

# Things to do in Sydney

Episode One

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FADE IN:

EXT. KING STREET NEWTOWN - AFTERNOON

The busy as always King Street. Cars drive up and down as we PAN to the CORRIDOR then CUT TO...

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO THE CORRIDOR PUB

INT. CORRIDOR NEWTOWN - LATE AFTERNOON

LEAF and LILY are sitting on the front stools at the Corridor waiting to order a drink and chatting.

Leaf, a tall, quietly spoken 26 year old with boyishly good looks, is always happy but never satisfied. He would probably be more confident if he could only figure out how. Leaf Reaches for his nearly finished beer.

Lily also reaches for her beer. Lily, Leaf's sister is a pretty and confident 25 year old professional student with no intention to become otherwise.

The Bartender is making a cocktail for another patron and adds a lychee to the cocktail mix.

LILY  
Lychees really offend me

LEAF  
Offend?

LILY  
Yes, they're offensive, they're a textural overload and taste weird.

LEAF  
I still don't see how a fruit could offend someone.

LILY  
They're like naked grapes. They offend more than 1 sense so I believe that constitutes them as an offensive fruit.

LEAF  
Well I didn't exactly bring you here to discuss the status of lychees on your offensive scale.

LILY  
No, the fact that you said it was your shout brought me here.

Lily holds her glass up as if she was cheersing, then has a drink.

LEAF

OK, well... I'm just throwing this out there but we suck as musicians right? How about we write a tv show!

Leaf acts as if he just told Lily he won 50 million dollars or found the cure for cancer but his actions go unnoticed as Lily is more fascinated with the girl drinking the lychee cocktail.

LILY

Look, she's eating the Lychee

LEAF

Huh? The TV show!

LILY

Haha.

Small silence.

LILY (CONT'D)

Really? A TV show? What do you know about writing screenplays?

LEAF

(Jokingly)

Wait what, what's a screenplay? I don't know anything and don't care to learn. And I think that's what will make it fun and interesting.

LILY

What sort of a show will it be?

LEAF

A comedy slash drama? A comama?

No,no, a dramedy.

(Starts to get lost in his own thoughts.)

A comamedy.

Leaf shakes his head.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Nup, too far.

LILY

I don't know... It's not like we're funny or anything. Everything we

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LILY (CONT'D)

say is regurgitated from a TV show.

LEAF

Sup skip?... 2 more Pale's thanks.

SKIP

No problem.

LEAF

Let's just start brainstorming and see what happens.

LILY

What will it be about though?

LEAF

Well, how about a brother and sister living in Sydney.

Leaf waives his hands between himself and Lily

LEAF (CONT'D)

Stuff happens and they spend their weekends being bored and finding things to do.

LILY

It sounds like it's Always Sunny in Philly - but nothing interesting ever happens to us though. Its going to be us and friends getting drunk in random bars in Sydney.

LEAF

You're right, it does sound like Philly.

Skip passing 2 beers to Lily and Leaf.

SKIP

I'd watch it.

LILY

Yeh, me too.

LEAF

We could write the score for the show. Intro music, the whole caboodle. We could document our weekends. The pubs, the cafes, the events, the highlights, the low lights. We could get random Australian artists to do introductions to each location. We

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LEAF (CONT'D)

can get Vans to pimp a full  
multimedia website for us and we  
can hock t-shirts and mix tapes and  
shit on it.

LILY

ok, ok...

Lily nodding her head. Light dreamy music whilst she mulls  
it over.

Lily notices Leaf with a little glazed look on his face and  
staring at her.

LILY (CONT'D)

Are you scoring me now?

Leaf has an extended blink and snaps out of the daydream  
state. The light dreamy music stops.

LEAF

We could have like a smelling  
device that can be used in  
combination with the show. And  
maybe texture swatches that you sit  
on the couch next to you.

LILY

Like a sensory overload. Scratch  
and sniff sheets.

LEAF

I was thinking more like an ambipur  
scent machine that holds like 10  
little spray bottles and each  
bottle is numbered. There'll be  
little numbers that appear down the  
bottom of the screen that  
correspond with a spray bottle. The  
viewer presses the number and  
smells the scene.

Lily nods in disbelief of what she is hearing.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Have you ever thought, a TV can  
produce any colour by mixing  
together 3 colours. RGB. Print  
colours are different, CMYK. What  
if smells could do this?

LILY

I'm pretty sure that's how smell  
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LILY (CONT'D)

works. Something to do with adding carbon chains together. Maybe. Anyways ... I'm thinking texture swatches.

LEAF

For general feeling...?

Lily stares at Leaf unimpressed.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Don't judge me when I'm brainstorming. It's freeform, and it builds strength from bad ideas. Maybe little taste tabs that you place on your tongue.

LILY

Bacon..?

CUT TO:

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LILY (CONT'D)

Alright, so where would you start this TV show from?

LEAF

hmm, OK!

EXT. KING ST - CONTINUOUS

Same PAN as used earlier and Lily & Leaf are sitting in the bar.

Lily stares at Leaf unimpressed. Again.

LEAF

Lychee's?? No?? Ok, ok, earlier.

FADE OUT:

EXT. KING ST - 6 MONTHS EARLIER

TITLE CARD: "SIX MONTHS AGO"

PAN, exact same as used twice before. Lily, Leaf and CURLY sitting at the bar in the same positions sharing an antipasto platter and a tower of hash browns. Different clothes, Lily haircut, etc.

INT. CORRIDOR NEWTOWN - CONTINUOUS

LEAF

What are you chewing on.

LILY

Nicotine gum.

LEAF

Are you giving up smoking again?

LILY

No, not really.

LEAF

Ok, why are chewing nicotine gum?

LILY

Stimulating my brain.

LEAF

Explain.

LILY

I have exams coming up and I need to study a lot, and I need to focus and retain information and nicotine helps me retain it. Synchronous information retention, for memory stuff - and I don't want to get all of my nicotine from smoking 'cause it makes me feel kinda dirty. So I chew nicotine gum instead. But now I think I'm more addicted to the gum than I am to smoking.

LEAF

Sup skip? Can I grab another 2 Pale's for the ladies and a large flat white takeaway thanks.

SKIP

No problem.

Leaf places his arm around Curly.

LEAF

(To Curly)

I'm more of an asynchronous kind of guy.

Leaf and Curly kiss. Curly, Leaf's long term girlfriend is a strong willed, caring 27 year old lioness who basically mothers Leaf and Lily.

CURLY

You do realise you're a  
professional student right?

LILY

Uh, yeah.

LEAF

How long have you been at  
University?

LILY

Nearly 8 years and loving it.

CURLY

So how's the new song coming along?

LILY

Which one?

CURLY

The one that kept me up half the  
night. I only heard one. The  
trumpet, over and over.

Leaf sings.

LEAF

Sleep depravation will make you a  
million. (Them crooked vultures  
song)

LEAF (CONT'D)

It's win and it's not a trumpet  
either, it's a fluglehorn and we  
were writing a fluglehorn solo.

