

Sunday 1 to Saturday 7 October 2017



Week 40 Highlights



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Sunday 1 October 8.30pm



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Sunday 1 October 8.30pm



The Doctor Blake Mysteries

When a French Chef is found murdered in the freezer of a restaurant the night after an impromptu police raid, Bill Hobart quickly finds himself becoming the chief suspect in the case – especially when it appears the victim, Phillipe, has probably been beaten to death, and Hobart himself admits to dealing out some punishment during the raid. What could possibly have driven Hobart to resort to this kind of violence? What was the point of his late night raid?

As Doctor Blake waits for the body to thaw, the police soon discover that Phillipe has for some time been the victim of the local rumour-mill; gossip about his sexuality and the true nature of his relationship with the owner of the restaurant, Henry, has run rampant. Henry has only recently returned to Ballarat after many years abroad. When he as good as admits during his police interview that he and Phillipe were lovers, Lawson and Charlie are faced with the fact that homophobia looks to be the obvious motive.

And amidst all of this Jean too will also be subjected to local gossip about the propriety of her evolving relationship with Blake – gossip that Lucien, as always, seems to be blissfully unaware of.

Things quickly go from bad to worse when Blake's autopsy findings seem to only further incriminate Hobart, who is suspended from duty after admitting he went back to Henry and Phillipe's house that night. Could one of Lawson's own be guilty of murder? And just how hard does Charlie look into the wrongdoings of his fellow officer, after Hobart so recently did all he could to protect Charlie's brother during a similar murder investigation?

#DoctorBlakeTV

Short synopsis

When a French Chef is found murdered in the freezer of a restaurant in town, suspicion soon turns to Bill Hobart. Can Blake clear Hobart's name, or is the Senior Sergeant guilty of brutally murdering a man? CAST: Craig McLachlan, Nadine Garner

Production details

A December Media Production in association with ABC TV and Film Victoria. Producers George Adams and Tony Wright. Executive Producer Stuart Menzies and Associate Producer Craig McLachlan. ABC Executive Producers Brett Sleigh and Alastair McKinnon.

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★Top Pick

Wednesday 4 October 8.30pm



Gruen

The show that unpicks the dark arts of advertising, branding and spin is back for its 9th season, and this is its 102nd episode.

There will be grandiose language, hastily gathered quotes and just enough information to sound enticing without actually giving anything away.

We are drowning in more marketing than ever. People are now brands, while brands pretend to be people, emailing you on your birthday and trying to seduce you to 'join the conversation'. We're living in a world where the US President is the biggest brand of all, celebrities are "influencers", influencers are celebrities and words like "influencer" have lost all meaning.

Whether you're spooling through Gumtree for a second-hand fridge, skipping through a podcast selling you a mattress, or checking the weather on the BOM website- you can't avoid advertising. It's as ageless as the airbrushed actor spruiking expensive face gunk. The only anti-venom is understanding how it all works.

Enter host Wil Anderson, Russel Howcroft, Todd Sampson and a trusty team of advertising experts, including veteran panellist Dee Madigan and some brand-new faces. The weekly topical series will drive through new marketing terrain - Amazon in Australia, the NBN and any PR disasters unlucky enough to erupt during the course of the season. Gruen will celebrate the good, the bad and the ugly. Plus, The Pitch returns with a whole new slate of impossible briefs and top agencies to battle it out in the Gruen ring.

Join us as we sneak ads onto the ABC and call bullshit on brands pretending they're just like us.

#Gruen

Short synopsis

Wil Anderson, Russel Howcroft & Todd Sampson pick over the good, the bad and the ugly of advertising. They explore the dark arts of branding & spin with a trusty team of advertising experts, including panellist Dee Madigan.

Production details

A CJZ and ABC co-production; Executive Producers: Nick Murray (CJZ), Wil Anderson, Richard Huddleston (ABC); Series Producer: Polly Connolly.

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Get Krack!n

Only minutes into the Get Krack!n Women's Health Day special, news breaks that a large-scale incident has occurred. The Prime Minister will make a live announcement, and at the minty fresh hour of 3am, the Kates are the only ones on air to break the story. McLennan is grimly determined and obviously thrilled to provide hard-hitting coverage of whatever it is, but McCartney struggles to be swept up in her fervour because she is dealing with her own personal tragedy; she has been put in a yellow dress.

It's probably a monumental and harrowing day for the country, and the Kates reach out to share the emotions of unrelated parties on Twitter and on the deserted pre-dawn streets. As they await the Prime Minister's briefing, they prepare for what the incident might potentially be. Is it killer smart sharks? A vaginal infection? Susan Carland's Muslim army? Have any Aussie or English-speaking lives been lost? Only time will tell, but ideally within the remaining ten to fifteen minutes of the show.

