



Unfazed: "I had a fair idea Robbie Williams was gonna get his cock out. It didn't come as a surprise," says Andrew G.

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Andrew G, *Australian Idol* host, Channel V presenter and Bachelor Of The Year talks about his best gay mate, his gay fans and, er, cock! Interview by Matthew Myers.

**DNA: Did you know you were in DNA's 50 Hot Guys issue last March?**

**Andrew G:** Are you kidding? I only got four billion text messages from my mates going, "Dude! What are you doing in my stroke mag?" They said they felt a bit weird with their dicks in their hands looking at me! Their texts were along the lines of, "Here I was having a very concerted look at the DNA 50 Most Rootable Blokes, and there was your face staring back at me! I had my pants down!" It was funny!

**So you're aware that gay guys fancy you?**

[Laughs] I've been made very aware of it!

**Do you have a best gay mate?**

Absolutely. He's one of my closest friends in the world and I've known him since we were 12. I call him Mr Wolf, you know, from *Pulp Fiction*? We've been mates since before we even knew what to do with our dicks. Him being gay has never mattered.

**Has he taken you to any gay clubs?**

Yeah, we go out a fair bit. We went to Mardi Gras once and that was fucking awesome. He's from Brisbane and whenever I'm there I hang out with him. When I was there last we were driving up Anne Street, where there's a nightclub called The Cockatoo Club. I said to him, "You know why they call it that, don't you?" He said, "What do you mean?" I said, "What do you like on the weekend? A cock or two?" Exactly!

**Do you quiz him about gay things?**

Occasionally. Like what's the deal with grey haired men and young Asian boys?

**Do you think there are any advantages to being gay?**

Yeah! As a guy, I'm built to fuck. Men really like sex but unfortunately, being straight, you have to put up a fairly decent argument to convince a girl to have sex with you. But when a guy who's into sex with guys meets another guy who's into sex with guys, it's like, "Let's get it on!" That would be great. Can you imagine if they had Gaydar for

straight people? I wish it were that easy!

**Do you have good gaydar?**

I'm pretty good. Before I worked in television I didn't quite get it. But now I'm down with it and I can see the telltale signs.

**Who do you think will be outed in *The Simpsons*?**

It would be really cool if Barney finally confessed that he was Homer's gay lover: that late at night when they were 18 they got drunk and did it. And the only reason that Homer knew how to get into that mini-golf castle with Marge was because he and Barney had been there before!

**Who is your favourite gay pop star?**

One of my first big concerts was Elton John. That was at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre and it was awesome. I remember, even back then, being 11, everyone giving

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**Some would think that was a lucky break.**

Umm... I dunno. I've got my own to play with when I want to.

**Should same-sex couples be allowed to marry?**

There is no question in my mind that same-sex couples should be allowed to marry and have children whether by adoption or surrogate parents. People who choose to bring children into the world under those circumstances know the enormous responsibility they are taking on. They have to work incredibly hard with their kid to deal with the social stigmas.

I am very good friends with a few guys who are so into each other and they can't marry. These guys are more in love than a

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me shit at school about going to see this guy who was gay. That was in 1986 and I was like, "I don't care. I'm 11! Relax!"

**Anyone else?**

Yeah, Freddy fucking Mercury! The gayest Iranian who ever lived. I don't know if you've heard the very last Queen album, but they recorded it at a sanatorium up in the Swiss Alps on Lake Geneva at Montreux. He was there at this clinic trying to stay alive and the very first line of the album is, "It's a beautiful world" and I just burst into tears when I heard it. If you knew what he was going through when he recorded the album it was very, very heavy.

**Who would you rather interview: Pete Burns, Morrissey or Plastic Bertrand?**

Oh God, Pete Burns! Talk about making your body your art! Pete takes it to a whole new level. I think he's awesome!

**When you interviewed Robbie Williams, he dropped his dacks at you. Did that take you by surprise?**

lot of straight couples I know – straight couples who have kids. Their relationships are a lot healthier, without the name calling and belittling. It totally freaks me out that gay people are not allowed to marry. It's totally fucked! It's atrocious. I'm fucking flummoxed by it! I mean, absolutely bamboozled.

**There are some extreme anti-gay opinions out there at the moment.**

Yeah. Any form of extremism or fundamentalism is dangerous because it stops you seeing other points of view.

**Lastly, and importantly: boxers or briefs?**

It's gotta be boxers and only Calvin Klein. I went free ball for many years but working in television I had to get changed a lot and it wasn't a good idea. I wear briefs if I'm going for a run. I mean, you can't have your nuts bashing around your inner thigh. It's not comfortable. It's always boxers. I love 'em. Size 32 if anyone wants to buy me some! 🍆