



## October 2013



### From the Chair

Welcome to the October edition of the Southern Section Newsletter. October is an important month for the Institute with the Annual AGM and awards dinner in Auckland on the 17th. The awards cover a range of categories and recognise top performers within the sector. For example the organization or team that has demonstrated sustained excellence in supply chain management/logistics/transport implementations and practice, including transport planning, with special emphasis on building relationships and developing strategic partnerships. Another award category is for notable innovation in systems and technology in the New Zealand Supply Chain sector. Although you will be too late nominate someone for an award this year I encourage you to consider possible candidates for next year's event.

Other events scheduled that are closer to home are a visit to Christchurch International Airport on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November, and S B Global Logistics site visit of their Inventory Management Centre on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November.

Finally, Roy Weaver our National President attended a recent Committee meeting. Roy outlined a plan to build a 2,000 member transport and logistics network throughout New Zealand. This plan will link us into the global CILT network, utilise an E environment, and will be driven by a strong set of semi-autonomous branches. Roy's challenge to us was to support this plan and find innovative ways to contribute to it.

## Previous events: Ravensdown Tour

On Tuesday 16th of April, CILT was lucky enough to go on a site tour of the Ravensdown fertilizer plant. Many people drive past Ravensdown, which is based at Hornby, and wonder what is behind the tall hedge. The night began with a presentation by Jon Cole, the operations manager at the Hornby plant. The presentation involved information on the materials that are sourced from around the world for the processing of fertiliser and the transportation to New Zealand. After the presentation everyone braved the rain for a site tour of the fertilizer plant. We were shown an overview of how the fertiliser is made and insight into the plant being completely off the grid. They produce their own power and have their own water bore. The site tour included a dark view the incoming raw materials bay and the storage bays of materials from around the world.



The tour was very informative and about 12 CILT members attended.

Thank-you to Jon Cole from Ravensdown, for a great tour.



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## Next event: Visit to Christchurch International Airport

You will have seen from an email yesterday that CILT members have been invited to an evening gathering at Christchurch International Airport.

We'll kick off the evening with a presentation followed by a short (20 minute) bus tour. The focus of the presentation and tour will be to provide a high level understanding of the airport and an overview of the expected airport landside (not airside) development.



Thank you to CIAL for hosting us and also providing drinks and nibbles.

**Date:** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November

**Time:** 5:30pm

**Meeting place:** 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the car parking building, Christchurch International Airport

SPACE IS LIMITED FOR THE BUS TOUR. So first in, etc, etc...

**To reserve your space, please RSVP to:** [julie.ballantyne@tdg.co.nz](mailto:julie.ballantyne@tdg.co.nz)

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## Christmas event: Visit S B Logistics Inventory Management Centre

Following our Airport tour, our Christmas event will be at S B Logistics Inventory Management Centre in Hornby.



The SB's Inventory Management Centre offers a pick/pack distribution service for clients wishing to capitalise on SB's expertise in Third Party Logistics (3PL), industry best-practices and the latest IT applications. The client base is varied and because of this, they need to be flexible by offering tailored package solutions, value added services and a personalised service that meets clients' expectations every time. The visit will include a brief presentation on the logistics services and company capability, followed by a tour of their warehouse which will showcase some examples of processing a customer's order.

We'll finish off the tour with a barbeque and Xmas drinks.

**Date:** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

**Time:** 5:30pm kick off

**Location:** Inventory Management Centre, Corner Waterloo Road and Halwyn Drive, Hornby

We'll circulate the invite by email in a few weeks' time and request RSVP's at that stage. But in the meantime, put this date in your diary!