The Worst 'Bachelor' and 'Bachelorette' Breakups





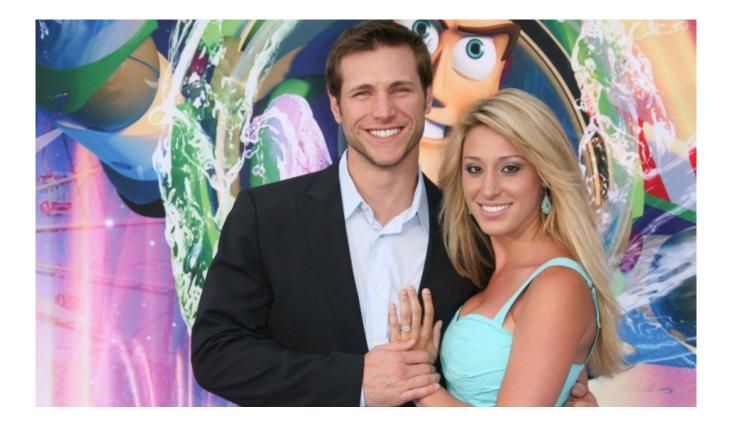
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Jake Pavelka and Vienna Girardi Jake Pavelka thought Vienna Girardi would be his best chance at love when he knelt in front of her on 'The Bachelor' season 14 finale. But after a short engagement, the pilot decided it was over and broke the news to his fiancée over the phone! On a TV special, Pavelka accused her of cheating, while Girardi said he was obsessed with fame. Ouch! Photo: Bob Charlotte / PR Photos

Broken Engagements: Celebrity Couples That Never Made It Down the Aisle



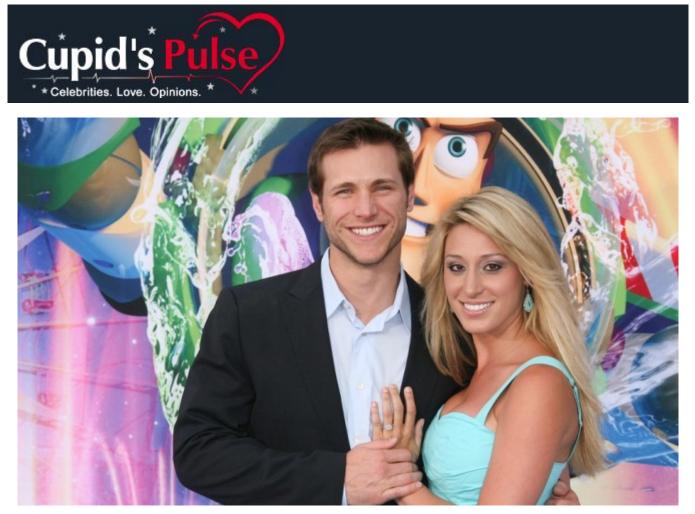


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Liam Hemsworth and Miley Cyrus This young couple met on the 2010 set of their movie 'The Last Song' and announced their engagement in August 2012. Unfortunately, the pair called things off about a year later. While the pop star has said, "It was so fun wearing a fat rock for a few years," she's remained single since the split. Photo: Andrew Evans / PR Photos

Jake Pavelka Goes Public With His New Model Girlfriend



The Bachelor star Jake Pavelka, 33, is a bachelor no more. Pavelka is now a dating graduate of the University of Central Florida and a contestant on CMT's Sweet Home Alabama, Ashley Ann Vickers. The relationship is fairly new, as they met on the set of the CW show *H8r* and just this past Saturday hit the beach for some couple-time. According to *UsMagazine.com*, Vickers' website says she is a Southern born lady who competed in the Miss USA pageant and modeled for *Maxim*. But her true passion lies in motivation, as she "hopes to become a full time motivational speaker for college kids" in the future. If her website is anything to go by, Vickers seems like a keeper.

What are some things to consider before going public with your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

It's tough to know when the right time is to tell your friends and family about a new relationship. Cupid has some tips:

1. Determine your motives: Why do you want to go public with your relationship? If it's because you want to share the source of your happiness, then it's probably time to tell family and friends. If it's because you want to avoid awkward questions from friends and family, that may not be a good enough reason.

2. Label it: Figure out what the title you're going to give your relationship. There's nothing more awkward than going to introduce someone and not knowing what exactly to call the relationship. If you can talk about that, you're ready to go public.

3. Give a head's up: There's nothing worse than introducing your partner and having a family member or friend share some embarrassing information. Avoid awkward introductions by giving forewarning.

How did you decide to go public with your relationship? Share your thoughts below.

'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

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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.

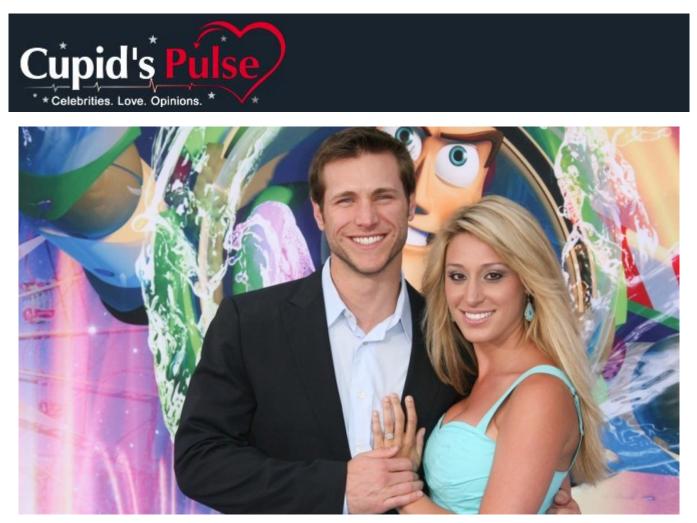
In this week's rose ceremony, Chris Harrison informs the house that this week all the girls are safe and only one guy will be voted off. With four roses to be given, the last two guys left standing are Kasey and Jake. At the rose ceremony, the scene ends with one last rose, and Chris Harrison saying, 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.

