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WHY READ

THIS?

It's sharp, carefully prepared and thoughtfully presented - a description which could equally be applied to Chris Wheal.

This is a Curriculum Vitae with a difference. Like all CV's it contains clearly headed sections so you can flip through to the parts you are interested in. It also contains all the information you would find in a normal CV. That is where the similarity ends.

ATTENTION

Now let's tell you about Chris Wheal. After graduating Chris spent some time travelling through France and Spain. Now he feels

ready to embark on a career. He has had some experience of magazine writing and production (detailed later) and is keen to work in journalism.



Chris Wheal

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EDUCATION

Chris attended Crookhorn Comprehensive school where he obtained 5 O'Levels in Maths, English Language, English Literature, Physics and French. While there he took part in two French exchange visits and became a prefect. Chris also passed his maths O'Level 7 months early when only 15.

2 A'Levels were attained during his time at Havant 6th Form College - Physics and Geography.

A BA (Hons) Degree in Modern European Studies at Ealing College of Higher Education included core subjects in History, Geography, Politics and Economics. Chris also studied Spanish, European Settlement Studies and Art, Music and Ideas in the Making of Modern Europe.

A month long intensive Spanish Course in the University of Navarre, Pamplona, Spain was attended in the summer of 1986 followed by 2 months travelling in Spain researching a 10,000 word project.

Chris also has a certificate in Market Research interviewing and has attended the NUS Media Conference.

He has also taught himself basic keyboard skills.

At Crookhorn Chris took part in the Trident works experience programme working for 3 weeks for Waring's Building Contractors in both office and site jobs.

Whilst both at school and 6th form college Chris was employed as part-time janitor of a local squash club. He had full responsibility for maintenance and during vacation periods for collecting finances (see referees) He also delivered



Millward Brown

STUDENT INTERVIEWING PANEL

1985

THIS IS TO CERTIFY

Christopher Wheel

Completed a Three Day Training Programme to a *highly satisfactory* standard.

From July - September 1985, 16 assignments were carried out to a *highly commendable* degree of competence

Christopher proved to be a thorough, hardworking interviewer. He had a professional, mature approach and an excellent manner with the public.

M. Millward

MANAGING DIRECTOR

R. V. Jones

FIELD DIRECTOR

Millward Brown is a leading Market Research Agency involved in consumer and social research. Students recruited to the panel carried out interviews on a cross-section of the public. The three day training programme comprised theory and practical interviewing experience, including the completion of a one day "live" assignment. Training standards exceed the minimum required by the Association of Market Research Organisations.

EMPLOYMENT

charity pools coupons and collected the contributions.

Chris worked during the 1985 vacation as an interviewer for Millward Brown Market Research. He has also since researched for the BBC's Newsnight programme.

Chris has worked as a labourer in a print factory and on building sites and whilst at Ealing College was a security officer at social events and also worked in the bar.

PUBLICATIONS

It was at 6th form college that Chris first became interested in journalism and with two friends produced and sold a topical magazine - not restricted to Havant College but

sold at other outlets too.

At Ealing he began contributing to the magazine in the first year and in the 3rd year he became Editor, gave it a new title and improved its image.

He recently had a letter published in the Independent.

INTERESTS

Chris is interested in modern art and literature and also the theatre, particularly cabaret. He regularly visits the cinema and enjoys watching old movies on the TV. He loves travelling and mixing with people and enjoys watching live sport.

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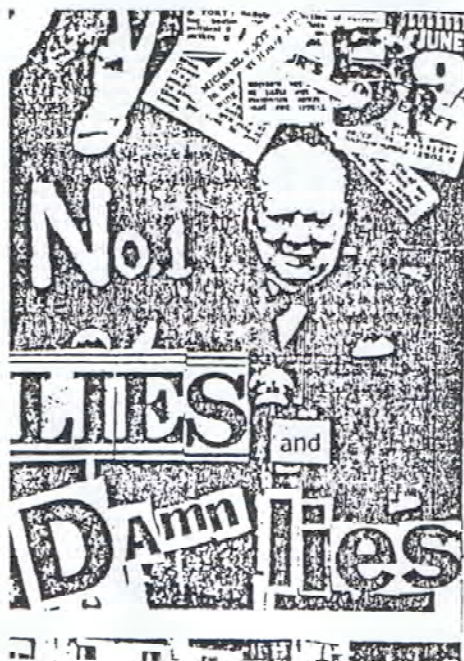
SPORT

Chris played rugby for Havant RFC from the age of 8, captaining sides in the under 12 and under 14 age groups.

Chris represented Crookhorn at both rugby and cricket. He was in the XI which became the first comprehensive ever to reach the final of the Lords Taverners Trophy.

Chris is also a keen squash player and played league squash until moving to London.

Chris also enjoys swimming, hiking and snooker.



Havant College

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Chris has been a confident speaker since early days gaining an English Speaking Board certificate whilst at school and also entering a public speaking competition.

At Havant College he stood as an independent candidate in a 1983 mock election - elected 3rd, and also was

the student representative on the South East Hants Area Education Advisory Committee.

At Ealing College he spoke regularly in general meetings of the Student's Union and was elected as a delegate to NUS National Conference to speak on a college amendment.

You have been specially selected to take advantage of this rare offer.

THE INDEPENDENT

Friday 21 August

All you need to do is send off your reply to the address at the bottom of this page and you could become the employer of Chris Wheal.

If you do not feel you need his services right now, why not hang on to this and contact him when a vacancy arises?

