

Monday 2nd November

Ellerslie Events Centre, 4.30 – 8.00pm

Final Branch Meeting for the year....

Evening sponsored by

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INFRASTRUCTURE INDUSTRY TRAINING

3PM
WORKFLOW AUTOMATION

Quick Pub Quiz:

Organise a table now or just come along and join in!

Celebrity Speaker: Ian Taylor

An inspiring and entertaining speaker
backed up with incredible animations

Bring along your work colleagues & clients.

Why not include your team and their partners as well for a great end of year celebration

Email auckland@civilcontractors.co.nz to register - \$60pp gst inc

Free drinks on the table for the early bird arrivals sponsored by EROAD



Ian was brought up in a small East Coast village on the North Island of New Zealand. He was seven when electricity arrived at his home. It was 1957. The telephone arrived a couple of years later. He didn't know it at the time but three years after he got electricity at his house, New Zealand got its first computer.

Ian's story mirrors New Zealand's growth from its days as an agriculture-based economy. He laboured in the freezing works during the school holidays. Through the swinging 60s and 70s he was a singer in a rock and roll band, before being called up in the army. By 1980, he had completed a law degree and started an entirely new career in television, where he was part of an industry that went from black-and-white film to colour video and on into the digital age.

Ian founded Animation Research Ltd (ARL) in 1990 on nothing more than a handshake with the Vice Chancellor of the University of Otago. ARL made its name providing real-time sports graphics at the 1992 America's Cup, and has gone on to apply their technology to golf, cricket, tennis and Formula One car-racing around the globe – there are many tales to tell on how they got there!

It may come as a surprise that Ian claims to have no skills whatsoever, is at a loss to understand why anyone would want to hear his story and believes he has received the accolades he has because he lives at the bottom of the world, where no one has been able to check him out.