

Growing Your Equestrian Business Online





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Hold your *focus*. Trust the *process*. **Never give up**.

Equine Business Chick Blog

What will We Cover?

- 1. Website: First Point of Contact
- 2. Learn new tools to improve your marketing



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First Point of Contact

What makes you and your business *unique*?

How will you **stick out**?

Add *integrity* to your brand by adding some of yourself into it.



Definition of you and your message

Tell your story / Clear message

- Central hub with links to other sites
- You <u>control</u> it
- Provide links to other pages
 Share links to Facebook/Twitter
- Update your content
 Maintain consistency / Invite
 feedback and questions

Website













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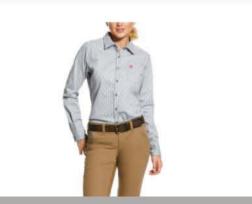
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GANG

<u>HYPE</u>









CACTUS



ROPES

GEAR

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ACCESSORIES & APPAREL

SPECIAL OFFERS

SIGN IN

MY CART

SEARCH OUR PRODUCTS Search...



SEO

What happens when you type your business name into Google?

- Helps drive traffic to your site, and thus increases hot leads, opportunities, proposals, new customers
- location and what you do
- Off-page SEO

(work that takes place separate from your website)

On-page SEO

(website changes to increase rank)



Content for Your Website that can *Utilize SEO*

Business Description

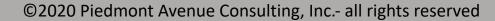
- Emphasize Location
- Brief
- Can be used for more business content and materials

Blog Posts

- Emphasize SEO language more thoroughly
- If updated frequently, helps boost Google Search
- Can be used as promotion material and to maintain relevancy

About Page

Emphasize SEO language more thoroughly



What Do You Write About?

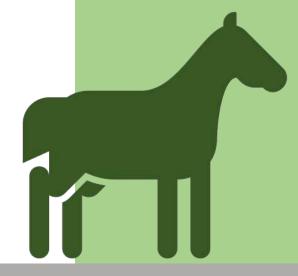






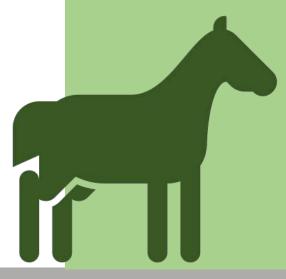


- What you know that they don't
- What you have access to that they don't
- "original" isn't required... Just be interesting and relevant



What Do You Write About?

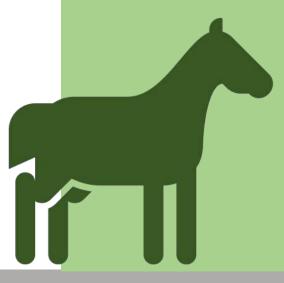
- Focus on a vertical or a project
- Write articles or find related resources on a single subject
- Come up with a weekly or monthly theme
- Keep it short
- Pictures are key, but keep them small
- Videos get clicked



- Write down 3 things that you know that "they" don't
- Write down 3 things that you have access to that they don't

 Write down the top 3 questions you get from your audiences

This is your starter Content!



REPURPOSE and REUSE

Your audience will appreciate you repeating yourself!

Why? How many people open EVERY email, read EVERY tweet, Facebook post etc...

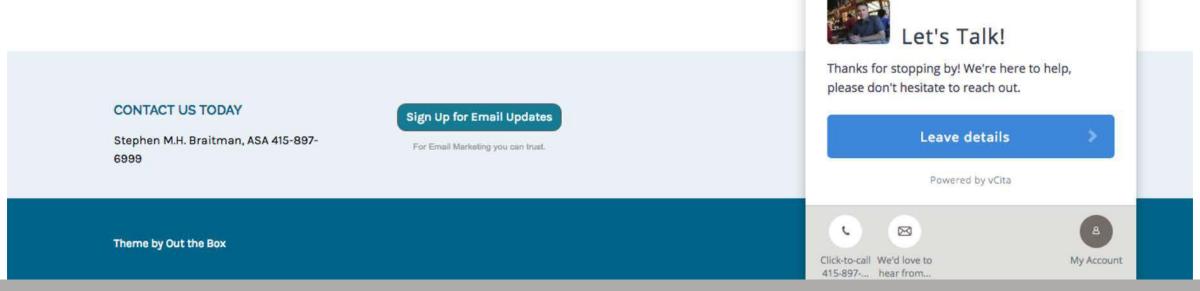
Nobody.

