

Where are our Most Eligibles?

What ever happened to The Daily Plan It's former Most Eligibles? Are they still single and looking for the perfect partner? That's what everybody's been asking, so The Daily Plan It team decided to find out.

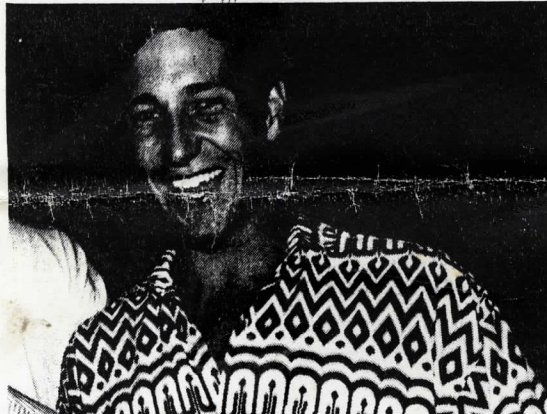
When Sales Executive Sarah Byrne, formerly of All Seasons, became Darwin's Most Eligible 12 months ago, the reaction was fabulous, she says.

Sarah, who loves flowers, received two bunches and still doesn't know the mystery men who sent them. She also received some rude faxes, but says it wasn't hard to work out from where they came. She was looking for someone a little crazy and says she's now found a partner but there's no wedding bells in the air.

John Walsh from Delice Catering is still one of Darwin's most eligible. While the title won him plenty of ribbing from his friends last June, the reaction was not what he hoped. He thought perhaps some mystery women would come out of the woodwork and give him a call.

That's what happened to Casuarina Shopping Square Marketing Manager Brett Robson.

Brett could barely believe the response he received. Not only did he get lots of phone calls from friends and acquaintances, but he made headlines in the national employee retail magazine put out by Lend Lease, the



Former Darwin's Most Eligible Brett Robson was the most popular choice for Darwin's sexiest man.

company for which he works. He says his colleagues still talk about it in Sydney but joke that Darwin must be desperate. Brett also received some mystery phone calls.

At the time he became Darwin's Most Eligible, he was in fact going out with a woman and says it cost him plenty in flowers and new dresses to console her. He points out, at least she matched his description of his ideal partner.

But he says, "If I was single, becoming Darwin's Most Eligible would have been the best thing that happened to me. My life was spiced up for a few months."

Mystery

Owner of Darwin and Casuarina Angus and Robertson stores Gary Wood says he also received a couple of mystery calls but is quite sure they were just friends setting him up. He says plenty of people gave him a ribbing for his new claim to fame but he didn't win any dates. He is still keeping an eye out.

Another of our title holders, who preferred not to be mentioned again, said he was invited out to dinner by a stranger, who learned of his title not long after she arrived in town. He went out and had a great night out.

Whether or not Darwin's Most Eligible had an effect on their social lives, some other of our title holders are looking somewhat settled.

Susan Silvester, who says she too got a great reaction, has been swept off her feet although unlike her "ideal man", he does not own a Harley Davidson and supports the wrong football team.

Dave McWilliam from Gimbell's, one of Darwin's leading landscapers, is also looking settled. He's run off with what was another potential Most Eligible.

However, he hasn't left the newspaper short of people to choose from. These days the Daily Plan It has enthusiastic self-nominators practically queuing at the doors.

Self-promotion is always welcome, as well as recommendations from those people who prefer to do in a friend. But we must point out that the selection criteria is getting tougher and only a few can win the title of Darwin's Most eligible each year.

Darwin's Most Eligible Brains count with Hania

Hania Radvan is a "party girl" with a lean toward funny, energetic and intelligent men.

But intelligence is an attribute she often finds lacking in the males she meets. In fact, she says some are "incredibly stupid and spoilt".

It's not surprising to learn she's looking for a man with some intelligence when you learn the Media Liaison Officer of the Darwin Performing Arts Centre speaks three languages, has a Degree in Drama and Theatre and a joint Honours Degree in English and Literature from Birmingham University in England.

She also tutors drama at the Corrugated Iron Youth Theatre and Malak House.

But Hania is certainly not a serious brain. She's impulsive; she has a wonderful although slightly warped sense of humour with a fondness for human absurdities, Larson cartoons and satire; her favourite movies include Edward Scissorhand, the Evil Dead series, and she collects kitsch trash and Mills and Boon books from the 50s.

Such books have probably spiced her romantic notions.

She enjoys romance which to her is floating candles, swimming under a full moon, the bush, and



effort and attention — "all those tacky things," she explains.

Her ideal romantic night is in a fishing boat on Darwin harbour with a fabulous hamper full of amazing food and a bottle of cold vodka.

But that's not to say she particularly likes fishermen.

She does however admit to enjoying alcohol too much.

While Hania doesn't mind spiders or snakes, she does have a terrible fear that one day she will die in a car accident, so

she hasn't driven for more than 10 years.

A little less frightening is the notion that the leftovers in her fridge will one day walk out.

Things that annoy Hania are insincerity, blackheads that haven't been squeezed, people who take themselves seriously and maggots.

Things she enjoys include recycling junk and making useful items — such as a phone table which she recently completed.

She also enjoys travel and hopes to do a lot more.

Sexiest Darwinites

The Daily Plan It asked "Darwin's Most Eligibles" to select Darwin's sexiest men and women. While most of the women were quite confident in selecting the men, many of the men had difficulty selecting the women. They admired many, but in most cases, had no idea of their names. Few selected the same people but these were the most popular choices:

Right: Sarah Byrne



Sexiest Women

Kim O'Shea, Angus and Robertson
Kylie, The Big Country Saloon
Lisa Pile, Beaufort
Sarah Byrne, Frontier Hotels
Sharon Mitchell, Angus & Robertson
Isobelle Ordogh, Sports Girl
Kerry, Dept Industries & Development
Jody Prosser, Confetti's
Kerin Scholminer, Territory Wildlife Park
Angelica Hannon, former sales executive, Beaufort

Left: Minister Shane Stone



Sexiest Men

Wing Commander Owen, RAAF
Shane Stone, Minister for the Arts
Kevin Cochryn, Hogg's Breath Cafe
Colin West, Top End Sounds
Michael Wotton, Lion Nathan Brewing
Burnie Millman, Financial Controller, Casino
Captain Greg Baker, 2nd Cavalry, Palmerston
Brett Robson, Marketing Manager, Casuarina Shopping Square
Robert Jeffries, sales manager, Independent Building supplies
Brent Fitzsimmons, Sales and Marketing Manager, All Seasons

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