'Bachelor Pad 2' Contestant Kasey Kahl's Surprising Engagement!





By Emily Meyer

For the ladies out there looking for a man who will guard and protect their heart, Kasey Kahl is officially off the market. The popular season six star of *The Bachelorette* proposed to his longtime girlfriend Amanda Waters this past weekend. As you would expect from the *Bachelor Pad 2* alum, the engagement was over the top and cheesy. According to <u>Wetpaint.com</u>, the proposal took place in Las Vegas where Kahl got down on one knee after an elaborate show in front of friends and family. The reality star took to Twitter to announce the engagement and posted a photo of Water's pretty new ring with the caption, "She said yes... #happiestdayofmylife
#lovemyfamilyandfriends #nutriefam #holycrapimafiancee."

What are three fun and unique ways to propose?

Cupid's Advice:

The story of you and your partner's engagement will be a tale you will never forget. You'll share the story with your friends, family, and kids (someday), so it's no surprise that planning this important moment can be stressful. But don't worry! Cupid has some easy and exciting ways to pop the question:

1. Use a "Marry Me" mug: If your partner loves their morning coffee or hot cocoa, this is a cute way to pop the question. Fill up a mug that has "Will you marry me?" printed on the bottom. When your sweetheart is done with their drink, drop to one knee, tell them to flip over the cup, and propose!

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2. Write your proposal in a journal: For those who appreciate a romantic love letter, you will love this idea! Write your significant other a journal with a creative title like "The Reasons I Want to Spend the Rest of My Life With You." Then, you both will have a beautiful book that you can keep and share forever.

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3. Set up a treasure hunt: Start with a clue at home for your unsuspecting soon-to-be-fiancé. Lead them to your favorite spots all over the town. End the fun adventure with a proposal at a place with special meaning to the two of you, maybe the restaurant where you had your first date or the park where you shared your first kiss.

Have any other unique ways to propose? Share below!

'Bachelor Pad' Stars Tenley Molzahn and Kiptyn Locke Are Back Together





By Louisa Gonzales

Looks like former *Bachelor Pad* stars, Tenley Molzahn and Kiptyn Locke have reunited and couldn't be happier. The couple first met and got together on the show after being runner-ups on *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette*, respectively, but broke up last year. Now fast-forward to now the reality stars have rekindled their flames, and according to <u>People</u>, have been back on "for several months now". What helped the two stars reconnect? Reportedly being out of the public eye has benefited their relationship and allowed the lovers to focus on the future. The pair's latest romantic outing was on Valentine's Day, out of the spotlight at Hotel Del Cornado in San Diego, where Locke surprised Molzahn with a gondola ride and together they oversaw the sunrise and rising of the moon. The T.V. sweethearts are excited for their second chance and Molzahn confesses marriage could be on the horizon for the two lovebirds.

What are some things to consider before getting back together with an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Relationship don't always work out, sometimes it's for the best and other times things get in the way. Being alone can be hard and make you wish you were in a relationship, but it's not always easy finding someone right for you. What if you think you already met the person you want to be with, but it didn't work out the first time? Cupid has advice on things to consider before reuniting with your ex:

1. It's more than just loneliness: Do you really miss your ex, or are you just scared of being alone? If the only reason you want to reunite is because your lonely, that is not a good enough reason to get back together and build a chance at a long-lasting relationship. Don't make the mistake of getting back together with someone for the wrong reasons, it will only hurt your relationship with that person, especially if the two of you are still friends or close.

Related: <u>'Bachelor Pad' Stars Tenley Molzahn and Kiptyn Locke</u> <u>Think Marriage</u> 2. There's a bright future: You need to ask yourself if you see a future with your old flame. Falling in love all over again is nice, deciding you just one last hook up is not, unless it is what you both want. Remember, no matter what you decide there's a chance one or both of you will get hurt. If there is potential for you and your ex to build a long and happy future together, by all means dive in, but make sure it's clear on both sides and that you're on the same page.

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3. It's not just a rebound: If you just got out of a relationship and are feeling sad about it, you might need more time to heal before jumping back into a relationship with someone, especially if it's with your ex. Diving right into another relationship after a break up is not always healthy, however if the reason you broke up is because you still have a strong connection with your ex lover, it could be good to give it another shot. Ask yourself is it more than just your ex being a good friend to you, by giving you a shoulder to cry on. Don't rekindle something that's not all the way there.

What do you think are good things to consider before getting back together with an ex? Share in the comments below.

'Bachelor Pad' Stars Blakely and Tony Get Engaged on the Show's Finale





By Jennifer Ross

In the season finale of *Bachelor Pad*, it was Nick Peterson that walked away with the \$250,000 jackpot, leaving his partner, Rachel Trueheart, empty handed. However, Peterson was not the only one to come out a winner. A surprise ending to the show happened when Tony Pieper proposed to his girlfriend and partner, Blakeley Jones. It appeared as if both Jones, 28, and Chris Harrison, host of the show, were unaware of Pieper's, 30, plans. According to *People*, Jones has been reported saying that although she knew she would marry Pieper someday, she had no idea when it would happen. Let's hope their marriage is not as fast as their dating relationship.

What are some very public ways to propose marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Almost every man, at one point in his life, will have to answer that day old question — "How should I propose to the love of my life?" From the simple to the over-the-top plan, Cupid's Pulse has a few ideas for you to consider.

1. K.I.S.S.: When in doubt, Keep It Smart and Simple. While being proposed to can make a person feel like No. 1, not everyone enjoys being the center of attention. A good way to propose low key at home is to remove all her jewelry from her jewelry box and replace it with just the ring. Then, wait for her surprise reaction when she finds it as she is getting dressed.

2. Spell it out: Another great idea is to get the loved ones involved in helping you propose. Plan a party, inviting all your friends and family. Recruit some of the attendees to wear a T-shirt bearing one letter of the phrase, "Will you marry me?" Then, as soon as you two walk in, suggest a group photo and let the shirts speak for themselves.

3. Look up: For an outrageous idea, why not propose surrounded by thousands of your "closest friends" and your favorite team! Many sporting events allow bookings for your proposal to be shown on their scoreboard or big screen arena-boards. Just be sure to book it days or weeks in advance, depending on the popularity of the game. Another benefit is the booking fee usually goes towards the team's foundation.

How were you proposed to? Have a great proposal story for us? Tell us below!

'Bachelor Pad' Star Chris Bukowski Says He Still Has Feelings for Emily Maynard





By Jennifer Ross

Even though time has passed since Emily Maynard, 28, dumped Chris Bukowski earlier this year on *The Bachelorette*, Bukowski says he's still not over her. Bukowski, 25, has since moved on to ABC's *the Bachelor Pad*, and has found a new love interest, Sarah Newlon. On a date together, he admitted to Newlon, 28, that being dumped by Maynard was probably one of "the worst things I've ever experienced…it's heartbreaking." A good thing he has going for him is how Newlon is willing to lend a shoulder to his pain. What do you do if you're having a hard time getting over an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

One of the hardest things to go through in life is a break-up, especially when you were the one that was dumped. Many questions arise and the pain can seem unbearable. However, there is light at the end of the tunnel. Here are a few tips to getting over that heartbreak:

1. Get your ex off that pedestal: You may want to remember all the funny or loving moments your ex created, but keep in mind, your ex also created many, many horrible ones too. There's a good reason why this break-up happened, even if you cannot see this right away.

