

Personal Profile



Karen and Myles Davies

The Motoroamers

Welcome to our personal profile guide that gives you an intimate insight into us as individuals and as a partnership. As you consider entrusting your home and your pets to us as you go away on holiday, we want you to feel like you already know us. Read our stories and get behind our values and personalities through our friends' character statements and formal references.

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Our Story

Through 26 years of marriage, we have navigated some stormy seas, been blessed with many amazing experiences and beautiful friendships. They have each played a role in the fabric of our lives and ensured our arrival at this point in time.



After meeting in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, our office romance turned into marriage at the tender age of 21 and 22. Bitten by the 80's 'Boom and Bust' housing market, we worked our fingers to the bone to raise the cash for our first home to then be victims of the crash. We lost a lot of money, although we were bizarrely saved by Myles's mum leaving us her house after she lost her battle with lung cancer.

Personal moto:
*Live life beyond
your fears.*

Fleetwood graced us with his angelic presence after a cruel twist of fate; a raid on the Post Office Myles ran - he was to be our guard dog and, as we now realise, our healer! We miss him with all our hearts, even eleven years on since his passing.



A relocation to the Isle of Man saw an eighteen year chapter of our lives, that tested us to the hilt. We became entrepreneurs, running three diverse businesses; self-catering hospitality, training consultancy and audio-visual installation. In the midst of this we were renovating our house, which we planned to be our pension pot. Stress and ill-health motivated us to change our lives and, inspired by a motorbiking adventure to California, travel came into our lives. We sold our house and returned back to UK to follow our 'Good Life' dream.



Five years of healing has brought us to the present day where we are so far removed from our 'old' lives as you could imagine. Both of us have now retrained and are committed to living a more wholesome life that prioritises our health and happiness. A Silver Anniversary trip to New Zealand gave birth to our nomadic life, where adventure, exploration and the inner journey drive us forward each day. How life will unfold we don't know, although after years of schedules, diaries and control, we are embracing the uncertainty, having overcome so many fears and inhibitions to get to this point.



***Make every day
an adventure
and each
moment count.***

Myles' Story



I am Myles, half English, half Welsh. Born in Cyprus and brought up in the UK, with a stint in Germany, it's no surprise my friends refer to me as, 'A present that just keeps on giving'.

Having had enough of studying I skipped University to search for my career path. That was in 1985 and I'm still looking, which makes for an interesting CV.

From Accounts Clerk to I.T Manager, Sub-Post Master to Helium Balloon Decorator, it's been one hell of a ride. Now an Investor in Property and Stocks and Shares, I set out on the next chapter of my life as a digital nomad and adventurer. Together with my wife, we are embarking on a journey to who knows where, for who knows how long. All I take with me is a healthy respect for life and a big jug of laughter.

Karen's Story

I am a lover of all things creative; photography, poetry, writing, Mother Nature and art therapy. When I'm in a positive space, this creativity oozes from within. In between a great deal of self-induced stress, there have been many moments of this beautiful creativity, although I am making a stand to have more in my life.



I have had my career in the corporate world, working in personal and leadership development. I'm driven by making a difference to people and helping them reach their potential. In the last decade I have devoted my time to coaching people to overcome their fears and yet my advice was falling on my own deaf ears. How come we are always so much better at teaching than applying? In 2012 I took a leap of faith to leave my safe and very lucrative corporate cage, follow my heart and put myself first. It has been a period of extreme healing, much of which has been quite tricky, although I'm stronger for it. I've found a much more peaceful space to live in. Teaching children meditation and mindfulness, working with special needs children in our local Donkey Assisted Therapy Centre and book writing are now my business and it feels so much more me.

And then my husband said, 'Let's go travelling'. Since that moment, my fears have had a field day, swimming in a pond full of uncertainty. Over six months I have worked through my need for certainty and realised that life is just too short and that it will unfold as it is meant to. I have developed a much more spiritual existence, away from the material, traditional lifestyle that we are expected to conform to. Instead, I am ready to live the adventure that is life.

Character References

We understand that working with strangers can be a daunting matter, so we have included a number of professional and personal references to ease your decision to work with us. We hope that they demonstrate more about our values and authenticity.

Professional References

1. Landlord References

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Rental of 22 Riverbank Road, Ramsey, Isle of Man

Karen and Myles Davies rented my three-bedroomed bungalow in Ramsey, Isle of Man, from June 2010 to June 2012.

The rent was always paid promptly by direct debit. At the end of the tenancy I was happy to refund their deposit in full as the house was left in immaculate condition. They were ideal tenants. I highly recommend them.

