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NEWSLETTER

30th Anniversary Special Edition

August 14th 2025

Good morning everyone and welcome to August QFS newsletter. This issue will contain:

- 30th Anniversary Celebrations
- Charity Focus Announcement
- Meeting the new starters
- A CEO update
- Brand new puzzle for August!

Make sure you keep reading for the chance to win a £20 Amazon voucher!

We hope you're all having a fab Summer!

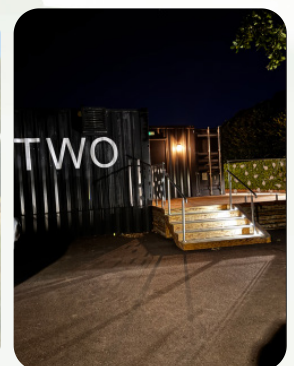
Thank you for reading and have a Quality day.



L-R: Josephine Ward, Martin Johnson MBE

To celebrate the actual date Quality Fright Services Ltd formed, Martin Johnson's wife (pictured alongside Martin above) took Martin to a local Michelin recommended restaurant for a wonderful meal on August 14th.

She arranged a thoughtful night to remember for Martin as the restaurant is not only awarded 3 rosettes but it's built from various shipping containers which helped celebrate this milestone perfectly for Martin and Quality Freight Services.





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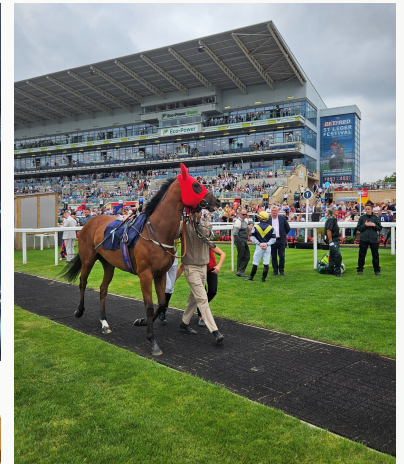
August 16th 2025

On August 16th colleagues from all Quality Freight Services offices were welcomed to the Garden Suite at Doncaster Racecourse to celebrate 30 years of trading with a day to remember!

A HUGE thank you to everyone who attended and made at the day such a success - Quality Freight wouldn't be where it is today without all of you and it was amazing to see everyone celebrating together in one place.



1st Picture L-R: Horse Owner, Horse Owner, Matt Bishop, Joyce Arthur, Horse Owner, Vickie Storey, Lee Pledger, Duncan Winn, Jack Sandhu, Cheralyn Coleman, Gareth Charles, Lee Pledger, Horse Owner



L-R: Lee Farrar, Gareth Charles, Cheralyn Coleman, Jack Sandhu, Vickie Storey, Lee Pledger, Joyce Arthus, Duncan Winn, Best Dressed Horse Winner, Matt Bishop



L-R: Joel Moore, Fahim Ashraf, James Hesp-Williams, Keri MacInnes, Horse Owner, Dion Rees, Horse Owner, Steve Harris, Jockey, Kelly English, Reece Armitt, Jason Phillips



Duncan Winn

"Saturday was a fantastic day for the company & whilst we were all coming together to celebrate 30 years of QFS which is a wonderful achievement and one that, old timers like myself feel immensely proud of. The day itself felt like a nice culmination of all the hard work done in the past 2 years to unify the business. Seeing everyone interacting and celebrating together under one roof was a real moment of pride for me & validated exactly what we're trying to achieve going forwards. A business that interacts and engages with each other to help stimulate growth together. I always say that our workforce is our biggest strength at QFS and Saturday really put a stamp on that for me, we've got a brilliant group of people all pulling in the right direction at this company & seeing that come together as it did on Saturday was extremely satisfying to see and be a part of.

When I joined the company in 2003 I couldn't possibly have envisaged the journey that me and the company were about to embark upon, it's not always been straight forward. It probably won't ever be straight forward but where's the fun in that! What I do know for sure is, the company is on the up and we've got a great deal to look forwards to, together. Thanks to Martin for his continued support, to Tracy and Steve (the OG's) for the counsel we still keep and value daily and, to all the staff at QFS old and new for their incredible efforts to help push the business. 3 Decades of QFS so far, let's make the next Decade our best yet!"



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A few words from your colleagues:

Peter Robson

"It was a brilliant day out, full of brilliant people from a brilliant company. I am saying brilliant too much? I can't help it as that's the only word to describe it!"



