



## PRESS INFORMATION

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### **Together Towards Tomorrow: BMF Members Day 2016 announced**

The Builders Merchants Federation has announced the date, theme and venue for BMF Members Day 2016.

The event will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016 at Jurys Inn Hinckley Island Hotel in Leicestershire. Taking the theme **Together Towards Tomorrow**, the focus is firmly set on using the power of teamwork to create success.

The BMF is committed to revolving its annual Members Day event between venues in the north, midlands and south to better serve members in all parts of the country. Hinckley Island Hotel is perfectly located in central England with excellent transport links, including three major motorway networks and two international airports, making it particularly easy for members to attend wherever they are based.

Now part of the Jurys Inn group, the hotel was transformed in 2015 following a £4.5m refurbishment programme and the opening of the new Marco Pierre White Steakhouse Bar & Grill.

In addition to the BMF's AGM, Members' Day combines informal networking opportunities, a black-tie Awards Dinner, and informative business sessions with thought-provoking guest speakers.

For the third year running ACO will be the headline sponsor, Monument Tools will sponsor the BMF's popular Golf Tournament for a fourth successive year, and Marsh Industries will continue their sponsorship of the Awards Dinner for a second year.

There will also be two new Awards presented at the 2016 Awards Dinner, both sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Builders Merchants. The top performing BMF Postgraduate Diploma student will receive £1,000, while the top performing BMF Diploma in Merchanting student will receive £500.

Said BMF MD, John Newcomb: “Members’ Day continues to grow in its scope, scale and attendance. Every year we look to develop on the success of the last and we are looking forward to welcoming even more members in 2016. I am delighted that ACO, Monument Tools and Marsh Industries see the value in their continued support. I would also like to thank the Worshipful Company for their generous support of two new Awards that recognise the growing professionalism of our industry.”

Said Richard Hill, MD of headline sponsor, ACO: “We are pleased to continue our association with BMF Members Day for a third consecutive year. The BMF plays a vital role in the industry, particularly in bringing merchants and suppliers together at events like this. The theme of using the power of teamwork to create success should be of great interest to all and stimulate much debate during and after the day.”

For more information and to book your place at the BMF Members’ Day Event, please contact: [june.upton@bmf.org.uk](mailto:june.upton@bmf.org.uk)

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#### **Note to Editors**

**The Builders Merchants Federation Ltd (BMF)** is the only trade association representing and protecting the interests of builders’ merchants and suppliers to the merchanting industry in the UK. Total membership at 1 September 2015 stands at 500 merchant and supplier companies who together have combined sales in excess of £17.5bn and employ 94,500 people in the building materials industry. BMF’s 300+ merchant members operate almost 4,000 branches across the UK.

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