Get to Know the Team

Please introduce yourself and your role at Integration Technology:

I am Chris Beechey, Product Manager for Integration Technology. I work as part of the Engineering team but also work within the Sales support team, offering technical and application support to our customers.

As product manager, my role is varied but essentially my responsibility is to ensure that we offer innovative, reliable, market leading products to our customers, whilst also ensuring that our customers are fully supported with any technical or application issues that may arise. Although I work predominantly as part of the Engineering team, my work naturally links in with our Sales and Marketing teams, which essentially means that no one day is the same!

How long have you been at Integration Technology, and has your role changed?

I joined the company in a newly formed Product management role in July 2018. Naturally, as the role was new to the business, it has taken some time to fully understand where I can help the business most. My role was predominantly based within the Engineering department, but more recently I have been able to work much more closely with our Sales and Marketing teams.

What are your credentials/past experience, for working in your position?

For the last 20 years I have worked within the Electronics Manufacturing industry, working in many roles within that time. I started my career as a fresh faced 21 year old Product assembler/Sales engineer for a small electronics company that sold monitoring instrumentation to blue chip companies within the Oil and Gas industry.

I then progressed through full time Electronics Technician and Production Manager roles for a FTSE 100 global company, whilst also studying part time for an Electronics Engineering degree, finally graduating in 2011 with a 2:1 BEng Honours degree.

After graduating university, I naturally progressed into Electronic Engineer and Project Engineer roles, with the latter really opening up opportunities to work on all aspects of product integration and delivery. To date I have had opportunities to work on great technological products that have really pushed the boundaries for engineering.

Working in many different roles within the electronics Manufacturing industry has really helped me to understand the challenges and pitfalls that we face every day to ensure that we offer advanced, reliable products that our customers order time and time again.

Integration Technology Ltd
133 Heyford Park
Upper Heyford
Oxfordshire
OX25 5HA
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0)1869 233 611
Email: mail@integrationtechnology.com

What do you enjoy about your role within Integration Technology?

The great thing about my current role is that I have the opportunity to work closely with other departments within the business, offering my help wherever it is required. This really helps to drive me onwards.

I really enjoy working on the larger projects that we have, ensuring that any product development and design work is completed on time and that we have everything covered, from technical specifications to installation and commissioning plans.

As a fully qualified Engineer, I also love to problem solve, so helping our customers to ensure that our products are correctly integrated into their applications is something that makes me very happy!

Why do you think customers choose Integration Technology?

We are an innovative and flexible company that will go above and beyond to ensure that our customers come back to us time and time again for their application needs. Not only do we have an outstanding range of UV products available "off the shelf", we also will create bespoke products and design solutions to ensure that our customers get exactly what they need, this really separates us from the crowd and is something that our customers appreciate.

Your top 3 favourite books?

I love to read all manner or books when I have the time (children permitting). My favourite genres are science fiction, sports biographies, the classics, legal thrillers and generally any book that has a good review! My three top books would have to be "The Martian", "Lord of the Rings" and "Jurassic Park". It was my love for science fiction that led me to pursue a career in Engineering. Reading about the technology in some of the Michael Crichton novels as a young teenager really set me on my way.

What do you enjoy when you are not working?

I have a huge passion for the glorious sport that is known as football (well in England anyway!). I played competitively for local teams from 9 years old right up to when my "career" was curtailed by a ruptured ACL at the ripe old age of 34. I still play the odd game for charity and have made various comebacks through the years but sadly the knee is just not up to it anymore.

I have supported Liverpool FC since the age of 6 and try to get to a game whenever I can, although opportunities are few and far between. I am currently trying to invoke a passion for Liverpool FC and football in general in both of my young daughters, but to no avail. They will often support the team that Liverpool FC are playing against! Hopefully one day one of them will catch the football/Liverpool FC bug and we can enjoy the beautiful game together.

Integration Technology Ltd
133 Heyford Park
Upper Heyford
Oxfordshire
OX25 5HA
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 (0)1869 233 611
Email: mail@integrationtechnology.com

I also love to watch films (Back to the Future, Star wars and Indiana Jones are personal favourites), enjoy Rugby and golf, love to go to and watch live music (Indie/rock) and love to get out and enjoy a beer with friends and family.

Family time is very important in our household, my wife and I try to spend as much time as we can with our two young daughters. We love to get outside for long walks in the countryside or the many beautiful woodlands that we have in Oxfordshire and the surrounding counties.