



## NEWS RELEASE

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### AND THE BOSCA GOES TO...

#### **Barbon announces award winners at Hollywood Oscar-style ceremony at Madame Tussauds**

Barbon Insurance Group Limited ( tel: 01420 488288 or visit [www.barbon.com](http://www.barbon.com)) – one of the UK's fastest growing property insurance providers – announced the winners of its Olympic Super Champion Awards or BOSCA's at a sparkling Oscar-style ceremony held at Madame Tussauds on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

HomeLet, which is currently Barbon's top performing business and the number one place to work across the Group, won the BOSCA for 'Business of the Year'. It was a double win for the lettings and tenant referencing specialist with employee Sarah Day taking the People category as well as scooping the Overall 2010 BOSCA Champion prize of an all expenses trip to Hollywood.

John Boyle, HomeLet's Managing Director comments: "Winning this award tops off a fantastic 12 months for HomeLet and proves we have some real stars within the business. Special congratulations go to Sarah, but I also want to thank the entire team at Lincoln for their hard work, enthusiasm and continued commitment to innovation and success. Here's to another brilliant year!"

Farr's Rebecca Freeman won the 'Employee of the Year' category whilst Michelle Burton took 'Business Support Star of the Year' for her role within the HR department.

The other BOSCA winners were:

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| • Tim Pickett (Cross sell)       | Cadogan Keelan Westall |
| • Ricky Chivers (New Business)   | Cadogan Hanover Park   |
| • Sarah Day (People)             | HomeLet                |
| • Michelle Taylor (Cost control) | Deacon                 |
| • Laura Tait (Internet)          | Letsure                |

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Martin Oliver, Barbon's Chief Executive says: "The BOSCA's was our number one recognition event for staff and it didn't disappoint. It was a fantastic night and made me feel incredibly proud to run Barbon.

He continues: "The 2011 event will have the same Olympic theme, but with the addition of medals for world class retention stories i.e. customer service or testimonials. We will also be holding a 'Barbon has Talent' show on the same night."

Guests arrived via the red carpet at the main entrance of Madame Tussauds in London. A drinks reception with the 'A' List party including David and Victoria Beckham, Samuel L Jackson, Nicole Kidman and Leonardo DiCaprio was followed by guests meeting Hollywood stars in the World Stage Ballroom where dinner was served. Celebrities included Marilyn Monroe, Jim Carey, Shrek and Spiderman.

Barbon's market leading brands are Keelan Westall, Cadogan Keelan Westall, Deacon, Cadogan Hanover Park (SaifInsure, TruckInsure, Plastech, Performance Media and CareAssured), HomeLet, Rentshield, Letsure, Zennor, BIBALet and Farr.

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Note to editors:

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