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In brief...

Handicapper

Racing Post, 1995 – 2003 (international handicapper)
Sporting Life, 1993-95 (international handicapper)
Globeform 1991 - 2017
Scanform 1981 - 1987

Books published

Galoppens Nestor, 2012
Globeform 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994
Scanform 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987

Articles, handicap ratings & photographs published

Aftenposten, Norway
Betfair Australia
Blood-Horse, USA
Brisnet, USA
Chicago Tribune, USA
Courses & Elevage, France
Dagens Nyheter, Sweden
European Bloodstock News, England
Gallop Magazine, Sweden & International
Gulf News, Dubai
Hawthorne Racecards, USA
Hestesport, Norway
International Racehorse, South Africa
Owner & Breeder Magazine, England
Pacemaker International, England
Paris-Turf, France
Racing Post, England
Racing Review, England
Racing World, Hong Kong
Ridsport, Sweden
Scanorama, SAS in-flight magazine, Scandinavia
Skandinavisk Galopp, Scandinavia
Sporting Life, England
Sydsvenska Dagbladet, Sweden
The Irish Field, Ireland
Thoroughbredinternet, England
Thoroughbred Racing Commentary (international)
Trainer Magazine, European & North American issues
Verdens Gang, Norway
Vi Menn, Norway

TV-work

Racing UK & At The Races, UK. NRK & TV-Norge, Norway,
Racing Channel, USA (+ in-house TV; Norway, Sweden & Chicago).

Languages

English, US English, Norwegian, Swedish, Danish (basic French).

Recreational activities Tennis, walking, skiing, riding, biking, photography.



Career details: Geir W. Stabell

Free lance writer, thoroughbred horseracing – various publications around the world (please see listing on page 2 and details below).

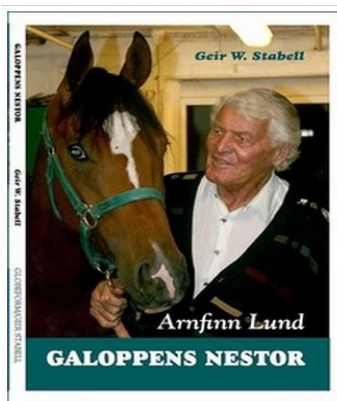
Editor, Handicapper & Publisher of Globeform 1991 - 2017

Web-site publishing. Independent web site **www.globeform.com** - an international racing web-site, covering major events around the world.

2014... **Promotion work, stallion Cockney Rebel** – *stallion cards, advertising, press releases etc., plus building and managing dedicated website;*
www.cockneyrebel.net

2014... **Galopp Magazine International** - horseracing magazine. Regular contributor with feature articles on racehorses, breeding, racing personalities, history etc.

2012 **Author / Publisher 'Galoppens Nestor'** – *an authorised biography on multiple champion trainer Arnfinn Lund in Norway. Hard cover, 110 pps, Typography and printing production by the SRB (Bjorn Zachrisson), Sweden.*



2008 - 2014 **Galopp Magasinet;** Scandinavian racing magazine. Regular contributor with feature articles on racehorses, breeding, racing personalities, history etc.

2008 - 2009 **European Bloodstock News;** North American weekly "Stateside Previews", also various smaller pieces during the week, with focus on **European bred horses in stakes races etc. in North America.**

2007 - 2016 **Gulf News,** Dubai, Racing Correspondent; extensive preview features, form analyses, **Globeform ratings** etc., for races at the Dubai International Racing Carnival, plus editorial contents **Gulf News Quick Guides to Dubai World Cup nights.**

- 2005 - 2010** **Skandinavisk Galopp** - Weekly racing magazine published jointly by the three **Scandinavian Jockey Clubs**. Racing and bloodstock features etc. Covered international big race winners, pedigrees, family lines etc. plus regular coverage of racing in North America, South America, Dubai, Japan, Hong Kong and Australia.
- 2007 - 2011** **FSM Ltd.**, London based sports publisher, weekly freelance contributions on equestrian sports in England and abroad.
- 2007** **Globeform Annual**. Published *Globeform 2007*, presenting all European Group One / North American Grade One winners. Horse bios analysing performances, with Globeform ratings, giving pedigrees and pedigree notes (illustrated). Published in disc format.
- 2006 - 2007** **TV work London:** Co-presenter on *Racing World* – (Racing UK) produced by *Highflyer TV* from Teddington Studios; evening shows with live coverage of top class North American racing, from venues like Churchill Downs, Santa Anita, Gulfstream Park, Saratoga, Belmont Park, Woodbine, Arlington Park etc.
- 2006** **Bloodstock web-site**. Freelance contributor, *Thoroughbredinternet*, an international bloodstock web-site, produced by Barnes Thompson, Newmarket.
- 2005 - 2014** **Trainer Magazine**. Regular contributor to *Trainer Magazine*, the *European Trainers' Federation's* publication – features and analytical pieces, trainer profiles etc.
- 2001 - 2017** **Globeform; Website publisher**. Launched 'globeform.co.uk' - an international racing web-site, in October 2001, covering Graded stakes races in USA, Group races in Europe, plus major events around the world (Dubai, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan). Globeform's web-site also offer rankings on horses racing in the northern hemisphere etc. as a premier subscription service.
- 1999 – 2001** **TV work**. Hosted 30 - 40 live shows from the races in Norway on *TV-Norge*, plus live Derby Day shows on *NRK* – Norway's national broadcaster. Also contributed regularly to racing shows in the USA: *The Racing Network* in Philadelphia (Breeders' Cup, Melbourne Cup) and *Horsin' Around* in Chicago – mainly for the Breeders' Cup – also panel member on various racing seminars at Arlington Park, Hawthorne Racecourse and OTBs in the Chicago area. In earlier years also guest on Swedish on course TV-productions and in 2005 on *Attheraces* in London.
- 1997 – 2000** **International correspondent** to *Racing World*, racing monthly published in Hong Kong. Mainly feature articles on European & US racing.

