

WHY DO YOU RUN A RASPBERRY JAM?

If someone decided to run a Raspberry Jam I'd ask them why. It can be a lot of work, but if you know why you're doing it, suddenly all those problems become easier.

Alan O'Donohoe - Preston Raspberry Jam

I got involved by being interested in technology, which then grew into a love for Raspberry Pi. I found there wasn't enough of a Raspberry Pi community within my area of Scotland so I wanted to do something about it.

Kerry Kidd - Dundee Raspberry Jam

I got one of the first Raspberry Pis and was looking to find other people like me who had little experience of programming and Linux to help and support each other. I approached the library to see if they would give us the space and they agreed.

Simon Belshaw - Exeter Raspberry Jam

I went to Picademy, and that gave me the confidence in using the technology to organise my first Jam.

Katharine Childs - Nottingham Raspberry Jam

After having such a great time at CamJam and other events, I decided to start my own in Birmingham.

Spencer Organ - Birmingham Learning Hub

It's about creating a space for people to meet and learn things.

Michael Rimicans - Huddersfield Raspberry Jam

I want to be able to give something back to the community. I am passionate about teaching kids to program and interface with the physical world.

Steve Amor - Cornwall Tech Jam

I wanted to keep up to date for the children in the Code Club I run. I learn so much, and I always come back inspired with new ideas for Code Club.

Anne Carlill - York Raspberry Jam

I've made some great friendships because of the Jams. Continuing to organise them means I get to continue with, and to build on, those friendships.

Michael Horne - CamJam

I believe that the digital sector offers the people of Cornwall a real chance to have rewarding and well-paid careers. We need a few more things in place to really make it happen, a more skilled workforce being one of them. Hosting a Jam gives people of all ages a chance to have a go, ask an expert, and ignite their interest in creating tech.

Mike Trebilcock - Cornwall Tech Jam

I love to learn. By bringing makers and others together, I get to see a variety of things and discuss amazing ideas. It's great to see eight year olds and eighty year olds making lights blink and dinosaurs nod.

Lucy Rogers - Blackgang Chine

I like to give something back to the community, and working with the kids who come to the Jam is a rewarding challenge that keeps my skills sharp.

Les Pounder - Blackpool Raspberry Jam

I am passionate about helping children to gain access and insight into this essential area of education.

Bill Harvey - Barnstaple Raspberry Jam