LILY

Lots of fluglehorn. Rich and famous  
Curly, rich and famous... and  
fluglehorns.

Curly raises eyebrows.

CURLY

Naked and famous...

LEAF

(Quietly replies)  
In that order.

-LILY

(Quickly responds)  
I'll give you eyebrows Curly

Skip puts the beers and coffee on the bench.

LEAF

Put it on the girls tab thanks  
mate.

Curly reaches across, grabs the coffee and passes it to Leaf. She then grabs the 2 beers and passes one to Lily. At the same time, Lily takes her chewed nicotine gum from her mouth and puts it on the side of the plate whilst reaching for a hashbrown with the other arm.

LEAF

I don't know why we bother with  
this music. I'm not an artist, I  
just enjoy it and wouldn't mind  
making music for a career.

CURLY

It's not the smartest career path  
but at least you have your real job  
to pay the bills.

LILY

You don't need to be an artist, it  
should be fun and if you enjoy it,  
it will show in the music. I guess  
it could still be shit music  
though.

LEAF

(Looks into the distance)  
Maybe I should make a cartoon. That  
could be cool. Like a cross between  
Archer and ScoobyDoo.

CURLY

But you can't draw.

LEAF

Don't they do it all on computers  
these days? How hard could it be?

Curly turns to the platter and stabs a piece of 'Feta' with a toothpick. Leaf notices and watches in disgust. Just before the 'Feta' reaches Curly's mouth she notices its Lily's gum.

CURLY

Are you serious? I nearly ate that.

Leaf and Lily laugh hard.

CURLY (CONT'D)

You guys are fucking filthy. You were watching me then.

Leaf and Lily continue laughing.

LEAF

It was so close!

CURLY

No, I'm serious, you guys are fucking pigs.

CURLY

(Sternly to Leaf)

I asked you to vacuum 3 days ago and you still haven't.

LEAF

I'm a busy man.

CURLY

Yeh, busy gaming and playing the trumpet... That's it.

LILY

Flugelhorn.

Curly starts walking to the bathroom and turns back to Lily and Leaf who are still giggling.

CURLY

(To Leaf)

You're in charge of cleaning the floors from now on.

LEAF

Fuck it!

(Slight pause)

Speaking of gaming, I have to pick up Vans, and a new vacuum cleaner...

LILY

Leafy, don't leave me with her when she is like this.

LEAF

Just order some arancini balls and she'll come good.

Leaf grabs his coffee and leaves.

LILY

Skip, can I please have an order of arancini balls? Curly gets a little snappy when she's hungry. Is Rizo in the kitchen today?

SKIP

No, not today.

LILY

Can the other guy do arancini balls OK?

SKIP

Yeh. Rizo makes them, the other guy just fries them.

LILY

OK, I'll have some of them then. Sauce on the side. They retain their crispiness that way.

Curly returns from the bathroom.

CURLY

How's Bug? You haven't been home for a while.

LILY

He'll be here any minute.

Lily looks around.

LILY (CONT'D)

3 times a week I get woken up at 4am.

CURLY

What for?

LILY

Kayaking Curly, kyaking.

CURLY

That boy's crazy.

LILY

We haven't been going that great. I think its because I'm sleep deprived.

CURLY

You're not getting your 12 hours?

LILY  
No... but he does bring me my  
breakfast foods and it does kind of  
make up for it.

CURLY  
What, candy?

LILY  
Mmm candy.

CURLY  
Do you still think he's cheating on  
you?

LILY  
He's meeting up with girls in the  
city for lunch, I know that much.  
Who knows what he's up to though.

CURLY  
You sure he's not meeting guys?

BUG enters the scene in the background. Lily acknowledges  
Bug and replies to Curly's question.

LILY  
Not entirely, no.

Bug and Lily kiss and break into some non-English chitchat  
"Bug talk". Curly turns back to food.

BUG  
What to do?

LILY  
What do you do?

BUG  
Sumpinsumpin.

Curly in the background rolling her eyes and having a drink  
of beer.

LILY  
ChupityChup.

Bug passes Lily a bag.

BUG  
Foy you.

LILY  
Sanks Bug!

Lily and Bug kiss.

CUT TO:

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO BUG

Bug, a 26 year old well groomed, sport obsessed, old fashioned gentleman who is slightly shorter than Lily.

BUG

Hi Curly, how are you?

CURLY

Good Bug, how are you? How's business?

BUG

Its going OK, doin' alright I guess. I'm opening another store next week but this one is in the Gold Coast.

CURLY

Expanding interstate. Very nice.

LILY

In the Gold Coast but. If Australia had an anus, the Gold Coast would be dangling from it.

BUG

Fits my business model perfectly.

CUT TO:

INT. CAR RIDE TO THE AIRPORT - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf driving in to sydney airport passenger pickup and his phone rings. The ringtone is quite intrusive. It is his friend Vans calling.

LEAF

Yyyello... Yeh, I'm pulling up now... Ciao.

Leaf turns the corner and pulls the car up to the ticket machine.

TITLE CARD: "SYDNEY AIRPORT PASSENGER PICKUP"

EXT. SYDNEY AIRPORT - CONTINUOUS

Leaf parks the car, jumps out, VANS and Leaf walk to each other and shake hands.

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO VANS (INCLUDING HIS GAMING STATS)

Vans, 26, still plays computer games though not a traditional geek. Spends most of his time chasing asian tail and travelling between Melbourne and Sydney for work and pleasure.

LEAF  
(To Himself)  
2.2, nice.  
(referring to Vans gaming statistics)

VANS  
What the fuck?

LEAF  
Nothing.

Leaf grabs Vans' bags and throws them in the back of the car.

VANS  
OK... How's life mate.

LEAF  
All good man. Same shit different week. How was your flight?

Both Vans and Leaf jump in the car and drive out.

INT. CAR RIDE - CONTINUOUS

VANS  
Good, good, apart from the fat kid I was sitting next to... I thought Lily was going to pick me up?

LEAF  
No, she's shopping with Curly. So you're having issues with fat kids again?

VANS  
The plane hit turbulence. I was sitting next to the fat kid too so he had 2 serves on his eating tray. Not to mention his fat rolls taking up the entire arm rest. I was tempted to just rest my arm on top of one of his rolls. Surely he

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VANS (CONT'D)

knows what's going on and he won't be offended. Fat people know they're fat right?

LEAF

You flew tiger. Their chairs are like half the size of Qantas.

VANS

I know. It felt like he was right on top of me. Extremely uncomfortable. I just closed my eyes and pretended it wasn't happening.

LEAF

(saying through a smile)  
Oh well, I'll make up for it by making the weekend extra special.

Leaf looks over his shoulder to change lanes and to pull off the road into a shop.

LEAF (CONT'D)

I just need to make a quick stop and pick up a new vacuum cleaner.

VANS

Cool...

Leaf pulls the car over and parks.

LEAF

I'll be back in a sec.

Leaf runs off to a shop whilst Vans waits in the car.