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: David Good and Natalie Getz Share Perspectives on Episode 2 of Bachelor Pad 2



By Jennifer Harrington

Earlier this week on *Bachelor Pad 2*, we saw the rules of the game change (the theme of the rose ceremony was "ladies night"), Gia voluntarily say goodbye to her chance to find love and money and Ames and Jackie take off together in the happiest limo ride in Bachelor franchise history. In case you missed the episode, check out our exclusive recap. As always, following the episode we checked in with Season 1 winners David Good and Natalie Getz to get their take on the drama!

We saw a new side to Blake in this episode (kissing Melissa even though he claimed not to have feelings with her, cozying up to Holly, etc.). What's your take on Blake – is what he's doing a good or bad tactic for winning?

He Said: His thought process is good. Kissing a girl to get a rose is not a big deal. The problem is the girl he is kissing is not the girl you want to be partnering up with. She is a little crazy, and I would think he would be smarter than that. The next move he made however is just stupid strategy-wise. He is cuddling up to Holly. He may be interested in her, but this is a bad move for two reasons. One: her ex-fiancé is in the house and that will clearly upset Mike. Two: he is now involved with two girls in the house and girls talk a lot. He'll get caught.

She Said: This is a game show, not a dating show. Melissa should've known that people are there for the money first and foremost, so you have to be on guard. Blake probably liked Melissa a little bit, but then started getting scared of her while gaining feelings for Holly. Blake was playing the game, hitting on her to get the date rose to keep him safe. Is it morally correct? Maybe not, but it's not against the rules and it got him the safety rose. I do feel bad for Melissa because she really liked him and now she has to watch herself get played on national television!

Jake was saved this week. Do you think he can redeem himself? Who should he align himself with now that his best ally Gia is gone?

He Said: Jake did get saved by ABC this week. Unbelievable to me! Chris Harrison said in one of his interviews that they can do that and it's not cheating. Just like in any game the players should decide the outcome, not the refs.

She Said: If Jake was smart, he would form a powerful team of six to go head-to-head with Kasey's team of six. If Graham

and Michelle, Kasey and Vienna, and Michael and Holly are an alliance, he should grab William and Melissa, Kirk and Ella, and Blake and Erika and form a team. He's a good looking dude; he should utilize that and flirt it up with Ella and Erika.

What strategy would you use to break up Kasey and Vienna?

He Said: I wouldn't. They will implode. They have put a target on themselves. The real players are the people laying low, just kind of gliding through. When you try and dominate a show like this, other people notice and will ultimately gang up on you. Kasey and Vienna are very volatile. When it gets down to crunch time, I think they will turn on each other and then be done.

She Said: If I were in the house, here is what I would do: (this is me pretending I'm not friends with any of them ... just what I would do to win.) I would get Graham, Kirk, Michelle, Michael and Holly to reconvene for a new plan after Kasey betrayed Graham's trust to the group. Since Kasey leaked info from his team to Gia, it would be easy to get his alliance to turn against him. I'd tell them that we need to form this new team of us six power players and get Kasey and Vienna out of the house. Kasey and Vienna seem to be calling the shots, so I'd get them out as soon as possible if I was truly there to play the game.

Gia's departure came out of nowhere. She was on the show last year, so she obviously knew the rules of the game before she returned to the house. What's your take on Gia leaving?

He Said: I was more fired up about this more than anything. I guess it's because I know her and this is something she did on our show. It's not just the leaving that upsets me. Gia clearly thinks she is better than everyone else and has such "morals and integrity" when in all reality she has less than anyone in there. She plots schemes and lies more than anyone

on the show; then, when she gets caught, she can't handle the pressure and is too proud to get voted off. Instead, she said, "I'm going home Chris, this isn't for me," then puts everyone in the house down by saying they are lying, cheating and backstabbers. It's funny to me that she really can't see that she is doing the same thing and honestly thinks she's better than us. She put all of us down on our season as well. Not cool. There are good people in there that realize why they're there. Her actions seemed like quitting in the fourth quarter of a football game because you know you're going to lose. That's a large character flaw in my book.

She Said: I think she finally just threw her hands up and accepted the loss. She probably realized she had zero chance after learning that she was never going to be a part of the alliance Kasey formed. She should have paired up with Graham since they know each other before filming started. I'm honestly bummed she is gone, because she always had on the coolest clothes and she gives me style inspiration!

Why do you think the group voted Jackie off? Were you surprised to see Ames leave with her?

He Said: I think Jackie was an easy target because she hadn't picked a side yet and was stuck in the middle. I was surprised to see Ames leave with her. I thought he was a smarter guy than that! That might have seemed all romantic and made every woman's night across America, but in all reality that was so stupid. I know, I know - people are getting mad at me right now but that's only because I think logically and most people think with their emotions. Τf anyone thinks that was a good move, I'll explain why exactly you're wrong. One: they barely knew each other. Two: how many people do you date before you actually get married? Three: you live in the same city and the show is a week, which means at most you'll see her again in two weeks. What he should've done is run over, say "I love you and am going to

bring home the money for us", and then kissed her goodbye.

Romantic and still has a chance at \$250,000.

She Said: I said in my blog today that this cast is really stupid for wanting to vote off 2 non-threatening people (Ella and Jackie). I literally was ashamed and embarrassed to know these people and see them act so unintelligent in this game!

I understand why Kasey/Vienna/Graham/Michelle/Michael/Holly didn't vote for Vienna (obviously, they are in an alliance), but the fact that the rest of the women and men in the house didn't vote out Vienna is beyond ridiculous to me. Nothing against Vienna, but it's a game and she's a powerful player, who would have been my competition! It's almost flattering to get kicked out — it means you are a threat. Plus, I REALLY wanted to see more of Ames and Jackie! On the bright side, Ames leaving the chance to win \$250,000 to be with Jackie is hands down the cutest thing I've ever seen!

Be sure to tune into **Bachelor Pad 2 next week**. As you're watching, send us your questions via Facebook or Twitter for Natalie and David. In the meantime, let us know – do you think Jake will be able to survive another week in the house?

