

# DARREN CLARK B.Sc., M.Sc., FGS

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#### **PROFILE**

With 30 years experience in the oil and gas exploration industry I set up the business DXC Geological in January 2018 following a very successful 16 year career as a Wellsite Geologist at Barrel Consultants Limited. Prior to that I spent 6 years working as a Data Engineer and Mudlogger with Baker Hughes INTEQ in the UK North Sea and internationally in Holland and Namibia. I have extensive experience in the geological supervision of wells in the UK sector with numerous operators that are outlined in detail below. I have expertise in geosteered horizontal, deviated and extended reach wells and their associated formation evaluation techniques; I have an MSc in Engineering Geology, a BSc in Earth Science and I am a Fellow of the Geological Society of London and a member of the Petroleum Exploration Society of Great Britain. I am a very capable administrator and have experience with a number of industry software packages including Geologix GEO, RockWare WellCAD, HRH Gravitas and Winlog.

#### **SKILLS**

- Wellsite responsibility for all geological, data engineering and formation evaluation activity, supervision and reporting.
- Excellent knowledge of North Sea lithostratigraphy and highly experienced in exploration, appraisal and development wells in the Southern Gas Basin, Central & Viking Graben, Moray Firth and West of Shetlands.
- Experienced in geosteered horizontal drilling through complex channel sands with the use of ultra deep resistivity tools such as Schlumberger GeoSphere, Halliburton EarthStar and Baker Hughes VisiTrak.
- Responsible for the selection of casing and coring points, XPT/MDT pressure and fluid sampling, sidewall core sampling points.
- Experienced in Formation Pressure Whilst Drilling (FPWD) techniques along with High Pressure / High Temperature (HPHT) knowledge and experience.
- Responsible for conducting regular communications with onshore Drilling Operation team and liaising with offshore Drilling Supervisor and rigsite contractors.
- Experienced in high angle extended reach (ERD) wells and their associated drilling techniques and formation evaluation.
- Ensuring geological well objectives are met and any geological risks are identified, evaluated, managed and risk assessed.
- Experienced in the use of oil based mud (OBM) and water based mud (WBM) systems.
- Responsible for cuttings and show descriptions and end of well sample distribution and dispatch.
- Experienced in conventional, aluminium and fibre-sleeved coring techniques, core handling and processing.
- Experienced in conventional and TLC wireline logging and MWD/LWD FE acquisition, witnessing and QC.
- Computer literate, including use of offshore communications, geological and engineering database packages, log drawing packages (Geologix GeoSuite, RockWare WellCAD, HRH Gravitas Winlog) and standard PC applications.
- Responsible for drafting wellsite geological Lithlog and proficient and very thorough in post well Composite well
  log and End of Well Report editing and preparation with a keen eye for detail.
- Experienced in the evaluation and management of contractors performance including periodic reviews.
- Confident in the use of the latest Heavy Mineral, Chemostratigraphy, Palynology and Biostratigraphy techniques.
- Participation in well planning, DWOP, hole section preview and review meetings, daily conference rig calls, daily pre-tour meetings and rig safety meetings.
- Participation in end of well review and wash-up meetings for lessons learned, highlights and lowlights for future well planning.
- Responsible for wellsite data management, quality control and archiving and the compilation of final well data sets and distribution.
- Excellent personal communications skills with firm professional confidence, diploma and highly team orientated

#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

DXC Geological Ltd Director and Consultant Wellsite Geologist Jan 2018 - Present

Barrel Consultants Ltd Wellsite Geologist Sep 2001 - Dec 2017

Baker Hughes INTEQ Data Engineer / Logging Geologist Feb 1995 - Sep 2001

#### INDUSTRY RELATED TRAINING

EnQuest iMorph Training, Control Of Work, October 2024

IWCF Level 1 Programme 2016

Sabre Panaseal FaceFit, June 2016

Compressed Air Emergency Breathing System (CA-EBS), August 2014

MIST Training, January 2023

Drilling and Advanced Rig Training (DART), October 2013

Merlin Extended Reach Drilling (ERD), October 2013

Operations & Wellsite Geology, Stag Geological Services, January 2001

Workplace Competency Assessor Course, D32/D33 S.Q.A., August 1998

DuPont Safety Training Observation Program (S.T.O.P) Course, April 1997

Baker Hughes INTEQ Pressure Evaluation Course, March 1997

BP Amoco HPHT Course, February 1997

#### **EDUCATION**

1992 - 1993

M.Sc Engineering Geology, Newcastle University

One year taught course including modules in the following;

Engineering Geology, Civil Engineering, Site Investigation, Hydrogeology, Soil Mechanics, Dam Engineering and Hydraulic Structures, Foundation Design and Construction.

Dissertation on 'Current Practice in the Laboratory Testing of Aggregates with Reference to the Whin Sill Dolerite of Northumberland'.

