

Meet Our Speaker: Brian McClure, Meteorologist

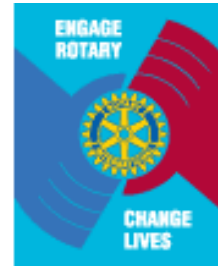
Brian's passion for weather began during high school. He focused his search for universities with a meteorology program and was excited about North Carolina State University, in Raleigh, N.C. He even was a walk-on for the N.C. State football team for a couple of years. After he realized that he was not NFL caliber, he concentrated on his meteorology career.

While finishing up at NC State, he interned at WRAL-TV. It was at this station where the team of meteorologists helped him realize his true passion was in broadcasting. Brian took his first on-air position at WCTI in New Bern, N.C. This is where he got his hurricane-forecasting experience. He was then at WTVM in Columbus, Ga., where he was able to really focus on his weather skills, especially on severe weather and tropical storms.

Hurricane Frances and Jeanne both had an impact on Columbus. He also dealt with Hurricane Dennis and Ivan as they moved through the southern states. Brian met his wife in Raleigh, N.C., and they have enjoyed living in the Bay area since 2006.

In 2004, Brian received first place from the Georgia Associated Press for his coverage of Hurricane Ivan. In 2005 he received the Georgia Educators Media Award for educating Georgia students on weather. He received the AMS TV Seal of Approval in 2002 and later upgraded to the AMS Certified Broadcast Meteorologist Seal. Brian also is a member of the National Weather Association and a certified SkyWarn storm spotter.

In 2010, Brian, along with his colleague Mike Clay, won a Florida Suncoast Emmy and a Florida Associated Press award for Best Weathercast for severe weather coverage.



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Weather Meteorologist

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PROGRAM NEXT WEEK: Thomas Orth, Executive Director,
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