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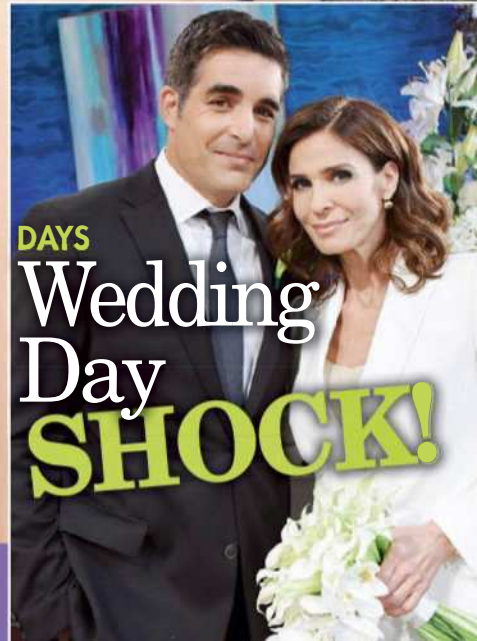
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Looks like **Steffy** may have competition for **Liam's** heart on *The Bold and the Beautiful*, as **Hope** reignites his love. And what is **Bill** scheming this time, as he asks Steffy to marry him? On *The Young and the Restless* **Chelsea** has betrayed **Nick**, leaving him badly heartbroken and in the arms of **Sharon**. And Plain **Jane** Superbrain is back on *Neighbours*, but why is she really back? What secrets is she hiding from the Ramsay Street residents? **Hope** finds out **Rafe** cheated on her on her wedding day! Will she be able to forgive her fiancé? Lots of great reading, plus fun puzzles and prizes for you, in this issue.

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THE GOSS!

New films for soap divas



A YOUNG EXIT

After six years playing Noah Newman on *The Young and the Restless*, **ROBERT ADAMSON** has left the soap. His final scenes as Noah, who has had very little front-burner story material in the recent past, aired in February when Noah moved to Mumbai to work at Newman Enterprises' Indian headquarters. "While I don't believe this is officially goodbye, Noah will not be back in Genoa City in the near future. Hope to be back as Noah one day," Adamson tweeted to fans about his departures and hopes of a comeback.



KASSIE

 *The Bold and the Beautiful's* **REIGN EDWARDS** (Nicole)

and *Days of Our Lives's* **KASSIE DEPAIVA** (Eve) are moonlighting two new films that are in production. Edwards has joined the cast of horror movie *Hellfest* – the story of a serial killer who invades an amusement park and turns it into a

Halloween slaughterhouse. The actress plays one of three female friends who battle the killer. *Hellfest* is scheduled for release in the US on October 12. Meanwhile, DePaiva has a lead role in *Killian & the Comeback Kids*, playing the mother of a struggling musician who returns home to put his band together. A funding campaign has been established to help finance the film and donors have the chance to win a phone call from DePaiva as well her autographed CDs.



Three soap stars' LEGAL WOES

Former *B&B* star **WINSOR HARMON**, who previously played Thorne Forrester on the soap until he was recast with **INGO RADEMACHER** late last year, was arrested in late February in LA. He was nabbed by police for being drunk in public, after eyewitnesses allegedly saw him urinating in a park in broad daylight. Meanwhile, former *Melrose Place* actress **HEATHER LOCKLEAR** (Amanda) is also in trouble with the law. She was arrested at her Thousand Oaks, California, home for felony domestic violence against her boyfriend **CHRIS HEISSER** and assault and battery against three police officers who were restraining her. Locklear's *MP* co-star **JAMIE LUNER** (Lexi) has also been accused – in this case for sexual misconduct with an underage male. Recently, the LAPD received a police report from a man, aged in his 30s, alleging that Luner performed oral sex on him when he was just 16, while she was starring on the hit primetime soap.



WINSOR



Days star's shock attack

Former *Days* star **KRISTA ALLEN**, who played Billie Reed from 1996-99, is recovering after being involved in a recent home invasion. On February 22, the actress caught a transient woman burgling her property. After calling 911 and having the woman arrested, Allen posted on Instagram about her ordeal. Alongside a photo of her injured dog, Allen wrote, "This is Jack the beagle from this morning all cuddled up... The lady who broke into my house and fractured his neck and spine is in jail".

Y&R'S anniversary comebacks

In preparation for its upcoming 45th anniversary celebrations, Y&R has



DAVID



KELLY

announced that several favourite characters from the soap's past will be returning to screens in March. Among the returnees are two of the show's original cast with **JAIME LYN BAUER** and **JANICE LYNDE** reprising their roles as the iconic Brooks sisters, Lorie and Leslie respectively. Alongside them will be **MEG BENNETT** as Victor Newman's first wife Julia Newman, who went on to become a Y&R writer after leaving the series in the 1980s. More recent alumni are also returning with **DAVID LAGO** (Raul) and **LAUREN WOODLAND** (Brittany) coming home to

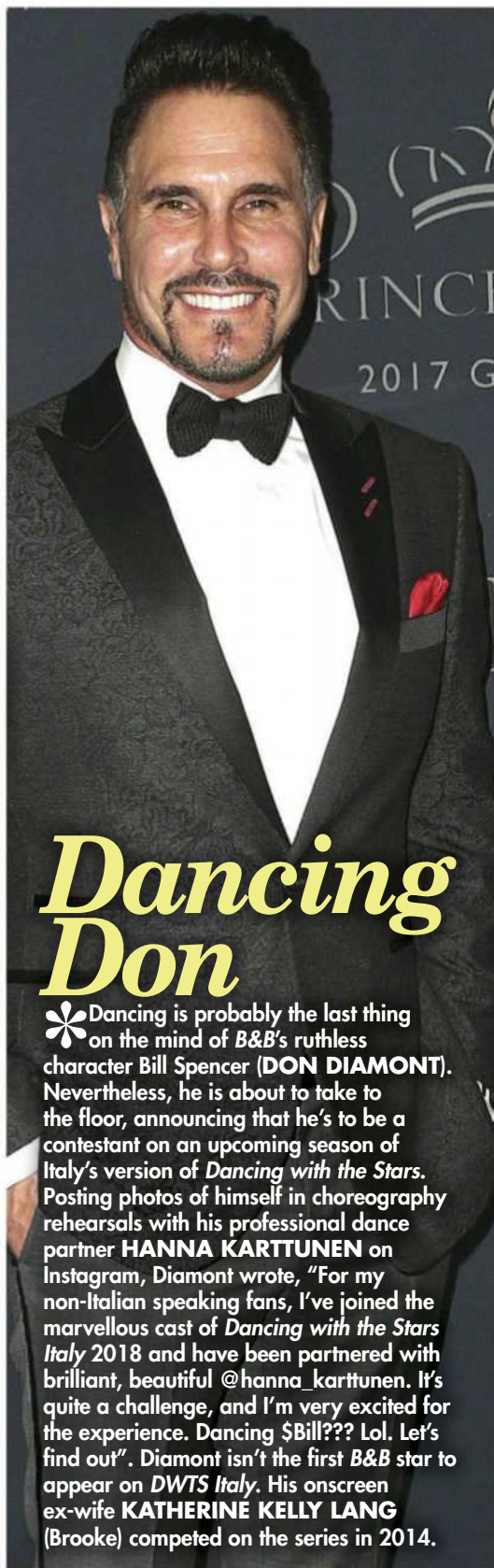
Genoa City after regularly appearing in the late 1990s/early 2000s. Joining them will be **KELLY KRUGER**, who was recast as Mac from 2002-03. Finally, recurring star **JESS WALTON** (Jill) will be putting in more appearances in conjunction with the anniversary episodes. Not much is known about their storylines, but they will all reappear from March 26.

SECOND CHARMER

On the heels of **MELONIE DIAZ** being cast as time-altering witch Mel on the upcoming reboot of supernatural TV favourite *Charmed*, comes confirmation that another of *The Power of Three* – as Mel and her two sisters are affectionately known – has been cast. **SARAH JEFFERY** is now joining the revival as the youngest sister Madison. She is described as a college freshman who feels her gift of telepathy is actually a burden on her life. Macy, the final sister in the trio, is yet to be cast.



SARAH



Dancing Don

Dancing is probably the last thing on the mind of *B&B*'s ruthless character Bill Spencer (**DON DIAMONT**). Nevertheless, he is about to take to the floor, announcing that he's to be a contestant on an upcoming season of Italy's version of *Dancing with the Stars*. Posting photos of himself in choreography rehearsals with his professional dance partner **HANNA KARTTUNEN** on Instagram, Diamont wrote, "For my non-Italian speaking fans, I've joined the marvellous cast of *Dancing with the Stars Italy* 2018 and have been partnered with brilliant, beautiful @hanna_karttunen. It's quite a challenge, and I'm very excited for the experience. Dancing \$Bill??? Lol. Let's find out". Diamont isn't the first *B&B* star to appear on *DWTS Italy*. His onscreen ex-wife **KATHERINE KELLY LANG** (Brooke) competed on the series in 2014.

HERE COME THE SONS

Coronation Street is preparing to revisit a plotline from over 10 years ago following the announcements that Michelle Connor's sons, Alex and Ryan, are returning to the cobbles. A decade ago, Michelle (**KYM MARSH**) discovered that her son Ryan had been accidentally swapped at birth with Alex Neeson. After the truth emerged, both teenagers struggled with the revelations and ultimately left Weatherfield. Now, actor **JAMES BURROWS** has been recast as Michelle's estranged biological son Alex and has already reappeared on screens, shocking his mum by turning up as the medical centre's new trainee GP after having no contact with her for years. Later this year, Ryan will also return, sparking new tension between him, Michelle and Alex. At present, an actor hasn't been cast as Ryan but he was previously played by **BEN THOMPSON** from 2006-10 and **SOL HERAS** from 2012-13.

EE ALUM ON THE THRONE

Former *EastEnders* star **ALICE NOKES** (Courtney) is joining the cast of *Game of Thrones* for its eighth and final season. Nokes will play a mysterious character named Willa, but nothing else is known about which characters she'll interact with or her storyline. However, it's thought she'll appear in the first, second or fourth episodes of the season. Nokes played *EE*'s Courtney in 2016.

DAD TROUBLE

The Taylor family on *EastEnders* is about to be shaken to its core by the arrival of a familiar face from its sordid past. Bosses have hired former *Holby City* star **ROGER GRIFFITHS** to play Mitch Baker, Keegan's long-absent and estranged father, who turns up in Walford with some shocking revelations for the Taylor family. Mitch will first be seen on local screens from late March on UKTV.

Date for a picnic

Following *Picnic at Hanging Rock*'s recent international debut headlining the Berlinale Series at the prestigious Berlin International Film Festival, Foxtel has set a release date for the six-part, much-anticipated event series. It will premiere on Sunday May 6 at 8-30pm on the Showcase channel. Starring **NATALIE DORMER**, **LILY SULLIVAN**, **SAMARA WEAVING**, **MADELEINE MADDEN** and **RUBY REES**, *Picnic at Hanging Rock* is a reimagining of **JOAN LINDSAY**'s iconic novel about the inexplicable disappearances of a boarding school teacher and her pupils on Valentine's Day 1900.

IN FOR THE LONG HAUL

A 58-year veteran of *Coronation Street*, original star **WILLIAM ROACHE** has said he'll never quit his role as Ken Barlow because retirement doesn't enter his thoughts. "I enjoy what I'm doing and I'm lucky in that I'm in a job where I can age. I'm actually falling to bits in front of people's eyes and that's what I'm meant to do," enthuses the 85-year-old. →

THE GOSS!

Crying altogether

✿ The cast for *The Cry*, the ABC's upcoming drama co-production with the BBC, has been finalised. Jenna Coleman, the star of period drama *Victoria*, and *Top of the Lake*'s **EWEN LESLIE** will headline the four-part psychological thriller alongside *Offspring*'s **ASHER KEDDIE** and **ALEX DIMITRIADES**. Joining them will be *The Crown*'s **STELLA GONET**, *Romper Stomper*'s **MARKELLA KAVENAGH** and *Wentworth*'s **SHAREENA CLANTON**. It chronicles the lives of Joanna (Coleman) and her husband Alistair (Leslie) who travel with their baby from Scotland to Australia to visit Alistair's mother Elizabeth (Gonet) and to fight for custody of Alistair's daughter Chloe (Kavenagh) against his Australian ex-wife Alexandra (Keddie). It sparks a tragedy that alters the couple's marriage and disintegrates Joanna's psychology. *The Cry* will air on ABC later in 2018.



ALEXANDRA



Political journalist Harriet (Anna Torv).

More secrets in the city

✿ A second series of Foxtel's award-winning drama *Secret City* is now in production and will premiere on the Showcase channel later in 2018. To be titled *Secret City: Under the Eagle*, the second series will see the returns of lead actresses **JACKI WEAVER** (Labor powerbroker Catriona Bailey) and **ANNA TORV** (political journalist Harriet Dunkley) alongside **SACHA HORLER** (Sky Channel presenter Ludie Sypek), **MARCUS GRAHAM** (Chief of Staff Andrew Griffiths) and **JUSTIN SMITH** (ASD Director William Vaughn). Joining them in new roles will be *Wentworth*'s **DANIELLE CORMACK** (Independent MP Karen Koutoufides) and *The Wrong Girl*'s **ROB COLLINS** (Major Joseph Sullivan). The new season will see Harriet, newly released from prison, becoming unwittingly ensnared in a military and political cover-up that has Catriona Bailey's fingerprints all over it. Working for Karen Koutoufides, Harriet uncovers a secret military program that not even the Prime Minister knows about!



Best mates Emma (Celia Pacquola) and Daniel (Luke McGregor).

Rosehaven returns

ABC's popular comedy *Rosehaven* has been renewed for a third series. "It's a thrill to have one of ABC's true jewels back for more laughs, charm and lump-in-the-throat moments," says ABC Head of Comedy **RICK**

KALOWSKI. The third series of the Tasmanian-set, real-estate comedy will see best mates Daniel (**LUKE MCGREGOR**) and Emma (**CELIA PACQUOLA**) now ensconced as bona fide real estate agents, as big changes affect their personal lives and a real-estate opportunity threatens to divide the whole town.



No Activity's Tim Meadows and Patrick Brammall.

MORE ACTIVITY

Streaming service Stan has announced that *No Activity*, the US adaptation of the original Australian series of the same name, has been renewed for a second season by its US broadcaster CBS All Access. The quirky series is about the mundane lives of two low-level cops who spend too much time in a patrol car investigating a

major drug cartel. It involves two criminals who are being kept in the dark, two dispatch workers who don't like each other and two Mexican tunnellers caught in confined spaces. Starring original Australian series actor **PATRICK BRAMMALL**, *No Activity* is produced by Brammall and Hollywood comedic heavyweight **WILL FERRELL**.

A GAY GUY IN THE BAY

In a recent interview, *Home and Away* stalwart **RAY MEAGHER** (Alf) confirmed that the popular soap, which is celebrating 30 years on air this year, will be introducing a new gay male character to Summer Bay in the months ahead. The show, which rarely features gay storylines, with the last being the ultimately aborted and controversial lesbian fling between Charlie Buckton and Joey Collins in 2009, has earned criticism for its lack of sexual diversity. Meagher, however, says that's changing. "There is a storyline coming up. Our writers do try to keep abreast of the times, so there is an interesting character coming in. I won't tell you too much more about him, and how he works out or what happens, but that is being addressed," Meagher previews. **SW**

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Expectant parents Steffy and Liam should be celebrating the news that they are having a baby in a few months, while blissfully preparing for the joyous occasion. Instead, their marriage has been shattered by the revelation that Steffy slept with Liam's father Bill, a betrayal Liam finds both reprehensible and unforgivable.

Despite the painful fact that Liam (Scott Clifton) has abandoned her and their marriage and has merely agreed to a co-parenting relationship after the baby is born, Steffy (Jacqueline MacInnes Wood) is struggling to accept she's lost him. And so, she refuses to sign the marriage annulment papers.

Steffy has strenuously vowed to fight to win Liam back, but she hits a hurdle when he rejects her invitation to attend Brooke (Katherine Kelly Lang) and Ridge's (Thorsten Kaye) wedding together. As for Liam, he is leaning on a supportive Hope (Annika Noelle), who's confessed to Brooke that she wants to comfort him.

Offering wise words, Hope helps Liam see he must handle his broken marriage and Steffy's betrayal in a way that supports his best interests. Grateful for her advice, Liam ruminates on her words but ultimately realises all hope of reconciliation with Steffy is lost.

Meanwhile, Hope's own feelings are soon challenged when a worried Steffy suspects that she'd like a life with Liam again and could move in on him, thus further undermining Steffy and Liam's chances of marital reconciliation. Hope

insists she's not romantically interested in Liam, but Steffy remains unsure, a feeling that's proven when Hope admits to Liam that part of her would like them to reunite. Nevertheless, she's advocating for him to forgive Steffy, as he should be with the mother of his child. The attraction between them is obvious, as Liam accepts Hope's offer to work on her Hope For The Future fashion line.

After Steffy invites Liam to attend their baby's first ultrasound, she sees a glimmer of hope for their reunion when he accepts. During the scan, they learn they are expecting a baby girl. Marvelling at the ultrasound image of her, they're overcome with emotion as they bond over the moment. A tearful Steffy again asks Liam to forgive her transgressions, but Liam only promises never to let their problems affect the baby. Steffy implores him to see that the only way to do that is if they reconcile.

However, Liam remains tortured by his wife's betrayal and says he can't get over it. Upon hearing the baby gender news, a pleased Hope reinforces her support

for a Liam and Steffy reunion. Liam, however, appears troubled by a resurgence of his feelings for Hope and confides his problems in Wyatt (Darin Brooks).

Across town, Bill (Don Diamont), the other major threat to Liam and Steffy's happiness, is making his feelings about the situation clear. Pleased to hear from Wyatt that Steffy is having a girl, Bill seethes to learn that Hope is back in town. "Steffy better watch her back,"

After Steffy invites Liam to attend their baby's first ultrasound, she sees a glimmer of hope for their reunion.

