



CLEANING MATTERS

THE NEWSLETTER OF CAGNEY CONTRACT CLEANING

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Welcome to Issue 33 (Nov 2017) of Cleaning Matters. I'd like to remind you that if you have any contributions to the newsletter, please forward them to me. Remember this is *your* newsletter. *Editor: Deborah Barker*

Our New Area Supervisor

We are delighted to welcome another Area Supervisor to our growing Area Supervisor team. Here are some words from our new Area Supervisor Tamas.

Tamas Kruchio — In 2005 I moved to Ireland with my family and finished out my schooling. During this time I worked as a Cleaning Operative and a Hotel Porter. In



2008 I returned home to Hungary and attended College. I returned to Ireland in 2010 as I really loved my previous time in Ireland and my family had remained in Ireland. Upon my return I again commenced operating as a Cleaning Operative, I was then promoted to Site Supervisor and I spent some time working as a Supervisor in a hotel. I knew I wanted to return to the Cleaning Industry and applied for the role advertised with Cagney's. I

am in the role over 2 months and really enjoying the challenges working across multi sites and meeting new people on a daily basis.

NISO Awards



NISO is the National Irish Safety Organisation. You can see Greg and his wife Denise collecting this years award for Highly Commended at the NISO Awards. Cagney Contract Cleaning have been a member of NISO since 2005 and have been a successful recipient of the awards every year to date. We would like to thank Greg O'Keeffe (Training Officer) and all of you for your help in our continuing success in the NISO Awards.

Storm Ophelia

Storm Ophelia hit our Country on 16th October 2017. As many are aware this is one of the worst storms in our history. We would like to thank the efforts of our employees during this day and the subsequent clean up. We can confirm that all employees scheduled to work on 16th October 2017 were paid in full for the scheduled hours of work. The safety of our employees is paramount at all times and as such it was necessary to have employees remain at home and to send others home during this day. If any employees have any queries regarding the 16th October 2017 please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Ailin Cagney Award Winner



The Ailin Cagney Award is a quarterly prize awarded to an employee in the form of a €250 voucher. Ailin was a founding partner of the business in 1977 and sadly passed away in 2004. This quarters' winner is Lukasz Szpilman and was nominated for the Ailin Cagney award by his Operations Manager (Martin Maguire) and Patrick Cagney (Director). Lukasz is a valued member of the Industrial team and upon finding valuable items misplaced in Dublin City Centre spend time locating the owner of these items and ensuring they were returned. This was brought to the attention of the Company and actions such as this ensure our Company name is upheld and demonstrate the honest and hard-working attitude of all our employees. We are delighted to award this quarter Ailin Cagney Award to Lukasz.



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TIPS FOR WINTER DRIVING

Irish Rail Strike

Essential Information for Driving in Bad Weather Conditions

Vision—Through the winter months dazzle from the low winter sun can be a particular problem.

Improve vision significantly by making sure that your windscreen is clean – inside and out. Use air conditioning for faster demisting and to reduce condensation on cold windows.

Check windscreen wipers and replace if necessary.

Make sure that wipers are switched off in the park position when leaving the car when there is a risk of freezing as failure to do so could damage the blades or wiper motor when you turn the ignition on if the blades have frozen to the screen.

Windscreen washer fluid should be topped up and treated with a proprietary additive to reduce the chance of freezing in frosty weather.

Visibility—Check that all bulbs are working and that headlights are clean and aimed correctly.

You must use headlights when visibility is seriously reduced. You may also use front or rear fog lights but these must be switched off when visibility improves as they can dazzle other road users and obscure your brake lights.

Tyres—Check all tyres for condition and pressure. Get up at least 10 minutes earlier to give you time to prepare your vehicle.

Don't drive off like a tank-commander, with a tiny hole cleared in your windscreen. Clear all windows of snow and ice using a scraper and de-icer.

Put safety before punctuality when the bad weather closes in. While it's always a good idea to allow extra time in winter for your journey, drivers must accept the inevitability of being late for work if they are caught up in an unexpected delay.

Driving on Icy Roads —Gentle manoeuvres are the key to safe driving.

Select second gear when pulling away, easing your foot off the clutch gently to avoid wheel-spin.

Leave as much room as possible between you and the car in front.

Always apply brakes gently. Release them and de-clutch if the car skids.

As we are all aware Irish Rail have 5 days strikes planned during the months on November 2017 and December 2017. The planned days of strike are as follows;

1—1st November 2017

2—7th November 2017

3—14th November 2017

4—23rd November 2017

5—8th December 2017

It is important that all employees who use the rail service make alternative arrangements on these days.

Employees who use other forms of public transport should factor in the large volumes of individuals that will use these services on strike days and leave enough time to arrive on time to work. All 5 days are normal working days.

I thank you in advance for your continued hard work and efforts displayed on a daily basis. Keep up the good work.

Competition Time

If you want to be in with a chance of winning a €50 voucher prize in our competition for this issue, just answer the following question:-

Q. What photo is displayed as the profile photo on the Cagney Contract Cleaning Facebook Page.

Send your answer, **along with your full name and site location**, using any of the following methods:- (*Check out our facebook page for help with the answer*)

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The closing date for this competition is 31st November 2017