Joel Grant

"It was a great day all round! A good opportunity to catch up with colleagues from other branches and meet people I haven't had the chance to meet yet. The food was lovely and so was the beer... also nice to win some money. Thanks to everyone who helped organise the day!"

L-R: Karolina Jasinka, Fiona Noble, Liane Oluban, Alex Lansdown, Lois Ellis, Kieran McKeowan, Natalie Wood, Sonia Wilkinson, Levi Martin, Rebecca Owens, Joel Moore

James Bates

"Thank you for the 30th anniversary event! Myself and my partner thoroughly enjoyed the occasion and clearly a lot of thought and effort went into the organisation of it all.

It was great to meet everyone in person, and I am truly grateful for having the privilege of being a part of it all!

Fantastic time with a fantastic bunch of people, thanks again!"



L-R: Alison Turner, Peter Robson, Rachel Berney

Kasey Atie

"Being newly employed to QFS, I felt the company day celebrating 30 years of QFS trading was a brilliant event and effort from the company.

The location, venue and daytime event were all truly stunning and all staff/guests were extremely well catered for.

The opportunity to meet colleagues and network amongst colleagues from various branches and departments up and down the country was also very special. And in my humble opinion, will only serve to strengthen us as a company based on stronger inter-staff bonds/relations that have been forged and enhanced.

A massive shout out and thanks to all colleagues that worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make the event what it was, 'special' – Your efforts are appreciated and celebrated.

The only shame is how long we may have to wait for the next one!"



L-R: Peter Robson, Lee Farrar

Lee Farrar

"Thank you for a Brilliant day so well Organised, it was everything I was hoping for and a lot more.

As a Racing fan this will go down as one of the best days ever!"





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A few words from your colleagues:

Joyce Arthur

"What an incredible milestone – 30 years of Quality!"

The day was filled with joy, laughter, and a sense of pride to be part of this amazing company. The energy was contagious, the atmosphere reminded us of what makes this place special, and the incredible work that we do. It was great to put so many faces to names, especially across team and regions that don't get to connect in person. Here's to continuing to the journey together - and to many more milestones ahead!

Admittedly, my betting skills left a lot to be desired (clearly not my calling Haha), but it was all part of the fun. A memorable experience all around.

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the day special."

Gareth Charles

"It was great to meet with colleagues from other branches and to join them in celebrating the company's 30th anniversary! The Doncaster Racecourse was a great venue for the occasion which added to the memorable experience and atmosphere on the day. So, I'm really looking forward to the next big celebration!"



L-R: Lewis Pantry, Liane Oluban, Alex Lansdown, Joel Moore

Vanip Kenth

"I had a fantastic day at the races—it was a great mix of excitement, good company, and a welcoming atmosphere. The energy of the event, the thrill of watching the horses, and getting to know my new colleagues, made it an unforgettable experience."

Angela Cunningham

"Myself and Mark had an absolutely fabulous time, I feel bad that I didn't get around too much and say hello to everyone, but it was so good to meet everyone that I did manage to speak to and I apologise to anyone I didn't, I'm sure we will meet up again in the future. Everyone looked very smart and all the ladies' dresses were beautiful as they are. We had a good day and came out a little bit on top, it would have been a bit better if my husband would have listened to me on one of the bets, but hey that's men for you lol. thank you."



L-R: Alison Turner, Poppy Berney, Rachel Berney

Cassie Faucitt

"It was a lovely day celebrating an amazing company and amazing people, was great to put faces to names and to build stronger relationships with people I speak to on a day-to-day basis. Looking forward to the next one!"

Caron Brassington

"What an amazing weekend celebrating - lots of wins, lots of laughs, lots of giggles and lots of thank you's on the memories made! (normally I'd just put bloody great day) haha"

Pamela Burke

"Myself and my husband, Mark Burke, thoroughly enjoyed our day at the races. Hotel was excellent food very nice. Great to meet all my colleagues face to face, and I got 3 winners which made my day."



L-R: Joe and Caron Brassington



L-R: Mark and Pamela Burke



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A few words from your colleagues:

Emma-Jade Cogan

"Saturday 16th August marked 30 years of QFS. I couldn't be more honoured than to be part of it.

I had never been to the races (not even watched on TV!) And in all honesty, I didn't think I would like it. Well, I absolutely loved it!! The atmosphere was electric, food was delicious, everyone looked amazing! It was one heck of a day."



