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# marketing in the e-future

### MHA SHALLWE DISCUSS TODAY?

#### Winning Internet strategies for:

- market/consumer research
- branding
- advertising
- selling
- customer services
- direct/database marketing
- 1-to-1 marketing



### EVEN IN THE 21ST CENTURY -EVERYTHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN

### NEW WAYS TO LOOK AT NEW ADVERTISING

# New e-businesses for the e-decade

### TO DARE IS THE BEST ROAD TO SUCCESS -BUT ONE MUST DARE TO DARE

Managers and companies who want to avoid failure are more prepared to die slowly, but inevitably

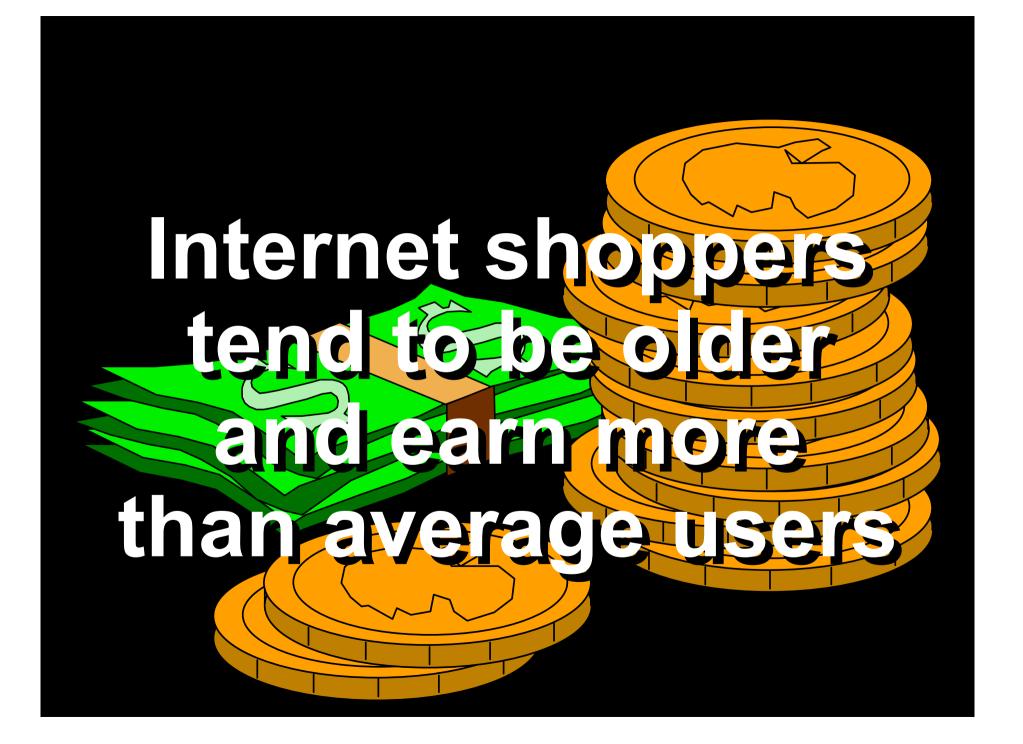
# The faster technology changes, the greater demand for boldness

"How will you fail" Rubin, H. FAST COMPANY (USA). Sep. 1999 Online.



WHO SHOPS ONLINE?

### Online shoppers have a different profile to the average Internet user



They tend to be convenience shoppers, not recreational shoppers

- Innovative
- Less risk averse
- Greater variety seekers
- More positive attitude toward direct marketing and advertising than non-shoppers

Develop our Internet sales and marketing strategies with these factors in mind



## Markets are conversations

## Brands are people

#### **CLUETRAIN MANIFESTO**

A company is a metaphysical construct standing between people who want to have a conversation.

### Markets are conversations between people.

The barriers that surround companies hinder conversations between people on the outside and people on the ins, the buyers, and people on the inside who work for the company.

Brands are about people because people bind the process together, make decisions about processes and represent the values that identify an organisation as unique.

One-to-one marketing and relationship marketing are only small steps in responding to the importance of people talking to people.

Popularity worldwide of the internet means the company talking to the consumer is no longer the dominant influence. or conversation.

Company dominance has been replaced by people outside the company.

If a company doesn't understand this, people will laugh at the company.

As people become the brand, we no longer need to buy most products or services.

Now we buy experiences and sometimes during the experience we may buy a product or service.

Experience includes the interaction between customers as well as between the brand and the customer.

Some experiences will add value to an individual customer.

IKEA "assemble-it-yourself" furniture adds value through the experience as well as cost savings for buyers and IKEA.

Word-of-mouth today travels faster than ever.

In this era of information bombardment and consumer cynicism, we look for credible sources.

