# Frank – Twilight year gent

## About Frank

Frank is 69 and lives with his wife in a small bungalow. Having put money into a private pension during his years working as a sales manager, Frank has a reasonable income, and though he can't afford luxuries he enjoys a flutter on the horses, the odd scratch card and spoiling the grandchildren.

Frank spends most of his days watching TV or having a pint at his local. He enjoys playing snooker there, and has taken part in mini tournaments occasionally. At weekends he may take his grandson fishing, but he's not sure for how much longer he'll be able to - his eyesight is getting worse and he won't be able to drive for much longer.

- 9% of people like Frank do sport for 30 minutes 3 times a week.
- 17% of Franks would like to do sport more often
- 95% of Franks are white, 3% are Asian, 2% are black and 1% are mixed
- 46% of Franks are with limiting disability
- 96% of Franks are aged 66+, 4% 56-65.

### Alternative names

Roy, Harold, Stanley, Alfred, Percy.

### Sports he likes

Golf, gym, bowls, swimming, cycling, angling, archery, football, badminton, athletics.

## What works

### Messages that work to motivate him

#### 1. Come and join us.

Living the same routine year after year can sometimes make you feel like you're stuck in rut. Joining in a physical activity with a group of people your age can be a breath of fresh air, make you laugh and give you a good time. It's a great way to get out more, meet new people and feel better.

#### 2. Live life, not just exist.

It's sometimes easy to get stuck in a rut in retirement. Activity is a great way to get out if it, try something new and get the most out of life. Take on an activity as a new hobby and you'll wonder how you ever survived without it.

#### 3. Stay healthy.

We all want to stay mobile and continue enjoying independent life, without being burden on anyone. Doing a bit of regular activity will keep you feeling healthy and keep your body in working order for the long haul.

#### 4. Enjoy time together.

With retirement, you sometimes find you have a bit more free time than you used to. Perhaps it's time to rekindle your friendship and get to know each other again? There's no better way than to do a sport or outdoor activity together.

This communications plan was written by Make Sport Fun Main source Sport England Segments Frank Age 66+ Married/ single Retired

#### 5. Connect with your kids and grandkids.

Many granddads feel they are just spectators when it comes to their grandchildren's (and their children's) lives. Activities are a great way to spend quality time together and get to know them better.

## Barriers you need to address in secondary messages (in main text – not headline)

- 1. Lack of motivation.
- 2. Pride / fear of looking foolish.

### Projects that work

These projects are from the Active Celebrations report. For more details see link below

http://www.promotingactivity.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/Active-Celebration-Demonstration-Effect-Initiatives.pdf

http://www.promotingactivity.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/Active-Celebration-Festival-Effect-Initiatives.pdf

#### Going for green

- Goals: Stimulate contemplation to become physically active
- Targets: Groups less interested in physical activity

#### Let's play

- Goals: Prompt activity and stimulate contemplation
- Targets: Participation contemplators and disinterested non-participants

#### **Cultural Carnivals (ethnic minority communities)**

- Goals: Stimulate contemplation
- Targets: Disinterested non-participants

#### **Ultimate Performance (disability communities)**

- Goals: Prompt activity and stimulate contemplation
- Targets: Participation contemplators and disinterested non-participants

#### **Silver Spirit**

- Goals: Prompt activity
- Targets: Participation contemplators in older age groups

## How Frank makes decisions?

He is adamant, and this explains his determined rejection of advertising and modern communications. He is very self-sufficient and uses a mixture of rational analysis and intuition in making his decisions.

## He relates most strongly to marketing that is

- Established
- Safe and secure
- Reliable
- Modest
- Careful
- Trustworthy
- Non-technical
- Unpretentious
- Risk-free
- Service

## Communications Channels

At Make Sport Fun we have found there are 6 stages to an effective activity marketing campaign.

