

Webinar 2 | COVID-19 Response Re-start | What communication should you put in place for domestic travel?

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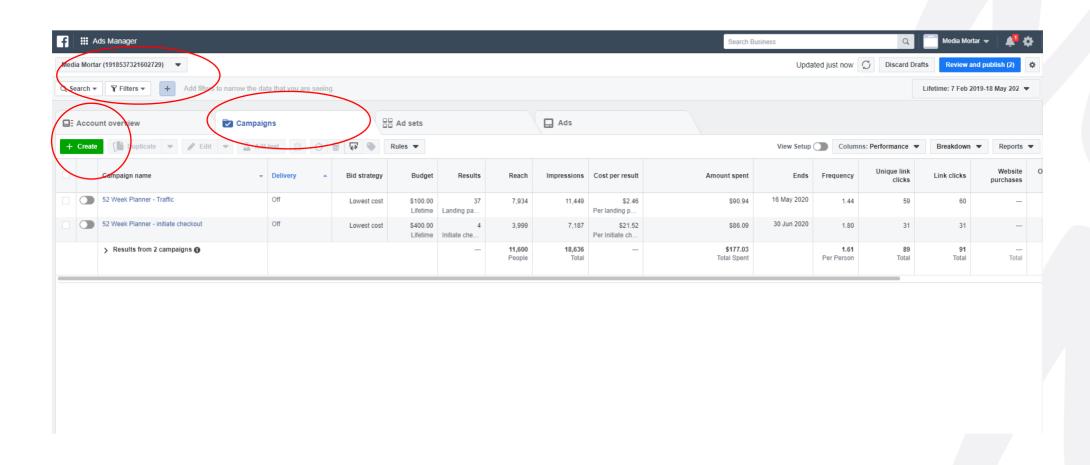
'How to get this show on the road?'

How to acquire Facebook followers / build your audience?

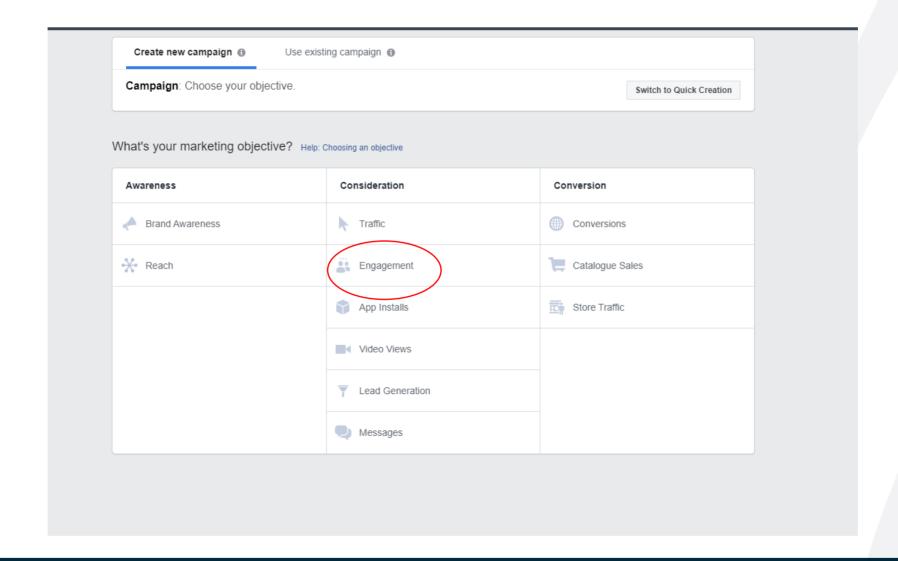
- Since last week the competition has gone up. We're now looking at a CPC of about 0.76c so it's not quite the gravy train
- You need to set it up through Ads Manager NOT boosting
- Start by setting up: <u>business.facebook.com/</u>