'Bachelor Pad 2' Recap Episode 2: Ames Brown Trumps them All





By Lori Bizzoco

Usually when a former *Bachelor* or *Bachelorette* leaves the show voluntarily, like two-time 'Bachelor Pad' contestant and swimsuit model, Gia Allemand did last night, it becomes the episode news headliner the next day. But last night's storybook ending even knocked out coverage of the attentionseeking love triangle usually reserved for Jake Pavelka, Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl. It was a scene that leaves us understanding why even bad reality shows are beating out longstanding soap operas. You can't make this stuff up!

Last night there were two scenes that made single women everywhere believe in love again. First was the closing scene with Ivy-League, world-traveling, portfolio manager, Ames Brown. After he said a heartfelt good-bye to his newfound love and eliminated housemate, Jackie Gordon he turned around to head back towards the house. What happened next made hearts stop everywhere. Instead of continuing his walk toward the contestants, Ames slowly stopped, raised his hand and waved good-bye to them. Giving up the \$250,000 prize, he sprinted back towards the limousine with Jackie inside. That fairy-tale exit trumped everything else on the show and gives romance fanatics a reason to believe that Mr. Right is a possibility, especially if you go after the awkwardly smart, rich guy wearing the hot pink pants. In Ames' own words, "This is the happiest limo ride in Bachelor history."

The second love scene comes with ex's, Michael Stagliano and children's book author, Holly Durst. They just ended their engagement two months before the show taped and haven't had the chance to talk it out. During last night's episode, they finally get some one-on-one time and share their thoughts with one another, but their emotional exchange and gripping embrace is almost impossible to watch without your heart feeling heavy or routing for them to get back together. Watching them express their feelings and Michael telling Holly he still loves her with tears in his eyes is enough to make you want to jump through the television and slap them silly for being so blind. Get back together, already!

Mysterious Monday

There was an odd, eerie undertone on last night's Bachelor Pad 2, with egg fights, haunted hospital tours and a masked man creeping around the kitchen at the end. Yes, mysterious Monday came with love, drama and a fairy tale ending but it makes you wonder for a minute if the show is preparing for Halloween a little too soon.

Egg Toss Challenge:

Let's begin with the Bachelor Pad 2 challenge. The women were asked a handful of questions relating to the men on the show (Who are you least attracted to? Who do you want to see go home?) and with colored paint-filled eggs in hand the women threw their responses directly at the backs (or shoulder, legs and head) of their intended target.

Thanks to Vienna's campaigning, Jake displayed a colorful array of red, yellow and blue on his body when the ladies were

asked who they wanted to see go home next. Then the reverse scenario happened and the men targeted the women with eggs. However, the pain ran deeper than the physical impact as Erica was selected as the least attractive in the house. That definitely stung in more ways than one, especially when Michael Stigliano forgot that he wasn't on the field and pitched a fast ball at Erica. The objective of the challenge was to be the person who hit the most targets.

Challenge Winners: Melissa Schreiber and Michael Stigliano ended up winning the challenge.

Immunity and Dates:

Instead of taking one person on a date, Melissa and Michael were granted the chance to each take three members of the opposite sex, with one of them being given the rose at the end. Without surprise, Michael chose Holly (his ex-fiancé), Michelle Money (who is our fan favorite) and Erica (sympathy choice). As if it wasn't awkward enough having two former lovers on a date together, the group was taken by limousine to Linda Vista, a haunted hospital. Didn't Michael win (not lose) the challenge? It seemed like a strange reward. I guess it's all about staying on the show and with that, Michael gave Holly the immunity rose.

When it came to Melissa's date, she got the luxury of going on a yacht date with her chosen three: Kirk Dewindt, Blake Julien and Kasey Kahl. Kasey was a bit of a shocker pick at first but Melissa did have a strategy in place. Her plan, she explained to Kasey, was to align with him promising to give him the rose and save him if he saved her next time. Unfortunately, that was before two-timing dentist, Blake (who has a thing for Holly), played into Melissa's weakness by flirting, touching, sweet-talking and going in for a kiss during their one-on-one time. Melissa reneged on her promise to Kasey and gave Blake the rose instead.

Back at 'The Pad':

Jake, Vienna and Kasey:

Tension was high as Jake did what he could to stay in the house, offering not once, but twice to speak to Vienna. Whether he's really sincere or just trying to redeem himself for the cameras is yet to be seen, but Vienna wasn't having any of it. She continued to escalate the drama and complain about Jake being in the house. That is until Chris Harrison put her in her place, showing her the exit doors and letting her know that she wasn't being forced to be there. Could it possibly be that he's had enough of her drama, too? He even called out how nicely previously engaged Michael and Holly got along. Oh, Vienna!

Melissa, Blake and Holly:

Talk about another messed up love triangle. Blake likes Holly (or so it seems) and he's been ignoring Melissa. This is all after Melissa spent a romantic evening with Blake on the yacht and gave him a rose instead of Kasey who she promised. We're not sure how long Blake will be around, or can keep it up but someone's about to have a meltdown.

Gia and Graham:

First she got duped by Jake when he didn't save her last week and gave a rose to Vienna instead. Now, her friend Graham stabs her in the back by disclosing her plan to break-up the power couples. He went to Kasey and told him. Although Gia has been on the 'Bachelor Pad' before and she knows how the game is played, she decides to leave the mansion voluntarily. Why risk her dignity of being kicked off by the contestants or her integrity of being deceitful to friends for the mere chance at \$250,000? Or, at least that was her reason for leaving. Will she be back next summer? We doubt it. Maybe the next Bachelorette, now that would be fun.

Predictions:

I guess we can cancel Ames out for our early prediction, although he's a winner in our eyes.

We're still going strong with Michelle Money, Michael Stagliano and Ella Nolan.

If you're looking for more insight on the Bachelor Pad 2, check out our weekly He Said/She Said with former winners, Natalie Getz and David Good.

So, there you have it. All in a week's work!

