

Affiliate Marketing Success Stories

Leaked from the private forum inside the
Wealthy Affiliate University

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Hi there,

My name is Jimmy Wrex and I'm an internet marketer. I'm not a guru, a millionaire or the next Donald Trump. But I do have something very important to share with you. If an average, bottom-of-the-class Joe like me can make money online then there's nothing stopping you.

Within the pages of this ebook you will find real life internet marketing success stories taken directly from the Success Area of the Wealthy Affiliate private forum. These are real life forum posts from real members and can easily be found once inside the private forum area.

At the time of writing, there were 3758 threads in Success Area of the Wealthy Affiliate forum and many many more forum posts congratulating and asking for tips

These posts range from small successes, like a first sale (added daily), to massive success stories like those you are about to read.

Everyday, without fail, I log into the Wealthy Affiliate forum and check for success posts. These accounts of internet marketing success helped condition me to believe that I too could make money online. A lack of belief will kill your ambitions, aspirations and dreams quicker than any other obstacle out there. So change your beliefs and you will change more than your financial situation, you will change your entire life. I and many others who have joined WA are living proof of this fact.

I implore anyone who reads the following pages and joins WA to make full use of the Success Area of the forum. Although at first it may seem like there are many more practically useful parts to the site, over time these success stories will enter your subconscious and will drive you forward to achieve your own personal goals.

Whether you join Wealthy Affiliate or not, I truly hope the following pages inspire and motivate you and I would love to hear your story if you feel inclined to share it.

You can reach me at my blog here:

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With that said, let's get down to business. Please enjoy the following pages, allow yourself to dream and never let others dictate the direction of your life. Take action, take control and make it happen.

Create your success,

Jimmy Wrex

Your Wealthy Affiliate Insider

"Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're probably right" Henry Ford

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My 2 INCREDIBLE years inside WA

By Marcus

Blimey...

The last 2 years have simply flown by for me at WA. I remember the day I joined VERY well as it was to be my last attempt at making this online dream happen. I'd made sales prior to joining, but nothing consistent. Joining WA was an opportunity for me to go back to school and learn from 2 of the best in the business – Kyle & Carson.

It took me around 11 months of WA education to get my act together...it really should have been a lot quicker. Yeah, I guess I got lazy...maybe even expecting someone to wave a magic wand or something...WRONG! It wasn't until I started taking action and worked at this like nothing I've EVER committed to before that the results started to come in.

By the end of 2007 I'd built up a number of sites targeting specific niches. Initially I would use free methods of promotion until I had a clear idea of what keywords were working the best, and then I would translate those free campaigns into paid campaigns using PPC. That might not be the best way to approach your promotions, but it worked for me and it represented a way to build large campaigns in a safe and cost effective manner.

Throughout 2008 my sites have continued to grow in size and so has my income. I pretty much have system in place that I apply to any niche that I promote to, and it's simply a matter of letting things run and then acting on the results. Some work, and some DON'T, but that's something you just have to accept in this game.

My sites now generate over 5 figures every month, and that to me is an ASTONISHING amount of money (and I do sometimes have to pinch myself to make sure I'm not dreaming!) With a number of additional campaigns building up a head of steam, I'm aiming high and hoping to increase the income my sites generate to around \$30,000 a month by the end of 2009.

2 guides that DEFINITELY helped me crack the code over the last 2 years were Who Loves Money and Inside The List. I made a fair bit of fuss about WLM when it was first released as it gave me a whole new perspective on keywords. I used those ideas right away and have continued to do so ever since. As for Inside The List, I don't know why I left it so late to get involved with email marketing but ITL put 30% on my income almost immediately and it's probably my favourite marketing method. New members have a great head start by getting those guides free when joining or via the Accreditation courses.

In addition to my niche sites, I also turned my attentions on the WA affiliate program at the end of 2007. I had a number of ideas banging around in my head and I was determined to bring people here to WA and help them succeed in the way I had. I ran some ideas by Kyle & Carson and eventually came up with a number of sites to help me promote WA in 2008. It didn't take too long before I could see a method that was working well and I decided to share that with the community in my \$1k WA Promotions post. Little did I know that just a short while later I would be in the AMAZING position of being qualified for the Vegas trip...in fact it STILL hasn't sunk in!

Pheww...

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Writing this is really making me realise how far I've come in such a short space of time. I really hope that you view this post as inspirational in some way, and that you don't think I'm in any way boasting about my income or success. I'm really not like that at all and I hope I haven't offended anyone at a time when there's such hardship around the world.

Is there a BIG secret to making this work?

Really, there isn't. I convinced myself a couple of years ago that this was all one big con, but having done the A-Z I know it's for real. Don't ever think that this is going to happen for you without effort because it won't. I'm living proof that the WA system works so the amount of effort you put in to making it happen for you will determine how successful you become.

HUGE THANKS...

To EVERYONE here at WA because you all inspire me in some way. It can be something as simple as a new member expressing their hunger in the Introduction section of the forum, or one of my members sending me an email and telling me they've just made another sale. I just love it!

Special thanks to Travis for bringing me here in the first place back in '06...I owe you BIGTIME dude. Thad – you've given me more “aha” moments than any other member here at WA – Thank you!!

And of course not forgetting...

Kyle & Carson!!

Where do I begin?? Thanks first of all for everything you provide for us here at WA, you guys really do have AMAZING vision. On a personal note, you have ALWAYS given me straight answers when I've asked you questions in the past and sometimes (alright, most of the time!) that's what I've needed to hear. You both know what I'm all about, and you both know how to press my buttons! In 2 years I've paid you guys around \$700 to be a member here, and in exchange you've shown me how to generate 6 figures per year. THANK YOU SOO MUCH!