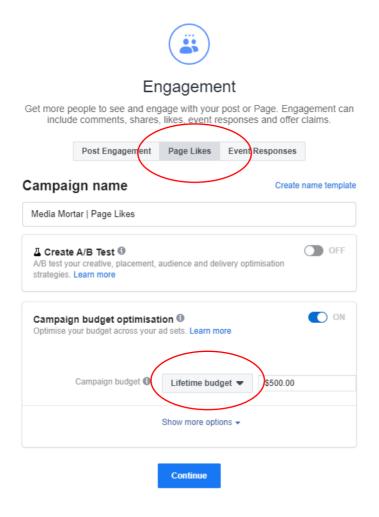
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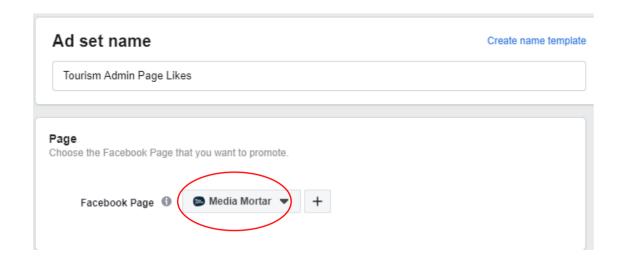
Step 2: Choose what you'd like to do

