Jaques Pretorius joins DWR

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DWR is delighted to welcome Jaques Pretorius (right) to the team, pictured here with Duncan Riley.

It gives DWR Distribution great pleasure to welcome Jaques Pretorius to our technical support and training team.

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Jaques will focus on MA Lighting support, head the Training Department, present training courses, play a key role in open days, roadshows and demonstrations, and assist clients with technical support. He takes over the role of Jannie de Jager who recently left the company to pursue a new career.

“I’ve seen Jaques at work over the past ten years, and he is always someone with a lovely nature while being clued up on the technical side,” commented Duncan Riley of DWR Distribution. “We are very glad to welcome him to the team and hope that he will enjoy a long and happy stay.”

Jaques discovered his passion for the industry whilst still at school. “I worked closely with Mr Hamm at Hoërskool Birchleigh who oversaw all the plays and productions at the school,” he recalls. While participating in the action, Jaques soon started experimenting on the equipment and realized that lighting was his passion!

“I like challenges, problem-solving and keeping up to date with technology,” says Jaques. “In my career, I’ve really enjoyed lighting and those goosebump moments when seeing the end result!” While lighting is his main field of expertise, he also enjoys rigging and has a huge interest in draughting.

On a personal level, Jaques’ cheerleaders have been his family. “My father passed away in a motor vehicle accident when I was three years old and my mother has been my greatest supporter since, always there with whatever I needed. My brother Walter Pretorius also works in the industry as an AV Technician. My own family will start soon as I plan to marry the love of my life, Riana Korner, in 2022, and then the circle of life will begin once more!” When there is time to unwind, Jaques, who has put his passion for hockey on hold due to time restraints, loves gaming.

“Every day presents a new opportunity to grow, and I believe that working at DWR will contribute

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to the growth and that an exciting future awaits me,” Jaques concludes

“I believe that while I can’t take back the past, I can fight for the future.”

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