The goal is to provide people with the information they need where and when they want it.



Call to Action

- What are your next steps, requests, actions
- Are services/products labeled and promoted properly?





TOOLS For **Your Business**

- 1. Email Marketing
- 2. Event Marketing
- 3. Rich Media
- 4. Getting published

BUSY

Too busy for meetings

FULL

- Time to Think
- Proactive

IN

Day to Day Tasks



ON

Growing Business





Email Marketing



The Most *Cost Effective* Marketing



Email Marketing Strategy

- Easy tools for keeping track of your lists
- Make email campaigns look professional
- Track your open and click rates easily

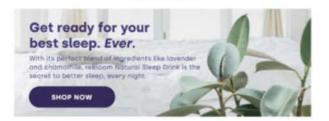


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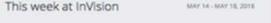
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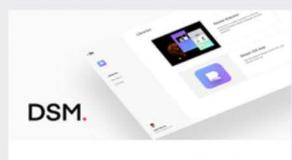




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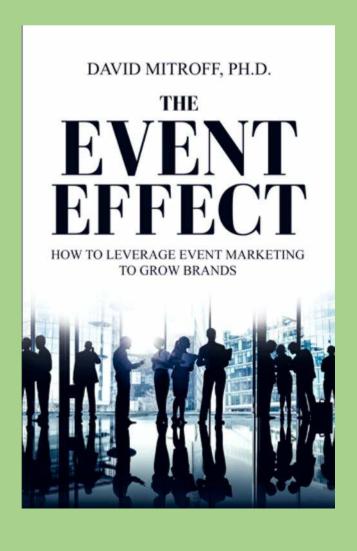
ALL SYSTEMS GO

Don't Obsess Over What is in it — SEND IT OUT.

Events (Remote)

- Reinforcement and enhancement of brand awareness Throwing an event will help you get your company in the eye of more people.
- ❖ Lead generation You can target people and follow up with them after the event.
- Creation of better relationships Meet people who are interested in similar things as you and your business.
- Collaboration with others and development of partnerships
- ❖ Letting your audience know what's going on Use Social Media to publicize and make it easy for your audience to find out what's going on with your business.





Getting Started with Events

Is this Event Remote?

WHO will be at the event? How many people?

THEME for the Event? Educational, food, social, business?

WHEN during the year would the event be? Time your event announcements?

WHAT does success look like? How will you measure it?

BUDGET for the event? Charge for attendance?

PARTNERSHIPS & SPONSORS with media, alumni, local associations, etc.?

Attendees should be able to leave with something, whether it be new connections or knowledge

VIDEO



Tutorials on various important tasks



Video summary of your business

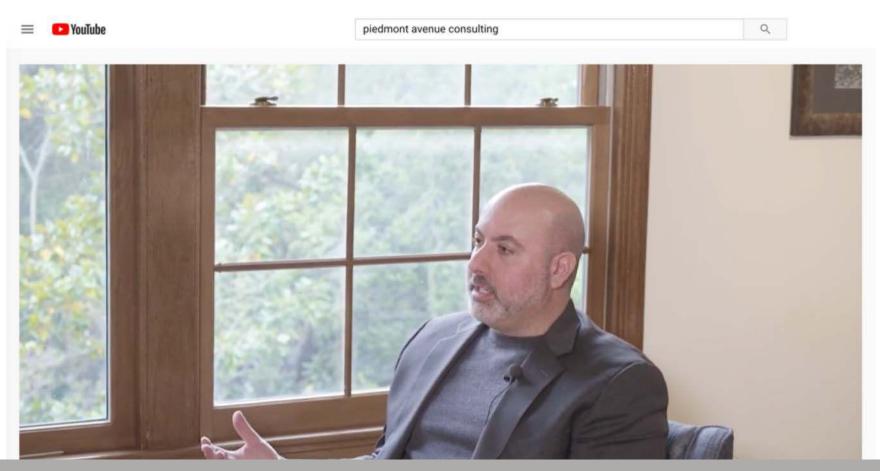
NOTE: Does not need to be a full production, but can be as easy and simple as a screen recording

