

Nick Daisley – Computing CV

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Twenty-three years professional experience in Information Technology in business and commerce, education, environmental consultancies, fundraising, and non-profit organisations.

Involved in commercial & charitable **web development** for about as long as anyone in the UK.

A track record of **effective implementation of technologies**, and avoiding the waste of time and energy.

Providing an **approachable and accessible interface to technology** for the non-technical.

Computing Skills – in Summary

- Website design and marketing since 1994, with special interest and expertise in web usability.
- The potential of Team Collaboration over the Internet.
- Hardware and software systems analysis, installation, and troubleshooting.
- Convincing disparate systems to connect and work together.
- Turning acronym-ridden technical documents into human-readable text.

Computing Experience – Technical Headlines

- Technologies: Internet Collaboration, Web, DTP, Digital imaging, GIS, Client/Server, Audio editing, System building and repair, systems & human interfacing, network & OS security, communications.
- Systems: PC under Windows, Windows Server, Exchange Server, Virtualisation technologies, Citrix Server and Client, Netware, Linux, BSD.
Apple Macintosh under OS X and Linux. IRIX, Solaris, AIX, BSD etc.
- Programming: PHP, Javascript, Ajax, Visual Basic, Access, SQL & related etc.
- Software: Groove, MS Exchange, Sharepoint, SQL, MS Office, Lotus Notes, Pagemaker & Quark; Photoshop & Illustrator; Dreamweaver, and many Open Source social computing systems; etc.

Work Experience

A Computing & Administration consultancy maintained for fifteen years, 1994 -.

- Developing collaborative learning and working products.
- Internet/Website design and marketing for international corporates, charities and environmental consultancies, for universities & schools since 1994.
- Dynamic, data-driven websites; eg <http://www.eurocapacity.org>, <http://www.tyndall.ac.uk>.
- Development of databases, system migrations, network installations, computing training.
- Windows, Apple and Unix network installation and management for Oxford University departments, Opportunity International UK, UK Climate Impacts Programme and other clients.
- Desktop Publishing projects for Blackwell's Bookshops and other clients.
- Voluntary technical adviser to World In Need charitable trust, Christian Initiative Trust, National Society for Epilepsy, Oxfam International, and Afghanaid.

PopG Ltd, 2003 – 2006

- Systems Developer for a software startup, offering Groove (now Microsoft Groove) via Citrix and Terminal Services, from servers in the USA, France and UK; delivered as a collaborative platform and as a VLE.
- Client-base including US universities, Glaxo, and the 'StrongAngel' humanitarian support exercises.
- Trialled also by NASA, US Navy, Rockwell International.
- Marketing and press liaison: shaping the website and creating and distributing press releases.
- PopG technology was made available freely for information gathering and processing in the follow-up to the December 2005 South-East Asian tsunami, and was commended for saving lives.

Trust Administrator, The Prison Phoenix Trust, Oxford, 1994 - 1997 (p/t)

- More than doubled charitable income, achieving Home Office funding and expanding the Trust; managing corporate and individual donor bases, reporting on progress and allocation of funds.
- Maintaining accounts, producing financial reports and budgets.
- Representing the charity to funders and Home Office face to face, through press releases and publicity material design, public events, and networking.
- Proofing and editing of publications for fundraising and public awareness of prison issues.
- Employment at the Trust followed upon my voluntary assistance since its establishment.

Systems Administrator, Oxford University Development Office, 1989 - 1994

- Pioneering work and experimentation in Database Fundraising, at Oxford and New York offices.
- First introduction of multitasking/windowing systems in an Oxford University administrative department, achieving big productivity gains for staff.
- Management of a database team, maintaining and improving the graduate database.
- Consultation to other Departments and Colleges on computing and database design.

Microcomputer Support, Blackwell Publishing Group, 1987 – 1989

- Computer installation, programming and support in mini- and micro-computer environments.
- Financial, statistical and management reporting.
- Development of hardware and software troubleshooting skills.

Assistant Site Supervisor, Southampton Museums Archaeology Unit, 1986

- Supervising a small team of archaeological workers on Saxon Walls dig.
- Site photography and surveying, soil analysis, planning and mapping, initial finds conservation.
- Safety inspections; training in, and use of hydraulic machinery.

Sundry other archaeological excavations, surveys and publications, 1982-6

Education

MSc Information Systems, Brighton Polytechnic, 1986-7

BA (Hons) Classics and Archaeology, London University 1981-5 (UCL, Bedford College, and Institute of Archaeology)

Interests

- Director of Dervorguilla Records 1992-8, for neglected early and modern chamber music, giving exposure to local young musicians such as Concordia and the Dufay Consort. All releases were recorded, designed and marketed in-house, and sold world-wide. Dervorguilla.co.uk was we believe, only the third British record company, after EMI and Hyperion, to sell product over the web.
- Archaeological surveys and research work in Italy, Crete, Greece and NWFP Pakistan.
- Basic computer training for office staff at 'Afghanaid' in Peshawar, Pakistan, autumn 1993.
- Clean Driving Licence, Private Pilot's Licence (the latter much in need of renewal).