

# Fundraising with Digital Marketing

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#### We'll cover

- 1. Digital Marketing Planning Considerations
- 2. Using the Digital Marketing Toolkit:
  - Search Marketing
  - Website
  - Email
  - Social Media
  - Text/SMS



#### We'll cover

- 3. Measuring performance and keeping track
  - Google Analytics
  - Google URL Builder
- 4. GDPR and data considerations



### Digital Quiz!

- How many years (duration) of video are uploaded to YouTube every day?
- 2. What % of UK traffic is on a mobile device?
- 3. How many active LinkedIn users?
- 4. Twitter has 320mn active users how many tweets are sent per day?
- 5. How many active Instagram users?



### Digital Quiz!

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- 2. What % of UK traffic is on a mobile device? 52%
- 3. How many active LinkedIn users? 250mn
- Twitter has 320mn active users how many tweets are sent per day? 500mn
- 5. How many active Instagram users? 1bn



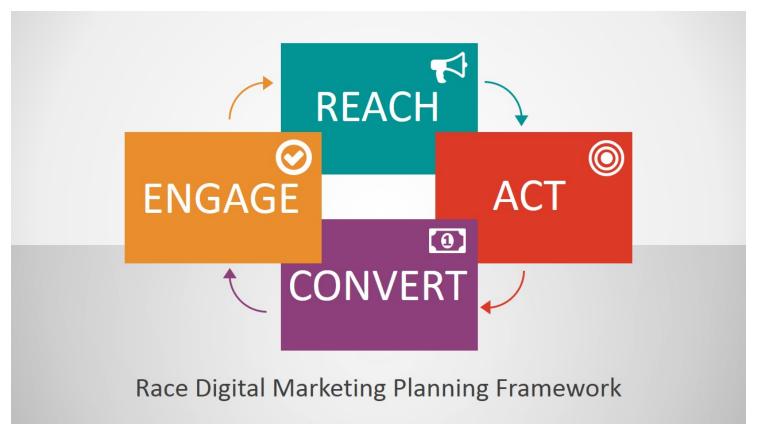


Developing a strategic approach to digital marketing campaigns





# Using the RACE planning approach



 $\underline{https://www.smartinsights.com/digital-marketing-strategy/race-a-practical-framework-to-improve-your-digital-marketing/}$ 



# Using the RACE planning approach



#### **Audience Analysis**

- What do they look like?
- What are their interests?
- What matters most to them?
- What communication channels do they like best?



# Objective Setting

- Sell increase income
- Speak create dialogue
- Serve add value
- Save time & money
- Sizzle create excitement





### Value Proposition

Your proposition should be able to address:

- What problem will it solve?
- What do I expect from the charity?
- What benefit do I get?
- Why should I choose this over an alternative?



# Using the RACE planning approach

#### Tactics: Which digital marketing activities do we optimise?

#### REACH

Acquisition strategy to build awareness of off-site and in offline media to drive web presences

Search Engine Optimisation

Pay Per Click (PPC)

Affiliate and Partner marketing

Online advertising

Online PR

Social Media Marketing

#### **ACT & CONVERT**

Acquisition strategy to build awareness of off-site and in offline media to drive web presences

Conversion rate optimisation

Ecommerce management

Lead generation techniques

Home page optimisation

Landing page optimisation

AB and mulitvariate testing

#### **ENGAGE**

Retention and growth strategy to build customer and fan relationships to encourage repeat visits and sales

Content marketing

Enewsletters and promotional emails

E-contact strategy

Customer service and support

Mobile marketing

Social CRM



# Your digital marketing activities toolkit



# RACE Digital Marketing Activities

#### Reach:

- Search Engine Optimisation (SEO)
- Pay-per-click
- Google Business Listing

#### Act and Convert:

Website

#### Engage:

- Email
- Social Media
- Text/SMS



# AIDA Communications Model







#### **REACH: Search Marketing**



# Google Search Results

Pay-per-click Maps Organic / Free News **Images** Video



#### Organic search results

- Google uses algorithms to work out if and where your pages will be placed based on:
  - Page title
  - Meta description
  - Page URL
  - Page content
  - Headings <h1>
  - Text links
  - Popularity of site



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# NO ONE LOVE'S ME ANY MORE AND THATS DUE TO GOOGLE



### Organic search results

- Page Title You have 66 characters to describe your page. If your home page title is just your name then you're missing out on a key GSEO opportunity
- Meta Description A short paragraph (155 characters) to summarise the page content that is 'keyword' rich. It must be a true reflection of the page content!