Dulcie Foster (Mrs)

The Anchorage, Church Road, Port e Vullen, Isle of Man, IM7 1AP 01624 812216

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Rental of The Linhay, Houndsmoor, Milverton, Taunton, TA4 1PU;
from 3 June 2012 - 2 March 2016.

Karen and Myles took a shorthand tenancy on our barn conversion in June 2012 and have been excellent tenants throughout the whole term; they have looked after the property as if it were their own, creating a comfortable and stylish home. They have also care for and taken an interest in the outside space, keeping the garden tidy and well maintained. In addition, they have had much success in growing their own food in a poly tunnel nearby and they have been generous in sharing the fresh produce with their neighbours and ourselves. We have also enjoyed a whole range of homemade chutneys, preserves, cordials, wines and cider from their kitchen.

They are always very friendly with us and neighbouring tenants, taking a keen interest in the farm where we live, in particular the animals, so much so that regularly Karen and Myles take responsibility for feeding the livestock, assisting with vet's visits and willingly help out when an additional pair of hands are required.

In summary, Myles and Karen are reliable, honest and friendly, and we would have no hesitation in recommending them as suitable carers for your home and pets.

Mr and Mrs A Whittle

Houndsmoor Farm, Milverton, Taunton, TA4 1PU
whittles@houndsmoor.orangehome.co.uk

2. Work References



Karen Davies has been a volunteer at The Donkey Sanctuary, Donkey Assisted Therapy Centre in Sidmouth, for nearly 2 years.

During that time she has assisted with a range of animal care tasks including grooming the donkeys, getting them ready for riding, and supporting children with a wide range of additional needs and disabilities during their riding therapy sessions. Karen can be trusted to carry out tasks carefully, according to the instructions given, and demonstrates a good awareness of working safely with both children and donkeys.

Karen has worked with the new donkeys that are beginning their training and is very calm and patient in her approach. Karen has attended various training courses held at the Centre and is always keen to learn and develop her skills, across the work of the organisation.

Karen communicates clearly and effectively with staff, volunteers and other visitors to the Centre. She shows a good understanding of individual needs and always adapts her approach to include others. Karen's enthusiasm really encourages children to achieve their individual goals during sessions and this is done in a very caring way and supportive way.

I would have no hesitation in recommending Karen for employment and would be happy to provide any further information, by contacting me directly on (01395) 573113 or lauriel.woodley@thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk

Lauriel Woodley

Centre Manager, The Donkey Sanctuary, Sidmouth, Devon, England

Character Statements

1. Beverley Clegg, Isle of Man

I've known Karen & Myles for over 12 years, initially meeting Karen in her capacity as a business mentor / coach and they've since become good friends. I have also worked for many years with Karen in a corporate capacity at a global manufacturing company where she designed and delivered some leadership training - some of the best training I have come across in my role as European HR Manager. Karen and Myles are the most honest and trustworthy people I have had the pleasure to know. Conscientious, kind and totally committed to anything they do, I would have no hesitation in recommending them to anyone.

Bev Clegg

Email: bclegg@manx.net

2. Andy Privett

Over the last 35 years Myles & Karen have been my closest and dearest friends. Over these years they have shown themselves to be kind, honest and trustworthy people. They both possess an inner resilience and determination and are resourceful in any situation. This coupled with the fact that they have great interpersonal skills and a refined sense of humour. Myles & Karen are the first people I would turn to in a crisis and the first couple I love both my family and I to spend time with.

I will have no hesitation in recommending Myles & Karen for house/pet sitting and all domestic duties that this may involve. I would be more than happy to expand on the above and chat in person.

Andy M Privett

Email: andrewprivett1@gmail.com

3. Melissa Fletcher

I have known Karen and Myles for approximately 23 years. I met Karen when we worked together so I have witnessed first hand her dedication and professional nature.

As a couple they are the most considerate and accommodating people you will wish to meet. Faced with any situation they are resourceful and dedicated striving for a positive conclusion. Their qualities compliment each other, which enables them to work together.

They are compassionate and kind in disposition with a love for animals. They are willing to try new entities and embrace nature. Their desire to make things work and to ensure it works for others, makes them ideal for looking after someone else's world when they are away.

I would not hesitate to recommend this endearing couple, and I would happily give them a personal reference if required.

Melissa Fletcher

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We hope that our Personal Profile document gives you a useful insight into us both and whether we are a suitable match for your housesitting needs.

Please don't hesitate to contact us for an informal chat or more formal interview. You can get hold of us either:

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By Skype at: Karrymy

Via the website: www.motoroaming.com

We look forward to connecting with you.

Until then,

Warm regards

Karen and Myles Davies



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