Bachelor Pad 2: Jake Pavelka Asks for Help From Vienna Girardi





Reality star exes Jake Pavelka and Vienna Girardi may have been previously engaged after the 14th season of the *Bachelor*, but it turns out the two are definitely at odds when it comes to working together on the new season of *Bachelor Pad 2*. A preview shows an almost defeated Jake Pavelka asking to make an alliance with Girardi as a last resort to remain in the competition, according to *UsMagazine.com*. Girardi doesn't seem very keen on the idea, though, since she is still hurt and is finally happy and moving on with her new beau Kasey Kahl. The pair are rumored to be looking for an apartment in Los Angeles together.

What are some reasons to get rid of expectations of your expartner?

Cupid's Advice:

It's difficult to get over a prior romantic fling, especially an engagement like Jake and Vienna's, but Cupid has some advice on why you should get rid of the expectations of your ex:

1. You get hurt: If you're holding out hope that your ex will

change his or her ways, you're going to have expectations that he or she won't be able to meet, and it will let you down. If you're trying to move on and not get hurt, don't look back.

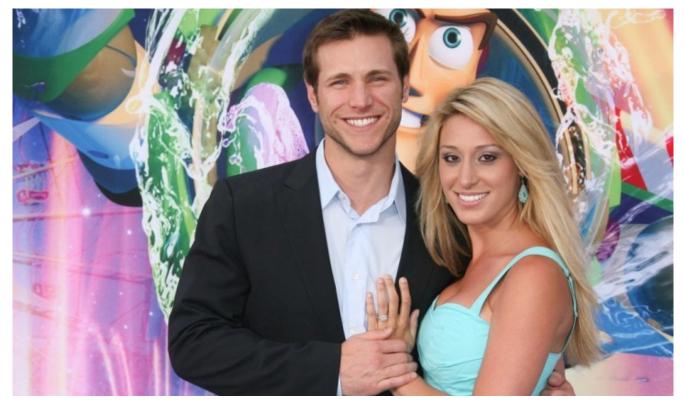
2. It'll make it difficult to move on: If you continue to have expectations of your ex, it will make it very difficult to move on and become happy again. In order to move forward, you have to realize that you aren't with your ex for a reason and drop the expectations.

3. You second guess: Even if you're ready to move past your previous relationship and find someone new, if you hold on to expectations of your ex, you may second guess your new mate. This can lead to trust issues.

What are some reasons to get rid of expectations of your expartner? Share your thoughts below.

He Said/She Said: David Good and Natalie Getz Chat about the Season Premiere of Bachelor Pad 2





By Jennifer Harrington

On Monday night, we were treated to a three-hour season premiere of *Bachelor Pad 2*. As promised, we were reunited with some of the most controversial characters in franchise history, including Jake, Vienna, Rated R and Michelle Money. In case you missed the episode, read our recap to get caught up, and check out our inside scoop from the winners of the last season of *Bachelor Pad*, David Good and Natalie Getz. These two definitely know the game, so we were interested on their take on the first night of action in "the pad"!

Did it surprise you to see Jake confront Kasey so honestly and directly on the first night? And along those same lines, were you shocked to hear that Jake had so many unresolved feelings regarding Vienna?

David: That was all BS. Jake doesn't have feelings for her. f he really wanted to say those things, there are plenty of ways to get in touch with her besides doing it on national television. He only did that for more publicity. he same reason he said God sent him back to save Jillian from Wes. It's so insincere it makes me sick watching it. The guy should have a shiny red nose on at all times because he is a clown. I do have to give him credit though because he knows how gullible America is and he's actually really good at what he does.

Natalie: I was completely shocked when Jake told Gia and Jackie that he still loves Vienna. What a joke! I don't buy it for one second. The only reason he pulled Kasey aside was so that he didn't get his ass kicked! Also, Jake wants to look like the good guy at any cost. Of course, he is playing the fans and trying to get back in their good graces by "being the bigger person." If we only knew what was going on in that guy's head ... I can bet all my money his actions are all a front. He won't last long in this house at all.

Was it a brilliant or stupid move for Jake to give Vienna a rose to keep her safe?

David: As far as the game goes it was really stupid. As far as a publicity stunt, genius! I don't care for the guy, but you have to give credit where credit is due. He works this show to his advantage for publicity better than anyone I have ever seen. It's really something to watch.

Natalie: Jake's only concern is getting back in the good graces of Bachelor fans. He has had so many opportunities to apologize to Vienna. He is always in L.A.! I would like to see a real side of Jake, but that isn't going to happen. He is so concerned with his image that he doesn't care about the game. I guarantee he went on just to clean up the mess he caused last year when their breakup aired. Saying he still loves Vienna? Really, Jake? As far as Vienna is concerned, she is playing the game very well. She isn't falling for his BS and she still wants him out of the house. She isn't being mean; she just knows Jake more than any of us and doesn't trust him at all.

The chemistry between Ames and Jackie was apparent from the

first night – but they chose not to partner up for the first challenge ("Hook Up"). Your thoughts about this strategy?

David: That was funny. The first morning of the show, they are by the pool making out? I like them for each other though. I think they are both awesome. I thought it was a good move not partnering up this early on though. If you think about it, now you not only have each other's backs, but you brought two more people into the equation that have your back as well.

Natalie: Ames and Jackie were brilliant for not partnering up for two reasons. 1.) They are trying to stay under the radar. They don't want anyone thinking that they are a power couple right off the bat. 2.) If they separate themselves for competitions, that means they double their chances of winning. If Ames wins and Jackie doesn't, he can give her the rose and vice versa. If they were a team, they only have 1 shot at keeping each other safe. Dave and I worked this strategy in our "Kissing" challenge last season.

Last season and this season, it seems that Gia is always feeling vulnerable going into the rose ceremonies. Why do you think she is always on the verge of being eliminated, and do you think there is a chance she will advance far this season?

David: Gia's problem is she lies to herself and everyone around her. She plays the sweet card but is very vindictive. She did that on our season, too. She asks, "why can't everyone be honest and just get along." Then, she lies to everyone and makes up stories that aren't even true. Wherever she is, drama is not far away, hence the reason she is back It's kind of funny to watch because I for this season. really don't know if she knows she is doing it and actually believes she is not. Jesse Kovacs and I used to laugh so hard listening to her on *Bachelor Pad 1*. It's a terrible strategy the reason she is always on the verge and is of elimination. I like Gia as a person, but some of her bad qualities come out in these situations.