- The new name for Google Webmasters
- A FREE tool to help you better understand your site's performance in Google 'Organic' Search
- Does NOT include data from other Google services such as 'Adwords' or 'My Business'



- Make sure that Google can access your content
- Submit new content for crawling
- Remove content you don't want shown in search results
- Maintain your site with minimal disruption to search performance
- Monitor and resolve malware or spam issues so your site stays clean



- Which queries caused your site to appear in search results?
- Did some queries result in more traffic to your site than others?
- Which sites are linking to your website?
- Is your mobile site performing well for visitors searching on mobile?



 https://support.google.com/webmas ters/answer/4559176?hl=en



## Pay-per-click 'Ads'

 "Google Grants has given 'Ads' (formerly Adwords) advertising to hundreds of qualified non-profit groups whose missions range from animal welfare to literacy, from supporting homeless children to promoting HIV education."



### 'Ads' Advantages

- Speed of set up
- Testing capability
- Free to set up
- Geographic targeting
- Instant results



#### 'Ads' considerations

- Maximum Cost per click (CPC) is the maximum amount you are prepared to pay ('bid') for a click
- Minimum CPC is the lowest bid that Google will accept for a keyword/phrase
- Google monitors Click Through Rates (CTR) and can suspend Google Grants for performance below 5%

https://searchengineland.com/google-grants-policy-changes-5-percent-click-through-rate-288452



#### 'Ads' considerations

- Set a daily budget
- Key words attached to the ad trigger appearance, not the ad itself!
- Build your keywords and phrases gradually and check regularly which ones are creating impressions (showings) and viable CTRs



#### 'Ads' check list

- A call to action is essential
- Include some keywords makes it relevant
- It has to be short, simple and focused
- Link to most relevant page NOT necessarily your home page



#### 'Ads' check list

- Title case is fine, but overuse of CAPITALISATION is not allowed
- Excessive repetition not allowed or any other gimmicks!
- Look professional, but differentiate from competition
- Apply your copywriting expertise
- Focus on benefits & advantages



### Activity: 'Ads'

Create an adwords advert to attract one of your target audiences

- 2 x 30 character headlines
- 90 character description to convey your proposition
- List 5 trigger words/phrases



# Pay-per-click 'Ads'

https://www.google.com/grants/

 https://www.google.com/grants/suc cess-stories/#?modal\_active=none



#### Local search results

 Google Business listing – it's free and ensures you are presented when people are searching with a geographic bias

Google My Business





## Google myths buster

- There is no such a thing as "ideal keyword density" – just use sensible repetition
- Google DOES NOT use social media as a ranking factor
- Pay-per-click advertising on google DOES NOT have any impact on FREE LISTINGS position



### Google myths buster

- SEO is not just about great site content
  - it's a combination of factors
- Expensive SEO software IS NOT the only way of achieving a high ranking
- Google DOES NOT have any special relationship with any SEO companies





#### **REACH**: Facebook



## FB Developments

- FB needs to improve reputation and it recognises that supporting charities can help with this!
- 2 new features to explore:
  - Fundraisers
  - Donate Button Upgrade
- https://www.facebook.com/help/1640008462980459



### The keys to success

- An ask that is timely, specific & compelling
- 2. Eye-catching visuals to tell a story and inspire action
- 3. An incredibly easy-to-use fundraising platform
- An easy way for donors to ask their peers for donations



#### FB Fundraisers benefits

- Borrows from approaches successfully used on crowd funding platforms such as Kickstarter
- Supporters set up their own dedicated pages to raise money for your causes
- You can then interact with their supporters and update on overall progress



#### FB Fundraisers benefits

- Everything is centralised on one place which potentially makes it more effective by maximising opportunities rather than fragmenting them
- Sharing is easy and includes the Donate button, extending reach
- https://www.facebook.com/donate/10153931644563580



#### **FB Donate Button**

- No longer have to leave FB to donate to remaining on a trusted platform
- Appears on supporters' peer-to-peer pages when they fundraise for you
- Credit card details can be saved in the system for future donations



#### **FB Donate Considerations**

- Donations are itemised on bills as
   Facebook rather than the charity name
- Reports are forwarded on donor names and email addresses, if provided
- 5% processing fee
- https://donations.fb.com/en-gb/



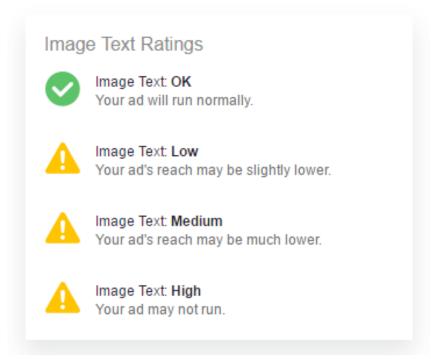
# Why pay for FB advertising?

