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Objective

A punctual and organised team player. A highly motivated individual who is a quick learner and career driven. Constantly searching for fresh challenges to develop my skill set and experience. Excellent at problem solving and bringing fresh ideas to projects. Also, extremely technically minded whilst mindful of the fact that successful delivery requires a diverse team and varied inputs. Looking to be part of an organisation where I can excel and grow. A strong Background in ASP.NET MVC (C#) with over 5 years Exp in .NET, html, css and JavaScript including libraries such as jQuery and backbone.js. I am currently expanding my skill set to include mobile development using jQuery Mobile, PhoneGap and backbone.js to develop an iPhone app for my site www.smtdaily.com That can be downloaded at <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/smtdaily/id509596943?ls=1&mt=8>

My Skills

ASP.NET (C#/VB)	EXPERT
HTML & CSS	INTERMEDIATE
PHP	INTERMEDIATE
Ruby on Rails	INTERMEDIATE
MongoDB	INTERMEDIATE
JavaScript	INTERMEDIATE
jQuery	INTERMEDIATE
Backbone.js	BEGINNER
PhoneGap	INTERMEDIATE
jQuery Mobile	BEGINNER
JSON	INTERMEDIATE
Amazon Web Services	BEGINNER

Experience

MyFamilyClub, Freelance Contractor(.NET Developer)

NOV 2012- PRESENT

MyFamilyClub, owned by DC Thomson, is a website for families aimed and helping them with day to day tasks such as saving money, planning meals, etc,etc...

<http://www.myfamilyclub.co.uk>

Most Recent Projects Include:

- Setting up test environments on Azure and AWS
- SEO optimisation by excluding pages from Sitemap Programmatically
- Upgrading the platform to enable us to use the latest version of WordPress as the backend

- changing commenting system to use Facebook Comments
- Explaining and Documenting all aspects of the site for the new CTO.

They have an interesting setup consisting of a WordPress Backend used by editors which is then pulled from the SQL backend and stored in Mongo db and then displayed on the front end in a ASP.NET MVC 4 application. Some of the tasks I was brought in to complete were: -

- Bug fixes and optimisation of the Mobile site to enhance tracking.
- creating a ecom platform with simplecartjs
- Creating testing environments on Windows Azure and Brightsolid to test speed issues found out current hosting infrastructure was inadequate.
- Create an RSS feed to enable people to subscribe to the blog.
- Improve Performance the site was taking over 15 seconds to load I managed to reduce this to below 10 with suggestions on how to reduce this further
- Improve the search indexer to include custom pages in addition to articles.
- Improve the user journey previously implemented to purchase a savings pack product and add tracking so we can see exactly where people dropped out.

Kingsfield Computer Products Ltd(Application Developer, part-time)

I am in the process of migrating a .net Winforms Application to RoR to follow my progress please visit my blog:


<http://www.appnotiq.com/2013/11/18/migrating-a-winforms-application-to-ruby-on-rails-part/>

Kingsfield IT Solutions Ltd, Full-Time

OCT 2006 - OCT 2012

Kingsfield IT is a sister company to Kingsfield Computers created in June 2006. Recently we have migrated Kingsfield Computers website from .net to rails and I have been fully hands on in the process from choosing a suitable platform to use as a base for the site to implementing custom extensions to add additional missing functionality to the application. In addition to this I also wrote a custom module, which stores data in mongodb for product properties. Before this I was fully hands-on with all projects using the .NET framework using VB.NET and C#.NET including Web Forms and MVC versions 1 through 3 and with all aspects of the Development life cycle from coding my self as well as managing a remote office in Mumbai, India to implementing testing and agile development practices. Please find below details on some of the projects I have been involved in:-

- **www.kingsfieldcomputers.co.uk** - Latest Website based on a Ruby on Rails e-commerce platform called spree commerce to manage product integration to handle over 100,000 products with different data sources, creating additional modules such as cash back and expanding product filtering using js and backbone.js initial server set up installing and configuring nginx, mysql, mongodb, unicorn on Ubuntu 11.04 server, Present.
- **Previous ASP.NET MVC 3 website with similar product range, 2011.** This had a front-end using the new razor template engine which utilized html5 and css3 + JavaScript for a very user friendly front end and backbone.JS on the admin section for a very fast and efficient admin Panel. Testing was done using NUnit and we created a simple console application to run scheduled tasks for daily and week price and product updates. This was a long project
- **www.kingsfieldit.com** - wordpress based company website, 2010.
- **Connect+ CRM System developed, 2008 - 2009.** This is a WinForms based application created in VB.NET that connects to Sage Line 50 to convert quotes to orders and manage contact information.
- **Cross Electronic Purchasing System 2006 - 2008.** This is a WinForms based application



created in VB.net that sends orders electronically to 3rd party suppliers via XML and ED interfaces removing the need to fax / email orders/

- Setting up the office Configuring Domain, DHCP, DNS, IP Phones and user machines etc etc....

SMTDaily.com, Tech Editor and Site Creator(Personal project started September 2011)

This is a blog I have started with a couple of friends which has the latest news on Sports, Music and Technology. We started in September 2011 and are currently receiving about 40,000 unique views per month. My main role in this is to look after the wordpress backend, update the theme as well as manage the social media and analysis of the traffic.

In addition to the standard site I am also developing an iPhone app using PhoneGap, jQuery mobil and standard html and css. I also used JSON to send and retrieve data from our wordpress site using a JSON plug-in.

Getronics ICT, Full-Time

SEPT 2005 - SEPT 2006

This position for the G4S help desk taking calls and troubleshooting customers problems including creating windows domain and lotus note email accounts, Creating accounts for unix applications used by G4S and also resetting passwords unlocking accounts where user is having problems logging in. Troubleshooting all issues reported by customers and then advancing problem: unresolvable by first line to second line.

Kingsfield Computer Products Ltd, Web Developer/Systems Engineer

APR 2000 - AUG 2005

Looking after the system part time during university timings using Remote administration technologies such as Terminal services and then Remote insight lights out II and full time during holidays on site. Correcting any errors that occur in the event log scheduling and checking daily backups and maintaining up to date virus protection files. Version 1 of the website [www.kingsfieldcomputers.co.uk\(2005\)](http://www.kingsfieldcomputers.co.uk(2005)) and Network and Server Set-up.