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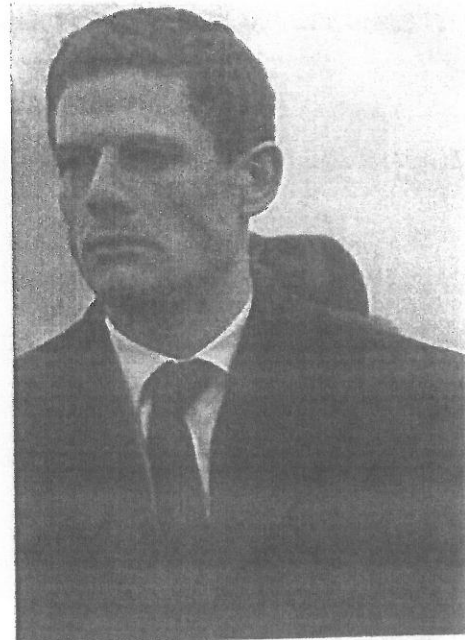
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CLUB MATTERS

Holodomor

Martin Jensen points out that I mistook his directions for pinpointing the location of his farm. To paraphrase Fred Astaire "*He said Lviv I said Kyiv – Let's call it the real thing – Lvov*". His operation is roughly an hour's drive north of Lviv (formerly Lvov) and not Kyiv (formerly Kiev). This puts it somewhere south-east of Lutsk (formerly Luck) and about nine tenths of the way westwards from Kyiv (the capital) to the Polish border.

Mark Cook refers me to the recent film "*Mr. Jones*" which is about the brave attempts by a young Welsh journalist to alert the world to the Holodomor in 1933. This was the Soviet starvation of The Ukraine he referred to as "*man made famine*". Shamefully there were many who wouldn't believe him at first like the New York Times and many were never really able to acknowledge the atrocity like the Old Greshamian Donald MacLean and the eminent historian Eric Hobsbawm. Incidentally the film stars the Yorkshire raised James Norton who also played the son of a Russian mafia family in exile and was touted as a candidate to be the new James Bond.



Mark is Chairman of Edgefield Parish Council and it was this parish that elected Wilf Page as their representative on Erpingham Rural District Council for 28 years through to the early days of North Norfolk District Council in the mid 1970s. He was otherwise known as Norfolk Red - The Countryside Communist although his creed wasn't of the Russian Bear variety. Wilf was ~~admittedly more in~~ the noble tradition of Sir George Edwards who scared crows around Marsham as a boy and fought for farmworkers' rights to eventually become MP for South Norfolk in the 1920s, before ending his days in Sustead Road, Lower Gresham.

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