Natalie: I don't think Gia will go very far this season, because she has a huge red flag on her back for already being a competitor last season. Also, Gia always forms a group with the outsiders, and this just doesn't work. The insider group is always the strongest group. They have strong bonds and connections and wouldn't play both sides like an outsider would, for example: Ali and Rated R. Gia should have partnered up with Graham. They were friends before the show and he would be a good partner. Instead she chose Jake who no one really cares for. I don't understand what she was thinking! I wanted her to go far. I love Gia!

Thoughts on this week's eliminated contestants – Rated R and Ali. Why do you think the group chose to get rid of them so quickly? And, with them gone, who do you think is most vulnerable next week?

David: Rated R and Ali got sent home because they were trying to play both sides of the fence and got caught. As in real life, if you do this you will eventually get caught and when you do, not only one side comes down on you but both will and boom — you're sent packing! It's a terrible strategy because people will talk to each other and find out. I think Jackie and Ames have to be careful here. I have not seen them take a side yet and are freelancing around, which can make them an easy target.

Natalie: On my season, Juan left the first night because we caught him making alliances with everyone. Literally He was trying to play both sides like Rated R. evervone! When you play both sides, you are absolutely going to get Rated R should have done his homework. BTW most caught! humiliating limo exit of all time! Made some great TV! Ali seems to be a little ditzy to me. How could she not realize she was on the chopping block when she too was playing both She didn't even try very hard to clean up her mess sides? once she found out she was up for elimination. She isn't cut out for this game at all.

Be sure to tune in to ABC next Monday night for the next installment of Bachelor Pad 2. While you're watching, send us your questions (via Facebook or Twitter) to ask David and Natalie – it's a great way to get an experts take on the romance, drama and strategy in the most popular house in America this summer!

'Bachelor Pad 2' Recap Episode 1: Jake Pavelka Gives Vienna Girardi a Rose





By Lori Bizzoco

Broken engagements, boyfriend stealing and love triangles galore. Welcome to this summer's most anticipated show, *Bachelor Pad 2*. ABC pulled out all the stops when collecting the current list of castoffs from seasons past. We watched like animals in heat tonight, glued to the television witnessing one of the most talked about and controversial casts this summer. Is it a coincidence that all the references noted above point back to one person: Vienna Girardi? Hmmm, it leaves us wondering if the show would even be worth the three hours it premiered if it wasn't for her and Jake Pavelka's drama-induced past.

For those of you who aren't familiar with Vienna and Jake, it's safe to say that they'll probably go down in *The Bachelor* history as the most remembered (not in a good way) contestants. She won the love and proposal of Bachelor, Jake Pavelka, Season 14 and broke his heart when she sold their break-up story for \$90,000, according to reports. Then, they trashed one another on Primetime television when the relationship ended, and it was so brutal that Vienna stormed out of the interview. They haven't talked since that fight took place a year ago. Now, they're both back in the house, under the same roof, competing for the \$250,000 grand prize.

Last night we witnessed the first challenge of the season which included each of the 18 contestants partnering up with someone in the house. The men were ousted into the air by harness with the women hanging on to them wherever and however they could. The prize for the couple who lasted longest was full immunity and a rose. With those stakes on the line, it's no surprise that the challenge came down to Jake and Vienna being the remaining two. Partnering up with Vienna was her new beau and "guard and protect" tattoo-man from Ali Fedotowsky's season, Kasey Kahl. While Jake partnered with understated Jackie Gordon from Brad Womack's season.

It came down to the final four and after thirty minutes, Kasey

couldn't hold on to Vienna any longer. She begged him to hold on so that Jake wouldn't get immunity, but he couldn't. Jake and Jackie not only win a rose, but they also have a one-onone date and get an additional rose to save one other person in the house. Guess who gets the rose and a free ride? Surprise, surprise! Jake convinces Jackie (although it looks like her idea) that he must give the rose to Vienna as a truce; to put closure on his wound that obviously hasn't healed. Strategic or stupid? It's most likely stupid, as Vienna laughs about it behind-the-scenes.

One person who clearly states the stupidity of Jake's rose decision is Vienna's ex-best friend, and the only two-time *Bachelor Pad* contestant, Gia Allemand. Gia can't stand Vienna after finding out that she hooked up with her ex-boyfriend, Wes Hayden. Gia (also on Jake's season) is good friends with Jake and feels betrayed by his decision to give the rose to Vienna instead of protecting her. Worried that she may now be eliminated, she confronts Kasey in a one-on-one scheme and talks him into an alliance with her. As she's doing that, Blake is trying to get Jackie to vote off Kasey.

All of this makes for good television, but we can't forget the other contestants in the house who also have interesting stories:

First, there's Michael Stagliano and ex-fiance, Holly Durst. We didn't see too much of their relationship drama tonight, which leads us to believe that producers are saving the best for last. We can't wait to watch how that plays out. We would love to see them back together, but Holly has admitted to being a commitment-phobe and from the first evening in the house she's had her eyes on last season's resident dentist, Blake Julian. It's a shame for Holly, because the promos clearly highlight that Blake is also caught hooking up in the house with former Brad Womack contestant, Melissa Schreibner. There will be tears. It also looks like last season's boxing champ (joke) and nice boy, Ames Brown, has already formed an alliance (and possibly a relationship) with lonely heart, spider-hater (she called Michelle Money a spider), Jackie Gordon. Both Jackie and Ames are New Yorkers, and you can hear them mumbling on last night's episode about spending time together when they get back to the city. "We should go to Central Park," Jackie says to Ames. Being the Ivy League-educated gent that Ames is, he's probably wondering why she couldn't have thought of anything more unique and original to do.

