

Use downtime wisely to assess your goals

CAREER ADVICE

Queensland's leading recruitment consultants give some advice for job seekers for the New Year

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THE holiday period is the perfect opportunity over a relaxed break to take stock and reflect on your job and career direction, while having a clear head away from your hectic work environment. Utilise the time to make those changes and amendments to your resume that you never get a chance to get to during the year.

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DON'T rush into a new job because you are desperate to leave your current place of employment. Take the New Year period to think long and hard about what you want to achieve in a role and then the types of companies that will provide those opportunities.

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THE beginning of the year is a good time to re evaluate your work environment and responsibilities. If you're not doing what you enjoy move on. Prepare a resume that sells your skill set, experience and what your prospective employer will gain from you. Develop your strategy and make your new career happen. It's up to you.

Roisin Duffy
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ENJOY the down time but take advantage of the opportunity to research and prepare applications for potential employers. Remember, a targeted approach is far more likely to generate success rather than a generic mass mail-out. Your CV should reflect your personal attributes and customise it to make it relevant to your prospective employer.

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WITH so many great opportunities as our state's economy booms, you can keep your options open and look for work which suits your interests and skills. If you don't have the skills to make your dreams a reality, find a reputable trainer to get you hands-on as soon as possible.

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ALIGN yourself in the New Year with a recruiter who can be your eyes and ears in the market even if you are not necessarily looking to change jobs. This year promises to be another strong year for employment in Queensland therefore by partnering with the right consultant you will discover what the market truly has to offer.

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DON'T make the mistake of dropping the ball over the holiday period. The New Year is an ideal time for a lot of companies to take on staff so you'd be doing yourself a favour by getting on the front foot and remaining proactive in your job hunt across this time.

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RELECT on what your true passions are and what it is you really want to achieve. When choosing a career make sure it is fitting with your personal values, your strengths and "who you really are". Once you have a clear picture of where you are headed, do some research on the skills required and source appropriate training. Don't let others dampen your enthusiasm. Stay positive and believe in yourself.