- 1995 – 2001** **Racing manager; Pegasus Racing**, Norway – one of the leading owner / breeder operations based in Scandinavia. Also bought a handful of horses to race in Scandinavia, including **Pistachio** (Scandinavian Champion 3yo, Classic winner, Champion sprinter three years), **Harrier** (Champion 3yo, won Norwegian Derby, St. Leger), **Impetuous Air** (Champion filly, Classic producing broodmare) etc.
- Managed the stallion Duty Time** (Night Shift) for Pegasus Racing – who became Champion Sire, standing in Sweden.
- 1995 - 2001** **Racing correspondent / handicapper**, VG, Norway's biggest daily.
- 1995** **Moved back to Norway**, after five years in London.
- 1995 – 2003** **International handicapper**, *Racing Post*, analysing Group races in France, Germany, Italy plus G1 races in the USA, US Triple Crown series, Breeders' Cup, Hong Kong International, Japan Cup, Melbourne Cup, Dubai World Cup day etc. Also contributed with articles on the International Classifications, Breeders' Cup and Dubai World Cup, and responsible for overseas entries in the *Racing Post 10 To Follow Books*.
- 1993 - 1995** **International handicapper**, *The Sporting Life*, London.
- 1993 - 2003** **Marketing & Promotions / Stallion cards etc.** – produced stallion cards and promotional material, brochures, videos, advertising, web sites, for various stud farms and stallion owners. Offered a "full service" production, with all work done from own office – pedigree research, updating of pedigree information, photographing the stallions, creating selling points, writing scripts, providing layout work and preparation for print or video productions.
- 1992 - 1996** **Globeform Annuals** – published racing annuals on top class horses running in Europe and North America, with essays on all Group One / Grade One winners, plus ratings on all runners in Group races and Graded stakes. Essays with summaries and assessments on career / form, as well as information and comments on pedigrees. **Globeform was the first publication presenting a class based handicap on horses racing in the USA and Europe, rating them on the same scale – all ratings were compiled by Geir Stabell.**
- 1991-1995** **Forward Publishing, London.** Assistant Editor / writer / translator on *Helpware Magazine*, a customer / marketing publication produced for IBM. Worked in team of journalists and designers from several nations (the magazine was published in 14 languages). Contracted to the Norwegian edition and sat in on editorial meetings with other languages. All work tasks were performed in *Quark Xpress on Apple Macs*.

- 1991 – 2001** **Weekly column on international racing;**
Veckans Galopp / Skandinavisk Galopp.
- 1991** **Relocated to England**, based in London, worked as freelance writer and photographer for publications in the UK and Scandinavia.
- 1988-89** **Racing correspondent, Sydsvenska Dagbladet**, Malmoe, Sweden
- 1988-89** **Racecourse Photographer, Jagersro Galopp**, Malmoe, Sweden
- 1986-87** **Editorial Assistant, Scandinavian Racing Bureau**, Djursholm, Sweden
Working under Bjorn Zachrisson, racecard publishing, racing yearbook publishing and research tasks, photography etc.
- 1986** **Increased travels abroad**, to England in particular (had visited the UK yearly since 1975) and made first visits to the USA. Spent autumns in Chicago, working as freelance writer and photographer.
- Worked for Mr. Robert F. Carey II, owner and president of **Hawthorne Racecourse** in Cicero, Illinois. Specialised in providing information on European and ex-European horses racing in the US. Published *Breeders' Cup Guides* for Hawthorne Racecourse and betting parlours in the Chicago area (up to 1999). Guest on in-house **TV-productions** on international races.
- 1981 – 87** **Scanform**. Published six annual formbooks presenting all active thoroughbreds, on the flat and over jumps (around 2500 horses), in Scandinavia. Essays and ratings provided for every horse. **This was the first handicap presenting horses in Norway, Sweden and Denmark assessed by one handicapper and on the same rating scale.**
- 1985 – 91** **Free lance journalist, photographer & TV presenter:**
- Working in Scandinavian horseracing – based in Norway and Sweden.
- **Editor**, Norwegian Racehorse Owners' Association's publication.
 - **Editor / publisher**, *Vollsnytt*, raceday form guide, Øvrevoll Racecourse (with around 70 racedays per year).