And F-I-N-A-L-L-Y...

I couldn't possibly sign off without mentioning an EXTREMELY special group of people...my members here at WA. Over the last year I have been VERY fortunate to make many new friends from all corners of the earth. You guys are my online family and I really do try my hardest to help you become successful online at WA. BIG love to ALL of you. I feel extremely privileged to be going on the Vegas trip, and to be in the presence of such powerful marketers like Kyle, Carson, Travis Sago, Thad Roe, and Ryan Moran will be an absolute honour. I PROMISE you that while I'm there I'm going to be working for you guys...I already have a plan of action, and you guys are going to have some VERY special goodies when I return. :D

So there you have it...that's what WA has done for me in 2 years and there's absolutely no reason why anyone else here can't do the same. Stay focussed on your dream and remind yourself every day why you are here. Don't allow yourself to get too distracted here at WA...you're paying \$40 a month to learn this trade from 2 of the best marketers in town – Kyle & Carson. NEVER forget that. If they can turn an average guy like me into a successful marketer, you really don't have any excuses.

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The dream will only end if YOU allow it to.

Thanks for reading,

Marcus

PS – If you intentionally joined WA through one of my sites and haven't been in touch with me yet, send me a PM.

EDIT: Please mark your PM with "I joined through you" or something similar! This just helps me separate my members from Super Affiliate PM's.

Made \$15,000 Since November

By WatchDog

Hit the \$15,000 mark the other day. This amount has been made in less then 6 months and I could not be happier.

Some days I make \$200 and other days zero. With that said I laugh at looking at my CB totals and other affiliate programs and think that this money is being made while I sleep or at my day job.

Just wanted to put up another success post to give motivation to those who think they can't. You just have to keep working.

Talk to all of you later.

You Cant Beat WA

By Kahuna

I paid \$1200 for 'Rich Jerk' Coaching and WA blows it out of the water. I thought I was paying for expert mentoring but it seemed to just be a bunch of kids in a call center regurgating some generic IM info. What I have learnt in WA has been of much more value, particular thanks to Travis Sargo.

One thing I will say is that when you pay \$1200 for something it states your intention. The day I made the commitment to do that it was like I was saying to the world 'I will do whatever it takes to figure this out'. I have not quit and there have been bumps in the road - well not even bumps, just 'lazy days' where I get nothing done but from this moment I am stopping that.

Anyway the 9-5 is over now and I am concentrating fully on building a HUGE internet marketing business and income. At the minute I make enough to get by and pay the pills so that's me out of the rat race and focused 100% on this.

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Day Job.....Killed!

By Thad Roe

I haven't posted here in the success forum since November. At the time, I raised the bar and promised myself that the next post in here would be when I had built my IM business up enough to quit my job.

Well, I'm thrilled to report that yesterday I kicked a \$120K/yr day job straight in the nuts thanks to WA! I ain't nobody's bitch now! :D

The real test for me quitting has been waiting until I really felt like it's flat out costing more money to go to work, than it is to stay home and work on IM...and having debt paid off and plenty of money saved. All that has happened now so I said see ya later.

I'm consistently averaging over \$500/day net profits now, which may not be huge by some standards, but it's enough to make me feel comfortable quitting. I feel like the sky is the limit so I hope everyone can see the real potential from putting what you learn at WA into action.

After working at the same job for 11 1/2 years, I've wanted nothing more for the past few years than to break away and be in more control of my time and income.....and I'm forever grateful that WA has given me the opportunity to do that!

Even at my day job, there was potential for a lot more income if I put the effort into it since it was a sales job...but what I started to realize over time is that the more effort I put in and the more I made there, the more of a slave I would become to that job...in the sense that it could all be taken away in a heartbeat if someone didn't like the way I looked at them, if I expressed too much of an opinion, or sent the wrong email to the wrong person. I saw it happen to two other co-workers in the past 3 years. One innocent mistake wiped away a pretty sizeable income for them.

That's when I became incredibly focused on doing something on my own and thankfully found WA last year. It just made more sense and seemed like a less risky situation to make money on my own vs. depending on someone else.

I will say it has NOT been a piece of cake to get to this point...not by a longshot. I haven't talked about many of my struggles with IM, but I've had my ass handed to me, fallen flat on my face, and had major setbacks happen quite a few times. And I still do. I fail a lot! But the key to things moving along has been always being persistent, reassessing what went wrong, and getting back up to keep trying again and again. There has also been the time issue...many months of little to no sleep has been very difficult too.

I LOVE doing IM and am hardcore addicted...I eat, sleep, and drink it. As Chad (cwclem34) posted a while back, don't expect to do this half assed and expect anything but half assed results. That statement is very true!...and it's true for most anything we do in life.

I hope anyone new or struggling here realizes that success is really possible if you put in the effort, take serious action, and don't stop when you fail.

I can honestly say there are no big secrets to be found outside WA. The success I've had so far has been all attributable to the content, help, and support at WA and the other guides by Carson and

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Kyle. Anything else I've ever read is just a little gravy, but not essential.

A big factor I'd like to point out that I feel is key to making things work with IM...is to always ADD VALUE in whatever you do. Help people find what they want and give them solutions...and try to do it better than anyone else is. That's the true role of an affiliate anyway. Help people save time, help them save money, help them make a final purchasing decision, introduce them to a product to solve their specific problem, introduce them to something they will enjoy, etc.