1989 - 1992

B.Sc Geology & Geography Earth Sciences, Anglia Ruskin University

Three year taught course in Geology and Geography Earth Sciences including modules in the following;

Igneous Petrology, Metamorphology, Sedimentology, Human and Physical Geography, Geographical Techniques, Theoretical and Applied Geomorphology, Palaeoenvironments, Geological Processes, Data Analysis and Processing, Resources, Stratigraphic Principles, Climatic Change, Plate Tectonics and Crustal Evolution.

Dissertation on 'The Petrography, Mineralogy and Geochemistry of the Great Whin Sill, Middleton-in-Teasdale, N.E. England'.

1981 - 1989

Sedgefield Community College & Sixth Form College

Advanced Level Geology, Geography and Art.

### **PERSONAL**

British, 53 Years Old, Married, Excellent Health, UK Driving Licence, Vantage #: 0137858

## **INTERESTS & HOBBIES**

I am a keen amateur photographer with an interest in wildlife and travel photography and I enjoy getting out in the fresh air on my Mountain Bike and Kayak. I have a self-taught knowledge of web design that I use to produce the DXC Geological company website.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY CERTIFICATION**

OGUK Further Offshore Emergency Training, Expires January 2027

OGUK Offshore Medical, Expires July 2025

OGUK Escape Chute Training, Expired September 2023

Covid-19 Triple Vaccinated, December 2021

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Geoscience Energy Society of Great Britain, formerly PESGB, Since 2001 Fellow Member of the Geological Society of London, Since 1999

# **WELL HISTORY (Consultant Wellsite Geologist)**

(	COMPANY	FIELD/AREA	WELL	Түре	YEAR
ı	Dana Petroleum	Bittern	29/01b-B6	D/H	2024
		Earn	42/27-4	E/MPD	2023
		Western Isles	210/24a-BP7	D	2022
		Platypus	48/01a-6	Α	2012
9	Serica Energy	Gannet E	21/30c-30	D/H	2024
		North Eigg	3/24c-6, 6A, 6B	HPHT	2022
		Columbus	23/16f-C1	D/H	2021
(	Cairn Energy	Chimera	3/17a-3	E	2019
1	Anasuria	Guillemot	21/25-G9	D/H	2019
1	Azinor Catalyst	Agar	9/14a-17Z	Α	2018
ı	INEOS Energy	Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A12	D/CARB	2023
		Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A11	ER/D/CARB	2021
		Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A4Z	D/CARB	2018
		Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A10 & A10Z	D/CARB	2017
		Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A9 & A9Z	D/CARB	2017
ı	Perenco	Ravenspurn	43/26a-E12, E12Z	A/D/CARB	2016-17
I	EnQuest	Magnus	211/12a-M71	D	2025
		Magnus	211/12a-M70	D	2024
		Magnus	211/12a-M67,M68,M69	D	2023
		Magnus	211/12a-M66	D	2022
		Kraken	9/02b-C4, D4, D4Z	D/H/ER	2020
		Kraken	9/02b-G1, G2, G3	D/H	2018-19
		Magnus	211/12a-M63,M64,M65	D	2018-20
		Magnus	211/12a-M62Z	ER	2018
		Eagle	21/19a-13	E	2016
		Scolty	21/08a-5	D	2016
		Gadwall	21/19-6Y,6Z	D	2015
		Alma	30/24c-W1	D	2015
		Alma	30/24c-K7	D	2016
(	GDF Suez	Dalziel	22/16-6Z	PT	2015
(	ConocoPhillips	Enochdu	21/05a-E1Z	D/H	2015
•	Talisman-Sinopec	Seagull	22/29c-8Y	HPHT	2014
		Godwin	22/17-T27	ER	2013-14
١	Venture	Olympus	48/12c-11	E	2010
		Alcyone	53/03d-10	E	2010
		Kew	49/04c-7,7z	Α	2009
		Barbarossa	47/09c-11	D	2008
-	RWE Dea	Crosgan	42/15a-3	A/CARB	2014-15
		Breagh Alpha	42/13a-A3 to A8	D/CARB	2012-14
		Severn	43/18a-2Y	E/CARB	2013
		Clipper South	48/19a-C2,C3	D	2012
		Breagh East	42/13a-6	A/CARB	2011
		Cavendish	43/19a-C2Y	A/H/CARB	2010-11
		Macanta	42/14-2	E/CARB	2010
		Airidh	42/19a-1	E	2010
		Topaz	49/02a-6	E/CARB	2008
		Tees	42/27a-3	Α	2007-08
l	E.ON   Ruhrgas	Babbage	48/02a-B1,B2Z,B3	D/H	2009-10
		Rita	44/22c-12,12Z	A/CARB	2008
		Johnston	43/27a-5,5Z	A/H	2007
•	Tullow	Ketch	44/28b-K10z,K10y	A/CARB	2011-12
		Foxtrot	49/30b-10	E	2011
		Cameron	44/19b-7A	E	2011
		Ketch	44/28b-K9,K9Y	A/CARB	2006-07
		Ketch	44/28b-K8	A/CARB	2006
		Schooner	44/26a-7	A/CARB	2006
		Schooner	44/26a-A10,A10Z	A/CARB	2005-06
,	Apache	Forties Delta	21/10-D51	D	2005
		Forties Echo	22/06a-E30z	D	2005
		Forties Echo	22/06a-E29w	D	2005
		Forties Echo	22/06a-E27	D	2004

