

Sunday 17 to Saturday 23 September 2017



# Week 38 Highlights



**The Doctor Blake Mysteries**

New Season, New Timeslot Sunday 17 September 8.30pm



**Gruen**

Wednesday 20 September 8.30pm



**Glitch**

Thursday 21 September 8.30pm



**James Galea's Best Trick Ever**

Starts Thursday 21 September 9.05pm



## The Doctor Blake Mysteries



Doctor Lucien Blake and his long-suffering housekeeper and confidante Jean Beazley now face a new future together, full of possibility... but life has a few more surprises in store for the both of them.

Once again they'll be confronted by murder and mystery at every turn. From the boxing ring to a new French bistro, from an exotic camp of travelling Romani gypsies to the local Debutante Ball...

And amongst all of this, loyalties will be tested, friendships will be strained and faith will be challenged. Will Blake and Jean finally find the happiness they so richly deserve? Is Charlie ready for more responsibility at the Station? How will Rose work with two generations of the Tyneman's? And who is the avenging nemesis from the past?

Doctor Blake is ready to solve a series of strange and shocking crimes. But he's about to discover that each and every one of his actions has consequences. And no good deed ever goes unpunished...

In the first episode, an exhibition boxing match in Ballarat turns sour when one of the boxers is seemingly beaten to death in front of hundreds of witnesses. Now Blake must try and determine a cause of death, even as all eyes turn to the boxer's seemingly unscrupulous opponent... Charlie's younger brother Ray.

### Short synopsis

An exhibition boxing match turns sour when one of the boxers is seemingly beaten to death in front of hundreds of witnesses. Blake must determine the cause of death.

### 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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## Glitch

Embracing their connection, Kate (Emma Booth) and Owen (Luke Arnold) take their relationship to the next level, much to James' displeasure. But with Elishia (Genevieve O'Reilly) now back in town, he has more pressing things to worry about. Desperate and angry, the Risen demand answers from her, however Elishia simply lays blame on Noregard.

Meanwhile inside Noregard, convincing John (Rodger Corser) that she will be able to help him, Nicola (Pernilla August) starts some disturbing experiments on him.

With Elishia handcuffed at the lake house, James and Kate head to Noregard hoping to check out her story, while Kirstie (Hannah Monson) and Charlie (Sean Keenan) set off to uncover more about their own histories.

Through glitches, John discovers his true name – William Blackburn, and remembers more from his past. He escapes Noregard, determined to find Elishia.

Phil (Rob Collins) settles back into his old life, but clearly he's a changed man. He's now on a mission and no one is going to stand in his way.

### Short synopsis

After questioning Elishia, James & Kate head to Noregard to get answers while John discovers his true name & history. Phil is on a mission, no-one is going to stand in his way. CAST: Patrick Brammall, Emma Booth, Rodger Corser

### 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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## Gruen

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

Yes, the show that unpicks the dark arts of advertising, branding and spin is back for its 9th season and 99th episode.

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

The 100th episode of the show that unpicks the dark arts of advertising, branding & spin. Wil Anderson, Russel Howcroft & Todd Sampson are joined by 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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## James Galea's Best Trick Ever

James Galea is one of Australia's leading magicians and in a brand-new two-part series for ABC2 he's on a mission to discover the 'Best Trick Ever'.

With unique access to some of the biggest legends in the business (including those who've invented magic for David Blaine, David Copperfield and Dynamo), audiences will witness some of the world's greatest magic tricks as well as the professional cheat moves and classified artefacts used in the closely guarded, underground world of the con artist.

Some of the people James meets do tricks that aren't really tricks – they're absolutely real. Like Todd Robbins who eats lightbulbs for a living and Anastasia Synn who nearly makes James pass out as she sticks a needle in her arm.

Plus, James showcases some of his own jaw-dropping tricks, some of which have been unleashed on unsuspecting Aussies, including a trick performed in Summer Hill which has to be seen to be believed!

Filmed in Australia and the US, never before has a show had such unprecedented access to the world of magic.