Adding value isn't always as mysterious as it may seem...it can often be as simple as saving someone from having to search for hours to compare several different products side by side...or helping them find a solution they might not find elsewhere.

IM is not hard once you get your bearings and break through the initial hurdles...but it takes a lot of work and effort. Just please take my advice and keep at it whatever you do if you feel strongly about making a commitment to success. There is plenty of help here at WA when you get stuck.

I could list a whole lot of names of people who have helped me here at WA and don't want to leave anyone out...there are so many! But I do want to at least give special credit to Carson, Kyle, and Travis...for inspiring me and having the biggest impact on helping me get things started in the right direction. Thank you guys and everyone else here from the bottom of my heart!

Anyway, I'm incredibly excited about the future!...but first, I'm off tomorrow for a weeks vaca to enjoy the new freedom, chill out, visit some family, and recharge the batteries a bit. (Hopefully I'll have discipline to stay away from my computer but I doubt it :lol:)

Cheers to everyone here at WA!

Thad

P.S. - Looking forward to Monday finally being a happy day of the week!

First \$1000 month - No Adspend!

By Kpfingaz

Hey guys,

I'm really excited. I still get excited when I check my Clickbank account and see sales.

With 4 days to go, I'm happy to say that I've already passed the \$1000 mark today. This is the most money I've ever made online. When you convert, I made almost twice what I make at my job. The good thing about it is that I didn't spend any money on advertising - just pure profit through bum marketing and using squidoo.

I've been with WA for 5 months now and I've been bum marketing for the whole time so I just want to say to the bums to be patient - it doesn't happen overnight. Just keep working at it and the results will show.

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Next up for me is PPC - still waiting for last months cheques to clear but I'll be able to start (for the second time) as early as next week when I get my paycheck. I'll still be bumming though - I like the profits :D

Thanks to everyone here at WA.

Next up, my first \$5000 month! :wink:

Jay

Note from Jimmy Wrex:

This post was made by Jay in 2007. He has since gone onto make a six figures per year and has invested in his sisters offline business (a hair salon I think) to help her change her life for the better too.

How do I know this?

Jay is the guy who got me to join WA. I'd like to say a big thanks to him for that and also for always answering my questions via email and giving me tons of insights into how to make money online. Without that my life would be very different right now.

I owe you big time bro!

Jimmy Wrex

Deposited 12 Checks From 3 Countries Yesterday.

By Travis Sago

Yesterday I deposited 12 checks from three different countries...

And I have decided a few months ago to stop posting actual dollar amounts...for numerous reasons...one because I think most have a hard time believing them...I know I STILL have a hard time believing.

I will say except for the last two years of my working for the man...I deposited more yesterday than I ever earned working a job for a full YEAR.

This is the "general success" forum...but I am not posting to brag...it seems like only yesterday that I got home from work at 9pm...gulped down some dinner...only to work on my business and LOSE more money...until about midnight...and then up at 4 am to workout...work a little more on my "money pit" of a business and then head off to work for the man at 6:30 am.

This was followed by working almost non-stop on Saturdays and some on Sundays if I was not

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called in to my day job...or out of town on my day job.

My wife god bless her soul...missed me...didn't see me making any "real" money...and must have thought at times I didn't care for her very much.

And as much as I did do it for her and my son...I also was DRIVEN by my own need to be free of being someone else's Baaatch.

I missed countless birthdays and anniversaries and other important events over my working career...

As much as I do like cash...yesterday I needed \$5000 cash to help a family member...it was very cool to listen to the sound of 50 \$100 bills being counted out.

But that is nothing compared to the PRIDE I felt at BEING at my son's high school graduation...and SEEING him go to his VERY FIRST DAY of college...

But the best experience of all came from my wife...who stuck with me thru

1. Driving crappy cars and doing without even though I had good money in the bank because that was my seed money.

2. Rarely seeing me...and when she did...I was tired, cranky and could be a real butt hole sometimes.

3. Not really understanding why I was so driven...why I couldn't just work 9 to 5 like everyone else and just forget about work.

4. And much more any normal woman would have most likely not put up with...

Well...yesterday as I sat down adding up those 12 checks and the rat...tat...tat...of the calculator...

She came over and saw the grand total...and she looked at me...she looked at me with those beautiful eyes and I could see how PROUD she was of me...no it wasn't greed...she rarely asks for anything...IT WAS PRIDE IN HER EYES...THAT was one of the best moments...

And I choked up a little on my drive thru the country on the way to the bank...it was a beautiful day...and made many years of sacrifice totally worth it...it was the most "BEAUTIFUL DRIVES" I have ever taken. Such a beautiful drive yesterday.

So...if you are getting slapped, hammered, and frustrated...keep at it...try to explain to your spouse and kids...

And I truly hope from the bottom of my heart and my prayers are with you that you take that "beautiful drive" in the near future.

Most Sincerely,

Travis

\$2000 in Commissions in 4 Days

By Robbied

Hi all!

Not bragging here by any means, just delivering the goods.

So I started a niche, it was a bit of a longshot, considering the PPC was expensive. I made a landing page, churned out a Camtasia video, added some content right from the supplier website and a few Youtube videos.

I planned to only to PPC for this niche, so I don't have any articles or other backlinks built.

I watched the adspend happen and no sales.... so I pulled the plug on in at the end of October and let it sit there. I had about \$120 invested in the niche.