L-R: Conor Horgan, Katherine Horgan, Cheralyn Coleman, Marc Coleman, David Bartlett, Suzie Gillings, Emma-Jade Cogan, Poppy Voyde, Harry Price, Abby Martindale, Matt Martindale



L-R: Suzie Gillings, Matt Martindale, Emma-Jade Cogan, Duncan Winn, Cheralyn Coleman, Katherine Horgan, Poppy Voyde

Joel Moore

"Thoroughly enjoyed the QFS Races Day. Great to meet everyone and put faces to names. Loved it! Looking forward to it becoming an annual thing!"

Tom Riley

"It was a fantastic event and it was great to finally put some names to faces! It was definitely worth the hangover on Sunday!"

Ibrahim Parekh

"Saturday's get-together at Doncaster Racecourse was a brilliant way to celebrate 30 years of Quality Freight. It was fantastic to finally meet so many of you in person—putting faces to names and building new friendships along the way. Seeing the whole team together, united and living out the values that have driven our success, reminded me exactly why this business has grown the way it has—and why I'm proud to be part of its future.

A massive shoutout to Jenna for pulling off such a well-organised and memorable event. The day ran like clockwork, and that's down to her incredible effort and the support of everyone who helped make it happen.

Also... the magician? Absolutely mind-blowing. I'm still not sure how he did half of it—and frankly, I kept my distance just in case he made me disappear too!

Here's to the next 30 years—stronger, together."



L-R: Alison Turner, Pamela Burke, Kathryn Owen



L-R: Pamela Burke, Caron Brassington



L-R: Emma-Jade Cogan, Cheralyn Coleman





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A few words from your colleagues:



Callum Barnes

"Thought the whole event start to finish was great, was great to meet everyone from all the other branches, something I've not had the chance of doing and really enjoyed doing so! Very grateful for the whole day, including the free drinks token, accommodation and the food!

More so on the company, I love working for Quality Freight, we are very well looked after, the office I work in (LEI) is great, everyone here wants to do well. Joining QFS changed my life, since joining I have managed to buy my first house, and all because QFS took the punt on me when I was only 6 months in to the freight industry, can see my self working here for a very long time."

Alison Turner

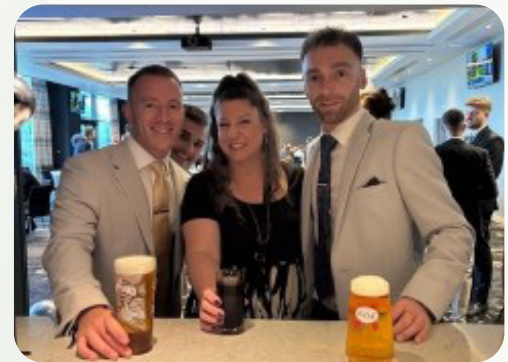
"Saturday at the races was brilliantly organised by Jenna and the girls , the venue was really nice and the room was set up lovely.

Really nice to put faces to names and meeting all staff from all other branches, it felt like one big family!

Thank you, Martin & Duncan, for a great day and night."



L-R: Lewis Pantry, Fiona Noble, Vickie Storey, Joel Moore



L-R: Joel Moore, Sonia Wilkinson and Lewis Pantry



Closing remarks from Martin Johnson:

From my perspective it was a huge success, and it was great to meet and chat to so many people.

Thanks for coming and making it a great day. I know it's a bit 'soppy' but Saturday really did fill me with a massive sense of pride, camaraderie, and just pure joy.

Thanks everyone!

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Friday 1st August 2025

Quality Freight Services Expands with New Belfast Office

We are proud to announce the opening of our new office in Belfast — a significant milestone in Quality Freight Services Limited's continued growth journey.

For over 30 years, we have built a strong reputation across the UK for delivering reliable and efficient air, road, and sea freight solutions. The launch of our Belfast office marks a strategic step forward, strengthening our presence in Northern Ireland and enhancing our ability to serve clients across the UK and beyond.

This expansion reflects our long-term commitment to innovation, service excellence, and deepening relationships with our partners. We are incredibly grateful to our dedicated team, loyal customers, and the wider Irish community for their support and warm welcome.

We look forward to the opportunities this new chapter brings and to working closely with our partners as we continue to grow and evolve together.

Yours sincerely,

Duncan Winn

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Macmillan Coffee Morning

Calling all bakers (and fakers)!

It's time for **Macmillan Coffee Morning** and you're all invited!



Friday 26th September

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT
A registered charity



After the HUGE success of our coffee morning last year we have decided to raise money for Macmillan Coffee Morning again this year!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 26TH

All you have to do is eat cake and donate - it's really that easy!