Vans starts inspecting the condition of his clothes, brushing off muffin and other food from his shirt.

VANS

Fucking fat kid's muffin all over me, and his sweat stains...

CUT TO:

INT. CORRIDOR NEWTOWN - SAME TIME

Curly and Lily finishing last bit of beer.

CURLY

Alright, I'm going to do some shopping.

LILY  
Where are you going?

CURLY  
Origami doll and the other one with  
the cards and fun stuff in it.

LILY  
Oh, Pentimento. I might join you.  
What to do bug, what to do?

Walking out of corridor and onto King St. Walk around a  
person in their hospital gown who is just standing in the  
doorway drugged out as the hospital is just around the  
corner.

EXT. KING ST - CONTINUOUS

BUG  
I need some new hang gliding gear  
so I might go for a drive.

Lily lights a cigarette.

LILY  
Alright, well we are going to do  
some shopping then head down to E's  
going away party.

BUG  
Where's E going?

LILY  
India. He's doing the umm...  
Rickshaw rally.

BUG  
Oh my god, I want to do that.

LILY  
I know, right. He leaves tomorrow  
morning.

BUG  
OK, well I'll catch up with you  
guys there.

LILY  
Bug you later.

Lily and Bug kiss and Bug departs. Lily and Curly continue  
to walk.

CURLY

Did he just say hang gliding?

LILY

I know... I always thought it was hand gliding.

CURLY

(Smiling)

No... Since when did he start hang gliding?

LILY

He was watching this documentary about 6 months ago then got all inspired. One morning he was gone when I woke up. He drove down south somewhere to some school for more info.

Lily shaking her head puts her cigarette out then places some nicotine gum in her mouth.

CURLY

That boy's crazy. Don't tell Leaf cause he'll want to do it.

EXT. REVOLVE RECORDS FORECOURT - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf pulls his car up and parks out the front of Revolve.

Vans climbs out of the passenger seat, stands up, stops and looks at Revolve.

VANS

Heaven on Earth.

Leaf laughs, locks car and they both begin to walk across the forecourt to Revolve.

CUT TO:

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO REVOLVE RECORDS

INT. REVOLVE RECORDS - CONTINUOUS

Leaf and Vans walk through the front door of Revolve. Horace Andy - 'Conquer me' is blaring through the speakers. Gonzo behind the counter, stoned, talking to someone on the phone but he acknowledges Leaf and Vans.

GONZO

Hey boys, how are we today.

VANS  
Good mate, you?

GONZO  
All good brother.

Gonzo goes back to his phone conversation and Leaf and Vans hit the new arrivals section.

GONZO (CONT'D)  
It ain't me.  
(Laughs a little.)  
It ain't me!

LEAF  
(Sings)  
I ain't no millionaires son.

VANS  
What?

Leaf flicking through the records and pulls one out.

LEAF  
Do you have this?

Leaf is holding Klaatu, 3:47 EST.

VANS  
No. Is it good?

LEAF  
Yeh man, it's gold. You know the  
song Calling Occupants of  
Interplanetary Craft?

VANS  
Isn't that the Carpenters?

Leaf smiles as he is proud Vans knows it.

LEAF  
Carpenters covered it. You need the  
original.

Leaf throws it in front of Vans. Gonzo hangs up the phone.

CHIRS  
Gonzo, do you have a spare copy of  
this album playing?

GONZO  
How good is this song hey? Look at  
my arm man, I have goose bumps.

Gonzo grooves away. Emphasis on the music for 10 seconds.

Leaf walks to the reggae section.

GONZO (CONT'D)

You can take this one once this song finishes. This is the only copy I have at the moment.

LEAF

That'd be sweet. I saw you on a documentary on SBS the other night.

GONZO

Yeh, the bird I was just on the phone to told me it was on.

LEAF

It was good, you did well.

GONZO

You didn't tape it did you? I haven't seen any of the footage.

LEAF

Sorry mate.

Horace Andy finishes and Gonzo packs up the record and hands it to Leaf. Leaf puts it in front of Vans with his other records.

VANS

Sweet.

Vans lifts out a record from the pack and passes it to Leaf.

VANS (CONT'D)

Monty python matching tie and handkerchief. The only record ever to have a secret track. Well, that I know of. Shit condition but as long as the record is fine. You need this mate, take it, \$3.

Leaf adds the record to his pile.

LEAF

How does a record have a secret track?

VANS

You know how a record has a lead in then that spiral will take you all the way to the end?

LEAF

Yeh.

VANS

Well, on this record, if you don't use the lead in and just drop the needle near the start, you've got 50 50 chance of hitting the secret track, the other spiral.

GONZO

Man, I was smashed when I found that track. It started playing different and I couldn't work it out and it was blowing my mind. Then the Mrs got home and I was like, check this out but it played the original and not the secret. She thought I was crazy. I thought I was crazy. I didn't figure it out for ages.

Leaf and Vans laughing. Leaf pulls out the Surfin Bird record and shows it to Vans.

LEAF

Have you heard?

VANS

(Grinning)

Yes!

E walks in and walks straight to Leaf.

E

Hey man how you doing?

Leaf turns and looks happily surprised. Leaf and E engage in a man hug.

SLOW MOTION whilst the title card is read by the viewer.

TITLE CARD: "Instructions on the Man hug. step 1. Engage the hand shake. (Do not skip this step) Step 2. Hold the shake and hug. Step 3. Pat the hug recipient on the back 2 times. Step 4. Release the hug. Step 5. release the hand shake. Step 6. Artistic intro"

#### ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO E

E, 26 is Leaf's best friend who doesn't mind the occasional all weekend bender. E loves anything out of the ordinary

hence his chosen career path as a paramedic.

LEAF

How are you man. Haven't seen you in ages.

E

I know. Since I got back from VN I have been flat out at work saving cash for the Rickshaw Rally.

LEAF

Oh yeah. How was Vietnam?

E

Chaos man. We brought the scooters in Saigon and rode to Sapa then back to Hanoi. Man it was awesome. You should have come.

LEAF

I know. Its just a bad time at the moment.

E

You're getting old man. Too responsible.

LEAF

Yeh, that and Curly wouldn't let me...

Vans and E laugh and even Gonzo has a little chuckle.

E notices Vans and they shake hands.

VANS

Hey E, how are ya mate?

E

Good man, good. When did you get in?

VANS

About 20 minutes ago.

E

(Laughing)

And you're buying vinyl already.

VANS

I know.

E  
Alright guys, I gotta organise some  
shit. I'll see you guys at bowls.

LEAF  
Seeya mate.

VANS  
See you later.

As E is departing he see's a stuffed animal in the corner of  
his eye. It looks like its been run over 3 times then  
rescued. One eye missing, shabby brown thing.

E  
Holy shit. Cam would love that.  
(To Gonzo)  
Hey mate, how much is that thing?

GONZO  
15 bucks.

E  
Sold.

E hands over \$15 exactly. Leaf shakes his head.

E (CONT'D)  
(Looking at the animal  
with sympathetic love)  
I'm going to call you Lucky. See  
you guys later.