So Xmas goes by, my other niches are doing well enough, and I forget about this one niche entirely.

(fast fwd to January 09)

I get an email the other day (Friday Jan 9, 2009) saying my affiliate link just led to a \$7681.00 sale.

I was like W-T-F??!! What the heck do I have running out there that generates that sort of sale. More importantly, I had no idea what sort of commission would be paid on that amount... So I started digging thru my files of niche info so see what I could find.

Lo-and-behold, this one pager, thought-it-was-dead-to-the-world niche has generated a sale! And a damned good one too! (my biggest so far, and commission too \$768)

So I go check my lander page and traffic meter. One keyword phrase is ranked #1 in Google! Wicked! I do some quick research and see that the keyword *supposedly* only gets 16 hits a month on average (what a dud!)

But... my traffic meter says I'm getting 1-2 clicks a day, and my inbox has been getting sales emails 1-2 per day for ever since Friday... so this keyword that gets 16 searches/month is converting at 100%??

So I'm stoked, very pleased, and thankful to God for this happening to me. I know I've worked damn hard at IM and thanks to WA for everything they've done for me.

(Ok, now I'm bragging)... here's a copy from my account profile for sales to date

Total so far today: \$2795.00

Total yesterday: \$3190.00

Total month to date: \$19716.85

Total last month: \$0.00

Remember, I get 10% commission on sales (even if it's 5% I don't care - it's still great).

I wish this had to do with massive backlink building, tons of articles - but unfortunately no... just one good organic link in Google (and I'm holding my breath waiting for Google to drop it or something....)

Thank you, thank you, thank you WA for introducing me to IM!

Sincerely
Rob

OMG! in the time I was posting this I had another \$2795.00 sale... BRING IT ON!

An Unexpected \$241 Day

By Makers-n-seven

There is no better feeling than getting one of those surprises when you check your stats in the morning!

After working on this stuff for a while, I have a good image of what my average daily earnings should be. I will average somewhere around \$50-\$100/day in combination of various sites - clickbank, CJ and others.

But when you get a morning like I had yesterday, those are the BEST: \$241 overnight from CJ. Add that to the normal \$50 and it was a \$300 day for me essentially.

This is exactly why it is SOOO important to take action. Those sales on CJ were 2 little conversions from two lenses I did over 9 months ago. I did them, published them, and then moved on to something else. They get very little traffic, but lo and behold, when someone does find it, it converts quite well!

So get your content online, then get MORE of it online. More is always better here! Just make sure you are taking the right steps to ensure some indexing and ranking success, and results will come.

Now I am off to research that old niche again...it seems kinda lucrative! :D

My 1st Sale! Guess what it was . . .

By Jimmy Wrex

Just made my first sale & guess what it was . . . (drum roll pls) . . . Strip That Fat!

I thought it would be a good idea to post, firstly because it's the 1st sale (sweet), but also because I read a forum thread on STF sales which almost made me dump the idea since others seem to be having trouble converting STF.

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It was down to a squid lens and 3 articles - love bum marketing, keep going newbies!

Jimmy :D

P.S. K&C Thanks for the STF blue print - very helpful!

Note from Jimmy Wrex:

Hehe - I thought it would be a bit of fun to add my first ever post in the success area of the WA forum. I posted this on June 17th 2009 and "oh my" how things have changed! I hope to see you posting something similar very soon (& feel free to give me a mention also LOL)

\$23,000 per month bum marketing in 3 years

By 60MinuteAffiliate

my name's colleen slater and I just want to share a bit about me.

I started online in around 2000, and quit a couple of years later after having earned nothing and spent about \$15,000.

Then in mid 2006 I decided to start again and focused completely on free bum marketing methods (something I still focus on).

Now my results were small at first

\$100 a month

\$500 a month

\$1000 a month

then they started growing

\$3000, \$5000, \$8000, \$12,000, \$15,000, \$17,000, \$20,000 and now \$23,000 and increasing (I hope to be at the \$30,000 per month mark at the end of the year)

now I didn't do this overnight and I worked darn hard

this included getting up at 4-5am during the week to put in around 60 minutes a day before I went to my day job.

BUT -- here's the payback

Next year 2010 I go full time online.

All those years the internet "stole" from me it's giving back to me ten-fold - hopefully for the rest of my life.

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So always have a plan and a vision in your mind, persevere, believe in yourself, remember why you're sacrificing so much with your online businesses - for what it can give you in return.

for me - i'll be working in my pjs, taking my kids to a from school, going to school outings during the day, seeing my girlfriends for lunch, my husband for lunch, time off for holidays...you name it

your life and your future is what YOU MAKE IT.

DREAM BIG - it doesn't cost any more!

Keep it up and keep going.

To your success!

Warmly

Colleen

Best Month Ever

By Chuckd

Hey Gang,

I havent posted much in the past few weeks due to some personal offline issues that i've had to deal with but i am happy to report that April has been my best month ever since i started Internet Marketing about a year and a half ago. I pulled in \$2,367 in profits for the month. This is a nice jump for me as i normally have been in the \$1000-\$1500 range for a while now and i can honestly say that this increase is directly related to my membership at WA !! So i wanted to shout out a big thanks to Carson, Kyle, Travis (you da man), Terry B and the rest of the gang here. Joining WA is without a doubt the best move that i have made since entering the Internet Marketing world.

Chuck

My first \$500/month !!! 100% article marketing =)

By Pnigro

Oh hai guyz

I am happy to inform that this has been my first \$500 month!