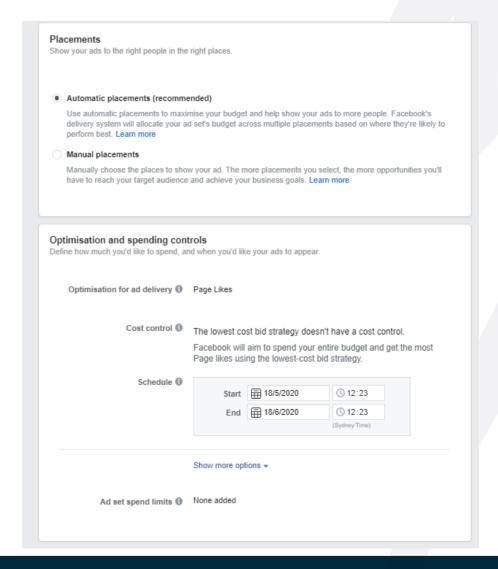


Step 3: Choose what you want the campaign to do

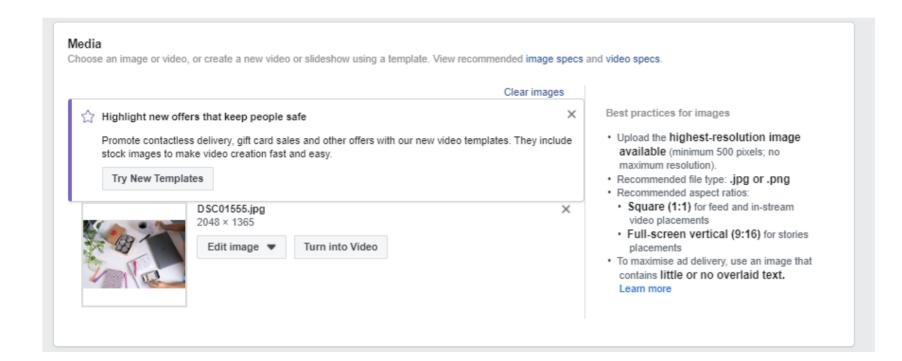


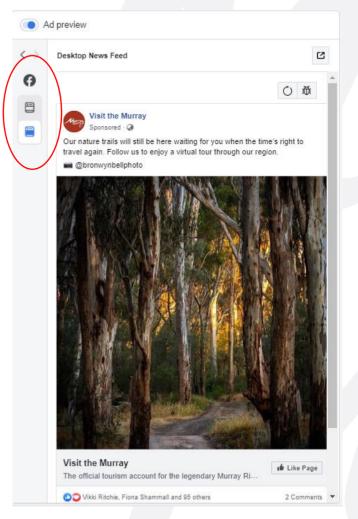
Step 4: Set your campaign rules



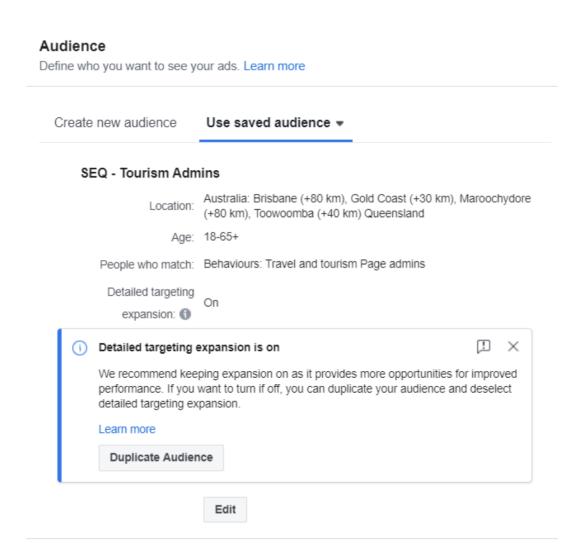


Step 5: Make your creative (and check it)





Step 6: Set your targeting



Step 7: Check it's live

	Campaign name	Delivery *	Bid strategy	Budget	Results	Reach	Impressions	Cost per result	Amount spent	Ends	Frequency	Unique link clicks	Link clicks
	Media Mortar Page Likes	o In review	Lowest cost	\$50.00 Lifetime	— Page Like	_	_	— Per Page Like	\$0.00	18 Jun 2020	_	-	_
	52 Week Planner - Traffic	Off	Lowest cost	\$100.00 Lifetime	37 Landing pa	7,934	11,449	\$2.46 Per landing p	\$90.94	16 May 2020	1.44	59	60
	52 Week Planner - initiate checkout	Off	Lowest cost	\$400.00 Lifetime	4 Initiate che	3,999	7,187	\$21.52 Per Initiate ch	\$86.09	30 Jun 2020	1.80	31	31
	> Results from 3 campaigns •				_	11,600 People	18,636 Total	_	\$177.03 Total Spent		1.61 Per Person	89 Total	91 Total



How to re-engage customers after COVID-19?

Restrictions at a glance (as at 15 May 2020)



DOMESTIC TOURISM

Vic Not allowed;	camping st	ill banned
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NSW Work trips and family visits only, no holidays

Qld Up to 150km for day trips, 500km in outback

5A Domestic holidays encouraged; campgrounds open

WA Travel allowed with minor exceptions

Tas Travel allowed from June 15

NT Travel to remote areas may be allowed from June 18

ACT Allowed

1. Operationally: You need to be experience





- Look at what you were doing pre COVID-19 what do you want to be doing?
- What **don't** you want to be doing in your business?
- Read your reviews what did people like / not like what should stay and what should go when we go back?
- Will you go back to full team capacity? Streamlined capacity?
- Get your team together and make this a ground up approach, not just a top down one – give employees a voice to identify the weak spots.
- How are you going to address things like deep cleaning and social distancing in your business? Have standard operating procedures for this?
- Write an action plan about your guest experience that anyone can pick up and use.
- Some businesses will be required to have a COVID-19 Safety Plan to trade but all businesses are encouraged to have one.

If you need a COVID-19 Safety Plan ... but really, we all need one





Maintain good hygiene and cleaning



Safe Work Australia has lots of resources, tools and guidance to assist you. Your business's circumstances will determine what needs to be done to meet your work health and safety obligations. You should regularly visit the Safe Work Australia website for further information and continue to plan and adapt as circumstances change.

Think about how your business's hygiene and cleaning practices. Are there enough supplies? Are frequently used areas cleaned regularly? To maintain good hygiene and cleaning practices, please:

- ☐ Complete the Safe Work Australia cleaning check list
- ☐ Complete the Safe Work Australia health, hygiene and facilities check list
- ☐ Print signs and posters on good hygiene and hand washing practices
- ☐ Talk to your workers about how to maintain good hygiene and cleaning.

