Nic Wood Brief history for NZHRA Zone 4 Director Candidate.

Personal life:

I am Currently living in Taumarunui. I am 50 years old and have been married to Raylene for 28 Years. I have two daughters, one living and working in Wellington and one living and working in Canada.

I grew up in Taumarunui, spent most of my life there with small stints in Hawera, Auckland and Galway Ireland.

Working life and Qualifications.

1990 I completed a Mechanical Apprenticeship and worked for several workshops ranging from small rural to some of the largest dealerships in Auckland. Small stint selling cars at a Ford dealership and then being a part of the start of Isaac Performance Vehicles.

In 2002 Joined the New Zealand Police and returned to Taumarunui as a front line Constable.

In 2008 Left the Police Moved to Ireland with my wife and children where worked as a Tow Truck driver until 2010 when we moved back to Taumarunui where I returned to the Police and Qualified as a Detective.

2019 I left the Police and Opened my own workshop Carrying out general repairs and wofs. At the time of writing the workshop has sold I am looking for the next challenge.

Other Activities, Clubs and Achievements

I was member of the Taumarunui Car Club from the age of 15 until moving to Auckland at age 22. I assisted with and ran events at a club level through to national events such as the Taumarunui Rally and the Kururau Hill Climb. I held all positions in the committee from committee member to club president and was a scrutineer.

I am member of the Taumarunui Baptist Church since 1996 until present

I was a Volunteer Firefighter from 1996 for 14 years, starting in Auckland and finishing in Taumarunui with the rank of Station Officer.

In 2016 was elected to the Taumarunui High School Board of Trustees for two terms being elected as the Chairman in the first year until I did not stand again.

I was elected as the Chairperson for the Police Association for the Ruapehu Area from 2014 until I resigned.

In 2016 I started a small family property development company that completed a small but successful property development.

I have been a member of both Taupo Hot Rod club (2017 to 2020) and Te Kuiti Rod and Custom club (2020 until present).

Car Ownership History

I have owned over 100 cars in my time. I have built my own race car but sold it before it broke me. I have owned everything from Rotaries to twin cam turbos through to big blocks. I have had Japanese cars, Australian Cars and American Cars, I have not had the misfortune of owning an English car except for an Escort for a short while and an Anglia.

I currently own a 1939 Ford 2 door sedan period correct hotrod. A 1942 Ford pickup dropped chopped and channelled with a slant 6. 1973 Ford F100 that is dropped running a roller cam 302 with a blown motor in the wings to be fitted when the time arises.

I have an interest in becoming the zone director as I see the importance of keeping the hobby or the hot rodding way of life alive. If no one steps up to the plate we are in danger of losing it. I am passionate about hot rodding and I am keen to learn and become more involved.

Thank you for your consideration

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