A BABY DAUGHTER



Bill (Don Diamont) has a question for Steffy (Jacqueline MaclInnes Wood).



HOPE

Bill says, ominously, adding that he doesn't want Hope to interfere in his son's marriage. Wyatt, however, doesn't believe his father, accusing Bill of wanting Hope to be a threat so he can have Steffy for himself.

For once, Ridge shares his enemy's sentiments, warning Steffy to be aware of Hope spending time with Liam.

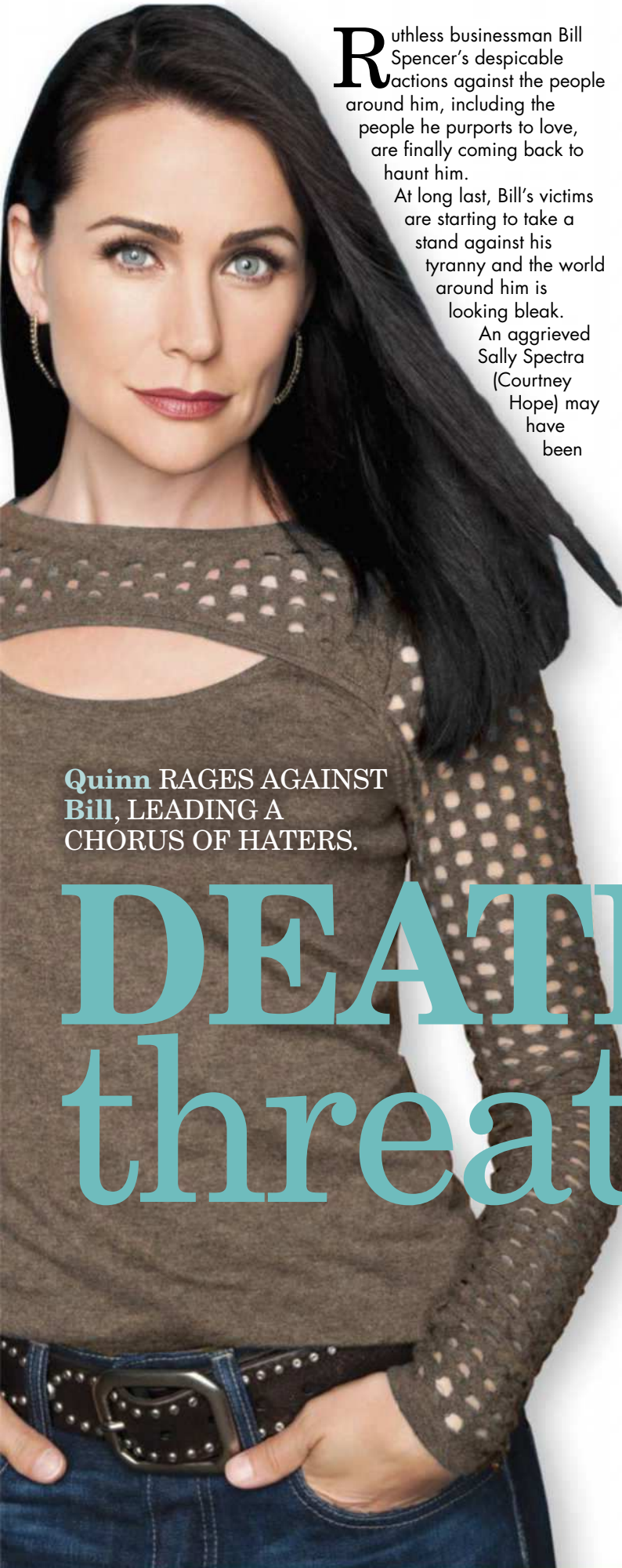
Taking her father's advice, Steffy is instantly on guard when Hope questions her again about her fling with Bill. Irritated at the interrogation, Steffy demands that Hope

admits she wants Liam, but Hope again denies the assertion. Displeased, Steffy orders Hope to respect her marriage, but Hope wrestles with her feelings as she has lunch with Liam, marvelling at being able to help him overcome his heartache.

Later, their bond deepens when Liam admits that, despite his confusion over Steffy, he can't see staying married to her. In truth, he feels at peace with Hope and the atmosphere is charged when they both admit they'll always love each other.

Soon after, Hope admits to Brooke that she's questioning if Steffy will do right by Liam. She says if it wasn't for the baby, she would make a move on him, clearly signalling that she can't forget her passion for Liam.

Bill can't forget his passion for Steffy, either, as he makes bold advances towards her. Arriving at Steffy's house, Bill bluntly declares to Steffy, "I want you". After ranting about Liam's treatment of her, Bill says he wants to raise the baby with her. Suddenly, Bill drops to one knee and asks Steffy to marry him! **SW**



Ruthless businessman Bill Spencer's despicable actions against the people around him, including the people he purports to love, are finally coming back to haunt him.

At long last, Bill's victims are starting to take a stand against his tyranny and the world around him is looking bleak.

An aggrieved Sally Spectra (Courtney Hope) may have been

the first one to take action against Bill (Don Diamont), even literally firing warning gunshots in his office, but she's by far the least on a list of people who'd love for Bill to permanently disappear.

His long-time enemy Ridge (Thorsten Kaye) ramps up his blustering hatred of Bill and asks Sheila Carter (Kimberlin Brown) to kill him for him!

Even one of Bill's most loyal employees, journalist Jarrett (Andrew Collins), threatens him with retribution after Bill harshly sacks him for his perceived disloyalty.

It's the unpredictable and often unstable Quinn (Rena Sofer) who poses the biggest threat to Bill. Learning that Wyatt (Darin Brooks) and Katie (Heather Tom) have reconciled their differences and become engaged, Quinn fears the worst when Wyatt reveals to Eric (John McCook) that Bill and Steffy (Jacqueline MacInnes Wood) had sex, thus shattering her marriage. Quinn's renewed hatred for Bill builds and Eric becomes apoplectic with rage, yelling, "I hate this man" and saying he'd like to get rid of him. Despite calming her husband down, Quinn's own

rage spirals out of control after Wyatt reveals that his father demanded he not marry Katie and, if he does, he'll disinherit him from the family and sue Katie for custody of Will. Labelling Bill as evil,

Quinn declares that someone must stop Bill's reign of terror.

Striking out against her ex-lover, Quinn interrupts Bill as he's finalising plans to legally cut Wyatt and Liam (Scott Clifton) out of his will. She seethes with disgust as Bill mocks their son for "running to his mummy" and then crosses the line by making fun of Eric's performance in bed, lasciviously suggesting that he could get Quinn into bed again



Bill (Don Diamont) seems capable of anything.

anytime he wants. Threatening to testify against Bill in his custody suit for Will, Quinn promises she's capable of anything in defence of Wyatt.

Bill only laughs in Quinn's face and has her dragged out of his office, kicking and screaming and vowing brutal revenge against him.

Later, as Bill proposes marriage to Steffy, a shadowy figure spies the moment while hiding outside the house. Is Quinn about to strike out with a deadly blow against Bill? **SW**

Quinn RAGES AGAINST Bill, LEADING A CHORUS OF HATERS.

DEATH threats

"A shadowy figure spies the moment while hiding outside the house."

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WHAT WAS MEANT TO BE Alf's GREAT FAMILY REUNION IS TURNING INTO THE YEAR FROM HELL FOR THE STEWART FAMILY, ON *HOME AND AWAY*.

The Stewart family are the cornerstone of the Summer Bay community, with the ever-loyal Alf as the patriarch the community turns to in times of need.

This year looked set to be the year that Alf (Ray Meagher) would finally have all the generations of his



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family all around him, now that Quinn (Lara Cox) and Ryder (Lukas Radovich) are in town.

But that wish to be close to his clan is fast turning into a nightmare, as he has all but destroyed his relationship with his beloved daughter Roo (Georgie Parker).

Alf thought he was doing the right thing by confessing to Roo that her mother Martha did not drown 30 years ago, as Roo had always been told, but is still alive.

By finally confessing the truth about this long-held lie, Alf has unleashed a number of demons from his past that he has worked overtime to hide.

As the truth is now out and demanding to be dealt with, there is nothing Alf can do about it.

That is what is about to come crashing down on Alf in upcoming episodes of *Home and Away*.

WORDS BY SETH ADAMSON





Alf (Ray Meagher) thought he was doing the best thing for Roo.



Alf now has to confront his shameful past.

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"Alf's stress levels are about to skyrocket."



Roo (Georgie Parker) is shattered by the lies she has been told.

Roo has fled town and is digging for the truth about her family's troubled past. She has a lead as to where her mother could be hiding out and is determined to get to the bottom of the hidden saga about why her mother ran away from Summer Bay years ago, and why she never made contact again.

Alf knows that once Roo goes digging for the truth, she may not like all that she finds – and he may not like those details being exposed, either.

For every relationship, there are two sides of the story. What actually happened during the marriage of Alf and Martha is a secret he has done his best to keep from others.

In those early years, when he and Martha were together and Roo was just a young girl, Alf was a very different man to the one the town knows today. He was still suffering from the effects of PTSD from his time of service in the Vietnam War, and had a temper he easily – and readily – lost.

There is a whole lot of shame he has hidden away about those sad years and

without Martha being around, he has never had to confront it. Until now.

Alf knows what Roo is like when her mind is made up and he's certain she will not come back until she has found what she is looking for. He also knows that Roo is looking in all the right places to find Martha and bring her back to Summer Bay for the family to confront what went wrong all those years ago.

With Martha almost certain to return, the situation will unleash a dramatic confrontation with Alf from which he won't be able to escape. He has been hiding from this truth for 30 years and will soon find this time is up.

Alf will also be forced to confront the damage he has done to his relationship with Roo and will wonder if he can ever repair the hurt he has caused her. For a man who has battled serious health issues in recent years, Alf's stress levels are about to skyrocket. This is something all his friends will watch with serious concern, as they see him pushed to breaking point. **SW** →

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Alf's wife *returns*

✿ Nothing's official at this stage, but veteran soapie favourite **BELINDA GIBLIN** is tipped as the actress to play Martha when the character finally returns to Summer Bay in the coming months.

Martha Stewart has not been seen on *Home and Away* since the earliest episodes of the series, in 1989. Back then, Martha's flashback scenes were played by Alison Mulvaney. When Martha does return this year, she will be the character with the longest gap between appearances ever on *Home and Away*.

Actress Belinda has previously appeared in *Home and Away* in 1991, in the role of Cynthia Ross, the first wife of regular character Michael Ross.

Belinda is acclaimed as one of the greats of the Aussie soap screen, having starred in such iconic dramas as *The Box* and *Cop Shop*, before taking on the role of Alison Carr in the 1980's favourite *Sons and Daughters*. In recent times, Belinda has worked mainly on the stage, so *Home and Away* could well mark a welcome return to the small screen for the star. **SW**



Robbo (Jake Ryan) is considered a danger to society.



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Revenge on Robbo

There's storm clouds brewing in the ferocious battle between Robbo (Jake Ryan) and Ash (George Mason), who is now setting up his long-time foe for a major showdown in upcoming episodes.

The war has been on between the pair since the end of last year when

Kat (Pia Miller) died in a horror car smash while fleeing the Bay with Robbo. Ever since, a bereaved Ash has been on a revenge mission to destroy Robbo, blaming him for not only the loss of Kat but also his baby that she was carrying.

Ash believes Robbo is a danger to society but all his

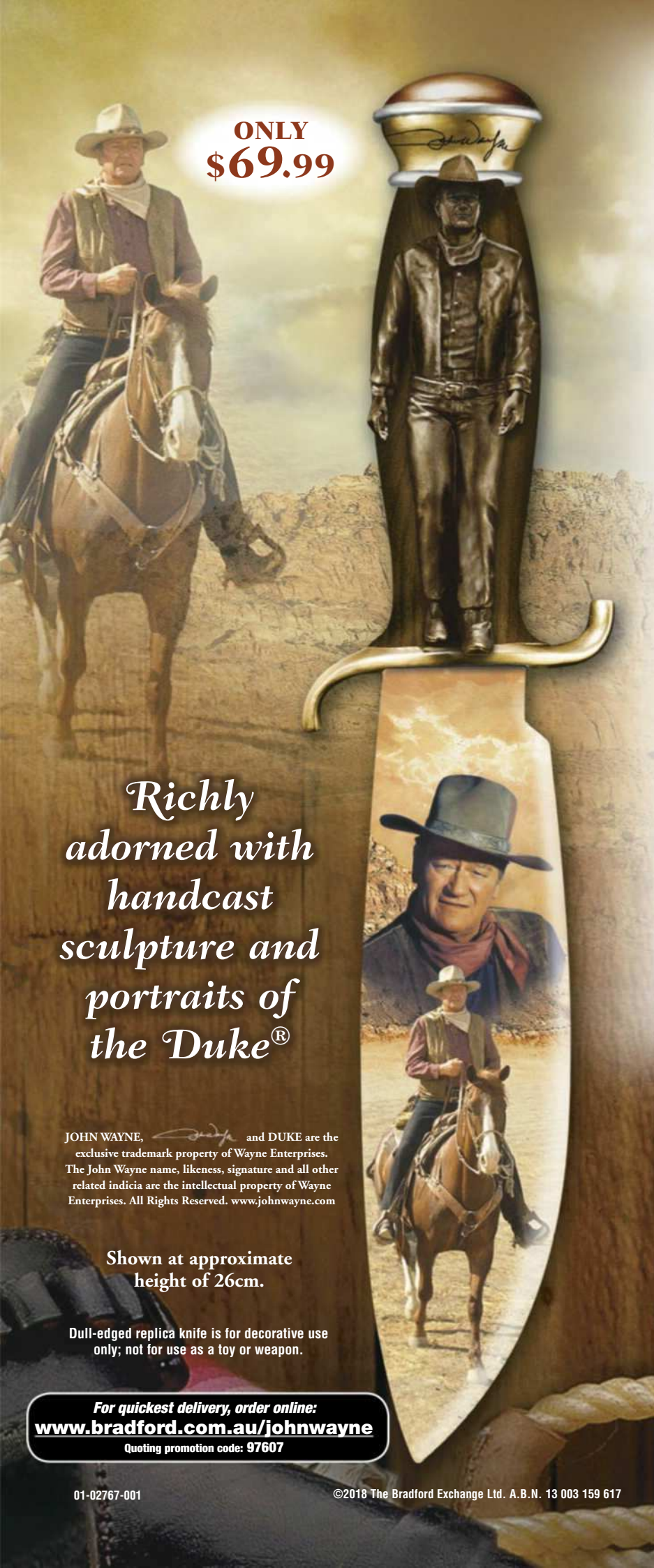
warnings fall on deaf ears, with no one convinced that Robbo means any serious harm. This is why Ash decides, in upcoming episodes, that he has to take

action. And if that means he has to set Robbo up, so be it. He just wants this guy run out of town, for good.

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Jane Harris RETURNS TO RAMSAY STREET TO UNCOVER A SECRET FROM THE PAST

NEIGHBOURS
WEEKNIGHTS AT 6.30PM
ON ELEVEN



There's something about number 32 Ramsay Street, and Jane Harris

is determined to find out what it is. Jane (Annie Jones) moved away from Erinsborough almost 30 years, but her return in the coming weeks on *Neighbours* is welcomed as a great homecoming for the once-beloved sweetheart of Ramsay Street.

But the sweet Jane of years ago is now older, wiser and a different woman. After being a carer to her grandmother Mrs. Mangel for two decades, Jane has assumed many of Nell's worst qualities. She's a gossip, she's judgmental and doesn't approve of just about anything!

When Jane returns to Ramsay Street, she is a woman on a mission. There's something inside 32 Ramsay Street that was left behind years ago, and Jane is determined to retrieve it!

"This is all about unfinished business," Annie tells TV SOAP. "She's got unfinished business on behalf of Mrs. Mangel, who is still living in the UK, and Jane has been sent back with a very clear agenda. She's back for something and won't be leaving town until she gets it!"

"The problem with that, of course, is that there have been many different families who lived in that house since the days Nell Mangel and her family lived there.

"So Jane's very interested in what renovations have been done and what has changed since then. Jane is searching for something."

Also, it doesn't take long for Jane to reveal how the many years of living with her grandmother have rubbed off on her – in the worst possible

WORDS BY JOHN BURETT



“Plain Jane”



ways. Within days of arriving back, Jane's behaviour reveals she is like a next-generation Mrs. Mangel!

"In a number of ways, she's regressed from the bright young woman she was and has taken on a lot of Mrs. Mangel's qualities," Annie explains.

"A lot of Mrs. Mangel's attitudes and beliefs are now hers, and Jane is not afraid to

share her views on everything. Not that people usually want to hear her point of view, but Jane is happy to have her say, on just about everything!"

The one person who best recalls the beautiful young woman Jane was in those days is Paul Robinson (Stefan Dennis). Back then, the two characters were worlds apart – Jane was the shy young woman, while Paul was the power-hungry stud ready to bed any woman who caught his eye.

When they meet again, however, a new connection is made that goes way beyond the memories they share of a

very different Ramsay Street.

"That was long ago, and things were so different, as Paul was always the boss and, of course, he was married then to the lovely Gail (Fiona Corke)," Annie recalls. "But things are different now and they're at different stages of their lives. There is a connection there, as they both share a wonderful past."

In the meantime, Jane knows she needs to befriend Shane (Nicholas Coghlan) and Dipi (Sharon Johal) to get inside their house and find out what has changed and to uncover the secret she knows their four walls are hiding. **SW** →

"Jane's behaviour reveals she is like a next-generation Mrs. Mangel!"



Jane is interested in everyone's business.

Jane (Annie Jones) disapproves of a lot of things.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEIGHBOURS
WEEKNIGHTS AT 6.30PM
ON ELEVEN



Why it was time to come back

Annie Jones played Jane Harris on *Neighbours* from 1986 to 1989. She reveals how she planned the return of Jane Harris.

Why the decision to return to *Neighbours*?

Well it was actually my idea. I came up with the storyline ideas and put my hand up and said, "Hey, if you guys want me back, I'm keen and this is how I think it could work". Luckily, the timing all worked out, and so here I am. Coming back to play Jane again was just really appealing.