Once you complete these tasks, write down what your business needs to do:



What do you need to do?	How will you do this?	When will it happen?	What supplies do you need?	
e.g.: set up alcohol-based hand sanitiser stations at entry and exit points	e.g.: ask cleaners to refill stations	e.g.: ensure the stations are checked every 2 hours	e.g.: 1L/week of alcohol based hand sanitiser and 2 dispensers	
e.g.: ensure all frequently touched areas and surfaces are cleaned several times a day	e.g.: identify high use areas, create a roster for cleaning these areas	e.g.: every two hours	e.g.: disinfectant wipes	
e.g.: put up hand washing poster in the bathroom for staff and customers to follow	e.g.: stick in a clear and obvious place	e.g.: as soon as possible	e.g.: poster, blu-tac, sticky tape	

- You should have a plan that sets out how you prepare your workplace to protect staff and customers to prevent infection, your response if there is a COVID-19 case and how you will recover
- A word of warning: I wouldn't recommend sharing the specific details beyond your internal team.
- Complete it for yourself: <u>https://pmc.gov.au/sites/default/files/files/my-business-covidsafe-plan.pdf</u>

Getting this right IS important





- As an industry, we can't afford the tourism industry to be responsible for a second wave of infection and illness.
- We need to model best practice and encourage people to do the same.

2. Operationally: You'll need to update your hours (and tell people)

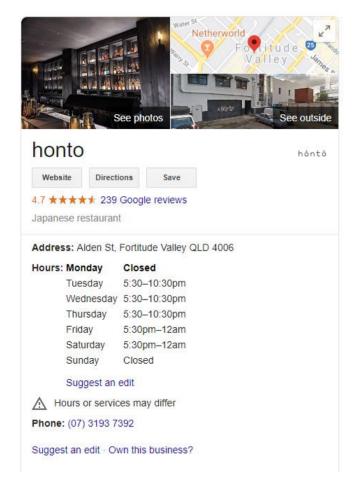


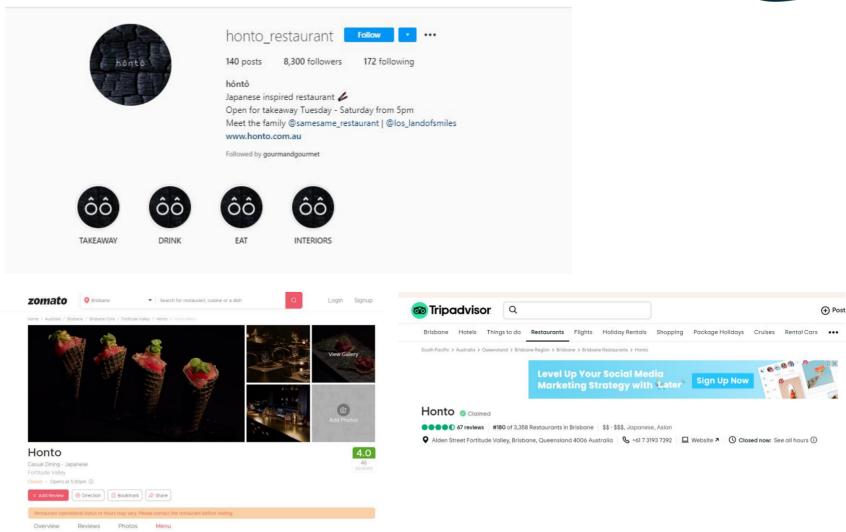


- If you have a COVID-19 banner on your website it's time to pull it down OR update it to something new.
- If you've updated your hours on your social media, it's time to update it.
- Keep your web-developers details handy, you'll need them – likely a lot over this period.
- There are so many grey areas to the restrictions lifting – so please articulate YOUR position.

Check all the sites you're listed







3. Operationally: You'll need to communicate your launch & what it means





- Write to your existing customer base (email) and tell them what the new measures mean for you.
- Share your launch plans with your customers.
- More on this later!

Example Launch Announcement





- Shares that the café will be open.
- That customers might need to wait a long time for seats.
- Patience & your support is much appreciated.



Deep Dive | Email Comms Post Covid-19

Rule 1: Only talk about things that are relevant





- We all received thousands of COVID emails.
- Please don't send a COVID-19 email just because everyone else is doing it.
- Only mention it if you have something useful to say.