2. Get rid of the reminders: The way to ensure you do not relapse into despair is to remove anything that reminds you of the relationship. Trash those cute pictures of you two or that stuffed puppy dog holding a heart that you received at last Valentine's Day dinner. While you are at it, clean your space of your ex's personal belongings fast!

3. Dust off those hobbies: Chances are you have let many of your hobbies go while you were in a relationship. What better way to get over your ex than by getting back your swag? Exercising, whether indoors or out, is a great way to relieve emotional pain, along with extra pounds. An added bonus is you'll start to feel better about yourself. If physical activity is not your style, then find something else.

How do you spend your time forgetting your ex? What hobbies have you rekindled? Tell us below!

EXCLUSIVE: 'Bachelor Pad 2' Winner and Newlywed Holly Durst Tells Us About Her "Perfect" Wedding and Honeymoon





By Whitney Baker

Fans know Holly Durst as the bubbly winner of 'Bachelor Pad 2,' but now, she's content just being a newlywed. Durst and Blake Julian, who met while competing on the reality show, tied the knot in South Carolina on June 2, 2012. The big day was perfect and more than she ever imagined. "I'm so happy! I love married life. It's just the best," she gushes.

Durst says her best piece of advice for brides-to-be is to hire a wedding planner. She adds, "I planned my whole wedding on Pinterest. I wanted to make sure that I remembered all of the little things."

For Durst, it was those small details that made the day so special. Even her wedding dress had a personal touch. She always thought she'd wear a Cinderella gown, but she tried "so many of them on and always felt overwhelmed." Her final pick, however, was the perfect fit. "It elongated my already long body. I made it my own by removing the rhinestones and adding a sash."

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Surprisingly, Durst's favorite moment of her wedding happened *before* the ceremony. "Blake and I both were in the same room, but we couldn't see each other — there was a wall in between us. We got to reach around and pray together right before the wedding," she reveals.

Even though Durst was the star of the show, she wanted to make sure that her guests felt loved too – especially the single ladies. She added a personal touch to the bouquet toss, making the lucky girl who caught it feel even luckier. "I wrote a little note and stuck it in the flowers," she shares. "I told her to be patient, and when she finds love, it's going to be perfect. I hope that, someday, she experiences the same love that I have with Blake."

As for their honeymoon in St. Lucia, Durst says, "It was so good! I didn't want to come back."

The couple took a very practical approach to planning their trip. First, they wanted to stay in the same time zone. She tells us, "We thought about Fiji or Bora Bora, but we would've wasted so much time traveling. The Caribbean was a perfect choice." Plus, Durst let Julian make most of the decisions. "He actually did all of the searching, and I just okayed things," she says. "I planned a wedding, so I let him plan the honeymoon!"

During their time in St. Lucia, the couple enjoyed the amenities at an all-inclusive resort. They signed up for "everything" — pool and beach volleyball, paddleboard racing, ping-pong. They even rallied the other honeymooners into playing too. Durst explains, "One day, we left the resort and did an excursion around the island. We came back, and everyone was like, 'No one did anything today because you guys weren't around!' We were the ones grabbing other people to join."

Now that they've returned from paradise, it's back to reality. As they settle into life as man and wife, they are keeping busy. According to an interview with Wetpaint, Durst, who has no desire to film her love life for reality television anymore, revealed that she would love to be a judge on 'Bachelor Pad 3.' However, when we asked her about any upcoming plans to do so, she simply replied, "No." Perhaps she changed her mind when ABC announced that ex-fiancé Michael Stagliano would be one of the cast members.

As for tuning in to watch the show? Durst hesitantly replied, "We'll see. I have so much to do!"

You can keep up with Durst on Twitter and her personal website, HollyDurst.com. Be sure to check out her new children's book <u>'</u>Chocolate Socks<u>'</u> as well. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Cupid wants to know: Will you be watching 'Bachelor Pad 3' this summer?

Exclusive: Bachelor Pad 2 Winner Holly Durst Plans Honeymoon in St. Lucia with Fiancé Blake Julian



By Lori Bizzoco

This summer, former *Bachelor Pad* reality stars Holly Durst and Blake Julian will have an intimate wedding in South Carolina and set off to the beautiful Caribbean island of St. Lucia for a romantic, one-week honeymoon.

"Blake is everything I've been looking for," Holly gushed. "I liked him from the moment that I met him and I couldn't deny that. We have the best chemistry together." **Related:** <u>Bachelor Pad 2 Recap: Blake Julian Gives Holly Durst</u> <u>a Rose</u>

As many fans know, Holly and Blake's path to wedded bliss was all but easy for fans who watched it unfold on national television. Holly and her ex-fiance, Season 5 *Bachelorette* contestant, Michael Stagliano both appeared on the spinoff series, *Bachelor Pad 2* last summer. Although the two weren't together romantically, they partnered as a team, and split the grand prize of \$250,000 dollars. But, for Holly money wasn't all that she won. It was on that show that she met her future husband, Greenville, South Carolina Dentist, Blake Julian.

When asked if she watches the current episode of *The Bachelor*, Holly says she "keeps up" with her reality TV Alma Mater, but says that Blake likes it more than she does. "He likes Ben a lot, they were buddies on their season together."

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Ben and most of their fellow contestants from Bachelor Pad 2 will be invited to their June 2 wedding in South Carolina. "Invitations are almost ready to go out," she laughs. "We had a little envelope emergency and the stamps wouldn't stick on the finish of the envelopes so we spread them all over the apartment to get the stamps to stick and dry." Holly says that's the only snafu they've faced, everything else has been easy sailing.

The wedding will take place June 2nd (one day before Blake's 29th birthday) and they are estimating about 150 guests to attend the southern affair that will be decorated in a neutral tone of white. "I wanted a color that wouldn't date the photos. But, there will be a hint of pink throughout, because I love pink so much." Holly chose Alfred Angelo for her dress and pink for her six bridesmaids, all of whom are close friends and family.

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I am the opposite of Bridezilla, she said. "I'm just going to show up the day of the wedding and say alright that's good, thanks."

In addition to planning the wedding, this month Holly is launching her first children's book. "I have been writing for about six years and I have several children's books and a novel in the works." Holly says that she always wanted to write a book that inspired kids that they could be and do anything that they wanted to in life. "I wanted to encourage other kids growing up not to be afraid of anything and to follow their dreams." The result of this passion is "Chocolate Socks," a book about taking what you love and doing whatever you want with it. Holly has always had a love for children, and even went to school to be a teacher before deciding that writing children's books was her calling.

When asked about having kids of her own, she said we aren't planning for it but if it happens it happens. "Blake wants two kids, and I want two or three, preferably twins!" Dating Michael who was a twin wasn't what convinced her, she has eight sets of twins in her own family lineage.

Holly certainly keeps herself busy, dental assistant, children's author and soon-to-be wife. But, regardless of her hectic life, she is still booming with happiness about finally becoming Blake's wife.

The wedding festivities are set to begin this month with Blake's ski-themed bachelor party taking place this month in Colorado and Holly's bachelorette party in LA in May.

