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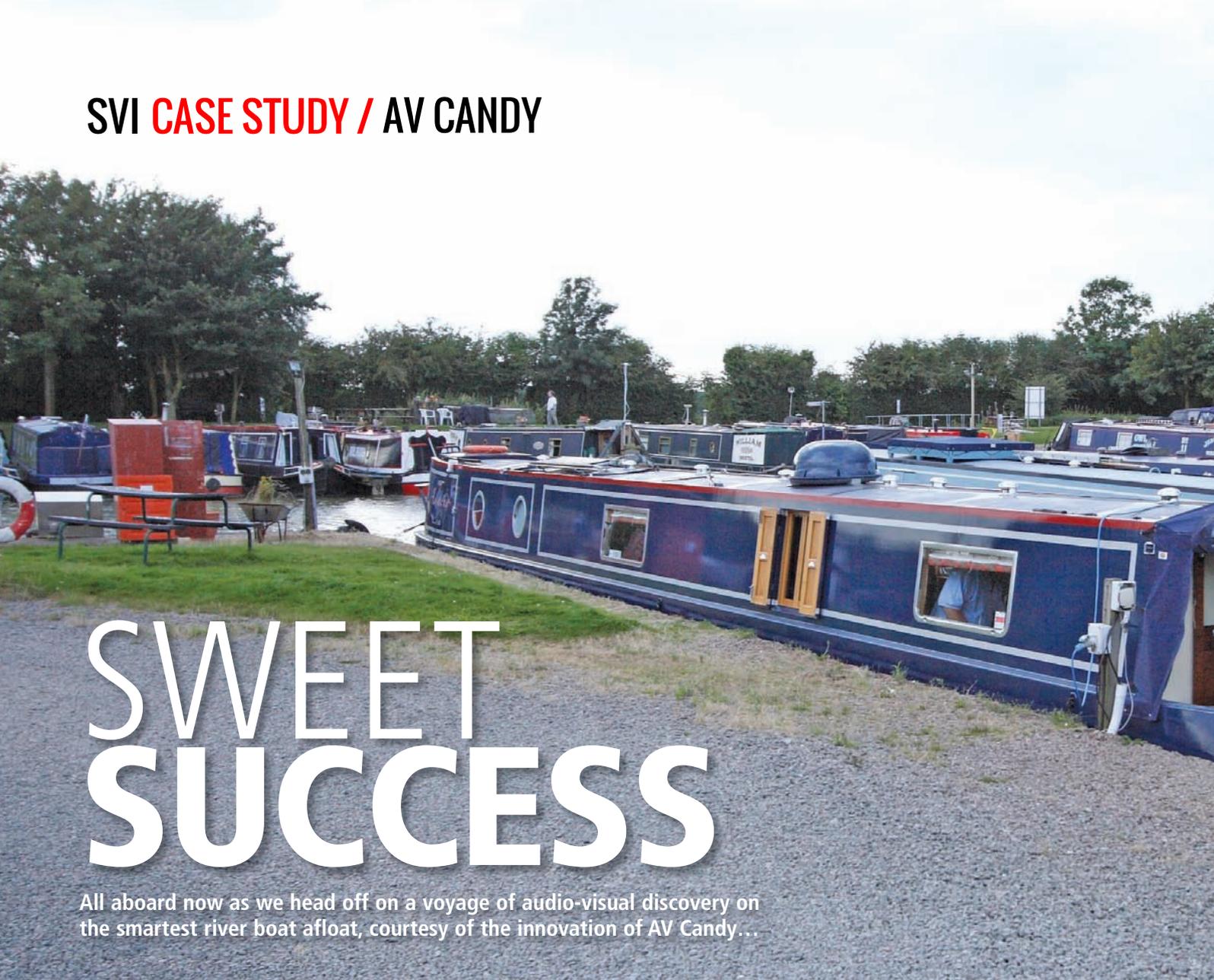
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# SWEET SUCCESS

All aboard now as we head off on a voyage of audio-visual discovery on the smartest river boat afloat, courtesy of the innovation of AV Candy...

