



# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP  
FEBRUARY 2025



## A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST EMPLOYEES



### **DESMOND WILSON** TRADE COUNTER SALESPERSON

Desmond recently joined the Glarryford branch on 17th February reporting to Richard White. Before joining JP Corry, Desmond has a career that spans over 20 years of being a self employed joiner! Outside of work, Desmond enjoys getting to the gym, going for walks (especially on the beach) as well as learning how to play the guitar.



### **JIMMY SHAW** HGV DRIVER

Jimmy Shaw started in the Ballymena branch on 3rd February reporting to Trish McCully. Jimmy has a long careers of being a lorry driver, and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience. Jimmy has a passion for motorbikes, and goes away on motoring holidays each year with his club!



### **COLIN HARBINSON** MILL OPERATIVE

Colin recently joined the Manufacturing department on 3rd February reporting to Kieran Quinn. Colin has previous experience working in Coca Cola and Decora. Outside of work, Colin enjoys spending time with him wife and 3 children, getting time to read books as well as keeping fit with boxing.



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**LIZA WAKENSHAW**  
BRANCH ADMINISTRATOR

Liza recently joined the Portadown branch as Branch Administrator on 24th February reporting to Conor Lappin. Liza has vast experience in admin roles having worked in various companies throughout her career. In her spare time, Liza likes to wind down reading books, getting out for walks with her dog, Dexter, and flying off on city breaks!

**PAUL MCSTRAVICK**  
YARD OPERATIVE

Paul started as Yard Operative at Springfield Road on 3rd February reporting to Scott McDonald. Previously, Paul has worked in airside control at Belfast International Airport, as well as previous joinery experience. Paul is a big Man United fan and, in his spare time is a referee for sports games!



**PATRICK KELLY**  
TRADE COUNTER SALES PERSON

Patrick has joined the Castledawson branch on 24th February as Trade Counter Salesperson reporting to Ricky White. Previously, Patrick has various construction based experience with dry lining and ground works. Outside of work, Patrick enjoys keeping up with sports, particularly football and Formula 1.

**MARK HAIRE**  
YARD OPERATIVE

Mark started in the Lisburn branch on 10th February reporting to Michael Gilvary. Mark has many year's experience working in manufacturing roles, and has also been a professional carer. Outside of work, Mark likes to watch football, with his favourite team being Man United, and has also set up his own paranormal investigation team!







# DECENCY



## Long Service



Big congratulations to Janet Purse who recently celebrated her 25 year work anniversary at JP Corry!

Janet has been a valued part of both our Hillview and Bangor branches, always bringing dedication, knowledge, and a friendly smile.

## GREEN THUMBS



Gairdín An Phobail are a volunteer-led community group in right round the corner from Springfield, helping school children grow food and tackle climate change - at school, with their families, and in community gardens.

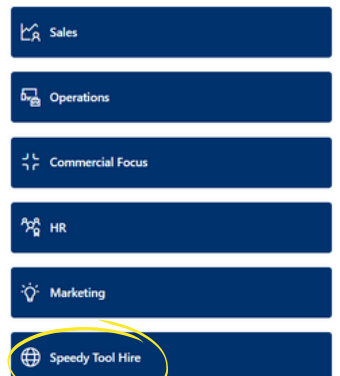


## SPEEDY HIRE

Everything you need for Speedy Tool Hire is now live on the JP Corry Intranet page!



JP Corry Central Functions



## March 2025

Take 5 Theme of the Month:

## Women in Construction

March marks both International Women's Day and Women in Construction Week, highlighting the vital role women play in the industry. This month's Take 5 theme focuses on recognising and supporting women in construction - championing diversity, inclusion, and progress across the sector.

Keep an eye out for some ways we are celebrating our female colleagues!





# PASSION



## WALL GANG

We were delighted to donate hats and safety gloves to keep the Clandeboyne Golf Club NI Wall Gang warm and safe as they continue their fantastic work restoring historic dry-stone walls, which had become overgrown and collapsed over the past century.

Since 2017, the Wall Gang has been meeting weekly, working hard, sharing laughs, and leave with a real sense of accomplishment!

Keep learning



## CURE IT DEMO DAYS

Take a look at the Dromore and Downpatrick branches during the Cure It Demo Days held recently!

This is a fantastic opportunity for both staff and customers to get hands-on with the latest market products and new and exciting solutions.

Stay tuned for more details on dates and locations!



Give



## CURRENT VACANCIES

Click [here](#) to view the latest roles available JP Corry from the Intranet page

JOB

## Carbon Corner



"The Great Pacific Garbage Patch now contains around 2 trillion pieces of plastic, including plastic bottle caps, bottles, bags, lids, containers, and cups."

Do you have an idea on how we can reduce our carbon footprint in the workplace?

Send in your ideas to:  
[marketing@jpcorry.co.uk](mailto:marketing@jpcorry.co.uk)

## BRANCH ROADSHOWS

JP Corry Roadshows Are in Full Swing!

We're well underway with our Branch Roadshows, and with nearly half of them completed, it's been fantastic connecting with all our colleagues on the past year.



There's still more to come, so stay tuned for your branch upcoming!





# PRIDE



## INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION



This past month, JP Corry has been out and about at career fairs, showcasing the exciting career pathways we offer in the building and construction industry.

It's been fantastic engaging with those eager to start their journey in construction - we look forward to welcoming future talent to the JP Corry team!



## MENS SHED

L'Derry was delighted to donate timber, safety gloves, and measuring tapes to Glen's Men's Shed, supporting their fantastic work in the community. These spaces provide a great opportunity for men to connect, share skills, and work on meaningful projects.



**Name**

**Glarryford - Bronze Award**

### Reason for Nomination

"Barbara started with us at the start of 2024 as our new Counter Sales Operative. I have worked to JP Corry for almost 19 years and Barbara is by far the best shop/counter sales i have known. The shop is always looking great we have had numerous positive comments from management, sales reps and most importantly customers on how good our shop looks and this is all down to Babs, she is also great with customers and colleagues alike a real joy to work with and a great work ethic to match."

## FEBRUARY SPOTLIGHT