My strategy was extremely simple. Write articles and send all the traffic to a testimonial landing page (which presells the visitor) and then send him/her to the merchant page.

For those starting out I just want to say one thing: keep it simple.

Andrés

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\$1300 in 2 hours. Here is how YOU can do it too!

By Canuk

Hello, wealthy affiliates!

This is going to be a long post, so pay attention!

I have posted this on my blog and another forum, but for those poor souls :twisted: that don't read my blog, here it goes:

I am about to tell you a story of how I made a little over \$1,100 in less than 2 hours and how YOU can do the same even if you are a newbie. It does take very little technical knowledge and if I say something technical that you do not know how to do - just Google it, that's what I did.

This idea has been posted MANY times on this forum and many other IM forums, it's about taking your online business offline.

I was driving home from (I really don't remember where) about two weeks ago and I noticed this small office with a huge window, they had many led signs displayed and projecting whole bunch of different lights. I figured those were for sale, so I stopped and walked in.

The owner welcomed me and ask if he could help me with anything.

- How is business? - I asked.
- Not too well, replied the owner of the store.

He then proceeded telling me a little more about the business. They sold led displays to businesses, schools, hospitals and so on. I asked if they had a website and as we're in 2008, they did have a website just like many other businesses. The owner told me their website does not bring new customers but serves a purpose of showcasing the products to existing clients and to those who walked in at some point of time and took a business card with the website mentioned on it.

I told the guy that I could possibly help him get customers from the Internet, I proceeded by explaining the benefits of being in the top results of search engines, then I asked him how exactly those products are called and asked him to use his computer.

So I typed: WHATEVER THE PRODUCT Montreal. Then I tried Montcal WHATEVER THE PRODUCT - sure enough his website was nowhere to be found in the first 5 pages of Goolge, I didn't check any further. In fact most results were somewhat irrelevant and those that were relevant seemed to be there by pure luck.

I made an offer the owner could not refuse.

I offered him to build a brand new site that would rank at least in the top 5 results for any keyword phrase he wants. I would charge him \$1,000 ONLY if this happens and he agreed. I also asked him to purchase a domain name (that I already had in mind) and a cheap hosting plan - this cost him under \$10. (Since he picked a monthly payment plan for the hosting, possibility to cancel any time

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and the first month was only \$0.01). I also asked him to write the name of the top 5 products he sold, detailed description of each product and take a photo of each product. We drafted a quick contract, signed it and I went home. All this took about 30-40 minutes.

In 2 days I received an e-mail with all the information I requested. I logged into his hosting cPanel, uploaded Wordpress, uploaded a few free WP themes that I thought would match the business, I also uploaded ALL-IN-ONE-SEO-PACK plug-in for WP and the sitemap plug-in. I created 5 pages, each with the name of the product I made sure to fill out all of the All-In-One-Seo fields with relevant information - so title of the page, description and keywords/tags. In about 30 minutes the site was complete.

I left it alone for a week, hoping to have the time to work on some backlinks, but as I was trying to see if Google indexed it - it appeared on the first page of the results for all 5 keyword phrases. That's not all. Each keyword phrase was ranked as a result #1 and #2! Now, this might be surprising for some of you, but the truth is, when you are doing this for a local business you put the name of the city in the search - which makes ranking on top MUCH easier for MOST businesses.

Anyways, I went to see that guy the very next day, showed him the results which made him speechless and \$1,000 poorer. Yes, folks that was it.

Now, you say - it's only \$1,000 - but the title says \$1,300!

Pretty simple. The hosting he purchased - it was through my affiliate link which gave me a \$100 commission (Hostgator on CJ). Before leaving the office I offered him a consultation for.... \$200. In 15 minutes I told him about keeping his site on #1 spot by building backlinks. I explained the theory of article marketing - this took about 20-30 minutes.

A week later I received a call from this guy, thanking me once again. In one week this brand new simple WP website (... blog, really) brought him 2 new customers and a profit of \$3,000.

... Should I have charged him more for such service? Probably... but it was the first time I tried anything like this and it was so spontaneous - I thought even \$1,000 was too much to ask. I'll know better next time. However, It was a great experience and he already referred me to a friend of his who owns several used cars dealerships...

So, it is that simple. As you can see nothing technical in it. Or at least nothing that you can't find a video tutorial for on Youtube. I am not a good face-to-face salesman, my offer was just too good to turn down. I promised results or it was free. The only expense I asked for was under \$10 for the domain name + 1 month hosting. I am sure some businesses will turn me down - and this was my fear that always kept me away from trying such thing, but for some reason I had a good feeling about these guys, so I walked in with a smile and well... made \$1,300 in under 2 hours.

You can do it as well, I am sure of it.

Much love,

Alex

p.s. Why is this related to WA? Simply because if I did not find it 1 year ago - I wouldn't be having such stories to post.

\$100,000+ in 1 Account - 9 Months - No PPC

By PotPieGirl

When I closed my books out last month (August) I realized that if September was even a decent month that I would break earning \$100k in ONE single account.

When Clickbank updated their stats in the middle of the night last night, it really happened!

