

Mick Vanderzalm - Nominee - Challenge Coordinator

I have been involved with Road Rescue for 35yrs and have worked extensively with both career & volunteer members.

I've been a member of ARRO since it was first established over 25 years ago, competing in challenges for 7yrs before joining the ARRO Technical Committee as Command Specialist, a role I have held for 18 years. My re-election to this role 9 times is testament to my dedication and achievements. I have successfully undertaken the roles of Chief Assessor, Assessor Coordinator and Assessor Mentor numerous times, supporting all disciplines, members of the CMT and participants.

Achievements for ARRO include:

- Establishment of the props & containers for ARC Challenges.
- Establishment of the ARRO assessor mentor training & development program.
- Active long-term member of the Technical Committee
- Assessor roles at State Rescue Challenges.

My extensive experience will prove to be a valuable resource to both the ARRO Executive and Technical Committees. I will be a present and invested member of the Executive, bringing a fresh perspective to the Challenge Coordinator role.

I'm a proven leader with highly developed organisation and management skills. I'm not afraid to make difficult decisions while considering all stakeholders. My well-established relationships across ARRO, and the Australasian Emergency Services Sector bring credibility and stability to members and sponsors.

I have the dedication, time, and drive to take ARRO, its members, and sponsors into the future, ensuring ARRO continues to be the peak rescue body in Australasia for the development and exchange of information, knowledge, and skills.