When we believe we have found a credible source, we often suspend normal judgement and are even prepared to overrule messages we have received from a less credible source, eg: conventional advertising.

Rational arguments against rumours often fail to change opinion.

## PERMISSION MARKETING

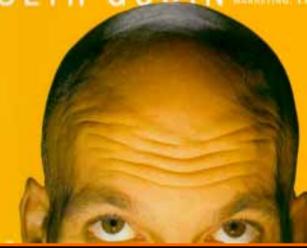
### SETH GODIN PERMISSIO

Internet Marketing Pioneer Seth Godin says he wants to change the way almost everything is marketed today. Will you give him permission to show you the future?

### PERMISSION MARKETING

Z TURNING STRANGERS INTO FRIENDS,
AND FRIENDS INTO CUSTOMERS

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Gain consumers' consent to participate in the selling process.

Web technology of interactivity makes this easier and inexpensive.

In a cluttered advertising and PR environment, the old model based on interruption can no longer work as powerfully as it once did. Even traditional direct marketing techniques are now too wasteful.

Waste is not an acceptable characteristic of modern business models.

"Powerful (modern) advertising is anticipated, personal and relevant."

"Interact with your prospects one at a time with individual messages, exchanged with their permission over time."

#### Your reward:

70% of your prospects read your message and 35% respond.



is a perfect example of practical application of permission marketing techniques.

Base your own model on Amazon experience.

Amazon's permission technique turns "strangers into friends and friends into (lucrative) lifetime customers"

Learn from Amazon's famously successful technique and apply it daily to development of YOUR BUSINESS on the Web.

Always offer an incentive or benefit to prospects/customers whenever you advertise to them.

"The incentive must be overt, obvious and clearly delivered"

It's easy to teach customers about your product when they have **AGREED** to pay attention.

Fine-tune your incentives for EACH prospect and reinforce incentives regularly to ensure attention continues.

With each reinforcement of your incentive, increase the level of permission granted by prospects.

Gain increasing permission to gather more data about personal life, hobbies, interests and to offer new categories of product for customers' consideration.

"Turn permission into profits" by using permission to change consumer behaviour on an ongoing basis

View your costs of acquisition of customer permission as a commercial investment on which you can measure financial returns.

As time passes and clutter becomes even more intense, your asset of permission will generate escalating profits.

### Good things happen when we focus.

"Focus on share of customer, not market share. Fire 70% of your customers and watch your profits go up!"

#### Segregate people into:

- strangers
- friends
- customers
- loyal customers
- former customers

## amazon.com builds a permission asset not a brand asset.

If Amazon changes its business model to become a book publisher as well as distributor they will enjoy huge margin advantages. Amazon will become proactive and commission authors to create books for which they already hold paid pre-orders.



# GLOBAL and VULNERABLE

WORLD WIDE WEB INVITES GLOBAL PR CATASTROPHIES TO GLOBAL BRANDS

### Example:

Global brand McDonalds is under world wide attack by activists drawing from UK "McLibel" trial



It is still far from clear how to respond to this kind of attack

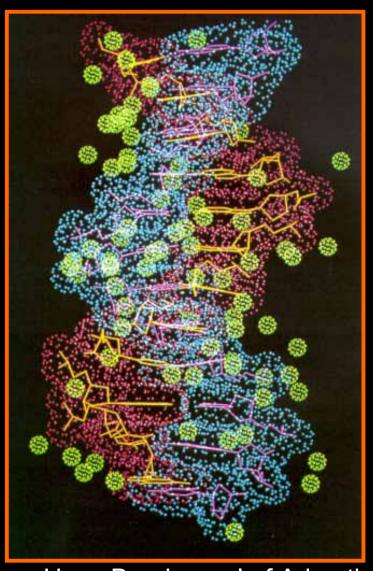
As buyers demand transparency, managing trust will be fundamental to marketing in the e-future

Breaches of trust will be recognised and punished by consumers. Issues that are controversial will be discussed by email and the community will decide whether an action breaches the trust bestowed on the brand.

**Employees are absolutely** critical in creating brands for the e-future. As communication barriers come down through the Internet, people outside companies will have conversations with those inside.

Corporate relationships via Internet will be based on fundamental values such as those that define "friendship".

These developments demonstrate that size and power will no longer protect a brand



### DOUBLE HELIX AD MODEL

Huey B. - Journal of Advertising Research (USA) 39:3, 1999

A useful reflection of real life, where advertising through different campaigns adds up over time

The two strands represent the message and the media.

The helix revolves around a spine that represents time.

Double helix model suggests that advertising works through interaction between receiver, message and medium over time.

This accounts for advertising sometimes working, sometimes being ignored and sometimes being stored.

The interaction will reflect the state of the receiver, e.g. is he in "attention", or "desire" mood?