Rule 2: Format your emails





Caring for the Lyft community

The health and safety of Lyft's community is our priority. With recent news around coronavirus (COVID-19), we know you may have questions about how we can all do our part to keep the community healthy. We want to share the actions we're taking to help protect riders and drivers — and what you can do to help.

What Lyft is doing

- Closely monitoring the situation and taking action. We're following
 updates on COVID-19, including guidance from the Centers for
 Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and local health officials.
 We'll continue to take actions necessary to help protect the
 community. Specifically, if we are notified of a rider or driver
 testing positive for COVID-19, they will be temporarily suspended
 from using Lyft until they are medically cleared.
- Helping with prevention. We've partnered with EO Products, makers of <u>Everyone</u>, to distribute more than 200,000 bottles of hand sanitizer and other cleaning supplies to drivers, at no cost to them.
- Supporting drivers. We will provide funds to drivers should they be diagnosed with COVID-19 or put under individual quarantine by a public health agency. This helps support drivers financially when they can't drive, while also protecting our riders' health.

- Unfortunately when COVID started, most people were really busy, so they rushed their sends out in some pretty ordinary formatting.
- Use bullet points.
- Remember that most people skim read their emails.
- 70% of people read their emails on their phone.
 Remember test your email newsletter template on your phone. Most people only test theirs on desktop.
- According to Campaign Monitor, emails that are formatted incorrectly are deleted after 3 seconds!

A couple of email formatting tips



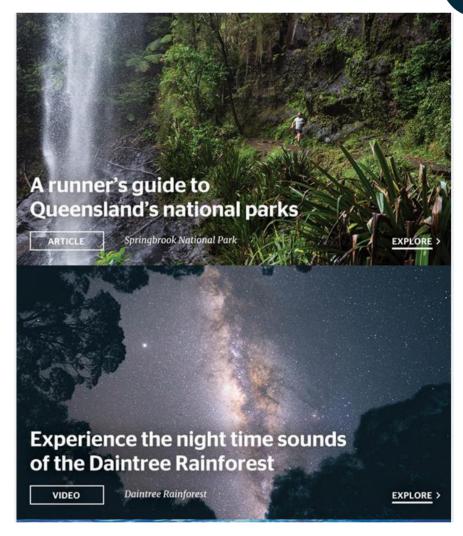


- Spend your time getting your email subject line right. Your open rate depends on them.
- Keep your message concise: Remember they are reading on a small screen 25-30 characters TOPS!
- Fun fact: when skimming, humans tend to focus on the first and last three words of a sentence.
- Keep your CTAs front and centre.
- Test, Test, Test your sends!

If you want subject line tips: this is a great resource!

Rule 3: Link to offline resources & places you can convert

- Your eNewsletter should drive people back to longer form content that lives somewhere else – like your website.
- You should be able to correlate your email sends with spikes in your Google Analytics.
- The objective of eNewsletters is to convert people at a place where there is a point of sale.
- Never attach a PDF to an eNewsletter, it's the fastest way to get sent to Junk Mail.



Rule 4: Ask for feedback



Lastly, we're not sure exactly what is appropriate for a company like ours to be talking and posting about right now. What's resonating with you? Do you still want to hear about new collection launches and sustainability related stuff? Or do you need a break? Please let us know.

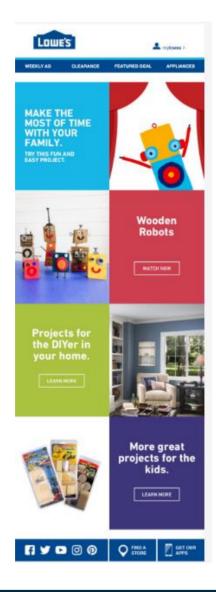
Stay safe and take care of each other.

♥ Ref

- No one has all the answers ask your audience what they want to hear.
- I repeat, no one has ever marketed through a pandemic like this before. We can only look at other crisis communications to draw correlations.

