



DANCING WITH THE STARS LUCKY SERIES 13 CAST CONFIRMED AND A NEW JUDGE!

Channel Seven announced today the celebrity line-up for Series 13 of Dancing With The Stars and new judge – Kym Johnson.

A legendary singer/songwriter, two Olympic gold medallists, Miss Universe Australia 2010, a TV legend, radio personality and a grand illusionist will all take to the dance floor when DANCING WITH THE STARS returns.

Tina Arena – Legendary singer-songwriter

Australian singer-songwriter, actress and record producer, Tina is one of Australia's highest selling female artists. She is the winner of six ARIA Awards and the World Music Award for best-selling Australian artist. Tina will dance with professional dancer **Damian Whitewood** who was a runner up in 2012 with Danielle Spencer.

Jesinta Campbell – Miss Universe Australia 2010

Crowned Miss Universe Australia in 2010, Jesinta went on to be a contestant at the Miss Universe pageant. She finished as the second runner-up and also took home the title of Miss Congeniality. Since then Jesinta has presented on television and radio and been a contestant on a reality television series. She will partner **Jarryd Byrne** who makes his debut this series.

Rhiannon Fish – Home and Away actor

Canadian-born Australian actress Rhiannon decided on an acting career at just eleven years of age. Since 2010 she has starred as April Scott on Channel Seven's award-winning series Home and Away. Previous mirror ball trophy winner **Aric Yegudkin** will twirl Rhiannon on the dance floor this season. Aric won with Rhiannon's Home and Away co-star Ada Nicodemou in Series three.

Sally Obermeder – TV presenter

Sally is the co-host of The Daily Edition, Channel Seven's new afternoon show. Sally has interviewed some of the biggest names in entertainment when she was the National Entertainment and Lifestyle reporter for Today Tonight for six years. This season she will partner the popular dancer **Carmelo Pizzino**.

Sophia Pou – My Kitchen Rules star

Sophia Pou is set to wow her My Kitchen Rules fans and burn the dance floor. The outspoken contestant, known for her outrageous comments and the over use of the word "babes", had all of Australia talking when she made a surprise arrival this year on MKR. Sophia will take to the floor with the inaugural winner of DWTS, **Michael Miziner**.

Libby Trickett – Olympic Gold medallist

Golden girl Libby Trickett is no stranger to winning. Boasting numerous world records and four gold medals in her chosen sport of swimming. Her infectious smile and laughter has won the hearts of all Australians. Libby will dance this season with **Dannial Gosper**.

Tony Barber – TV Legend

Television legend Tony Barber debuted on the small screen in the 1970s when he hosted the popular Seven Network program *Great Temptation*. The show was so successful it was shown during the daytime and prime time. Tony will partner **Melanie Hooper** a DWTS runner up in 2011 with Damien Leith.

Cosentino – Grand Illusionist

Cosentino is the recipient of the Merlin Award for Most Original Magician by the International Magicians Society - the award that is the equivalent of an Oscar to an actor. Cosentino will be working his magic with dancer **Jessica Raffa** this series.

Steve Hooker – Olympic Gold medallist

Steve Hooker is the second highest pole vaulter in history, winning gold for Australia at the Beijing Olympics in 2008 with a magnificent vault of 5.96 metres. He also competed for Australia at the 2004 Athens Olympics and the 2012 London Olympics. **Ash-Leigh Hunter** will be Steve's dance partner.

Brendan Jones – Radio personality

Brendan Jones affectionately known as "Jonesy" is a Sydney radio identity who hosts the top rating breakfast show on WSFM with former DWTS contestant Amanda Keller. Two time DWTS trophy winner **Alana Patience** will jive Jonesy around the floor this season. Alana won consecutive seasons in 2010 with Rob Palmer and 2011 with Manu Feildel.

Jordan Stenmark – Supermodel twin

One half of the supermodel twin duo Jordan Stenmark has been enjoying the huge buzz that has surrounded him in the fashion world since he and his brother Zac were discovered in 2011. They made their international catwalk debut at Milan Fashion Week. Since then they have been in constant demand. Professional dancer **Jade Hatcher** and DWTS winner of series nine with singer Adam Brand will be his dance partner this season.

Zac Stenmark – Supermodel twin

The other half of identical twin supermodel duo Zac Stenmark is a long way from his agricultural economics studies on AFL Scholarships at The University of Sydney. Together with his twin Jordan they launched their careers with a 30-page editorial with L'Officiel Hommes Paris. Away from the catwalks and cameras Zac still keeps up with training and teammates at AFL Club, Greater Western Sydney. Zac will partner **Jessica Prince** in this series.

Daniel MacPherson will return as host. His new co-host will be announced shortly.

Kym Johnson professional Australian ballroom dancer will take a seat behind the judges desk when she joins the judging panel this series. Kym was a dancer on Dancing With The Stars for the first three series taking home the coveted mirror ball trophy with Tom Williams in series two. In 2006 Kym relocated to Los Angeles to appear on the US version of DWTS. She has since danced in fourteen series winning twice. Kym is the only dancer to have won in two countries in the world.

"I'm so looking forward to coming home. It's so exciting. It's great to come back to where it all began". Kym said. "It will be very different for me being on the other side of the table. As a judge I'm going to be encouraging but I'll tell it how it is. I know how much work they put in to every week."

Each week during the live show scores will be combined from the judges plus the all important viewer vote to determine who will be at the top of the dancing leader board and who will be sent home.

DANCING WITH THE STARS returns soon to Channel Seven.

Dancing With The Stars is a BBC Worldwide and Freehand co-production for Channel 7. The smash-hit BBC format is licensed to 48 countries, with 200 series aired around the world and twelve series broadcast in Australia. The show celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2014.

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