Plan Set up	Recruit	Intervene	Active Participation	Review
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- Plan your campaign identify what segment you should be targeting, how to reach them and what budget you'll need.
- Set up your campaign set up ways for people to register; a CRM system to track who's registered and when they need following up with; an activity database; and (if required) a campaign website.
- Recruit find people who want to get active and get them to register their interest.
- Intervene follow up with people who've registered by phone, email and post, and find them somewhere local to do an activity of their choice on a day and at a time that suits them.
- Active Participation people then go off and try their new activity. Ideally their first experience will be fun, free and friendly.
- Review- stay in touch with people via phone, email, text message and direct mail, address any barriers and issues and offer further motivation and support to keep them active.

These are the communication channels which work best for this segment for each stage.

- Recruit
  - Pay per click (e.g. Google Ads)
  - o Search Engine Optimisation
  - o Direct mail
  - $\circ \quad \text{Face to face} \quad$
  - o Partnership working
  - o Referrals
  - Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter)
  - o PR

- Intervene
  - o Phone
  - o Email
  - o SMS
  - o Post
- Review
  - o Phone
  - o Email
  - o SMS
  - o Post

If you need more information about how to use these communication channels in practice then you can purchase the Make Sport Fun book from <u>www.makesportfun.com/book</u>. This has details of precisely how to run your activity marketing campaigns and dozens of case studies.

You can also hire Make Sport Fun to run a training workshop to cover one area in more depth. More details are available at <u>www.makesportfun.com/services/training</u>.



## **Black and Minority Ethnic Groups**

## Motivators

- Use men only venues and entrances
- Enclosed and private showers and changing rooms available
- Local facilities
- Timetabling of activities should take into consideration the needs of local communities to make allowances for festivals and religious days as well as religious study

	Black Caribbean	Black African	Black Other	Indian	Pakistani	Bangladeshi	Chinese	Other
Work/ study demands	38%	36%	41%	49%	45%	13%	59%	36%
lack of/ unsuitable facilities	26%	39%	47%	29%	25%	41%	44%	29%
home & family responsibilities	20%	24%	23%	37%	31%	38%	23%	18%
I'm too lazy/ embarrassed	14%	7%	14%	11%	5%	10%	15%	15%
lack of money	32%	18%	26%	18%	20%	18%	23%	13%
friend/ family don't take part	2%	1%	4%	8%	8%	16%	6%	11%

### Barriers

## **Communications Channels**

- Leaflets in different languages (depending on local ethnic groups)
- Advertise via religious buildings, posters, radio and word of mouth
- Use images of Black and Minority Ethnic groups in promotional literature
- In rural locations use local newsletters, notice boards and information points
- For young people use Internet, email and text messaging. Media that works is loud, funny, rude, exciting and multi-layered with lots going on at one time
- Communicate through MENTER (Minority Ethnic Network) www.menter.org.uk

#### Black Caribbean - sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Cycling
- 3. Keep fit/Yoga
- 4. Weight Training
- 5. Swimming

#### Black African – sports they're doing

- Walking
  Football
- 3. Running/Jogging
- 4. Weight Training
- 5. Keep fit/Yoga

#### Black Other – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Football
- 3. Weight Training
- 4. Cycling
- 5. Running/Jogging

#### Indian – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Football
- 3. Swimming
- 4. Weight Training
- 5. Keep fit/Yoga

#### Pakistani – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Football
- 3. Swimming
- 4. Cricket
- 5. Keep fit/Yoga

#### Bangladeshi – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Football
- 3. Weight Training
- 4. Swimming
- 5. Badminton

#### Chinese – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Badminton
- 3. Football
- 4. Cycling
- 5. Keep fit/Yoga

#### Other – sports they're doing

- 1. Walking
- 2. Swimming
- 3. Football
- 4. Running/Joggin
- 5. Weight Training

#### Black Caribbean – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Cricket
- 2. Swimming
- 3. Martial Arts
- 4. Cycling
- 5. Badminton

#### Black African – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Football
- 2. Swimming
- 3. Tennis
- 4. Table Tennis
- 5. Martial Arts

