

Seven Network News Anchor – Chris Bath (NCDW Celebrity Champion)

Q1: What is your current job/career?

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Q2: Why did you choose your job/career? - did you have a plan? - what resources if any did you use?

I stumbled into journalism on the recommendation of a customer in a restaurant where I was waitressing after dropping out of my first university course. He worked for the Sydney Morning Herald and told me I should head to Mitchell CAE (now Charles Sturt University) to study Communications. He was a resource in a way I suppose, in that I listened to what he had to say, then researched the course and ended up studying Communications, majoring in journalism as he'd suggested.

Q3: How would you like your job/career to develop and what do you need to do to make the change?

New technologies are rapidly changing the landscape of the television industry. When I started out, it was typewriters and photocopiers, now computers and the internet are transforming TV newsrooms. Being a techno luddite, I'd like to get to the point where I actually understand what a megabyte is and which button does what in the newsroom.

Q4: When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I wanted to be a witch. Some people may argue I've achieved that!!

Q5: What challenges do you need to overcome to "get the life you love"?

I need to overcome my fear of technology and embrace all the gizmos and thingos and whatsies that I'm told will make my working life more efficient.