Visit <u>Amazon</u> to get your own copy of Holly Durst's new inspiring children's book, *Chocolate Socks*.

Tonight: Reality TV Star Premiere Party in Hollywood!





Some of our favorite *Bachelorette* and *Bachelor Pad* all-stars are gearing up to celebrate the premiere of the sixteenth season of ABC's *The Bachelor* during a Reality TV Star Premiere Party hosted by Jesse Csincsak, Jesse Kovacs and David Good. The event will take place at The Parlor Hollywood on Monday, January 2, 2012 from 6 p.m. to midnight.

There will be a Red Carpet Entrance, VIP gifting area, appetizers, cocktails and a special viewing of the Season Premiere of The Bachelor-LIVE! As if that's not enough, rounding out the good time will be a celebrity date auction, featuring *Bachelor Pad's* Kasey Kahl and *Most Eligible Dallas'* Matt Nordgren. All proceeds benefit Alex's Lemonade Stand, a foundation that raises money to fight childhood cancer. The auction will be followed by music, dancing and a midnight champagne toast!

The party will be hosted by three of The Bachelorette's fan favorites but it will be one huge Reality TV celebration. Expect appearances from your favorite reality stars of The Bachelor, Most Eligible Dallas, Survivor, Big Brother, Dancing With The Stars, The Hills, The Real World, and many more!

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Michael Stagliano Taps into 'Bachelor Pad' Winnings





It looks like *Bachelor Pad* alum Michael Stagliano has finally tapped into his winnings from the show, as he recently indulged in a getaway. The reality star vacationed in Mexico where he spent a week at Villa del Palmar at the Islands of Loreto. During his time there he enjoyed kayaking, paddle boarding and playing golf. He even displayed some holiday spirit by helping to decorate the resort's Christmas tree and gingerbread house. There's nothing like some R&R in the sun coupled with seasonal merriment!

Kasey Kahl Discusses His Future with Vienna Girardi Post-Breakup





Bachelor Pad 2 couple, Kasey Kahl, 27, and Vienna Girardi, 25, are both keeping the option of reuniting open after their recent split. According to <u>UsMagazine</u>, Kahl and Girardi have bot said that they don't know what the future holds, but it could bring them back together. Looks like the two are still remaining friends for now.

Is it OK to leave the possibility of a rekindled romance open after a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Most breakups end miserably, but some close on good terms. Staying friends usually means that you think there's a chance of eventually getting back together with your ex. Here are some things about which to be cautious:

1. The reasoning behind your breakup: The thing is, you

probably broke up for a reason. If nothing in either of your lives has changed to affect that reasoning, there's probably no reason the relationship would work if you gave it a second shot.

2. It could get messy: Thinking about getting back together with your past love could lead to a "friends with benefits" situation and a huge mess of emotions. Be prepared.

3. Your partner's intentions: If you're going to rekindle a romance, it's important to have a long discussion with your ex before jumping back into things. Make sure you know what they expect from a relationship, so that you go into it with clarity.

Do you think it's okay to leave the possibility of a rekindled romance open after a breakup? Share your ideas below.

'Bachelor' Couple Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl Call It Quits





Add another break-up to *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette* bunch, because another couple has split. Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl became an item on the reality show *Bachelor Pad* when they took a second shot at love, but the couple has decided to go their separate ways. "Yes vienna and I have split. It's been 5 weeks now. I can't fake it anymore. I will always love, be there for her, and wish her the best," Kahl posted to Twitter. "@KaseyRKahl will always be my best friend, but yes we have split. No idea what the future holds for us but we will always remain friends," replied Girardi, also via Twitter.

How do you know when it's time to go your separate ways?

Cupid's Advice:

Breakups aren't always easy, and it's hard to be sure when you're ready to split from your partner. Cupid has some tips:

1. You're having doubts: If you've started to second guess your relationship, figure out why you feel that way. It's important to have confidence in your relationship together, and if you don't, who will?

2. The novelty has worn off: The beginning of a relationship is the most thrilling part because it's all new and exciting. If you've stopped growing as a couple, there's no point in pretending it's going to work long term.

3. You don't see them in your future: If you can't imagine spending the rest of your life with this person, don't continue to waste your time or theirs.

How did you know when to end your last relationship? Share your comments below.

'Bachelor Pad 2' Winner: Michael Stagliano says "I've Never Been Happier"





By Lori Bizzoco and Melissa Caballero

It was exactly one month ago today that Michael Stagliano and his ex-fiance, Holly Durst had their victory win on the season finale of ABC's 'Bachelor Pad 2.' Despite the uncomfortable (and surprising) public announcement on the show that Holly was engaged to contestant Blake Julian, Michael took the high road and chose to share the winnings with her. But now, that's all behind him and it's his turn to smile. "Right now my job, my music and my life outside the *Bachelor Pad* are good. I've never been happier," he says.

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Grabbing life by the reigns, this Bachelor Pad 2 winner is keeping his chin up and learning from his past experiences. When it comes to finding love, Michael is definitely an optimist. "I am so ridiculously in love with love. I'm such a lover. Don't get me wrong, I was down and out for a bit. But, I'm back!" he says. Yes, single ladies you heard that correctly: Michael Stagliano is on the prowl. "I like the hunt. I love the idea of finding love naturally; in the grocery store or just walking down the street." And, it's safe to say that if you do see this talented musician strolling around town or parading in the produce aisle, his mind is grooving to the beat of a song, preferably one of his own.

This former break-dance instructor is taking his energy and passion and putting it straight into singing and song writing. "I can talk about my music for days and days. I think there's nothing in the world like music," he says.

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Michael has always been in love with music and emphasizes the importance of his lyrics. When asked where he finds his inspiration, he says, "I think what I appreciate the most about my songwriting is that it comes from everywhere. I literally try to use everything. It sounds broad, but I mean it specifically. It's events, it's things in life, it's things I see and things I hear. I feel that songs write me rather than me writing songs."

For example, he tells us the story of how he recently bumped into his ex-girlfriend from college and there was a rush of nostalgia so big that he wrote his newest single, 'College Love,' on the car ride home. Michael's other two songs, 'Everything You Do' and 'Take Me To Her' were inspired by his relationship with Holly and a quote that his grandmother once said to him: "I lived my life. Now go live yours." As if there wasn't reason enough to fall in love with this former *Bachelorette* contestant, add "soulfully romantic musician" to the list.

Speaking of falling in love, when we asked Michael to name his celebrity crush, he didn't hesitate. **"Rachel McAdams. So hot.**

Call me!" he chuckled.

If you're not Rachel McAdams, there's still hope. We asked Michael what he looks for in a woman, and he kindly shared his top three (more like 15) list of qualities and features:

1. Physical characteristics: He says this one is the most fun to talk about, but not the most important. "I'm a sucker for blondes. Always have been, always will be. Not *Playboy* bunny blonde; naturally blonde. I like shorter girls, 5'2 to 5'7. And, blue or green eyes, that would be great," he adds.

2. Showing love: "I really have that down. I know how to treat a woman, but still be the man. I know how to make them feel special and let them know that I'm not looking at anybody else. I just want someone who reciprocates that. I haven't had that yet."