Macmillan will do whatever it takes for the 3.5 million people living with cancer in the UK right now. The number of people being diagnosed with cancer is rising and more people are surviving cancer than ever before, so we need to act now to prevent a crisis in cancer care. Macmillan works with partners to provide services for people living with cancer at every stage of their cancer experience.

So, on September 26th don your apron (or pop to the shops) for a baking creation to share with your colleagues! We will be raising money across all QFS sites and hope to see lots of pictures of everyone's coffee morning as we raise awareness and donations for an incredible cause.

You can donate [HERE](#)

Let's make 2025 even better!

Mount Snowdon Climb

Between 5th–7th September, Ibrahim Parekh from our Bristol branch will be climbing Mount Snowdon with a group of close friends (and a few little ones joining the adventure!) in memory of his dear friend/brother Akeel, his wife Hannah, and their daughter Sara, who tragically lost their lives in the Air India crash on 12th June 2025.

Alongside this, four more friends will be heading to Morocco on 18th September to take on the Mount Toubkal Summit—also in support of the same cause. Both climbs are completely self-funded, so every penny raised goes directly to charity.

A few words from Ibrahim:

My personal fundraising is focused on supporting the Cahaya Ilahi orphanage in Indonesia—helping provide clean water, safe shelter, and the foundations for a better future. As a father, this feels deeply personal. We all want the best for our children and for the generations to come, and this is a small way of helping make that possible for others who deserve the same chance.

We've created an Instagram page so you can follow the journey and be part of it with us: [@tribesoftrail](#)

If you'd like to support, here's the link to the fundraising page: [Mount Snowdon climb](#)



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Meeting The New Starters



We would like to take this time to introduce our new starters, who joined the QFS family in July. Please be sure to give them a warm welcome!

Welcome, we can't wait to see what you achieve!

WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
George Deem
Freight Account Manager - Southampton



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WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
Marty Chappell
Branch Manager - Belfast



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WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
Samantha Bagwell
Ocean Freight Operations - Manchester



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WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
Bailey Blair
Freight Account Manager - London



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WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
Steve Poole
EU Commercial Manager - Folkestone



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WELCOME TO THE TEAM!
Joe Knott
Freight Account Manager - East Midlands



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CHARITY FOCUS

If you're raising money for a good cause and would like to be featured in the next newsletter, please send all the details to Media and you will be included to promote the charity that you're involved with. Let's make a difference together!



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Monday 4th August 2025

Welcoming Our First Apprentices - The Freight Academy

We're delighted to announce another major milestone in our company's journey: the official launch of the **Freight Academy**—our very own, BIFA-accredited apprenticeship programme, created to nurture the next generation of talent in the logistics and freight industry.

Today, we proudly welcome the first three apprentices to join the Freight Academy into our fantastic Sheffield Office. Their arrival marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter for our business—one that reflects our continued commitment to long-term growth and our belief in investing in people.

The Freight Academy has been carefully developed to offer a blend of hands-on experience, structured learning, and mentorship from some of the most experienced professionals in our field. More than just a training scheme, our aim is to offer the perfect launchpad for successful career development in Freight.

This initiative comes at a time of sustained growth for our company. As we celebrate 30 years of trading, we remain focused on building a future that is not only successful but sustainable. The Freight Academy is a key part of that vision.

Please join me in welcoming our new apprentices, Ethan, Zach and Harry and, in celebrating this exciting new venture. We look forward to the impact they will make—and the future they will help shape.

Yours sincerely,

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We Have A Winner!

It's important we manage a good work - life balance and one of the best ways to do that is picking up a hobby. For Tam Robertson that is Body building:



Recently, he won the first competition of his 2025 season! Not only did he win for his class in 'Mens physique' he also beat the winners from the other classes!

Tam, we want to say a huge congratulations and best of luck from everyone here at Quality Freight for your upcoming show at the UK championship.

If you want to follow Tam's journey you can follow him on Instagram @ Tamslean

If you have a recent win or an interesting hobby you would like to share with everyone, you can send it over to media@qualityfreight.co.uk to be featured in the next newsletter!

PUZZLE

As always, thank you to everyone who participated in the puzzle last month, it's really great to see so many people getting involved!

As for August - please see the Quality Freight Services history quiz!

To **WIN**, all you have to do is email the answers to Media@qualityfreight.co.uk and if you're first to get them all right, you will win a £20 Amazon voucher!

As for the July winner, receiver of their very own voucher and bragging rights – **Lauren Simmonds!!**
Congratulations, your prize is on its way to you!



If there's something you would like to see highlighted or discussed in the next newsletter, please let us know. We love your feedback!

Thank you all for reading, we hope you have a Quality day!