

Professional After Dinner Speaker

Ian is one of the most popular and sought after entertainers on the *After Dinner Speaking circuit*, some of his blue chip clients include, Nat West Bank, Bank of Scotland, HSBC, Abbey National, Barclays, Mercedes Benz, Ford UK, Vodafone, Carphone Warehouse, Sony (UK), The Belfry, Royal Lytham & St Annes, Hilton Hotels Group, Wentworth, Woburn, St Mellion, British Airways, Aon, Hitachi, Lloyds TSB, and the Royal Bank of Scotland.

He can tailor his performance to suit the client's requirements, Ian has the ability, and confidence to ensure that the client's event runs smoothly and efficiently, most importantly that the guests are equally relaxed and entertained.

His achievements are too extensive to list, however as a Regular on the *After-dinner Speaking circuit* he has become very popular appearing with many political Luminaries Such as ex Prime Minister John Major, MPs William Hague, Tony Banks, Steven Norris, Robert kilroy silk, RT Hon Lord Hattersley and Ann Widdecombe.

He regularly performs on a variety of cruise liners around the world And was recently top billing for Cunard shipping line on the QE2.

Sport is a major part in Ian's life, his hobbies include Golf, Skiing, Football, Karate, And Cricket, one of his many sporting achievements includes winning The Jimmy Tarbuck Golf Classic in Portugal, also The Russ Abbot Golf Classic both major trophies in entertainment circles.

Golf is his speciality subject, as he plays in many corporate events during the year, Recently Ian was the preferred choice to perform for the Variety Club golf classic in Mauritius, also Variety Club Sunshine Classic held at Wentworth, and was also the only act chosen from a long list of entertainers to perform at the Robert Sangster celebrity golf Classic Held in Barbados, and the PGA annual Lunch with *Severiano Ballesteros*, and in 2010 Ian was named Captain of the Variety Club Golfing Society.

Ian also performs for many regional golf associations including The BB&O, Essex Captains, Essex County Golf Union, Middlesex County Golf Union, Sussex County Golf Union Dinners to name just a few.

Ian is able to incorporate sports-related material into an entertaining and amusing routine, which he performed at the Manchester United reunion dinner, Nottingham Forest 1980 European cup Winners reunion dinner, The PDC awards dinner, plus many other top sporting events around the country, he also regularly entertains for international Football, Rugby, and Cricket teams, all with great results.

He regularly appears at a variety of events varying in sizes, which can range from the large occasions at prestigious venues such as The Savoy, The Guildhall, Claridges, and The Great Room, to more intimate venues such as The Ivy, also Golfing venues St Andrews, Wentworth, The Belfry, Sunningdale, Ian is equally at home in all these settings.

It is little wonder; that he is a favourite entertainer in the sports world too, And has appeared for, or alongside, sporting legends such as Sir Bobby Charlton, Sir Geoff Hurst, Sir Bobby Robson, Sir Henry Cooper, Alan Shearer, Ian Rush, Alan Ball, Martin O'Neil, Trevor Francis, Nick Faldo, Severiano Ballesteros, Tommy Horton, Lennox Lewis, Frank Bruno, Matt Dawson, Alec Stewart, Graham Gooch, Phil Tuffnell, Gordon Greenwich, Willie John McBride, Austin Healy, Graham Gooch, Ray Clements, Alan Minter, Plus many other celebrities from the international sporting world, Such as World Cup Referee Graham Poll, and C4 Racings Richard 'Tommo' Thompson.

Ian is also a favourite with sportsmen performing at their benefit dinners, having performed for Ronnie Irani, Robin Smith, Mark Butcher, James Kirtley, Martin Bicknell, plus many other top sportsmen.

Other attributes include Hosting Award Ceremonies, such as the Comedy Awards, Television & Radio Industries Awards, British Insurance Brokers association awards, British Petroleum Awards, Construction Marketing Awards, *National House Building Awards*, Also many private company events, and was the top billing Cabaret for celebrating Lord Richard Attenborough's 80th Birthday party, However entertaining at the *National Sun bed Association Conference* Is still the booking that amuses Ian the most – for fairly obvious reasons?

On the more conventional entertainment circuit, Ian has appeared in many of the most prestigious venues around the country with leading performers including Simply Red, Lionel Richie, Bonnie Tyler, Elkie Brooks, The Four Tops, The Drifters, Russ Abbott, Jimmy Tarbuck, Jim Davidson, The Jersey Boys, Plus many other household favourites.

He regularly performs for the British armed services at home and abroad, also internationally for companies in, Cyprus, Dubai, Malta, Paris, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, and the USA.

With charities in mind he was chosen to work with Simply Red at a recent fund raising event for Nordoff Robins Music Therapy event held in prestigious banqueting suite of the Royal Lancaster hotel in London.

Ian is also valued member of various charity organisations including The Variety Club of GB, and a keen supporter of S,P,A,R,K,S, The Lords Taverner, s, The Anthony Nolan Trust, The Wooden Spoon Society, Barnardo's, He is very proud to be a member of the Grand order of Water Rats,

With a reputation second to none you can hire Ian with confidence to ensure that your event will be a success.

**FOR YOUR CONFIDENCE IN BOOKING IAN,
HERE ARE ONLY A FEW COMMENTS FROM PREVIOUS CLIENTS.**

Anyone who needs a speaker suitable for any audience need look no further than IAN IRVING. Ian's original and engaging wit together with his charming personality ensures that everyone goes home happy.

