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OPTICS & MARKETING

# **PERSONAL INFO**



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#### **ABOUT ME**

Hi, I'm Steven Vawdrey. I've been successfully leading brand management, marketing strategy and creative direction for multiple businesses for over 20 years. Businesses that I've worked with have become national brands through my care and direction. I bring a unique ability to think strategically while remaining actively involved in the hands-on execution of marketing workflows.

In my free time, I enjoy exploring and 'resetting' in the natural world through activities such as snorkelling and wilderness camping. These experiences keep me grounded and inspired, often offering unexpected lessons that inform my approach to business and leadership.

Overall, I am a dedicated and driven individual who is committed to excellence in all that I do. Whether working on a complex project or embarking on a new outdoor adventure, I approach every challenge with enthusiasm.

# EDUCATION/SKILLS

#### A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE OVER 20 YEARS.

I'm confident in multiple skillsets, specific to brand, marketing strategy, digital marketing techniques and design. I take pride in my ability to see brands in a macro sense, while still being able to directly manage and communicate with staff around their specific skillset they bring to the business. My wealth of experience in forward facing communication to both stakeholders and customers brings a valuable asset to any business. With over 20 years of experience I've come to have a keen focus on brand growth through effective and efficient marketing.

STRATEGY		CREATIVE		TECHNICAL	
MARKETING STRATEGY	<b>②</b>	GRAPHIC DESIGN / UX	<b>②</b>	SEO	•
BRAND STRATEGY	<b>②</b>	COPYWRITING		DIGITAL MARKETING	
BUDGET CONTROL		PRINT PRODUCTION		ANALYTICS	
PROJECT LEADERSHIP	•	PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEO		COMMUNICATION	

# QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

COMPLETED 2001

BACH. OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT (ARCHITECTURE)

QLD GOV.

2002

CERT.IV BUSINESS

### **EXPERIENCE**



#### **AINSLIE BULLION / FOCUS#1**

#### **Description of Business**

Ainslie Bullion are an Australian leading gold and silver bullion dealer. Their offices and staffing expand through Brisbane CBD and Melbourne CBD.

#### Role / description of workload

Brand Strategy & Management
Marketing Strategy & Implementation
Search Advertising
Social Advertising
SEO strategy and implementation
Analytics
Photography
Graphic Design
Payments advice (NPP implementation)

#### Period

2007 - 2022

#### **Outcomes**

Led all brand and marketing activities for Ainslie Bullion during this period, I achieved some amazing results. These are listed below.

Through consistent and planned growth, expanded Ainslie Bullion from 2 staff, to current staffing of 30+ people with 2 national offices (Brisbane and Melbourne).

Combined ad spend (search, social, display and misc) managed at \$150,000 per annum to achieve in excess of \$500M in gross sales per annum on a recurring basis. ROAS over 3000%

Achieved recurring daily digital visitation and loyalty through regular gold and silver news and insight. Averaging 2000 visitors per day. Measured clear conversion of news=purchasing after a 30 day conversion window.

Designed all physical Ainslie Bullion gold and silver product during this period. Ainslie Silver Stackers bars, Gold various sizes and also minted gold and silver bars.

### **EXPERIENCE**



#### **ACIT / FOCUS#2**

#### **Description of Business**

ACIT are an Australian (and now international) cold storage and food logistics company. They have offices and storage facilities in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide, New Zealand and Hawaii.

#### Role / description of workload

Brand Strategy & Management
Marketing Strategy & Implementation
Search Advertising
SEO strategy and implementation
Analytics
Photography
Graphic Design

#### Period

2013-Current

#### **Outcomes**

As lead of all brand and marketing activities for ACIT during this period, I've achieved some outstanding results. These are listed below.

Through consistent and planned growth, expanded ACIT from its Brisbane operations into a multi-location based storage and logistics service both in Australia and internationally.

Combined ad spend (search, display and misc) managed at \$50,000 per annum to achieve in excess of \$50M of gross sales per annum on a recurring and growing basis. ROAS over 1000%

# **EXPERIENCE**



#### SELECTED CLIENTS AND COLLABORATIONS

Eden Seeds

Elecseed - Hydrogen Technology

Queensland Mint

Aussie Chlorinators

Instant Pay

Reserve Vault

Melbourne Vault

Gold & Silver Standard

Ainslie Crypto

Ecoprint

Albert Valley Turf

OrchidsRUs

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary

Drinx Group

Queensland Health

Queensland Police

Neighbours Aid

Chez Nous

Spiros Bottle Shops

Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens

IBM Building, Brisbane CBD

Blueprint Architects

Portside, Hamilton

Mons Ban Sabai

Paw Paw Cafe

Venzin Group

Hickory

Georges Yoghurt

Barambah Organics

Merwe

Jaggards

# REFERENCES



#### RUSSELL SERES

MANAGING DIRECTOR
Contact on request

#### ROB SAUNDERS

MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ELECSEED

Contact on request

#### LIZ VENZIN

VENZIN GROUP AND MINDSHIFT Contact on request

#### SEBASTIAN VANDERZEIL

LEAD ECONOMIST AND OWNER AT STRABORIVERS

Contact on request

#### KAIS AL KAISSI

FOUNDER OKAY BEARS
Contact on request

#### JACQUES VAN DER MERWE

OWNER MERWE + FINE ARTIST Contact on request

Additional references are available on request.

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