#### Black Other – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Motor Sports
- 2. Football
- 3. Keep fit/Yoga
- 4. Weight Training
- 5. Tennis

#### Indian – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Cricket
- 2. Swimming
- 3. Football
- 4. Badminton
- 5. Keep fit/Yoga

#### Pakistani – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Swimming
- 2. Cricket
- 3. Football
- 4. Badminton
- 5. Squash

#### Bangladeshi – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Football
- 2. Badminton
- 3. Swimming
- 4. Cycling
- 5. Martial Arts

#### Chinese – sports they'd like to do

- 1. Tennis
- 2. Swimming
- 3. Badminton
- 4. Motor Sports
- 5. Martial Arts

#### Other - sports they'd like to do

- 1. Swimming
- 2. Golf
- 3. Motor Sports
- 4. Keep fit/yoga
- 5. Football

## **Rural Communities**

## Motivators

- Mobile services that travel around the area can be of great benefit (e.g. North Norfolk Mobile Gym project).
- Existing village hall and school facilities can make great sports facilities.
- Combining smaller events can help increase the numbers of people willing to take part.
- 'Nature' is an ideal environment for activity: local green space, rural footpaths, farmland etc. It can also help the landowners.
- Ensure training is accessible to your workforce who live in rural areas. Consider time of day and location.

### Barriers

- Be aware that many rural areas do not have a regular daily bus service linking them to larger urban areas (e.g. 84% of rural Norfolk parishes have no access to a daily bus service).
- Problems relating to disability and age can be magnified when living in a rural location

## **Communication Channels**

- Local newsletters, notice boards and information points are widely used in rural locations and should be taken advantage of.
- Don't rely on internet or email as less than 5% of rural households have access to a broadband internet service, compared to 2 in 3 typically.
- Include images of traditional and innovative rural activities.
- Avoid the overuse of images that can only take place in urban areas.
- Consider all the other equality groups (like those detailed here) who could be living in rural areas.
- Avoid rural stereotypes (e.g. that rural people are more affluent)
- Try to involve local volunteers

## **Disabled People**

## Motivators

- Affordable price
- Good accessibility
- Inclusive community-based leisure services
- It is fun
- Can hang out with friends
- Opportunity to stretch themselves to their limits
- Social inclusion
- Increase of self-esteem
- Helpful, trained staff

### Barriers

- Availability of suitable facilities: toilets, changing facilities, seating arrangements, loop systems, parking space, uneven surfaces, tactile markings, poor signage
- Cost
- Have to travel outside their area to find accessible facilities
- Not enough community-based services and support
- Believe that they wouldn't be able to do as well as the others
- Fear that the other kids will be nasty or not understand them
- Children with visual disabilities struggle with signs being too small
- Children with physical impairments cite barriers to building relationships due to hostility, ignorance and a lack of access
- Believe that school sports clubs are for 'good performers' only
- Lack of information on what activities are available and where they can be undertaken
- Overprotection issues such as parents not allowing their disabled child to participate
- Negative public attitudes

### Sports they like

- 1. Swimming
- 2. Football
- 3. Basketball
- 4. Athletics
- 5. Hockey
- 6. Rugby
- 7. Netball
- 8. Gymnastics
- 9. Cricket

- 10. Angling
- 11. Yoga
- 12. Fitness
- 13. Dance
- 14. Trampolining
- 15. Self defence
- 16. Cue sports
- 17. Gym
- 18. Archery

