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Introducing Ian & Jasmine Kiernan



Ian Kiernan

Born 1960 in Henderson, Auckland, Ian is the eldest of 4 children and has 2 brothers and 1 sister. His early childhood was spent in Kelston West Auckland, but the family moved around the city in subsequent years eventually settling in Mt Albert. Ian attended St Leonards Rd Primary in Kelston, Maungawhau Primary in Mt Eden, Auckland Normal in Epsom and Mt Albert Grammar School from 1973 to 1977. In 1975 the Family relocated to Norfolk Island, however Ian remained in Auckland to finish his schooling. He boarded with an Uncle & Aunt returning to Norfolk Island for school holidays. Upon completing high school Ian returned to Norfolk Island and commenced work in the local Foodland Supermarket.

In 1979 Ian was offered the opportunity to work in the Supermarket Industry back in Auckland whilst also undergoing industry management training with Foodstuffs. Working first in a 4 Square Store in Freemans Bay, Ian progressed to Milford New World Supermarket where he worked for 5 years – 3 years as Manager. In 1984 Ian was awarded a Foodstuffs Management Scholarship. It was during this time in Auckland that Ian met and married his Wife Jasmine in 1980. Ian and Jasmine moved to Norfolk Island permanently in 1985 where they have resided ever since. Currently Ian is a Director & General Manager of Norfolk Island Supermarkets Pty Ltd and partially involved in family businesses Celtic Shipping Services and Kiernan Agencies

Ian's involvement with Rotary commenced during his teenage years when he attended Rotary meetings with his Father and had active involvement in Rotary projects when back on Norfolk Island holidays.

In particular he recalls the Rotary Beach Carnivals held each summer on Boxing Day at Emily Bay.

When Jasmine and Ian returned to live permanently on Norfolk Island, Ian was invited to Join Rotary as a full member at the age of 26. Ian has held every Rotary Club position in the club including President 5 times.

Aside from Rotary Ian has been involved in voluntary roles with many Community organisations and sporting bodies on Norfolk Island, including 12 years as a Board Member and Treasurer of the Norfolk Island Golf Club. Ian's early sporting interests included Rugby League & Squash, and he has represented Norfolk Island in both. Today he is an avid Golfer with very low ability and a correspondingly high handicap.

Jasmine Kiernan

Jasmine Kiernan (nee Ross) was born and raised in Mt Roskill, Auckland. She attended Mt Roskill Grammar School and upon completion of her schooling worked predominantly in office and administration roles. She has had a varied employment history over the years but currently manages Celtic Shipping Services and the office operations of the family partnership Kiernan Agencies. Aside from her involvement in Rotary, Jasmine has been active in many community organisations on Norfolk including Blue Light Foundation and the St Johns Volunteer Ambulance Service.



Ian and Jasmine have three children, a Daughter Hailey recently relocated to New Zealand from Taiwan, a Son Jay currently residing in Sydney Australia, and youngest daughter Jaimee who recently completed high school and is currently still living at home on Norfolk Island.



L-R Jay, Jaimee, Jasmine, Ian & Hailey Kiernan
(A few years ago)

District Conference

23,24,25 April

Vanuatu

A Team of 5 Rotarians domiciled in Vanuatu are working to put this together

WE NEED

A NZ BASED CO-CHAIR & ROTARIANS FROM AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND TO JOIN THE TEAM

PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND UP TO HELP.....

Contact DG IAN – iankiernan.rotary@gmail.com

GOVERNOR PARTNER PROJECT

from Jasmine Kiernan (2019/20 Governor Partner)

As I am not “working” during the 6 months or so that we have relocated from Norfolk Island to Auckland while doing our Club visits, I decided that I would like to spend my spare time doing a project that would raise funds for one of Rotary’s programs. My choice of program is ROMAC and all monies raised from this project will be going towards a ROMAC program to upskill medical staff in isolated Island areas. I will be making a series of one-off Mosaic artworks based on Rotary International President Themes through the years. These artworks will have a practical use, in that they can be used as hot plate/dish/pot stands.



