Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL DETAILS

Born 16th July 1954
British
Full driving license holder
Married, three children

EDUCATION

Eight O Levels
Four A Levels
BSc (Hons) Computer Science, City University, 1976
Many vocational courses taken over the years. Especially relevant to this application – advanced Perl training with sessions lead by Randal Schwartz, Tom Christiansen, Mark Jason Dominus and Larry Wall (author of the Perl language).

EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY

Continuously employed in computing roles since 1976, with most roles having a strong customer facing element.

I was technical support specialist for Tektronix, Technical Director of CGL, where we wrote, supplied and installed CAD systems, and European Technical Support Manager for Megatek, designers and manufacturers of high performance computer graphics systems. In all these roles, I was the person of choice to write and present technical training courses.

Because I enjoy training, I joined First Alternative in 1991 as a tutor in Unix and C. I also had a major role in writing new courses and updating older ones. In 1995 I set up Well House Consultants Ltd., whilst continuing to present for First Alternative as a contractor. In 1996, During my time with First Alternative, I wrote my first Perl course and established their initial Internet and Web presence.

CURRENT

By 2000, managing and presenting Well House Consultants' Perl and Java courses was taking up all my time, and we set up our own training centre in Melksham, Wiltshire, purpose-fitted for our range of courses which now includes PHP, MySQL, Tcl/Tk and Python as well as the Perl and Java with which we started. I remain the only trainer, but another staff member now looks after the marketing, administration, accounts and general office services. Writing and updating of notes, publishing a company newsletter, Web site work, etc., is now shared. Approximately half our courses are in our training centre, and the other half are given on customer site. I bring along a complete "course in a box" – one laptop computer per trainee, training notes tailored to the client's needs, projector, reference books relevant to the course, and whatever else is needed – we simply ask our customer to provide a room and the trainees. We offer students the use of our extensive library which now holds 85 books on the subject of Perl alone.

CLIENTS

I train a wide range of customer organisations. Amongst those who have given me permission to quote their names are: GlaxoSmithKline, the mobile phone company 3, HSBC and Oxford University. Much of our business comes through personal recommendation.

AVAILABILITY

We are usually busy, but can schedule courses six to eight weeks ahead. Most clients prefer that sort of time to arrange for all of the trainees to be available, but shorter term requirements can often be met.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on courses, services, terms and conditions, etc., is available at:
http://www.wellho.net
This web site also includes a resource centre for past trainees and full pricing information.

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