

USER STORY

England Rugby Football Union

Twickenham, Middlesex

Contact: Stephen Hornsby - Multimedia Technician

Stephen Hornsby currently works for England RFU as a Multimedia Technician, where he films, edits and outputs material to DVD. The DVDs are then retailed on the RFU's web store (www.communityrugbyshop.com) and are also used as course resources for coaches and players throughout the community game. He uses Adobe Production Premium Creative Suite 3 on a Matrox Axio LE Real time HD/SD Editing Platform.

The system is ideal, as the Axio allows Stephen to input various video signals and add accelerated real-time effects to speed up the editing process. It also incorporates his editor of choice, Adobe Premiere Pro.

The RFU utilise every component of Adobe Production Premium CS3, with Premiere for editing, Soundbooth for audio, Encore for DVD authoring, and After Effects for their graphics work. Stephen can't emphasise enough how tight the integration is and says 'out of the box it genuinely offers a seamless workflow'.

The RFU also purchased a large amount of acquisition equipment, with several Sony HVR Z1E camcorders, Vinten Pro 6 tripods, Sony HVR M25 VTR's, a JVC DT-V1710CG HD video output monitor for real-time HD monitoring/editing, plus a wide range of related accessories and peripherals.

Stephen said 'We use the system day in and day out and have found it to be extremely reliable. Whenever any issues have arisen we have found the support provided by Planet PC to be excellent. We had previously tried other suppliers but found both their hardware and their support to be unsatisfactory.' Since switching to Planet PC Stephen has enjoyed excellent honest advice from the sales department and a personal and prompt support service.