#GetKrackin

Short synopsis

A Women's Health episode is interrupted by news of a large-scale incident. The exact details are unclear but the Kates are prepared for anything.

Production details

A Katering and Guesswork Television production in association with Film Victoria for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Seeso. Created & Written by Kate McCartney and Kate McLennan. Produced by Tamasin Simpkin. Directed by Hayden Guppy. Executive Producers Kevin Whyte, Kate McCartney and Kate McLennan. ABC Executive Producers Rick Kalowski and Brett Sleigh. Seeso Executive Producers Kelsey Balance and Evan Shapiro.

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Housemates

Housemates uncovers the unique, unusual, and sometimes crazy ways Australians have made share housing work. In many streets across Australia, there will be some form of share house going on, and nearly everyone has had to share a house, flat or even bedroom at some point. Sharing a fridge or a bathroom with strangers is never easy. In series 2 of Housemates, we meet four very different share houses and the housemates that are trying to make it work.

There's a 'discipleship' share house where everyone shares a room and a troubled background - but when two housemates leave, it is Jesus who chooses a replacement.

An all-female share house where two vegans and one meat-eater try to get along and go completely waste free - but when a new housemate moves in, can she fit in?

A sexually free and open share house where three male strippers, one ex-girlfriend, and one couple must manage all their relationships and keep the 'family' together.

And a group of anarchists who are launching their own community as they try to live outside of the capitalist system, but will it be a success? Each share house has a unique way of living, but could you live in these houses?

Short synopsis

Housemates uncovers the unique, unusual, and sometimes crazy ways Australians have made share housing work. Follow four very different share houses and the housemates that are trying to make it work.

Production details

Production company: Mashup Pictures. Produced by Rob Innes and Mish Armstrong. Directed by Rob Innes.

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Catalyst

We're living through a golden age of scientific discovery – and Catalyst returns to take you to the heart of the biggest science stories from Australia and around the world.

The series is made up of hour long programmes; each one looking at the latest science on single subjects from human health and medical breakthroughs to astronomy and technology.

We're aiming to capture the wonder and excitement at the heart of these stories and meet the scientists and researchers working at the cutting edge of these fields.

Many of the films are hosted by presenters chosen for their expertise and ability to communicate the discoveries in their fields. We dive into the hunt for alien life beyond our solar system; investigate whether seaweed can help save the world; witness some of the extraordinary techniques used in operations to heal the human heart and undertake a world-first experiment to understand how changing what's in your gut can radically alter your life.

We're also working with international co-producers to bring some of the best filmmaking from around the world.

It's a series that will surprise, delight, and inform in equal measure.

#ABCcatalyst

Short synopsis

Catalyst presents a new series of one hour specials exploring the latest science on diverse topics from human health and medical breakthroughs to astronomy and technology. #Catalyst

Production details

Catalyst is an ABC Production. Executive Producer: Aidan Laverty, ABC Head of Factual: Steve Bibb

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Nippers

Every weekend in summer, like thousands of other kids around Australia, the Nippers hit the surf and sand, training to be the lifesavers of the future. Just south of the Sydney's famous Bondi Beach, meet the South Maroubra Nippers as they run, swim, paddle and rescue, all while battling nature, facing their fears and pushing themselves beyond their comfort zone.

Episode 9 – Wednesday 4 October at 4.35pm

U12s Sarah and her little brother take part in South Maroubra Nippers' first foray into one of surf life saving's most traditional events, the Marchpast, in over 20 years. Omar is keen to embrace more of the Aussie culture as his family takes a trip to the Zoo. But it's not just the dangerous animals he must tackle, but his fear of heights as he takes on the ropes course. And will a shark sighting at Manly beach scupper U11s Chanelle's chances of shining at yet another Iron person event?

Episode 10 – Thursday 5 October at 4.35pm

It's the second biggest carnival of the season, The Sydney Branch Championships, and Maddie and her friends in U13s have high hopes for a medal or two. However, waves, weather and human error combined make for a very different day to the one Maddie expected. It's down to the wire for Club Captain Cooper as he faces off against other juniors from across the area for the prestigious award of Junior Lifesaver of the Year. He's excited to be in the running but has to convince the judging panel he's a worthy recipient first. Meanwhile, fresh from representing the club at March Past, U12s Sarah has her eye on the prize in the Rescue and Resuscitation Events. But with little experience or practice, Sarah and the team have a lot to learn.

#NippersABCME

Short synopsis

Episode 9

Sarah and her little brother compete in the Marchpast event; Omar takes a trip to the zoo with his family; and will a shark sighting ruin Chanelle's chances of shining at yet another Iron person event?

