

## ALASDAIR BRYDON

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### Education and Qualifications:

2012-2014 University of Warwick, Coventry  
2 years of a 3-year degree course in Discrete Mathematics

2007-2012 Thurston Community College, Suffolk  
A-Levels: Mathematics (A\*), Further Mathematics (A\*), German (C)  
AS-Levels: Chemistry (C)

GCSEs: Maths (A\*), Chemistry (A), English (B), Physics (B), Design Technology (B),  
German (B), Biology (C), History (C)

### Skills:

#### TEAMWORK:

I'm used to working as part of a team and know how to navigate difficult people and customers to make them feel valued and important. I also know when to draw the line and call people out for their actions, and finding the balance did take me some time. Now I'm happy working with small teams like at O'Neill Growers in Rakaia (a team of 5) as well as huge teams like at Romano's (120 spread over 3 shifts).

### Work Experience:

#### NOVEMBER 2015 – APRIL 2017:

##### CREW TRAINER, MCDONALD'S, BURY ST EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK

Worked as a Crew Trainer at McDonalds, my responsibilities were following procedures regarding preparing the food and making sure customers were happy and satisfied with their visit. I regularly sorted out deliveries which gave me experience with stock rotation and safely handling heavy boxes and cages. As a crew trainer I was responsible for the progression of new starters, keeping track of the ongoing training for all staff at the store, corrective coaching crew as well as being a role model to all staff. In addition, I was tasked with managing kitchen or front counter when necessary.

#### APRIL 2017 - NOVEMBER 2019:

##### STORE ASSISTANT, ALDI, ALNWICK, NORTHUMBERLAND

Worked as a Store Assistant at Aldi. Really improved my people skills here as I found a place where respect was earned on both sides, management and staff. Transferred from store 65 in Bury St Edmunds to store 98 in Alnwick on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019, which was a fresh set of challenges since the sales were drastically lower and I had to be more efficient with my time.

#### MAY - AUGUST 2020:

##### FACTORY HAND, ROMANO'S FOOD GROUP, CHRISTCHURCH

Worked as a temp at Romano's Pizza Factory in Christchurch. Working on the frozen packing line, it was repetitive factory work but easy and satisfying.

**SEASONAL WORK IN NEW ZEALAND:**

**Potato Grader/Stacker Sep 2020**

Stacking 20kg bags of potatoes onto pallets for export, filling shipping containers, sorting out rotten/scabby potatoes.

**Strawberry Picker Nov-Dec 2020**

Picking strawberries to colour at ground level in all weather.

**Stonefruit Picker Dec-Feb 2021**

Picking cherries, apricots, nectarines and peaches to colour and size. Ladder work, long days in the sunshine.

**Apple Picker Mar 2021**

Picking pears and apples to colour, ladder work and heavy bags.

**Broccoli Harvester May-June 2021**

Cutting broccoli of the right size, grading on quality and size, stacking crates on a moving trailer and wrapping pallets. Working outside in all weather.

**Calf Rearer July-December 2021**

Feeding calves, checking their health and growth. Helping with other dairy farm jobs when required. Paddock rolling and clearing out calf sheds in a tractor. Trailer, tractor and quad bike experience. Also some milking cover for staff holiday and herd tests as well as relief milking weekends at a different farm.

**Coolstore Stacker December 2021-March 2022**

Stacking and strapping cherries, apricots and other stone fruit for export and local markets.