

Roger Farrelly

Height 5'8" Chest 37.5" Waist 36.5" Collar 17" Shoe 10.5 US

At an age where many people are more concerned with their plans for the weekend, Roger Farrelly had firmly decided on his career path, and was launching himself into it head-first (or maybe mouth-first is more appropriate!).

Roger was born in Katikati (famous for its many murals painted on the walls of commercial buildings) and had always dreamed of being on the radio, so much so that it had never occurred to him to do anything else. He landed his first radio gig at the tender age of 17, at Tauranga station Coastline FM, and his distinctive deep voice, outrageous humour and lively energy have graced NZ airwaves ever since.

Infamous radio station The Rock crashed on to the radio scene in Hamilton in 1991, and Roger set his sights on being a part of it. He started hosting the afternoon show in 1992, by 1994, he was doing the breakfast show – where he remains to this day.

These days, The Rock's Morning Rumble threesome comprises Andrew Mulligan, Bryce Casey and Roger - who have become legends of the local airwaves with their brawny brand of comedy and laddish antics.

Thousands of Kiwis rely on Roger's infectious humour and contagious laugh to kick their day off in the best possible way. He considers himself extremely lucky to live out his passion every day, having hosted breakfast radio every Monday – Friday for 27 years, winning multiple awards and earning what Roger modestly calls "some pretty decent ratings" along the way.

Another of Roger's favorite things to do is host live events; he has literally decades of experience MCing gigs up and down the country, from nights as big as the Aerosmith concert (in front of 25,000 people); Rock the Parks and Jim Beam Homegrown; to intimate community events such as quiz nights for his local Orewa Surf Club, and of course hundreds of The Rock's events over the years.

For the last 10 years, he has hosted the sponsors' lounge for the Blues rugby team, as well as many of the team's game



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nights at Sky City casino.

Roger has also had several forays into television, hosting the V8 Supercars Motor Racing show with Simon Doull on TV3; and in 2018 he charmed viewers around the country with an eight-week stint on Dancing with the Stars NZ, where he flossed; flashed his nipples and won the nation over with his earnest commitment to the dance floor!

In addition to all this, Roger does a lot of voice work – his voice is very deep and commanding, a “blokey” kind of voice that booms through the speakers! He has done hundreds of voiceovers, including Cooper Tyres, Marshall Batteries, Trade Depot, Caltex, Lotto and many hospitality businesses.

He has amassed over 19,000 followers on Instagram in recent years, who love to see his Morning Rumble antics.

Roger is married to the lovely Lisa, and they live in Orewa with their two girls, Olivia and Grace. He is still patiently waiting for his hometown of Katikati to dedicate a mural to him.