E walks out the front door looking in to Lucky's eye.

CUT TO:

EXT. ENTRANCE TO LEAF'S HOME - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf and Vans both carrying multiple records walking through  
the entrance to Leaf's house.

LEAF  
We'll just dump our buys, have a  
beer or 2 then head out.

VANS  
No drama mate. I have nothing on in  
Sydney except buying rekids and  
getting my booze on.

Leaf unlocks the front door to his house and walks in.

INT. LEAF'S HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

Leaf's house, also known as Lily's and Curly's house, is a modest townhouse in the back streets of Newtown. 3 bedrooms, 1 of the rooms acting as a hotel room for whoever is in town at that time. There are musical instruments and devices scattered about the place.

LEAF

Well, you're in luck then.

VANS (CONT'D)

I might also meet up with an asian bird who I think is living in Bondi.

LEAF

New one?

VANS

Yeh, I met her when I was here for work last month.

LEAF

You should take her to breakfast tomorrow. There's a place in Bondi that does a killer scrambled eggs. Um... Blue Orange, I think it's on Hall street.

VANS

Good idea but I have more chance of getting laid if I take her to dinner.

LEAF

Touche. Are you ever going to get over this fascination with Asian birds?

VANS

Not in the foreseeable future, no.

LEAF

Beer?

VANS

Yeh mate. What is that thing you bought?

LEAF

Its a robotic vacuum cleaner. Press a button and it will vacuum by it

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LEAF (CONT'D)

self.

VANS

Fuck man you're lazy. And that is awesome!

LEAF

I'm also thinking, when we have a party, we can just put a plate of chips and dip on top of it and it will cruise around the house like a little waiter.

Leaf walks to the fridge and Vans begins to put on a record.

VANS

That could be cool.

Leaf opens fridge but the light doesn't come on. Leaf flicks the light trigger a few times but the light doesn't come on.

Vans, standing by the turntable and can't get it to work.

VANS (CONT'D)

What's up with your stereo mate? I can't get it started.

Leaf looks at Vans then back at the fridge, microwave, oven. Holding 2 beers in his hand walks to the light switch and flicks it but nothing happens.

LEAF

It appears we have no power. Beers are still somewhat cold though!

Leaf cracks a beer, passes it to Vans, and cracks the other.

BOTH

Cheers

Eye contact from Leaf during the cheers but nothing abnormal.

LEAF

I guess I'll check the safety switches then.

Leaf walks to the power box on the wall. Opens the box on the wall and just stares at it.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Hmm.

Leaf pulls out the mobile phone and dials.

LILY (V.O.)  
Mushimushi.

LEAF  
Lily. Umm, is Curly is ear range?

LILY (V.O.)  
No. She's trying something on.

LEAF  
We have no power at home.

LILY (V.O.)  
What?

LEAF  
I'm pretty sure you were supposed  
to pay the power.

LILY (V.O.)  
Oh No.

LEAF  
OK, well I'm going to leave that  
one with you and you can tell  
Curly.

LILY (V.O.)  
Fuck off, I'm not telling her.

LEAF  
Alright, we'll see you at  
Camperdown. What time are you  
getting there?

LILY (V.O.)  
We'll be there in 15.

LEAF  
OK, see you there.

Leaf hangs up phone.

LEAF (CONT'D)  
Righto, we have no power and the  
beer is a little warm. We should  
get going then.

Vans shakes his empty beer.

VANS  
How about a roady?

LEAF  
(Referring to Vans's  
already empty beer.)  
How is that even possible?

CUT TO:

EXT. WALKING TO CAMPERDOWN BOWLS - AFTERNOON

Lily and Curly walking down a suburban street near  
Camperdown Bowls. Both carrying their shopping.

LILY  
Your bags look heavy.

CURLY  
We should have dropped our shopping  
off at home.

LILY  
We're here now, and Bug will be  
here soon anyway. I'll get him to  
put it in his car.

CURLY  
Perfect, then I can hide it from  
Leaf.

Lily and Curly walk up to Camperdown bowls and look across  
the green towards the bar.

LILY  
Shit, there's a few people here.

CUT TO:

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO CAMBERDOWN BOWLS

EXT. CAMPERDOWN BOWLS - SAME TIME

E's farewell party. There are about 30 people already there  
celebrating. Beer jugs and empty glasses scattered  
everywhere and people lawn bowling in bare feet.

Curly and Lily walking through the crowd saying hi to a few  
people. Curly spots E and starts to head over.

Curly walks up behind E. E is telling a story and being very  
theatrical. Curly taps him on the shoulder.

E stops mid conversation turns and completely ignores the  
people he was talking to and ignores the fact that he was  
mid story.

E

Argh, you came!

E hugs Curly and Lily.

CURLY

How you going? Haven't seen you in ages.

E

I know. I've been hiding away for a while saving cash. You guys want a beer.

E reaches to a near by table, grabs 2 clean glasses and a half full jug of beer.

E (CONT'D)

So how have you been Lily? You still with Bug?

LILY

Yeh... He'll be here later. He had to go fix his hang glider or something. Hey did you know its hang glider and not hand glider. I've been calling it a hand glider since I was a kid.

E

I didn't know that. It does kind of make sense though. Do you think he would take me out one day? That would be so much fun hey.

LILY

You should ask him. He would love to take someone out with him. Take your camera as well. He always wants me to take photos of him.

E finishes pouring the beers, passes them to the ladies and yells to Cam.

E

Cam... Cam!

We PAN to Cam. Cam, a confident 26 year old who makes light out of any situation and will also act upon instinct regardless of the consequence. In this instance, Cam is dressed as a Crayolla Crayon (submarine yellow) and pretty drunk. Cam sees Lily and Curly and uncomfortably runs over.

CUT TO:

ARTISTIC INTRODUCTION TO CAM

Lily and Curly see the costume and start laughing.

CAM

Hey Lily.

Cam hugs Lily and Lily hugs back quite awkwardly. Cam then moves to Curly and gets a hug.

CURLY

(Whispers to Lily during  
the hug)

I didn't know this was a dress up  
party.

Lily looks around shaking her head and raises her hands as if she doesn't know what's going on and lip talks.

LILY

(Whispers/Lip talks)

It's not.

E

(Interrupts Lily and  
Curly)

Its not a dress up. The costume was  
delivered to our house by accident.  
The label on it read Crayon costume  
and one night after a few red  
wines, curiosity got the better of  
us.

Lily and Curly laugh.

E (CONT'D)

I know right. Who buys a crayon  
costume off the internet? Who would  
even know they exist?

CAM

I don't care. It's mine now.

Cam starts to run off back to the bowling green and turns.

CAM (CONT'D)

You guys want to have a bowl?

LILY

Not yet thanks.

CURLY

Maybe later.

Little bit more laughing.

E

Where's Leaf? I saw him at the record shop with Vans.

CURLY

They'll both be here in a minute. They're just dropping off their gear at home then coming straight here.

Jim walking past, bumps in to E on purpose.