To raise funds for ROMAC, with the permission of Rotary Clubs we visit, I will be raffling the artworks on our Club visits. Raffle tickets will be \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Each mosaic raffled will be promoted at several clubs, and the mosaic will be delivered or posted to the winner when the raffle is drawn.

First mosaic off the production line was 2018/19 International President Barry Rassin’s Theme “BE THE INSPIRATION”.

This mosaic was presented to 2018/19 DG Jerry Norman and Fay at the District Changeover on 30th June in appreciation for their wonderful year of service.



Two other mosaics have been raffled during our club visits so far.

“LEAD THE WAY” was (from NZ’s Pakuranga Club) International President William B. Boyd’s theme for 2006/07. This mosaic was raffled at the Dargaville and Maungaturoto Club visits. Maungaturoto Club is now the home club of Merv Huxford who was 9910 DG during 2006/07. Merv was keen to win the raffle!

When drawn at the Maungaturoto Club visit, the raffle was won however by Alison Allen, partner of Dargaville Club member Roger Allen. Alison very generously agreed to a proposal from Merv that she pass the mosaic over to him for a generous donation in her name to the ROMAC fundraiser project.

Raffled at Devonport, Whangarei and Whangarei Sunrise Club visits was the 1998/99 Theme ‘FOLLOW YOUR ROTARY DREAM’. International President was James L. Lacy of the USA and District 9910 DG was Cedrick Kelly (Deceased) of the Whangarei Sunrise Club. The raffle was drawn at the Whangarei Sunrise Club visit and the winner was their own club member, Ajit Balasingham.



Next off the production line will be 2016/17 International Theme “ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY”. This will be raffled at the Governor visit to Whangarei City and Warkworth Clubs.

EACH MONTH

YOU

as a Club, Club Member, Committee Chair, Assistant Governor, or Management Team, Are encouraged, to

- *Enhance an event,*
- *Promote*
- *Action,*
- *Donate*
- *Make the Rotary Wheel Turn*
- *to fit into a Rotary Monthly Theme*

And SHARE your activity through this News-letter

You do not have to wait for a particular month
You may have an idea and seek another club to enhance your endeavours.

Talk to those around you

Remember, The POLIO project started with two people talking, two people with an idea...and look at it now

The Governors Newsletter needs to know what projects or programs you are doing, so as we can also help to spread the word

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

I have been to many seminars and meetings about membership and have not found a magic bullet or a general something that works for everyone.

BUT, one thing that seems to stand out,

WE DON'T ASK PEOPLE TO JOIN

I have heard speakers at some of our functions stating openly that they have never been asked to join, **NOBODY HAS ASKED THEM TO JOIN.....HOW SELFISH ARE WE**

We belong to the best organisation in the world and want it for ourselves, we do appear not want to share Rotary with others.

August 2019

Membership and New Club Development Month

September 2019

Basic Education and Literacy Month

October 2019

Economic and Community Development Month

7-13 October — Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week

24 October — World Polio Day

November 2019

Rotary Foundation Month

December 2019

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

January 2020

Vocational Service Month

February 2020

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

23 February — Rotary's anniversary

March 2020

Water and Sanitation Month

April 2020

Maternal and Child Health Month

May 2020

Youth Service Month

RI President

Mark Daniel Maloney

President 2019-20
Rotary Club of Decatur
Alabama, USA



My dear friends, Rotary leaders, and Rotaract leaders:

A new Rotary year is upon us, and let us say one final thank you to former President Barry Rassin for his outstanding leadership. Barry, we will miss you, but we know and appreciate that you will continue to lead Rotary in important ways for years to come.

I have spoken for several months about how *Rotary Connects the World*, and the time has now arrived to put our words into action. We have an exciting year ahead of us, a year when we begin to implement the new Strategic Plan, what I call the Rotary Action Plan and when we will celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the signing of the UN Charter.

That anniversary will underscore the ties we have and goals we share with the United Nations. We will host five special events—UN Day in New York, three presidential conferences in Paris, Santiago, and Rome, and a final celebration just before the Convention in Honolulu. This will help us achieve the first Action Plan goal of increasing our impact by demonstrating that Rotary's influence in the world has only just begun.

