

# THE WET END

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## WHERE IN THE WORLD IS WJ?

Since the early 1980s WJ Groundwater has grown at a steady pace, securing many large infrastructure projects all around the globe. This map will give you an idea of where in the world we work and where we're going to pop up next!

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|  Canada<br>Toronto Metro                    |  Turkey<br>Galata Pier  |
|  United Kingdom<br>Thames Tideway<br>UK     |  Myanmar<br>Coming Soon   |
|  Ireland<br>Coming Soon                     |  United Arab Emirates<br>& Qatar<br>Trop 2022<br>RFA World Cup 2022 |
|  Poland<br>Warsaw M2 Metro<br>& M2 Motorway |  Australia<br>Coming Soon   |



UK PROJECT UPDATE



CLIPSTONE YARD FOCUS



MIDDLE EAST IN PICTURES

## UK PROJECT UPDATE: M74 RAITH INTERCHANGE

**W**J Groundwater has been busy above the Scottish border working on the infrastructure project at the M74 Raith Interchange. The job is undertaken for our client Ferrovial Lagan Joint Venture on behalf of Transport Scotland.

To construct a new underpass under the M74, our client has engaged us to lower the water table both to relieve pressure on the contiguous piles during construction and ensure the earthworks operation is dry. At the time of publication, this section of the contract is almost complete. WJ Groundwater's drilling crew (Michael Crowley, Alex Walford, Daniel Ashton and Martin Barton) has been very busy installing deep wells since last February.

Our operatives including Stef Thomas, Darek Zieba, Paul Barnes and electrician Rob Whitty have been hard at work alongside the drilling crews. So far they have successfully installed three of the four phases of pumps and have successfully achieved drawdown in plenty time for our client's on-going operations to run to design. Overall completion is expected in December 2016.



Martin Barton (Drilling Assistant) (left) and Danny Ashton (Lead Driller) enjoy a rare moment of sunshine during the installation of a dewatering well for the underpass.

## CLIPSTONE YARD FOCUS

**T**he Wet End chatted with Lee Stone about the function of WJ Groundwater's Clipstone Yard.

It acts as the distribution hub for the whole company. Everything from a 22 ton drilling rig to a bag of cable ties gets despatched from Clipstone. Lee oversees about 20 truckloads per month journeying all over the UK and on occasion as far as Dubai.

Since Lee started with the company in 2013, exports have increased with up to two containers being delivered to overseas sites per month. Along with achieving ISO9001, 14001, 19001, the team at Clipstone which includes Shaun and Jonny are proud of the improved progress they continue to make with better inventory tracking systems and service records.



Look out for a forthcoming blog about Clipstone with more pics.





Montgomerie Golf Course in Dubai



Tottenham Hotspur FC

## THE SPORTS VENUES' CHOICE

**W**J Groundwater has completed work on many high profile projects at famous sporting venues all around the world. Whether we're part of a complete rebuild or on damage limitation we've helped many teams go on to victory behind the scenes. This is because every team, no matter what sport, no matter how big they are, needs a home ground to be proud of.

### ROLL CALL:

To date WJ Groundwater has worked at: Lord's Cricket Ground, Tottenham Hotspur FC - both in London, the Grand Prix Circuit at Lulu Island in Abu Dhabi, Montgomerie Golf Course in Dubai. As you probably all know, we're a firm of sporting fanatics and sponsor Team Frankie's cycle team in UAE, WJ sponsored basketball team in Qatar too! Many of you participate in sponsored events too and we'd like to continue to encourage more of these activities. So well done to all of you who have gone out there to raise funds for charity!

Keep an eye on the blog to see what's happening overseas to find out what's coming next! We could be working with your favourite sports team next!



## GO TEAM FRANKIE'S!

**T**eam Frankie's have been doing well this year with their biggest win being the Emirates Airlines Cycling Club 50 km TTT (Team Time Trial).

Here's a summary of the most recent results:

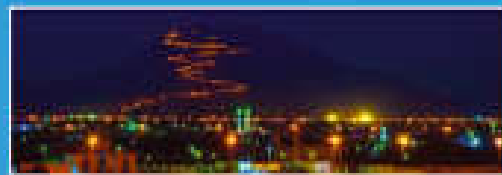
- \* EMIRATES TTT SERIES MAY 2016  
Race winner
- \* EMIRATES TTT SERIES JUNE 2016  
Race winner
- \* RIDE AJMAN  
David Williams 4th place elite and overall
- \* AL AIN TO JEBEL HAFEEET RACE 1  
David Williams 6th place elite and overall
- \* AL AIN TO JEBEL HAFEEET RACE 2  
David Williams 5th / Levi Denys 7th place elite and overall
- \* CAPE ROULEUR – CAPE TOWN  
Paul Miles, first division qualifier

Follow Team Frankie's at [facebook.com/teamfrankies](https://www.facebook.com/teamfrankies)

Jason is one of our regular Friday riders, here is his son Jack taking part in the 20 km off road Pulse Cycling event on his 'Fat Boy'.



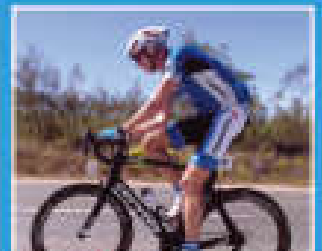
Emirates TTT Series June 2016



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### DID YOU KNOW?

WJ Groundwater's website is NOW multi-lingual  
[www.wjgl.com](http://www.wjgl.com)



Paul Miles, first division qualifier - Cape Town

## DUBAI CANAL PROJECT

**W**J Groundwater was recently selected to undertake the dewatering of the remaining section of the ongoing Dubai Canal Project.

We are delighted to announce that it has now secured all the contracts for the dewatering and over pumping from the Gulf to the Business Bay lagoons, a total distance of 5.6 km. The works include excavations under the Sheikh Zayed Road. WJ Groundwater works have so far included wells, pipelines and booster pumps including using 630 mm line for over pumping.



Lovejeet Singh, Subeer Khan (Technician) and Muhammed Riyas (Banksman) installing the main 630 mm HDPE pipeline.



Paul Turner & Team

WJ's project team was headed up by John Paul Alookaran (Operations Manager), assisted by Renjith Rajan (Senior Engineer), Jewel Jacob (Site Engineer), Lovejeet Singh (Works Foreman), Suhail Ahmed (Technician), Usqat Khan (Technician), Hussain Basha (Technician), Jimesh Ouseph (Electrician) and Rayan Angles (Mechanic) who were all fully involved in the job.



One of WJ's SM14 rigs drilling a well in the shadow of the Burj Khalifa.

## NEW STARTER CORNER: KAROLINA MLYNARSKA

**W**J Groundwater welcomes Karolina Mlynarska to the Poland office. She was employed in March 2016 as a Marketing and Procurement Specialist. Her main responsibilities are to liaise with new and current clients during the tendering process, the Polish contractors database is also under her remit along with any office administration that comes her way.

Karolina is from Lodz and gained a Bachelor's Degree in Physiotherapy at Medical University of Lodz and a Master's in Management at University of Social Sciences too. Her previous work experience includes two years in a similar role to her position at WJ Groundwater. Even more interestingly she managed a restaurant in Chicago (USA) for 7 years, which contributed to her ear for languages.

A self-confessed "people" person, Karolina is at ease working closely with WJ Groundwater's partners often smoothing communications between companies.

We are very happy to have Karolina on the team and wish her lots of luck with her chosen career. We hope her time at WJ Groundwater is memorable and enjoyable.