Episode 10

At the Sydney Branch Championships, Maddie & her friends have high hopes for a medal or two; Club Captain Cooper is in the running for a prestigious award & Sarah has her eye on the prize in the Rescue & Resuscitation Events.

Production details

Series Producer: Amy Bingham. Executive Producers: Frank Chidiac And David Ogilvy. Executive Producer ABC: Chris Rose. A Beyond Entertainment production, developed and produced in association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

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Glitch

A bloodied Phil (Rob Collins) arrives unannounced at Sarah's (Emily Barclay) house pressuring her to finish the mission. But Sarah is caught between her mission and the new responsibilities motherhood has brought her.

Distraught by Elishia's death, William (Rodger Corser) vows to bring Elishia back to life as she did to him. But first he needs to understand Elishia's work and to do that he has to get back into Noregard.

Realising that someone is out to kill them and that she could be next, Kirstie (Hannah Monson) wastes no time, continuing to uncover the mystery surrounding her death. While Kate (Emma Booth) finds comfort and respite in her new relationship with Owen (Luke Arnold). As their intimacy and trust grows, they find themselves revealing long held secrets to each other.

Meanwhile, Paddy (Ned Dennehy) attempts to reconnect with the Fitzgeralds, but he discovers he's being played by the powerful family matriarch, Adeline Fitzgerald. She abandons Paddy to the ruthless tactics of her grandsons, who turn up at Corona Hill to take their revenge on him and reclaim the will.

#GlitchTV

Short synopsis

Realising that someone is out to kill them, Kirstie seeks to solve the mystery surrounding her death, while Paddy attempts to reconnect with the Fitzgeralds. Meanwhile William vows to bring Elishia back from the dead. CAST: Rodger Corser, Patrick Brammall, Hannah Monson.

Production details

A Matchbox Pictures production in association with ABC TV, Netflix and Film Victoria. Distributed by NBCUniversal. Created by Tony Ayres and Louise Fox. Produced by Julie Eckersley. Executive Producers Louise Fox Tony Ayres, and Chris Oliver-Taylor. ABC TV Executive Producers Brett Sleigh, Alastair McKinnon and Sally Riley.

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Fearless

Created by *Homeland* and *24* writer, Patrick Harbinson, new contemporary UK thriller *Fearless* stars acclaimed actress Helen McCrory (*Peaky Blinders*, *Penny Dreadful*). This gripping six-part drama follows Emma Banville (Helen McCrory), a human rights lawyer known for defending lost causes, as she sets out to prove the innocence of Kevin Russell (Sam Swainsbury), who was convicted for the murder of a schoolgirl, Linda Simms, 14 years earlier: a crime which he maintains he didn't commit.

Firmly believing there has been a miscarriage of justice, Emma is determined to reveal the truth behind Linda's death and is prepared to go to extreme lengths to discover what happened and free Kevin. However, as Emma digs deeper into the case, risking her career, personal life and reputation, she begins to sense powerful forces at play within the police and intelligence services who want to stop her uncovering the truth.

In the premiere episode Emma Banville sets out to prove the innocence of Kevin Russell, a man who was convicted of the murder of schoolgirl Linda Simms 14 years earlier. Firmly believing there has been a miscarriage of justice, Emma is prepared to go to extreme lengths to discover the truth and free Kevin.

Short synopsis

Emma Banville sets out to prove the innocence of Kevin Russell, a man who was convicted of the murder of schoolgirl Linda Simms 14 years earlier.

Production details

Fearless is a Mammoth Screen production of ITV. Writer: Patrick Harbinson, Executive Producers: Damien Timmer, Patrick Harbinson, Tom Mullens.

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Suspect

Across America, people are hiding deep secrets from their friends or loved ones. These lies can seriously damage a relationship and can wreak havoc on the lives of everyone involved.

In the series premiere, Allen suspects his best friend is hiding an illness and Kristen is concerned her step-brother is binge-drinking.

In each episode, Nev Schulman (*Catfish*) and his co-host, iO Tillet Wright tackle these deceptions head on. In the hopes of bringing resolution to our concerned truth-seekers who have nowhere else to turn, Nev and iO will examine the facts, seek out answers and push to uncover what's really going on, delving into everything from secret identities, hidden addictions, to a host of other lies that could have hugely damaging consequences.

Through this process they hope to help bring the truth to the surface so these groups can move into a better and more honest relationship.

Short synopsis

Nev (*Catfish*) and his co-host iO travel across America investigating secret suspicions. In the series premiere, Allen suspects his best friend is hiding an illness and Kristen is concerned her step-brother is binge-drinking.

Production details

From the producers of MTV's *Catfish: The TV Show*; Host: Yaniv Schulman (Nev), Co-host: iO Tillet Wright.

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