The second Action Plan goal is expanding our reach. To achieve that, we need to grow Rotary – reaching out to new members, engaging current members, and creating more alternatives for membership for the next generation of Rotarians.

The third goal is enhanced participant engagement, making sure that Rotarians have experiences that are personally and professionally relevant and fulfilling. This is why I believe so strongly in building a more family-friendly Rotary -- one that welcomes children to our activities and that is considerate of families in our scheduling. Let us recommit to putting the needs, expectations, and growth of our participants at the center of all we do.

The final priority of our new Action Plan is increasing our ability to adapt. New approaches to our organizing principles do not threaten our sense of who we are. That is why I believe that Rotary must respect professional commitments and not require Rotary leadership to be a full-time job. We need to respect the time and responsibilities of young people who are building careers.

Together, we will harness the power of connection just as our organization has been doing for more than 114 years. We have a long, proud heritage. And we will continue to thrive because we are not afraid of change.

I look forward to leading you in this important journey, as *Rotary Connects the World*!

Yours in Rotary,

Mark Daniel Maloney
President, Rotary International 2019-2020



Norfolk Island is home to Myself and Jasmine and we frequently get asked questions about the Island. We thought that we would share some of the more unique aspects of our Island home with you in the Governors Newsletter during the year along with some information on the Islands unique language.

Unique Fact number 1 - Norfolk Island has its own language.

The Norfolk Island language was created by the Bounty Mutineers and their Tahitian wives' who made their home on Pitcairn Island. They took elements from 18 Century English and the Polynesian language and developed a language we simply call Norf'k.

Lets start with the common Norfolk Island greeting

Whataway, watewieh

This is one of the most common words in Norf'k and **whataway you**, 'how are you' or **whataway yorlye** 'hello everyone, how are you' is one of the first phrases visitors learn.

The favourable response in Norf'k is **Kushu**

It was recorded first by Wiltshire in the 1930s, what a way you, 'how are you', but has probably been around for a very long time. *What-way*, 'how and why' are documented from Scots. The dialects of John Mills and William McCoy could have been its origin, but it is also possible that Edward Young used the West-Indian Creole *what-a-way*, which is used in exclamations such as *what a way dem musa shame*, 'how ashamed they must have been'

Les common greetings utilised amongst Islanders are humorous, light-hearted or cheeky.

Tampali, tamparlee

Norfolk Islanders use a number of informal, sometimes cheeky, forms of address. Alice Buffett describes tampali as (p. 98) "a lighthearted and friendly greeting, used to welcome friends who casually visit on an unexpected though welcome, basis. The term derives from a person of the past who was nicknamed *Tampali* and who mostly called upon people unarranged but always made welcome and invited to stay, sometimes for long periods of living in. *Wael, si wathing d'win s'bloee iin, Watawieh yuu tampali? Kaminahaus* (Well, look what the wind has just blown in! How are you Tampali? Do come in and welcome.)."

Another friendly greeting is *palapuch*, *pullapooch*, and yet another one, remembered by Greg Quintal is *smegos*! Greg also remembers different pronunciations of *pulla-pooch*: *pooloopooch* (with a long oo sound) and *pooloopoach* and a version of *tamparlee* with a long /ar/.

We will share some more Norfolk Island words and phrases in future newsletters.

From Governor Ian July 2019

Kia ora koutou - watewieh yorlye

Hello fellow Rotarians and welcome to the new Rotary year.

It is indeed an honour and a privilege to serve as District Governor, and I am humbled to have been selected to follow in the footsteps of such passionate Rotarians as our dedicated past Governors.

As Jasmine and I embark on our year of service as your District Governor team, we reflect upon the Rotary year past and the wonderful leadership of Jerry & Fay Norman during 2018-2019. They certainly embodied the theme of “Be the Inspiration” and inspired us all with their enthusiasm and embodiment of the values that define Rotary – Fellowship, Integrity, Diversity, Service and Leadership.



Sincere thanks and mana to both Jerry and Fay for their wonderful year of Rotary service in District 9910.

They certainly set the bar very high and Jasmine and I can but hope that we can be worthy successors.