How much has Jane changed since her days in Erinsborough?

She went to the University of London and became a history teacher. But from many years of looking after Mrs. Mangel, she has absorbed a lot of her traits and Jane has sort of lost her own sense of self. So the journey she goes on, when she comes back, is a bit of a self-discovery, because she learns how to be herself again.

What was it like to walk back on the *Neighbours* sets?

I was on the show from the age of 19 until when I was 21, and that seems a lifetime ago because I'm 51 now. It was initially strange to be on the set, because in many ways nothing had changed at all. A lot of the crew are still working on the show and it was great to see Stefan again. But we're now filming on a back-lot more than in the street, which makes things a lot easier. And the technology has changed, too!

In the old days, you were teamed on-screen with Guy Pearce as Mike. Did you tell Guy you were coming back?

I'm sure he knows, as he's very good friends with Damien Richardson who plays Gary in the show. Guy would probably think it was quite a hoot! **SW**

Just as hurricane **Izzy** leaves town, **Chloe Brennan** blows in and creates havoc.

NEIGHBOURS
WEEKNIGHTS AT 6.30PM
ON ELEVEN

A NEW STORM BREAKS

There's no time for Ramsay Street to miss the sparks and fireworks that Izzy Hoyland left in her wake, because from the moment Chloe Brennan sweeps in, there will be plenty of new drama to deal with.

Chloe is the sister of the Brennan brothers, but she is unlike both Mark (Scott McGregor) and Aaron (Matt Wilson) in a range of ways.

While she arrives claiming she wants to be near her brothers and settle down for a while, there is another reason Chloe (April Rose Pengilly) has decided to hide out in Ramsay Street for as long as she can.

"There are strong reasons why she's in town, and those reasons will slowly come to the

surface in the coming weeks," April Rose tells *TV SOAP*.

As for claims that Chloe is the new version of Izzy, April Rose is quick to dismiss any such connections.

"She's really not a bad girl at all, and is certainly not malicious," she says. "She's just more of a whirlwind who is a free spirit. But then she gets herself into mischief without ever really meaning to. She's the kind of person who will just put her foot well and truly in it, every single time."

Over the coming weeks, she will lie her way into a new job, interfere in Aaron's troubled relationship with David (Takaya Honda), allow an underage local to drink alcohol, gets into

a fight with Terese (Rebekah Elmaloglou) and causes havoc at Lassiters.

"I'm not really sure I would say she causes drama, more like some hiccups," April Rose says, before adding, "okay then, there are some big hiccups along the way to deal with!"

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WHEN **Harrow** AND **Dass** EMBARK ON A PASSIONATE AFFAIR, HE THINKS IT WILL PUT HER OFF SOLVING THE MURDER CASE THAT COULD RUIN HIM.



Soroya Dass (Mirrah Foulkes) questions Daniel Harrow (Ioan Gruffudd).

HARROW
FRIDAYS
AT 8:30PM
ON ABC

Deadly

Just how far will Daniel Harrow go to ensure that a murder mystery, which he has worked hard to cover up, remains dead and buried?

Is Daniel the kind of man to sleep with a co-worker he is crazily attracted to in an effort to conceal his involvement in a messy murder case?

That's the shocking turn of events in upcoming episodes of *Harrow*, as the sparks between Dr. Daniel Harrow (Ioan Gruffudd) and his gorgeous colleague, Sergeant Soroya Dass (Mirrah Foulkes) erupt into a sizzling affair.

While there has definitely been a mutual attraction all along between Harrow and Soroya, it has become increasingly complicated since the pair began working on the case of the body dredged up from the Brisbane River.

Harrow has done everything to dissuade Dass and Lyle Fairley (Darren Gilshenan) from doing their jobs to investigate

affair

the circumstances of the mysterious, washed-up body.

But with each new clue Dass manages to uncover, and her attempts to solve the riddle of the messy murder case, Harrow's fear factor rises. He knows when she puts enough pieces together, they are certain to add up to incriminate him.

Daniel has been on the run from this case for ages and he's desperate to put it behind him, hoping it will all go away. But now that everything has come to the surface, it looks like his time is running out.

When Dass manages to uncover some new clues about missing man Robert Quinn, she realises the strong connection between Daniel and Quinn – and Daniel can barely contain

the fact that their connection was never good.

As Quinn was his former wife's husband, there

was no love lost between them. What added to Daniel's dislike was that his beloved daughter Fern (Ella Newton) absolutely hated her stepfather.

When Dass questions Daniel about Quinn's disappearance, the doc knows she is one step closer to exposing him.

She asks all the right

questions and with every one, Daniel gets a horrible sinking feeling that the game is up and the truth will be revealed.

While the passion between them is real, not to mention red hot, Harrow wonders if their sexy relationship will be enough to deflect Dass's attention and questioning away from him so as to successfully obscure his involvement.

Dass is determined to solve this case once and for all. But when a new series of events shed even more surprising light on what happened, she can't help but wonder about the real extent of Daniel's knowledge on the matter.

As she takes a new look at the man she is getting intimate with, it looks set to change everything between them.

What Daniel has no idea about yet, however, is just how much Dass has already worked out. In fact, he might be shocked to learn she is way, way ahead of him! **SW**

"Harrow wonders if their sexy relationship will be enough to deflect Dass's attention and questioning."

SANDO
SIX-PART SERIES
WEDNESDAYS
ON ABC

Damage control

Victoria Sandringham CRASHES FROM ONE HILARIOUS DISASTER TO ANOTHER IN THE NEW SERIES, *SANDO*.



Victoria “Sando” Sandringham doesn’t believe that discount furniture and

show-biz should be mutually exclusive and that’s how the high-powered CEO of Sando’s Warehouse is determined to live her life.

Unfortunately for Sando (Sacha Horler), living her best life doesn’t always lead to the best outcomes.

After she’s sprung in the bedroom department with a killer hangover and a handsome employee, her life spins chaotically – and hilariously – out of control.

Sando now finds herself destitute, as the ABC’s new comedy series *Sando* kicks off. However, nothing can keep the queen of discount furniture down for long and Sando quickly hatches a plan.

She knows it was her outrageous TV commercials, featuring her family, which put Sando’s Warehouse on the map. Consequently, she figures that if she can recapture that spark within her clan, she will be able to save the business from the evil clutches of arch-nemesis Tony (Rob Carlton), and sail off into the sunset... or something like that.

There’s just one little problem; she’s been excommunicated ever since a scandal involving Kevin



Sando (Sacha Horler) believes she is destined for success.



Susie's (Krew Boylan) wedding is a complete disaster.

Who's who in Sandstorm

Sandstorm's whacky characters are brought to life by some of Australia's favourite TV talent:



SACHA HORLER:
Victoria "Sandstorm"
Sandringham



FIRASS DIRANI:
Kevin



PHIL LLOYD:
Don Sandringham



KREW BOYLAN:
Susie Long



ADELE VUKO:
Nicky



ULI LATUKEFU:
Gary



ROB CARLTON:
Tony

"The mother-daughter relationship needs a bit of work. Actually, it needs a whole lot of work."

(Firass Dirani), who was – at the time – the fiancée of her daughter Susie (Krew Boylan). That scandal involved Sandstorm finding herself pregnant and announcing it on her daughter's wedding day!

Now that she is broke and out of luck, Sandstorm needs her family more than ever, but as actress Sacha Horler tells *Soap World*, Sandstorm is going to have to work hard if she wants to put things right.

"Sandstorm's biggest challenge is to repair the serious damage she has done to her family," Horler reveals. "The most important person in Sandstorm's life is her beautiful daughter Susie, but she's definitely lost her way. The mother-daughter relationship needs a bit of work. Actually, it needs a whole lot of work."

However Sandstorm isn't the only problematic member of the Sandringham clan. Susie can barely find the time to ever forgive her mother, let alone welcome her back into her life, when Sandstorm shows up unexpectedly on her doorstep!

While Susie is trying to help her husband Gary (Uli Latukefu) through his own range of bizarre demons, Susie's dad Don (Phil Lloyd) is secretly indulging in a wild affair with her bestie and live-in life-coach Nicky (Adele Vuko) – all behind

Susie's back. And as if things weren't messy enough, when Sandstorm arrives back in her life, Susie's forced to deal with her ex Kevin, who develops an instant bromance with the tortured Gary.

The last thing Susie needs is her wheeling dealing mum back in the picture, but Sandstorm is determined to go to any lengths to rebuild broken family bonds. So, she sets out to blackmail Don and Nicky to support her, using the star-crossed lovers forbidden affair as leverage, to convince her daughter to let her stay.

But Susie is no fool and, determined to shake her mum loose, demands that she prove her good intentions by going through hypnotherapy. When things turn from bad to even worse for Susie, she is forced to admit she might need her mum to sort out their twisted family life, after all.

Just as everything seems to be on track, Sandstorm's knack for messing things up comes back to bite her. She manages to derail Don's new career move not to mention her own plan to save the family business from being stolen from all of them by the evil Tony!

It's a race against time as the two stage a daring escape and Sandstorm ultimately faces a wrenching choice: help Don achieve his dream, or put her business first, again? **SW**



Firass keeps things steaming

→ Kevin got Sandstorm hot and bothered and no wonder – he's played by hunky award-winning actor **FIRASS DIRANI**.

Firass, who first shot to fame on *Underbelly: The Golden Mile* and then became a fan favourite as Justin on *House Husbands*, returns to the Aussie screens to bring the intense but lovable Kevin to life in *Sandstorm*.

While Firass is a TV favourite, he also hit big two years ago on the big screen with his acclaimed role in the WWII epic *Hacksaw Ridge*. In *Sandstorm*, he is reunited with fellow *Underbelly* alumni Rob Carlton, who plays the devious Tony, and the two cast mates bring a dark edge to the outrageous situation comedy. **SW**

PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK
NEXT MONTH ON
SHOWCASE ON FOXTEL

PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK ALREADY HAS THE WORLD TALKING, WITH THE NEW SERIES DUE ON AUSSIE SCREENS NEXT MONTH

Picnic at Hanging Rock has long been part of Australian folklore, with both the 1967 novel and the 1975 movie considered national treasures.

Now the new mini-series version looks set to take the world by storm, after winning showers of acclaim from international TV critics at its recent premiere at the Berlin Film Festival.

The reviews for this new version of the classic tale of the group of schoolgirls, who go missing during a St Valentine's Day picnic, were glowing hot.

So much so that *Picnic at Hanging Rock* has already been hailed by the influential UK newspaper *The London Evening Standard* as 2018's answer to *The Handmaid's Tale*.

We take a sneak peek at what it is about *Picnic* that has generated so much interest, and why it's already shaping up as the must-see Australian TV drama event of the year.

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A picnic to remember



Natalie takes the reins

✿ Natalie Dormer, who earned world fame as Margaery Tyrell in the TV phenomenon *Game of Thrones*, takes a walk on the darker side of life as school headmistress Mrs. Hester Appleyard in *Picnic at Hanging Rock*.

The British star, who also starred as Anne Boleyn in *The Tudors*, admits she was fascinated by the project from the moment she first read the script.

Travelling to Australia to film the series in the Macedon Ranges outside of Melbourne, Dormer admits

she was captivated by the stunning locations, which made it easy to portray her character.

"It's wonderful when life informs art," she said in a recent Foxtel interview. "Hester Appleyard has come all the way from grimy Victorian London and is affected by the majesty of the wildness of the Australian outback."

"This was my first trip to Australia, so to be standing in the Macedon region and to look out over the Hanging Rock made an impression on me as well – no acting required!"

The famous story of the disappearance of three schoolgirls and a teacher

during a school picnic has been given an all-new take in the series, with the characters' back stories delved into in far more depth. It quickly becomes apparent there are some serious skeletons hiding in all their closets.

"The delicious thing that has been done with our version of *Picnic at Hanging Rock* is that we have really fleshed out her morally ambiguous background in London," Dormer explains. "The audience slowly learns more and more, and that she is not as she portrays herself to be!" **SW**

Natalie Dormer plays *Picnic's* headmistress Mrs. Hester Appleyard.



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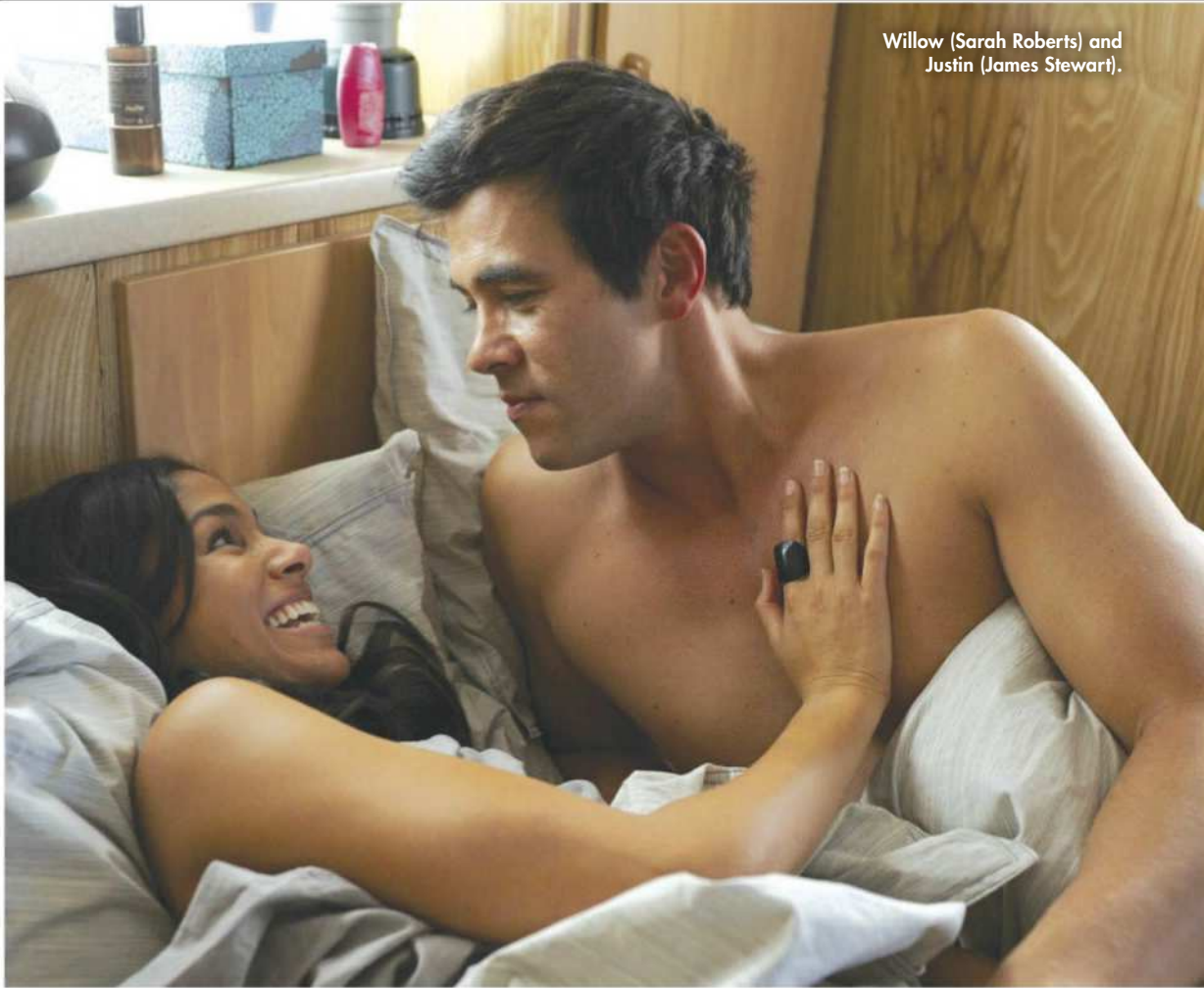
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WHETHER THESE PARTNERSHIPS ARE INSPIRED BY THE FREEDOM OF PLAYING DRAMATIC STORYLINES, THE WORLD OF TV DRAMA HAS HAD ITS FAIR SHARE OF

JAMES STEWART & SARAH ROBERTS

Home and Away hotties, **SARAH ROBERTS** and **JAMES STEWART**, definitely found more than good chemistry in the heart of Summer Bay. The on- and off-screen couple, who've been dating since August 2017, looked the perfect pair in a recent Instagram snap posted by Sarah. The caption "A Sunday Kind of Love" not only confirmed their blossoming relationship but also gave fans the heart flutter they'd been waiting for. Revealing how she felt about filming love scenes with James, Sarah said, "There's real chemistry, so it's easy – I don't even have to act".



Willow (Sarah Roberts) and Justin (James Stewart).

CO-STARS TURN



HARLEY BONNER & ARIEL KAPLAN

When neighbours become good friends, sometimes they even become lovers. These two former *Ramsay Street* residents found love in Erinsborough, although they happened to be playing brother and sister! While both actors left the soap at the same time to pursue other adventures, it seems they also found new partners. **HARLEY** is now seeing model **NATALIE ROSER**, and **ARIEL** is with her new partner **DEAN COOPER**.

Harley Bonner (Josh) and Ariel Kaplan (Imogen), left, and below right.



SOMEONE ELSE OR BY THEIR PERFECT MATCHES.



KYLIE MINOGUE & JASON DONOVAN

It's been nearly 30 years since KYLIE and JASON captured each other's hearts, as well as the heart of Australia, but their romance just wasn't meant to be. The former *Neighbours* co-stars and lovers first started dating as teenagers. They later hit a rough patch in 1989 when Kylie left Jason for INXS front man MICHAEL HUTCHENCE. Jason, 49, has admitted many times since that he still gets upset thinking about the break up.

