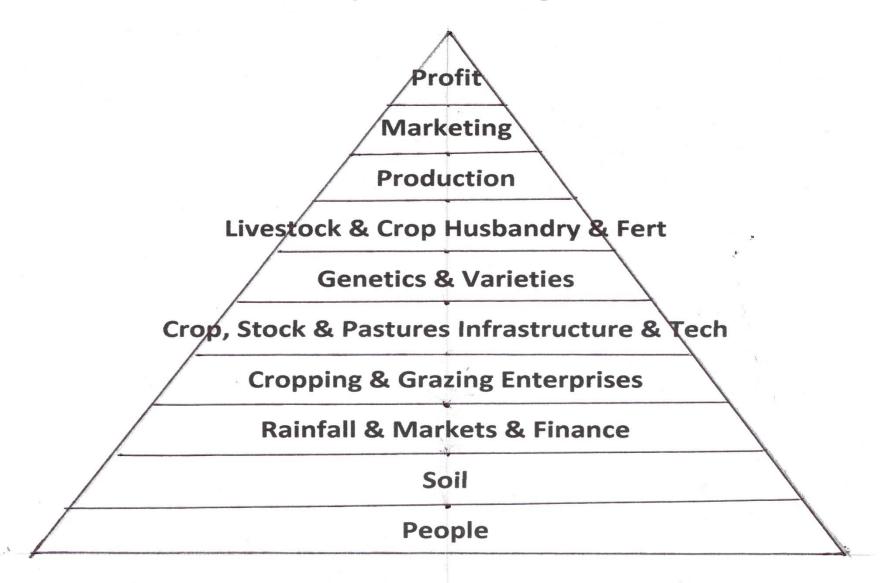
Fertilising the top paddock

- the one on top of your shoulders

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Are you improving in these areas

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Negotiation
- Stress Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Leadership
- How many have done a training course in one of these areas in the last twelve months
- Should be doing one a year

85% of your financial success is due to your personality and ability to communicate, negotiate and lead.

Only 15% is due to your technical knowledge

- Carnegie Institute of Technology US

Andrew Carnegie established a unique organization dedicated to scientific discovery "to encourage, in the broadest and most liberal manner, investigation, research, and discovery and the application of knowledge to the improvement of mankind..."

Modern World Globalisation **Competitor products Climate variability** Government policy New management challenges Industry & Leadership incompetence **Environmental demands** Do gooder factor Unlevel playing fields

- Change brings new challenges, opportunities & pressures
- Ongoing task to improve our resilience

What is resilience?

"Capacity to bounce back and even thrive in pressured times"

Four Pillars of Resilience

- Purpose
- Mental Toughness
- Physical endurance
- Emotional Balance

Source: Kathryn McEwen - "Building Resilience at Work"

Basics of a Good Business/Person

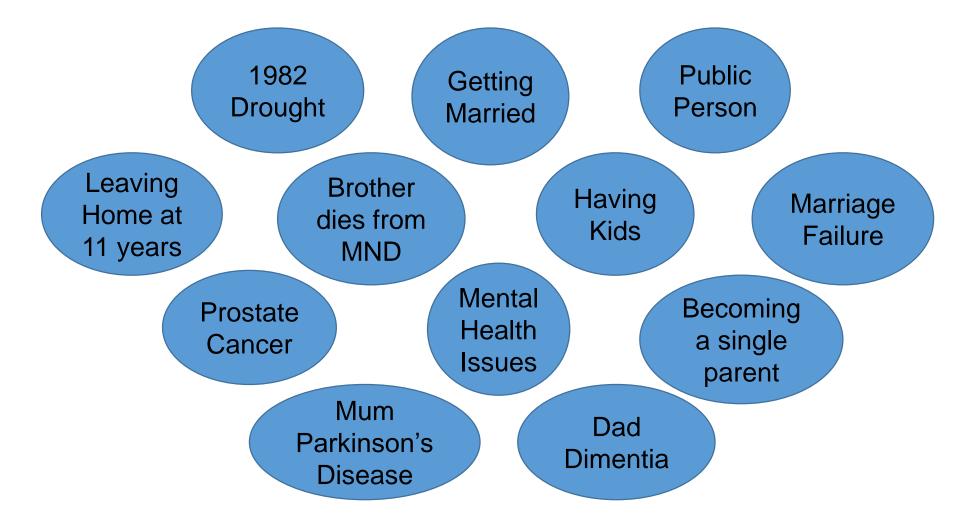
- Mindset Attitude
- Structure Systems
- Plans 5 WH, Strategy and Tactics
- Chemistry How it all gels/relationships
- Culture Values on display
- Then follow through, live it

Have a correct Reference point in your brain?

