

# Gary Skyner

Comedian and motivational speaker

One of the country's best loved comedians, Gary has been a professional comedian for over 10 years. Only the second person to be born physically disabled due to the horrendous drug, Thalidomide, Gary quickly carved a career out making people laugh.

Quick witted, rather risqué at times, Gary will adapt his act to suit all audiences, though prefers an adult – often all male – audience. Hecklers beware – he thrives on audience banter and destroys anyone brave enough to interrupt his act!

Gary is without doubt the UK's most unusual comedian (once seen never forgotten) Winner of Merseyside Comedian Of The Year three years running, also the star of the Jonathan Ross Big, Big talent show, and, the most successful comedian EVER to perform at the P.F.A. awards dinner in London. They might not be the same length as yours or mine, but, YOU ARE IN SAFE HANDS where comedy is concerned with LIVERPOOL'S No1 COMEDIAN – GARY SKYNER.

Para-Legal, pilot, FA Class 1 coach, welder, stand up comedian and dad, Gary Skyner defies expectations of what can be achieved. Real life traumas are turned into triumphs every day. Gary's all inspiring tale of triumph over tragedy will touch your heart and lift your spirit. As the second child in the UK to be born damaged by the deadly thalidomide drug, which was administered to expectant mothers in the 1960's, Gary's life was destined to be difficult and challenging, as the drug impaired his physical development. Expected not to live, let alone to achieve much, Gary is living proof that there is nothing you cannot achieve if you believe you can.

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## Curriculum Vitae

**HEIGHT:** 5ft 11ins

**BUILD:** Chubby

**EYES:** Brown

**HAIR:** Brown

**COMPLEXION:** Fair

### TRAINING : Venues Around The World

#### Broadcaster

BBC Television  
BBC Television  
Yorkshire Television  
Yorkshire Television  
Central Television  
Sky Television  
Granada Television  
BBC Television  
Granada Television  
Yorkshire Television  
Channel Four  
ITN  
ITN  
BBC Television  
Anglia Television  
Anglia Television  
  
London Weekend Television  
Granada Television

#### Programme

*Kilroy* (1986)  
The Marksman  
The James Whale Show (1987)  
The James Whale Show (1989)  
Central Weekend  
Sky Star Search  
Up Front  
Good Morning With Anne & Nick  
This Morning With Richard & Judy  
Stand And Deliver  
Cutting Edge  
News At One  
News At 5.45  
Over The Edge  
The Tin Lads  
The Time The Place  
With John Stapleton  
The Jonathan Ross Big Big Talent Show  
The New Comedians

#### Subject

Red Nose Day  
Play For Today  
Chat  
Chat  
Attitudes To Humour  
Talent Show  
Political Correctness  
Thalidomide  
Thalidomide  
Stand Up Comedy  
North East Club Life  
Comedian Of The Year Winner  
Comedian Of The Year Winner  
Mandy & Gary's Comedy Quest  
Thalidomide Documentary  
  
What Makes Us Laugh  
Comedy & Chat  
Stand Up Comedy

### INTERESTS

Walking With My Two Children / Football / Swimming / Quiz Nights / Studying The History Of Comedy