NED COUPLES



SARAH WISEMAN & CRAIG HALL

Not only are these co-stars from *A Place to Call Home* in love – they're also married in real life! SARAH made the move to Australia from New Zealand with hubby CRAIG HALL before the two were cast in the series at the same time. For this happy couple, long days on set and early call times are anything but a chore. →

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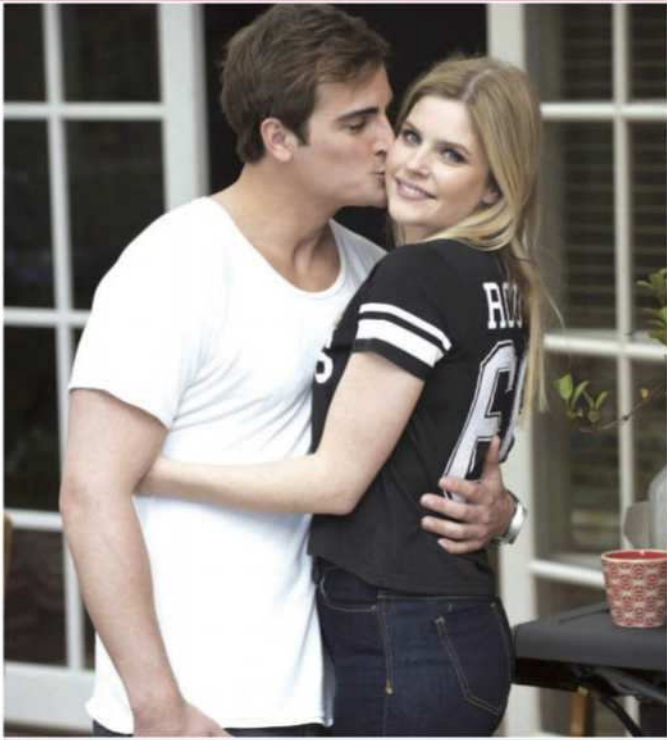


JESSICA MARAIS & JAMES STEWART (AGAIN)

It seems **JAMES** has made a habit of falling in love at work! When he met co-star **JESSICA MARAIS**, 33, on the set of *Packed to the Rafters* in 2009, the sparks flew and the two instantly hit it off. James played the role of Jake Barton, while Jess played the part of Rachel Rafter. Although the relationship blossomed and the two went on to get engaged in 2010 and had a daughter **SCOUT** in 2012, the couple ultimately broke up in 2015.

CO-STARS TURN





CHRIS MILLIGAN & JENNA ROSENOW

EHarmony should have a chat to the good folk at *Neighbours*, because clearly they know how to produce some super-cute couples! CHRIS and JENNA both starred on the soap for a number of years before waving goodbye to pursue acting roles in the US. Even though their stint on *Neighbours* didn't last, the couples relationship sure did! They've now been together for five years and show no signs of slowing down.



NED COUPLES



SAMARA WEAVING & ALEX WHITEHEAD

Talk about a good-looking couple! Sure, the relationship didn't last, but at least we have the gorgeous memories to keep us warm at night. The former *Home and Away* cast mates hooked up in 2012 and only dated for a few months, but it was great while it lasted. SAMARA wasn't the first co-star ALEX has fallen for. In 2010, he had a short-lived romance with LISA GORMLEY. SW



STEPHANIE

AS Brooke AND Ridge REPEAT THEIR WEDDING VOWS, A “HAPPY” Stephanie GAZES DOWN ON THEM.



Ridge (Thorsten Kaye) promises to cherish Brooke (Katherine Kelly Lang).

The sixth time may be the charm, as Brooke and Ridge reunite in matrimony during an intimate wedding ceremony, complete with a very special and unexpected guest.

Star-crossed lovers Brooke and Ridge may have had more marriages, as well as abandoned wedding ceremonies, than they can care to count. That, however, isn't stopping them from taking another trip down the aisle, hoping this marriage will last forever.

Ahead of their latest wedding, Brooke (Katherine Kelly Lang) is heartened when the previously disapproving Thorne (Ingo Rademacher) bows out of the race for her affections, gracefully telling her he

Just married... again!

Brooke insists Stephanie was at the wedding and is probably in their bedroom with them now."

accepts her marriage to Ridge (Thorsten Kaye) and wishes her well. Sharing the news with Ridge, Brooke can't contain her excitement about the wedding. Ridge is also happy that he can finally be the man that she deserves as they both hope



their remarriage can be an example to Liam (Scott Clifton) and Steffy (Jacqueline MacInnes Wood) that forgiveness is always the answer to a couple's problems.

On the morning of the wedding, Brooke adds a special touch to make the ceremony even more perfect. Staring at the spot above the Forrester mansion mantelpiece, Brooke brings out Stephanie's portrait and re-hangs it above the fireplace, telling Ridge that it's back where it belongs.

Stephanie truly impacted her life when she was alive, so she's proud to have her portrait take pride of place on their wedding day.

As Brooke dresses for the wedding she is joined by Katie (Heather Tom) and Hope (Annika Noelle), as well as Donna (Jennifer Gareis) who's returned for the occasion. After Hope and Maya (Karla Mosley) give her the traditional wedding gifts, the Logan sisters urge Brooke to wear their deceased mother Beth's earrings for the ceremony.

Downstairs, Eric (John McCook) takes a moment alone to give Ridge a special gift before wishing Brooke well, too.

Finally, Brooke walks down the aisle and the ceremony begins as the guests offer heartfelt words to the happy couple. Brooke and Ridge exchange personal vows, with Ridge telling his

bride, "Thank you for letting me steal your heart, I promise I will cherish it for the rest of my life". Wedding rings are exchanged and the couple is pronounced husband and wife.

At the reception, RJ (Anthony Turpel) is ecstatic his parents are together and they're a family again, before Eric and Thorne toast the newlyweds who share their first dance and cut the cake.

Later, Brooke finds herself taking a moment alone to gaze fondly at Stephanie's portrait, thinking it was a good idea to have her there after all they went through together.

Suddenly, "Stephanie" joins the festivities as Brooke hears her voice say, "Hello, you did good Brooke".

Wondering if it's truly her, Brooke is startled when "Stephanie" calls her "my sweet little slut from the valley", before advising her daughter-in-law to ensure she stays on the straight and narrow now she's Ridge's wife again.

Tears well in Brooke's eyes, as "Stephanie" also warns her not to let Eric remove her portrait from above the mantelpiece again, then her voice fades away.

Later that night, Brooke and Ridge reminisce about the day, as Ridge proclaims that Brooke became the Forrester matriarch today.

They make love and, afterwards, Brooke tells Ridge his mother is really happy for them. Wondering if he believes in ghosts, Brooke insists Stephanie was at the wedding and is probably in their bedroom with them now. Despite his scepticism, Ridge assures Brooke they have his mother's blessing.

The newlyweds' happiness continues as Valentine's Day dawns and Ridge gifts Brooke with a piece of Stephanie's jewellery. Wearing red lingerie, she seduces him.

After lovemaking, Ridge vows to keep his wife smiling throughout all the years ahead of them. **SW**

Engagement FORBIDDEN

Thorne AND Bill's INTERFERENCE THREATENS TO UNRAVEL Katie AND Wyatt's SHAKY RELATIONSHIP BEFORE THEIR ENGAGEMENT HAS BEGUN.

Secret lovebirds Katie and Wyatt have enjoyed a carefree and peaceful romance complete with an adventurous love life for months, relieved to have dodged the drama that surrounds their family and friends' romances.

Since Thorne's return to LA, Katie has found herself irresistibly drawn to the flirtatious fashion designer and the attraction is showing no signs of abating.

Preparing for their maid of honour and best man duties at Brooke (Katherine Kelly Lang) and Ridge's (Thorsten Kaye) wedding, Katie (Heather Tom) and Thorne (Ingo Rademacher) relentlessly flirt with each other.

Meanwhile, Katie dodges Thorne's queries about her "no strings attached" relationship with her mystery man. However, she can't help but smile when Thorne calls her beautiful and sophisticated.

With Thorne on her mind, Katie is awkward and taken aback when Wyatt (Darin Brooks) wants to be her date for the wedding, suggesting

they use the occasion as the official coming out of their relationship to their loved ones.

Katie balks, forbidding Wyatt from attending the wedding as Bill (Don Diamont) will be in attendance and she doesn't want his expected negative reaction to overshadow her sister's big day. Wyatt reluctantly agrees as he doesn't want to complicate things.

Despite the sentiment, Wyatt clearly has second thoughts about his relationship status →

THORNE



Wyatt (Darin Brooks) realises his feelings for Katie (Heather Tom).

"Katie and Wyatt drop the bombshell revelation on Bill."

– that he's been dating Katie for months but now regrets telling her he wanted a casual relationship. His feelings for her run much deeper and, afraid she'll find "another guy", he plans a romantic surprise when she returns home from the wedding.

Meanwhile, at the reception, Wyatt is the last thing on Katie's mind, as she enjoys Thorne's company before passionately kissing him on the Forrester terrace. She is unaware Wyatt is watching from the telescope trained on the property from Katie's living room!

Devastated, Wyatt abandons the surprise and confronts Katie

when she gets home. Without revealing he's seen the kiss, Wyatt shocks her by ending the relationship. He doesn't think they're ready for a commitment and doesn't want to damage her civil relationship with Bill for their son's sake by hanging around. Katie is confused and in tears, as Wyatt says he wants to remain friends and will never forget the impact she's made on his life.

Meanwhile, Thorne is consumed by thoughts of kissing Katie. He visits her to lay his heart on the line. Hearing she's ended her secret relationship, Thorne confesses he's pleased because he'd like to pursue her. Taken aback, Katie says she doesn't want to jump in too soon.

Undeterred by her rejection, Thorne soon gets an opportunity to change her mind when he takes her phone by mistake and she receives a text from Wyatt, saying, "I already miss you. Maybe we need to rethink this break up Katie". Discovering that Wyatt was her secret lover, Thorne returns the phone and offers to help Katie get over her feelings for Wyatt. Resisting a

rebound relationship, Katie tries to reject Thorne but is intrigued by his advances and finally submits to his passionate kisses. Eventually, Katie pulls away, telling Thorne she's not ready. Upset, Thorne quietly deletes the text she received from Wyatt.

Later though, a miserable Wyatt can't stand being without the woman he loves and visits Katie. He tells her he saw her kissing Thorne, which made him realise how much he cares about her. After learning that she never received Wyatt's text, because Thorne must have deleted it, Katie chokes up when Wyatt insists he wants a future with her.

"I'm completely and madly in love with you," Wyatt says, as Katie returns the thought and kisses him. The joy of their reconciliation is quickly solidified when Wyatt asks Katie to marry him and she accepts. However, the couple's happiness comes crashing back to reality when they realise they'll have to tell everyone they're getting married, especially Bill. After giving a resigned Thorne the news, Katie and Wyatt drop the bombshell revelation on Bill.

Outraged to hear his son and ex-wife have fallen in love and are getting married, Bill screams that they'll only get married over his dead body! Ranting that the romance is inappropriate and embarrassing, Bill accuses Katie of seducing Wyatt as revenge for him sleeping with Brooke while they were married.

Wyatt is stunned at his attitude as Bill gives his son an ultimatum to choose between his father or Katie. If he chooses Katie, Bill warns that Wyatt will no longer be his son and will be cut off personally, professionally and financially from the Spencer family! After Wyatt remains unyielding, Bill plays a malicious trump card, threatening to sue Katie for full custody of Will if she marries his son.

Appalled, Wyatt defends Katie, counter-threatening Bill if he snatches Will from the only decent parent the child has.

Emotions are running high as Wyatt and Katie return home, with a frantic Katie dreading the loss of her little boy. Katie cries that she hates Bill, prompting Wyatt to promise he'll do everything in his power to stop the tyrannical Bill from hurting Katie and taking Will. **SW**



THREATENING TO END Bill's REIGN OF TERROR, Sally TAKES AIM.



Sally (Courtney Hope) practices at the firing range.

SALLY IS OUTRAGED!

Over a period of several months, Bill Spencer orchestrated every despicable trick in his arsenal to mercilessly put Sally Spectra and her beloved Spectra Fashions out of business. His plan was to acquire the building and land that housed the business so as to erect his beloved skyscraper in its place.

He finally succeeded when he demolished the building, almost killing Sally and Liam in the process and leaving Sally professionally, personally and emotionally decimated by the loss of her dream.

Since then, Sally (Courtney Hope) has sat quietly on the sidelines, praying that Liam (Scott Clifton) will eventually follow through on his promise to make Spencer Publications fund Spectra Fashions' resurrection. Having heard nothing about Liam's plans for months, Sally's frustrations finally boil over and she confronts Bill (Don Diamont), demanding that he help rebuild her company as Liam promised.

Instead of agreeing, Bill cold-heartedly laughs in Sally's face as she asks him to evaluate the many ideas she has for the reconstruction and sign off on them. Bluntly announcing that he has no intention of helping her now that Liam has left Spencer Publications, which as far as he's concerned nullifies the promise, Bill kicks Sally out of the office, sneering "I don't want to see you again".

Outraged, Sally calls Bill a monster and warns that his tyrannical days are numbered before someone stops his reign of terror. Chuckling at the outburst, Bill says "Not today and not by you," as Sally stalks out of his office.

To try and quell her rage, Sally retreats to the local gun range with Shirley (Patrika Darbo) and Saul (Alex Wyse) and furiously fires her gun, repeatedly hitting her target as she tells them that Bill is reneging on the promise to relocate Spectra Fashions.

Buoyed by Shirley's response that nobody treats the Spectras

this way and gets away with it, Sally vows that someone will "put Bill in his place once and for all" as she continues firing gunshots at the target.

Hinting that she has a plan to make Bill take her seriously, Sally says their lives will be much better without him.

Soon after, Sally barges back into Bill's office, interrupting him as he's showing Justin (Aaron D. Spears) his cherished golden handgun. Sally says she wants to give Bill another chance to help her but when he again dismissively rejects her, Sally snaps and screeches, "You are messing with the wrong woman!" Raging that Liam is the man Bill will never be, Sally suddenly snatches Bill's gun and fires a shot!

Instead of shooting Bill, Sally has shot "Sky", Bill's beloved model skyscraper, prompting a shocked Bill to threaten to send Sally to prison. "Don't you ever come near me again," Bill roars as Sally storms out, silently promising that she isn't finished with Bill Spencer just yet! **SW**

Nick's HEART HAS BEEN RIPPED TO SHREDS, BUT HE'S RISKING MORE PAIN BY LEANING ON Sharon, WHO'S ALREADY MADE HIS LIFE A MISERY



Nick (Joshua Morrow) is devastated by Chelsea's (Melissa Claire Egan) lies.

Chelsea's betrayal

Nick Newman has endured more than his fair share of romantic heartache throughout his life, but Chelsea is the one woman who's caused him the greatest pain.

After losing out on love with Sharon, Phyllis, Sage and every other love interest he had, Nick thought he'd found the trust and commitment he desired in Chelsea and that she'd never hurt him.

Fatefully, Nick (Joshua Morrow) has now discovered



SHARON

he seriously underestimated Chelsea (Melissa Claire Egan). This is after her notorious past as a consummate con artist, which she'd hidden from him, was publicly exposed. With the damning allegations against Chelsea overwhelming Nick, Chelsea systematically destroyed her relationship with him by returning to her criminal vices and carrying out more scams using the

alias Alexandra West. It was all a brazen attempt to avoid prosecution and the wrath of Sharon (Sharon Case) and Phyllis (Gina Tognoni), who determined to leave no stone unturned in their quest to bring down Chelsea and protect Nick from her lies.

Unfortunately for Chelsea that meant Nick's ex-wives ultimately uncovered Chelsea's biggest betrayal – that she was hiding from Nick the fact he wasn't Christian's biological father.

Once the women learned the

WEEKDAYS AT 2PM ON ELEVEN

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truth, Chelsea knew she'd lose Nick forever and scrambled to flee Genoa City fast.

Breaking her new engagement to Nick, via a letter to him, Chelsea took her son Connor as well as Christian and the money she'd stolen from her victims and fled. After an attack of conscience prompted her to leave Christian behind, she and Connor disappeared from Nick's life without a trace.

In the aftermath, Nick was a broken man, desperately trying to fathom why Chelsea would want to hurt him – until Sharon dropped the paternity bombshell. Devastated to hear the truth about Christian, Nick struggled to accept it until DNA tests concluded that Nick's deceased brother Adam was Christian's biological father.

The pain Nick felt was now compounded and, against his better judgment, he began leaning on a sympathetic Sharon for support and comfort. She was more than eager to give him the shoulder he craved but then shocked Nick by asking him to move in with her and Faith until he got his life sorted out. With his current home at risk of repossession, thanks to Chelsea's crimes, Nick agreed, but his decision created dissension among his loved ones. Phyllis and Mariah (Camryn Grimes) were immediately concerned and suspicious over the move. Their concern being that a vulnerable Nick would be easy prey for Sharon, should she choose to make advances towards him.

Given Nick and Sharon's long and tortured history of lies, infidelity and betrayal, Nick may indeed be setting himself up for more pain. Her mental stability is tenuous at the best of times and if she becomes fixated on having Nick back under her roof, she may be motivated to take extreme measures to keep him there.

This would be especially true if she seeks to keep naysayers, such as Phyllis, from tearing them apart. Phyllis must not be underestimated, either, as she'll also fight dirty against longtime enemy Sharon to protect Nick in his time of need. **SW**

What's happening this month in Genoa City on Eleven?

KEVIN AND CHLOE



VICTOR

* To protect his daughter **ANGELINA** (Diana DeGarmo) from her abusive ex **CARMINE** (Marco Dapper), **ANGELO** (Mike Starr) offers to give **KEVIN** (Greg Rikaart) and **CHLOE** (Elizabeth Hendrickson) their dream home if Kevin becomes Angelina's bodyguard. Unfortunately, Angelina is besotted with Kevin and delights in interrupting his wedding to Chloe. After Carmine shoots at Kevin and Angelina, Kevin abandons Chloe at the altar to go on the run with Angelina. Chloe feels abandoned by Kevin, who is unaware that Angelina is lying to him about the danger they're in.

* Intent on saving **NIKKI** (Melody Thomas Scott) from prison, **VICTOR** (Eric Braeden) lies to the authorities that he



DIANE



VICTORIA

killed **DIANE**. He bribes a corrupt cop to falsify evidence to solidify his "guilt" before being sentenced to 25 years behind bars. Believing in his innocence, **SHARON** (Sharon Case) visits Victor in jail and he stuns her with a marriage proposal!

