

R. GORDON R. McINALLY

Gordon McInally was born in Edinburgh in 1957. A graduate of Dental Surgery from the University of Dundee, for many years he owned and ran a busy General Dental Practice in Edinburgh. He has held local teaching and examining posts and is a past Branch Chairman of the British Paedodontic Society. An Elder and Trustee in the Church of Scotland since 1982, Gordon has served as Presbytery Elder, Chairman of the Congregational Board and as a Commissioner to the Church's General Assembly.

Gordon joined the Rotary Club of South Queensferry in 1984, was Club President in 1991-92 and served as District Governor for District 1020 in 1997-98.

He has served Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland as committee member and chairman of most of its administrative and service committees and was Rotary GB&I President in 2004-05. He has also served Rotary International in a number of differing capacities; as committee member and Chair and was a member of the RI Board of Directors from 2007-09. He has chaired two Rotary Institutes. Gordon is currently serving Rotary in a number of capacities, including serving as Chair of the RI Operations Review Committee. He was Chairman of the 2018 Rotary International Convention which was held in Toronto. He has represented the RI President at District Conferences in many countries.

He was recently nominated to be President of Rotary International in 2023-24 and will become RI President Nominee on 1 October in the absence of any challenge.

Over the years, Rotary has, understandably, taken up a major part of his time and Gordon is on record as saying that none of his Rotary work would be possible without the unfailing support of Heather, who is a Past President of the Rotary Clubs of Linlithgow Grange and Kelso, their family and his former work colleagues. Keen advocates of The Rotary Foundation, Gordon and Heather are both Paul Harris Fellows. They are members of the Rotary Foundation's Paul Harris Society and Bequest Society and are Rotary Foundation Benefactors and Major Donors.

In what little free time he has, Gordon enjoys watching rugby, having been a keen player in his younger years, and the occasional game of soccer, good food, wine, opera and other music types along with photography and traditional stick dressing.

Gordon is a Patron of the charity Hope and Homes for Children and holds the same position within Trade-Aid, an initiative of The Rotary Club of Grantham Kesteven in District 1070, which provides sustainable humanitarian aid to individuals, families, and businesses in the developing world.

Gordon and Heather, a music teacher and classically trained professional singer, have two daughters, Rebecca who runs her own Complementary Therapy practice in Edinburgh and Sarah, a lawyer who is married to Greg. They have two granddaughters; Ivy and Florence.