

# Robbie Glen

## Former Governor of Scotland's Barlinnie Prison

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## About

Robbie Glen is the former Governor of Scotland's Barlinnie Prison - which he compares favourably to the old Glasgow Hilton - though with much higher customer loyalty! In his youth he played junior football professionally, but his career was cut short tragically at an early age due to lack of ability. He still holds the Lanarkshire Schoolboy 440 yards record, because it's now gone metric!

Robbie Glen has a dry Scottish wit, impeccable timing and an ability to read an audience which makes him one of the finest and most in-demand after dinner speakers you are ever likely to hear, making him a firm favourite and established name on the after dinner circuit.

He grew up in Lanarkshire and was educated at Hamilton Academy and Strathclyde University. Robbie taught for one year in Blantyre before joining the Prison Service as an Assistant Governor in 1969. A fellow of the Institute of Management, he has served several prison sentences as Governor of Castle Huntly Young Offenders Institution - Dungavel prison where he was Deputy and Acting Governor - along with Barlinnie Prison, Glasgow. Robbie also had the pleasure of being Governor of Cornton Vale, which is Scotland's only female establishment. Robbie Glen finally retired from the Scottish Prison Service in 1996.

There is no doubt Robbie Glen's hilarious anecdotes and his charismatic personality, make him a unique and brilliant after dinner speaker, and one of the busiest professional after dinner speakers on the circuit today.

Robbie is also one of the UK's finest leadership motivational speakers and says "if you have 650 staff and 1200 inmates, none of whom really want to be there - you can manage anything!" He has a unique perspective on customer service, but can deliver any message required including team building, leadership or managing change, security & risk, the UK prison system, motivation & team work and will ensure that the delegates leave the event motivated and amused!

Robbie is married with two daughters, the younger of whom is profoundly handicapped. Robbie developed a walking aid for her with his staff and prisoners in 1981 and it is now being used in 41 hospitals and schools in Scotland to teach handicapped children how to walk.

## Testimonials

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Many thanks for recommending Robbie Glen to us for last week's dinner. He was excellent company throughout the evening and gave a most entertaining speech. Please pass on our warm appreciation for his efforts.

Alan Eaton, Coal Trades Benevolent

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Just a short note to thank Robbie Glen for his efforts, which made our Luncheon such a success. We have received excellent feedback from all quarters.

John Blowes, Director General, The Institution of Diesel and Gas Turbine Engineers.

Association.

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I just wanted to thank you again for making our Annual Dinner such a fun and enjoyable event. I know our members thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and you judged the room perfectly.

Seaneen McLoughlin, RICS Northern Ireland.

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Robbie Glen was a fantastic recommendation and everyone commented it was the best St Andrews Dinner they had attended.

Heather Penn, St Andrews Society of Manchester.

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It is some time since we have had our after dinner speaker receive a standing ovation and I am so proud and honoured that this accolade was paid to you. The audience was captured by your smooth and witty delivery and I noticed many with tears in their eyes. A number of whom I would consider well accomplished speakers themselves had the sense to note down a few of your wonderful one liners.

Paul Collins, President, Insurance Institute of Dublin.

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Your talk went down very well with our audience, no small feat, considering the mix of nationalities and professions present. The content was excellent, very entertaining and highly appropriate for a sophisticated business dinner.

Bill Murray, Chief Executive, Offshore Contractors' Association.

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I am writing on behalf of everyone in Variety Club in Scotland to thank Robbie Glen most sincerely for taking part in and making our Lord Richard Attenborough Tribute Dinner so successful.

Alan Fraser, Chairman, Variety Club, Scotland.

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I thoroughly enjoyed your speech, which was spot-on for the occasion and was extremely well received by all I spoke to.

Andy Robertson, Chief Executive, NFU Scotland.

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