“Kua whakaturia e koe te paerewa”

“You have set the standard”

(I hope I got the phrasing right Jerry)

By the time you read this message the first month of my District Governor term will be completed. To easily facilitate fulfilling the DG duties and club visits, Jasmine and I have temporarily relocated to Aotearoa from our home on Norfolk Island. Since arriving in late June, we have hit the ground running and attended many Rotary activities, functions and club visits commencing with District Changeover on Sunday 30th June.

We have been encouraged by the enthusiasm of our new Club Presidents and their teams as they have outlined their plans for a new year of Rotary service and club activities. I have been pleased to note that a top priority of all clubs visited so far is club revitalisation and membership growth.

August is Membership and New Club Development Month. You can help your club leaders with membership development – check out how by going to the Learning & Reference – Membership section of My Rotary on the Rotary International website.

<https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/membership>

In the words of Past Governor Jerry

“Kua takoto te manuka, ma wai e kawe ake.....”

“The challenge has been laid down for those brave enough to accept it....”

Lets all take up the Membership challenge to Grow Rotary.



ON The Road with Govenor Ian & Jasmine

July 2019

For us the 2019/20 Rotary year was off to a running start. Aside from the 9910 District Changeover held on 30th June we have attended 5 Club Changeovers, made 10 official club visits and participated in 4 special events or club projects. I have had the pleasure of presenting numerous Paul Harris Fellow recognitions, celebrating club achievements during the past Rotary year, being enthused about plans for the Rotary year ahead and meeting many of the wonderful dedicated Rotarians in our District.



Presenting a Paul Harris award to Alison Allen, on behalf of the Dargaville Rotary Club



Presenting a Paul Harris award to Jack Armstrong, Rotary club Waipapa.



Past & Present Governors Jerry & Ian at the Glenfield/Northcote Rotary Book Fair – before the crowds arrived.



Membership Development night Dargaville Rotary with Asst Gov Area 2 Corin Schick, Youth & Vocational Dir. Ben Hope, Club Pres Peter Garelja & PDG Peter Smith.

Jasmine introduces her Partner Fundraising Project For ROMAC, at Whangarei Rotary



District Changeover – 30th June 2019

Outgoing Governor Jerry Norman's Speech.



As the stars of Matariki are prominent in the heavens it is time to reflect and celebrate and a time to create new beginnings. Let me begin by paying respects to those Rotarians and partners of Rotarians who, during our Governor year, have passed over to the celestial realm. Haere koutou. Farewell to you all. Fay and I have had the privilege of being part of an unforgettable experience over the last 3 years, and in particular, our Governor year which has been an amazing, inspiring and a humbling journey where we have met great Rotarians and many non-Rotarians doing great things in our communities, locally and globally. I would like

to take some time to share with you some reflections

We have 14 District Grant projects this year with 25 clubs involved. 5 of the projects involve multiple clubs - one with 5 on the North Shore, one involving all 3 Noumea clubs, one with 2 clubs in West Auckland and the last for 2 clubs in South Auckland. Rotary Club of Kerikeri is leading a project supported by Rotary Clubs of Bay of Islands, Kaikohe and Waipapa to supply Hydrotherapy Rehabilitation equipment to a swim school in Kerikeri.

We have 5 Global grants in Vanuatu, Fiji, Nepal and Nigeria. Sincere thanks to other Rotary Districts for their financial support for bringing these projects to fruition. All the 5 NZ Districts supported our Thamdanda, Nepal, Water Supply & Sanitation project which is led by the RC of Westhaven. AMAZING

There has been an increase in Centurion Giving. 260 this year. Contributions: NZ\$26,715

District Annual Fund contributions to The Rotary Foundation was USD107,128

Donation to Polio from the District Designated Fund (DDF) – USD20K.

Thanks, so much to Foundation Chair Peter Garnett and his team for their dedicated work in this space. Our District Literacy Committee, under chair Geoff Chamberlain, supported the Vanuatu Little Summer School programme, some Northland Schools and some schools in West Auckland. Pene Burridge was a long-term member and passionate about everyone having access to quality education. Sadly, we lost Pene last Tuesday, we know that her legacy will live on in the hearts of Rotarians and those educationists and students who have enjoyed the insightfulness of her wisdom. ***E moe rangaimarie e Pene ki to moengaroa. Rest in peace Pene in eternal sleep***

Saturday the 6th April was the Aotearoa/New Zealand Rotary National Day of Celebration of 30 years for *Women in Rotary*. It was great to see many events taking place in D9910 and all around NZ. It was fitting that at our District Conference we had the honour and privilege of presenting Sandra McKersey with a Service Above Self Award for her unstinting continuing service to Rotary locally and Globally.

