

Manager's message

I would like to wish all of our members a very happy Christmas and a rewarding 2017. Thank you for supporting LMR in its' 25th year. Your requests for services and inputs have kept us all busy whilst also providing valuable work for other members that offer their contracting services. Your LMR is a powerful resource offering members access to a wide variety of machinery and services that you may need to complete your farming workload. I believe that we are about to enter a period of uncertainty and change that can be mitigated by utilising LMR to provide a flexible and adaptable response. It offers contracting services from fellow members at very competitive prices that in many cases will provide the least cost solution. Contractor services provide the ideal machine for the job and skilled operators, mitigating the need to purchase expansive equipment and employ skilled labour. It has become increasingly difficult to find suitable farm labour for all enterprises. The problem appears to be at all skill levels and is likely to persist for years to come. Fortunately, LMR has access to GLA approved gangs and drivers, which can meet some of your labour needs.

LMR's group buying activities are saving members significant sums of money. However there are still many members that are missing out. Over time these lost opportunities become substantial and are an extra burden on your businesses. We negotiate and review our deals to be confident that there are real savings for members using reputable firms with the levels of service that meet your expectations. We have deals ranging from workshop gases, to spare parts, fuels and lubricants and aggregates and concrete, fertilisers, seeds and agrochemicals. Call to discuss how you can benefit.

It is encouraging to see that members are investing in new buildings on their farms and using LMR members for groundworks and building supply and erection. Our suppliers have many years of experience in agricultural building works, supplying buildings of high specification at very competitive prices. Please call for advice and prices on any building works you may be planning.

We look forward to another exciting year, finding the best solutions to your requests and making savings for you on your purchases in 2017.