* On a drunken bender to appease her guilt at killing **DIANE**, **NIKKI** falls prey to an opportunistic **DEACON** (Sean Kanan). He fabricates the details of Diane's murder (which Nikki can't recall clearly) in order to blackmail Nikki into marrying him, so he can get his hands on the Newman millions. After marrying Deacon, Nikki regrets it, especially after learning he lied about the murder. Her drinking worsening, Nikki has a car crash and tries to trick Deacon into admitting his lies.

* **SHARON** risks losing custody of **FAITH** (Aly Lind) if she has contact with **ADAM** (Michael Muhney). Taking out a restraining order against Adam, Sharon is overwhelmed by his confession of love and they have sex just before the court order takes effect.



NEIL

* Discussing the idea of adopting a child, **BILLY** (Billy Miller) and **VICTORIA** (Amelia Heinle) impulsively remarry in the wake of **KEVIN** and **CHLOE**'s abandoned wedding. Soon they're being considered as adoptive parents, just as **CHELSEA** appears on their doorstep.

* **NEIL** (Kristoff St. John) and **SOFIA** (Julia Pace Mitchell) get married but shortly after the wedding, Neil disappears without a trace. Sofia fears her new husband has abandoned her.

* Devastated to witness **JACK**'s (Peter Bergman) marriage proposal to **GENEVIEVE** (Genie Francis), a tearful **PATTY** (Stacy Haiduk) plots revenge and later drugs Jack.

* **DANIEL** (Michael Graziadei) and **EDEN** (Jessica Heap) make love; a missing **JEFFREY** (Ted Shackelford) reappears stranded on a deserted beach; **PHYLLIS** (Michelle Stafford) and **NICK** are jealous of each other's respective relationships with **RONAN** (Jeff Branson) and **AVERY** (Jessica Collins); **HARMONY** (Debbi Morgan) meets her daughter for the first time in years; **DEVON** (Bryton James) offers **TUCKER** (Stephen Nichols) an olive branch; and **GLORIA** (Judith Chapman) seeks financial help from her family. **SW**

BROKEN TRUST

Hope AND Rafe's MARRIAGE MAY BE OVER BEFORE IT'S BEGUN NOW THAT HOPE HAS DISCOVERED RAFE CHEATED ON HER WITH Sami.



Throughout her romance with Rafe, Hope has experienced a swathe of conflicting emotions as she's had second thoughts about moving on with another man after losing Bo, the love of her life, a few years ago. At times, she's wondered whether she can trust Rafe's commitment to her. Finally, however, she resolved to put her fears aside and forge a future with him, unaware that he's hiding a huge secret from her.

That secret involves Rafe (Galen Gering) sleeping with his ex-wife Sami (Alison Sweeney) a few months ago, when he and Hope (Kristian Alfonso) had briefly broken up. Immediately regretting his infidelity, Rafe resolved never to tell Hope and secured Sami's silence, finally reconciling with Hope and becoming engaged

to her. He momentarily panicked when Ciara (Victoria Konefal) stumbled on his betrayal but thought he dodged a bullet when Ciara opted not to hurt her mother by revealing it.

That all changed recently when a troubled Ciara broke her silence, confiding Rafe's infidelity to Tripp (Lucas Adams), both unaware that Claire's (Olivia Rose Keegan) phone had recorded the conversation. Fatefully, Claire heard the recording and was horrified to learn that Rafe had cheated on her grandmother. With Rafe and Hope's wedding nearing, Claire wrestled with whether to tell Hope the truth but before she could, Hope and Rafe skipped town on a romantic vacation.

At the Horton cabin on Smith Island, Hope unveiled a weekend of pure romance for her fiancé, surprising him by summoning a Justice of the Peace to marry them immediately in the intimate and peaceful setting.

Rafe agreed and he and Hope exchanged vows and were pronounced husband and wife before making love on their wedding night. They returned to

Hope and Rafe's marriage may be over before it's begun.

AIRS WEEKDAYS AT 1PM ON ELEVEN

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What's happening this month in **Salem** on Eleven?



Hope (Kristian Alfonso) learns of Rafe's (Galen Gering) huge secret.

Salem the next morning, intent on hiding their secret marriage and going through with their planned wedding to please their families.

Unfortunately, as the guests gathered and the ceremony was about to begin, a guilty Claire got into an argument with Ciara about the secret they both knew, with Ciara begging her niece not to ruin Hope's special day. However, Claire couldn't keep quiet any longer and interrupted the ceremony to tell Hope "Rafe cheated on you". Rafe looked ashen as Hope stared at him, desperately wanting answers.

Much to everyone's horror, the truth about Rafe sleeping with Sami was finally divulged, leaving Hope an angry and broken newlywed bride. Ultimately, she broke down, telling Rafe he'd broken her trust and her heart and that their new marriage was over.

With the Hernandez marriage in tatters, it's obvious that Rafe won't let his wife slip away from him easily and will fight to win her back. But Hope may not be as willing to forgive as he wants, leaving the future of the relationship uncertain. **SW**

* Risking **STEFANO**'s (Joseph Mascolo) wrath, **KATE** (Lauren Koslow) makes love to **IAN** (Ian Buchanan) and quickly realises she's made a terrible mistake when Stefano confronts her over her betrayal. Evicting her from the mansion, Stefano also removes her as CEO of Countess Wilhelmina Cosmetics.

* Finally admitting to **SONNY** (Freddie Smith) that he's gay, **WILL** (Chandler Massey) asks him for advice on how to come out to family and friends. Soon after, Will tells **GABI** (Camila Banus) about his sexuality as he adjusts to the process ahead of him.

* Badgering **NICOLE** (Arianne Zucker) for a second chance, **EJ** (James Scott) is confident their marriage can be saved when they share a kiss, but Nicole suffers pregnancy problems and fears EJ will learn she's carrying his child.

* **CARRIE** (Christie Clark) and **RAFE**'s friendship deteriorates as he fails to tell her that he's not the father of **NICOLE**'s baby and that it's all a ruse to



KATE

fool EJ. Despite her anger with him, Carrie can't stop thinking about Rafe, even though she tells **AUSTIN** (Patrick Muldoon) she wants their marriage to work. Later though, Rafe finally tells Carrie he loves her and confesses that he never fathered Nicole's child.

* Humiliated and angry to be romantically rejected by **CHAD** (Casey Jon Deidrick), **GABI** plots revenge as he and **MELANIE** (Molly Burnett) make love. She seeks **WILL**'s help to break them up but he refuses, leaving Gabi to take

drastic measures. She fakes being stalked to distract Chad's attention from Melanie and delights in ruining their romantic getaway.

* Professionally and personally ostracised by **STEFANO**, **EJ** is hurt by his father's indifference but is stunned when Stefano finally confesses that he's not EJ's biological

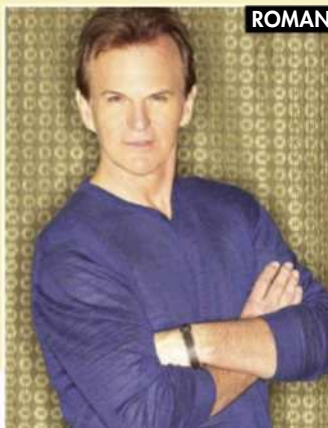
HOPE AND BO



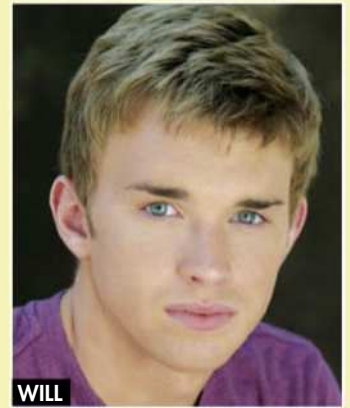
father and therefore can't accept EJ as part of the family.

* Growing closer to **LUCAS** (Bryan Dattilo), **SAMI** is pleased when Lucas opts to stay in Salem permanently after his Hong Kong-based fiancée **AUTUMN** breaks their engagement. Spending family time with their kids, Sami offers Lucas a job and they quickly rekindle their romance, much to **KATE**'s horror.

* Completing their assignment for **STEFANO**, **HOPE** and **JOHN** (Drake Hogestyn) double-cross him and finally flee Alamainia. Back in Salem, they



ROMAN



WILL

reunite with **BO** (Peter Reckell) and **MARLENA** (Deidre Hall) just as Bo comes out of his coma. Their happiness is threatened when Stefano vows revenge on them for their betrayal, quickly having his thug hold Marlena at knifepoint to prove he's serious. After the attack, John, Marlena, Bo and Hope are sent to a safe house for protection. Joined by **RAFE** and **CARRIE**, they soon discover that Stefano has wired the house with bombs, trapping them inside. **ROMAN** (Josh Taylor) seeks help from **SHANE DONOVAN** (Charles Shaughnessy) to save everyone, but his efforts fail and it appears everyone will be blown to bits!

* **BILLIE** (Lisa Rinna) strikes a deal with **EJ** after he catches her spying on the DiMera family; news of **LEXIE**'s (Renee Jones) brain tumour spreads as she's



EJ

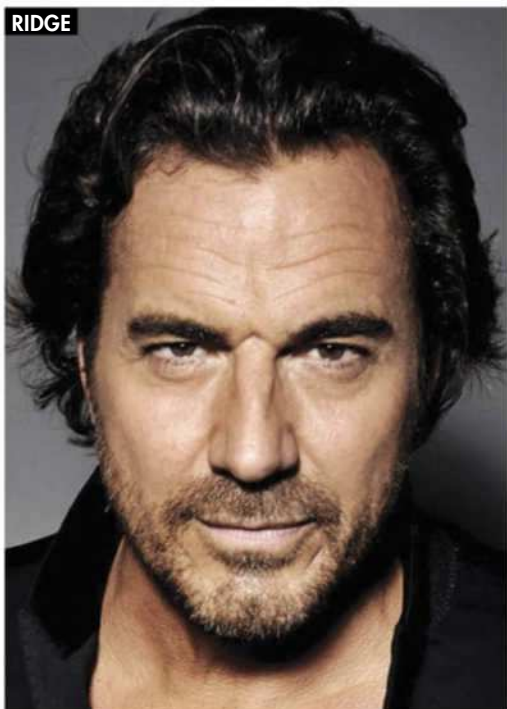
told she only has weeks to live, causing Stefano to think he's responsible for it; **ABIGAIL** (Kate Mansi) and **CAMERON** (Schuyler Yancey) spend the evening together; and **IAN** agrees to divorce **MADISON** (Sarah Brown) while secretly drugging **BRADY** (Eric Martsolf) as part of his nefarious scheme to stop Brady and Madison being together. **SW**

THIS MONTH

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

MAR 26-APR 20
WEEKDAYS AT
4.30PM ON TEN

RIDGE



Two bulls in a china shop

Never ones to play nice together, the tension between sworn enemies **RIDGE** and **BILL** hits fever pitch when Ridge learns that Bill and **STEFFY** had sex. Barging his way into Bill's office, Ridge demonstrates that he means business, when he rolls up his sleeves, snatches Bill by the collar and accuses him of raping his daughter. Outraged by Bill's attempts to justify what happened, Ridge sees red when Bill asks for his help in reconciling **LIAM** and Steffy's marriage. With one swift punch, Ridge flattens Bill, sending him sprawling across his office desk. Leaving Bill to lick his wounds, Ridge vows to see him rot in prison for what he's done to Steffy.

SALLY



MAYA AND RICK



FOOD FOR THE SOUL

Miserable after his marriage break up, poor **LIAM** hasn't bothered looking after himself properly. Food is the last thing on his mind, which a supportive and sympathetic **SALLY** senses when she appears on his doorstep armed with culinary treats courtesy of **SHIRLEY**. Breathing a sigh of relief, Liam enjoys his first hearty meal in a long time, glad for some nourishing respite from the endless Chinese takeaways he's been ordering.

Steamy Valentine's

With **PAM** babysitting **LIZZIE**, **RICK** and **MAYA** seek some time together on Valentine's Day. Alone in the Forrester Creations steam room, the couple gets amorous and when Rick removes his towel, Maya does likewise. After getting passionate, Rick gives Maya a locket bearing a photo of their little family. She's thrilled when he says, "Happy Valentine's Day".

A voice from BEYOND

One very special guest puts in an "appearance" at **BROOKE** and **RIDGE**'s wedding when **STEPHANIE**'s portrait is re-hung on the wall of the Forrester mansion living room especially for the occasion. Taking a moment alone during the celebration, **BROOKE** looks fondly at the portrait and is stunned when "Stephanie's" voice suddenly speaks to her. Addressing her one-time nemesis as her "sweet little slut from the valley," Stephanie orders Brooke to stay on the straight and narrow, adding "You did good, Brooke". Brooke can't help but smile when Stephanie gives her final request. Now that her portrait has pride of place again, above the mantelpiece, Brooke must ensure Eric never takes it down again. A teary Brooke promises she'll do her best. **SW**



STEPHANIE



VICTORIA

Custody threats

The already complicated relationship between **VICTORIA** and **JT** threatens to become more problematic now that JT's estranged wife **MAC** has reacted to their live-in love affair by suing JT for full custody of their children. With JT angry at the thought of losing his kids, Victoria has intervened and tried to talk sense into Mac.

However, Mac was outraged at her love rival's interference, leaving JT dealing with the fallout as he blasted Victoria for intervening in his private affairs without his consent. There's definitely trouble on the romantic horizon and if Victoria's unwanted actions don't stop then she's certainly handing Mac a free pass in winning her children, which would leave a bereft JT losing everything he loves.



HILARY

Plotting for a baby daddy

It's long been hinted at but after weeks of trying and failing to conceive a baby with a sperm donor, it is now clear that **HILARY** is turning her paternal intentions towards ex-husband **DEVON**. Exhausting all other avenues of finding the perfect father for her child, Hilary is now taking advantage of her friendship with Devon and isn't letting his latest romantic rejection of her interfere with her plans. She's finally asked him to father the baby she wants, leaving him completely stunned. If Devon lets his guard down and eventually agrees to Hilary's request, it could be the least of his problems. Devon's outraged sister **LILY** isn't about to let Hilary hurt her brother again and is already plotting against her, setting the stage for some potentially ugly fireworks in the Hamilton-Winters family.



DINA

Dina's distress

When the Abbott children made the difficult decision to send their Alzheimer's-stricken mother **DINA** to Paris, believing and hoping she'd be more settled in the home she's known for years, they thought they were acting in her best interests. Unfortunately, they're now beginning to regret the choice, after Dina contacted them in a frantic state. She was alone and upset on a train, having lost contact with her nurse. After learning that Dina had gone missing in Bordeaux, **ASHLEY** and **JACK** were petrified for her welfare before discovering she had been found in London after catching the wrong train. To ease his concerns, Jack raced to London to rescue Dina, wondering what the family would do with her now. Whatever happens, Dina's future is looking gloomier. Her family is exhausting all avenues to help her and if they can't control her, they may have to face up to the sad fact that she may be better off in institutionalised care.

The new Kyle

Following weeks of speculation and finally confirmation that a new actor was being cast in the role of Jack's son Kyle Abbott, soap newcomer **MICHAEL MEALOR** has been cast as the Abbott heir and will debut as Kyle during the week of March 26. This may be Mealor's first soap role, but he's also appeared in small parts in the primetime dramas *Chasing Life* and *Supergirl*, which are seen locally on FOX8. **SW**



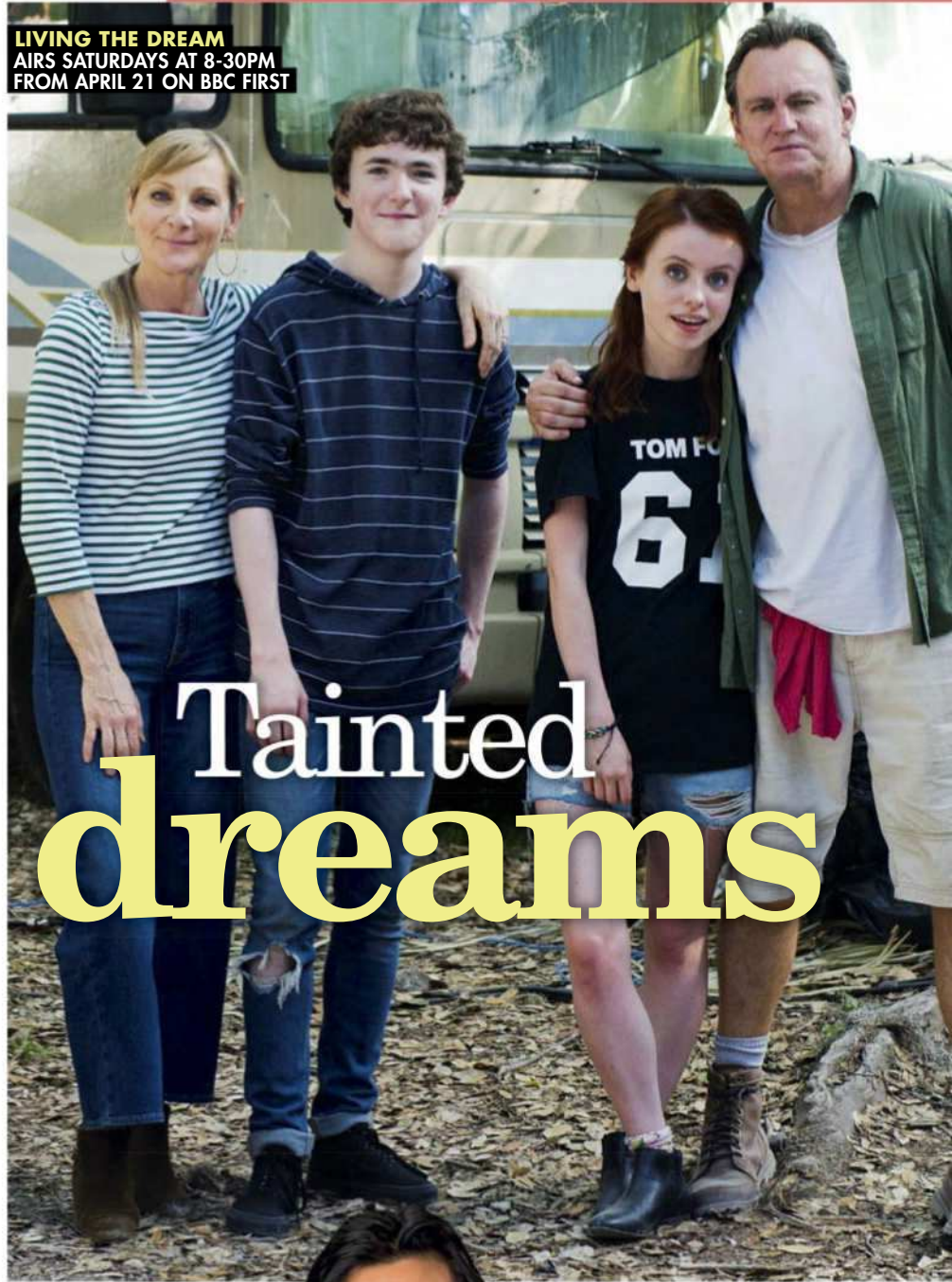
THIS MONTH

BEST BITS

THE DOWNFALL OF OLIVIA POPE

Olivia Pope's tenure in the White House, as Mellie's Chief of Staff, is now on seriously shaky ground, as her friends and allies confront her about her role in the deaths of Rashad and Quinn. With everyone agreeing Olivia's involvement in the deaths is damaging to Mellie's presidential reign, Olivia is pressured to resign her position, although she hesitates to go public. Rumours begin swirling and soon reach Rowan and a very-much-alive Quinn, who are in hiding and plotting their revenge on Olivia. Quinn wants to kill Olivia, but when Rowan won't sanction harm to his daughter, Quinn lies, convincing Rowan she won't hurt Olivia if he releases her from captivity. Rowan releases Quinn, who quickly corners Olivia and holds her at gunpoint. Olivia tries to talk Quinn down, but Quinn snaps and shoots Olivia!