More fitting, however in that in 2001 - 2002 Sandra made Rotary history in NZ by becoming our first woman Governor. Closely followed by Maxine Neighbour in 2010 – 2011 and soon to have Elaine Mead in the role for 2020 – 2021. We have a saying. Ko te wahine te whare tapu o te tangata. Women are the sacred houses of humanity. Also, it is great to see an increase in women membership.

In April we celebrated our year with our D9910 Conference. We received great feedback and would like to thank our Conference Committee for all their hard work and commitment to ensure the Conference was a success. We enjoyed a wide range of inspirational speakers. The photographs and videos go a long way to showcase the Conference many successful activities.

Fay and I would like to thank you all for your leadership, sincere hospitality and fellowship during our visits to your clubs. Our Island clubs in Norfolk, Vanuatu and New Caledonia hold a special place in our travels and visits.

We enjoyed numerous quality conversations and were touched by the amazing dedication and commitment to Rotary ideals and activities. We experienced many inspirational moments where Rotarians found ways to say “YES” when approached to support initiatives and projects. Equally we were impressed with the ingenuity of creative fundraising activities and projects. We participated in some projects and saw many on social media. Telling our stories regularly is critical for Rotary’s image. It is great to see some clubs active in presenting their projects and events on social media. It made Fay’s job as Governor Newsletter Coordinator and Editor so much easier and exciting.



Jerry passes on the Chain of office to new District Governor Ian



The Norfolk Island Contingent, Governor Ian & Jasmine, with PDG Lindsay Ford and Alison

Changeover, cont from page 10

Thanks also to our D9910 Board, our District Chairs, the District Management Team, the Finance Committee, the District Advisory Committee of Past District Governors and Assistant Governors for your proactive support and your leadership in your respective roles. We shared some interactive meeting moments.

District 9910 now have 12 Major Donors Peter Garnett and Elaine have become the 12th Major Donor in D9910. Such contributions to the Rotary Foundation are allaying suffering, improving living conditions and providing educational opportunities for people somewhere in the world. This is truly a selfless action. Interesting to note also is that our District's first Major Donor was Colin Mead, Elaine's Father, way back in April 1986 Sincere thanks to Peter and Elaine who are our latest Major Donors for D9910.

Fay and I would like to thank our Vice Governor Peter Garnett, who is also the outgoing Foundation Chair, for his guidance, amazing Rotary knowledge, wisdom and support throughout our year. We were equally blessed to have the expertise of an engaging Governor Train. Thank you so much Peter Garnett, Elaine and Ian and Jasmine.

We wish Ian and Jasmine all the best of successes for their year and know that we will be here to support you two.

Finally, to the Nominating Committee who put their faith in Fay and me to take on the Governor role – our sincere thanks. Our lives have been enriched by this amazing journey and our Rotary commitment has been strengthened by the incredible contributions we have seen at many levels from our Rotary whanau (family).

Ko te aroha ki te tangata te mea nui. The greatest gift is to have love for one another.

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

Our sincere thanks and regards to you all.

District 9910 G-Train. Governor Ian & Jasmine, Governor Elect Elaine Mead & Peter Garnet. Governor Nominee Peter Smith & Sarah





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Has your Club thought of a Vocational Visit to a Funeral Parlor ?
See what's behind the curtain

>"Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving >safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in >sideways, a jug of "Crown" in one hand, a case of "24" in the other, >body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming, >"WOO HOO what a ride!" >

Bulletin Editor's Award

the Jack Keys Trophy

Presented by the Rotary Club of Warkworth to the Bulletin Editor and Club for the best Bulletin throughout the year, based on presentation, information, Rotary coverage, interest and style.

BUT you must send a copy of each of your Club Bulletins to

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