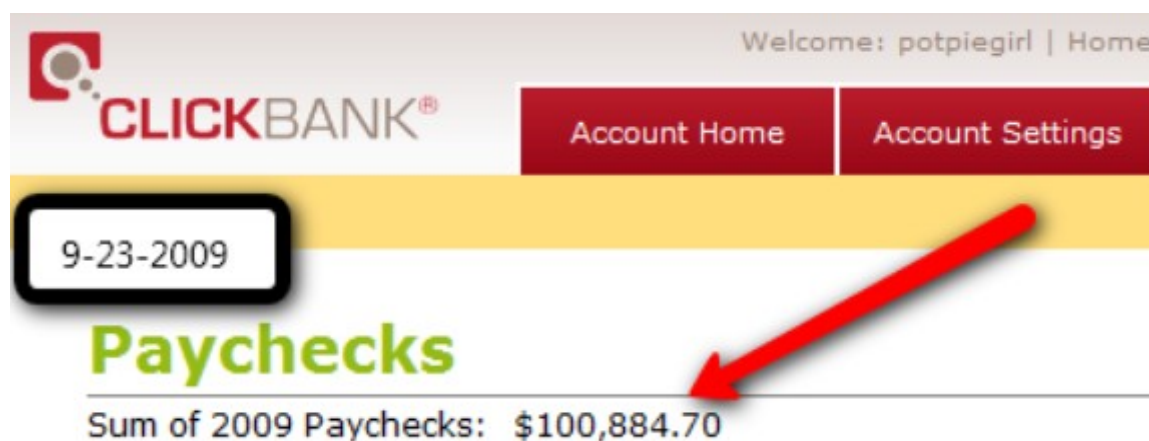
I have earned over \$100,000 this year in just ONE of my earnings accounts in a little over 9 months.

Better yet... NO PPC COSTS INVOLVED.

Other than the price of domain names, hosting, and my time - that is FREE MONEY!

Oh. My. GOD!

Look:



I have many, many programs that I earn with. In fact, sitting in front of me I have (let me count....) - I have 6 checks from different programs that came in the mail this weekend - while I was out of town.

I also have more than one Clickbank account. I do this for many reasons (other products, keep PPC campaigns separate, keep me humble so I always know what \$0.00 feels like, etc), but this is the Clickbank account I have been working since mid 2007.

I got my first check from Clickbank on this account on July 27, 2007 - it was for \$202.92... and it took me FOREVER to even GET that first check. And now, within 9 months of 2009, that same account has earned me more than \$100k.

Holy Crap! (sorry)

I imagine I am not supposed to do this (post about this), but dang-it, I'm proud... I'm excited... I'm THRILLED....and above all, I am soooooo thankful.

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If this is wrong, or tacky, please forgive me. But, you see, I am not some big wig guru.... I'm just a person who started out like 98% of you here have - knowing NOTHING.

I'm not sure what the "rule" is about when I am supposed to be proud of my achievements....lol!

You Only Earned That Because You Sell an Ebook

Let me get this out of the way right now....

Not true - not by a long shot. Yes, being a Clickbank vendor does help, but my earnings are NOT all from that product - not even close.

Also, I want to say this.... If it's that "easy" to make a Clickbank product, sell it, and break 100k in 9 months - go DO IT. Seriously, go do it right now and report back here in 9 months.

I'm not trying to sound harsh, just being serious.

It ain't that easy.

Ok, Then.... HOW Did You Do It?

The short answer? I did this by busting my ass for 2 years. Again, sorry for the language, but that is the God's honest truth. I worked my butt off virtually non-stop. I've said it before and I will say it again, If my eyes were open, or even KINDA open, I worked - period.

The longer answer?

I started out with very, very little money to invest in all this. Things like buying a domain name and hosting were totally out of the question for me at first.

So, I had to fund myself and MAKE the money to be able to pay for the things I'd need to go deep into all this.

I started using free websites to make free web pages to get my affiliate links out there. I made web pages and made more web pages and made more web pages - figured out what I was doing wrong - then made more web pages and more and more and more.

Let's put it this way - I have SOOOO much stuff online that I have forgotten about half of it - well, that is until it earns me something...lol! Then I say, "What the heck is this money from? " and I go hunt it down.

After a few months... from like February until November... I was earning enough (not a LOT, but enough) to be able to take my online stuff to the next level - owning my own websites and building lists.

Slowly, all that started to compound, too. I also taught myself solid basics and a plan for entering any niche market with no investment on my part (other than my time). And, as you OWM owners know, that action plan became what you have read...and YOU now have solid basics and a plan, too
=)

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I started online February 18, 2007 so this has NOT been a short ride to "success" - and this ride is FAR from over =)

Don't be fooled into thinking organic/free marketing is the fast track to big money - heck, nor is paid/PPC marketing.

You will never hear me say I worked an hour a day or lived the four-hour work week - that's BS. When you are building something new - you work endlessly... tirelessly.... THEN, once it's built, you can move on, enjoy what you've built, and ease off some.

Internet marketing DOES work - BUT, it does not DO the work FOR you. YOU work it like you have never worked anything in your life.

Good Story, But *I* Can't Do That...

I am SOOOO tired of hearing that - people telling me they can't. I hear it over and over and over - and I used to be the "Yes you can!" person.

But that is about to change.

If YOU tell me that you CAN'T, who am I to doubt you? I will wish you all the luck, love, and health the world has to offer and move on to someone who says, " I CAN Do this!".

Ya see, *I* am someone who shouldn't have been able to do this - but *I* believed that I could...and that was 80% of the battle. And that 80% you have to achieve on your own because NO ONE can do it FOR you.

Sorry, just some straight talk there coming from experience =)

I hear people tell me they can't because....

They don't have the time...

They don't have the money...

They don't have the support...

They don't have a plan....

They don't have anyone telling them what to do...

They don't know how to work the technology of the internet...

They don't have the tools...