- Don't ever go into life believing it will be fair
- Expectation and outcome quite often end up being different things

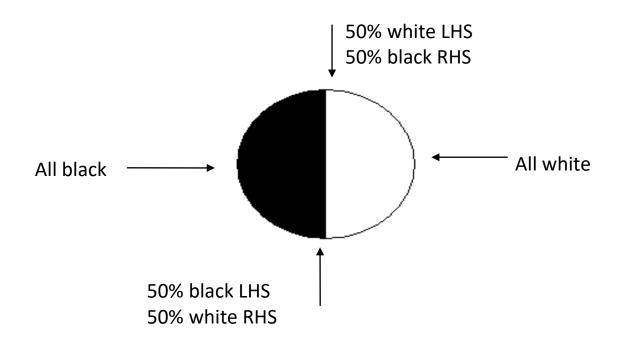
Everyone experiences failure, it is a natural part of life.

- Turn negatives into a positives



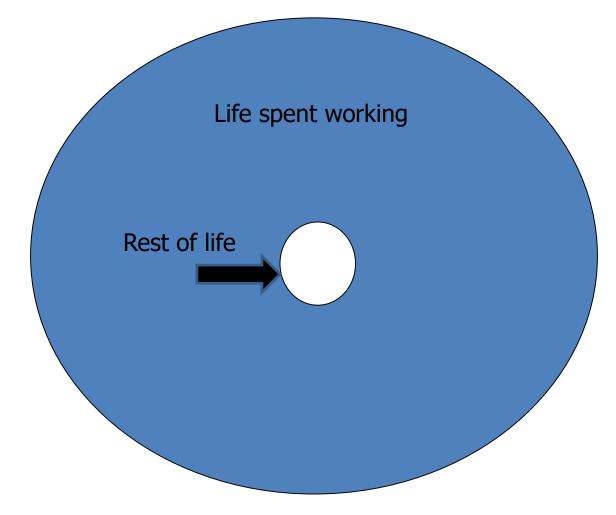
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Don't stay in the one position

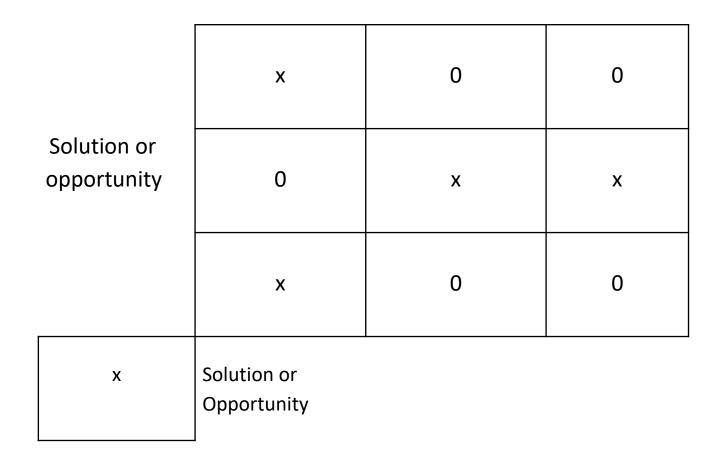


All positions are viewing the same object/problem and seeing different things Think strategically, take a helicopter view

Our reliance on our work for our self worth – Facing the hidden addiction



Learn to think/search outside the square



Non Negotiables in life

- Keep choosing your **best possible attitude** self talk can assist
- Avoid the **victim mentality**
- Acknowledge the **good things** that are happening in your life
- Don't let any one thing consume/offend you first give permission
- If you know you **need help seek it**
- Don't take on others problems when you have plenty of your own
- Don't stop doing the very **things that sustain you**

Face the facts as early as you can

- Make sure you are always dealing with reality
- Never base decisions on hope, base them on high probability of positive outcome
- After the event the problems are never as big as they were during the event.
- Damage control is just as important as profit optimisation
- If you worry a lot then you need somebody at your shoulder
- Single people more so do you have a mentor?

