

**North West Q Guild**

Minutes of meeting held on 3rd November 2015

The Hartwood Chorley commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Greg Hull, Stuart Higginson, Martin Jones, Howard Callaghan, Martin, Tim and Jeremy Bennett, Mark Pearson.

Corporate members: Scobie and Junor, Innovative Food Products, Dalesman

Apologies: Jonathon Wallwork, Charles Clewlow, Philip Cranston, Neil Corry.

Corporate members presentation

Innovative Foods Ingredients: Brochures featuring the AVO product range were circulated.

Scobies Direct

Copies of the Scobies direct magazine were circulated. Featured in the magazine was an offer from Creative Retail for counter display layout.

Dalesman

The Xmas brochures were circulated, New products are to be launched early in 2016.

Christmas 2015 products and prices

Charles Clewlow

A party platter consisting of 4 BBQ ribs, 4 pigs in blankets, 4 smoked tomato sausage pigs in blankets, 4 mini thai chicken kebabs. Selling price £4.99 in an ovenable tray.

Greg Hull

Turkey breast stuffed with gammon slices and stuffing.

Mark Pearson

Turkey, pork and cranberry sausage meat. This is based on the Champion of Champion winner.

Stuart Higginson

English cured pork loins pumped 10%. They will be offered in 1kg units retailing at £7.99 each

All members agreed these were 4 excellent products for Christmas

Greg Hull prices £ per kilo

French trimmed rib 19.80, Sirloin 25.99, Topside 12.45, Brisket 8.79, Steak mince 8.59, Diced steak 10.65, Fillet 49.99, Pork loin 9.95, Back bacon 12.20, Sausage (all types) 7.89, Sausage meat 7.49, Pigs in blankets and chipolatas 9.99, Copas turkeys 12.50, Turkey breast 12.99

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Executive report

Greg Hull explained in detail the proposed Q Guild digital platform based on a system used by the Keurslager. This is to be rolled out to members following trials.

Inspections have ceased. Annual EHO reports must be sent to HQ, and a self audit form completed. A record 500 entries were entered into the Smithfield Awards. The awards lunch will take place on 19th November.

17 potential new members are to be visited by Gordon Newlands in the New Year.

The next meeting and AGM will take place on 12th January 2016 at The Hartwood commencing at 7.30pm

The Chairman wishes all members a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year

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