They're too old... too young...too tired...too confused....too overwhelmed...too busy....

on and on and on.

Look, if you're reading this here right now within the walls of Wealthy Affiliate, the majority of your excuses just went out the window (I can't do anything about age - wish I could, but I can't...lol. However, you are never "too" anything if you want it badly enough).

Everything listed about is right here in WA. YOU just have to take the time to learn how to be resourceFUL with the resources that are right in front of you.

Make the most of what you already have... and WA has a LOT therefor YOU have a lot!

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What's the secret?

I'm gonna borrow something that Tony Robbins says often...

"Be. Share. Do. Give."

In fact, that is the secret to life, isn't it?

This is one of those rare opportunities in life where nothing happens unless YOU MAKE IT HAPPEN. You are creating something with your own hands and brain. The ONLY thing that can stop you is YOU.

Go for it!

I think I've rambled plenty enough here so I'll hush now.

But holy WOW, I broke 100k in ONE ACCOUNT today!!!

Know what I am doing to celebrate? I am gathering all my ducks (ie, my kids and daughter-in-law, and kids friends that I seem to have "adopted" [I tend to be the "other mother" for many...lol]) and we are cooking out steaks - at home- TOGETHER. 'Cause at the end of the day, that's all that really matters. Don't get distracted by money - get inspired by the entire quality of life.

Also, I want to add something that I haven't announced online as of yet. This is SO exciting for me personally - and it's just that - personal (and I don't "do" really personal stuff online).

My son and his wife are expecting their first child in early December. A baby girl.

I am going to be a grandmother (just typing that makes me start crying all over again.. what a BLESSING!)

Now, Naturally I will be a very young and a very hot grandmother(of course - hahahahaha! Oh I make myself laugh!) but I am going to have a granddaughter. Now, thanks to internet marketing, I can spoil her absolutely ROTTEN... and I can't wait!

Thank you for letting me share all this with you!

Ok - all.... get back to work!

All the best,

Jennifer
~PotPieGirl

SALE!!SALE!!!SALE!!!

By LisaF

I am screaming, shouting and dancing all over the forum!!

Doing cartwheels!!!

Okay, I know it is only ONE sale, but I have really hit this hard since the 1st of March.

My join date is actually misleading because I had to leave WA because I couldn't afford it through some hard times.

I came back with total DEDICATION and FOCUS!!!!!!

THANK YOU WA and THANK YOU MIKE AND PETE!!!!!! :lol:

EOS ROCKS!!!!!!!

After three weeks with WA...over \$500 in sales!

By DevilDogTodd

I thought I had posted this a few minutes ago but I guess I didn't. I want to share with you my experience as an internet marketer. I have been internet marketing for about nine months with barely any success. I know the potential is huge... but I was missing something.

I had no plan of action, no real direction...I was just running around like a chicken with its head cut off. So one day I find WA and immediately recognize that this place is what I need to learn the things I need to learn. So after one week I start to do some research the way it is taught and to do some bum marketing.

Well in the last two weeks I have made over \$500 in sales, which amazes me because I have barely scratched the surface of what is possible.

Guys and gals....keep on learning. Try to learn something NEW everyday. Try to improve on something every day, even if that something is really small. Those small gains really end up paying off. Now, I realize I probably got a little lucky but if I can do it anyone can.

At first things will seem totally confusing, that is why I say to take small steps. Remember, the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. Keep putting those steps together in the right direction and you WILL get where you want to get.

Bum marketing is so incredible to me because literally anyone can do it and it doesn't cost anything! Then build upon that. Do NOT give up!

My First \$100 Day!!! YIIHHHHAAAAAA

By veronica

Hi everybody!!

I made it!!! My first \$100 day or exactly 103.38 :-)) with all FREE methods! Did not cost me anything.

I have a doc with my IM Goals and this was the next step and I did it, feels great! My reward to myself is one hour massage, can not wait.

I want to thank all of you Kyle and Carson for all the great info here at WA, Travis for your BUM info, PotPie for your SQ info. You have all made a difference to me and my business THANK YOU. IM (and my husband:-) made it possible for me to stay home with my two beautiful kids, I am thankful and grateful everyday for that.

Now \$2000/month is next I will post when I get there :-))

Have a great day!!

Veronica

1 Year In And My First \$3000 Week (:

By Pete

Hey All,

I hope all is well, if you cannot tell by my title, I am having a good week!

I was contemplating writing this blog, and to be completely honest, I still don't want to write it.. I put off writing about 1000 dollar week, 2000 dollar week, heck even 100 dollars a day which came and went so fast I barely remember having it at all.. I had what some might call tunnel vision.. If you are reading this now it is because I didn't delete it, or simply not post it at all, which if you cannot tell I am very much contemplating...

Here is the story,

When I joined the w/a I was very motivated, obviously that never went away as I have been working very hard on my campaigns, and my products, and my new campaigns, and new methods, and this and that and this and that.. huh.. It has been a long year for me..

I have officially been a member of the w/a for one year on the 17th of this month. I guess that gives me a chance to make an even bigger dent the \$3000 in one week..who knows.. But for now, I can celebrate a very happy camper! Pulling in this amount of money in a week was my goal from the beginning! I had honestly only worked so hard to get to the \$3000 a MONTH mark, now that \$3000 in a week has happened I am not really sure what to make of it anymore.. Other than to say that this has been one hell of a goal to accomplish!

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For those of you that are new to the w/a, and perhaps you are wondering if this place can offer you any solution at all, let me just say this as plain and simply as I possibly can..

