

Message sent on behalf of Garry Linnell, Editorial Director, Metro Media

I'm delighted to announce the following appointments:

Glenn Burge has been appointed Executive Editor, Metro, effective immediately.

This new role has been formed out of the findings of the staff-led editorial review. Reporting to me, Glenn will be responsible for overall Metro editorial budgets, editorial strategy projects and the ongoing content management system project.

As project director of the Editorial Review, he will also steer the implementation of our new newsroom operating model over the coming months.

As we bring our print and digital teams together to work as one, there is no-one better qualified in Metro to assist me in this new role than Glenn.

Until last year Glenn was Editorial Director of Fairfax Business Media and had been Editor of The Australian Financial Review for nine years, where he guided that masthead's print and digital integration and the adoption of the Methode content system. He was also responsible for FRG's magazine division, including BRW.

He joined the AFR in 1998 from a deputy editor role at The Sydney Morning Herald where he was responsible for the Business section. Prior to management roles he was a senior reporter and columnist for the SMH.

Glenn began his career in journalism as a casual copy person at the Sunday Telegraph in 1978 while completing a Bachelor of Arts and Law degree.

He is also co-author of the highly-acclaimed 1992 book *Corporate Cannibals: The Taking of Fairfax*.

Darren Burden has been appointed National Editor.

Previously General Manager of News in digital, Darren will bring his rare and formidable skills across editorial, technology and product to our national division.

Reporting to me, the role of National Editor will be responsible for an enlarged group of topic areas following the findings of the staff-led Editorial Review Project.

Darren's transparent and collaborative management style is perfect to run a national editorial division – and is something he has been doing in Fairfax for more than eight years.

He has been deeply involved in many of our recent and complex rights deals for digital publishing across the group and is highly regarded for his strategic thinking.

Darren has three degrees – in Journalism, Computer Science and Commerce – and started his career at Fairfax as a night web producer for theage.com.au in 1997. He became the masthead's first webmaster a few years later.

Since then he has played critical roles in many big projects across digital publishing including relaunches of theage.com.au, smh.com.au, mobile sites, Brisbane Times and WAtoday.

Over the past year he's been the digital GM of News, managing the collaboration between the five online editorial teams across the country as well as the news product teams.

Rod Quinn has been confirmed as Editor-in -Chief of The Canberra Times.

Over the past three years Rod has underlined The Canberra Times' standing as the most authoritative media voice in the ACT. Through several campaigns and initiatives, the Times has engaged with and become a strong and trusted voice for those in the nation's capital.

Rod joined Fairfax in 1987 as a cadet journalist at The Newcastle Herald. During the past 25 years he has worked as a reporter, sub-editor, technology columnist and as a correspondent for Knight-Ridder Financial News.

He played a key role in the conversion of The Newcastle Herald from broadsheet to compact in 1998. Rod was appointed deputy editor of The Newcastle Herald in 2002 and became editor in 2003. He was appointed editor of The Canberra Times in 2009.

The position of news director at The Canberra Times will be announced shortly.