E

Cool. Have you guys met Jim?

LILY

No

E

Jim, this is Lily, Leaf's sister and Curly, Leaf's girlfriend.

JIM

How's it going?

LILY

Good.

CURLY

Good. So how do you know E?

JIM

We are both Paramedics.

E

(Abruptly interrupting)

I'm a paramedic, he is more of a mobile torture unit.

JIM

No, that's not fair. Some people just don't deserve respiration.

E

I rest my case

JIM

E, its not necessarily my opinion but it has been said that you're a

(MORE)

JIM (CONT'D)

C\*\*T.

(The swearing is beeped  
and a black square is  
placed over everyone's  
ears instead of over Jim's  
mouth)

Everyone laughs.

JIM (CONT'D)

I'm going to head back and bowl.  
Nice to meet you and we'll catch up  
later.

CUT TO:

Leaf and Vans arrive at the party and are immediately  
confronted by a Crayon leaping out of some bushes.

Vans intrigued by Cam's outfit and Leaf is totally  
unaffected as if he is completely used to it. Leaf and Cam  
hug.

LEAF

Hey Cam, how you going?

CAM

Very good.

Cam turns and hugs Vans.

VANS

Not that your outfit doesn't  
deserve comment but should I ask  
what you were doing in the bushes?

CAM

No. Come in, come in. E is over  
there, beer is over there and  
bowling is over there.

Cam runs off again. Leaf turns to Vans.

LEAF

Go say hi to everyone, I'll find  
some beer.

Leaf walks off towards the bar and Vans walks towards E,  
Curly and Lily.

We PAN to Jim who is bowling with a few other friends. Jim  
is in a conversation with Nathan, Gabby and Benemay.

JIM  
I'd do it for the glory but I've  
already got enough.

GABBY  
c'mon Jim, last shot, no pressure.

INT.CAMPERDOWN BOWLS BATHROOM- A LITTLE LATER

E walking inside going to the bathroom, walks through the bathroom door and steps up to the urinal. Leaf is also at the urinal.

E  
Leaf, you're here.

LEAF  
Just got here. Was busting for a  
piss.

E  
You know, you never really realise  
how much piss splashes back at you  
in a urinal until you wear thongs.

LEAF  
Ooh sorry.

Both E and Leaf direct their stream further away from each other and improve the angle. Leaf finishes. We PAN to a profile of E as Leaf walks to wash his hands. E is still in the shot but on the wall next to him there is graffiti saying 'Cam was ere' in what looks like yellow crayon.

LEAF  
When are you leaving to India?

E  
Tomorrow morning. Cant wait hey.

LEAF  
Yeh, I bet. I'm so jealous.

E  
You could have come. The option was  
there.

LEAF  
Yeh, I know. Shit friend. I'm going  
to grab a few jugs of beer. I'll  
see you out front.

INT.CAMPERDOWN BOWLS BAR- CONTINUOUS

Leaf approaches the bar, looks at the selection.

LEAF

Hey mate. Can I please get 4 jugs  
of Coopers green?

BARMAN

No problem.

Leaf looking at the bar and notices the EFTPOS machine out  
of order.

LEAF

You don't have EFTPOS?

BARMAN

No mate. That's why the sign's  
there.

Barman taps the laminated sign.

LEAF

Laminated. Looks like she's been  
out for a while.

Barman unimpressed continues to pour the drinks.

EXT. CAMPERDOWN BOWLS - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf walking out the front door with 4 jugs of beer walks to  
a table with a few jugs on it already and puts the 4 jugs  
down. Gabby and Jim are already chatting at this table.

JIM

...the term Squinters is used to  
describe people that live West of a  
city?

GABBY

Are you being racist again?

JIM

People that live in the west have  
to drive or most likely bus or  
train to the city for work yeah?

GABBY

Yeah...

JIM

So these people that commute to the  
(MORE)

JIM (CONT'D)

city in the morning for work do  
this into the rising sun. Then when  
they finish work, they commute into  
the setting sun, hence the name  
squinters.

Leaf and Gabby laugh. Leaf finishes pouring his beer and one  
for Vans.

GABBY

Hey Leaf, how you going?

Leaf holding 2 beers.

LEAF

Good man. Are you off to India  
tomorrow as well?

GABBY

Yeh man.

LEAF

Bastard. I'm so jealous. I'll catch  
up with you boys later. I'm going  
to have a bowl.

GABBY

Be careful out there. People are  
actually playing serious. Its  
getting quite competitive.

Leaf walks off and finds Vans. Vans is bowling. Leaf waits  
until Vans finishes his bowl then passes him a beer.

VANS

This is harder than it looks.

LEAF

Yeh, I'm shit at it.

Nath steps up and has a bowl. Perfect bowling technique. The  
camera follows his flawless technique and flows with the  
ball as it races down the green, no where near any other  
balls, flies past everything and slams into the back board.

LEAF

Nice bowl Nath

Nath turns, see's Leaf and starts laughing. Leaf and Nath  
shake hands.

BENEMAY

Leaf, you're up.

LEAF

How are you Ben?

BENEMAY

Great man.

LEAF

How's your vertigo going?

BENEMAY

Still there. Still annoying.

Leaf picks up a bowl and has a shot. Whilst still holding his beer, Leaf bowls out to the right expecting it to curve back to the left. The ball curves the other way and ends up next to the white jack on the neighboring bowlers game.

LEAF

Is that ball broken?

Leaf notices Tib, one of Lily's friends standing close by.

LEAF

Hi Tib. What you up to.

TIB

Yeah, just tibbin around.

LEAF

You having a bowl?

TIB

Yeh, I've had a few shots. I'm pretty suck at it.

NATH

She's still beating me.

LEAF

You've got the technique down pat though.

NATH

It is the most important part.

Curly and Lily walk to the edge of the green and start to take their shoes off. E walks straight on with his thongs on. Leaf walks over to Curly.

LEAF

Hello ladies.

Leaf gives Curly a kiss.

LEAF

Lily, can you grab that jug of  
beer? I put 4 on the table there.

Lily looks at the table and there are multiple jugs of beer.  
Benemay leans against a pole in the background for support  
to ease his vertigo.

LEAF

(To Curly)

How was shopping?

Leaf looks at Curly's shoes.

LEAF (CONT'D)

New shoes!

CURLY

(High pitch)

New shoes!

CARLY (CONT'D)

What do you think? Do you like  
them?

LEAF

mmm. How much?

CURLY

\$15.

LEAF

They're awesome.

Curly laughs.

LILY

They are nice shoes Curly,  
regardless of the price.

Curly does a little tap dance then continues to take them  
off to walk on the grass.

Bug arrives and heads straight to Lily.

LILY

Bug bug. Can we bug our shopping in  
your car?

BUG

Yeah, no problem.

LILY

Thanks Buggins. It's over there

(MORE)

LILY (CONT'D)

under the table.

Lily walks to Vans and E who look to be discussing the dynamics of lawn bowls. Bug grabs the shopping and takes it to his car.

