

## **Dale Wade**

In January 2008 Dale Wade was kind enough to write an article entitled A Caring Hand for Carers.

Dale was caring for his wife and had been doing so for a number of years; Dale was put in touch with Carers Gateway to see if there was any help they could give to alleviate his caring role but also to see if there were any possibilities of aiding Dale to return to employment thus giving him a break from his caring role and to give him some self respect back. Carers Gateway staff helped him with interview techniques, job applications and put forward an application to the Carers Support Fund for funding towards fork lift truck driving courses as this was what Dale did before becoming a full time carer.

Dale successfully completed the training and was awarded his fork lift truck driving licence.

I am now pleased to announce that Dale has found full time employment as the warehouse supervisor for the newly opened Dunelm Mill shop. Neil Jones store manager said of Dale that he is an asset to the company and many of the procedures and working practises within the warehouse are down to Dale's hard work and commitment.

Once again congratulations to Dale.