

## GARY SKYNER

THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS "UNKNOWN" COMEDIAN

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As one of the country's best loved comedians, Gary has been in the business for over 25 years. One of the earliest in the UK to be born physically disabled due to the horrendous drug, Thalidomide, Gary quickly carved a career out making people laugh.

Having appeared live (dead costs extra!) at famous venues including Grosvenor House - London, Central Pier - Blackpool, Intercontinental Hotel - Dubai, and all over Benidorm, Gary leaves them laughing with tears in their eyes, egg on their face and gagging for more.

Gary is without doubt the UK's most unusual comedian, winner of Merseyside Comedian of the Year three years running and star of the Jonathan Ross Big, Big Talent Show. They might not be the same length as yours or mine but you're in safe hands where comedy is concerned with Gary Skyner.

You can book Gary to compere your events, take the rostrum at your charity auction and he is an effective motivation speaker showing how real life traumas are turned into triumphs every day.



#### SHOWREELS:

#### **COMEDY SHOWREEL:**

https://vimeo.com/342006597/7a10b619c2

**ACTING SHOWREEL:** 

https://vimeo.com/342007431/85b155cfae

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# Recommendations & Testimonials

The following testimonials have been collated from letters of endorsement, social media updates and printed materials published in the press.

The London Ex-Boxers' Association



To whom it may concern

Over the last 15 years The London Ex-Boxers' Association (LEBA) have used the services of Mr Gary Skyner as a comedian and entertainer at our annual fund raising events.

LEBA Awards Luncheon Sir Henry Cooper Golf Classic Guest of Honour Luncheon

At all of the above functions Gary has always been the true professional and entertained our members with his special brand of humour which he constantly improves.

We would have no hesitation in recommending the services of Gary for any function where you would want good humour and a comedian who can involve the audience with ease.

Yours sincerely

Ray Caulfield LEBA Secretary/Treasurer





To whom it may concern:

I have known Gary for 15 years. During that time in my role as Matchday Ambassador at Stoke City FC, I have used Gary to entertain the corporate fans in various hospitality areas. I have also employed him on a number of occasions to be the comedy act at our annual SCOBA evening.



I have no hesitation in recommending him to all who seek his services. He is reliable, trustworthy, excellent timekeeper, and most of all, a top class entertainer.

Yours faithfully,

Terry Conroy, Chairman

Prior to falling foul of a serious illness back in 2015, alongside my career as a PGA golf professional, I was appointed General Manager of Cookridge Hall Golf & Country Club in Leeds.

Corporate and charity golf days were commonplace at the club and being responsible for organising and hosting each event, it was at one of our events that I first met Gary who travelled to the club to facilitate the evenings' entertainment for our guests on the day, as he did on several more occasions thereafter - based on his professionalism, quick wit and expertise in delivering his very entertaining routines.

Golf days generally throw together an extremely broad spectrum of people, with equally as broad a collection of tastes. Gary on every occasion arrived promptly and took the time to research and assess his audience, adding or adapting his routines to accommodate and entertain. Gary's interaction with our guests was always first class and didn't stop after his performance, regularly staying to close proceedings and spend time chatting with guests.

Since undertaking my own rehabilitation, I have devoted time continuing to organise and host charitable events. In doing so, when considering entertainment, one name topped the list and thankfully Gary was available to help me and duly attended, providing a fitting finale to the event which was well received and voiced as such by all in attendance. I would have no hesitation whatsoever in recommending Gary to any individual or commercial venue to provide comical entertainment and look forward to crossing paths with him again In the near future.

Kind Regards,

Gary Day

Independent Events Organiser

To whom this may concern,

I would like to testify that I have known Gary Skyner for in excess of twenty years, and have seen him mature from the always funny comedian of his early days, into the sophisticated laughter that you see today.



Gary makes no secret of his disability, and far from it usually makes fun of himself to display that he wants no pity at all, just a laughing response. And I'm sorry Gary, I don't believe for one second that you were the 'press up champion' of the UK!

I was speaking at a dinner in Wales at a working mens' club, on a stage that was ill constructed. I heard a crash behind me to find that Gary had fallen off the stage behind me!! I asked Gary if he wanted a hand to get up? Without a second to think, his response was "two please, if there's any spare". He carried on his act despite receiving fractured ribs and small bones in his wrist. What a champion!