3. Fruits of the Spirit: Michael says there's nine qualities he looks for that come from the biblical term called, 'Fruits of the Spirit.' "I'm totally going to misquote this, but basically I mean patience, kind, caring, forgiving, someone who is slow to anger and quick to forgive," he says. For those of you who are unfamiliar we thought we'd help out. The nine fruits are love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Open and honest, you have to admire this reality star's take on life and love. After such a painful public experience, it's nice to see a renewed man coming out on top. We have a feeling that this hopeless romantic will meet someone very special and that his music will be around for a long time.

To purchase Michael's singles, head to iTunes. Or, for more information on his show dates and appearances you can follow him on Facebook or Twitter.

Jesse Csincsak Brings in Bachelor Pad 2 Contestants to Dish Behind-The-Scenes Scoop!





Bachelor Pad 2 is not over yet, fans! Now, you can get an up close and personal look at what really happened on the hit ABC reality show. Jesse Csincsak, host of Bachelor Pad 2 Beatdown brings us an hour and a half exclusive called, 'After the Finale Beatdown' with former contestants Michelle Money, Kasey Kahl, Vienna Girardi, Erica Rose, William Holman, and Jackie Gordon.

Part I of 'After the Final Beatdown' will be posted on

RTVZone and on BachelorPadBeatdown.com on Thursday, September 22 and Part II will be posted on Tuesday, September 27th. You will see footage of Rated R's fight with Graham Bunn, hear more about Blake Julian and Holly Durst's proposal, and find out what really happened between Ames Brown and Jackie Gordon. Fans, it's everything you wanted to know from many of the contestants themselves.

In the meantime, check out what Season 4 Bachelorette contestant, Richard Mathy says you can expect in January when Ben Flajnik is the new Bachelor!

He Said/She Said: Natalie Getz and David Good Discuss Bachelor Pad 2's Season Finale





This dramatic season of Bachelor Pad 2 has finally come to an end. In this week's episode, the contenders performed with Cirque de Soleil's Ka, Blake proposed to Holly, the winners were declared and the next Bachelor was announced. We had a chance to chat with our Bachelor Pad 2 experts, David Good and Natalie Getz, to see what their thoughts were about the season finale.

Kasey and Vienna did quite well in the final challenge, but ultimately didn't get a chance to compete for the final prize. What are your closing thoughts on how they chose to play the game? Do you think they will remain together long-term?

He said: I think they played the game great! People can dislike them as a couple but they still controlled the whole show till the end. As far as a couple, I wish them the best but I don't see it working out from what we got to see of them on TV.

She said: They did a great job and really played off of each other's chemistry very well. I was super impressed! It was very close, so I think the judges could have gone either way.

I was with them in San Diego for Jesse Kovac's wine bar/clothing boutique opening over the weekend, and they still seem very much in love. They certainly have their fair share of fights just like a lot of other couples, but they love each other. Now that they live together, I really can't see these two separating.

If you had been Michael and Holly, would you have made the same choice they did when they decided to let Graham and Michelle head to the finals with them?

He said: Yes, I would have. It's about friendship and integrity that goes beyond the show.

She said: No, I would have actually chosen Kasey and Vienna. Graham and Michelle had less drama with the cast, so they would have been a tougher competition. Strategically, they would have received more votes. Turns out, they got all the votes anyway. Then again, had I been a part of season two and saw Michael hurting over the recent news of Holly's engagement to Blake, I would have voted Michael to win as well. At least he didn't walk away empty handed.

Michael didn't know about Holly and Blake's engagement before the finale. How do you think he handled the news on-camera? And were you surprised when he ultimately decided to "share" the money with Holly?

He said: I think he handled it with class. That goes to show what a good person he is and I would expect nothing less from him. I knew he would share the money with her. That's the kind of person he is. He deserves better than her anyway.

She said: I think he was in a state of shock that it actually happened and Holly didn't call to warn him. I was surprised she allowed them to film it to be honest with you. She could have said no and spared Michael's feelings. I wasn't surprised at all by Michael sharing the money. I know him well and he has the biggest heart and is sincerely kind and generous in everything he does. He is humble and logical. He once loved Holly and out of maturity, he still wouldn't want to screw her over. He is almost too good of a person to his own fault.

Are you surprised Blake and Holly are engaged and moving in together so quickly? And what did you think about their oncamera engagement; do you think we will see a Bachelor Pad wedding in the near future? Any other couples from this season that you think may have a wedding in their future?

He said: I am surprised because I know Holly and expected more out of her. She is in love with the thought of falling in love and that is her weakness. I promise you she is very unsure about all this and it's moving way too fast. I don't see a wedding in their future but even after everything they did, I still think they deserve to be happy if that's what they want.

She said: I don't think we will see any other couple engaged anytime soon unless producers push for it. I was so shocked about the engagement. I didn't really know what to think when Holly showed me her ring at the wrap party. Of course I was happy for her; she is my friend. That being said, I voiced my concern to her that I was worried about her moving across the country for a 2 month long distant relationship. But like they say....when you know, you know. I'm happy she is happy.

Michael and Holly are the winners of Bachelor Pad 2 – do you agree Michael was the strongest competitor this season? And what exactly do you think Holly brought to the partnership?

He said: Holly was a good support system for Mike believe it or not. He got sympathy points from everyone because of her. I think he played as good or the best of anyone there.

She said: Michael hands down won that game and deserved it. He was by far the strongest competitor with his genuine personality and athletic/coordination skills.

If you'll miss all the rose action, be sure to catch the

premiere of The Bachelor in January, Ben Flajnik has been officially announced as the next Bachelor. Until next time!

Bachelor Pad's Michael Stagliano Reacts to Ex-Fiance Holly's Engagement to Blake





Michael Stagliano, 27, may have won *The Bachelor Pad*, but he ultimately lost ex-fiance Holly Durst, 28, to fellow contestant Blake Julian. Durst's engagement to Julian was revealed to Stagliano on the show's finale. Putting that shocking news aside, our jars also dropped when we read the

jilted bachelor's statement to <u>People</u>, which read, "We were engaged and therefore I will always care about and love her so it makes me happy when she is happy." Way to take it like a man, Michael.

How do you deal when your ex decides to marry someone else?

Cupid's Advice:

Seeing your ex with another girl is a hard pill to swallow. Hearing your ex is engaged to someone else can be pure torture. Thankfully, we've got a few tips so that you can move on with your life without taking someone else's happiness away:

1. Happiness: Were you happy with your ex? If so, try being happy for him or her to return the favor.

2. Think about yourself: Being happy for someone else first means being satisfied with your own accomplishments.

3. No need to go congratulating your ex: As long as you know that you've moved on, that may be all that matters. At the bare minimum, don't ruin your ex's special time by being negative toward him. As the old adage goes, "If you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all."

How did you react when your ex got engaged? Share your experience below.

He Said/She Said: Natalie

Getz and David Good Answer Questions about Bachelor Pad 2 Episode 5





By Jennifer Harrington

As Labor Day weekend wrapped up, we were all treated to a suspense-filled episode of *Bachelor Pad 2*! During the <u>episode</u>, viewers witnessed a strategic challenge, romantic fireworks between Michelle and Graham, Erica's over-the-top overtures towards Blake, and a final showdown between Blake/Erica and Kirk/Ella. To make sense of this crazy installment of summer's guiltiest pleasure, we spoke to David Good and Natalie Getz, winners of *Bachelor Pad 1*.

