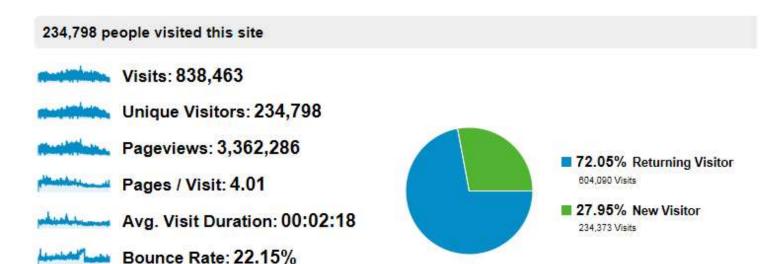






Village Office Supply



% New Visits: 27.95%





### JUL 1 2008 to Jan 1 2013





### Comparing 2009 Pre-TAPS with 2010 TAPS

April 2009 to April 2010 - April 2010 to April 2011

**TAPS E-Mail Database 22,000** 

19,000 More Visitors 50,000 More Visits

5,619 people visited this site 2009 8,458 people visited this site 2010

VVV Visits: 13,760 Visits: 19,935 6,000 More

Unique Visitors: 5,619 Unique Visitors: 8,458 3,000 More

Pageviews: 62,124 Pageviews: 95,344 30,000 More







**√**√√ Visits: 13,016











Unique Visitors: 8,677 3,000 More Unique Visitors: 5,430

Pageviews: 82,941 25,000 More Pageviews: 55,277





\$25.25

\$39.96



If you request interest



### **TAPS**

# The Winning Formula Had Been Discovered









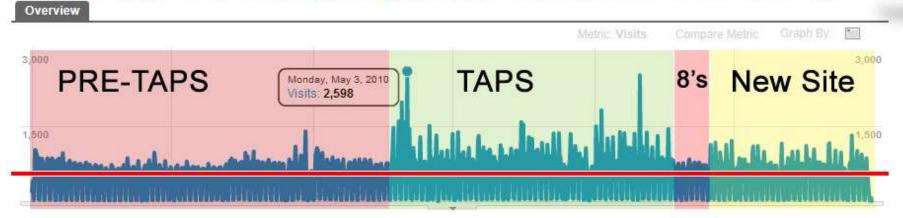
### **TAPS**



Until May & June 2011

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In May The Introduction of the Crazy 8's Campaign Flat-Lined Site Activity



In June The Introduction of the New Website Did Little To Help The Recovery.



## TAPS Account Requests

### **Pre Taps Account Requests**

#### April 09 to April 10

543 Account Requests

105 Declined

348 Active Account

90 Opened a New Account

### **Taps Account Requests**

#### April 10 to April 11

**1277 Account Requests** 

285 Declined

225 Other

571 Active Account

44 Opened a New Account

152 Identified as an Inactive Account

### **New Site Account Requests**

#### April 11 to April 12

460 **Account Requests** 

129 Declined

86 Active Account

62 Opened a New Account

47 Inactive Account

136 Other





## TAPS Account Requests



What About The Money?



Pre-Taps 1st April 09 to 1st April 10

On-line \$7,235,886.02 - Call Center \$14,119,980.91

On-Line 8.58% Increase

TAPS 1st April 10 to 1st April 11 On-line \$7,856614.69 Call Center \$12,397402.01

Call Center 12.2% Decrease

New Site 1st April 11 to 1st April 12

On-line \$7,596932.3 Call Center \$12,240553.73



Whilst the Call Center turnover was shrinking From

Changes in the economy
Stiff competition from W.B.MASON
Changes in the business

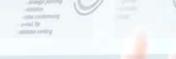
The On-Line turnover
Did not shrink
In Fact It Grew













96 e-mail campaigns were run,

22 questionnaires were asked,

120 web pages were designed,

288 product types were promoted,

5 competitions were entered 44,245 times,

14,428 promotions were downloaded,

1,663,892 reward points were claimed.

WHAT DID WE LEARN?









### WHAT DID WE LEARN?

99% of shoppers are

female

57%
put quality above
COSt

80%
have pro-actively
collected reward
points

84% are aged over 30

48% are loyal to a branded

products

41%
have claimed a manufacturers promotional free gift

67% spend up to \$500

84% played an online competition or

game

45% more likely to respond to e-mail offers with reward

points









### WHAT DID WE LEARN?









### **Moving Forward 2013**

## The Winning Formula for Retention & Account Creation Taken Forward:

- 1. A kickback to the buyer with reward point gifts
- 2. A fun time with free stuff to be won & claimed
- 3. SEO with item and service data (inc. sub domain)
- 4. Direct e-mail marketing









Customers are reluctant to give up their reward points for the hassle of changing supplier, just to save few dollars on an item.

