

# MC / Entertainer Biography

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# Event Highlights.

- 2025 Young Farmer of the Year Series 2025, New Zealand Young Farmers MC
- **2025** BallanceEx North Island, Ballance Agri-Nutrients MC
- 2025 BallanceEx South Island, Ballance Agri-Nutrients MC
- 2025 Hawke 's Bay Primary Sector Awards, Hawke's Bay A&P Society MC
- 2025 FMG Event, FMG MC
- 2025 NZDIA Awards, New Zealand Dairy Industry Awards MC
- 2025 Stormwater Conference & Gala Dinner, Avenues Limited MC
- 2025 Collision Repair Association Conference, Twelve Conference&Events MC
- 2025 Sir John Gallagher Knighthood Investiture Celebration, J&G Gallagher Management Limited MC
- 2025 CEP: Carbon and Energy Professionals NZ Conference, ForumPoint2 Ltd MC
- 2025 Summerfruit New Zealand Conference, ForumPoint2 Ltd MC
- 2025 NZKGI Bay of Plenty Young Grower Gala Dinner, NZ Kiwifruit Growers Incorporated MC
- 2024 Ballance Ex West Coast, Ballance Agri-Nutrients MC
- 2024 ACH Consulting 50th Anniversary Celebration, ACH Consulting MC
- 2024 Young Farmer of the Year Series 2024, New Zealand Young Farmers MC
- 2024 WRPPA Conference, Wellington Regional Primary Principals'Association MC
- 2024 Marton Harvest Taste Festival, Rangitikei District Council MC
- 2024 Resene Construction Conference Awards Night, Motive Events MC
- 2024 Stormwater Conference & Dinner, Avenues Limited MC
- 2024 Carbon & Energy Professionals NZ Conference, ForumPoint2 MC
- 2024 Harrisville School Franklin Teacher Only Day, Waiuku Kahui Ako MC
- 2024 Collision Repair Association Annual Conference /Expo, Verve MC
- 2024 Infrastructure Symposium & Dinner, Tonkin+Taylor MC
- 2024 Resene Architectural Design Awards Dinner, Architectural Designers New Zealand MC
- 2024 Headwinds Executive Foresight Retreat Pub Quiz, Innovation Matters Limited MC
- 2024 NZ Winegrowers Dinner, NZ Wine MC
- 2024 Acoustics NZ GIB Conference Gala Dinner, On-Cue Conferences MC
- 2024 Milwaukee Staff Dinner, Milwaukee MC
- 2024 Water NZ Conference, Avenues Conference&Event Management MC
- 2024 IESANZ Lighting Awards 2024, Illuminating Engineering Society of Australia and New Zealand MC



