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## BRYAN DAWE AS SIR MURRY RIVERS QC

Sir Murray Rivers QC (Retired) is one of Australia's most influential and controversial legal and political figure. He is a former Victorian Supreme Court Judge and an outspoken media commentator on ABC Radio. Currently he is Senior Advisor to the Howard Government on Race Relations – and other matters affecting the Australian Racing Industry.



Sir Murray Rivers QC has often been described in political circles as “The Graham Richardson of the Liberal Party” – although no evidence has ever been produced to confirm these allegations, Sir Murray hastens to add.

In his own words, Sir Murray Rivers is an outstanding orator in the Menzian tradition. He is of course, as Monarchists will know, founder and Director of the Centre of Monarch Retention, based at the Melbourne Club.

His talk “The Disease of Change – a Blueprint for Australia's Survival” is a timely guide for all corporations, small businesses and any company or person suffering from the ‘disease of change’.

As a lawyer and former Supreme Court Judge, Sir Murray is more than qualified to speak on what is wrong within the legal system. As Chairman of the board of a number of companies – medical, legal, financial, timber (you name it) – Sir Murray will help your hapless CEO's deal with a range of problems such as trying to understand the concept of Corporate Responsibility; “that's an oxymoron isn't it? Like Military Intelligence!”

Sir Murray will also help corporations deal with “Recalcitrant, left-wing communists who won't accept the Government's ‘Do as you're bloody told’ approach to Industrial Relations reform.”

On the environment, Sir Murray refutes the commonly held view those large corporations aren't responsible; “Of course we're responsible. That's why we need lawyers – to prove that we're not responsible! On wood chipping; “How on earth do these ‘carpet weavers’ expect us to get at the wood chip if we don't cut down the trees. The wood chip is *deeply embedded* inside the trees! Anyway, trees we're cutting down are over 400 years old!”

As a staunch Monarchist Sir Murray puts pay to arguments that Australia should become a “Rep...rapurb...rerepub...should kick out the Queen!”

Sir Murray Rivers is a man and a speaker for his time. Voted most popular speaker with a 96.5% approval rating from his audience at an international conference in Bangkok recently, Sir Murray will confront, confound and push the edges of the envelope – especially if there's something in it.

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Bryan Dawe is one of Australia's major satirists and humourists. Best-known for his long running Friday evening segment on Channel Nine's A Current Affair (now relocated to the ABC's 7.30 Report.), Bryan featured in the Australian comedy film The Castle as well as starring in the hit ABC TV series, The Games, an often prescient look at the wheelings and dealings behind the 2000 Olympics. He is to appear in the film "The Honourable Wally Norman" in 2003 along with Kevin Harrington (The Dish) and HG Nelson.

Bryan is the recipient of many awards; along with John Clarke, Bryan won the Comedy Album of the Year Award, at the 1990 ARIA Record Awards for their album: Great Interviews of the 20th Century. A second album: The Annual Report won them a second ARIA award for Best Comedy Album in 1995.

Bryan Dawe's presentations take their cue from Spike Milligan's famous statement 'I've got nothing organised - so nothing can go wrong.' Bryan, as a speaker, takes us on a personal journey into the creative life of his two most loved characters - the radio character 'Roly Parks' and his much loved 'Letters from Kalangadoo' series, and the outrageous conservative 'Sir Murray Rivers QC' heard on ABC Radio and who Bryan has performed extensively on the speakers' circuit.

As well, Bryan talks about his work with John Clarke, first with their political interviews on 'A Current Affair' and then together as stars of 'The Games' for ABC Television.

In a revealing and humourous hour, Bryan reveals how his characters originated and how they developed. He performs excerpts of his work, in his words - the 'wireless version' of the characters. Bryan also talks about the making of the first series 'The Games'.

'Nothing Organised' is a thoroughly entertaining talk and performance from one of Australia's leading satirists and humourists.

### **Sample Client Feedback**

Bryan's relaxed manner and easy style of entertainment hit the right note with information - overloaded Conference delegates. A pleasure to deal with.

***ABARE Marketing***

It was a pleasure to have Bryan speak at our very important golf day last week. The feedback I have received was excellent, all of our guests really enjoyed his talk.

***Aristocrat Technologies***

Highly entertaining and kept the attention of 375 people.

***Australian Industrial Relations Commission***

Bryan's presentation had broad appeal and his material was current and very relevant for our audience.

***Australian Institute of Company Directors***

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***Australian Taxation Office***

Bryan was fantastic - a perfect way to end our breakfast function. People were talking about his performance all day!

***Boating Industry Association of Victoria***

I thoroughly enjoyed your presentation, and your characterisations obviously going to be the most popular on the conference. Bunnings senior staff had no idea the character was not real. All enjoyed it enormously.

***Bunnings***

Brian was fantastic, his performance as Sir Murray Rivers was hilarious and very witty! Brian was extremely professional and lovely to work with. We would most definitely work with him again.

***Ci Events***

Bryan chose an applicable subject "Change" and thoroughly entertained the audience after a lengthy weekend. He mixed with the audience afterwards, which conference participants enjoyed

***Citibank***

Brian's performance was top class, Sir Murray Rivers red carded the Mayor ! Brian is a very talented and funny man ! It was a pleasure to have Brian and Sir Murray at the World Environment Day Dinner and we hope in the future he will come again.

***City of Greater Geelong***

Bryan was more than excellent; he was absolutely brilliant. Our delegates were still talking about his performance the next day and how much they had enjoyed it.

***Credit Union Services Corporation***

The gift of your brilliance and wit was wonderful & your contribution was the highlight of the evening. The pace and sharpness of your wit and observations left everyone breathless from laughter and longing for more.

***Cystic Fibrosis Association of Victoria***

Highly professional performance, kept the audience laughing even after the performance was over.

***Institute of Chartered Accountants***

Bryan was fabulous, lively, topical, funny and clever. His "standard" presentation was very well received by a very diverse business audience; from small owner operated businesses to the "big end of town" institutions. He kept them all totally engaged, particularly when ripping into a couple of local issues. He was a pleasure to deal with; no unreasonable prima donna requests, just polite, flexible and very engaging.

***Launceston Chamber of Commerce***

Excellent preparation and presentation, with a thorough grasp of complex issues. He was much appreciated.

***Law Institute of Victoria***

Bryan Dawe was excellent, the crowd loved him and he had them eating from the palm of his hand.

***Maroondah City Council***

He was very topical and our guests enjoyed Bryan both as Sir Murray Rivers and as himself.

***Mitsui & Co***

*A very passionate and compassionate speaker with an excellent audience rapport.*

***Penola Coonawarra Arts Festival***

*Very helpful, very amusing and very generous with his time. Sir Murray Rivers is a lot of fun and appropriate for all audiences I think. Our function was to a number of senior managers in construction companies and all have commented very favourably on our function, with special mention for Brian.*

***Rinker Australia***

Bryan is an absolute delight to work with. His MCing of the RPCV Journalism Awards was as professional, funny and appropriate as always. We will be inviting him back to MC the 2004 Awards again - which will be his third time undertaking this task. I know Bryan enjoys it himself, as he can relate to working media, plus the rural sector.

***PR Exchange***