

Glenn Mitchell

AFL Football & Cricket commentator

Glenn Mitchell joined ABC Sport in Perth in January 1990. Since then, he has become a familiar voice around the country with his commentaries on AFL football and international and domestic cricket. He subsequently spent 21 years with the ABC and resigned in June 2011.

He was also executive producer of ABC Sport (WA).

He commentated at the last four Olympics (Atlanta 1996, Sydney 2000, Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008), and the past two Commonwealth Games (Manchester 2002 and Melbourne 2006). He also called the track and field events on ABC TV's coverage of the 1996 and 2000 Paralympic Games.

One of the ABC's former senior cricket commentators, Glenn has broadcast over 130 Tests and one day internationals, covering overseas tours against Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, New Zealand and England.

Glenn has called over 800 football matches in the AFL and WAFL (on radio and television). He has also broadcast men and women's NBL basketball on both TV and radio, along with world championships for cycling, triathlon and water polo, tennis, hockey, golf, boxing and netball.

Away from broadcasting, Glenn has held positions on the boards of the Western Australian Sports Federation, the Coaching Foundation of Western Australia, and the Western Australian Paralympic Committee. He is on the induction committee of the Western Australian Hall of Champions.

In 1998, he published 'Pursuing Excellence', a biographical history of Western Australia's leading sportswomen.

In November 2000, Glenn was awarded the Australian Sports Medal by the Governor General for his services to sport.

He is married to fellow ABC sports presenter Karen Tighe.



Glenn is a polished and articulate master of ceremonies and speaker who regularly appears at major corporate, sporting and government functions.

He has witnessed first hand both sporting triumph and disaster. As such he is well placed to share his thoughts on what makes a true sporting champion. Through a series of anecdotes Glenn will take you behind-the-scenes into the high pressure world of the sporting elite and share their secrets of success with you in an entertaining, informative and motivational presentation. Choose from any of the following speech topics, or Glenn can tailor a presentation to suit your specific requirements.

Glenn Mitchell talks about:

- What We Can All Learn from Sport - encompasses teamwork, attitude, motivation and examples of elite performance that we can take from sport and apply to everyday life.
- The Best Seat in the House - this centres on Glenn's life as a sports broadcaster and includes many behind-the-scenes anecdotes from various Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, and overseas and national cricket tours he has covered.
- Australia - A Great Sporting Nation - highlights how as a small nation we have become a world beater and example of best practice in the area of sport. It encompasses first hand examples that Glenn has witnessed at major international sporting events.
- Coping with Success & Failure - examples of how athletes have dealt with success and failure and how it can motivate us all.

Client Testimonials



Many thanks for the fantastic job you did as MC for our Jumper Presentation Evening. The success of the night can be largely attributed to the insightful and informative style of your presentation, and we thank you for making our event a night to remember for all involved.

W.A. Football Development Trust



Excellent presentation which provided our audience with an entertaining and informative insight into the world of elite sport. We've had much positive comment and feedback from our members and guests.

CPA Australia State Congress



Glenn had our audience captivated. His presentation 'What We Can All Learn from Sport' was excellent.

2006 Ausnet Real Estate Services Conference



Excellent speaker. Glenn was exactly what we wanted and participated really well.

IWIRC Network (W.A.Branch)



We appreciated Glenn's professional approach as MC for our Emerging Leaders Program Launch, and his prior preparation. We were very pleased with the outcome of the launch. Excellent MC.

Department of Sport & Recreation.



Glenn was the perfect guest speaker for our Sports Star of the Year Awards. His speech was engaging and most appropriate for the intergenerational audience in attendance. Overall excellent presentation.

Department of Sport & Recreation. Albany.



Bibby should be congratulated for inviting Glenn to speak about mental health and suicide, which are somewhat taboo subjects.

Delegate, Bibby Financial Services Australia Pty Ltd

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Glenn was fantastic and delivered a very relevant message with his personal story

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