



# Tony Gubba

Tony Gubba has been one of the faces & voices of British television sport for over 35 years. His voice is familiar to millions of Saturday night armchair sports fans.

Born in Manchester, Tony Gubba worked as a national newspaper journalist before joining Southern Television in Southampton as a reporter/newscaster. In 1969 he became the BBC's North Of England correspondent, based in Liverpool.

In 1972 Tony was chosen to replace David Coleman as the presenter of **Sportsnight**, went on to introduce **Grandstand** & is a regular voice on **Match of the Day** - one of only a handful of TV personalities to have fronted the trio of major BBC sports programmes.

Tony has worked on every football World Cup since Germany in 1974 & completed the circle when he provided a nightly commentary on games from the 2006 tournament in Germany which was shown on the in-flight entertainment channels of many of the world's leading airlines.

He's also attended almost all the Olympic Games - summer & winter - since Munich in 1972. In his time, Tony has commentated on ice-skating, hockey, table-tennis, bob-sleigh, ski-jumping, speed skating, cycling, rowing, judo & golf.

When Olympic & World ice dance champions Jayne Torvill & Christopher Dean were invited to train celebrities in ITV's top-rated show, **Dancing On Ice** they asked that Tony Gubba should be the commentator. His amusing appraisals of celebrity skaters learning to ice dance have become a popular part of the programme which attracts audiences in excess of 11 million.

Tony Gubba is an accomplished after dinner speaker & a relaxed communicator who can work off-the-cuff in front of a live audience or introduce an important product launch to senior executives.

He was once an amateur footballer & his hobbies now are golf & salmon fishing. He is well-known as a writer of articles about fly-fishing & travel.

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