Let me drill this down to my format





- Brief acknowledgement of the situation. We don't need a re-cap, we are experiencing this pandemic.
- How excited I am that we are coming back to business as usual & what we're doing to implement deep cleaning measures. Drive this conversation offline.
- Things you can see and do in the region. Drive this to your local RTO / DMO if you don't have the content online.
- Give your readers a reason to visit now perhaps a seasonal inclusion.
- Give them a reason to keep your email like at a recipe share / school holiday tip.

What CRM / tools would I use?





Hub Spot lists it's top 10, here:

- Mailchimp
- Campaign Monitor

Read more: <u>tourismeschool.com/blog/email-marketing-101-8-steps-set-email-marketing-strategy-tourism-business/</u>

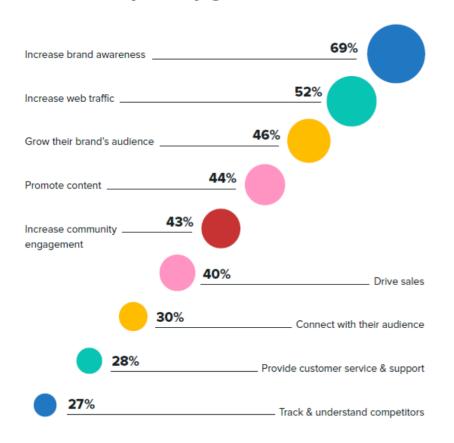


Deep Dive: Talk to customers on social media

Talk to your customers on social media



Marketer's primary goals for social media



- You can't afford to stop marketing or selling, you need to get back on social media.
- You need to prepare your content now for the next phase of COVID-19 marketing -book now travel later.
- To do this well you need to think, speak and act like one of your customers

Source: Sprout Social

I love this lo-fi example







Encourage people to book now, travel later

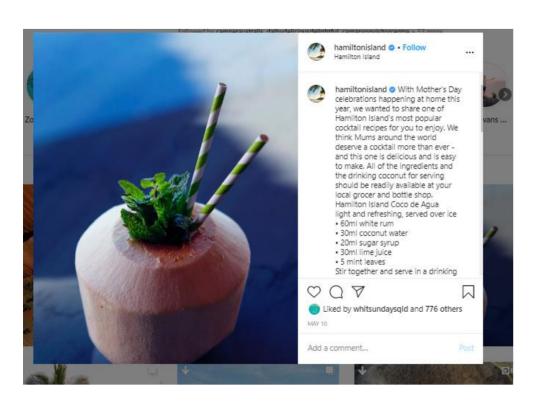




- Create Canva templates which announce your launch.
- · Give people peace of mind.
- Address their pain points head on like cancellation policies.

Give people free value





- Share a recipe.
- Give people a detailed itinerary they can follow for a day trip, ask them to save it down for later.

Show that you haven't been twiddling your thumbs

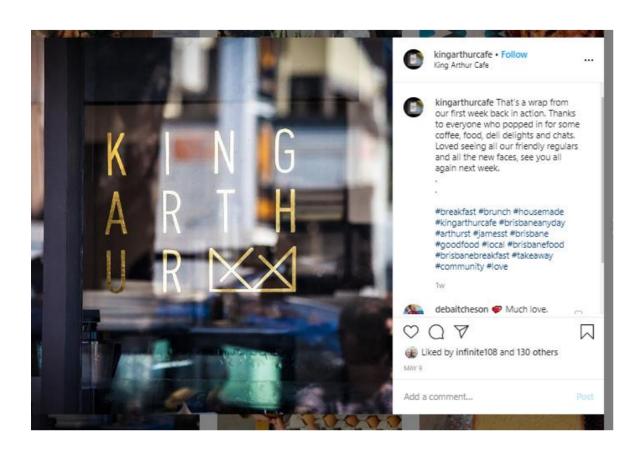




- Post what you have been up to.
- What you've updated in your business.
- We want to show people you are open for business – and haven't stalled progress.

Say thank you





 Customers don't need to spend money with you right now. In fact, most probably don't have the money to do that right now.