LIVING THE DREAM
AIRS SATURDAYS AT 8-30PM
FROM APRIL 21 ON BBC FIRST



Tainted dreams

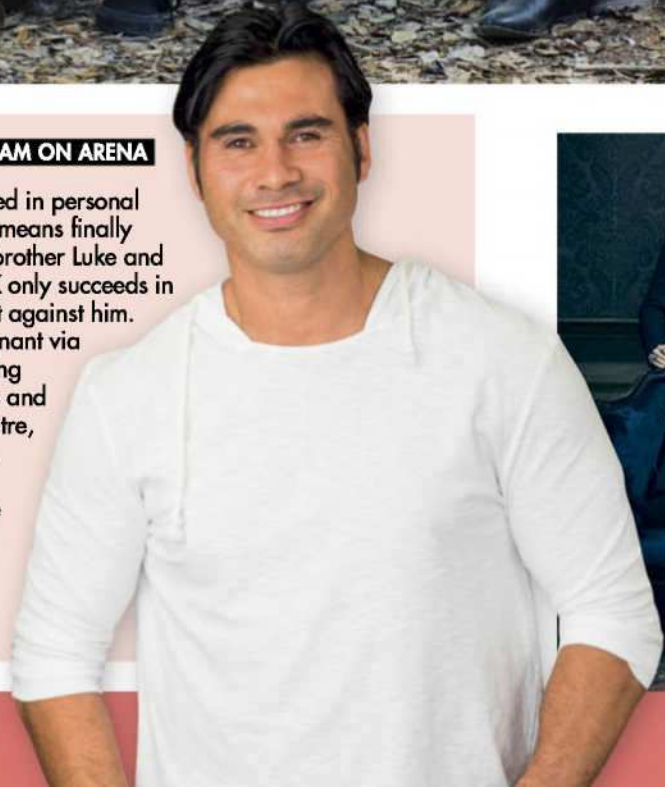
SCANDAL
NOW STREAMING ON
FOXTEL ON DEMAND



SHORTLAND STREET
AIRS WEEKDAYS AT 11-30AM ON ARENA

LIFE MATTERS

Some of the hospital's most popular staff become embroiled in personal crises that threaten to alter their lives forever. For TK, that means finally stepping in to try and help save his wayward cult leader brother Luke and the followers he's brainwashed. In intervening, though, TK only succeeds in placing his own life in grave danger when Luke strikes out against him. Meanwhile, Kylie forges ahead with her plans to fall pregnant via IVF, but when she over-exerts herself and suffers debilitating side effects from the first round of injections, she collapses and faints while assisting in surgery. In another operating theatre, Finn and Esther work to save the life of a car crash victim. Upon learning that the woman is a newlywed, a sense of doom overcomes them as they realise that life can change in a heartbeat. Relationship dramas are also on Sass's mind, as she's indulging in a strictly sexual affair with Curtis to stave off her loneliness. She's keen to keep it quiet, until it's exposed in a revealing fashion.



✿ Eternal optimist Mal Pemberton surprises his wife Jen and teenage kids Tina and Freddie when he suddenly buys a trailer park in Florida. Then he entirely uproots the family's lifestyle in Yorkshire to emigrate to America in anticipation of "Living the Dream". Having bought the trailer park sight unseen, the Pembertons soon discover that the "dream" isn't all it's cracked up to be. They may be living under bright blue skies in a giant house with a pool and have a convertible to drive, but the business is a huge letdown. Mal is seriously lacking in business skills, the trailer park is more akin to a rubbish tip and its eclectic residents not only don't want new management but have no intention of co-operating with the Pembertons' decision to evict them. Suddenly, the family wonders if embracing the dream was the right decision for them after all.

THE RESIDENT
AIRS MONDAYS
AT 9PM ON SEVEN

LIVES IN CRISIS

Deacon, Will and Juliette's lives are spiralling out of control. After overcoming his misgivings about moving on from the deceased Rayna, Deacon has reached out to Jessie and they have consummated their relationship. However, Brad's interference in their lives shattered the afterglow. On top of exploiting Daphne's musical talent, Jessie's ex was intent on keeping his son Jake away from Jessie. Despite Jake wanting nothing to do with his father, Brad got violent. Spying a way to break up Deacon and Jessie, Brad accused Deacon of assault. Later on, Deacon will have to contend with the legal consequences to fend off Brad. He will also come face to face with Gideon, his long-estranged father, whose brutal and horrible treatment of his son as a child will force Deacon to face up to his true character.

NASHVILLE
AIRS ON SHOWCASE
& RETURNS MID-YEAR

CHALLENGES TO AUTHORITY

Senior Resident Dr. Conrad Hawkins has always been in charge of his professional and personal lives. This prompts him to act combatively when he's faced with several challenges to that self-control. With the hospital's surgery list overloaded, Nic's attempt to ease the burden by bringing in another physician quickly riles Conrad, who seethes with jealousy over the "interloper" usurping his authority. Soon after, he finds himself battling a group of aggressive physicians on behalf of a patient over the best course of treatment for his mysterious chronic ailment. With the battle getting out of hand, Conrad is further frustrated when his father unexpectedly appears at the hospital, sparking clashes on the home front, too. Finally, Lane gets on Conrad's bad side when she disagrees with a treatment plan for a terminal cancer patient and Jude doesn't help when he interferes by offering to perform the procedure Conrad is fighting against.

THIS IS US
AIRS WEDNESDAYS
AT 8-30PM ON TEN

Shattered future

✿ At long last, Kate's happiness appears solidified when she learns she's pregnant with Toby's baby. Excited by the news, Kate and Toby discuss marriage plans, finally deciding on having a big family wedding. Caught up in the fervour of the wedding and baby preparations, Kate talks tenderly to her unborn baby and carefully focuses on prenatal care to ensure all goes well. Tragically, Kate soon miscarries, leaving her emotionally bereft. Desperate to comfort her, Toby works frantically to help her through the pain. But he is devastated when Kate rejects him, cruelly blaming him for causing the miscarriage by getting her too excited about the baby. Rocked, Toby hits back, begging her to see that he shares her loss, but Kate isn't listening, leaving their relationship on shaky ground.

THIS MONTH

BEST BITS

HOLBY CITY
AIRS FRIDAYS AT
7-25PM ON BBC FIRST

Recovery mission

✿ Since being shot in the head during the recent hospital siege, Oliver has endured a painfully slow recovery period. With each passing day and week, Oliver's frustration levels increase as does his desperation to resume his medical career. Suffering from insomnia as a result of his anxiety, Oliver bonds with fellow patient Sheilagh and soon finds some relief in a night of escapist fun through the hospital corridors. Meanwhile, Roxanna is focused on facilitating Oliver's recovery. After finding an experimental treatment that could help him, she's stunned by Gaskell's scepticism of it and Serena's refusal to fund it. Desperate for Oliver not to lose hope about his future, Roxanna calls on Hanssen to support her treatment plan, knowing he's the only person who can help her.



RIVERDALE
NOW STREAMING ON NETFLIX

IN TOO DEEP

Despite Archie working undercover for the FBI, to gather information to bring down criminal mastermind Hiram Lodge, he continues displaying stronger signs of loyalty to Lodge that seem to put his true objectives in question. After learning that Lodge is actually a mobster and being targeted for assassination, Archie alerts Lodge, instead of the FBI, to the contract hit, enabling Lodge to have his mob enemy murdered before he strikes against Lodge. When confronted by the FBI's demands to reveal the information he has against Lodge, Archie refuses the FBI's strong-armed attempt to have him bug Lodge's office. Once again, Archie warns Lodge instead. Satisfied with Archie's loyalty to him, Lodge introduces Archie to the mob boss who explains that Archie has passed their tests and is now officially welcome in the mob family. Is a pleased Archie really planning a trip to the dark side, or is this part of his plan to defeat Lodge?



DYNASTY
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WHAT'S AILING XIOMARA?

Much to Rogelio's frustration, his marriage to Xiomara is in trouble. Xiomara is being increasingly distant towards him, finally prompting Rogelio to assume that she is upset at his perpetually self-centred ways. In smothering his wife with affection to make amends, Rogelio soon suspects the problem is much greater and that Xiomara is hiding a secret from him. His suspicions are proven correct when he and the family discover what's troubling Xiomara. But, once again, their attempts to help her are rebuffed, as she angrily insists that everyone just minds their own business and lets her live her life in peace.

JANE THE VIRGIN
AIRS SUNDAYS AT 6-30PM ON FOX8



PROBLEM PAWN

Revenge is uppermost in Jeff Colby's mind, as he continues plotting revenge on Blake for framing his Uncle Cecil for crimes he never committed and leaving him to rot in prison. Conspiring with his sister Monica, Jeff shocks her when he unveils his master plan to use Fallon as a pawn to destroy her father. Feeling as though Fallon will ultimately stay loyal to her Carrington heritage, Monica tries talking Jeff down. But when he won't be dissuaded, Monica agrees to help him. Their mission becomes more urgent when Blake bribes a prison guard to stage an attack that will prevent Cecil's parole application being granted.

THE INNER MAN

Former detective turned small-town police chief Jim Worth brought his family to the tranquil town of Little Big Bear for a better life. Soon, however, those plans have eroded now that the family has suffered unspeakable tragedy and lost one of their own during a violent crime that was directed at Jim. The painful event has also sparked the re-emergence of dark and dangerous secrets from the past about Jim, revealing him to be an alcoholic with a violent past and many enemies. Struggling to cope with the death in his family, Jim goes on a drunken bender. Later he finds his daughter Anna has disappeared, a sure sign that his enemies are coming after him. The tension only increases during the funeral, finally prompting Jim's wife Angela to banish him from the house and alone strive to keep her family safe. Meanwhile, Jim's main enemy, Whitey, determines to right the wrongs of the past and executes a ruthless plan, visiting the Worth home to exact his ultimate revenge against Jim.



TIN STAR
AIRS MONDAYS AT
8-30PM ON BBC FIRST



EASTENDERS
AIRS MONDAYS TO THURSDAYS
AT 7-50PM ON UKTV

TAYLOR FAMILY INTERLOPER

For most of her life, Karen Taylor has bravely and defiantly raised her six kids as a single mother after a string of disastrous relationships with their various fathers left her abandoned and alone. Due to her courage, her kids have always been very protective, especially oldest son Keanu, who has acted as the man of the Taylor household. Naturally, an angry Keanu is on high alert when Keegan's father Mitch Baker shows up unexpectedly, wanting to make contact with the family. Despite doing

his best to keep Mitch from the Taylors' doorstep, even punching him, Keanu can't prevent Karen from once again falling for her wayward ex's charms. Keegan joins his brother in opposing his father's re-entry into the family and when Karen and Mitch sleep together, both brothers are fuming. Keanu insists that Mitch leaves town before he hurts Karen again but, instead, Mitch catches Keanu off-guard when he drops a bombshell about Keanu's father that leaves the family reeling.

✿ After Joe discovers he is autistic, he is enrolled at the Pear Tree Special School in Manchester. Amid all this family turmoil, Joe's grandfather Maurice looks to his lover Louise for a distraction. However, he quickly earns her ire when he goes against her wishes and employs her Down syndrome son Ralph to work at the brewery. To make matters worse, Louise rejects Maurice's romantic advances and when he pushes for an explanation, she confesses she's undergoing chemotherapy for cancer. Shocked, Maurice tries to be supportive and accompanies Louise to her chemotherapy treatments, but she's irritated by his overly concerned attitude. At a loss about her feelings, Maurice confides in his daughter Alison, who gives him the motivation to tell Louise how he feels. Heartened to hear that Maurice truly loves her, Louise finally appreciates Maurice's concern. But when he asks her to marry him, she again rejects him. Devastated, Maurice is so desperate for answers that he later collapses in front of his shaken family. **SW**



THE A-WORD
AIRS TUESDAYS AT
8-30PM ON BBC FIRST

Proof of love

THIS MONTH

UK UPDATES MARCH 26-APRIL 20

ADDICTION HELL

NOW THAT HIS PAINKILLER ADDICTION HAS BEEN EXPOSED, **Billy** DESPERATELY FIGHTS HIS DESIRE FOR DRUGS AS HIS LIFE UNRAVELS AROUND HIM.

CORONATION STREET
WEEKNIGHTS AT 7.20PM ON UKTV

Eva (Catherine Tyldesley) wants to help Billy (Daniel Brocklebank) kick his drug addiction.

Since falling off a cliff on Christmas Day and being rendered paralysed and wheelchair-bound, Billy has fought off the physical pain he's enduring with an addiction to painkillers. This has been fuelled by Adam exacerbating the addiction in revenge for Billy being culpable in his mother's death years ago. Luckily, in recent weeks, Billy's addiction has been uncovered by his close friend Eva who's been trying to help him kick the habit.

However, Eva has been out of her depth dealing with Billy's intense withdrawal from the drugs, leaving him craving the pills even more. In dire straits, Billy has contacted his estranged brother Lee for help. Aware of Lee's own drug addiction and history of dealing, Billy has acquired methadone from his brother in hopes of getting clean. Given the brothers' fractious relationship, the arrangement threatened to splinter at every turn, leaving Billy in a pitiful

and desperate state. Eventually, much to his loved ones' horror, Billy inexplicably disappeared, leaving everyone, particularly Eva, fearful that something dreadful had happened to him.

Meanwhile, as Billy unravels, it's clear that he may be pushed to even greater and more dangerous extremes to free himself from his living nightmare, unaware that his actions may end up putting other people's lives at risk, too.

ALSO ON CORRIE:

* The walls of justice continue closing in on a murderous **PHELAN**; **SARAH** may have found love with **AIDAN**; and **GEMMA**'s presence in **FIZ** and **TYRONE**'s lives causes unexpected trouble.

* **LIZ**'s new love interest **MIKE** creates dissension between Liz and her disapproving son **STEVE**; **CRAIG**'s obsessive compulsive disorder becomes more overwhelming; and **DAVID**'s friendship with **JOSH** takes a shocking turn. **SW**

EMMERDALE
DOUBLE EPISODES WEEKNIGHTS
AT 6.20PM & 6.50PM ON UKTV



Nicola (Nicola Wheeler) learns the terrible truth.

AFTER BEING INJURED IN THE MILL COTTAGE FIRE, NICOLA IS GIVEN SHOCKING AND LIFE-CHANGING NEWS THAT HAS A DETRIMENTAL IMPACT ON HER EMOTIONS AND HER MARRIAGE.

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Robert (Ryan Hawley) tries to scare Ryan (George Sampson).

Aaron AND Robert's HOPES OF FORGING A PEACEFUL FUTURE TOGETHER ARE JEOPARDISED WHEN A SECRET FROM THE PAST EMERGES THAT THREATENS THEIR HAPPINESS.

BLACKMAIL MENACE

Following the death of his child-molesting father Gordon, Aaron is finally emerging from the nightmare he's endured over the last few months. Eager to move forward with his life, Aaron revels in his love affair with Robert and happily hopes to solidify their commitment by asking Robert to live with him.

Before the subject can be

broached, a shocking secret from the past is revealed when the police turn up new evidence proving that Robert bribed Ryan into lying in court to get Gordon convicted and sent to prison. Faced with the evidence, Robert and Aaron deny the police's accusations but the incident rattles Robert. He pulls away from a devastated Aaron, all but rejecting his offer to live

with him. Hating himself, Robert becomes vengeful, as he yearns to deal with Ryan once and for all so he and Aaron can be free of the past forever.

Spying Ryan stalking him in the village, Robert grabs him in the Woolpack toilets but is outraged when Ryan tries extorting money out of him for his silence otherwise he'll lie that Robert raped him. Angrily,

Robert takes Ryan captive, putting him into his car boot to scare him into submission.

Unfortunately for Robert, Aaron witnesses everything, appalled that Robert is using violence again to solve his problems. Unwilling to listen to Robert's explanation, Aaron deserts him, leaving Robert fearful he's losing his boyfriend. **SW**



Upon regaining consciousness, she's terrified to have no feeling down her right side and her heartache only compounds when further tests reveal she suffered brain damage in the fire, paralysing her right arm and leg.