REFEREES

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Albanian good life

Dear Sir,
Your article "Serb anger over attacks in Kosovo" (17 August) was fiercely slanted against the Albanian majority. That very evening we were also treated to Selina Scott, substituting for Terry Wogan, interviewing the exiled Queen Geraldine of Albania who described her country as "one big concentration camp".

Albania has a population of approximately three million and the highest birth rate in Europe as health care for mother and baby is a national priority. The non-contributory social security system also guarantees free medical treatment, free education, state retirement and invalidity pensions to all, including farmers. Life expectancy is 68 for males and 71 for females, and every village has a health centre, electricity, the telephone and is accessible by motorable road.

For the two million Yugoslav Albanians who make up 80 per cent of the population in Kosovo life is somewhat different. While unemployment in Slovenia is only 4 per cent, Kosovo suffers an incredible 30 per cent, and the uncaring attitude of the Yugoslavs has often led to unrest. It is the treatment of the Kosovars, rather than life in Albania, which fits the description of the cute little old lady on the television.

Just how cute was she? Her husband, whom she described as having an "immense personality" was in fact only the president of Albania, until one day he declared himself king. King Zog's one claim to fame was opening the country's first public toilet. He offered no resistance to Mussolini's occupation and left his people to liberate themselves. Queen Geraldine's affection for them was demonstrated when she admitted on television that the only wedding present she had taken into exile had been a red Mercedes given by Adolf Hitler. The People's Socialist Republic of Albania has, since 1976, maintained a position of independence from both the West and the Eastern bloc. Perhaps this independence should be recognised by *The Independent*.

Yours,
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THE INDEPENDENT

THE INDEPENDENT Monday 24 August 1987

Wednesday 26 August 1987

Albanian reality: past and present

Dear Sir,
Like your correspondent, Chris Wheal (letter, 21 August), I, too, deplored Selina Scott's cloying interview with "Queen" Geraldine. After all, her reign of less than a year nearly half a century ago hardly qualifies her as an authority on modern Albania. She wasn't born in the country, hasn't seen it since fleeing the Italians in 1939, and to dub it "one big concentration camp" is as mischievous as it is misconceived.

But if the "Queen" is starry-eyed about Albania's past, Mr Wheal seems almost equally so about its present. True, Albania's progress has been impressive. The country, which had lacked heavy industry or railways and whose population had been largely illiterate, under-fed and malaria-ridden when Geraldine held sway, has been developing much as he describes. But at a price. Like his mentor, Stalin, Enver Hoxha, Albania's leader for over 40 years, ruthlessly destroyed all opposition, real or imagined, severely restricted speech and movement and forcibly closed all churches and mosques in this most Islamic of European states.

Nonetheless, in recent years the atmosphere has become far more relaxed, open and friendly — in part, perhaps, because of Albania's turn to the West for

trade and expertise after China's withdrawal. In part, too, because of the rise of Albania's current leader — Ramiz Alia. Under him, hundreds have been amnestied, incentive schemes introduced, tourism expanded and diplomatic contacts extended to 106 states. Unfortunately Britain is not one of them.

Relations were ruptured in 1946 when Albania refused to pay compensation for the lives lost when two British warships were mined in the Corfu Channel and Britain refused to return Albania's national gold, "liberated" by the Allies at the end of the war. In my view, it is time to hand back the gold and restore ties.

Albania is rich in raw materials, especially chrome, which will become increasingly important, as the Southern African situation deteriorates. It possesses Vloora, the Adriatic's best deep-water harbour — which the Russians are anxious to regain — and its new leadership, much more pragmatic and humane than its predecessor, not only deserves but also needs our encouragement "for good behaviour".

Yours sincerely,
GEOFFREY STERN
Department of
International Relations
London School of Economics
London, WC2
21 August

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Dear Sir,
Chris Wheal has missed out at least one important feature of the People's Socialist Republic of Albania. It has, without a doubt, the most boring short-wave radio programmes in the world!

Yours faithfully,
P. THOMPSON
Shrewsbury
Shropshire

Albanian reality

Dear Sir,
Chris Wheal (Letters, 21 August) extols the fact that Albania has the highest birth rate in Europe. However, what he does not say is that, except in extenuating medical circumstances, abortion is illegal. This is because the Government is intent on building up the population from its present level of three million to four million.

It is also illegal for its citizens to travel abroad without an exit visa, own a motor car, grow long hair or a beard, practice a religion, or even have a religious name — which is ironic given that the surname of Enver Hoxha, the long-standing dictator who died in 1985, literally means "Muslim priest". And, although I did not confirm this on my visit there last year, I believe it is also illegal to be left-handed.

So Albania has a non-contributory social security system. In fact, it has no taxes whatsoever. Does this make it a tax haven?

Yours faithfully,
STEPHEN BRYANT

London, N1
Dear Sir,
Radio Albania boring! (letters, 24 August).

On holiday in Antibes last year, Radio Albania was one of the very few English language stations available on medium wave. My wife and I were enthralled by Radio Albania's potted history of the country. Admittedly, by the end of the holiday they had only reached the mid-1950s but much more was promised. At the rate of a decade a week, our forthcoming trip to the South of France should hold much in store. Your readers will appreciate that the late nineteenth century in Albania witnessed the birth of the forerunner of Tirana Town Football Club. Heady days!

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN WITHERS
Bexley,
Kent
24 August

LATE NEWS

Chris Wheal commences
freelance work for BUZZ
magazine — London,
September 1987.