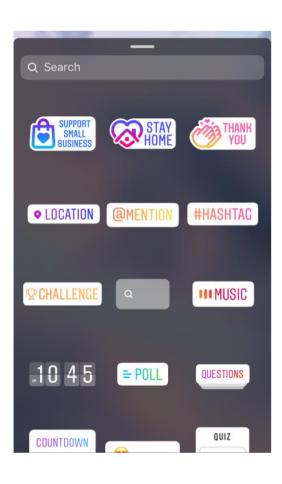


Deep Dive: Engage like your business depends on it

Because, it might

Give support to other businesses





- Support & market other businesses
- Remember it's not just your business that's been affected by this.
- Use this time to build packages, value for visitation as visitors return to your region. Now's the opportunity to build partnerships that you might not have considered before COVID-19.



But what if your community doesn't want visitors?

VFR Market

- A lot of regional areas don't want visitors for fear that travellers will bring the virus with them.
- We have a responsibility to educate the community of the safety/cleaning measures we're putting in place.
- It's your job to build confidence around what the re-opening will look like in your area that means confidence internally to your staff and externally to your local community.
- Start slow. Start with messaging about encouraging friends and family to visit.

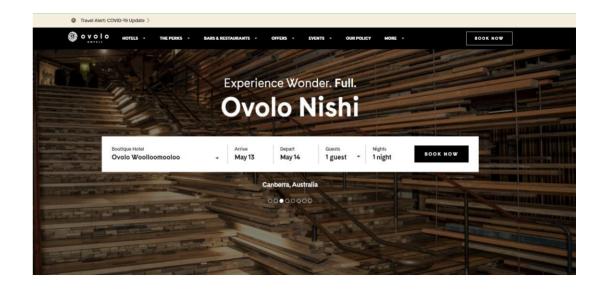


No matter your business, it's time to become an e-commerce specialist

How to receive more bookings to a website?



- Build trust on your website through design and useability.
- Appeal to customers emotional side the saying goes 'hearts and minds' for a reason not 'minds and hearts'.
- Make sure your website is user-friendly it needs to be mobile first. If it's not, please urgently see a web-developer. It's 2020.
- Optimise your process offer a seamless booking process.
 Guests want direct and automatic bookings, not phone calls.
- Get fancy, beat the competition and SEO your product. Use correct keywords in your website's copy, image descriptions, page descriptions and web page title to help people find you.



