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Commercial Experience

1997 – present FREELANCE – Marketing, Online Reputation & Graphic Design

Designed, created, managed & maintained websites and online reputation as a client and developer. I specialise in design and marketing communications for on & offline projects and consult on marketing strategy & branding.

February 2023 – September 2024 Cabra Taphouse & Wine Bar, Cheddar Gorge – Bar Manager

Front of house and customer facing I created the personality of the bar, training staff to support my vision to reposition the bar locally to improve its appearance and reputation. I added a calendar of events, improved the offerings of the bar and managed expectations which has improved average monthly sales by more than 30% in this duration. I also carried out the weekly bookkeeping, banking, stock and staff rota duties.

2021 – 2023

Cheddar Bikes - Managing Director & Customer Services

Bike hire, cycle workshop & local visitor information centre. I designed, formulated, and implemented the business practices, marketing strategy, designed and produced branding & communication from conception to becoming the No.1 ranked outdoor activity in the area for 2022 on Trip Advisor.

2010 - 2022

Extra Mile Printing Ltd – Managing Director - Designer, Project Manager & Customer Relations.

Design, print & garment decoration. Supplying local businesses, trades people and clubs with branded items. Leading 6 employees to design, present and implement projects – ensuring the team worked efficiently and to budget. I took ultimate responsibility for all sectors of the business, with emphasis on design, marketing, communications, production & sales.

2008 – 2010 VIP Ski – Driver, Ski Host, Concierge & Driver.

Premium tour operator in Val d'Isere. I worked in the logistics and management team. I hosted daily tours, events, and activities for guests throughout their week to ensure they had the best holiday.

2001 - 2006

Baird & Co Ltd - Marketing & Sales / Assistant to Managing Director.

Bullion merchants, fabricators & the largest gold refinery in the UK. I was assistant to the Managing Director in planning new operations within the organisation. We introduced high value bullion investment products to wealthy clients ensuring a suitable customer experience and developed a range of precious metal products for the jewellery industry.

I designed and produced marketing communications, managed product launch, sales and evolution, selected and trained staff and reported progress, formulating strategies based on the conclusions.

2000-2001 Sports.com – Junior Designer.

Website with news, retail, betting & forums – my role was to design corporate information, navigation, and promotional images for the website for national & international colleagues, clients and partners.

Education

BA Marketing Design, Southampton 1997-2000

A-Level Art Level 3 Business Sidcot School 1987-1997

Expert in...

Photoshop Illustrator InDesign Outlook EposNOW Drag & Drop Web Builders Excel Word PowerPoint Google Wix Shopify Ecwid

Experience with...

Wordpress Sage Xero Quickbooks Facebook Instagram

Full Clean Driving Licence

About me

I'm a well-travelled, sociable and considerate individual who has achieved some amazing things personally and commercially. I'm creative, driven and well connected.

I have 23 years in marketing, communications, print & digital media design and customer experiences within business. I have a great track record of customer satisfaction with a "go the extra mile attitude."

Emotionally intelligent, respectful, and engaging; I have experience of encouraging the best from people and achieving individual & team goals, with a conscientious approach.

I have a passion for people. I feel very confident making people feel at ease, welcome and engaged in new and strange environments.

In my spare time I draw, enjoy stories and listen to a lot of music; I walk with my greyhound Elvis, I love a road trip and hope to see an incredible view with every adventure.

In summary

I am a creative designer with substantial experience of designing, producing and publishing digital and print media.

I have established 2 small businesses from conception; leading employees across 2 businesses to deliver a brilliant track record of customer satisfaction and profitability.

I have transformed an existing businesses systems, reputation and sales performance with minimal cost.

I have project managed B2B & B2C products and services throughout my career.

I thrive on building, maintaining, and engaging in relationships locally, nationally & internationally.

I have taken responsibility for decision making, planning, design, budgeting, marketing, sales, finance, IT & production.

Did you know?

In 2006/8... I travelled around the States, from Boston to San Francisco, 18,000km across Australia and then from Singapore to Bristol... all by land. It took 19 months.

In 2015 we purchased a house that my wife did not like. I project managed the vision and oversaw the refurbishment. Supervising budgets, trades people and timeline to make it our home (which my wife loves!!!).

We are currently travelling around the south west UK; embrasing change, life balance, adventures and projects in different communities to excite ourselves and develop our networks. We set off in June 2024 living in Cornwall, Devon, Somerset & soon... maybe further away. Although Mendip Hills will always be my home!.

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