- The average Facebook Page only reaches 2.6% of its fans through "organic reach"
- Paying enables you to boost your Posts, get more Likes, increase views of a particular video, encourage website traffic, and entice people to take an action like donating or signing up for your newsletter



- You can design the ads using your unique wording, headlines, and images, but be careful of using too many words and making them too small to read on mobile
- Although the 20% word coverage has been relaxed, exceeding it will still affect reach!





https://www.facebook.com/business/ads-guide/image



 There is also some research that indicates overlaying text may supress performance, perhaps because it looks too much like the advert that it is!



- 2 basic options:
  - Boosted Post
  - Facebook Ads
- https://www.facebook.com/business/help/317083072148
   603?helpref=page\_content
- https://www.facebook.com/business/adsguide/?ref=fbb\_header
- https://www.facebook.com/business/adsguide/image/facebook-feed/post-engagement



#### Post Boost

- Use this kind of 'ad' if you want to increase the number of people who see a specific post on your Page
- Best to promote a post that already has above average engagement
- DO NOT pay to promote a post that has zero likes, comments, or shares!



#### Some video links

- https://youtu.be/gaUFH9le4iU
- https://youtu.be/40Vcnd5fEk4
- Miles Beckler has many useful videos on YouTube to help you make the most of Facebook advertising and guide you through the new Ad Manager Dashboard!



### So FB Advertising can:

- 1. Get more "Likes" on your Facebook Page
- 2. Increase engagement (likes, comments, shares) on a particular post
- 3. Increase signups for email newsletter
- 4. Get more people to events
- 5. Ask for year-end donations
- 6. Get more video views
- 7. Collect signatures on a virtual petition





#### **ACT & CONVERT: website**



#### 1: Audience

- Think about the supporters you want to attract and design for them – you can't please everyone and trying to is pointless!
- Put target supporters at the heart of all decisions



#### 2: Clear goals, purpose & messaging

- Be extremely clear with what the charity is, what it does, how it can be supported and the benefits that support will bring
- Have clear, standout calls to action using stand out font sizes and colours



#### 3: Consistency

- Visitors like consistency in layout and style as it gives them the confidence to use the site – especially important if you are taking donations online
- Multi-device responsive is expected



#### 4: Visual stimulation

- Use pictures, video and audio to showcase what the charity is all about.
- Research suggests that donations to charity websites can be significantly increased by using short educational films
- Visuals should make the visitor "feel something"



#### 5: Make donating easy

 Make donation a very simple and clear procedure but don't try and do this too fast. You need to convince people first and take them on the correct journey through your site do not be too eager!



#### 6: Open up direct marketing channels

- Offer the option to receive updates and email sign up. It may take several weeks of courtship and customer education before they are prepared to donate to your charity
- Follow GDPR rules!



#### 7: Use the statistics

- Installing an analytics package gives you useful information about what's popular and working and what is not.
- Online visitors vote with their feet!



Eye tracking visualizations show that users often read Web pages in an F-shaped pattern: two horizontal stripes followed by a vertical stripe:

- 1. Horizontal top
- 2. Horizontal middle
- 3. Vertical left





- Important content in hot zones
- Visual stimulation such as video and images essential to hold attention
- The first two paragraphs of text must state the most important information such as the primary feature or benefit



- Subheads, paragraphs and bullet points
  - help break up the content and enable scanning to points of interest
- Get important information before scrolling needed
- Quick links in hot zones to key things visitors searching for below the fold



- Use AIDA to ensure that pages are taking visitors on journey through your website
- Effective calls to action are key to encouraging people to click!





# Interesting NFP websites

- https://www.charitywater.org/
- http://breastcancernow.org/
- https://www.worldwildlife.org/
- http://understandingdementia.org.nz
- https://www.charityandbiscuits.com/blog/a nalysing-best-charity-websites-2018-looktop-100-uk-charity-sites/





**ENGAGE**: email



# Suppliers

- http://www.charityemail.co.uk/
- http://www.dotmailer.com
- http://www.mailchimp.com



#### Basic checks

- Personalisation do the data fields work?
- Copy is it linked to the correct data segments?
- Links do they take to the right landing place?
- Landing page is it correctly loaded and hosted?
- Un-subscribe does it go to the right landing page and update database?