Hearing that the paralysis may be permanent, Nicola refuses to accept her condition. But once it becomes obvious it's not going away, she breaks down, confiding in her husband Jimmy how fearful she truly is.

depression, shutting Jimmy out. Becoming obnoxious and ungrateful to those around her, Nicola pushes everyone away from her and it's not until a sympathetic Dan reinforces his support and friendship that a gloomy Nicola starts feeling better.

Dan, a trainee paramedic, assists Nicola with physiotherapy and their bond quickly deepens, as she shows real progress in her recovery.

Dan soon has her walking but when the doctor indicates Nicola may never regain use of her arm, she lies to Jimmy about her condition and clings to Dan, impulsively kissing him

ALSO ON EMMERDALE:

* A desperate **RAKESH** resorts to gambling to solve his financial crisis; **ASHLEY**'s dementia takes its toll on **LAUREL** and she starts drinking again; **GABBY**'s behaviour is out of control, as she commits breaking and entering offences; and **RHONA** is unnerved to see a new side to **PIERCE**'s personality.

* **HOLLY**'S confession that she's a heroin addict puts **MOIRA**'s life in danger; miscommunication threatens to derail **DAVID** and **TRACY**'s newly-blossoming love affair; **MEGAN** and **JAI** make inroads in their relationship; and **ZAK** and **JOANIE**'s wedding plans

strike unforeseen obstacles.

* **ANDY** is framed for attempted

murder; **CARLY** and **MARLON** are disturbed by the intensity of their newfound feelings for each other; **EMMA** is desperate for **JAMES** to commit to her; and **CHARITY** plays dirty to win a Best Publican competition. **SW**

Life-altering diagnosis

After narrowly avoiding being burned to death in the horrific fire and explosion that engulfed Mill Cottage, Nicola is recovering in hospital from emergency surgery.

Despite being grateful for Jimmy's support and devotion, she soon feels smothered by him once she comes home.

She can't help but feel humiliated by their failed attempt to make love and withdraws into

as he comforts her.

Shocked by the advance, Dan pulls away and avoids Nicola, who reels at what's happened, more afraid than ever that her marriage is self-destructing around her.

WOUNDS HAVE BEEN REOPENED NOW **Michelle's** ESTRANGED SON **Alex Neeson** HAS RETURNED.

Painful family reunion

Nine years ago, Michelle Connor's life was turned upside down when she discovered her teenage son Ryan had been accidentally switched at birth with Alex Neeson, a child being raised by Nick and Wendy Neeson. Once the painful truth emerged, the two teenage boys struggled to accept the revelation about their identities, leaving Michelle emotionally isolated from both of them as they rejected her at every turn. Eventually, both Alex and Ryan left Weatherfield, robbing Michelle of building new relationships with them.

Given that Michelle (Kym Marsh) lost all contact with Alex (James Burrows) after he left town, it was naturally a massive shock when she recently found him working as a doctor at the local medical centre.

Having started a GP trainee placement at the medical practice, Alex's presence was exposed when Michelle's former mother-in-law Liz (Beverley Callard), the practice's receptionist, recognised Michelle's biological son.

Despite begging Liz not to reveal his presence to Michelle, Alex was forced to reveal himself when Michelle attended the practice for treatment for a cut on her hand. Flabbergasted to be face-to-face with Alex, Michelle desperately tried to connect with him but Alex, now wishing to be known as Ali, wanted nothing to do with her. At her wit's end, Michelle persevered only for Ali to reject her at every turn.

Reinforcing his stance to have nothing to do with his mother, Ali also began hiding secrets about the true reasons why he's back in town. The locals, especially Liz, become more intrigued about his presence, leaving Michelle frustrated by his evasiveness.

It's clear that the pain of his parentage drama still weighs heavily on Ali but, as he grudgingly settles into Weatherfield, he's going to have to decide how to handle his relationship with Michelle. It's a decision that's going to be even more complicated when Ryan, the son that Michelle raised as her own, also returns to town in the weeks and months ahead. **SW**

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FAKE PREGNANCY

DESPERATE TO STOP HER ILLICIT LOVER **Dr. Bailey** FROM DESERTING HER, **Belle** FAKES A PREGNANCY ONLY TO REALISE THAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE RUSE MAY BE GREATER THAN SHE ANTICIPATED.

The thrill of having a passionate affair with the older and married Dr. Jermaine Bailey has all but evaporated for Belle now that the affair has been exposed publicly. Having lost his marriage and his medical career as a result, Bailey realises he has no other choice but to dump Belle and leave the village permanently.

Unfortunately, Belle (Eden Taylor-Draper) doesn't want Bailey (Micah Balfour) to desert her. Angered by her family's attempts to threaten him to leave the town, Belle begs him to take her back so they can flee the village together.

Ignoring Bailey's harshness towards her, Belle finally cries out that he can't leave her

because she's having his baby! Flabbergasted by the bombshell, Bailey weakens and reunites with Belle, agreeing to her plan for them to flee to Romania. However, the getaway is thwarted when the Dingle clan interrupts them and assaults Bailey, forcing Belle to scream that she's pregnant. Everyone is horrified and, as they struggle to adjust to the revelation, Belle scrambles to cover that the pregnancy is a lie.

Narrowly avoiding exposure during a doctor's visit, Belle desperately seduces Bailey hoping to get pregnant for real. When a subsequent pregnancy test is negative, her frustrated reaction isn't lost on Charity (Emma Atkins), who suspects her cousin is faking the pregnancy.

Forcing the truth out of Belle, Charity surprises her by helping her keep up the ruse. But as Belle worries about pulling off the baby scam for nine months, Charity suggests the problem can be fixed if Belle suffers a convenient "miscarriage". Despite agreeing to the plan, Belle is so terrified it won't work that she becomes mentally ill again, imagining that she has a new friend Ellie who wants to help her have the baby.

Fighting her internal demons, Belle eventually gets an opportunity to fake a miscarriage. Suffering an accident, she fakes writhing in pain on the ground and follows Charity's lead as she prepares to tell Bailey she's lost their "baby". With the imaginary Ellie fighting for control of her psyche and urging her to continue the pregnancy scam, Belle battles her fraying conscience wondering if she can perpetrate the lie any longer. **SW**



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Gun terror

RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN THE WHITE FAMILY SHATTER, PROMPTING LAWRENCE AND LACHLAN TO RUN RAMPANT WITH GUNS.

For his entire life, Lawrence White has fought against accepting his true sexuality, even spending years in prison for a same-sex affair he had in an era when homosexuality was illegal. Now, decades later, Lawrence remains in mental turmoil over the reappearance of Ronnie Hale, another of his ex-lovers that he cruelly rejected.

Desperate to prove he's not gay or still in love with Ronnie (John McArdle), Lawrence (John Bowe) purchases erectile dysfunction medication in hopes that the pills will assist him in seducing his wife Bernice (Samantha Giles). After collapsing when the pills interact with his heart condition, Lawrence faces his worst nightmare when Andy (Kelvin Fletcher) shares his suspicions with Bernice that Lawrence is gay.

Having feared as such for months, Mrs. White sets a trap to push Lawrence and Ronnie together. Believing the plan has worked, but unaware that Lawrence is again rejecting Ronnie, Bernice packs her bags and tearfully leaves her marriage.

Shattered by Bernice's desertion, Lawrence's pain is magnified by Chrissie's (Louise Marwood) knowledge that he's not her biological father and her search for her true paternity. Believing that

Ronnie is her father, Chrissie confronts him in the Woolpack.

An argument erupts and Ronnie publicly blurts he's not Chrissie's father, because he and Lawrence were lovers years ago. Lawrence is so humiliated by the public disclosure, he rejects Chrissie and her son Lachlan (Thomas Atkinson). Devastated by his own behaviour, Lawrence goes on a drunken bender, angrily confronting Ronnie and firing a warning shot at him, before crumpling into a broken heap.

Lachlan is stunned by his grandfather's actions and ignores Chrissie's advice to give Lawrence space. However, Lawrence's reinforced rejection angers Lachlan, who takes revenge by trashing the estate grounds and stealing Lawrence's car. His continued nastiness towards Lachlan finally drives the teen over the edge. Sneaking into Home Farm, Lachlan steals a loaded shotgun and holds Lawrence at gunpoint, demanding he apologise to Chrissie for his harsh treatment of her. Instead, Lawrence challenges Lachlan, who becomes manic as Lawrence grabs for the gun. Suddenly, a shot rings out and Lawrence collapses, having been blasted in the abdomen.

Chrissie arrives and fights to keep Lawrence alive. She then takes measures to protect Lachlan from prosecution. **SW**





MICK

OFFSPRING'S
Nina Proudman
AND Mick
Holland RANKED
THE TOP TV
AFFAIR FOR
Ashley Madison
MEMBERS IN
AUSTRALIA



Infidelity's been a sizzling storyline for so many hit TV shows, not just because it's so salacious and intriguing, but also as it's so wildly relatable to so many! Curious to see how non-fictional cheaters feel about fictional strayers, Ashley Madison – the world's leading married dating website [1] – surveyed its members to find out their preferences, including the TV adulterer with whom they'd most want to have an affair.

Shades of grey
In Australia, *Offspring's* leading ladies, sisters Nina (left) and Billie Proudman, are caught up

TV affair Favourites

in a tricky situation when Billie's boyfriend Mick sleeps with Nina. While they're technically on a break, it doesn't go over well, but the siblings eventually make up and Billie and Nina go on to date. "It's not surprising that our members connected with this storyline, because they see life as having shades of grey," said Isabella Mise, Communications Director at Ashley Madison. "Since many are happy in their marriages and have no intention of leaving their spouse, a story where a couple can move past an extramarital relationship is one they'd likely root for [from the couch]."



MATT AND CHARLOTTE

Most desirable TV stars

The TV character the site's female members would most want to have an affair with was, unsurprisingly, *Game of Thrones'* hunk **JON SNOW**, No.1 for more than a third (36 per cent) of respondents. He was followed by *Suits'* leading lawyer **HARVEY SPECTER** (27 per cent) and *The Great British Bake Off* host, Paul Hollywood (18 per cent)!



JON



PAUL

Favourite TV show affairs

NINA PROUDMAN and **MICK**, *Offspring*: 28%
MATT PAGE and **CHARLOTTE**, *Home and Away*: 23%
KARL and **IZZY**, *Neighbours*: 18%

PATTY SAUNDERS and **JIM MARSH**, *Love Child*: 12%

TULLY SMYTH and **ANTHONY DREW**, *Big Brother*: 11%

Nearly half (47 per cent) of Ashley Madison respondents indicated they sympathised with the philandering characters, likely because they're cheaters, too; "Great minds think alike." And when a character gets caught cheating, the female Ashley Madison members still sympathise (54 per cent) with the character. However, it's a different story for the male respondents who reckon the characters are/were not smart enough about it (32 per cent)!

IZZY AND KARL



Top TV show characters or stars that female Ashley Madison members would cheat with

JON SNOW 36%
HARVEY SPECTER 27%
PAUL HOLLYWOOD 18%
JAMIE LAING 9%
MARY BERRY 9%



HARVEY

Top TV characters or stars male Ashley Madison members would cheat with

DAENERYS TARGARYEN 28%
RACHEL ZANE 17%
KIM KARDASHIAN 17%
MAGGIE GREENE 7%
GEORGIE LANE 7%
MARY BERRY 7%



RACHEL



DAENERYS



KIM

*Survey of 1908 members of Ashley Madison from February 7-14, 2018.
 [1] Based on the number of members who have joined since 2002.

MOVIES



ISLE OF DOGS

STARRING Bryan Cranston, Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson **RELEASED** April 12

In this animated feature by Wes Anderson, an outbreak of canine flu leads the mayor of a Japanese city to banish all dogs to an island that's a garbage dump. The outcasts are fed up with their isolated existence, until a boy named Atari Kobayashi (Koyu Rankin) arrives to search for his dog, Spots (Liev Schreiber). Atari receives their help when the authorities come to retrieve him.



RAMPAGE

STARRING Dwayne Johnson, Naomi Harris and Joe Manganiello
RELEASED April 12

Primatologist Davis Okoye (Dwayne Johnson) shares an unshakable bond with George, the intelligent silverback gorilla who has been in his care since birth. But a rogue genetic experiment gone awry mutates this gentle ape into a raging creature of enormous size. To make matters worse, it's discovered there are other similarly altered animals. As these newly created alpha predators tear across North America, destroying everything in their path, Okoye teams with a discredited genetic engineer to secure an antidote and to save the fearsome creature that was once his friend.

SHERLOCK GNOMES

STARRING Johnny Depp, Emily Blunt and James McAvoy
RELEASED March 29

When Gnomeo (James McAvoy) and Juliet (Emily Blunt) arrive in the city, their main concern is getting their garden ready for spring. However, they discover that someone is kidnapping garden gnomes all over London. When the pair returns home to find that everyone in their garden is missing, there's only one gnome to call Sherlock Gnomes (Johnny Depp). The famous protector of London's garden gnomes arrives to investigate the case. The mystery will lead our gnomes on a rollicking adventure where they will explore an undiscovered side of the city.

LOVE, SIMON

STARRING Nick Robinson, Katherine Langford and Jennifer Garner
RELEASED March 29

Everyone deserves a great love story, but for 17-year-old Simon Spier (Nick Robinson) it's a little more complicated. He hasn't told his family or friends that he's gay, and he doesn't know the identity of the anonymous classmate he's fallen for online. Resolving both issues proves hilarious, terrifying and life-changing.

SW



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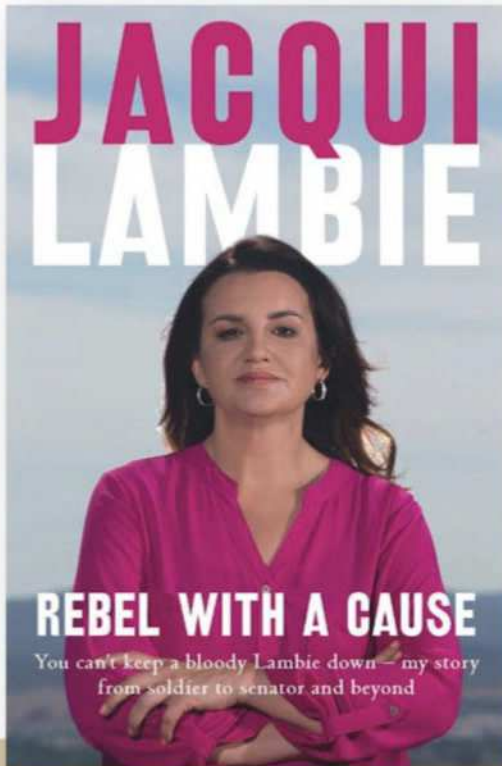
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FABULOUS PRIZES TO BE WON

» WIN REBEL WITH A CAUSE BOOK



Thanks to **Allen & Unwin**, 10 lucky *Soap World* readers will win a copy of Jacqui Lambie's book *Rebel with a Cause*, valued at \$29.99. That's a total prize value of \$299.90.

Outspoken, unexpected and refreshingly honest – the candid memoir of **Jacqui Lambie**.

Jacqui Lambie has always stood out from mainstream Australian politicians – even in the announcement of her retirement from the Senate after being caught up in the "Citizenship Crisis". During her time in parliament, Jacqui was the most authentic Australian voice in the Senate. Love her or hate her, you can't deny she's totally heartfelt and unscripted. In an age when populism in politics often just means a backlash against the existing order, Jacqui actually stood for issues: a better deal for our military veterans, and a better system of care for those afflicted by the scourge of ice addiction. These are real issues for her, things she's lived through, and not just hot-button issues raised by focus groups.

The subject matter is real and sometimes raw, but Jacqui handles it with humour, honesty and dignity. It's safe to say that there's never, ever been a politician's memoir like this in Australia.

» WIN THE CORONATION DVD

Thanks to **ABC**, 8 lucky *Soap World* readers will win a copy of *The*



Coronation on DVD, valued at \$24.95. That's a total prize value of \$199.60.

Marking the 65th anniversary of Her Majesty The Queen's Coronation, *The Queen* shares her memories of the ceremony, as well as that of her father King George VI, in this captivating documentary.

» WIN THE CLIENT LIST SEASON ONE DVD

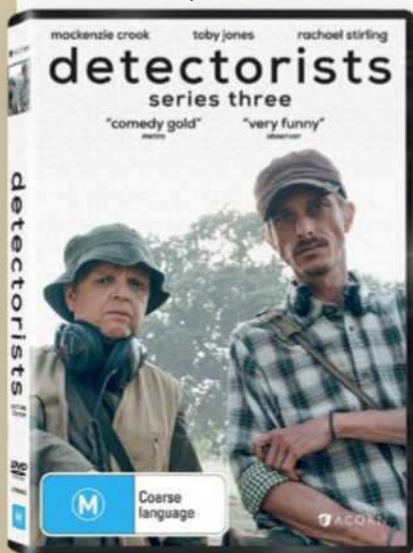
Thanks to **Via Vision**, 7 lucky *Soap World* readers will win a copy of *The Client List* Season 1 on DVD, valued at \$39.95 each. That's a total prize value of \$279.65!



The sensational first season of the provocative hit drama *The Client* stars **Jennifer Love Hewitt** (TV's *Ghost Whisperer*) in her hottest role ever. Committed to supporting her family, Texas housewife Riley Parks takes a job at the neighbouring town's massage spa. She's stunned to discover that her female co-workers offer "extra" services not on the massage menu. With the support of her cunning new boss (Emmy winner **Loretta Devine**) and the love of her off-married mother (three-time Golden Globe winner **Cybill Shepherd**), Riley now leads two starkly different lives: struggling single mom, and the enterprising businesswoman with a scandalous secret.

WIN DETECTORISTS SEASON 3 DVD

Thanks to **Acorn Media**, 10 lucky Soap World readers will win *Detectorists* Season 3 on DVD, valued at \$29.95 each. That's a total prize value of \$299.50.



The award-winning *Detectorists* returns for a third series as we follow in the footsteps of Andy (**Mackenzie Crook**) and Lance (**Toby Jones**), two friends sharing a devotion to metal detecting. With their eyes on a particular plot of land, they dream of the one find that would bring history to life and change their lives in the process.