- You can include these as marketing materials
- Easier to communicate with outsourced employees
- Can act as a reference guide



VIDEO – RICH MEDIA







- Clients/Customers connect with you better through tangible items
- Adds credibility to your brand
- Can be a **point of reference** for others to understand you and your brand
- Easier to market your brand



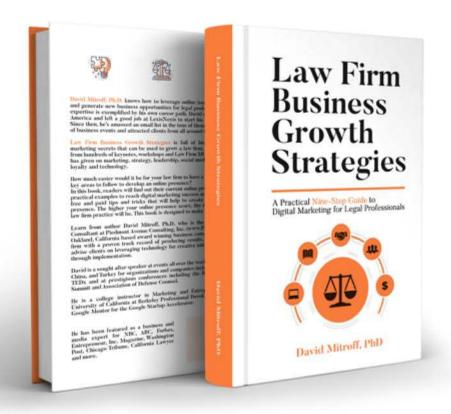








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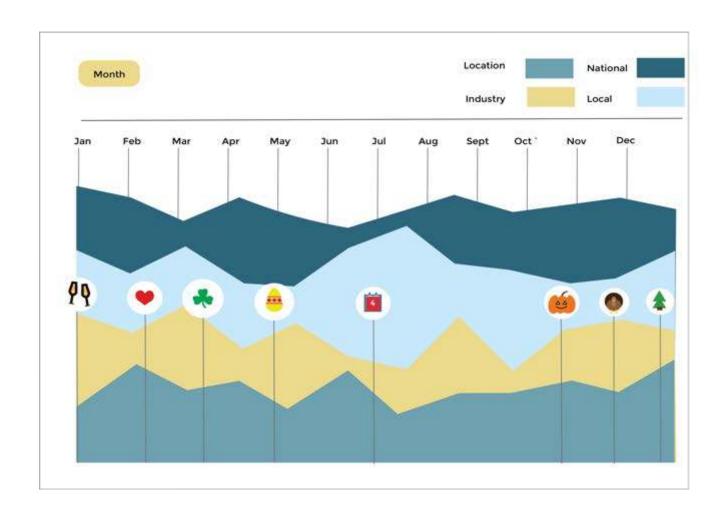
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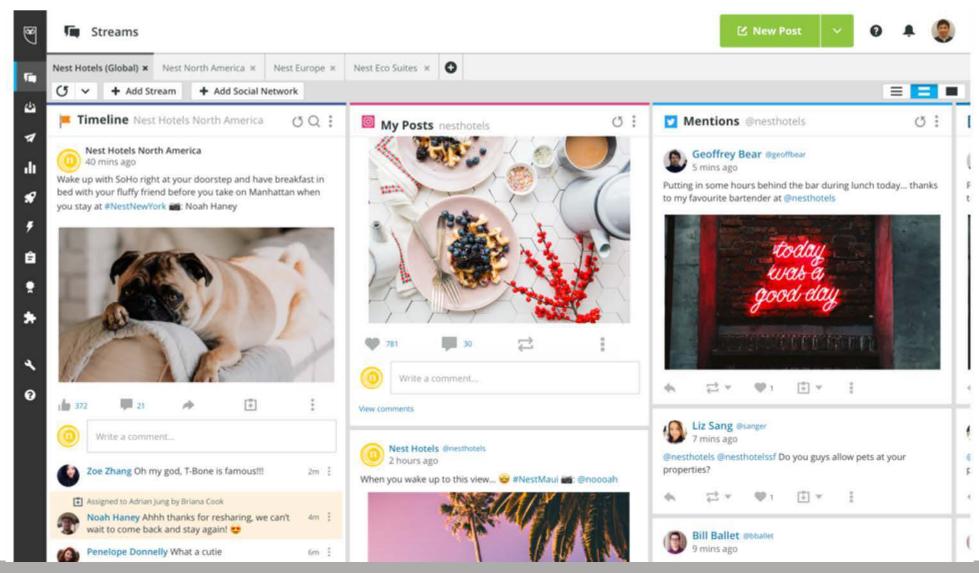


