry sector. For those of you who could not make it **Michael Pollitt** has been good enough to provide the attached summary.

Martin Jensen, the man of the moment, then gave a poignant account of his recent mission and do check out his daughter Emily's reports on the [gofundme](#) page which reached the initial target of £10,000 in no time and is fast approaching £30,000. People have continued to be remarkably generous with donations ranging from £5 to several thousand and averaging about £116 at my last count. Our club has donated £3000 and Martin, speaking on behalf of the Ukrainian people, was extremely grateful. The [gofundme](#) rules require the money to be spent within 90 days so, rather than making another delivery, Martin will work out where it is best to place the money. He says the need for our support will extend long into the future but the 4000 trauma bandages and syringes he delivered are an excellent start. <https://gofund.me/d53bdd05>

It has been decided that we may be too busy in April to have **Jane Kenny** and her ADAS team so we shall try to make sure she can come next season. **Richard Brooks** is trying to tie Nick Padwick down to a date in May for our visit to the Ken Hill Estate while the visit to *Shropshires is still on for 22nd June*. **Tony Williams** has also pencilled in Thursday 16th June for our Clay Pigeon Shooting Match against Stalham and **Stuart Ross** hopes we can resurrect the 10 pin bowling event. Sadly our plans for a new summer event / garden party were thwarted by the pandemic but **Pat Cubitt** has the hope that a member might have a venue and/or idea for such an evening event. If there is a wedding he thought we might be able to 'borrow' the marquee before it is taken down so that this can be made financially viable.

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