## Event Highlights continued...

- **2024** RMNZ Sausage Comp Mixer Awards, Retail Meat New Zealand MC
- **2024** First Credit Union Annual Gala, First Credit Union MC
- **2024** BCITO Skills Summit and Dinner, BCITO MC
- 2024 iSANZ Awards Dinner, iSANZ Charitable Trust MC
- 2023 Ballance Ex Dinner Series 2023, Ballance Agri-Nutrients MC
- 2023 Young Farmer of the Year Series 2023, New Zealand Young Farmers MC
- 2023 REAWARDS, Research Association NZ MC
- 2023 Beef +Lamb Genetics TAMBO Speaker
- 2023 Stormwater Conference, Avenues Limited MC
- **2023** Summerfruit New Zealand Conference, ForumPoint2 Ltd MC
- **2023** Farmer Manager 's Conference, Pamu MC
- **2023** Beef +Lamb NZ National Farmer Council Conference, Beef&Lamb NZ MC
- 2023 Hawke 's Bay Primary Sector Awards, Showgrouds Hawke's Bay MC
- **2023** Frame & Truss Association of Nz Confrence, Special Events Aoraki MC
- 2023 Hawke 's Bay Young Fruit Grower of the Year, Hawke's Bay Fruitgrowers Association MC
- 2023 Hire Industry Association of NZ Conference & Awards, ForumPoint2 MC
- 2023 Motive Conference Gala Night, Motive Events MC
- **2023** Registered Master Landscapers Awards, Registered Master Landscapers MC
- 2023 Genesis Energy Huntly Powerstation Function, The Event Company MC
- 2023 Beef +Lamb Mid Northern North Island Farmer Council AGM, Beef+Lamb NZ Speaker
- 2023 Greenlea Meats Celebration Dinner, The Event Company MC
- 2023 Manawatū Business Chamber Dinner, Manawatū Business Chamber MC
- 2023 Water NZ Conference, Avenues Conference&Event Management MC
- 2023 Electra Business &Innovation Awards, Pom Pom Events and Marketing MC
- 2023 BCITO Skills Summit and Gala Dinner, BCITO MC
- 2023 NZ Timber Design Awards, Twelve Conference&Events MC
- 2023 iSANZ Awards, iSANZ Charitable Trust MC
- 2023 Sustainable Business Awards, Sustainable Business Network MC
- 2023 IESANZ Lighting Awards 2023, Illuminating Engineering Society of Australia and New Zealand MC
- 2022 Mas Webinar, MAS MC
- 2022 Resolve Group 20th Anniversary, Resolve Group MC
- 2022 iSANZ Awards 2022, iSANZ Charitable Trust
- 2022 Auckland Conversation, Auckland City Council MC
- 2022 Government Economic Network Conference, MBIE MC
- 2022 Wealthpoint, Captive Audience Speaker
- 2022 Voyager Awards, Stuff MC
- 2022 NZAIMS Conference, NZ Association of Intermediate and Middle School MC
- 2022 TAMA Conference, Tractor&Machinery Association MC

## Event Highlights continued...

- **2022** ANZCO Livestock Conference, ANZCO Foods Speaker
- 2022 NZ Esri Users Conference, Eagle Technology MC
- 2022 Security Awards, NZ Security Association MC
- 2022 Fire NZ Awards Dinner, Fire Protection Association NZ MC
- 2022 National Catchments Forum, NZ Landcare Trust Speaker
- 2022 Feilding Rural Day, Feilding&District Promotion MC
- 2022 Taranaki Business Awards, Taranaki Chamber of Commerce MC
- 2022 Water NZ Conference, Avenues Conference&Event Management MC
- 2022 PRINZ Awards 2022, Public Relations Institute of New Zealand
- 2022 Hawke 's Bay Young Fruit Grower of the Year, Hawke's Bay Fruitgrowers Association MC
- 2022 Carbon & Energy Professionals NZ Conference 2022, Forum Point2 MC
- 2022 ITM, C&I Travel Specialists Entertainer
- 2022 Rural Service Awards 2022, Rural Service Centre MC
- 2022 Southern Cross Leaders Strategy Day, Southern Cross Health Society MC
- 2022 Gisborne Engineering MC
- **2022** CRV Awards, CRV Head Office MC
- 2022 Intelact 2th Year Anniversary Dinner Rotorua MC
- 2022 Sustainable Business Awards, Sustainable Business Network MC
- 2022 FSF Awards, Financial Services Federation MC
- 2022 Central Property People Awards, Property Council NZ MC
- 2022 NZ Young Farmer of the Year Series 2022, New Zealand Young Farmers MC
- 2022 iSANZ Awards 2021, iSANZ Charitable Trust MC
- 2021 Cleantech Connect, New Zealand Trade&Enterprise MC
- 2021 NZ Young Farmer of the Year Series 2021, New Zealand Young Farmers MC
- 2021 RAEAWARDS 2021, Research Association New Zealand MC
- 2021 Stormwater Conference 2021, Avenues Conference&Event Management Ltd MC
- **2021** Stuff 1st Anniversary, Stuff MC
- 2021 Sustainable Business Awards 2021, Sustainable Business Network MC
- 2021 Te Puke Business Excellence Awards 2021, Te Puke Economic Development Group Inc MC
- 2021 Ballance Ex Dinner Series, Ballance Agri-Nutrients MC
- 2021 BCITO Conference 2021, BCITO MC
- **2021** BCITO Gala Dinner, BCITO MC
- 2021 CEP Conference 2021, Carbon and Energy Professionals New Zealand MC
- 2021 Electra Business & Innovation Awards 2021, Pom Pom Events and Marketing MC
- 2021 Export NZ Awards, Export New Zealand Hawke's Bay MC
- **2021** Facebook Live 'Bird of Year', Pursuit Public Relations MC
- 2021 Facebook Live 'Paralympic NZ', Pursuit Public Relations MC
- 2021 Facebook Live 'Sea week'. Pursuit Public Relations MC