LILY

Ok, my bowl. I'm going to do a flipper.

VANS

You watch too much TV.

LILY

I know. Now shut up and watch this bowl.

Leaf is talking to E whilst Lily and Vans bowl.

LEAF

What are you doing after this?

E

We are going to the dish lickers.

LEAF

Wentworth Park?

E

You are welcome to join us if you like?

LEAF

I'll see if the kids are up for it. We were just going to go home and have a few quiet ones though I don't know if that's going to happen anymore.

E

Why?

LEAF

Lily didn't pay the electricity bill and we have no power.

E laughs.

LEAF (CONT'D)

She was given the money to pay it so it will be an interesting story.

CUT TO:

EXT. ENTRANCE TO LEAF'S HOUSE - LATER

Curly, Leaf, Lily, Vans and Bug are walking through the entrance to Leaf's house. Bug is carrying Lily's shopping. Curly unlocks the front door and is first to enter the house.

INT. LEAF'S HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

Curly tries the first light switch and nothing happens. She stands still and looks around the house curiously.

We slowly PAN around the house. Absolute dead silence apart from a single cricket chirping. We finish the PAN on Curly glowering at Leaf and Lily. Slight guilt look on both Lily and Leaf's face and a moments silence.

LEAF

I'll check the power box thing on the wall.

Leaf points to the powerbox and moves away quickly.

Curly looks back at Lily who is looking guilty as ever cowering a little. Curly shakes her head and walks in to the house. Lily walks in behind her and Vans and Bug follow.

CURLY

You guys are muppets hey. Seriously, it's like living on Sesame Street.

LEAF

Power is out. Is it the whole street?

CURLY

No. Lily didn't pay the bill.

Leaf replies but a little forced and fake.

LEAF

Oh, Lily, you are such a disappointment.

Curly looks at Leaf, rolls her eyes and walks to the bedroom carrying her shopping.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Who wants a beer?

EVERYONE

Yes, No, Yes, Yes please.

Lily turns to Bug who is holding her shopping.

LILY

Can you please bug them in my room.  
Thanks Buggins.

Lily walks toward the kitchen where leaf is. Leaf opens the fridge, see's the milk, picks it up, removes the lid (the milk hisses a little as it has expanded) and has a sniff. Leaf gags and fully extends his arm to get the milk as far away from his nose as possible. Leaf puts the lid back on and places the milk back in the fridge door. Leaf feels the temperature of 1 beer.

LEAF

The beer is warm.

Leaf looks to put the beers in the freezer. As he opens the freezer door a little gush of water comes out and everything is defrosted. Leaf closes freezer quickly, looks at Lily who saw the gush of water.

Lily promptly cleans up the freezer water from the floor by taking her shoe off and using her sock as a mop whilst Curly is still out of the room.

LILY

We need some candles.

LEAF

Who wants a red wine?

EVERYONE

Yes, No, Yes, Yes please.

Leaf finds a bottle of red and 4 glasses.

LILY

(Yells to Curly)  
Curly, do we have candles?

CURLY (O.S.)

No.

LEAF

Mosquito candles on the balcony...

Lily walks towards balcony.

LILY

(Under her breath)  
Mos-kweeto.

LEAF  
Should we just head down to  
Wentworth Park?

LILY  
Yeh, I think we should.

LEAF  
Curly, we are just going to go  
straight to Wentworth park.

CURLY (O.S.)  
OK, I'll be ready in a sec.

Leaf puts the wine back and goes to the bedroom to grab a jumper. Lily sees a boxed robotic vacuum cleaner sitting on the couch and goes over to investigate.

LILY  
What's this.

Sesame Street them song starts to fade in very subtly. Leaf sticks his head out of the bedroom door.

LEAF  
That is our new vacuum cleaner.

LILY  
What?

LEAF (O.S.)  
It's a robotic vacuum cleaner. You  
just press a button and it vacuums  
by it self. It is awesome.

Leaf and Curly come out of the bedroom. Curly shaking her head.

LILY  
(To Leaf, laughing)  
You ready Big Bird?

As everyone packs up ready to head to Wentworth park, Sesame Street fades in faster as they all head out the door. Lily wet foot squishing a little. The song is in full swing by the time the front door closes as they leave the house.

Door closes behind them, music stops.

CUT TO:

EXT. WALK TO WENTWORTH - EVENING

Walking down some back streets in Glebe suburbia, all a

little drunk at this stage. Leaf, Bug and Vans walking behind Lily and Curly. Both groups are having their own conversations. A small gap in between both groups. Curly looks over her shoulder to check Bug is out of ear shot.

CURLY

If you're not happy, split up with him.

LILY

I can't break up with someone because they're too sporty. That just says I'm lazy. I like him a lot. He's a very nice guy, very giving, sweet, good looking, well endowed,

Curly butts in.

CURLY

Vague, possibly cheating on you.

LILY

The key word being possibly.

CURLY

You could confront him about his lunches he has.

Leaf leans from behind. Both girls jump.

LEAF

If only they spoke English huh.

LILY

Will you fuck off.

LEAF

Curly, can you hold the house keys?

CURLY

Sure.

Leaf grabs the keys from his pocket and passes them to Curly. Curly spots a designer wooden mockup tree out the corner of her eye behind a shop in a back alley.

CURLY (CONT'D)

What's that? That is cool.

All 5 go closer to investigate.

CURLY (CONT'D)

Are they throwing it out?

LILY  
They must be if they're just  
leaving it here.

LEAF  
Of course...

CURLY  
If that's still there on the way  
back, I am going to grab it.

LEAF  
OK. Cmon, lets go. We are nearly  
there.

LILY  
I'm so stealing that before you  
walk past on the way home.

VANS  
We can ninja out before them and  
steal it from the people that are  
going to steal it.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf, Lily, Curly, Vans and Bug walk up to Wentworth park  
gates.

ARTISTIC INTRO TO WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS

VANS  
4 adults and 1 child thanks love.

Vans pushes over a \$20 note.

LOVE  
Enjoy your night.

LEAF  
I'll buy the first round then.

INT. WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS - A LITTLE LATER

The gang standing at the bar, pick up the drinks and start  
to walk towards the outdoor area as E walks through the door  
coming inside.

E  
(Pointing to Vans' beer)  
Genuine 1978 prices

LEAF

(to E)

You right for a drink?

E

Yeh good, just got to take a slash.

A large bodied women bumps into Vans drunkingly as she walks through the doors. The woman looks at Vans in disgust as if he bumped in to her on purpose.

VANS

I apologise. I must have miscalculated your girth.

Vans looks around. He is surrounded by scruffy men mostly wearing flannelette and very short shorts.

VANS

You guys take me to all the classy establishments.

LEAF

Nothing but the finest for my friends. Now pour your beer into a plastic cup.

Everyone starts pouring their beers into plastic cups. Lily and Leaf have 2 cups, 1 inside the other.

VANS

When are you taking me to Tetsuya's?

LEAF

(Grinning)

One day.