During episode one, James tries out a few tricks on unsuspecting Aussies in Sydney's Inner West; visits a sword swallower; meets up with magic boy-genius Blake Vogt; learns from DOC, a master conman who has never shown his face on TV before; and stages an epic trick in Summer Hill, Sydney.

### #BestTrickEver

### Short synopsis

Meet one of Australia's leading magicians, James Galea, as he learns from a master conman, visits a sword swallower and stages an epic trick in Summer Hill, Sydney, all whilst trying to find the best trick ever.

### Production details

The series is created, written and executive produced by James Galea, directed by Adam Franklin, produced by Jo Dyer with Stuart MacLeod as Head of Magic/Executive Producer. The 2 x 60 mins series is A Rose Tinted Enterprises production.

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## Classic Countdown

Returning to its original *Countdown* timeslot, *Classic Countdown* will launch on Sunday 17 September at 6pm on ABC, airing 13 one-hour episodes over consecutive weeks.

One of the most loved programs ever produced and broadcast by the ABC, *Countdown* spanned 13 years from 1974-1987 and provided the soundtrack to an entire generation of Australians. Taking a year per episode, *Classic Countdown* pays tribute to the iconic artists, the incredible songs and Molly!

The original episodes have been lovingly and meticulously restored and the archives carefully searched to uncover performances not seen for decades. Unashamedly nostalgic and playful, *Classic Countdown* will celebrate the explosion in youth culture and Aussie music that was the driving force of the show's success.

*Classic Countdown* will feature the very best music from the day, presented in the classic *Countdown* way...the artists performing their songs to a live studio audience.

The show will also feature the very best of Molly, his unique interview style and his incredible access to the likes of Elton John, Tina Turner, Abba, David Bowie, Kate Bush - not to mention the giants of Aussie Rock. The series will mirror the *Countdown* run-down with highlights of *Humdrum* plus a selection of the songs that were performed on the show that also made it to #1 each year.

Each episode will be narrated by an artist who performs in that episode; John Paul Young, Kate Ceberano, Steve Kilbey, Richard Clapton among many others.

### #ClassicCountdown

Follow Classic Countdown online at [abc.net.au/classiccountdown](http://abc.net.au/classiccountdown)

### Short synopsis

*Classic Countdown* will celebrate one of the most loved programs ever produced and broadcast by the ABC, *Countdown* spanned 13 years from 1974-1987 and provided the soundtrack to an entire generation of Australians.

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**Tuesday 19 September 7.30pm Live AEST**  
**Also Live in SA+NT 7pm**



## **Football: Women's International Australia v Brazil**

Earlier this year, the Matildas scored their first ever win over the USA in Seattle, as well as beating Japan 4-2 and Brazil 6-1 on the way to winning the Tournament of Nations. Now the stars of Women's football including Lisa De Vanna, Sam Kerr, Caitlin Foord, Alanna Kennedy, Kyah Simon, Stephanie Catley, Lydia Williams and their Matildas teammates return to Australia for a two-match series in front of home fans.

On Saturday 16 September, Australia face Brazil in the first match from Penrith. Live coverage on ABC TV at 3pm AEST (2.30pm SA & NT, 1pm WA).

Then on Tuesday 19 September, the Matildas travel to Newcastle for the second match in this International Series. ABC2 will bring you primetime football coverage Live at 7.30pm AEST (7pm SA & NT). The game will air at 7.30pm local time on ABC2 WA but the game will be live streamed on iview at 5.30pm WA time.

The series against world class opponents Brazil offers fans the perfect chance to see their favourite players in action ahead of season 10 of the W-League starting in a few weeks.

### **Short synopsis**

From Newcastle, the second match in a two-game International Series between the Matildas and Brazil. After winning the Tournament Of Nations, Lisa De Vanna, Sam Kerr, Caitlin Foord and the Australian Women's team return home.

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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.

### **#Catalyst**

#### **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.

The Nippers are a diverse group of girls and boys all with vastly different characters, skills, interests and family backgrounds. But each week they come together at the South Maroubra beach with their mates being active, skilling-up, having a go, competing and being part of a community.