## Event Highlights continued...

- **2021** Flux Federation Conference, Flux Federation MC
- 2021 Hawke 's Bay Young Fruit Grower of the Year 2021, Hawke's Bay Fruitgrowers Association MC
- 2021 Holiday Parks Conference 2021, Holidays Parks New Zealand MC

Te Radar is one of the most recognised entertainers and personalities in New Zealand. Whether as a stand up comedian, documentary maker or the fusion of both in his keynote speeches, he is as gregarious as he is accomplished. Having won just about every New Zealand comedy award from the Fred Award to the Billy T Award for excellence in comedy, he also has a myriad of accolades in documentary making from the Qantas Awards in Film and Television to the NZ Television Awards. In 2018 he received an honorary Master of Arts degree from Wintec for his contribution to Media and Entertainment. Witty, engaging and well-informed, Te Radar is a sought-after keynote speaker, with an ability to knowledgeably host diverse events across the Agricultural, Engineering, Science, Media, Arts, Medical, Environmental and Academic sectors.

#### Mission

Te Radar wanted to be a war correspondent when he was a kid. He wanted to tell historical stories he didn't see being portrayed. Naturally, he went to drama school, coming out full force in the comedy scene before diving into documentary making. In the course of his career Te Radar has dived with sharks, narrowly avoided a rabbit while racing a Formula 3 car at 200kph, plunged into the frozen Ross sea in only a skimpy pair of togs and interviewed Yassar Arafat under the watchful eye of gun-toting Palestinian soldiers.

Te Radar does not profess to be someone on the hero's journey. He enjoys life, has the ability to say yes to anything and wants to share it all with people. He is a story teller and his goal is to make all his work thought provoking, entertaining and joyous.

#### Keynote

Taking years of comedy and improv experience and bringing that together with his love for documentary making, Te Radar brings a sense of joy to his keynotes with a delicate dance between irreverence and creating a safe and comfortable space. His testimonials often mention his flexibility, authenticity, and compassion for the audience.

When making documentaries Te Radar is meeting fascinating people doing incredible things and empowering them to feel comfortable to talk by quickly creating a rapport. This transforms his keynote speaking with a personal touch. He is often on the ground with his audience, sitting and chatting with them. He then has the ability to incorporate these conversations and ideas into his presentation bespoke to the organisation. His unique keynotes assert a high probability that what he pulls out of their context will be relevant yet unexpected.

Te Radar emphasises that human stories are universal; we are a species that relate to each other. Using stories he loves, he shares a broader message about life, while being funny, entertaining, and serious when needed, following through on the emotional connection within these stories and leaving his audience heard, uplifted, and entertained.



## Testimonials.

Te Radar was absolutely fantastic as our MC for the Bay of Plenty Young Grower Gala Dinner. He was easy to work with: Great communication, super approachable, and genuinely keen to understand what we were trying to achieve. He worked closely with our team in the lead-up and was clearly well-prepared. On the night, he nailed it. He was funny, quick-witted, and kept the whole evening flowing effortlessly. He worked really well with our crew and made the whole thing feel smooth and professional, while still keeping it light and entertaining. What really impressed us was how much he went above and beyond. He didn't just turn up and do the MC gig, he helped create our highlights and promo videos, which added a whole extra layer to the event. That kind of effort really stood out. We had heaps of great feedback from guests. Honestly, couldn't have asked for a better MC.

