# CAREER DEVELOPMENT





# WHY ARE YOU **HERE TODAY?**

Purpose? Performance? Profit? Perfection?

Peace?

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1982 Started work at Westpac in Adelaide 1987 Started digital literacy and training 1994 Moved to Melbourne from Adelaide 1994 Consulting – careers, business, marketing, training 2001 First website online NewcomersNetwork.com 2001 Member of the Australian Institute of Management (now Institute of Management and Leaders) 2003 Joined LinkedIn now 11,000 Connections, 1,000 profile views last 90 days 2005 Member of the Australian Human Resources Institute 2008 Independent LinkedIn Consultant and Member of Melbourne Press Club 2010 Started GlobalMobilityNetwork.com 2012 Started CamberwellNetwork.com 2012 Started Camberweinverwork.com 2014 Teaching at the Centre for Adult Education 2015 Associate Member of Career Development Association of Australia 2015 Member of Australian Society of Authors 2016 Teaching at General Assembly and RMIT Short Courses 2016 Wrote and published three books – 120 Ways To Achieve Your Purpose With LinkedIn 120 Ways To Attract The Right Career Or Business 120 Ways To Market Your Business Hyper Locally 2017 Teaching at Monash Training and Professional Development



# Sue Ellson - Voluntary Work

- 1991 1992 Committee Member, Westbourne Park Netball Club
- 1991 1992 Fundraising Committee and Assistant Treasurer South Australian United Church Netball Association
- 1991 1993 Photographer Mitchell Park Football Club and Morphettville Park Football Club
- 1992 1993 Inaugural Secretary/Treasurer & Westpac Representative Australian Institute of Bankers South Australian Young Banker's Committee
- 1998 1998 Fundraising Committee Member, Templestowe Heights Pre School
- 1999 1999 Committee Member University of South Australia, Administrative Management Student and Staff Course
- 2001 2002 Committee Member, Cultural Tourism Industry Group
- 2001 2002 Promotions Executive and Deputy Chair, International Business Group Australian Institute of Management
- 2001 2002 Promotions Officer and President Templestowe Valley Pre School
- 2003 2007 Committee Member Victorian Community Committee for Harmony
- 2003 2009 Media, Communications and Committee Member Victorian Immigrant and Refugee Women's Coalition (VIRWC)
- 2004 2011 Parent Helper Scouts Australia (including two Jamborees and one Cuboree)
- 2007 2015 Convenor, International Human Resources Network Victoria Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI)
- 2009 2012 Committee Member, Friends of Music Parent Helper Camberwell High School
- 2011 2012 Committee Member, Friends of Music Parent Helper Blackburn High School
- 2011 2014 Adviser and Facilitator, Camberwell Traders Association
- 2013 2014 Consultant to the Media Team St Paul's Anglican Church Canterbury
- 2013 2016 Volunteer Foster Carer RSPCA Victoria
- 2014 2015 Councillor Victorian State Council Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI)

2001 - now Free Presentations, Training, Events for various organisations and Social Enterprises Newcomers Network & Camberwell Network











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# DISCLAIMERS

I don't have a magic wand

I can't give you a million dollars, a new job or a business

I can't change your boss, your colleagues, your friends or family

I can only share my ideas - it is up to you to choose what will work for you

Today you are part of a group so I cannot address all situations individually and if you do not wish to share, you do not have to!

If this discussion brings up other issues for you, please seek professional help



What comes to mind when you look at this picture right now?

Please write down your thoughts



Which direction are you heading in right now?

What does it feel like – the summit or the cliff?



Are you looking forward or back?

Are you in command or is someone or something else?





Are you seeing things in black and white right now?

Or can you see the colour in your situation?

Is there something blocking your vision of the future?

## With your permission - today I would like to:

1) Help you understand a little bit more about where you are now

- 2) Provide some suggestions on how you can move forward immediately
- 3) Discuss some methods you can use over the longer term
- 4) Highlight some of the common mistakes people make when they are over 40





If you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there.

Lewis Carroll

You need to start with an idea of where you would like to go...

But first, let's have a quick look at where you are now...

### Please close your eyes...

Survival – do you have enough resources to survive right now? Comfort – are you grateful for what you do have? Growth – is there an opportunity for you to develop? Assets – are you making use of all of your assets?

Truth – are you living according to your highest values?

Time – can you be realistic about how long this change will take?

**Issues** – what can you change and what can't you change?

https://drdemartini.com/writings\_and\_insights/a\_quality\_life\_demands\_quality\_questions

Take a moment to write down anything important

Do it without editing or judgement

Remember that

No time is ever wasted

It is never too late to do something...

Is there one thing you would like to do differently?



Is there one thing you would like to do differently in the future that you would like to share with the group?



## **Moving Forward**

How much money do you really need? (or are you chasing what you want? Resources or resourcefulness)

Have you taken full stock of what you already have? (maybe it is actually time to declutter first)

Would a good book, short course or activity provide you with some stimulation? (no need to throw the baby out with the bathwater – 80% is good enough)

What or who else can you call on? (skills, knowledge, networks)



## **Moving Forward**

What are your highest values (and non-negotiables)? (relationships, time, health etc - not what others say)

What can you do today, tomorrow, next month, next year? (set some realistic priorities and then add a buffer)

What does your current context really look like? (you may have some things that you literally cannot change)



# Longer Term

### What will you do?

- Catalogue your past
- Record your non-negotiables
- Brain storm your options
- Select your preferences
- Define your values
- Take Action

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### Who will help you take action?

- Accountability partner
- Mentor
- Coach
- Professional Adviser
- Trusted Colleague
- Supportive Friend or Family Member

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## Longer Term

#### What can you try?

- Anything part time
- Not everything it doesn't work
- Something affordable
- Something secret
- Something public
- Something well researched
- Be more open minded about others they have their own battles



## **Common Mistakes**

- Years of experience (label)
- Victimhood (blame)
- Repetitive behaviour (same results)
- Not seeking help (plenty on offer)
- Not taking action (hiding behind text)
- Not celebrating wins (even small ones)
- Forgetting success (time for significance)
- Giving up (never too late)
- Spending instead of savouring
- Isolating instead of collaborating
- Playing safe and not being courageous
- Growing old not growing up





## **Opportunities**

- New experiences
- New freedoms
- New paths
- New relationships
- New priorities
- New focus
- New alignment
- New learnings
- New growth for yourself and your loved ones

#### Any questions?



#### Time to win

- Clearly write your name and email address
- Tear off end
- Enter prize draw
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- 2. Receive top 20 tips all three books
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