### Episode 5 – Wednesday 20 September at 4.35pm

It's all about mind over matter for U12s newbie Omar as he faces his fears of the waves and completes in his first Nipper carnival. Just when Omar thinks he's got it sorted, danger is spotted and the water races cancelled. In U12 girls, Charlie has been struggling with confidence but takes a deep breath and gives her fibreglass board another go and surprises herself with the results. And Tyler and the boys from U14s hit the beach for a special training session with Ironman champion Ali Day.

### Episode 6 – Thursday 21 September at 4.35pm

It's competition time for the Nippers. At South Maroubra, who will reign supreme when Caprice and her posse face off against their biggest rivals, the U13 boys? Beach sprinter Tom from U11s is hitting the water for a different type of challenge, he's going up against his big brother Charlie and mum in a long-distance ocean swim race at Coogee. And on the South Coast, U11s Chanelle is ready to give her new fibreglass board a go at her first Iron person event of the year. But when the waves pick up and her board flies loose in the warm up paddle, is it all over before she's begun?

### #NippersABCME

#### Short synopsis

Ep 5: It's all about mind over matter. Newbie Omar faces his fears at his first carnival; Charlie gives her fibreglass board another go; and Tyler and the boys hit the waves on surf skis to train with Ironman Champion Ali Day.

Ep 6: It's competition time. Who will reign supreme when Caprice and her posse face off against the U13 boys? Tom challenges his family to an ocean swim and Chanelle loses control of her board at her first Iron person event.

#### 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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## Hard Quiz

*The Weekly's* Tom Gleeson is out to find Australia's hardest quiz champion, pitting four contestants and their nominated special subjects against each other in an entertaining, half-hour, battle of the brains.

Over the four rounds our contestants will not only be tested on their expert topics and face off against each other, but they will need to be hard enough to endure Tom's quick wit, caustic commentary, and intimidating stare downs, as he endeavours to separate the soft from the truly hard quiz contestants.

At the end of the episode, the two hardest Hard Quizzers go head-to-head for the honour of being crowned the Hard Quiz Champion and taking home the Hard Quiz brass mug.

Four contestants reckon they know everything about something. But do they know something about everything? This week, Amelia Earhart expert Jen, The Rockford Files expert Jim, thermodynamics expert Will and Grace Kelly expert Carolyn match wits with each other – and Australia's hardest quiz host, Tom Gleeson. Let's play... HARD!

### #HardQuiz

#### Short synopsis

Tom Gleeson grills four know-it-alls to find out who really knows it all. Tonight, Amelia Earhart expert Jen, Rockford Files expert Jim, thermodynamics expert Will and Grace Kelly expert Carolyn all vie for the Big Brass Mug.

#### Production details

A Thinkative TV production. Executive Producer: Chris Walker. Producers: Kevin Whyte, Charlie Pickering, Tom Gleeson. Series Producer: John Tabbagh.

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## **Get Krack!n**

McLennan isn't feeling one hundred percent this morning due to some uncomfortable downstairs "situation", and McCartney is dismayed to find herself carrying the show during her co-host's prolonged trips to the bathroom. To compound this pressure, the Get Krack!n technical department is having a decidedly off day with music and sound cues misfiring like a Trident missile, so McCartney really is riding solo.

She soldiers through a psychotic bread-making display from a group of food truck pioneers, but her patience wears thin during a demonstration of labour-intensive bento boxes for kids' lunches. McLennan appears briefly to hear about Fall décor essentials and what's new with nail art, but is mostly backstage pissing. McLennan finally gets to the business end of her gynaecological issues just in time for McCartney to be violated by an obscene virtual reality display.

### **#GetKrackin**

#### **Short synopsis**

McLennan is a bit off-colour today, and McCartney is left to carry the show while her co-host deals with whatever's happening in her nether regions.

#### **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 Sleight. Seeso Executive Producers Kelsey Balance and Evan Shapiro.

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