NZKGI Bay of Plenty Young Grower Gala Dinner 2025 New Zealand Kiwifruit Growers Incorporates

#### Sam Moa | Event Manger

We had the privilege of having Te Radar as the MC at our recent Tonkin and Taylor Infrastructure Symposium, and we couldn't be more pleased with his performance. Te Radar had an uncanny ability to captivate the audience, keeping everyone attentive, engaged, and intrigued. He summarised presentations in a way that amplified their impact and seamlessly stitched the entire event together. Beyond his evident on-stage skills, Te Radar was an absolute pleasure to work with off-stage as well. He was approachable, cooperative, and effortlessly adapted to the flow of the event.

In sum, Te Radar added his unique brand to our symposium that was appreciated by our team and attendees alike. We highly recommend him and look forward to the opportunity to work with him again.

Tonkin +Taylor Infrastructure Symposium&Dinner 2024 Tonkin +Taylor

### - Saijel Forbes | Event Manager

Te Radar is an integral part of the Young Farmers team, and his contribution has been quintessential to our success for many years now. His professionalism and extensive experience shine through in every event he hosts, making him indispensable to our operation. Te Radar's ability to improvise and adapt to the myriad of scenarios we present him with ensures that our events run smoothly. Funny, witty, and passionate about his role, Te Radar is also diligent in his approach to cultural elements, ensuring that all aspects of our events are handled with care and respect. His presence elevates every event, making him a truly exceptional emcee and a treasured member of our team.

In the field, Te Radar is fantastic with fan interactions, always engaging warmly with everyone he meets. His interactions with the kids and teen competitors are particularly noteworthy, as he keeps both them and the spectators thoroughly engaged in the content. Behind the scenes, he works tirelessly with our team to create the most valuable experiences for everyone involved. Te Radar's respect and appreciation for our tech teams and event staff are second to none. His stewardship of the contestants is invaluable effortlessly guiding even the most reserved subjects through engaging and insightful discussions, offering advice and tips that help them put their best foot forward on stage.

Overall, Te Radar's combination of professionalism, adaptability, and interpersonal skills makes him an irreplaceable asset to our team. His dedication to creating memorable and engaging events is unmatched, and we are incredibly fortunate to have him each season.

Young Farmer Series 2024 NZ Young Farmers

- Nick Kennedy | Event Manager

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## Testimonials continued...

I am absolutely thrilled to share my experience working with Te Radar as our MC! Te Radar's unparalleled talent and charismatic presence truly made our event an unforgettable one.

Right from the outset, it was evident that Te Radar had dedicated significant time and effort to understand the essence of our event. His thorough preparation allowed them to seamlessly weave together the different elements of the program, creating a coherent and engaging narrative that resonated with our audience.

Te Radar 's stage presence was nothing short of captivating. His infectious energy, combined with a remarkable ability to connect with people, instantly drew the audience in. It was evident that they had not only rehearsed the runsheet but had also meticulously thought through the flow of the event, ensuring that transitions were smooth and interactions were seamless.

What truly impressed us was Te Radar 's quick thinking and adaptability. In the face of unexpected moments, he displayed an uncanny ability to improvise on the spot, turning potential challenges into memorable highlights of the event. His spontaneous humor and on-the-fly commentary showcased his wit and genuine engagement with the audience.

Throughout the event, Te Radar's commitment to aligning their hosting with our event's theme was remarkable. His insightful incorporation of key messages and talking points demonstrated his dedication to going above and beyond the role of an MC. It was evident that he genuinely cared about the success of our event and worked tirelessly to ensure that their hosting played a pivotal role in achieving that success.

Working with Te Radar not only made our event a resounding success but also left us with wonderful memories of the entire process. We would wholeheartedly recommend Te Radar to anyone seeking an MC who brings not only their talent but also their unwavering dedication to the table. His exceptional blend of preparation, performance, and personal touch sets them apart in the world of event hosting. It would be an honor to have the opportunity to work with Te Radar again in the future.

Motive Gala Night 2023 Motive Events

- Anna Thompson | Event Manager