Michelle and Graham's relationship took a big step forward

this week — were you surprised they won the competition, given they have not been together for that long? What did you think about their strategy during the game?

He Said: I think it has been growing; we have just not seen much of them because of the Jake/Vienna/Kasey BS. Best strategy in a game I have seen yet on the *Pad*!

She Said: Their strategy was genius. David and I had a similar strategy last year. We picked answers that were easy for us to remember, versus the truth. They are going to win, I just know it. Keeping quiet and out of the drama is the best thing you can do in the game. I enjoyed seeing them fall in love this week! If they got married and had children, the kids might actually be too beautiful.

What were you thinking during Erica and Blake's date? Did Erica's aggressive behavior surprise you, and did you agree with how Blake handled the situation?

He Said: It did not, because I know her. She is hilarious, and that is Erica. A different bird for sure, but love her and she is her own person. I respect that. I thought Blake did very well handling the situation.

She Said: Blake handled the situation incredibly well, but Erica is my hero! She is so entertaining to watch and is not afraid to say or do anything on camera. Her behavior didn't surprise me one bit and had Blake not already started a relationship with Holly, Erica would have gotten her way. Trust me!

Why do you think Erica and Blake gave Vienna and Kasey the roses? Why are Vienna and Kasey still around, if everyone supposedly dislikes them so much?

He Said: They are still around because people are scared to go against them. Erica and Blake thought if they teamed up with them, they would be safe. Fail!

She Said: Kasey is great at manipulating people to do what he wants them to do. I am shocked Erica and Blake did that! They could have given the roses to Ella and Kirk and gathered the gang to all vote off Kasey and Vienna! I think people like Vienna and Kasey, but they are just exhausted by their fights. They are both very nice people, but being cooped up in a house definitely tested their relationship! Rest assured, they are still in love.

Ella has been very vocal about her desire to win the money – what's your take on her approach? Is it winning her sympathy votes?

He Said: Of course it is winning votes. Lots of people can relate to that. She has not had an easy life, but in my opinion, the best diamonds form under the most pressure. I don't like the fact that she is saying she needs the money so bad though. There are a lot of single moms making it with way less than what she has. But it would be nice to see someone with a good heart win.

She Said: It's definitely winning her sympathy votes. It's officially saved her twice at this point. I, for one, would never vote her off if I was in the house. As much of it is a game, I have a super soft spot for children and wouldn't be able to vote her off, even if she was my biggest threat! I want her son to have a backyard and a home so bad.

After Holly voted Blake off, do you think there is any chance of them re-kindling their romance post *Pad*? And, with Blake gone now, how do you think Holly and Michael's relationship will change?

He Said: I think they for sure could see each other after, but don't think it will last long. Just my opinion, which in Bachelor history has been 100 percent accurate so far. I gave Ames and Jackie two weeks; they lasted 5 days I heard. So I was off a little! When Mike watches this show, I hope he realizes he is better without her.

She Said: I think we haven't seen a lot of what's going on in the house. I think Holly and Blake have spent a ton of time together that we aren't seeing and I also think she has spent some quality time with Michael. It hurts to watch because they are both my friends. When Holly called off the engagement, Michael was beyond devastated. When she decided she made a mistake and wanted him back, he couldn't do it and then she was devastated. I'm just glad they can both still love each other as friends! I don't think these two will be getting back together.

Be sure to tune in **next Monday night for the next chapter in Bachelor Pad** history! And send us your questions for David and Natalie while you're watching!

'Bachelor Pad 2' Couple Michelle and Graham Are Still Talking Every Day





Two stars of *Bachelor Pad 2*, Michelle Money and Graham Bunn, have managed to keep their relationship going long after the cameras stopped rolling, according to <u>People</u>. Money, who returned to Utah after the show, and Bunn, who now resides in New York, make sure they keep in contact almost every day. How do they do it? Well, it's not visiting each other every weekend or doing "hanky panky" over the phone. The two keep their relationship going strong with communication.

What are some keys to making a long distance relationship work?

Cupid's Advice:

It can be nearly impossible to see your partner every weekend when he or she lives so many miles away, and can even be tough to talk multiple times a day with a hectic schedule. Once you've decided to take on the challenge of a long distance relationship, you're going to have to put in some work! Here are some ways:

1. Skype: This technology is a great way to talk to your

significant other face-to-face sans the airline ticket prices and long lines . All you need is a computer and webcam. Also, it's free!

2. Have a Friday night movie date: Movie dates are a dating staple. With Netflix, you can both watch the same movie at the same time in party mode. The Netflix package is available through Xbox live, Playstation, and Nintendo Wii. Plus, what guy doesn't already own an Xbox?

3. Unlimited plan: You're going to be making some expensive phone calls, so make sure your phone plan has the best possible deal you can get.

What are some ways you make your long distance relationship work? Share your experiences below.

'Bachelor Pad 2' Recap Episode 5: Vienna and Kasey Start to Crack, Graham and Michelle Hit it Off.





By Steven Zangrillo

The Nearlywed Challenge:

This episode kicked off with Blake and Erica teaming up for the Nearlywed Challenge, an offshoot of the Newlywed Game, despite his real desire to be with Holly. However, Holly had promised Michael that she would stick with him to the end, although her behavior throughout the episode indicated that she might be having second thoughts about that decision.

For the Nearlywed Challenge, couples were paired up and asked questions about their partner. One person would write down the answer and the other person would try to guess what the other person said. If the answers matched up, they would get a point.

Kasey and Vienna, the de facto couple of the house, weren't exactly on point when answering questions (much to the delight of the other housemates). Michelle and Graham, however, used a brilliant strategy of pre-determined answers to steal the game and snag an incredible date. Surprisingly, Blake and Erica took second place and although they didn't get immunity roses, they did earn a date of their own.

Challenge Winners: Michelle and Graham

Immunity and Dates:

Michelle and Graham were the winners and ABC flew them via helicopter to downtown LA where they were dropped off on a rooftop, complete with a pool and private screening of "What's Your Number?", a new comedy starring Anna Faris.

The two newly coupled pair hung out in the pool while the film played, seemingly hitting it off. They even shared a passionate kiss.

Blake and Erica were the runners-up. However, they were granted a one-on-one date at a beautiful Spanish Mission. To say this date was out of the ordinary would be sugar-coating it. First, the couple didn't even want to be paired together. Then, they win the challenge and get a date. They don't have immunity, but there are two long stemmed red roses staring at them over dinner. As it turns out, these flowers were given to them in order to save another couple (who inevitably would save them). Or, if you're Blake you may only care about the rose for the sake of spending more time with Holly because we all know that's really all he cares about at this point anyway. So, the second place non-lovers give the roses to Kasey and Vienna – much to the disgust of the other housemates and unintentionally sealing their bad fate.

What's even funnier is that Erica decides to seduce Blake on the date. It was almost comical, as Blake deftly shot down her advances one after another. At this point, Erica threw a wacked-out and bizarre temper tantrum, accusing Blake of disrespecting her. The best part of all of this, of course, is that Erica was as sober as a bird.