Then, there's one of our fan favorites, Utah hairstylist and accredited crazy lady, Michelle Money. For the record, we don't think Michelle is crazy. We think she's a witty, smartass, and we love it (yes, we're a bit biased). We also hear that southern philanthropist, Graham Belle hooks up with Money (that's Michelle Money, not the greenback kind, if you know what we mean).

Other contestants that haven't raised the drama meter too high yet are Erica Rose from Lorenzo Borghese's season who creates her own fanfare by wearing a tiara and claiming she's a princess. Kirk DeWindt from Ali Fedotowsky's season and the too-truthful comedian, William, from Ashley Hebert's season are both under the radar right now, as well.

Then there's Ella Nolan, the Tennessee mom who was dumped by Jake Pavelka. Talk about a back story- her own mother was murdered by her stepfather right in front of her when she was three-years old. She's doing this all for her son so that she can give him the life she never had when she was young. I feel like I am watching *Lifetime Television*.

Lastly, we have Justin "Rated R" Rego (should be 'ego'). He's the professional wrestler who appeared on Ali Fedotowsky's season and bragged to the men about having a girlfriend back home. Interestingly, he's like a G-rated version of what Bentley did to Ashley Hebert this past season. And last, but not least, we have apparel buyer, Alli Travis from Brad Womack's season.

In a nutshell, the rest of the night was based on forming alliances, with both Gia and Kasey coming to a close call on being eliminated. They'd probably be gone if Justin didn't betray his alliance by telling Alli that Graham is going to "work on her," meaning he is going to get her to come to their side. Alli confronted Graham, which made Justin look twofaced. No time to waste. He's Gone.

Alli also seems to be playing two sides and not making a decision where her alliance is resting. The other contestants are in it to win it. Alli's eliminated, too.

There you have it. Two down and 16 people to go. This should be an interesting summer.

Our early predictions: Michelle Money, Michael Stagliano, with close calls to Ella Nolan and Ames Brown.

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.

'Bachelor Pad 2': David Good and Natalie Getz Share their Views and Predictions for the

New Season





By Jennifer Harrington and Lori Bizzoco

Last summer, *Bachelor/Bachelorette* alums Natalie Getz and David Good teamed up, strategized and became the co-winners of \$250,000 on the first season of ABC's spinoff series, *Bachelor Pad*. Now, with the drama meter boiling over from this summer's most intense cast of characters, ABC just might have a winner on its hands with *Bachelor Pad 2*. I mean, who isn't anxiously waiting for Vienna and Jake to go at it again or to see how Michelle Money is planning to play the game?

No matter what your motivation is for watching *Bachelor Pad 2*, if you want some insight and perspective on the cast, you've definitely come to the right place. We spoke to the former *Bachelor Pad* winners, Natalie Getz and David Good, to find out their thoughts on the new season and what it takes to win.

We love their candidness and you will too. In fact, you'll be hearing a lot more from them this season as they join us every Monday evening to answer your burning *Bachelor Pad 2* questions. So, if you're curious about the season, or maybe what goes on behind-the-scenes, send us your questions or Tweet them to @cupidspulse. We will choose a few to feature the very next day on our site.

Now, here's Natalie and David's take on what's in store:

Who are you most excited to see in the mansion this season?

Natalie: When David and I were on the show, we had strong, unintentional friendships with several of the cast mates. Bachelor Pad wasn't even in existence when we all became friends with each other; our friendships were pure and innocent. Now that the show is in a second season, all of these "friendships" were made out of pure strategy for Bachelor Pad 2. I was shocked when I found out Jake agreed to do the show. I'm most excited to see the drama unfold between the Kasey/Vienna/Jake triangle. Days Of Our Lives couldn't come up with a storyline this dramatic and intense. This season is going to be hilariously dramatic.

David: I like all of the couples and former couples. There are a few in there with screws loose, which is going to make for great TV. I can't wait to see how Michelle Money does. She is so sweet in real life and I want to see it come through on this show.

Any early predictions for couples hooking up or – in the case of Vienna and Kasey- breaking up?

Natalie: I don't think Vienna and Kasey will break up. They are so in love it's exhausting. They'll stick by each other's sides no matter what. I'm sure they will be fighting due to the nature of the game, but no break up. I bet there will be a ton of hook-ups based on knowing the cast's history. We already read that Ames and Jackie are a couple. I can also see Graham Bunn and Michelle Money hitting it off.

David: Oh yeah! I would say a lot of hooking up, and with all the pressure it's sure to put a strain on Vienna and Kasey's relationship.

Everyone's wondering what it will be like having Jake and Vienna in the same house. Do you think there's any chance that they'll be able to co-exist?

Natalie: It will be very interesting to watch this play out. My guess is that Jake will take the fake road, I mean high road, and instantly apologize to Kasey and Vienna. I'm sure he will play the victim and I can guarantee you that Vienna will not fall for it. Be prepared to see Jake pull out all of the stops to regain the love of the fans and cast.

David: I really don't see that going well. Neither of them will be able to hold back their emotions and they'll probably end up crying and yelling at each other.

Some people are saying Ames may have a good chance at advancing far because he is so extremely polite. In your experience, does being polite get you anywhere in this game?

Natalie: Being polite gets you further than most people think. People would feel bad voting off someone who is not on one side or the other. In the beginning of the game, staying neutral is the safest place to be. The third episode is a good time to choose a side. He is in the perfect position, taking the stealth approach and choosing a side towards the middle. That's what Peyton did, and it got her far without knowing anyone prior to moving into the *Pad*.

David: Being polite will get you only so far. You still have to play the game and step on some toes every now and then.

We know Michelle Money was a member of the Bachelorette

Beatdown with the both of you, how do you think she'll do on Bachelor Pad 2? She was very sneaky and strategic on The Bachelor, will she change up her game or play the same way?

Natalie: In real life, Michelle is very kind-hearted and a great friend. She is a go-getter and will definitely play this game as hard as she can. She won't be sneaky, but she will be very strategic by sticking to her word and alliances. I predict her going very far.

David: I think she'll do great! She is smart, witty and can play the game very well. She can be a top contender.

What advice would you give those entering the Mansion? Any tips for finding love and money?

