



DOUGIE DONNELLY

Dougie Donnelly is one of the BBC Sports top television presenters, he is regularly seen fronting a wide variety of network sport productions, including Britain's premier sport programme 'GRANDSTAND'

1998 was a huge year of sport on the BBC with Dougie involved in presentation of the three major events during the year, The Winter Olympics from Nagano in Japan, The World Cup from France and The Commonwealth Games from Kuala Lumpur. He also presented network coverage of World Championship snooker, bowls and darts all of which he has presented since 1993.

As in previous years, golf featured heavily in Dougie's schedule for 1998 including coverage of The Masters, The Volvo PGA, The Loch Lomond World Invitational Tournament, The Open and The World Match Play.

He is the main presenter and anchor man of BBC Scotland's sport output, a position held since 1980 fronting 'Sportscene' (BBC Scotland's opt out from 'Match of the Day' and 'Sportsnight') with its main sports of football and rugby. He has also produced, written and presented a variety of sell through videos for sporting personalities including Gavin Hastings and Ally McCoist.

In 1997 Dougie fronted the BBC's presentation of The World Curling Championship from Switzerland and in 1996 he was involved in the main sporting events seen on the BBC, presenting The European Football Championships from England in June, The Open Championship from Royal Lytham & St Anne's in July and following The Open, joining the BBC team in Atlanta for the Olympic Games.

In 1992 Dougie was a presenter and reporter with the award winning BBC network team that presented the Olympic Games from Barcelona and the European Championships from Sweden.

While Dougie has established himself as a sports presenter, his skills as a chat show host were much praised when he fronted two series of 'Friday Night with Dougie Donnelly' both for BBC Scotland. From 1979 to 1992 he presented Radio Clyde's mid morning show, the station's most listened to midweek programme, leaving to concentrate on television presentation.

Dougie is also at home presenting promotional events, sales conferences and corporate videos and is in constant demand for after dinner speaking. Among the companies that have engaged Dougie are General Accident, Royal Mail, United Distillers, Mercury Communications, Barratt Homes, Scottishpower, Pannell Kerr Forster, British Midlands, Bank of Scotland, to name a few. Away from broadcasting Dougie remains a sport enthusiast and a keen golfer.