Back at The Pad:

Michael, Holly and Blake:

The drama only continues to heat up between these three. Michael, presumably in the spirit of jealousy, decides to profess his undying love to Holly. Further, he tells her that he will be there waiting for her whenever she wants to come back to him. This prompts Holly to call Michael out on his lack of communication over the previous three months. Mostly, she was upset that he never expressed these feelings when the cameras were off. Needless to say, this soap-opera moment was all for Blake... that is, until he and Erica were sent home.

Ella and Kirk :

Ella, meanwhile, was having serious doubts about her and Kirk's future on the show after they didn't receive Immunity Roses.

Elimination:

Blake and Erica came into this episode like a roller coaster, they poorly managed their opportunities to get ahead. They had no option but to partner up at the end but played the Nearlywed game well enough to gain some leverage. Their lack of love connection probably set them back from staying in the house.

Predictions:

Cupid's Pulse is still spot on with our predictions of Michelle, Michael, and Ella. However, that basically leaves one member of every power couple – except for Vienna and Kasey. Wow, good job we did choosing all of them. But, if we had to pick the last standing couple, we would go with Michelle and Graham. They would win love and money. That would be historical. We can find out next week during the Season Finale, so stay tuned!

In the meantime, if you have questions about the Bachelor Pad 2, send them in. We will have former winners, <u>Natalie Getz and</u> <u>David Good</u> with us all season to answer them.

Melissa From 'Bachelor Pad 2' Says She's Not Emotional Off-Camera



Bachelor Pad 2 drama queen Melissa Schreiber insists she's not nearly as emotional off-camera as she was on the show,

according to <u>People</u>. The reality star, who ended up getting played by Blake on season 2 of the show after falling for him very quickly, says she no longer has feelings for him. "My friends and family have been so supportive. They know that I'm not that emotional outside of the <u>Bachelor</u> world," said Schreiber. "It's so funny. Every episode, I get like 50 text messages saying, 'Who are you? We don't recognize you on TV.' For some reason, when in the <u>Bachelor</u> house, I'm overly emotional."

How do you avoid falling for someone too quickly?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes you can mistake lust for love and fall for someone you're interested in too quickly. This can often lead to heartache. Cupid has some advice on how to avoid falling fast:

1. Make personal rules: One of the best ways to keep yourself in check is to make a personal set of rules to follow in the dating world. For instance, make a rule that you won't kiss someone until the second date or you won't go on more than two dates in a week. Sometimes the beginning of a relationship is the most exciting part, so taking things slow will prolong it!

2. Stay logical: This is easier said than done. Sometimes our emotions get the best of it and we follow them with a blind eye ... or head, as the case may be. Make sure to think things through logically before making any drastic decisions or statements.

3. Cover multiple topics: Falling for someone before you actually know him or her well is often a mistake. Prolong the "getting to you know you" process by asking multiple questions and covering many topics.

How do you avoid falling for someone too fast? Share your

He Said/She Said: David Good and Natalie Getz Discuss Episode 4 of Bachelor Pad 2





By Jennifer Harrington

The drama is never-ending on Bachelor Pad 2! This week's episode started with Jake's dramatic farewell, a kissing competition and more emotional breakdowns from Melissa. Two more contenders – William and Melissa – were eliminated in

their quest for love and money. After this crazy episode, we chatted with our Bachelor Pad 2 experts, David Good and Natalie Getz, to see what they thought about the action.

We learned tonight that Blake and Ella are the best kissers in the house – were you surprised they were crowned the King and Queen of Kissing in the Pad? When you first learned of the competition tonight, who did you predict would be the winners?

He Said: I was not surprised actually. Ella is pretty quiet and they say "it's always the quiet ones" and she has nice lips. I thought Michelle might win when I first heard of it, but she vowed out so it was wide open.

She Said: I thought either Blake or Kirk would win the competition, because neither of them are in a relationship and they just look like they would be good kissers! As for the girls, I predicted Ella to win because she is bound and determined to win the money for her son. She was on the chopping block last week, so I knew she would do anything this week to stay safe! The guys were being all dramatic and weird about kissing Vienna and Holly, which was annoying because it's a game! Tenley and Elizabeth kissed all the guys on our season even though Kovacs and Kiptyn were their boyfriends. I even kissed Kiptyn and Kovacs right in front of the girls and we all laughed so hard about it.

Do you agree or disagree with Michelle's decision to sit out of the kissing competition? Did you think she was putting herself in a risky position by sitting out of this week's challenge?

He Said: I don't disagree or agree with it. She has a daughter that she does not want to see her doing that. On the other hand, you know you are signing up for that kind of thing on the show. It's not right or wrong because she is the one putting her neck on the line by not giving herself a chance to get a rose.

She Said: Not at all, she definitely did the right thing. She knew there was no possibility of her going home, so she didn't need this challenge. She respectfully bowed out and didn't make a big deal about it like some on our season. Plus, her daughter is only 6, but extremely mature so Michelle wants to be a good role model for her. Ella was on the chopping block the week before so her situation was very different. She felt as though she needed to win to be safe and closer to the money.

Blake is definitely playing the field – we've seen him charm Melissa, Holly and Erica. This just doesn't seem smart, but is it possible this strategy may work out for him, or do you think it's just a matter of time before the group turns against him and votes him off?

He Said: It is just a matter of time before they turn. They are women and whether women want to admit it or not, very few can handle that sort of thing and roll with it without letting their emotions get involved and turning on him as a group.

She Said: This is a terrible strategy, but he shot himself in the foot when he partnered up with Melissa right off the bat. He jumped the gun before assessing the situation and he will ultimately go home. I predict next week since he now has all the guys pissed at him out of his lack of respect for Michael. I like Blake, but I don't think he necessarily needs the money as much as others in the house.

William didn't get too much camera time and it was hard to tell what others in the house thought of him. If you had to guess, why did he go home? Did it ultimately hurt him that he didn't have a romantic alliance or partner?

He Said: I think the household liked him as a person. He is a funny guy. He was kind of a floater, though, and that can make you an easy target for everyone to send home. That's exactly what happened. She Said: With the mentality of this cast, being in a partnership certainly didn't help his cause. The cast loved him and it was difficult for them to see him leave, but no one was in an alliance with him. If I were part of the powerful 6, I would have gathered everyone when Kasey and Vienna were off making out somewhere and collaborated to kick them off.

The field of competition is getting smaller and smaller every week – at this point, which pair do you think is the strongest contender for the \$250,000? And which couple do you think is most likely to walk away from the house in love?

He Said: I think the couples will be split up, so no couple is safe. I think Vienna and Kasey (as weird as it sounds) will still be a couple and go out together on this show. Crazy, but hey ... love is crazy.

She Said: I think the strongest partnership by far is Graham and Michelle. They are just coasting along right under the radar. These two are also most likely to walk away with love. They are both incredibly mature individuals who know what they want in life and I wouldn't be surprised if they won the money and the love.

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'Bachelor Pad 2′ Recap Episode 4: Blake Julian Gives

Holly Durst a Rose





With Jake Pavelka eliminated, a new love triangle – involving Blake, Holly and Michael – has emerged on this week's episode of *Bachelor Pad 2*. This week's challenge might have ended some relationships and put a spark on others.