We witnessed the upset of people giving up their points when VOS sold PA and up State NY.

#### A kickback to the buyer









# Moving Forward 2013 A kickback to the buyer









# Moving Forward 2013 A kickback to the buyer

Buy The Clients & Loyalty with Reward Points,
Win Their Respect
With Excellence.

Requirements for success:

#### **Reward Points Pricing Matrix**

e.g. the value factors of a point, e.g. \$1 spent 1 point, what should be spent on customer retention and so on

#### **Reward Points Gifting Matrix**

e.g. carrots, sticks, goodies and bricks (i.e. building relationship)

#### **Reward Points Promotional Campaign**

e.g. How gifts and points can be used to win new clients and sell products

Rob M.









### **Moving Forward 2013**

A fun time with free stuff to be won or claimed

#### Requirements for success:

#### The Winning Matrix

e.g. everyone needs to win for retention goals but how can it be worked into a financial equation

#### Reward Points Takeback Matrix

e.g. Lotto, scratch card, special onetime gift designed to blow your points on

### Competition Promotional Campaign e.g. How competition can be used to win new clients and retain customers

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### **Moving Forward 2013**

### SEO - with item and service data

(inc. sub domain)

How to add our products to Google without Adding them to our website?

Ans A villageofice.com subdomain on the ECi website.

Ans Offer links from villageofice.com to the Village subdomain.



ns Links back from the subdomain to the villageofice.com site.









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### SEO - with item and service data

(inc. sub domain)

Ans Add products too, and advertise the subdomain on Amazon.

Ans Us bespoke content links on the subdomain in flyers (up traffic and i-rank).

Ans Clean up the customisable graphic within the ECI website.









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### Direct e-mail marketing

E-mail marketing is about four things:

- 1. The quality of the contact data
- 2. Getting through the spam filters
- 3. Making a connection
- 4. Getting a reaction









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### Direct e-mail marketing

The quality of the contact data

We know there are 200,000 businesses in NJ, if you get 5% accuracy in your data (i.e. 10,000 companies) and 1% conversation of the 5% You'll have 100 new clients.

If those 100 new clients spend \$100 a month (TAPS qualify)
That adds \$10,000 to the top-line

#### Question:

- 1. How much did it cost to get 100 new clients?
- 2. What market segment is Village aiming for (type of customer)
- 3. What is Village able to spend on gaining a new customer
- 4. What is Village able to spend on keeping a client
- 5. How much does a client need to spend each month for VOS to become profitable?









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### Direct e-mail marketing

Getting through the spam filters

The success of an e-mail getting through is based on five things:

- 1. The design
- 2. The content
- 3. The sending domain
- 4. The ISP / server mail (staggering 5 seconds)
- 5. The end client (i.e. no blocks / filters)









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### Direct e-mail marketing

**Making a connection** 

#### The connection is based on 6 aspects:

- 1. The name of the person they know in Village
- 2. What they have purchased
- 3. What they have signed up for
- 4. What they like to do (games / points)
- 5. What they would like as a gift
- 6. What demographic / physiographic profile they fit

#### For example we have connection opportunities from:

1. Questionnaires, 2. Accounts Referral, 3. Email Changes
4. Data Updates, 5. PrintQuote, 6. Keurig,
7. HP Coupon, 8. Fax Coupon, 9. Event Coupon,
10. Spot.Diff., 11. Gift Ideas, 12. Coffee Club,
13. Photo, 14. Cards Club, 15. Green Club,
16. Print Club, 17. Lotto, 18. Gifts Orders, 19. Email Actions,

20. Not Enough Points, 21. Tap Account Created.









### **Moving Forward 2013**

### Direct e-mail marketing

**Getting a reaction** 

Or put more simply; "provoking the action you want them to take".

#### The seven sins for success:

- 1. Minimal effort for maximum reward (do this for that)
- 2. Must have it (highly desirable incentive)
- 3. Herd mentality (thousands of people can't be wrong)
- 4. Appraisal seekers (keep getting more rewards)
- 5. Greed (keep getting more gifts)
- 6. Curiosity (innovators)
- 7. Free stuff (opportunists (looking for value added service))









# Conclusion









## Conclusion

- 1. We need to know a monthly budget for 2013 for client retention & client creation
- 2. Apply a sub domain to the ECI website
- 3. Streamline (with graphic and web design) ECI ordering & account request features
- 4. Introduce reward point and promo content & links between ECI & VOS sites
- 5. Change the way reward points for purchases are claimed
- 6. Create a 12 month marketing plan for Village which includes:
  - a. Promo Themes & concepts
  - b. Targets
  - c. Schedule of events
  - d. Monitoring stages