LEAF

(To Vans)

Grab another cup too. Good insulation. Also, as the night goes on you keep adding your new beer to the top.

LILY

and at the end of the night we can join forces and make a snake.

VANS

A snake?

Vans looks a little baffled. Leaf does a snake impersonation to Vans by putting his index finger and middle finger up so

they look like snake fangs then taps vans on the arm with 'his fangs'.

LEAF

Ssssss.

Curly raises her plastic cup.

CURLY

Cheers.

Curly makes sure everyone is making eye contact during the cheersing. Leaf picks up a TAB race guide that was sitting on the table with the plastic cups. All walk outside.

**EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS - EVENING**

Curly, not happy with the cooperation and eye contact of the cheers.

CURLY

Cmon. 7 years bad sex if you don't make eye contact.

Leaf walking, begins to read the TAB guide.

VANS

What? What is this shit? 7 years bad sex?

LEAF

Regardless of her superstition, its polite to make eye contact.

VANS

That's fair enough but what is your Mrs on about.

LEAF

Just let it go.

Lily quickly jumps in on the conversation.

LILY

She blames the eye contact but we all know its Leaf.

Lily and Vans laugh.

**EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - A LITTLE LATER**

Leaf, Lily, Curly, Vans and E sit down with the rest of the gang up in the grandstands. Cam (still dressed as a crayon), Nath, Mikki, Tib, Melliot, Sutjiadi, Jim, Alice, Gabby, Em,

Benemay.

LEAF

(To Cam)

I'm surprised they let you in Cam.

CAM

Yeh, they were looking at me a bit funny.

VANS

You thought they wouldn't let her in because of her costume? That would be a bit harsh I think, looking at the dress code around here.

LEAF

No, not because of the costume. Cam was escorted by security from the park a couple of months ago. Probably a good thing you are wearing a disguise.

Trumpets sound and the greyhounds begin to walk out.

LILY

Does anyone have a bet on?

NATH

Only me by the looks of it. Stripey dog.

LEAF

Stripey dog looks good.

LILY

Cmonstripey dog.

VANS

What is stripey dog.

BUG

Number 2 is the only dog that has stripes in a regular race.

VANS

Oh.

LEAF

How is your business going Bug?

BUG

Very good actually. I just opened

(MORE)

BUG (CONT'D)  
another store in Queensland.

LEAF  
Oh, yeah. Whereabouts?

BUG  
Goldcoast.

LEAF  
Goldcoast? If Australia had ...

LILY  
(Interrupting)  
Already been there.

LEAF  
It's good to hear it's doing well.  
Is Lily keeping you in business?  
She's always wearing new shit.

BUG  
I wish she paid for them. I could  
retire if she did.

LEAF  
I am going to head down and look at  
the next dogs. Vans, I recommend  
you join me.

E  
I might come for a walk.

LILY  
Me too.

VANS  
(Unimpressed)  
OK. Lets go look at some dogs.

CUT TO:

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK DOG WARMUP YARD - A LITTLE LATER

All 4 leaning on the fence looking at the dogs as they circle  
their own little courtyard, stretching their legs and  
warming up for the next race.

LILY  
Look at them, they love it.

VANS  
So tell me why we are looking at  
the dogs.

Leaf shrugs.

E

You know in Melbourne, if you're a train driver and someone suicides by jumping in front of your train, the government will keep a tally against your name.

LEAF

I did not know that.

E

But... if you hit 7 people, you are forced to retire with full benefits. Doesn't matter how old you are. One day I was called out to treat a train driver because he just killed someone. I was treating him, well checking him for shock when he said...

CUT TO:

EXT. BACK OF AN AMBULANCE PARKED ON STREET - NIGHT

E, kneeling in front of the train driver whilst attending to him. The train driver sits quietly on the back step of the ambulance with another paramedic sitting next to him. The second paramedic has his face shielded from view. The train driver looks at E, smiling.

TRAIN DRIVER

Only 2 more to go.

E stares at the train driver trying to comprehend what he said whilst the other paramedic laughs quietly. The other paramedic looks up (it's Leaf).

LEAF

What did you say?

E, still attending to the patient.

E

I didn't say anything. I was gob smacked. What do you say to that? When I look back at it now I laugh but when you see the front of the train, it's quite a serious situation.

CUT TO:

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK DOG WARMUP YARD - SAMETIME

VANS

Would be part of the job I would  
imagine. You would be pretty  
traumatised after the first couple.

E

And starting to get used to it at  
about 7?

LILY

Dog 4 is looking pretty good.

Dog 4 stops walking and has a crap.

LILY

Nice and light.

LEAF

Yep, dog 4 next race. Let's do it.

The group turn and walk back to the grand stand.

LEAF

Anyone hungry? I might grab a  
hotdog or a kebab.

LILY

Good idea, and I might grab another  
beer and put \$10 on 5. Anyone want  
anything? Nah I'm good.

Lily walks off to place a bet.

VANS

Didn't she want to bet on 4?

LEAF

Yes.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf and Vans in a row of seats in front of the group. The  
beer cups have 5 or 6 'insulators' by now.

VANS

If you're not gambling, this place  
is actually quite boring.

The horn sounds signaling the race is about to start. The  
dogs walk past the grandstand as Lily walks back and sits  
next to Leaf. Leaf replies to Vans whilst still reading the  
TAB race guide.

LEAF

It's still ok. People relax and chat. The people gambling are normally laughing and happy, keeping the mood up. I like it.

VANS

Kids running around everywhere off their leashes.

Curly leans forward in her seat to talk to Lily.

CURLY

Who did you bet on?

LILY

Number 5.

CURLY

Number 4 is looking good.

LILY

Oh, crap. I was supposed to bet on 4.

Curly leans back into her chair and starts chatting with someone else.

TIMTE LAPSE of people coming and going, people getting drunker and the plastic cups (insulators) getting bigger.

Leaf turns to Lily as the scene turns back to real time.

LEAF

(Referring to his iphone)  
Look at the next race. There is a dog in there that has 100 to 1 odds.

LILY

That's pretty high and its probably that high for a reason.

LEAF

Yes you're right but I think you are missing the bigger picture. We haven't paid our electricity bill for like 10 months. How much is it?

LILY

About \$1000

LEAF

Lily, what the fuck? Curly's

(MORE)

LEAF (CONT'D)

actually given you the money to pay  
it. What did you use it for?

LILY

So... You know that Maton that I  
borrowed from Nath?

Leaf looking a little confused.

LILY (CONT'D)

Yeeeeahhh...

LEAF

Mmmm, oh-ohhh. Nice.

Lily laughs and nods whilst confirming Curly is out of ear  
shot.

LEAF

Shame its an electric guitar...

LILY

10 bucks hey, 100 to 1? Lets do it.

Lily and Leaf stand up to leave. Vans overhearing the entire  
conversation, reaches in to his pocket, pulls out a handful  
of change, removes a single \$1 coin, hands it to Leaf and  
nods his head.

LILY (CONT'D)

Are you for serious?

Vans nods again.