I have grown up in Liverpool seeing all the top comedians of their time, Ken Dodd, Frank Carson, Jackie Hamilton and Sean Styles. I can honestly say that Gary is in their class.

Joe Royle - Director W.A.F.C.







Playfair Events (PFE) specialise in corporate events ranging from unique golf days to evening entertainment.

PFE have many corporate clients such as Lexus, Barclays Premier Clients, SP Energy, Cash for Kids, Liverpool FC, Tranmere Rovers, Wirral Chamber, KeyWest, The Johnson Foundation, Macdonald Hotels and Cheshire Events to name but a few.

We work closely with a number of A list celebrities from Tyson Fury, Liverpool FC past and present players, John Daly, Ricky Tomlinson and leading tribute shows.

We have had Gary Skyner complimenting various shows and events over the last few years and I can highly recommend Gary.

Gary's performances are always a winner, our audiences are in stitches from the first to the last minute. Gary's sets are all varied with different material which makes Gary stand out from most comedians.

Gary's ability allows him to play to different audiences from corporate events to a lively sporting evening, he is a very talented man.

Lastly Gary is a lovely person, easy to work with, never pulled out of a gig, always on time and mingles with the audience before and after the show.

A very experienced comedian who is certainly value for money, I am sure you will benefit from having Gary at your event.

Kind Regards,

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Jamie Conroy - Managing Director (Playfair Events)











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I have known Gary for over 20 years and in my capacity as an agent for After Dinner Speakers and Comedians I have booked him to perform at events for clients on a regular basis up to 20 times each year.

He has always been reliable on honouring the bookings and trustworthy with any direct approaches from other sources at the event.

His performances have always been well received, because when clients book Gary they know exactly the style of comedy to expect from a unique and in my opinion a very funny comedian.

Yours sincerely

John Collier - Managing Director





#### **Bay Plastics Northern Football Alliance League**

I have been Master of Ceremonies for Bay Plastics Northern Football Alliance League for a number of years now and book the speakers and comedians for their Annual Dinner.

Of the comedians, the most highly recommended act is Gary Skyner.

I approached Gary via his agent some years ago for one of our dinners. He came billed as 'Liverpool's No.1 Comedian' and he certainly lived up to this.

He is, without a doubt, one of the top, top, comedians on the after dinner circuit. I have worked with many comedians personally and he is the most entertaining and funniest person I have ever met.

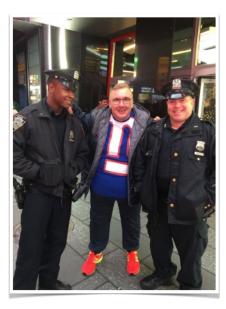
Gary has never let me down (I have booked him on many occasions since our first show together), he is always punctual, helpful, very kind and a great laugh.

He is very inspiring and motivational when he speaks to an audience - his disability, believe it or not, is his strong point! Once you meet him, you'll never forget him.

I have no hesitation in recommending Gary Skyner for any occasion, whether it be Comedy or Motivation Speaking.

Yours,

Ian Silcock – M.C. for Bay Plastics Northern Football Alliance League

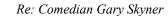








MASTER OF CEREMONIES



I have been fortunate to have known, booked and worked alongside Gary for some 20 years or so.

During this time he has established himself as one of the favourite acts I have booked/worked alongside. Without exception the audiences absolutely love him.

As well as having genuinely FUNNY BONES, Gary has the ability to tailor his material and performance to the audience needs which has ranged from Corporate bookings to Stag events; this in my opinion is a special skill beyond the range of many.

I would have no hesitation to continue booking Gary in the future and have/would recommend him to many/anyone.





### Booking Gary

Gary can be booked for an event of any size. As an accomplished, award winning comedian, Gary performs to all manner of audiences and his act can be tailored to meet your individual requirements. Adult humour forms part of Gary's act but a full clean comedy routine can be provided if required - please let us know at the time of booking.

A PA system can be provided although often for larger venues, an in-house system will be more practical as it will have been installed to meet the requirements of the building.





For details of fees, please call Gary's personal management team (details on rear cover) who will be happy to help, or contact your regular comedy / event agency who will be able to assist.

Gary Skyner is a member of Equity, the UK trade union for professional performers and creative practitioners Membership No. M00110257. Professional services are covered by the Equity standard members public liability policy: Hiscox Insurance Company Ltd, Policy No: 1937165.

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