Natalie: My advice is to do exactly what I did during my time in the house. I love meeting new people, so I befriended all of the new comers right away. I found "temporary" love with Jesse Beck and nearly forgot about the game aspect, because I was having so much fun and being myself. I quickly realized by keeping this approach, I would keep myself safe to the end. No one ever had a reason to kick me out. Don't make enemies, don't lie, don't back stab or talk behind anyone's back, because it will all come out. This game is not about winning competitions and being strategic, it's about forming friendships. The winner is the one who has the most sincere friendships in the house.

David: Don't look for love here. It's a shady place, but do play the game with honesty and integrity — even if others aren't. Because if people know they can trust you, you will get far!

Do you think the rules will be the same this season or do you think the producers will change it up since everyone knows how the game works after watching Season 1?

Natalie: I think we'll see better competitions and maybe a

couple tiny changes to dates and rose ceremonies, but I don't think they'll make drastic changes. But, I hope they change the ending. I want <u>one</u> person to walk away with the money. It would make for such better TV to watch the final couple battle it out. They can't repeat the "share or keep" game that David and I played in the end, because it wouldn't be a surprise.

David: I would have to say they are going to change some things up. They are really smart when it comes to that stuff.

What's your early prediction for a winner this season?

Natalie: Michael Stagliano. He is something else! His heart is made of gold. He is not only genuine, lovable, endearing and cute; he is also hands down one of the funniest people I know. No one will ever want to kick him out. When I saw his name on the cast list I thought to myself, "there is no competition." They may as well hand Stagliano the money! Now it will be interesting to see who rides his coattails to the finish line.

David: Michelle Money or my boy Mike Stagliano.

Be sure to tune into the **premiere of Bachelor Pad 2 tonight on ABC**, and each week, we'll be checking in with David and Natalie to get their thoughts on the episode. As you're watching, send us your questions for them. You never know...it could be answered on our site the following day.

Bachelor Pad 2: Breakups,

Makeups and Crazy People





By Kari Arneson

Hang on to your roses! The new season of *Bachelor Pad* is starting up this summer and we have all the juicy details and predictions for a season that's sure to be full of feuds, flirtations and lots of fun. Here's what you need to know before *Bachelor Pad 2* premieres on August 8:

Jake and Vienna together again! Jake Pavelka and Vienna Girardi, who got engaged at the end of *The Bachelor* season 14, broke up shortly afterwards – and it wasn't pretty. These two had a very public falling out, including a hard-to-watch interview on *The Bachelorette* season 6 that included plenty of crying, yelling and finger-pointing. Expect a lot more bickering and bawling as both bitter exes are confirmed to appear on *Bachelor Pad 2*. Add Kasey Kahl, Vienna's new boyfriend and the famous "tattoo guy" from Ali Fedotowsky's Bachelorette season, to make things even more awkward (if possible).

Couple alert? Holly Durst and Michael Stagliano are also confirmed to be on the show, although it remains to be seen whether or not they will appear as a couple. Durst, from Matt Grant's season of *The Bachelor*, and Stagliano, from Jillian Harris' season of *The Bachelorette*, were once engaged and planning a double wedding with DeAnna Pappas and Stephen Stagliano. However, the couple broke up, then got back together, then broke up, then...who knows. The twosome's uncertain relationship status is yet another reason to tune in.

Dun dun dun… Some famous villains/crazy people from past seasons are back to cause more trouble. Justin "Rated R" Rego and Michelle Money can be counted on among the eccentrics. Justin tried to woo Ali Fedotowsky while promoting his professional wrestling career while Michelle earned the ire of the ladies on Brad's season just by being her odd self. Jackie Gordon, one of Michelle's biggest critics, will also compete on *Bachelor Pad 2*, so watch out for some more catfights!

Other contestants include Graham Bunn, Kirk DeWindt and Tanner Pope on the men's side and Gia Allemand, Ashleigh Hunt, Ella Nolan, Erica Rose, Melissa Schreiber and Alli Travis on the women's side. However, EW.com reports there will be not one, not two, but **three** mystery men from Ashley Hebert's season of *The Bachelorette*, so don't be surprised if super villain Bentley or Jeff "The Mask" show up to stir the pot.

Tune in to Bachelor Pad 2 when it premieres on August 8 on ABC. And stay right here for all the latest on The Bachelorette and Bachelor Pad 2!

'Bachelor Pad 2' Cast Is Full of Feuding Exes





In order to create reality show drama of epic proportions, the cast of the *Bachelor Pad 2* includes exes who are anything, but on good terms, such as Jake Pavelka and Vienna Girardi. So much for a relaxing summer! Pavelka will be spending it watching his ex get chummy with her current boyfriend, Kasey Kahl. According to Associated Content, reality villains Justin Rego and Michelle Money have also joined this very turbulent cast.

How can you handle seeing your ex with someone new?

Cupid's Advice:

Seeing your ex with someone new is never easy, but it's a reality you'll probably have to face in life. Your best course of action is to accept it and move on:

1. Look the other way: Believe it or not, there are more important things going on around you than who your ex is dating. Find something else to focus your energy on.

2. Try online dating: If your ex has moved on, chances are that you should, too. If you can't find any suitable dating choices in your current social circles, look online.

3. Be happy for them: Even though it didn't work out between you and your ex, it's no reason to hate him or her. Be the bigger person and be happy for him or her instead.

On a scale of 1 to 10, how painful is it to see your ex with someone else? Share your thoughts below.

'Bachelor' Couple Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl Are Dating





It looks like Bachelor winner Vienna Girardi has found new love with Bachelorette contestant Kasey Kahl, reports Hollywood Life. "Kasey is genuinely a nice, caring, loving person, even when the cameras are off, " said Girardi. That's what makes the difference. When we're at home eating dinner or watching a movie, he's still that sweet charming guy that he is when we're out in public. I want someone who is going to love me unconditionally, all day every day -- not just when other people are seeing it." Girardi's dramatic split from ex-fiancé Jake Pavelka on national television taught her to be careful while dating in the public eye. Kahl is also wary of public television-based romance. "I told myself I'd never date someone from the Bachelor franchise, but I met her, and everything went out the window," said Kahl. "She's amazing. No matter what we've gone through, and no matter what she's gone through, I'm here now, and I will make sure she's the happiest girl ever."

