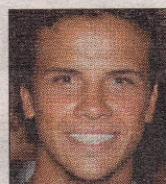


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Prince Harry has qualified as an Apache helicopter pilot



Julian Wilson keeps both feet planted firmly on the ground, when he's out of the water, that is

Julian keeps a level head

SEXY surfer Julian Wilson might get a lot of attention in and out of the water, but he says he is still as level-headed as ever.

The Cooloolah lad has been in town for the Quiky Pro, and said touring with his two brothers and best friends helped keep him grounded.

"They muck around a fair bit and I do cop a lot from them," he said. "But I live the best life and get to travel with my brothers and mates.

"I can't complain."

Wilson said life on the road had taught him a lot about true friends.

"I know who's fake in this industry as soon as they approach. I know who my true friends are. It's easy to tell the difference."



Australia Zoo's Terri Irwin fell under the spell of raconteur Sylvia Bradshaw

Terri loves a good laugh

TERRI Irwin has found love again, but it's not what you think.

The woman behind Australia Zoo fell for the Gold Coast Publications managing director, Sylvia Bradshaw, at the launch of *Women's Words of Wisdom, Power and Passion* written by PR chick Karen Phillips.

Bradshaw delighted the 250-strong audience of mostly women with her hilarious stories.

"You've heard it here first. I've fallen in love with Sylvia," Irwin said when she was introduced on stage.

"I never thought this would happen again. You're the most amazing person I have heard speak."

It was just one of the many endorsements and words of encouragement thrown around the room as a handful of women from Phillips' book were introduced and their incredible stories talked about.

Roma Blair, Fiona Coote, Emma Snowsill, Karni Liddell, Christine Fortelny, Sharon Kolkka, Tammy Hamawi and Ann Middleton were also at Palazzo Versace for the launch of the book yesterday.

Harry's Apache career takes wing

PRINCE Harry has qualified as an elite Apache helicopter pilot and could return to the Afghan front line in a combat role as early as the spring of next year.

In a major personal milestone, Harry made it through a grueling 10-month course to learn how to fly the \$75 million attack helicopter.

Harry has had to work extremely hard. There is no way his status could have got him this far".

A spokesman for the Prince – officially Lieutenant Wales of the Army Air Corps – said he was "delighted" to have qualified after training that has cost more than \$1.61 million so far.

Harry will now go on to learn to fly the Apache helicopter

stan with the Household Cavalry.

In 2009, he transferred to begin training as a chopper pilot – and despite failing an early math exam he stuck with it.

He was one of 22 to embark on a "conversion to type" course at the army aviation base at Middle Wallop in southern England.

In the past two weeks, the course had a dozen on Harry