## Specifically for people with sight problems

#### Leaflets

- Type Size: 14 point print or above
- Easily recognisable font: sans serif (Verdana, Geneva, Arial, Helvetica, san serif) and serif (Georgia, Times New Roman, Times, serif) typefaces
- Type weight: normal, semi-bold, bold
- Type style: underlining, italic and capital letters should be avoided
- Leading: anything less than single line spacing would be inadequate
- Numbers: ensure they are distinct by using a correct font
- Alignment: left aligning text
- Design & layout: simple and uncluttered. The different elements of page layout clearly separated from each other
- Columns: make sure the margin between the columns clearly separates them. At least 1 point thickness. Avoid putting pictures within the text of a column. No text is laid over the top of an image or texture
- Hyphens at the end of a line disrupts reading flow, so should be kept to minimum
- Good contrast
- Images: all images should either support the main body of the text, or should be accompanied by a text caption explaining their significance, but never on their own
- Photographs: the important part of the image should be obvious
- Text should be set horizontally
- Paper type: avoid using glossy paper, gloss lamination or gloss encapsulation. Choose matt, silk or uncoated paper that weights 90gsm.
- Handwriting: use a medium thick pen, felt tipped. Use white paper and a pen with dark ink

#### Posters

- Alignment: left aligning text
- Easily recognisable font
- Not using underlining, italic and capital letters
- Good contrast between background and text
- Not placing text over images
- Make sure the colour of the poster contrasts well with the colour of the wall it is placed on
- Use strong, clear images that convey a clear message
- Minimum font size 26 points
- The core information is between 1400 and 1700mm from the ground

The following details must go in every poster to meet IFI standards:

- Website address
- Email address
- Phone Type Talk details

#### Audio Information- CD's

#### **Tactile Information**

- Braille
- Moon
- Accessible images: combination of raised lines, shapes and textures

To read electronic information people with sight problems use Screen reading software or Screen magnification software

#### Email

- Plain text format emails are used
- \*Bold\* or \_underline\_ symbols are used to surround text you want to give emphasis to rather than italic, capital letters or underlining
- Use effective and meaningful subject line
- Use effective and meaningful file names, so they can be read by a screen reader
- If voting buttons are used this is mentioned within the email

#### Signage

- Signs are well lit
- Surface of the sign is non- reflective
- Sign colour contrasts with the colour of the wall it is on
- Signboard has no sharp edges
- Content is short and concise
- Character are embossed and have a depth of between 1mm and 1.5mm
- Engraved characters not used
- Characters are between 15 and 20mm high
- Text is not set in capital letters
- Braille is used wherever is possible
- Text is aligned to the left
- Arrows are positioned to the same side they are pointing
- Signs are positioned between 1400 and 1700mm high
- Spacing between characters is between 20 and 30% more than when using the standard typeface
- Spacing between words is increased from the standard typeface by about 25%

## **Pre-written promotional messages**

#### Walking:

Remember when we used to 'run errands'? - Walking to local shops for papers and milk is great for improving your fitness Want an easy way to save a tenner a week? Stretch your mind, and your legs Catching up on the latest news with my friends Walking is the new garden fence Walking between meals gives you a great appetite! If you've been out of physical activity for a long time then walking is the easiest way to start getting active again 'I like taking my grandchildren for a walk' Feel fitter & the fresh air and fun are free Telling little ones a tall tale Feed their imaginations on a walk Walk towards a healthier and happier you "A walk in the countryside with the grandchildren is the highlight of my week!" Escape the city on a walk

#### Cycling:

A gentle cycle is the feel great way to travel Remember those long bike rides with childhood friends? Your route might be shorter, but the fun's still the same Cycling can help keep joints supple and strengthens muscles Want to know a good bet? Taking regular exercise can prolong your life Grandchildren remember the bike ride with granddad Some of the benefits of cycling are: *It reduces my risk of injury and illness It improves my body strength It helps me get fit It's fun and free* Cycling – fitness that's fun and free Hop back in the saddle to feel good and get fit It's better by bike

#### Fishing:

Feel fitter the fresh air and fun way 'Seeing my grandson catch his first fish is something that will stay with my for the rest of my life' 'Granddad! You should have seen the one that got away..' Teach your grandchildren the fun of fishing Introduce your grandchildren to a lifelong passion Rediscover your passion for angling

#### Bowls

The year-round friendly game Playing bowls beats the TV Did you know you can play bowls for less than the price of a pint? Come and join the friendly crowd at xxx bowls club – you'll be bowled over by the reception!