Always be sceptical of your own beliefs

- Continue to be sceptical of your own beliefs that triggers new learning
- Always try to get in the other persons shoes
- Leave the door open for objective feedback invite it
- Establish the hard cold facts of all situations
- Your success quite often is only as good as your fall back position
- Make sure the head not the heart is making the decisions

Your priorities should rarely change

- 1. Your physical and mental health performance
- 2. Your family love, support & responsibility
- 3. Your Business self worth, livelihood
- 4. Your personal priorities relief valves
- 5. Your Friends fun
- 6. Your community take focus away from self
- 7. Others

Worry

•	Things that never happen	40%
•	Things in the past that we can't change	30%
•	Needless health worries	15%
•	Petty, miscellaneous worries	10%
•	Real legitimate worries	5%

Worry is interest paid on trouble before it is due

Harsh but possibly true

Stress is for those who attract it and allow it and even want it.

It is not the circumstance that is stressful it is only your mind that makes it so.

What about Stress!

- It is not what happens to us it is how we deal with it.
- Stress is an essential part of life blow torch
- You must work to find strategy to manage your stress
- Learn how to package yes if you cant say no
- You don't have to legitimize everything
- Far to many make thick of the thin stuff in life
- Don't sweat the small stuff Does it really matter?

Stress – Who wants or Needs it ?

- Stress can be good, bad and ugly We need stress.
- If stress is impacting badly on your life you need to act now
- Worry is about a lack of information and action
- Learn to manage your stressors change your approach
- Often the ones you love the most create the most stress
- Make sure you are not the major cause of stress for someone else
- Take the focus away from yourself

Stress Management Techniques

- Share your stress with someone you respect and can help you
- Make sure you are not taking life to seriously
- Stress quite often is relative to your own experiences
- Understand the root cause of your stress and seek strategies to manage
- Don't just treat the symptoms
- Very few are compelled to do what are they are currently doing.
- Write things down and make sure your bed is good
- Sleep comes a close second to oxygen
- Keep trialling different ways until you find a better one.

Improving your resilience

- Find what it takes to sustain or improve your physical and mental health number one priority in tough times
- Have an acute awareness of how you personally change under pressure. Gain another's assessment.
- Align yourself with positive people. They lift you
- Maintain dialogue with these people throughout
- Doing nothing is still a decision procrastination can a killer
- A problem shared is a problem halved in most cases
- Decisions you make in good times get you through the bad.

Just be yourself

- A lot of stress in life comes from trying to be someone you are not and never will be.
 - Better off trying to be a better you.

Time Management

- Timing is not something it is everything
- Time Management About planning and execution
- Plan your work then work your plan
- 168 hours in week for most only 30% at work.
- Paretto principle 20% time give you 80% results
- 10 minutes a day equals 1 week a year
- Minimum of 2.5 weeks holiday in one block
- 2 to 3 long weekends a year

Work Life Balance?????

• 168 Hours in the week – time is your real currency

Ken's Balance

- 56 Work, 56 Sleep, 56 Please Yourself = 168 hours
- 56 work = 5 days x 10 hours = 7.30am to 6.30pm. Plus 6 hours on weekend.(1 hour lunch/smoko)
- 56 Sleep = 8 hours x 7 days
- 56 Other = Family, Community, recreation, rest
- The work you put into your time is more important than the time you put into your work –Efficiency
- If you have too big of a mouthful (overcommitted) then you may just have to chew longer, harder and faster

Some home truths

- Machinery maintenance we know but what about marriage and relationship maintenance – quality time is required
- In adversity there is the seed of an equal or greater opportunity
- Success is proportionate to attitude
- If something means to much to you it will most likely bring you undone
- A good life is a decision make that decision.

Now - Tomorrow Morning's Meeting

- What are issues to follow up from conference?
- Which ideas appear to have the greatest benefit?
- Who is doing what?
- When will we decide?
- Just do something