

New Community Newspaper Group Chief Executive announced

Seven West Media (WA) chief executive officer and chairman of Community Newspaper Group, Chris Wharton, today announced Paul Eteen-Bliss had been appointed to the role of chief executive officer of Community Newspaper Group (CNG).

Paul is currently general manager of Quest Community News in Brisbane and a highly experienced and respected executive in community and metropolitan publishing.

Mr Wharton said: "Paul brings more than 25 years of print and digital media industry experience to this role and I am excited about the energy, innovation and ambition he will deliver to the Community Newspaper Group. I wish him every success in his new role."

Mr Eteen-Bliss will be responsible for delivering better outcomes for the readers and advertisers who engage with the 17 community titles that make up the portfolio within the Community Newspaper Group.

During an 11-year career with News Corp Australia, Mr Eteen-Bliss has held a number of senior positions including general manager Far North Queensland and advertising director at *The Courier-Mail* and *The Sunday Mail* in Brisbane. Prior to this, Mr Eteen-Bliss worked for Newsquest media group in London, leading the national and regional advertising sales teams for a variety of national and metropolitan titles.

Mr Eteen-Bliss said: "I'm passionate about community news and look forward to building on the goodwill CNG already has established with its existing readers and advertisers."

Mr Eteen-Bliss replaces Alan Clyne who has been promoted to the position of chief operating officer with Seven West Media (WA).

He will commence his new role in January 2017.

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