Kissing Contest:

Chris Harrison claims this contest was the most popular competition last season, but it didn't seem like the contestants wanted to take part it in this year. To set a good example for her 6-year-old daughter, Michelle Money backed out of the challenge. The ladies are first, and once they're blindfolded, they are kissed by every guy. When the winners were announced, Chris states that they won with an overwhelming majority of the votes.

Challenge Winners: Blake Julian and Ella Nolan

Immunity and Dates:

Ella chooses Kirk for her date, which involves driving a red Ferrari to the Casa Bachelor Annex, where they have dinner. Kirk tells Ella about his life-threatening battle with mold, and Ella talks about witnessing her mother's murder. She gives him a rose, and then they ride on a hot air balloon.

Blake invites Holly on a date, which naturally causes Melissa to throw a tantrum. They head to a ski slope on a private jet, and later spend time in front of a fire, where Blake asks Holly about her feelings toward Michael Stagliano. Holly decides to spend the night with Blake at the log cabin, while viewers get to see Michael alone in the pad, pining for his ex-fiancée.

Back at 'The Pad':

Michael and Holly:

Holly confesses to Michael that she kissed Blake and he breaks down, admitting that he's falling in love with her again. She's torn between him and Blake.

Kasey and William:

As usual, the girls vote off a guy and vice versa. As the girls wonder whether to eliminate Kasey or William, Kasey comes up with a strategy that's he's sure will save him. He tells Ella and Kirk, "I'm not trying to sell a story, but just know that the money is necessary for my grandma to live."

Melissa:

Meanwhile, the guys join forces to vote Melissa off instead of Vienna because of all the drama she causes. "I can't imagine the amount of hell Melissa causes Blake, because I don't even speak to her and I feel like she drains the life out of me," says Graham. When William tells Melissa he voted for her, she freaks out and asks every guy to save her from elimination.

Elimination:

When all of the roses are handed out, William and Melissa are left empty-handed. While in the limo, they both shed tears – Melissa more so – and in voice-over, Michelle says "Melissa deserves all the happiness in the world" and William didn't deserve to be eliminated.

Predictions:

Our bet is still on Michelle Money, Michael Stagliano and Ella Nolan.

Stay tune for next week's recap. In the meantime, if you have questions about the *Bachelor Pad 2*, send them in. We will have former winners, Natalie Getz and David Good with us all season to answer them.

He Said/She Said: Natalie Getz and David Good Answer Questions about Bachelor Pad 2 Episode 3





By Jennifer Harrington

Things got pretty crazy in the latest episode of *Bachelor Pad* 2. We saw Melissa flip out, Erica make the moves on Jake and a showdown between Kasey and Jake for the final rose. After the episode, we were left shaking our heads that Mr. Pavelka was actually eliminated, and were anxious to get thoughts about the dramatic episode from David Good and Natalie Getz, winners of Bachelor Pad 1.

Were you surprised the men did better at the synchronized swimming challenge? What factors were most important to you as you were judging the performances?

He Said: I was a little surprised until after and sat down and thought about it. Guys in the house on all the shows get along better than the girls do. The producers always talked to me about the *Bachelor* and *Bachelorette* – the guys are typically easy going, whereas the girls tend to be catty and backstabbing to each other. It's the same reason most of my guy friends have like 15 good friends and the girls I know have like three or four, at most. This makes it easier for the guys to work together as a team, and it showed.

She Said: I wasn't surprised, because most of the boys were once athletes. They say athletes have a lot of rhythm and grace! Also, Jake was on *DWTS*, so I figured he would be pretty good. Michael Stagliano is a dancer and choreographer, so he was a shoe-in to win. I looked for personality, technique and humor. I must say, looking out at all my friends with money hungry eyes, it was really difficult to disappoint everyone by not choosing them. But, Michael and Michelle deserved the roses in the end.

The promise ring Kasey gave Vienna – romantic or cheesy? Did you expect for it to be an engagement ring? And … your thoughts on the song he sang to Vienna?

He Said: Everything they seem to do is kind of cheesy. He has good intentions, but the fact we see how they act towards each other and how bad it is, makes everyone cringe. I did not think it was an engagement ring. Her response "please don't let that be an engagement ring" was one of the biggest mood killers I have ever seen and is the exact reason everyone does not like them together. Who says that at that moment? They just don't get it. I want them to be happy, no reason to wish them harm but come on – disaster waiting to happen. As for the song, do I really have to say anything here? I wanted him to laugh like it was a joke at some point but he didn't!

She Said: I think very highly of Kasey, but we are different people in the "love" department. Personally, I think promise rings were romantic in high school, but since I've grown up, I find them very cheesy. Some women eat that up, but I'm definitely not in that category. I didn't think it would be an engagement ring, only because Vienna told Kasey prior to the show that she did not want a public proposal. The singing.....oh the singing! I get embarrassed for people so easily when I watch them on TV and it makes it so much worse when you know them! Kasey said he was joking around with the singing ... maybe that explains why Vienna was laughing at him? Melissa seems to be the craziest person in the house. At this point in the competition, do you see her as a strong contender for the money, or not really, given she doesn't have a reliable partner?

He Said: First off, can you imagine being called "the craziest" out of this house? That is saying something! I do not see her as a strong competitor. She plays with emotion (and not with her head), and can clearly be swung by anyone who gives her attention in the house. I actually feel bad for her, but this is not a game full of rainbows and unicorns. When you're talking \$250,000, easy come, easy go!

She Said: She will probably go home next episode. I think people in the house are getting really fed up with her crying and frustrations. She is obsessed with Blake, and that's making it highly uncomfortable for everyone in the house. I think Melissa is a very sweet, kind hearted girl who wears her emotions on her sleeve. Unfortunately, this is a mind game and she wasn't prepared.

Were you surprised when Jake was ultimately voted off? And were you looking forward to seeing Jake and Vienna in the same house, without her "protector"?

He Said: I was not surprised he got sent home. He did his best, but I think they had been trying since the beginning to get him out. He did do very well at the swimming though! I am so tired of seeing Vienna cry and complain. I wonder what goes through her head watching this show. Does she think she is normal or a good person? I know when I watched my *Bachelorette* show, I was mortified and knew there were some character flaws that needed to be addressed. However, she makes me look like a choir boy! Kasey is right – without him there, she would have been gone a long time ago.

She Said: I wasn't entirely surprised after Erica's hard work. She was the only smart one outside of the powerful six that actually attempted to play the game. She, Blake and Jake tried to convince Kirk that he should vote Kasey off, but Kirk said he couldn't leave his alliance. Wake up, Kirk! You aren't in the powerful six, meaning the six of them would vote you off before each other! Had Kirk voted for Kasey, he and Ella would have been the new power couple alongside Jake and Erica. The whole show could have changed, and it would have made some great TV!

Bachelor Pad always needs a villain. Now that Jake is gone, who do you think the group will turn against next?

He Said: The group is going to turn against Melissa, I think. They would turn on Kasey and Vienna, but they might be a little scared to at this point. Too soon to make a stand!

She Said: So true! When the person causing problems leave, it generally gets boring. When Bentley left, I hate to admit this, but I was bummed. Happy for Ashley, but bummed that the show wouldn't be as dramatic! I think the group will turn on Blake and Melissa. Possibly Erica for going against Kasey and Vienna, but Erica is super smart and I'm sure she will get back in the tight alliance she had with Kasey. Erica's greatest strength is not acting smart. She is by far the most entertaining on the show!