How do you trust in love again after a bad breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

After a breakup, it's all too easy to become cynical. Here are a few tips to remaining optimistic:

1. Special circumstances: After a particularly nasty breakup, try to keep in mind that mistakes made during your past relationship will probably not be repeated in your future relationships. Allow each new partner a clean slate in order to get a true fresh start.

2. Other fish in the sea: Even if you believed your ex-partner was 'the one,' it's important to remember that there are plenty of other potential loves out there. Believe it or not, it *is* possible to fall in love more than once.

3. You will need time: It would be foolish to expect happiness immediately after a relationship ends. Recovery takes time, but eventually you'll be ready to get out there again.

Do you have a breakup story you'd like to share? Leave a comment below!

Former 'Bachelor' Star Ali Fedotowsky and Vienna Girardi Meet Again





Bachelorette Ali Fedotowsky recently ran into an unexpected woman from her past: Vienna Girardi, former fellow contestant and fiancée of Jake Pavelka. On season six of *The Bachelor*, Ali and Vienna went head-to-head in a competition for Jake's heart. In the end, Vienna snagged Jake, only to have their very public breakup displayed on Ali's season of *The Bachelorette* a few months later. The reality stars came faceto-face again at the Kari Feinstein Style Lounge at Montage Beverly Hills, where they kept the conversation short. An onlooker told <u>US Weekly</u>, "Ali made sure to keep her distance while hanging with girlfriends," but both said 'hi' briefly.

Should you be friends with your ex's ex?

Cupid's Advice:

For many, running into an ex's ex can resurrect old feelings of the past. If you chose to befriend this person, you may want to consider these simple points of advice first:

1. Be cautious: It's important to keep personal information to yourself until you get to know this person better. Trust is critical and you don't know if she's the type who will talk

about you behind your back.

2. Learn more: If you've decided that she's trustworthy, you can use your new friendship as a way to better understand your own relationship with your ex. Learning about her relationship with him helps put your own in perspective.

3. Feelings for the ex: It's great to be friends with someone who can empathize with you, but if you still have feelings for him, it's important to be honest. You don't want to be surprised when you see the girl you thought was your friend back with the man you both agreed to leave behind forever.

Jake Pavelka Remains a "Bachelor" for Now





In the wake of his public breakup with Vienna Girardi after his stint on *The Bachelor*, Jake Pavelka is taking a break from dating, <u>People</u> reported last week. Though Pavelka has not ruled out any future love, he said he needed more "me time" after being in the limelight before getting back in the dating game.

How do you bounce back after a break up?

Cupid's Advice:

Breakups are hard enough for any person, but even more so in the case of a public and nasty breakup. Pavelka is doing the right thing in going at his own pace. Every person is different though, so act accordingly to *your* needs postbreakup:

1. Take time: Many people feel the need to rush back into the dating game, but it's perfectly all right to take some time off for yourself. It will take a bit to find your stride again, so you shouldn't rush.

2. Be open: Post-breakup is the perfect time to re-evaluate and try new things, in both dating and in general. Take a

risk and be bold. Get a new look, or date someone you never would have before. There's no better time to open up and start fresh.

3. Reconnect: When you're in a serious relationship, it's common to lose contact with other people in your life. With new opportunities and more time, go ahead and reconnect with an old friend, or with those in your life that have taken a backseat.

Ryan Seacrest & Jake Pavelka: Sexuality Rumors Laid to Rest





Two recent interviews have, for now, laid to rest the rumors about both Ryan Seacrest and Bachelor Jake Pavelka's sexuality. Seacrest's current flame, Dancing with the Stars' Julianne Hough, revealed to friends that she initially thought Seacrest was gay, TMZ reported last week. However, he won her over with his persistence, and the two have been linked together since in April. Bachelorette Ali Fedotowsky also spoke up about a past flame, telling George Lopez that despite rumors, Pavelka isn't gay, <u>US Weekly</u> reported.

What do you do if you're questioning your partner's sexuality?

Cupid's Advice:

Both Hough and Fedotowsky took the right step in addressing the rumors about their respective partners' sexuality head on. Chances are, if you have doubts about your partner's sexuality, then others do, too. However, before making a public announcement, you should take these steps to make sure you're positive:

1. Read the signs: Before making moves, watch your mate in a public setting. You can tell a lot about someone from what they say, but even more from how they act. Observe how your mate interacts with people of both sexes, and note the differences.

2. Look to the past: Ask about past partners and relationships. If they avoid the question, or refuse to assign a sex to their exes, they might be hiding something.

3. Just ask: If you still have doubts — and certainly *before* you talk to other people about it — simply ask your mate outright. Approach the subject with tact and delicacy, but again, if you have serious doubts, you probably aren't the first to have them.

'Bachelor' Couple Jake Pavelka & Vienna Girardi Split





Yes, another reality TV romance has ended. <u>OK! Magazine</u> reported Monday that recent Bachelor star Jake Pavelka and fiancé Vienna Girardi have called it quits. The two met on the reality show and have not given a reason for their split, but the couple's rep told the magazine they wanted their privacy during this time.

Can a high-profile relationship last?

Cupid's Advice:

Pavelka and Girardi are the most recent in a string of reality show relationships to come to an end. When meeting and forging a relationship in a public and pressured setting, it's hard to maintain a true level of "reality" with each other. Here are some tips to keep you grounded, especially when dealing with someone in the limelight:

1. Trust your instincts: When you meet someone, most of the time your initial impression is right. If you get the feeling that someone isn't into you for the right reasons, get out fast.

2. Know what's private: Certain things and actions should be kept behind closed doors. Overt public displays of affection, or revealing too much about your relationship to others, may reveal that the other person is only in the relationship for publicity or attention.

3. Keep lines uncrossed: As soon as you cross the line to overexposure, it's time to step back. The only way to keep a relationship strong it to keep it personal... as in, just between the two of you.