#### Snooker

Get 2 games for the price of 1at your local snooker club this weekend No joining fee. Just new friends to meet and great value games Free lessons for your grandchildren this weekend You've been framed Get in the frame at xxx snooker club Rediscover your love for snooker with great value sessions at xxx Make a break for it to xxx snooker club – great tables at a great price

#### Golf:

'I love a challenge that's why I play golf!' Getting a round in with friends in the fresh air Mark Twain once said 'golf is a good walk ruined'. I say a great walk is made even better by playing golf How to make walking fun – just add golf clubs Take the par-th to better health – walking around the golf course is an excellent way to boost fitness levels Tee up a great afternoon – book a fantastic value round of golf at xxx

#### Darts:

Walk to the match for that fresh air advantage Darts and friends – the perfect combination

#### Swimming:

Did you know swimming is a great way to keep your muscles and bones in good working order? Because of the reduced stress on your body in the water, GPs often suggest swimming as the best all round gentle exercise

Our great value swimming classes cost less than a ready meal and do twice as much good

Heard the one about the 65 year old who never, ever exercised and was as fit as a fiddle? No, neither have we. We're here to help everyone feel better

Ease back into exercise with a swim - great value sessions available at xxx

#### Chair based exercise:

Want to keep fit but don't know where to start? Why not join our friendly chair-based exercise class, every Tuesday at ...

Exercise doesn't have to involve running around like a headless chicken! Join the friendly mixed-sex group at ... for a gentle chair-based exercise class

Take a seat to get fit - join the friendly chair-based exercise class every Thursday at ... Men and women welcome

## Black and minority ethnic groups (focus on Black and Asian)

Key message: promotes the activity/venue/welcome

**Other messages**: quickly addresses barriers; and highlights specific benefits/offer e.g. 'free' 'girls only' 'inclusive' 'great value' 'no dress codes'

Along with the right images, the atmosphere at the club or venue matters (as much as the activities offered) so highlight your differences: 'friendly' 'welcoming' 'music' 'cool' 'respect' 'open to ideas' 'relaxed' 'support'

#### Messages

- Serious sessions, real respect
- Club dress code: trainers
- Exercise clears the mind
- Small club. Big welcome
- Open to new ideas share your thoughts at the friendliest venue in town
- Got ideas? We're on your team
- Street sports, music, your shout
- Sessions and tunes
- Meeting place for mates
- Hang out here
- New ideas for a lads night out
- Your shout
- Hang out with friends here
- Mates always welcome
- Give it all to the game
- Test yourself nobody else
- It's time to get your game on
- No hassle night out
- No team? No worries
- No contract, no pressure, just sports
- Your sports your way
- We're on your team
- In it 4 fun
- We're your biggest supporter
- Our support is knock out

## **Rural Communities**

#### Key message: promotes the activity/venue/idea

Other messages: quickly addresses barriers and highlights your specific benefits/offer.

Key benefits for rural communities include: 'transport' 'local' 'within reach' 'outdoors' 'free' 'taster sessions' 'indoors' 'mobile'

#### Messages

- Your activity centre
- When it comes to activities we've got it
- Great games and activities nearer than you think
- Your local activity champions
- Get active naturally
- Your social-life centre
- Raising your heart rate it's only natural
- Natural. Local. Yours
- Fun for free in the park this Summer and Autumn
- Enjoy the even greater outdoors
- Doorstep delights
- The best places to get active? Right here
- Enjoy natural highs!
- Getting the most out of life
- Walk the everyday adventure trail
- Top trails and tall stories
- Weather-proof your fun
- Activities in all weathers? We've got it covered
- Get up and about with us
- Walking heroes wanted
- Laugh your walking socks off

#### Mobile/ transport link-ups

- Bringing activities to you
- Activities at the heart of everything
- Share the journey, share the fun
- Getting on board the activity express
- The club that comes to you
- Find out about community tranSPORT
- Sessions that fit around the shops
- School-run sessions