



Q GUILD North West Region

**Minutes of the regional meeting
held on Tuesday 10th October 2017
at Goodwins, Chorley**

Present

Greg Hull - Frasers Butchers, Stuart Higginson - Higginsons Butchers, John Mettrick - Mettricks Butchers, Neil and Jan Corry - Corrys Butchers, Martin, Tim, Jeremy Bennett - Bennetts of Bury, Howard Callaghan - Callaghans Butchers, Jonathon Wallwork - Walmsleys Butchers, Mark Duckworth - Dales Quality Meats, Martin Jones - Cranstons Ltd
Corporate Members: Graeme MacIntyre - Scobie and Junor, Steve Jones - Dalesman, Mike Richardson - AHDB

Apologies

Philip Cranston, Charles Clewlow, Lords of Middleton

Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

Proposed SH Seconded JM

Claire Holland Guild Manager

Claire introduced herself to the meeting and the members present introduced themselves.

Scobie and Junor presentation on Xmas ideas:

- Roasting tray 110 or 60mm deep will take a large turkey breast, lids to fit
- Pigs in blankets trays WW38
- Shropshire spices stuffings
- Organic sage and onion stuffing and peppers
- Rudolph fruity stuffing balls
- 70mu vac bags with greater clarity and softer feel
- Random print vac pouches 25,000 min order

Christmas 2017 and open forum:

- All opening 24th Dec. Most closing 31st Dec.
- Geese supplier being sought by a number of members
- Copas turkeys minimum order 100 for direct delivery
- SH unit pricing all poultry
- JM selling free range bronze turkey breast, growth in 3 bird roasts
- Danish Crown direct deliveries for gammons

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Executive Report:

- BBQ Competition and Conference meeting is to be held in Tring, Herts on 13th May 2018, venue to be confirmed
- Smithfield Awards lunch, to be held at Stationers Hall, London 7th Feb 2018
- TAC. 5 members temporarily suspended due to hygiene scores.
- Mystery shopper visiting 40 to 50 shops in 2018 via Shopper Anonymous
- Promotional Templates for posters and leaflets now available on the BOS

Any other business:

- JC is product of the month to often? As can take a week to develop, a week to trial and by the time customers get to know it, it's time to change to the new one. GH suggested it was purely a guideline, and if customers like it, then perhaps keep it running alongside the next one.
- It was with great regret that Bennetts of Bury have ceased trading after 99 years. They offered up a list of items for sale. Bennetts were founders of the Guild. All members wished them well for the future.

Next meeting: Regional AGM, 16th January 2018

Meeting closed 9pm

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