

## Meet the team

### Stuart Smith - Yard manager

Stuart has been working in the industry for 20 years so there isn't much he doesn't know or can't help you with when it comes to your landscaping needs. Over the years he has seen all the trends for your garden change and because of this he manages to stay one step ahead of the of landscaping fads and offer customers the latest ideas. When it comes to any aspect of paving or walling whether it is natural stone or reconstituted concrete Stuart has the knowledge and contacts to make any proposed project become a reality.

### Jason Smith - Transport and office manager

Behind every good man is a good woman-how many times you have heard that? The same applies for a business- Jason is like the proverbial good woman, Jason is a very diverse member of the team who is as at home driving an hgv wagon, dealing with health and safety issues or ordering all our new vehicles. Although Jason isn't always seen on the shop floor his role within the company is a very important one and is an integral member of the team.

### Neil Willetts - Timber, decking and sales

Neil is Stuart's right hand man, Neil has a long standing love affair with power tools and all things wooden, and his passion for trees is why he is ideal for dealing with all timber and decking enquiries. Neil is the driving force behind our excellent delivery service and if there's a job needs doing in a hurry he's your man.

### Chas Long - horticulturist and sales

Chas qualified in landscape design, construction, groundsmanship and plant husbandry at Pershore College of Horticulture. With over 15 years experience in all areas of landscape construction he is the original `garden guru` and there is nothing he doesn't know about landscaping.

#### Manu Harrison - water features and sales

Following several summer stints Manu finally joined us in full time in 2004 after emigrating from New Zealand to marry his English bride. Water features are his passion and there cannot be many people who have experience of water feature sales in two hemispheres! Manu (dingo) assures us that the water in his features spins the other way round down under!.

#### Matt Graham - HGV crane driver.

If Carlsberg did lorry drivers Matt would be the best lorry driver in the world (probably)&hellip;. Over 10 years experience of delivering to people's doors makes Matt's experience irreplaceable. Matt's kitted out with the very best in delivery equipment to enable him to go where other drivers can not reach! Matt always does his very best to assist his customers but don't ask him to damage his pride and joy truck on overhanging trees etc. as he may start crying !!!

#### Rob Glass -HGV crane driver and sales.

If you've ever had a delivery, large or small, chances are that you've seen Rob, he started with us over 9 years ago, for 2 weeks to help out. The rest as they say is history!. Rob enjoys his job as a class II hgv driver, a qualification he gained whilst working at Gardeners World along with his hiab certification. However Rob is also just as happy serving customers in the yard, he's always got a smile and happy to help.

#### Ian Willetts - 7.5 ton tipper driver

Ian or as he's affectionally known by everyone 'large' is one of the longest standing members of the team. He joined Gardeners World 18 years ago from school and has seen many changes. Working in the yard for many years he eventually chose his vocation as a lorry driver. Ian carries out the vast majority of our physically demanding manual deliveries which is no doubt the reason he keeps in such good shape. Always happy to help Ian is a part of the furniture, a gentle giant with a heart of gold.

#### Mark Roberts - yard assistant and sales

Mark Is the baby of the bunch, this shy, retiring young man joined us in 2006. Going from strength to strength he has obtained qualifications in fork lift driving and shovel loading and works tirelessly preparing orders for delivery, serving customers with collections and receiving our daily new stock intakes. Be here early and you'll catch Mark fresh faced with his packed lunch of turkey sandwiches lovingly prepared by his mom and then he is off to the top of the yard until his work is done.