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PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

Driven, accomplished professional with a proven record of identifying talent to contribute to recruitment strategies and team structures. Over 12 years' experience in live scouting and detailed reporting on player and team observations. Proactive in relationship building through personable communication and networking. Well placed to make a genuine difference to any football organisation in search of a reliable, focused, and professional individual. Proficient in Wyscout, Impinct, Comparisonator and PowerPoint and dedicated to excellence through continuous improvement.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Postgraduate Diploma in Football Business (Johan Cruyff Institute)
- FA Coaching Level 1
- FA Level 1 Qualification in Talent ID
- FA Level 2 Qualification in Talent ID
- Professional Football Scouting Association Talent ID Level 1
- Professional Football Scouting Association Talent ID Level 2
- UEFA Elite Scouting Programme (Sept - Dec 2023)



'Alex regularly identified players that have gone on to be shortlisted and subsequently signed by the football club. He has also been part of our final stage of assessment for shortlisted targets prior to the start of a transfer window. Alongside Alex's work around talent identification, he has also covered Match Assessments for the First Team Coaching staff, showing a varied skill set as a Scout.'



Phil Boardman (Head of Recruitment at Portsmouth FC)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Portsmouth FC (League One) - London Regional 1st Team Player Scout

Feb 2022 – June 2023 (Part time)



Conducted thorough scouting of players in the London region for potential recruitment to the 1st team. Key skills and experiences include:

- **Player Identification:** Successfully identified and evaluated potential talent within the London region, aligning with Portsmouth FC's scouting criteria and team needs.
- **Data Analysis:** Utilised data-driven approaches to analyse player performances, providing comprehensive reports to assist decision-making in player recruitment.
- **Scouting Network Collaboration:** Worked collaboratively with the scouting network to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the regional player pool and to leverage collective insights.
- **Communication:** Maintained effective communication with recruitment staff, coaches and management to convey scouting findings, contributing to strategic discussions on player acquisitions.

Solihull United FC - Joint Assistant Manager

Sept 2020 – March 2021 (Part time)



As the Joint Assistant Manager for Solihull United FC in the Midlands Football Division 2, I played a crucial role in the team's operations during the part-time tenure from September 2020 to March 2021. Key experiences and skills include:

- Team Management:** Collaborated with the coaching staff to manage and motivate the team on match days, undertook half-time team talks, focusing on enhancing player performance and overall team dynamics.
- Tactical Planning:** Contributed to tactical planning and strategy discussions, providing valuable insights into opponents' strengths and weaknesses.
- Player Development:** Worked closely with players on skill development and overall performance improvement, fostering a culture of continuous improvement.
- Match Analysis:** Conducted match analysis to identify areas for improvement, enabling the coaching staff to make informed decisions for future games.

Tranmere Rovers FC - London Regional 1st Team Opposition Analysis and Player Scout (League Two & League One)

June 2018 – Sept 2020 (Part time)



In my role as London Regional 1st Team Opposition Analysis and Player Scout for Tranmere Rovers FC, spanning from June 2018 to September 2020, I contributed significantly to the team's performance analysis and player recruitment efforts. Key experiences and skills include:

- Performance Analysis:** Conducted in-depth analysis of upcoming opponents and individual player contributions, providing valuable insights to the recruitment and coaching staff.
- Player Scouting:** Identified and scouted potential players in the London region, aligning with Tranmere Rovers FC's playing style and strategic goals.
- Data Utilisation:** Leveraged data analysis tools and platforms to extract meaningful insights, contributing to informed decision-making in player recruitment.
- Collaboration:** Collaborated closely with coaching and scouting teams to align player recruitment with the club's strategic objectives.

Chester FC - Southern Regional Analysis and Player Scout (Conference National League)

Oct 2017 – June 2018 (Part time)



I contributed to the club's player recruitment strategy and opposition performance analysis. Key experiences and skills include:

- Regional Scouting:** Focused on opposition and player scouting in the Southern region, identifying prospects suitable for Chester FC's playing style and team needs.
- Performance Evaluation:** Evaluated player performances through detailed analysis, providing valuable input to coaching staff and management.
- Networking:** Built and maintained relationships within the Southern region's football community, expanding the club's network for potential player acquisitions.
- Collaboration:** Collaborated with coaching and scouting teams to ensure alignment between scouting efforts and the club's overall strategy.

Chelsea Women's Team | 1st Team Opposition Analysis Scout

Apr 2016 – Aug 2016 (Part time)



I undertook opposition performance analysis. Key experiences and skills include:

- Women's Football Analysis:** Contributed to the analysis of women's football matches, providing insights into player performances and team dynamics.
- Scouting:** Identified and scouted potential talents for the 1st team, aligning with Chelsea Ladies playing style and strategic objectives.

- **Report Writing:** Prepared detailed opposition scouting reports, offering comprehensive evaluation of teams and players with recommendations for potential recruitment targets.
- **Collaboration:** Collaborated with the 1st team manager and coaching staff to integrate scouting findings into the team's strategic planning.

Solihull Moors FC - Chief Scout
(Conference North & Conference National League)

Nov 2011 – Oct 2017 (Part time)



I played a pivotal role in player recruitment, opposition analysis and wider team development. Key experiences and skills include:

- **Strategic Scouting:** Developed and implemented strategic scouting plans, aligning with the club's long-term objectives, and playing style.
- **Player Identification:** Identified and scouted talented players, contributing to successful player acquisitions and team strengthening.
- **Data Analysis:** Utilised data analysis tools to assess upcoming opposition teams, player performances and potential contributions to the team.
- **Networking:** Established a strong network within the football community, fostering relationships with agents, coaches, and other scouts.
- **Leadership:** Provided leadership to the wider coaching staff, ensuring effective collaboration and the achievement of the team's objectives.