LILY

(Quietly to Curly)  
Can I borrow \$10

CURLY

What for?

LILY

To win money to p..

Leaf interrupts.

LEAF

No, No. I have it, don't worry.

Leaf and Lily run off down the stairs.

INT. WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS - A LITTLE LATER

Leaf and Lily standing at the bookies talking. Leaf hands  
the \$1 to Lily.

LEAF

Can you please place Vans' bet?

Lily unimpressed, takes the gold coin from Leaf.

LILY

This is embarrassing. Can't you  
just place an \$11 bet?

Leaf steps up to the Bookies assistant quickly.

LEAF

Can I have \$10 on dog 6 for the win  
thanks.

BOOKIE ASSISTANT

10 on 6 to win.

LILY

Oh no, it's not stripey dog.

LEAF

I know. A little out of my comfort  
zone.

Leaf receives his ticket. Lily hesitantly steps up to the  
bookie.

LILY

1 on 6 to win please.

BOOKIE ASSISTANT

1 on 6 to win.

Bookie assistant has a slight grin and the bookie turns to  
make sure he heard right. Looks at Lily and drops his  
glasses a little down his nose so he can see over the top of  
them. Lily takes the ticket.

LILY

(Sheepishly)

Thank you.

Lily and Leaf turn and walk towards the bar.

CUT TO:

**EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - SAME TIME**

Cam talking to a group of friends with bad live  
Opera/Classical vocals playing over the house loud speakers.

CAM

I wonder if they are going to let  
(MORE)

CAM (CONT'D)

us feed the dogs ice cream after  
the race.

NATH

Huh?

CAM

I was here once a long time ago and  
after the race people were feeding  
the dogs icecream. I think it's a  
treat during summer.

NATH

And in winter they have a full 3  
piece feed?

CAM

I'm serious.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GREYHOUNDS - SAME TIME

Lily and Leaf walk out from the building holding multiple  
beers. Walking past Opera Man, Lily glances and holds stare  
momentarily whilst continuing walking. Opera Man is live  
entertainment provided by Wentworth Park during race  
intermission. Opera Man stands tall 'in second place' on the  
podium that is normally used to award greyhounds medals.

LILY

If he can get up and sing why cant  
you?

LEAF

He didn't even come first.  
(Referring to the opera  
mans position on the  
podium)

Listen to that? That guys vocal  
folds have class.

LILY

Good adduction.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - CONTINUOUS

Lily and Leaf walk into the grandstand, hand a beer to Vans  
and Curly then sit down.

LEAF

Maybe next week we do open mic  
night at Sandringham hotel?

LILY

I know you're only saying this  
(MORE)

LILY (CONT'D)

because you're pissed and have confidence.

LEAF

Yes.

LILY

You're shit.

LEAF

Yes.

VANS

We need something interesting to do more often

LILY

You live in Melbourne

VANS

I know but its so easy to travel to Sydney. I could do a week on week off thing.

Leaf, Lily and Curly shrug

LILY

Why not

VANS

We should go camping in the Blue Mountains.

LILY

No...

Suspense pause

LILY (CONT'D)

We should climb Mount Kosciusko.

VANS

Hey Leaf, what are you doing next week end?

LILY

(To Vans)

That soon?

LEAF

ummm...

Leaf looks into the distance in thought.

CUT TO:

QUICK ADVERT FOR: "NEXT WEEK ON THINGS TO DO IN SYDNEY"

The advert has some video of Leaf and Lily hang gliding.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - CONTINUOUS

Small pause. Vans and Lily look at each other.

VANS

(To Leaf)

Um, OK. What was that?

LEAF

(Regains focus)

We are... Hand gliding?

LILY

HANG gliding. Hanggg.

LEAF

That cant be right...

LILY

It is, it ends with a G

LEAF

No, Hang gliding. Why would we be hang gliding?

VANS

We should climb Mount Kosciusko.

LEAF

That is a good idea. We can get camel backs filled with goon.

CURLY

You know people push their prams and shit to the peak. There is a concrete path all the way.

LEAF

What?

CURLY

Yeah, its completely family friendly and can be done in like 3, 4 hour round trip.

VANS

OK, so we get a pram and put an eski on it. Every 100 meters you

(MORE)

VANS (CONT'D)

need to have 1 beer or something.

LEAF

That could work. The pram would  
make coming down interesting.

A loud trumpet comes over the speakers signalling the next  
race is about to begin. Dogs start walking towards the  
starting gates.

LILY

(Yelling)

c'mon number 6.

Number 6 dog gets startled by Lily's encouraging enthusiasm.  
Number 6 continues to walk to the starting gates constantly  
on edge and what looks like, fearing for its life.

CURLY

Number 6. Really. You put money on  
Number 6.

VANS

(Yelling)

c'mon 6.

LEAF

Smell this ticket.

Leaf pushes the ticket in front of Curly.

LEAF (CONT'D)

No, smell it.

Curly takes it out of Leaf's hands and smells the ticket.

LEAF (CONT'D)

It smells like victory.

A number 4 appears in the bottom right corner (reference to  
the Ambipur scent machine mentioned earlier).

Leaf and Lily look at each other. Leaf raises his plastic  
beer cups.

LEAF (CONT'D)

Here's to happy endings... Cheers.

LILY

Cheers.

Curly looks at both Leaf and Lily trying to figure out what  
is going on.

INT. WENTWORTH PARK STARTING GATES - CONTINUOUS

CLOSE ON the inside of the starting cage with the dog, emulating what the dog sees and feels. A real rabbit races around the corner and the gate flies open.

EXT. WENTWORTH PARK GRANDSTAND - CONTINUOUS

Lots of drunk people yelling at the dogs as they run past. Lily, Leaf and Vans stand as they realise their dog actually has a chance.

LILY  
(Excitedly)  
Holy fuck, it might actually win.

Everyone drunk, yelling as the dogs come around the last corner. Dog 6 neck and neck with another dog but dog 6 wins by a nose.

Leaf and Lily jump and hug each other whilst showering everyone in beer. Vans jumping in the background spilling his own beer.

LILY  
(Slightly squealing)  
Oh my god, we won!

CURLY  
Why are you guys so happy?

LILY  
because we just won \$1000.

CURLY  
what? what were the odds?

Curly looks at the ticket in disbelief.

LEAF  
100 to 1.

Leaf goes to drink some of his beer but it is empty. Curly jumps up off her chair and joins the celebration. Others cheer in the background.

LEAF (CONT'D)  
Who's up for the 11th race?

Leaf, Lily, Vans, Nath, E and Cam jump the fence near the starting gates and run on to the track. Lily turns to Leaf.

LILY  
Do up your shoe laces before we  
(MORE)

LILY (CONT'D)

start.

Leaf looks down and Lily pushes Leaf into Cam and takes off running, getting a head start. The other 5 push and pull each other trying to gain some sort of advantage. Slow motion of all 6 running down the track, smiles and laughter, E still holding his beer in hand and Cam still dressed as a Crayon.

FADE OUT.