#### **Basic checks**

- Does the written text grab attention it maybe all the receiver can see initially!
- Are all fonts, images and backgrounds correctly set?
- Check appearance <u>www.litmus.com</u>
- Litmus available as a Mailchimp add on



# Improving performance

We make decisions on whether to open based on:

- Is it from someone I want or need to hear from
- Does the subject line capture my attention
- How big is it?
- When was it sent?
- Is it **SPAM**?



### Key components

- From field
- Subject line
- Personalisation
- Preview Pane
- Calls to Action
- Landing Pages
- Unsubscribe & Update



#### The From field

Save The Children and emailinform email@eform4.com>

Kevin Degenhard - RSPCA <supportercomms@mail.rspca.org.uk>

WWF <news@email.wwf.org.uk>



#### The From field

- Use a Brand name it's recognised
- Up to 20 characters
- You can test this variable!



# The Subject Field

Nicholas, help inspectors like Trevor save animals' lives today

#### Nick, every moment counts

Request your complimentary Will Writing Guide

Our position on badgers and bovine TB and fracking



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**RSCPA** 

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**CRUK** 

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Save the Children

Our position on badgers and bovine TB and fracking



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**National Trust** 

### The Subject field

- Length of what shows can vary between
   19 and 46 characters...so font end
   loading can ensure key point gets across
- Should encapsulate the core proposition and key benefits
- Test easily



### Test subject lines

Want to self-test your subject lines? Try these handy headline analysers:

http://coschedule.com/headlineanalyzer

https://www.touchstonetests.io/



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#### Personalisation

Do you have some kindness to share Nicholas?

At the British Red Cross, we know that kindness comes in many forms. And that lots of simple acts of kindness come together to make a big difference for people in crisis.



Dear Mr Day,

For nearly two decades, hedgehogs in Britain have been declining at the same rate as tigers worldwide. We don't want to let this continue, and I'm sure you don't want it to either.

### Personalisation

Hi Mr Day

Pavel Fomenko is a Tiger Protector in Russia. He knows the forests of the Russian Far East like the back of his hand and uses this knowledge to help protect the endangered Amur tiger.

#### Quick question: can we still email you?

Nicholas, trust me when I say that your support means everything to Macmillan nurses like me. So I hope you can spare us one simple click today.



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#### **Preview Pane**

View this email in your browser



### Closer to wildlife

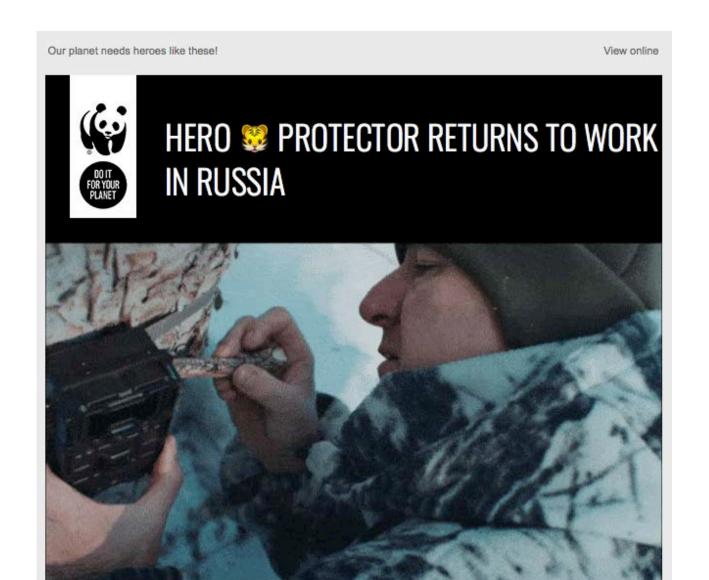
Make every day a little wilder





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### Preview Pane



### **Preview Pane**

Latest news, updates and events from the BHF

View email online »



It's the first May bank holiday! This can only mean one thing, Summer is on its way! Get summer ready with our list of 10 sensational salad ingredients. A good salad has a mixture of textures and flavours; add a variety of seeds and nuts to your salad for an added crunch!

### Calls to Action

## We need your permission to keep contacting you

The law is changing, and we need you to confirm that you still want to hear from us.