**In these days of economic uncertainty, double/triple dip recessions, fiscal cliffs and hapless George Osborne, it helps to have as many strings to your business bow as possible.** Of course, it's much easier to simply say that (or type it) than actually achieve it and sometimes you have to look in a different direction to your normal work model to help stay afloat; something audio-visual firm AV Candy managed recently, developing an entirely new arm to its business thanks to one of its most unlikely projects – fitting a 69ft canal boat with a state-of-the-art broadband, satellite television and audio system.

The steel boat was built in Lincolnshire, and when the owners experienced difficulty finding someone that could meet their AV needs they called on the Kenilworth company to install a system that would not only deliver a high-standard of visual and audio entertainment, but would also fit into the limited space afforded by the vessel.

The boat's owners requested a home cinema system in the main saloon with five zones of audio and an additional video zone in the bedroom. Because of the restricted space, the package needed to make the most of the storage and living space on board while remaining accessible and easy to use.

The larger components such as the TVs, antenna mounts, in-motion satellite tracking system and the woodwork around the rack holding the control centre were all fitted while the boat was in dry dock, while the rack equipment, including the Sky+HD, PlayStation and Blu-Ray, as well as a Naim music server and Apple-based organ simulator were all installed while the boat was moored along the Grand Union Canal.

AV Candy supplied a full specification and wiring schematic so the work could be carried out and several designs were required to ensure the equipment rack could slot into the space available, which proved to be the biggest challenge.

### Candy Crush

Following the successful completion of the project, AV Candy, which normally busies itself with providing cinema and audio systems for private homes, has since built on this side of the business and begun developing more robust AV systems that will allow people to live aboard boats and in mobile residences and still enjoy the latest technology and home comforts.

Company director Simon Redfearn explained why the project was a significant one for the business: *"We're used to dealing with complex projects and delivering bespoke, high-quality AV systems,"* he began, *"but we would usually work in domestic settings, installing home cinema and surround-sound packages."*

*"Fitting a 69ft canal boat with all of the cabling, controls, speakers and hubs needed to create a comprehensive, high-performance AV system was a huge task; not least because the space was so limited."*

*"We really had to find our 'sea legs' for this job. The space available to us to work meant that only one person could work one in the vessel at any one time. We also had to park our vehicles several hundred metres away from the mooring which meant there was also lots of lifting and carrying involved in the job and our levels of fitness increased dramatically."*

*"However, although the job was a challenge, it was a hugely enjoyable experience and we learnt an awful lot. Not least that people who live in, or on, mobile vehicles have very specific requirements, not only in terms of reduced space, but also because the very act of moving can adversely affect Internet connection."*

*"As a result of this project we embarked on an intensive programme of research and development to create ways to connect to the internet that aren't compromised by the movement of vehicles and the process of travelling."*

Making waves: AV Candy makes messing about on the water even better.



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"Since this first job we've worked on a number of other canal boat projects, and along with motor homes and caravans, it's now a sector we're targeting more seriously."

## Eye/Ear-Candy

When not to be found bobbing around in a boat, AV Candy designs, supplies and installs bespoke home cinema and multi-room audio video systems. Providing easy to use technical excellence is the main focus of the business, and the company maintains its standards through continuous training, recently completing further THX and supplier courses. Undertaking work in a wide variety of settings including residential homes, caravans and motor homes, buses, inland waterway and blue water vessels, the company also specialises in high-speed internet connections and the permitting the reception of Sky TV whilst on the move.

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## EQUIPMENT LIST

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1x Kramer HDMI 4 in 2 out HDMI matrix  
2x Kramer HDMI transmitter and receiver  
2x Panasonic TVs  
1x Sky+HD box  
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1x Denon AVR

1x Denon Blu-ray  
1x Tracvision satellite system  
1x Middle Atlantic rack hardware  
1x Global Cache IP to RS232 and infrared converters  
2x Philips Pronto 9400  
13x Anthony Gallo Micro speakers  
1x Anthony Gallo subwoofer  
2x KEF speakers