

## **Biography – January 2021**

### **8245877 Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Voy Ilic**

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Ilic was born on 27<sup>th</sup> February 1972 in Sydney, NSW. Shortly after completing his secondary education at Oakhill College (Castle Hill, NSW), he enlisted in the Australian Army in 1991. Following service to the rank of Corporal, Lieutenant Colonel Ilic attended the Royal Military College, Duntroon, graduating in 1998 into the Royal Australian Corps of Signals.

Lieutenant Colonel Ilic has worked at the tactical, operational and strategic levels for Army and the Australian Defence Force in a variety of appointments. Lieutenant Colonel Ilic has deployed on Operations ASTUTE, CATALYST, KRUGER, and ACCORDION leading teams to install communications nodes. The most significant of these was Force Installation Team 31 which saw Lieutenant Colonel Ilic command the team responsible for the Middle East Region Information, Communications and Technology Refresh across all Australian nodes in the Middle East from 2016 - 2018.

Lieutenant Colonel Ilic holds a Doctorate from the University of Sydney in the field of psychology (Group Dynamics); two Masters of Science Degrees (Information Technology and Clinical Psychology) from the Universities of NSW and Sydney; as well as a Masters of Military Studies from the Australian National University. Lieutenant Colonel Ilic will never study again.

Lieutenant Colonel Ilic commenced his current appointment at Headquarters Forces Command as the Staff Officer Grade One Communications, Information Systems, Electronic Warfare in January 2020. Following his current role, Lieutenant Colonel Ilic hopes to pursue an opportunity to serve overseas in the US or Tonga but will settle for a reserve transfer as the G6 of 2<sup>nd</sup> Division, concentrating on retirement and his service with the NSW State Emergency Service.