12 Month Marketing Calendar

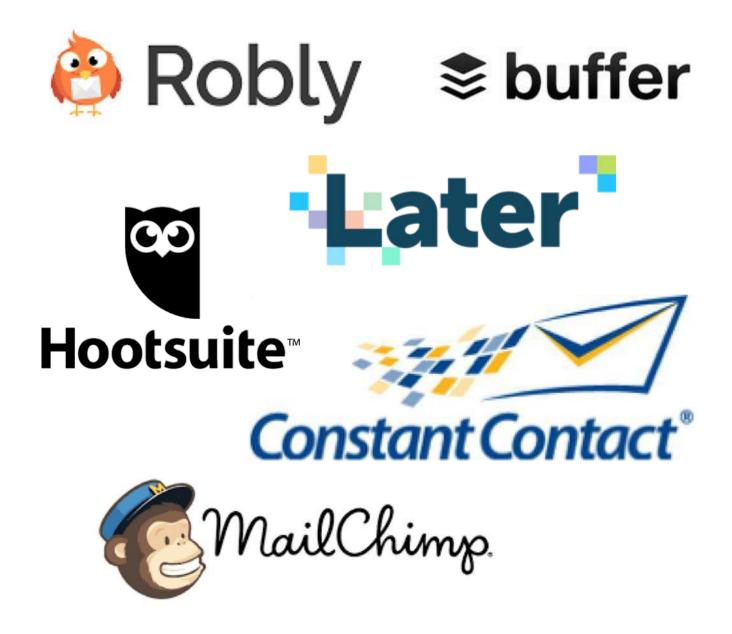
Include national holidays, local holidays, and events, industry-related events, and location-based events



Plan out your social media for the month:









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Tip: This is where the operations binder will come in handy for these employees.

It's okay to seek help for your business, so it can grow faster and more efficiently.

Outsourcing Options



What You Can Outsource:

- Graphic Design
- Content Writing
- Translation
- Video
- Music
- Voice-Over
- Social Media
- Illustration
- Packaging Design





















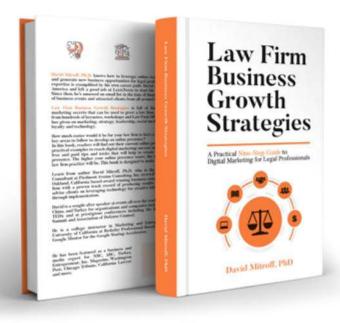
In Summary

Having a strong online presence is detrimental in your business success.

If the tools mentioned are utilized and you emphasize how you are unique, your business will become a staple in the industry.



Stay in Touch!





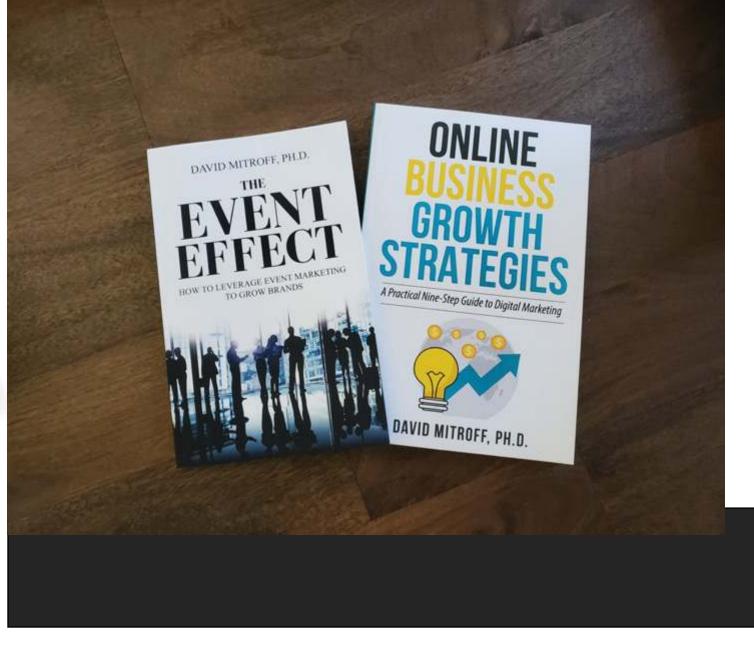
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