A GORILLA PINCHED MY BUTT!

Dreamy Jules Lund travels the world for TV's Getaway. He spoke to Matthew Myers about being hit on by Jessica Alba, gay gorillas, The Golden Girls and how Jake Wall is not only a really nice bloke but also a corking spunk. Right on!



DNA: Your career began with the Fox FM's Fifteen Days Of Fame competition. How did that happen?

Jules Lund: I was running workshops for teenagers through a charity called the Reach Foundation and was driving to the school when I heard people on the radio discussing 'What's your claim to fame?' My mate and I spent eight months backpacking around the world and our claim to fame was doing the US talk show circuit. I rang up to say we had achieved some great things by being cheeky Aussies and ended up being treated like a celebrity for 15 days.

So you gatecrashed US talk shows? Yeah, it included Sally Jessy Raphael, Ricki

Lake and Jerry Springer. My mate made the Comment Of The Day on Ricky Lake and I got into an on-air argument with Jerry Springer! We also snuck into the MTV Video Music Awards by making fake passes.

You were a contestant with Jake Wall on Torvill And Dean's Skating On Ice.

Jake's a cracker of a guy. We had great fun laughing at each other. He's new to television and the outfits he was given were hideous. He could pull it off because he is an Adonis, but he never put his foot down and they kept getting more and more outrageous.

Do you have a gay mate?

Yeah, Dermot Brereton [laughs]. Seriously, out

of my ten closest friends I'd have about four gay mates.

How switched on is your gaydar?

I reckon it's better than most of my gay mates. I watch them talk about other guys who I think are definitely not gay, but they think are. But I reckon I'm right. I think my radar for hetero is easier. I can easily say that someone is definitely not, so it works in reverse.

Have you ever been mistaken as gay?

Absolutely! Have a look at me! I look as camp as a row of tents. Bleached blond hair! In fact, my girlfriend's

sister went to a Tupperware party and they saw a gay guy there that looked like me and he said

'Yeah, I model myself on Jules Lund.'

Do you ever get hit on by guys?

Yeah. I had a guy say to me: 'Ever tripped over a tree? How about a root?' That's the worst pick-up line in history!

What has been the best place you've visited in your time on Getaway?

Africa! The wildebeest migration in Kenya, in the Maasai Mara, is every boy's dream. It's wildlife, but it's dramatic. There are millions of wildebeests migrating across the savannah and when they get to a specific point, they have to cross the river. There are hippos

attacking them, crocodiles eating them and waiting on the other side are lions, leopards and cheetahs. It's the circle of life and it makes me feel so alive.

So Africa really strikes a chord?

There is also Rwanda, where there are the baby gorillas. They are the most adorable little creatures. I was watching them and trying to keep my distance, when this little baby gorilla poked its hand through the bushes and pinched me on the butt! I freaked, turned around and there it was, poking its little eyes through. They all looked like little men in gorilla suits.

Maybe it was a little gay gorilla!

[Laughs] Yeah, most likely. Though my gaydar doesn't really carry over to primates!

What do you do to keep fit?

I don't and I'm not!

Come on, that gorilla pinched you on the butt. You must be doing something right. Well, I try to jog, but because I travel so much I have many different reasons to justify why I shouldn't go for a jog.

What is the campest song on your iPod? You won't believe me! I'll play it for you... [Plays a tune with the following lyrics: "Thank you for being a friend, travelled down the road and back again"]

You have The Golden Girls on your iPod? One of my gay friends sent it to me and for five points I want you to name all four

Rose Nylund, Blanche Devereaux, Dorothy Zbornak and Sophia Petrillo.

You really are gay! You get triple points. You know them too!

But I didn't know their last names. That's pretty impressive. You've taken it to a new level.

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Who is sexier? Jessica Alba, Natalie Portman or Keira Knightley?

Jessica Alba because she cracked on to me at the Logies. It's true! It was on camera when I was doing the red carpet interviews. What was your nickname growing up?

It was actually Jules, because my name back then was Julian. But Mike Fitzpatrick [from

Triple M] calls me "No Undies Lundy!" So are you a jocks, boxers or freeballer man? Jocks. I just purchased some stellar Tommy Hilfiger jocksers and now I need to buy the socks to fill them out!