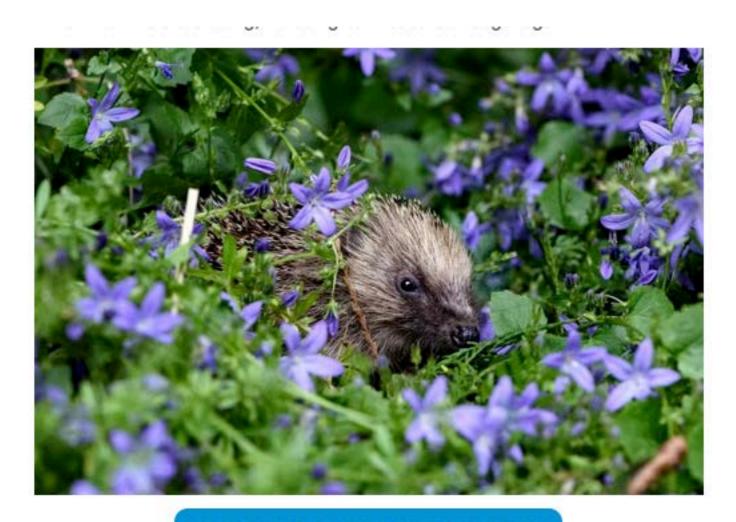
If we don't receive your confirmation soon, we won't be able to share our wonderful <u>zoo news</u>, updates and Marwell <u>events</u>.

It will only take a moment and you can change your mind at anytime on our <u>registration</u> page, for more details please see our <u>Privacy Policy</u>.

Simply click the button below and we'll keep you up to date with the zoo!

Continue hearing from us!

### Calls to Action



TAKE PART IN THE SURVEY

### Calls to Action

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More sensational ingredients »



#### 5 amazing science videos

We create lots of videos and animations to help inform, inspire and support people to live a heart-healthy lifestyle. Here are 5 of the best science videos we've produced recently. Prepare to be amazed...

Watch the videos »

## Improving landing pages

- Be clear about what the point of it is!
- What was the call to action again?
- Consistency of appearance
- People are easily distracted on the web
  - stay focused on the reason they clicked through
- Test it first if you can



### Unsubscribe/Update

 The opportunity to unsubscribe or update details must be clearly displayed on every e-shot and e-newsletter





### **ENGAGE: Social Media**











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## Develop a strategy

 Reactive: Respond and engage accordingly

 Proactive: Approach social networking with a targeted rationale



### Develop a strategy

- Who do you want to talk to?
- Where are they engaging in a social space
- Who are the key influencers
- What are they discussing
- How can you influence this



## Building social proof

- Be current only set up those you have time/resource to manage
- 2. Be **consistent** relies on user's developing habits so fit with that
- 3. A distinctive and consistent personality will give you standout
- 4. Use your current supporter base get them committed to your media choices



## Building social proof

- 5. Be prepared to invest a lot of time and effort before you expect results
- Engage proactively to both good and bad comments
- 7. Good manners and etiquette are important you are representing an organisation, not yourself!
- 8. Manage expectations to what you can deliver



## Building social proof

- 9. Encourage people to share with prompts and calls to action
- 10.Encourage dialogue no one likes someone who only talks about themself!
- 11.Integrate with other media via plugins, media logo + id etc.



# Shelter Scotland – #SocialMediaSanta

- Shelter Scotland supports hundreds of children, aged 6 months to 16 years
- people and companies donate gifts for Christmas by becoming Social Media Santas
- The campaign has been running annually since 2012



# Shelter Scotland – #SocialMediaSanta





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 Wear it Pink day has been going since 2002 and has raised more than £30m to fund research into breast cancer.



 Last year, <u>Breast Cancer Now</u> wanted to bring in a fundraising relationship approach to this massparticipation event by sending supporters personalised video content on Twitter to say "thank you" for taking part when they tweeted using #Wearitpink.



 The charity worked with EchoMany to create video assets that could then be personalised by bringing in a user's name, profile picture and any picture they included in their tweet.



 It sent out 267 video replies throughout #Wearitpink day: nearly 50 per cent of the recipients retweeted their videos and almost 80 per cent liked them. This means that those videos then reached more than 77,000 people on Twitter.







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# Movember & Unmute – Ask Him

 'Unmute – Ask Him' is a campaign that uses the metaphor of muted videos on social media. It involves three subtitled videos, which on the surface appear to show men demonstrating simple tasks such as making a fishing rod or changing a flat tyre.