	Forties Echo	22/06a-E26	D	2004
	Forties Echo	22/06a-E24y	D	2004
ExxonMobil	<b>Nevis South</b>	9/13a-N12	Α	2011
	Nevis	9/13a-66z,66y	A/H	2005
	Gawain	49/29a-10	Α	2004
	Beryl Alpha	9/13a-A82x	D/H	2007
	Beryl Alpha	9/13a-A81	D	2005
	Beryl Bravo	9/13a-B65Z	D/H	2005
	Beryl Bravo	9/13a-B64Y	D/H	2004
	Beryl Alpha	9/13a-A80z	D	2004
	Beryl Alpha	9/13a-A79	D/H	2003
	Beryl Bravo	9/13a-B62	D/H	2003
	Beryl Bravo	9/13a-B59z,B59y	D/H	2003
	Beryl Bravo	9/13a-B58	D	2002-03
	Camelot East	53/02-11	D	2003
Kerr-McGee	Courageous	30/02a-5	D/H	2005
	Janice	30/17a-J9Z	D/H	2003
	Tullich	9/23a-T1,T2X	D	2001-02
	Leadon	9/14b-S7	D/H	2002
	Leadon	9/14b-S2Z,S2X	D/H	2002
	Janice	30/17a-J7Z	D/H	2001

E - Exploration; A - Appraisal; D - Development; H - Horizontal/Deviated; HPHT - High Press/Temp; ER - Extended Reach; CARB – Carboniferous; MPD – Managed Pressure Drilling

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COMPANY	FIELD/AREA	WELL	Түре	YEAR
Talisman	Hannay	20/05c-8,8Z,8Y	D/H	2001
ExxonMobil	Skene	9/19-S4,S4z	D/H	2001
	Ganymede	49/22-Z7	D/H	1998
	Malory	48/12c-10	Α	1997
	Camelot	53/01a-13	Α	1996
	SNS Gas Basin	49/22-16,17,18	E/A	1995-96
	Gawain	49/29a-G2,G2st	D/H	1995
BP Amoco	Arbroath	22/17-T21	D/H	2001
	Foinaven	204/19-B10a,p28a	D/H	2001
	Foinaven	204/19-B10a,p28b	D/H	2001
	Foinaven	204/19-B10z,p28b	D/H	2001
	Schiehallion	204/20-P	E	2001
	North Davey	49/30a-7A	D/H	2000
	Schiehallion	204/20-LO3	E	1998
	Forties	22/06a-Various	D/H	1998
	Appleton Beta	30/11b-4	Α	1997
	Ettrick	20/03a-6	E	1997
	Scott	15/22-14	PT	1997
	Davy	49/30a-DC,DD	D/H	1995
Conoco	Viking	49/12a-K4,K4z,K5	D/H	2000
	Vixen	49/17-13z	D/H	2000
	Callisto North	49/22-N,N1,N3,N6	D/H	1999
	MacChulloch	15/24b-W1,W1z	E/H	1996
Phillips	Alison	49/11a-B1X,B1Y	E/H	1995
Kerr-McGee	Leadon	9/14a-B,Bx,By,Bz	A/H	1999-00
	Lyme Bay	97/12-1	E	1995
Shell	Bass	14/28a-3	E	2000
	Schooner	44/26a-A8	D	2000
	Gawain	49/24-A1Y	E	1999
ARCO	Thunderball	14/26b-5	E	1997
	Waveney	48/17c-12	E	1996
Ranger	Anglia	48/18b-13	E	1996
Premier	Lybster	11/24-1	E	1996
Enterprise	Nelson	22/11-N16y	D/H	1996
Marathon	West Brae	16/06a-V1	E	1997
BP Amoco	Rijn	P15-15	D/H	2001
	De Ruyter	P11-02	E	1996
Norsk Hydro	Namibia	1911-10-1	Е	1995

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## **CLIENT REFERENCES**

Stuart Hignett, Senior Operations Geologist, EnQuest / Serica Energy.

Noel Geoghegan, Senior Operations Geologist, Dana Petroleum.

Marcus Bawdon, Operations Geologist, Serica Energy.

Richard Lumley, Senior Operations Geologist, RWE / INEOS (Retired).

Zoë Barnett-Lee, Operations Geologist, INEOS.

Chris Rogowski, Senior Operations Geologist, Perenco / E.ON.