# Double helix also suggests that each new ad does not start from "zero".

A new ad for a brand begins with parts of previous campaigns; it takes some of its genome from brand's past advertising and melds it with the new environment and situation to create a new being the ad

Double helix model allows us to think more widely about how advertising works.

Acknowledges advertising does not work in a linear persuasive way.

The process is non-linear and draws on the brand's past activities as well as the current ad.

Double helix model also acknowledges that advertising has an effect over time. It also reinforces that a new campaign does not start from zero for receivers.

Double helix model encourages advertisers and researchers to re-examine advertising from a multi-dimensional perspective.

# CREDIT CARD SIZED CD-ROMS

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Modern communication takes many forms. A CD-ROM the size and shape of a typical business card provides marketers with a 30 megabyte website for their wallets.

A CD-ROM of this familiar shape and size provides a link between traditional printed paper communications devices and 21st Century electronic media.

CD's can now become part of direct mail campaigns because this shape fits in a standard postal envelope - no extra cost.

Swing tags on high price/high margin clothing and other products are now 30 Mb websites with hyperlinks to companies main websites or other locations.

For example cricket gear can be sold with all the records of a national cricket team and star performers for the entire 20th Century.

### Huge added value!

CD-on-a-card can also bring conventional print magazine ads alive.

Attached as a "coupon" to a single page magazine ad, readers now receive 6 minutes of video, 30 minutes of audio or thousands of pages of information with which to interact.

Bar-coding on the printed surface of CD-on-a-card permits advertisers to identify customers who have been generated by a specific ad in a specific publication.



Indexing technology has generated a new business with global revenue potential.

Conference librarians!

Web technology permits development of thinking entrepreneurs, no matter how remotely located geographically, to build profitable businesses as new extensions of existing industries.

### Established 110 years

420,000 students p.a.

32,000 remote education students

4,000 courses

### The Knowledgeable Consumer and One-to-One Marketing

 Concept of knowledgeable consumer as specified for development of OptiMark supercomputer search engine is based on notion that "you know ahead of time what would satisfy you, in order for you to be satisfied by it".

If consumers are knowledgeable, they learn to become not just cash dispensers for their own goods and services, but shrewd brokers for whom buying becomes a new two-way street.

- Knowledgeable consumers will drive the market. They will precisely use the expression languages of the new supercomputing search engines such as OptiMark to say:
  - what they want;
  - when they want it, and;
  - how much they are willing to pay



What can you do to make a specific customer's specific experience better next time he deals with you?

You learn, he learns.

### Earth's biggest bookshop,



offers a continual learning relationship with customers: customers become extremely loyal and enthusiastic buyers.

amazon.com makes it easy and pleasant to do business.

It is constantly reassuring customers whenever they visit.

You can pick the books or videos you want, try to get a better deal on their option service, be totally confident of credit card security, check your past orders to avoid duplication, always receive email acknowledgement of your order, know how long it will take for your purchases to be delivered.

Amazon.com never wastes your time, always remembers who you are and customizes their services for you alone.

Spend half your time doing whatever is necessary to make it easier for customers to do business with you.

Always offer clients clear privacy policies as personal reassurance that you will respect any information they share with you.

Example: Dell Computers at www.dell.com/policy/privacy.htm

#### What Contributes to Value?

- The value equation influences purchase behaviour:
  - pre-disposition increases amongst prospects
  - loyalty improves amongst customers
- Value = Brand Equity
   Price

(An increase in Brand Equity or a decrease in price increases value)

#### Sidebar consideration

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$$V = \frac{Q}{P.T.S}$$

Where Q = Quality of Manufacture + Brand Equity + Experience of ownership + KNOWLEDGE + Pride of ownership + pride of being known as a customer of a particular distribution chain (e.g. Tiffany)

Where P = Price

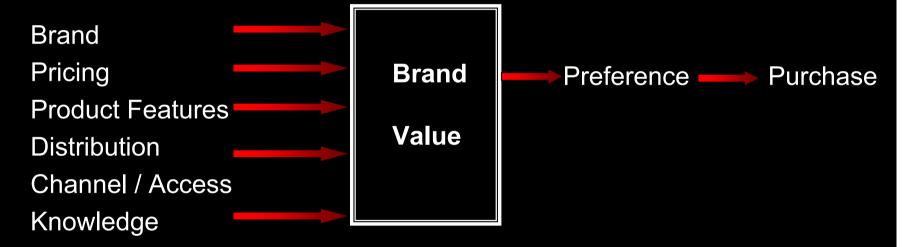
Where T = Time taken to acquire the product sought

Where S = Stress endured by customer in acquisition process

Where V = Value for Money

### Can we measure the contribution of various elements to Brand Value?

• Conjoint or trade-off analysis enables us to measure the relative utility of brand value, pricing and product features to overall choice.