WIN SO B. IT DVD

Thanks to **Defiant Screen Entertainment**, 10 lucky Soap World readers will win a copy of *So B. It* on DVD, valued at \$24.95. That's a total prize value of \$249.50.



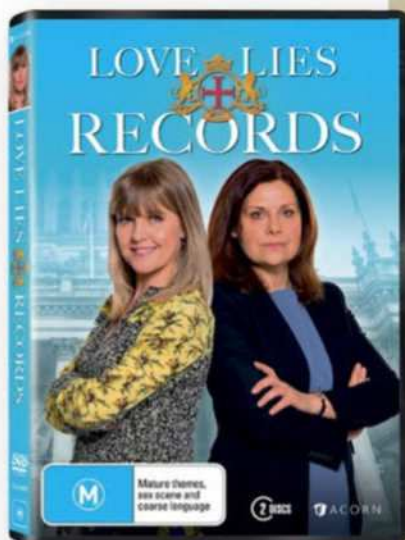
For as long as Heidi (**Talitha Bateman**) can remember, her mentally challenged mother has had only 22 words in her vocabulary, and the precocious 12-year-old doesn't have a problem with that. Bernadette (**Alfre Woodard**), their loving neighbour, provides them a bubble of love and protection. Then, a new word pops out of Mama's mouth – the mysterious *soof* – and it changes everything. Heidi is propelled on a solo cross-country journey of discovery and loss, truth and identity.

WIN LOVE, LIES & RECORDS DVD

Thanks to **Acorn Media**, 10 lucky Soap World readers will win a copy of *Love, Lies & Records* on DVD, valued at \$34.95 each. That's a total prize value of \$349.50!

Love, Lies & Records follows registrar Kate Dickenson (**Ashley Jensen** – *Ugly Betty*, *Extras*) as she tries to juggle her personal life with the daily dramas of births, marriages and deaths and the impact they have on her. As Kate tries to hold her work, life and relationship together, things go from complicated to impossible when a disgruntled colleague threatens to expose a secret from her past.

Available to rent or buy now.



WIN THE PERSIAN CONNECTION DVD

Thanks to **Eagle Entertainment**, 10 lucky Soap World readers will win a copy of *The Persian Connection* on DVD, valued at \$29.95 each. That's a total prize value of \$299.50.

As a child soldier, Behrouz miraculously survived the Iran-Iraq War to life on the streets of Los Angeles. After two decades under a ruthless Iranian mobster, Behrouz leaves the underworld to follow his American Dream. But after a chance encounter involving a high-stakes poker game, he is brought back into the life he left behind. With the help of his Russian girlfriend Oksana, he must hunt down some missing drugs belonging to his ex boss, as events from his past and present clash, spiralling out of control. *The Persian Connection* is an electric neon-noir, fever dream set in the Persian opium underworld of Los Angeles.

Available to buy or rent on April 18th.



PUZZLE MANIA

ACROSS

- 1** Actress who plays CIA operative Carrie Mathison in *Homeland*, ... Danes (6)
- 3** *Warm Bodies* and *Jack The Giant Slayer* actor, ... Hoult (8)
- 8** *Now You See Me* star, Mark ... (7)
- 10** Celebrity chef dubbed Britain's domestic goddess, ... Lawson (7)
- 12** Actress, ... Flynn Boyle (4)
- 13** Madeleine ... plays Victoria Grayson in TV's *Revenge* (5)
- 14** Cameron Diaz, Lucy Liu and Drew Barrymore film, *Charlie's Angels: ... Throttle* (4)
- 17** Chris Hemsworth superhero film about the Norse god of thunder (4)
- 18** Jeff Bridges drama, *Crazy ...* (5)
- 20** English Grammy Award-winning singer with albums *19* and *21* (5)
- 22** Miley Cyrus romance, *The ... Song* (4)
- 25** Alyson Hannigan's character in TV's *How I Met Your Mother* (4)
- 26** Sam Worthington is Perseus in the blockbuster, *Clash ... Titans* (2,3)
- 29** Rapper and actor who plays field agent Sam Hanna in *NCIS: Los Angeles*, LL ... J (4)
- 32** Jim Carrey's Lemony Snicket's ... of *Unfortunate Events* (1,6)
- 33** Psychological thriller with Leonardo DiCaprio as a US marshal investigating the disappearance of a psychiatric patient, ... *Island* (7)
- 34** Radio and TV host, Ryan ... (8)
- 35** *The Heat* star, ... Bullock (6)



DOWN

- 1** Actor who provides the voice of Gru in *Despicable Me*, Steve ... (6)
- 2** Kate Winslet drama set in 50s Connecticut, *Revolutionary ...* (4)
- 4** LMFAO song, *Sexy and ... it* (1,4)
- 5** *The Wolverine* star, ... Jackman (4)
- 6** *Hitchcock* and *The Avengers* actress, ... Johansson (8)
- 7** Bill Nighy comedy about a 60s pirate radio ship, *The ... That Rocked* (4)
- 9** *The King's Speech* actor, Colin ... (5)
- 11** Actress who plays Lady Edith Crawley in TV's *Downton Abbey*, ... Carmichael (5)

- 15** Actor who is known for being the voice of Chris Griffin in TV's *Family Guy*, Seth ... (5)
- 16** American rock band with Anthony Kiedis and Flea, *Red Hot ... Peppers* (5)
- 19** *Little Britain* comic, David ... (8)
- 21** Singer-songwriter with the songs *Burn* and *How Long Will I Love You*, ... Goulding (5)
- 23** Actress, Kristin ... Thomas (5)
- 24** *Modern Family* character played by Sofia Vergara, ... Delgado-Pritchett (6)
- 27** Martial arts film starring Russell Crowe, *The Man with the Iron ...* (5)
- 28** Romantic sci-fi adapted from Stephenie Meyer's novel of the same name, *The ...* (4)
- 30** Frankie Muniz comedy, *Big Fat ...* (4)
- 31** Grammy Award-winning Beyonce song, *Single Ladies (... Ring on It)* (3,1)

Movie watch

PENELOPE CRUZ has appeared in all the movies at right. See if you can unscramble them.



Name that star

Hidden in the box of letters are the names of some celebrities. Use the photos below to help you work out their names. The names have been split into two and can be found in straight lines up, down, forwards, backwards or diagonally. The leftover letters will reveal the name of another celebrity.

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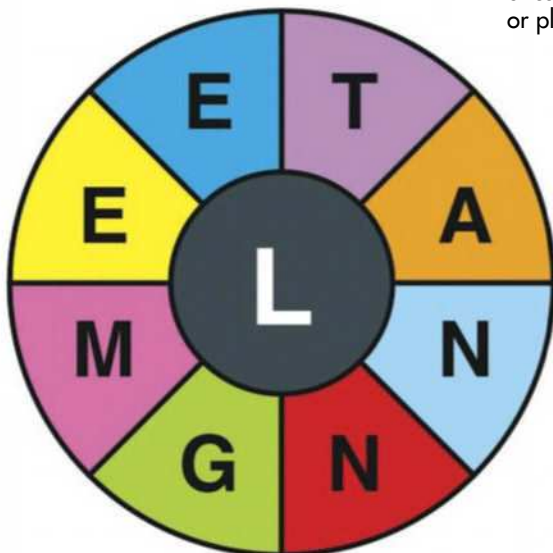
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Something is up with this photo from *Gogglebox*. Can you pick the **five differences** between the two pics?



Wheel words

Create as many words of four letters or more using the given letters once but always including the middle letter. Do not use proper names or plurals. See if you can find the nine-letter word using up all letters.



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Spot the difference
Answer: MADONNA
JUSTIN BARTHA, LILY COLE, MATT DAMON, MAUBOY, JOE JONAS, JOSH LUCAS, DESCANER, JENNIFER HUDSON, JESSICA ADA NICDEMOMU, DAVE ANNABLE, EMILY Removed picture on wall, removed glasses from table, collar on dog is now green, dog in the middle has a brown patch around right eye, full cup of coffee.



Movie watch 1. Vanilla Sky, 2. Vicky Cristina Barcelona, 3. Woman On Top, 4. Blow

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FEISTY IZZY IS PURE DELIGHT

I love seeing Izzy back on *Neighbours*. I love that she's wreaking havoc on Karl again. He's such an idiot. If I was Susan I would have left him years ago. Izzy is feisty and goes for what she wants. Now that she's back with her daughter, she'll wrap Karl around her little finger. I can't wait to see what she's planning this time around. She's inherited a lot of money from her dead husband, so she pretty much could buy all of Erinsbrough and its residents!

I hope Izzy sticks around for a bit. It makes *Neighbours* so much more fun to watch than those other dreary characters.

Natalie Gabriel, Wauchope, NSW.

LETTER OF THE MONTH

STAEDTLER

The author of the Letter of the Month wins this fabulous pack from STAEDTLER, valued at **\$100!**



OH KATIE, DON'T HURT WYATT!

I enjoy watching Katie Logan on *The Bold and the Beautiful* and her storyline hasn't been a success with everything that has been going on with her life. When we thought she was happy with Bill, it turns out he had feelings for her sister Brooke. Katie has a nervous breakdown, which we cannot blame her for, and ends up consolidating with Wyatt. They are very cute together and seem to understand each other and everything that has happened in their lives.

I was shocked to read that Katie is now playing dirty and has started to flirt with Thorne. Geez, is she really acting like Brooke? She labelled Brooke with a bad name and Katie seems like she is following her footsteps.

I hope Wyatt doesn't get hurt too much. He is very generous and understanding.

**P. Lombardo,
Tennyson Point, NSW.**



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TAKAYA HONDA

David on *Neighbours*

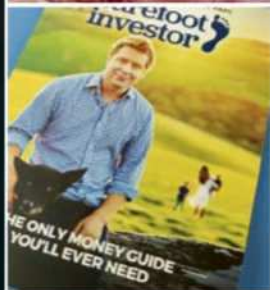
LEARNING: How to manage trades. I'm currently renovating my place, so project managing has been a bit of a learning curve.

READING: *The Barefoot Investor* by Scott Pape. It was a gift from my brother. I don't know why. Who has ever heard of an actor being bad with money?!

LOVING: My girlfriend Amy. She recently got a new job and is absolutely smashing it. So proud of her.

WORKING: On my renovations. I'm trying to do as much as I can myself.

EATING: I made a pretty good bolognese the other night. As we usually make things to last a few nights, it's still tasting pretty good!



DRINKING: Generally vodka, soda and lime, water or juice, and if I feel like a beer, I love a good Weissbier – Franziskaner Dunkel is my favourite at the moment.

THINKING: About our trip to Europe in our next break. I'm very excited to head over and catch up with some friends based over there.

LISTENING: Eminem's new album *Revival*. I've been a fan since *The Real Slim Shady* LP and am loving the new album.

LAUGHING: @miathelittledog always. She provides an endless supply.

WATCHING: *Awkward* on Stan. It's a fun and easy-to-watch MTV series. I've been pretty busy, so having something to tune out to is always good! **SW**



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BERLIN TAKES TO THE STAGE

Berlin HAS STAMPED ITS PLACE AS WHERE THE STARS WALK THE RED CARPET, WHILE HISTORY REVEALS THE MANY TALES IT HAS TO TELL.



Stars of the new Aussie series *Picnic at Hanging Rock* were the toast of Berlin just a few weeks back, when the new series screened to an international audience at the Berlin Film Festival. *Picnic's* TV newcomers **LILY SULLIVAN** and **RUBY REES**, as well as **NATALIE DORMER** (*Game of Thrones*), were among the guests at the German premiere, which was met with a standing ovation from the 850-strong crowd following screening.

The cast also received applause from the audience of international film critics who had gathered in Berlin for

the festival. Some of the entertainment industry's harshest critics gave the new series overwhelmingly positive reviews.

The historic German capital has emerged in recent years as one of the most important places in the world for new movies and TV series to premiere. And with the premieres, the stars have also followed suit, including Oscar winners **DAME HELEN MIRREN** and **TILDA SWINTON**, along with **JEFF GOLDBLUM**, **BRYAN CRANSTON** and **LIEV SCHREIBER** all in attendance this year.

In 2017, the Berlin red

carpet was awash with other A-listers, such as **JULIANNE MOORE**, **CHARLIZE THERON**, **JUDE LAW**, **COLIN FIRTH** and Aussie legend **GUY PEARCE**.

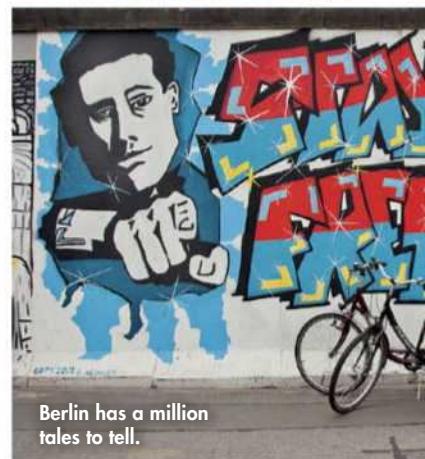
While the best in the world of movies and TV take centre stage during the weeks of the film festival, they have stiff competition for attention from the city itself.

Berlin has long been considered the most exciting of the European capitals. It is often called "the most important city of the 20th century", as so much important history has occurred here.

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resilient city has lived through it all and shares its stories for those who venture along its streets.

It is the grand Brandenburg Gate that rates as the number-one sight in Berlin and remains the iconic image of



Berlin has a million tales to tell.

the city. The 26-metre tall sandstone monument of the four-horse chariot sitting atop six large columns was built for King Frederick Wilhelm II of Prussia in 1791. Berlin has hosted many famous visitors across the centuries, too, including US Presidents **BILL CLINTON** and **BARACK OBAMA** and Russia's **MIKHAIL GORBACHEV**.

During the height of the Cold War, the infamous Berlin Wall was constructed in front of the Brandenburg Gate and became a symbolic point of where East



The Reichstag has been burned, bombed and rebuilt.



Berlin is one of the most important premiere locations in the world.

GERMAN STARS ON THE SCREEN

A number of the top screen stars were either born in Germany or have German heritage, including...

- Michael Fassbender
- Heidi Klum
- Diane Kruger
- Bruce Willis
- Kirsten Dunst
- Daniel Bruhl
- Sandra Bullock



DIANE KRUGER



MICHAEL FASSBENDER



BRUCE WILLIS



HEIDI KLUM



The city's iconic Brandenburg Gate.



HELEN MIRREN

and West were kept apart. The Berlin Wall was built in 1961 to split the city into two political halves and it was finally torn down in 1989.

What was once the shame of the city has become one of its most visited places. Remnants of the wall can still be spotted along its former 155 km route, most dramatically through Potsdamer Platz.

Today this is Berlin's major public square, with high-rise towers, a mall and a traffic intersection, yet only 30 years ago this was a barren,

high-security strip splitting the city in two.

The Reichstag is another Berlin structure that has recently returned to its grand stature after years of being little more than a shell. Built as the home of the German parliament in 1894, it was burned by the Nazis in 1933, bombed by the Russians in 1945, rebuilt in 1970 and, finally, reinstated as the German national parliament once again in the late 1990s.

This building alone has lived a saga of many lifetimes. Now magnificently restored, it is a beacon of what the reunited Germany stands for, topped by a great glass dome that overlooks the grand Unter den Linden, Berlin's famous street.

The Unter den Linden literally means "under the Lime Trees Avenue" and connects some of the grandest buildings in Berlin. This includes the Opera House, St. Hedwig's Cathedral and the Gendarmenmarkt city square.

In the centre of town is the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, where old and new Berlin meet in dramatic fashion.

The old church was destroyed during World War II, with the ruins retained as a reminder of the futility of war. The new church, built in the 1960s, is a stunning box of blue coloured glass walls.

It was built as a promise that the city had a brighter future – and Berlin has lived up to that promise ever since. **SW**

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JANE SEYMOUR

wowed attendees at the 4th Annual Hollywood Beauty Awards. She wore a sexy, fuchsia-pink satin, strapless bandeau gown, accessorised with a delicate silver necklace and pearl earrings.



HEATHER GRAHAM

looked as fresh as a daisy in this navy-blue shift with ruffled neckline and delicate white flowers. Her toned pins added to her statuesque frame. Heather is at the Build Speaker Series to promote her directorial debut *Half Magic*.



JENNIFER LAWRENCE

opted for a eye-popping black lace gown featuring a high Edwardian-style neckline, lots of cleavage and sheer bodice. A scooped hairdo and bold make-up completed the dramatic look, at the *Red Sparrow* premiere in New York.



MICHELLE MONAGHAN

appeared to glide in this romantic ensemble by Carolina Herrera, at the premiere of her new movie *The Vanishing of Sidney Hall*. A wide belt of pure sunshine separated the magical skirt and prim shirt, accentuating Michelle's tiny waist.



SOFIA VERGARA

goes glam at the 13th Annual L.A. Italia Fest Film Fest in Hollywood. Her formfitting black pencil skirt was matched with a jacket ablaze with sparkling scarlet flowery embroidery. Bright red lippy and black peep-toe heels were the perfect finish.





ROONEY MARA

was the picture of elegance at the Special Screening of the movie *Mary Magdalene* at the National Gallery in London. She wore a black jumpsuit with butterfly-wing ruffled lace bodice.

KYLIE MINOGUE

can't put a fashion foot wrong. Here, at the BRIT Awards, Kylie stole the spotlight in a silky nude gown covered with a vibrant red satin Ralph & Russo trench coat.



SAMANTHA HARRIS

arrived at Priceline Pharmacy's 'The Beauty Prescription' live event at Royal Randwick Racecourse. Looking playful in white poker-dots, Samantha's cuteness was enhanced by the mini-dress's keyhole neckline and bell sleeves.





JOELY RICHARDSON

cuts a striking figure at the *Red Sparrow* premiere in New York. The black and blue shoes are the perfect match for this powder-blue, billowing, satin gown featuring generous bell sleeves and black V-neck.

LAVERNE COX

looked every inch the beauty queen in this floaty black and midnight-blue ballerina dress, silver stilettos and the best hair ever, at the premiere event for Lifetime's new series *Glam Masters*.



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