"One year ago, I woke up one morning, I crawled out of bed, I sat down at my computer, and I said OUT LOUD.. "Right now, there is someone, somewhere that is getting out of bed, sitting at there computer, and looking at all of the money they have made already on the Internet, If they can do this so can I..." so I started looking very very hard thinking that I was not far away from the solution, I found the w/a, and I became a member.."

Everything that happened to me, was forced to happen by me... The w/a was no more then the hammer to the craftsman, or the pole to the fisherman, what you do with your tool will make ore break you.. You do not need the w/a any more then the fisherman needs his pole, but it does make it easier to catch fish with it..

What you do while you are hear can make or break online business if you work hard at it... Do your best to do your best...

As always, much love-

Slugger_mn (One year vet.)

My One-Year Wealthy Affiliate Story

By cwclm34

Hello everyone!

My name is Chad, and I am an internet marketing-aholic.

Seriously though, I apologize for the long email, but I would like to share my one-year Wealthy Affiliate story and some of my recent success with those new and old to Wealthy Affiliate. I actually debated for a long time whether or not I would, or should, write this post. In the end, I decided that it would be beneficial for those thinking about joining Wealthy Affiliate, those just joining Wealthy Affiliate, or those who have been with Wealthy Affiliate for a while now and who may be struggling or getting frustrated. My hesitancy in writing this post was that I do not want to come across as bragging or that I know more than the next person, because I honestly don't, and still consider myself a very, very beginner, amateur internet marketer. In no particular order, I believe my success has been a combination of luck, hard-work, patience, and research, though I'm leaning toward luck. Without a doubt, though, any success that I've had to date is directly related and should be credited to Wealthy Affiliate and the guys behind it, Kyle and Carson.

For those that don't know me (which is everyone), here is a little bit about myself. I'm a 31-year-old attorney living in Florida, recently married, and even more recently with a little girl on the way. I love to play golf, drink beer, gamble, play poker, watch college football and basketball, and follow the Florida Gators. I'm obsessed with fantasy football, and I'd say overall, I have an obsessive-compulsive personality when it comes to most things I put my mind to.

In any event, I joined Wealthy Affiliate almost 1 year ago. As I write this, I can't even remember how I came to find Wealthy Affiliate, but I'm pretty sure it had something to do with sitting in my

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office researching something

about some law that I didn't care about. What I can tell you is that prior to joining, I had absolutely no experience with internet/affiliate marketing - didn't even know what it was. I guess you could say I was an internet marketing virgin.

Without writing pages and pages, what I hope this post accomplishes is that it shows everyone here what is possible if you not only trust what is offered to you here by Wealthy Affiliate and Kyle and Carson, but that you actually put into motion the skills you learn. By no means is it easy. Like a lot of us here, I was grabbing ankles after the last main Google slap, and I got very frustrated. I even wrote it off for a couple of weeks. One day, though, I sat down in front of my computer and told myself that failure is not an option and that success is inevitable. I scrapped everything I had done to date and started over - new campaigns, new account, new website, new everything. I think I may have even started using a new computer b/c I thought my old one was bad luck. I don't recommend this.

Bottom line - for a beginner (I still consider myself a beginner), and those more experienced, it is my opinion that you do not need anything else but this website. Internet marketing is ever-changing, something you must keep at daily. I learn something everyday here. I also screw up something everyday. But, you learn, correct your mistakes, and move on. Anyone can do this - but you actually have to do it.

Well, that really is all I wanted to say. Just don't half-ass your approach to this, and expect anything more than half-ass results.

Just so everyone doesn't think I'm full of s&t, I have posted some of my sales from the last week or so. Again, please, I really do not want everyone to think badly of my posting this, but please use it as inspiration, motivation, etc...

Thanks! I'm glad to be here!

Chad

PAYPERIOD SALES SUBTOTALS:

Period ending 2006-12-01: \$32,888.01

Period ending 2006-11-16: \$26,778.18

DAILY SALES SUBTOTALS:

Tue Nov 28

\$2,721.74

Mon Nov 27

\$2,365.52

Sun Nov 26

\$3,082.03

Sat Nov 25

\$3,261.98

Fri Nov 24
\$3,468.33

Thu Nov 23
\$2,661.40

Wed Nov 22
\$2,719.20

Tue Nov 21
\$2,394.33

Mon Nov 20
\$1,878.72

Sun Nov 19
\$2,874.97

Hello again . . .

from Jimmy Wrex.

I'm not going to try to convince you that these results are typical of every person who joins Wealthy Affiliate and simply by signing up you will see a flood of cash streaming directly into your bank account.

The truth is that success is the result of work and dedication. I can promise you however, that if you possess the following things you can achieve any result you desire from internet marketing:

1. A home computer
2. The drive to be successful
3. A brain

All you need to do is find out what works and do it over and over again. You do not need to re-invent the wheel. You do not need to have the next 'big thing' and you do not need to have money in the bank to spend on advertising or fancy software.

Just learn how to pick good products, get them in front of the right people (a hungry crowd as we say inside WA), add value and be honest. Success will follow.

I truly hope these Wealthy Affiliate forum posts have inspired you to create your own success and I would love to see you write an inspirational post inside the forum soon.

Would you like to become a Wealthy Affiliate and to share your success story with this great community? We would love to have you.

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And if you feel I have provided you with enough value then I would be honored if you would allow me to become part of your success story by using the link below:

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Thanks for taking the time to read this report and I wish you every success in all your endeavors.

Peace out,

Jimmy Wrex

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