We trade off a superior brand against a lesser brand at a cheaper price. Often specific features (e.g. size, method of propulsion) override price or branding, if they are unique and desired

## What is a Decision Support System (D.S.S)?

The D.S.S is a model which is built from research data to enable us to identify <u>at what level</u> of any given attribute (brand, price, features, distribution channel) consumers will trade-off one choice against another.

At what price discount will consumers move from XYZ to ABC for a product with similar features?

- What price premium can XYZ charge its customers and still retain them?
- If another major brand changed its features or pricing what would it take to move XYZ customers and what is the profile of those who would move and those who would stay?

#### D.S.S cont.

- If access to very detailed knowledge about XYZ products is superior to competitors will prospects' preferences change?
- If the distribution channels changed, what would it take to hold customers in the traditional channels?
- If the distribution channels changed, what would it take to shift customers to the new channels? How many would move?

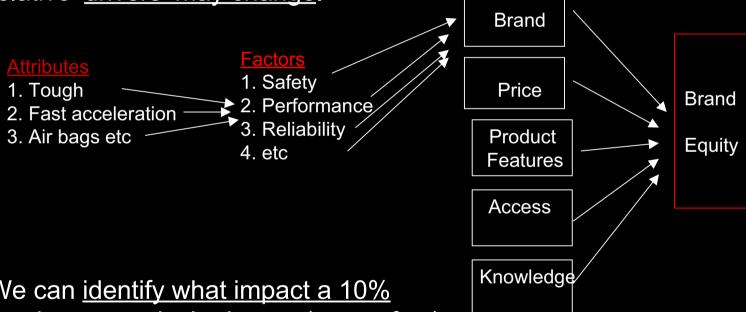
### How do we use a D.S.S to understand the Brand?

- In the same way that we can trade-off brands, prices and product features, we can trade off brand attributes and distribution channels.
- We need to identify which attributes are the greatest 'drivers' of Brand Equity.
- We need to <u>measure the relative utility</u> of differing attributes. If we increase brand image on five low-order attributes it may not contribute as much to the brand as increasing image on <u>one</u> <u>high-order attribute</u>.
- This has implications for advertising and public relations strategy and for measuring advertising and P.R. effectiveness (focus on the attributes which generate greatest Brand Equity these enable you to charge a premium or retain customers in the face of competitive price discounting)

 Model focuses on the attributes and image factors (both functional and emotional) that drive the XYZ brand and each of its competitors

The model stays the same for differing target groups, but the

relative 'drivers' may change.



We can <u>identify what impact a 10%</u>
 <u>rise</u> in any particular image (e.g. safety)
 will have on choice of the brand at an
 <u>increased price</u>.

#### Does this approach impact the Bottom-Line?

- Very definitely! XYZ can command a premium of over A\$2,000 per leading product line over its ABC competitors.
- A decline in Brand Equity would mean this premium would drop. An increase in Brand Equity would enable XYZ to raise the premium and <u>still represent better value.</u>
- For example, in Australia alone, 36,000 of a particular leading product line are sold a year: 36,000 x \$2,000 = \$72,000,000
- If we assess the value of this increased profit on a multiple of 20 (most stocks are assessed this way), the value of this annual profit can be capitalised at A\$1.44 billion.
- What then is the value of the XYZ brand across all its product lines sold in Australia?
- What is the worldwide value of the XYZ brand?

#### **Quality of Sales (QOS)**

- A proxy for overall Brand Equity known as "Quality of Sales".
- This measures the EMPATHY, TRUST and WAY IN WHICH A BRAND REFLECTS CONSUMERS VALUES.
- There is a <u>high correlation</u> between <u>high "QOS"</u> and <u>purchase behaviour</u>.
- Using "QOS" measures in research help identify which attributes are <u>driving "QOS" or Brand Equity</u>.
- This enables a professional to MANAGE the BRAND, BUILDING ON THE ATTRIBUTES THAT MATTER!

## SUMMARY

### We have examined:

- Need for courage in approaching our e-future
- Who buys on-line?
- Markets as conversations
- Permission Marketing
- On-line incentives
- Problems of Global PR
- Brand equity

### We have examined:

- New ways to look at advertising
- New challenges to advertising basics
- The concept of "the knowledgeable consumer" and 1-to-1 marketing
- Extraordinary power of word of mouth communication

### CONCLUSIONS

- The more things change, the more they stay the same
- Web consumers are different, but only require treatment in the oldfashioned way of village businessmen
- There is a great deal of money to be made from application of oldfashioned community principles

- Brands in our e-future must create a strong, relevant web presence in harmony with their conventional approaches
- Modern Internet measurement tools already exist and are freely available from professional services

 We can learn much and easily build our own e-commerce models by observing existing players (such as amazon.com) and immediately apply that wisdom to our own new business models

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