



Caterer – 3rd February 2011

Head chef Pete Taylor wins mentor award

Pete Taylor, who works in the head chef job at Manchester's Room restaurant, has been given the Chef Mentor Award at the Great Northern Cook Off gala dinner.

To win the title, Mr Taylor, who is from Stockport, beat off competition from some other great local chefs, including Andrew Nutter, of Nutters in Rochdale, and David Gale, of the Podium at the Hilton Hotel in Manchester.

Paul Beckley, of The French at the Midland Hotel in Manchester, Aiden Byrne, of the Church Green in Lymm, and Marc Mattocks from the Dun Cow in Knutsford were also on the shortlist for the award.

The judge of the awards, two Michelin-starred chef Michael Caines, said that Mr Taylor's mentoring was the best of all.

Jamie Jones, general manger of Room, said: "This is a great reflection of the hard-working and talented team we have assembled in the restaurant. We intend to build on this for the future."

Last month, those working in [hospitality jobs](#) were urged to enter a competition for the Savoy Gastronomes' Olive Barnett Award 2011, which recognises enthusiasm, skill and dedication in the industry.

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