

HOLT & DISTRICT FARMERS' CLUB

FOUNDED 1948

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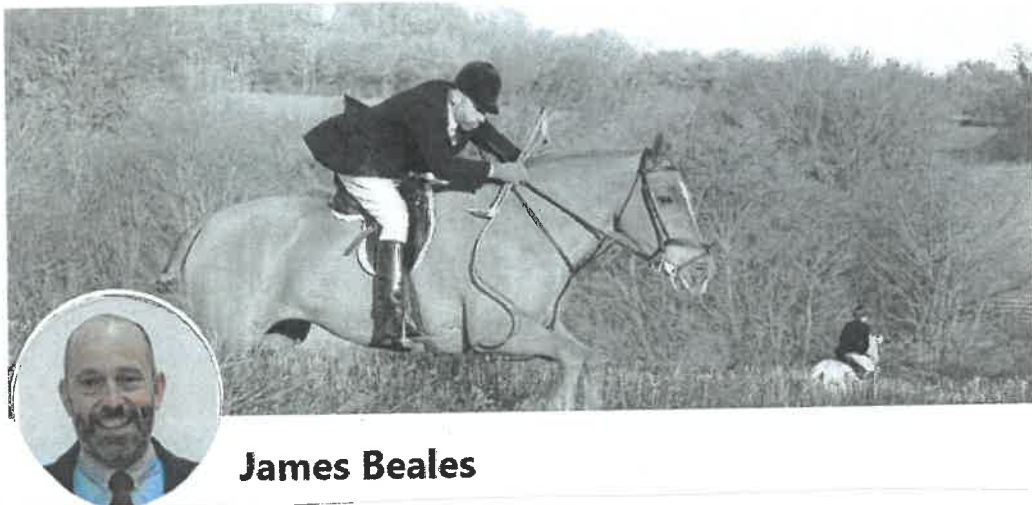
Chairman: Martin Jensen

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CLUB MATTERS February 2024

2024 got off to a great start with **Stuart Ross** introducing Julie Alford, the driving force behind the Holt Youth Project, who impressed us so much that our Club decided to match fund the £385 raised on the night. With a private donation and Gift Aid the total comfortably exceeds £1000. Tom Hume, the vet'in'ry, gave a fascinating account of his cross channel swim last autumn and he is a champion fundraiser and supporter of the Project along with Lord & Lady Dannatt, Sir Norman Lamb, Duncan Baker MP, Robert Carter, Nigel Worthington, Olivia Colman CBE, Charles Barratt (& Cooke), John Hurt's widow, **Chris Scargill** and Nigel Flower the one time Gresham's deputy head. On **Tuesday, 20th February** we have **James Beales, Head of Agriculture and the Equestrian Programme** at Gresham's as we foster the relationship with the school and their sixth form which lapsed after the ending of our Student Days.



James Beales

Our treasurer **Laurie Hill** represented us at the agricultural seminar that James arranged last month and Old Greshamians amongst you will, of course, get the chance to revisit the scene of your schoolboy crimes on **Thursday 11th April** for our **75th Anniversary Dinner**. Our Chairman and **William Youngs** are firming up on the details which we shall be circulating later this month. These include Viscount Raynham as our special guest, **Peter Perry-Warnes** speaking on behalf of the Club and the wine (but not women) being free. Please secure your places as soon as possible by paying £75 per ticket to 'Holt & District Farmers' Club' at Barclays sort code 20-03-26 a/c no. 10554197 while identifying your payment. Alternatively you can send a cheque to Laurie whose address is at the bottom of this page. The same bank details are to be used for any latecomers for **Sweden between 28th May and 31st May**. We fly from Stansted at lunchtime on the Tuesday and return from Arlanda Airport outside Stockholm at 7.40 on the Friday evening with the flight taking under 2 hours 30 minutes. **Martin** is already booking tickets so please send £250 as soon as possible. In between we round off our winter season on **Tuesday, 12th March** with **Professor Carl Sayer's** welcome return on another fantastic project with **Norfolk Ponds: Restoring the Ghostly and the Ghastly**.

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