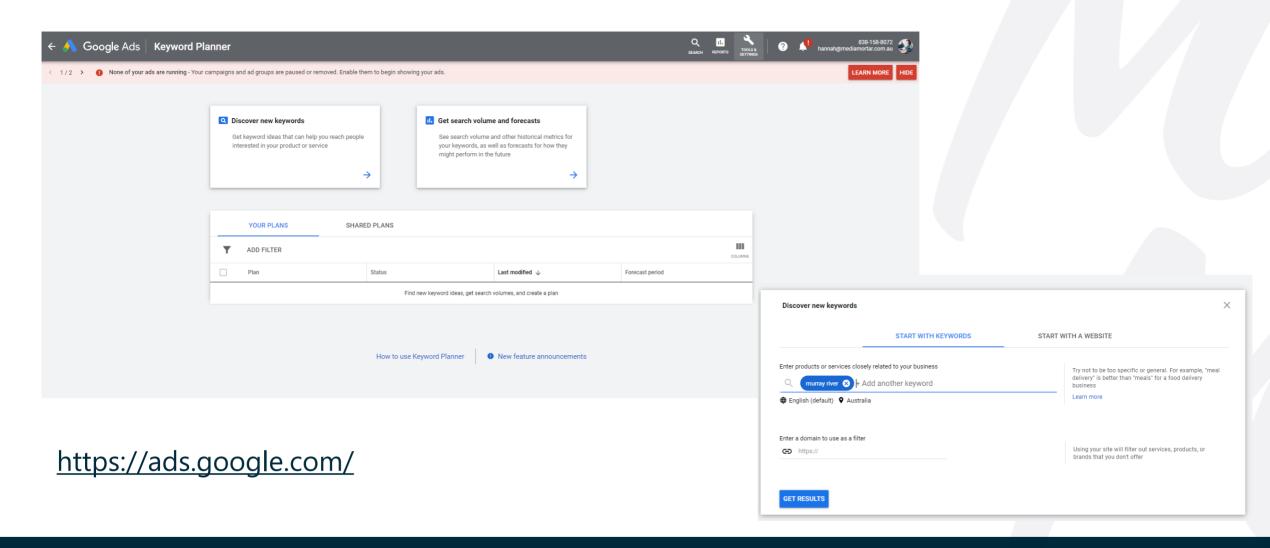
Check these things off your website



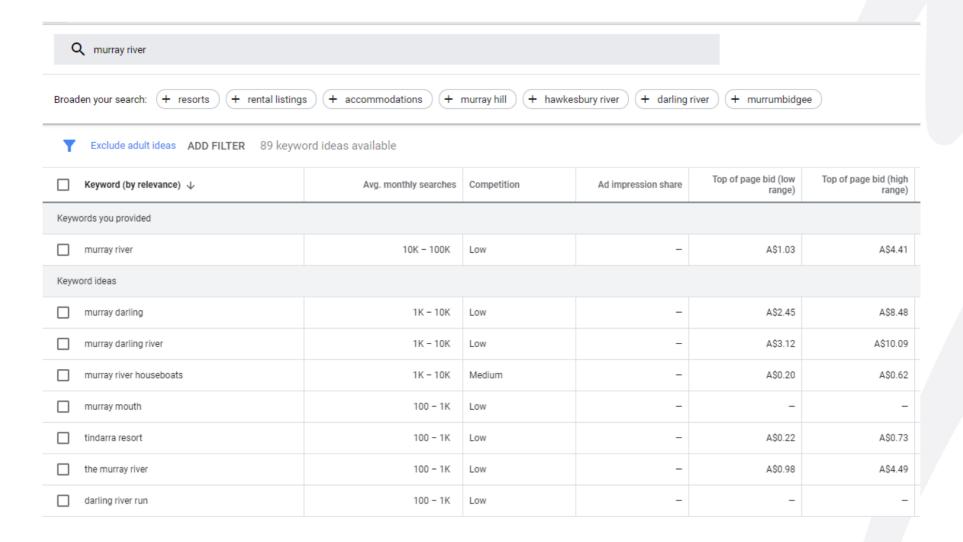


- Does your website have good useability? Part of the reason I believe OTAs work so well is that they are useable.
- Is it clear from the minute customers land on your website what they are meant to do?
- Are your contact details everywhere?
- Are your prices clear and transparent?
- Does your website incorporate testimonials even better than a few copied and pasted – a third party integration.
- Do you have a blog to tap into search trends (SEO), time spent on website and also help customers plan their travels?

Provide content that people are searching for



Let's see search traffic for Murray River





And if you can't trade yet ... or can't trade for the foreseeable future, remember:

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant."

Re-start | Reactivating your travel marketing

- Robert Louis Stevenson

Where to find additional support for tourism operators

Posters for your premises:

Poster: Know the signs

Poster: Stop the spread

Poster: Change of business hours

Poster: Temporary changes to business

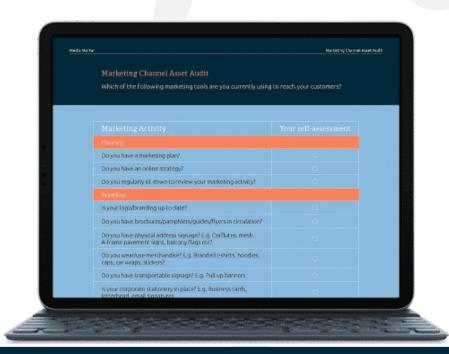
Poster: Temporary closure of business

Poster: Good hygiene practices for business

For more assistance

- I strongly recommend undertaking a marketing audit of your business.
- Here is one we made that's completely FREE

Download: https://mediamortar.com.au/product/marketing-channel-asset-audit/



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