Thanks for your insights, David and Natalie! Tune in **next Monday night for the latest installment of Bachelor Pad 2** madness, and while you are watching, send us your questions about the episode for David and Natalie.

'Bachelor Pad 2' Recap Episode 3: Jake Pavelka Vs. Kasey Kahl





By Tanni Deb

This week's episode of *Bachelor Pad 2* featured two of our very own, Natalie Getz and David Good. And boy did they make a splash judging the synchronized swimming challenge.

Synchronized Swimming Challenge:

Synchronized swimming is no easy task. You need rhythm and coordination in order to achieve a great performance. With former cheerleaders and dancers on the girl's team, your first impression is that the girls would have it in the bag. Guess again! It was a mere foreshadowing when the first two girls in the line-up could not even dive into the pool. Lucky for them, their bright, flowery head caps and matching bathing suits kept us distracted from their lack of grace. It was a total shocker when Michelle Money planted a big fat kiss on Holly Durst but it helped win her a vote.

To our surprise, the guy's performance looked great, and that's without taking into account their chiseled, sunglimmering bodies in Speedos. However, it was their athletic builds and coordination that pushed the guy's performance over the top. We weren't too surprised when Jake Pavelka turned out to be the star ballerina, giving his experience on *Dancing* with the Stars. But, it was Mike Stagliano's big dive at the end with one hand holding his package that won the judges over. Needless to say, the guy's conquered the girl's in their performance, but as for bathing suit choices, that's a pretty tough call!

Challenge Winners: Michael Stagliano and Michelle Money

Immunity and Dates:

The following day, Michelle took Graham, Kasey and Blake on a date to a vineyard to discuss strategy and tactics. Taking Blake aside, she explains that if he doesn't work things out with Melissa, he might risk being eliminated from the show. After settling the business side of things, Michelle takes Graham aside and confesses that she has a crush on him. Aww. "You barely know me," Graham retorts before locking lips with her. The rose is granted to Graham.

Now off to the stables! Michael chose his ex-fiancée Holly (of course), Ella and Vienna to go horseback riding with him. That Michael is such as sweetie giving Vienna a date out of the house because he feels bad that she's been cooped up inside. However, while everyone was enjoying their time away, the non-stop complaining Vienna wouldn't stop talking about the heat, the stink of the horses and even the pollution in the sky. It didn't last long. Holly received the immunity rose from Michael and when everyone left, they were greeted with a little irony from none other than Bret Michaels (we love Bret). Bret serenaded them with "Every Rose Has It's Thorn." Now isn't that the truth! Good job from the producers to get that gig and have it with Holly and Michael. It's like watching a soap opera in action.

Back at 'The Pad':

Jake and Erica:

Back at the Pad, Jake tries to turn everyone against the power couple. He pulls out all the moves when talking with Erica, caressing her arm and even leaning in for a kiss. "I was willing to do whatever I needed to do," he told the cameras. Now with Erica thinking she may have a chance of hooking up, we were left with the image of the most disgusting kiss in Bachelor Pad history. Erica admits, "I definitely have good lips that I maintain by getting injections every six months." Yikes! Well, we all know that at this point most people in the house will do whatever it takes to get Kasey and Vienna out of the house (or so we think)!

Kasey and Vienna:

As the couple celebrates their six-month anniversary lounging by the pool, Kasey pulls out what looks like a ring box and presents it to Vienna. In response, Vienna freaks out and says, "I don't want it to be an engagement ring." Lucky for her, it turned out to be a promise ring, which he then slipped on her finger and broke into a song.

Maniac Melissa:

While everyone is making last minute decisions on who to eliminate, Melissa is still running around like a chicken with her head cut off. Crying, smiling, leaving, staying, and confused. We are pretty much over the drama of Melissa. However, most of the girls seem to like her and Blake decides to suck it up and be her partner again. After all, it is for \$250,000.

In this week's rose ceremony, Chris Harrison informs the house that this week all the girls are safe and only one guy will be voted off. With four roses to be given, the last two guys left standing are Kasey and Jake. At the rose ceremony, the scene ends with one last rose, and Chris Harrison saying, KASEY. Then, out of nowhere the screen the television screen goes blank. It's like ABC wants you to think there's more but after watching every single episode of this franchise, doesn't the name being called mean that's the person who gets the rose? In that case, Jake would go home. They're trying to be dramatic but I don't know if it will be a winning move unless Kasey is the one to really walk to the limo. In that case, let the show really begin because Vienna in a house unprotected from Jake will be a lot of fun to watch!

Predictions:

Our bet is still on Michelle Money, Michael Stagliano and Ella Nolan.

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Kasey Kahl Serenades Vienna

Girardi With Love Song





Kasey Kahl showed Vienna Girardi his true feelings for her with a song on this week's episode of *Bachelor Pad 2*. In a clip from the show on *UsMagazine.com*, Girardi seems to truly enjoy this display of affection, but she is unable to contain her composure as she giggles throughout the intimate love song.

What are some romantic gestures to make your partner feel special?

Cupid's Advice:

1. Text your love: In the middle of the day, for no reason at all, send a quick and easy text. Tell your partner "I love you," or "I miss you." This unexpected message will put a smile on their face and have them thinking of you all day

long.

2. Help out: Spend a little extra time here and there making your partner's life easier. Do a bit of his or her to-do list. If you lighten the load, there will be more time for the two of you to play together.

3. Give a kiss: After being in a relationship for a long time, sometimes we forget to slow down and show each other we care. One of the simplest ways to do this is to give your partner a simple, yet passionate kiss on his or her way out the door or while he or she is cooking dinner.

How do you make you love feel extra special? Share your experiences with a comment below.

Bachelor Pad 2: Gia Allemand Finds Love In the NBA





Love appears to have finally pulled through for an upbeat Bachelor Pad 2 alum Gia Allemand. The 27 year-old model said that her relationship with boyfriend Ryan Anderson, power forward for the Orlando Magic, fell into place back in February when the two began dating, according to UsMagazine.com. Allemand and Anderson met while Bachelor Pad 2 star was doing a photo shoot in The Bahamas in February and from there, the two were inseparable. Fate was on the couple's side as Allemand was offered a job that enabled her to live in Florida and be flown into The Bahamas on the weekend for modeling engagements. "Not only was it love at first sight, but it seemed like a touch of destiny. We now both live in Orlando and couldn't be happier," she said. "I think I finally found the one!"

What are some ways to stay positive about finding love?

Cupid's Advice:

Although sometimes it gets difficult, optimism for love is the always the best attitude. Cupid has some suggestions for when times get tough: 1. Looks can be uplifting: You don't have to play dress up, but if you feel good, your confidence will increase and help you out when you're looking for a new partner. Get a quickie makeover.

2. Catharsis: Although not always recommended, sometimes it's just easier to let out all your emotions and work from the ground-up. Cry if you want to cry. Scream if you want to scream (but maybe into a pillow!).

3. Attitude is everything: Although easier said than done, it's important to stay positive and keep your doubts and negativity in check. Even if you don't *feel* positive, fake it a for a while and maybe it'll end up taking hold.

How do you keep a positive outlook on love? Share your thoughts below.