In addition he is a brilliant auctioneer; Ian brings his comedy into the bidding, Moves thing along swiftly, and at our event probably doubled the amount we would have normally raised, due to his skill as an auctioneer.

The Lords Taverners in Devon & Cornwall have been holding Charity Lunches for many years, Ian made sure that our lunch was by far the most and enjoyable yet.

Keith Hollingshead.

The Lord's Taverners.

We have more than doubled our record takings on the auction due to you, will you come back next year please.

Karen New

Chairman The Lady Taverners Guernsey.

As always you were in cracking form and were unquestionably the evenings highlight!

Gloria Hunniford.

The Caron Keating Foundation.

A big thank you for entertaining us at the FA Council Meeting, you certainly read the audience very well and were really appreciated by all. I have had a lot of good feedback on your show, which went some way in making the dinner very enjoyable for everyone and therefore the whole event more of a success, Thanks again Ian, not only for being a great entertainer but also easy to work with and making my job a lot easier.

Christine Pandole.

PA to the Chairman (FA).

After a superb day at Woburn, I wanted to drop you a line to thank you again for your fantastically amusing set after the dinner, and for rounding of the day in such a wonderful way, everyone at the event thought you were by far the best entertainer that we have had, which would seem to be a great compliment as quite a few of them have witnessed all of our other after dinner entertainers.

Marcus Deakin.

Corporate Events Manager (Vodaphone).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your professionalism; we have had extremely positive feedback, thank you for your support and the fantastic atmosphere you generated on the night.

Louise Wright

Fund raising Director, The Back-up Trust

Dear Ian, I just wanted to thank you for Friday night. The general consensus was you were the best we have ever had in 30 years. I thought you were fantastic. Thank you very much indeed. You made my night a success. Kind Regards,

Paul Twigden

Woburn Golf Captain.

The annual dinner is our “flagship” event and it is, therefore, extremely important to us. I am delighted to report that we have had nothing but great feedback since Friday night and in particular with your performance! Whilst the dinner is a professional event we wanted to balance that with entertainment so that people went away having had a thoroughly good time, and that they did!

Having seen you on two previous occasions I knew what to expect and so knew you were exactly what we were looking for. The fact that you do not swear in your act is, I feel, a definite positive in your favour as it is not necessary to do this in order to make people laugh. Your delivery, style and brand of humour went down a treat and rounded the evening off.

I sincerely hope that we cross paths again and have absolutely no hesitation whatsoever in recommending you to any function organiser, and in particular, to any Insurance Institute dinner secretary. My message to them would be that if they want to bring their dinner into the 21st century by balancing the formal and entertainment elements then Ian is your man!

Yours sincerely

Clive Bevan ACII

President Nottingham Insurance Institute

The dinner was a major success and credit must be attributed to Ian. His after dinner presentation was very well received and it was certainly our privilege that he could join us. We are honoured to have had the opportunity to experience his professionalism, which was greatly enjoyed by all.”

Paula Hobson

President of Insurance Institute of Ireland.

"Official" thank you letter to be passed onto Ian will be in the post Monday, but in meantime.... excellent. He was so funny, went down really well and I had several people afterwards asking where I'd "found" him.

One of our guests was the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland... he was going to be at the top table but asked to sit with "the crowd" instead. He was at my table and I saw him wiping tears of laughter from his eyes with his hankkerchief.say's it all I think.

Also a very nice guy to go with it. Very good choice indeed.

Liz Grant

Executive Assistant

Offshore Contractors Association.

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As I said before – a very happy client – thank you

Insurance Institute of Ireland

It was a pleasure to have you as our after dinner speaker this year,
We hope you had an enjoyable evening with us.

Your contribution went down very well with our audience, many colleagues have commented that the content was excellent, very entertaining and highly appropriate for a sophisticated business dinner. We expect quite a few requests for your contact details as the corporate season progresses.

We look forward to meeting you again, may we take this opportunity to wish you all the very best for the future and every success with all your future engagements.

Yours Sincerely,

Bill Murray

Chief Executive

Offshore Contractors Association

Ian, Thanks for a terrific evening, the members here are full of praise and saying you were the best speaker ever! Well done.

Gary Oatham,

Manager,

Henley-on-Thames Golf Club.

Hi Jo

Excellent day probably our best ever.

Both artists complemented our day and were outstanding.

Thank you for recommending Ian Irving who was first class and well received by all of our guests, we never stopped laughing.

Regards,

Geoff Derby
Chairman,
Guild of London Sport & Recreation Managers.

I just wanted to thank you for a great night when you came to speak to us at Henley. To a man all members who attended the evening have commented it was the best Men's Dinner they have been to. This was all due to your contribution to the evening.

Once again many apologies for not writing sooner, but thanks for making the event so memorable. I am sure you will receive many more bookings in the future.

Take care.

Kind regards.

Ray Ponsford
Vice (now Captain)
Henley Golf Club

The Brilliant Ian Irving kept us all, laughing as only he can with his tales of wildest Bas-il-don.

Jo Rice
Chairman of the Lords Taverners.

Thanks very much for your entertainment on the night everyone (and I mean everyone) thought you were brilliant; we are still talking about your jokes now! I will definitely recommend you for any future events I may hear about.

Pauline Sinclair
Executive Assistant
Stanley UK Holding Limited.

“You can't build a reputation on what you are going to do” Henry Ford.

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Thank you for taking time to read this information,
 I look forward to speaking with you in the not too distant future.