# Movember & Unmute – Ask Him

- However, when the user unmutes the video, they can hear what the men are really talking about (their underlying personal worries and concerns).
- https://youtu.be/j72YKZsdDRM





**ENGAGE: Text/SMS** 



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## Suppliers

- https://www.textlocal.com/
- https://fastsms.co.uk/information/bu siness-sectors/non-profitorganisations.html



#### 1. Thank your donors

 Keep your supporters engaged and make them feel good about their donation with a quick follow up thank you text



#### 2. Send alerts to supporters

 Important information can be quickly disseminated throughout the community or your supporters with a short text message



## 3. Increase event sign-ups & participation on the day

 Increase attendance at fundraising events with promotional messages sent to your opted-in database



#### 4. Save phone call time with a text

 A quick message to your database can prompt donations from previous supporters more quickly and effectively than a phone call



#### 5. Link to social media

 Synchronise your outgoing messages with your social media pages to provide a consistent message across all channels



#### 6. Drive website traffic

 Include a short link in your messages to send followers to your website and track to see how many recipients followed the link





## Donations via digital channels



### Some of the choices





# Just Giving

### **Advantages**

- Automatic Gift Aid reclaim 25p in the £
- Trusted brand
- Your own branded landing page
- Highly interactive individuals raising sponsorship income can show their own photos, videos & messages
- Links with other popular sites facebook, twitter, linked in
- Builds viral marketing



# Just Giving

### **Disadvantages**

- Costs £15 per month + tariff of commissions etc.
- Cost is quite high and does attract VAT
- Data owned by Just Giving



# Local Giving

### **Advantages**

- Cheaper at £96 per year
- Match funding opportunities
- It's local!

### **Disadvantages**

Not as well known





# Measuring performance



## Website analytics

- Google Analytics can be integrated with and used in conjunction with Adwords
- Displays critical key information:
  - Visits

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- Page views
- Average pages per visit
- Bounce rate
- Average time on site
- New v. repeat visits
- Source search engine, direct, referral
- Most popular pages
- Routes maps and drop offs



# Creating a Dashboard

#### The Smart Insights RACE Digital Marketing Dashboard

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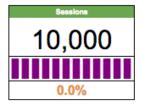
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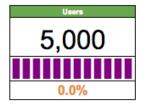
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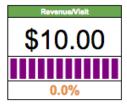
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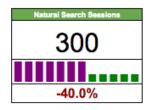
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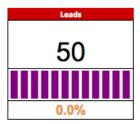


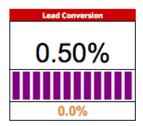


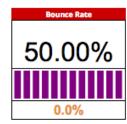


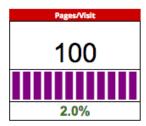
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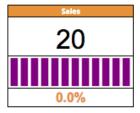


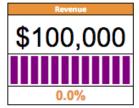




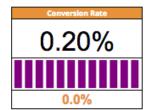
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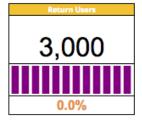


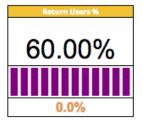


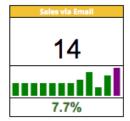


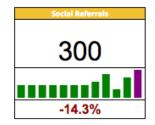


#### **Engage**











## **GDPR**



### **GDPR**

- The European Union (EU) General Data
   Protection Regulation (GDPR) brings data
   protection legislation into line with new,
   previously unforeseen ways data is now used
- Supersedes the Data Protection Act 1998
- Makes data protection rules more or less identical throughout the EU
- Gives EU citizens more control over how their personal data is used



- All 'Controllers' and 'Processors' of personal data need to abide by the GDPR irrespective of where in the world they are based
- Personal data must be processed lawfully, transparently, and for a specific purpose
- Once that purpose is fulfilled and the data is no longer required, it should be deleted

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- 6 lawful reasons to process data:
- 1. Consent
- 2. Contract
- 3. Legal obligation
- 4. Vital interests
- 5. Public task
- 6. Legitimate interest

https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/lawful-basis-for-processing/



You should ensure when gathering customer and prospective customer data for marketing purposes, that:

- Appropriate consent has been given
- The date and method through which consent was given should be recorded
- Data sourced from third parties, such as mailing lists, complies to the above



### Appropriate consents include:

- 'Opt-in' box a person has to proactively tick, rather than preticked!
- A clear statement along the lines of... "By providing your details you consent to the receipt of marketing communications by email..."





## **THANK YOU**

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