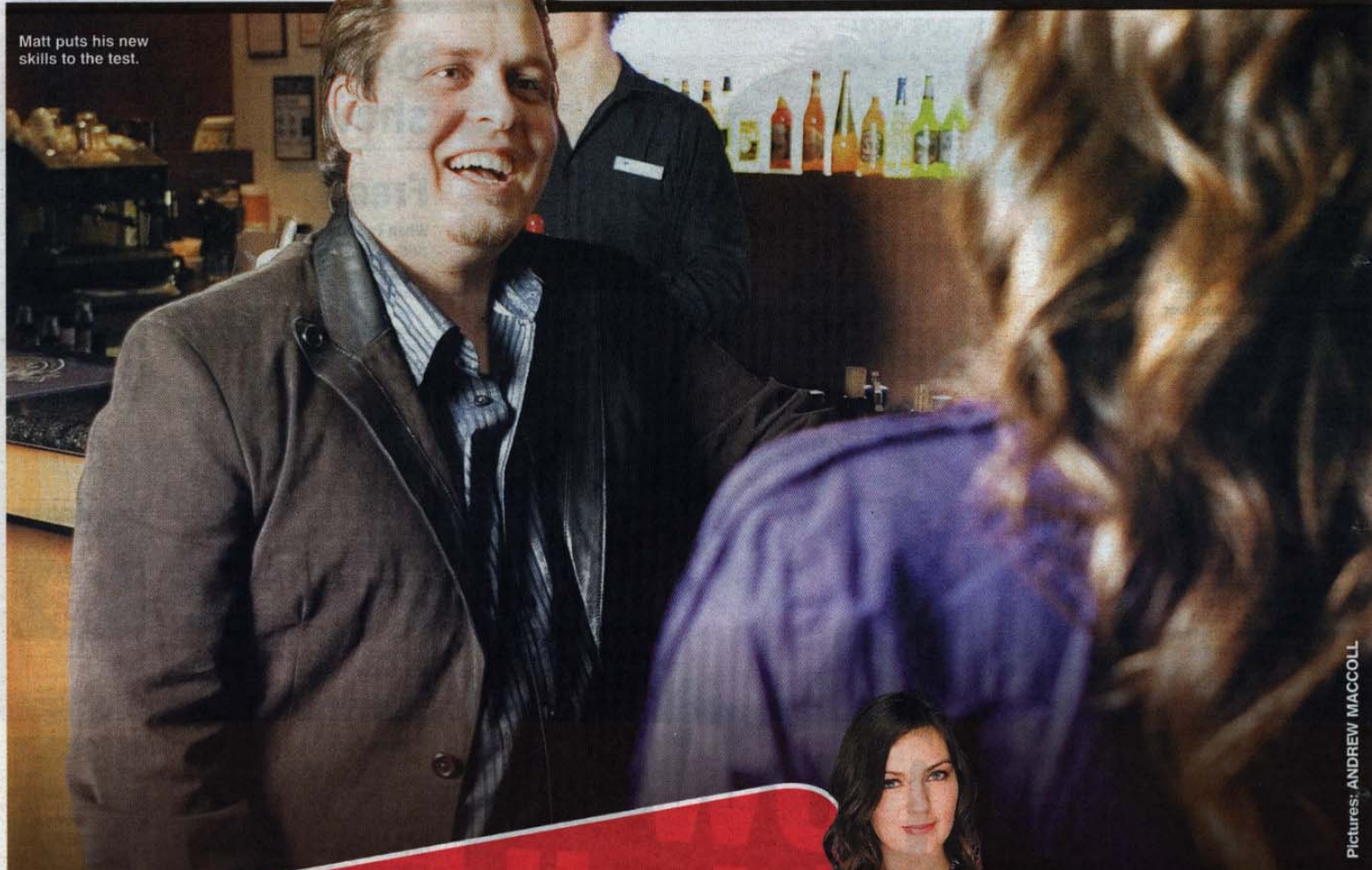


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Matt puts his new skills to the test.



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MAN ABOUT TOWN



Dr. Bella

He's been preened and coached in all things manly – but can our Male Makeover winner Matt survive his dating bootcamp to meet his perfect match?

It's 8pm Friday – an auspicious time for the rampant, urban desiring. Matt, *mX's* Male Makeover winner, and I have met at a café in the city. We are awaiting the arrival of Attract Women Seduction Coach Alex Nova, who will be taking us on an unusual adventure tonight. An adventure explicitly catered to men. And although I have been allowed to come along and bring my devious little notepad with me, I have also been told that this is secret man business. That I have to watch what I write. That I can't record everything.

The Coach arrives, filling all the conventional prerequisites: tall, dark and handsome. Dating boot camp is about to begin. I cross my

legs, nod at Matt and take out my pen.

The Coach asks Matt about where's he's at, or not at, for that matter, with women – what problems he has encountered meeting and dating women, and what he would most like to learn about the opposite sex.

The next two hours are then given over to schooling Matt about the art of seduction. Special attention is given to questions such as "How do I start talking to that girl at the bar?" Or, "What if she says she has a boyfriend?" The coach is a goldmine of too-secret-to-write tips for men.

Next is the demonstration part of the workshop. We will be taken to

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bars and clubs to be shown how to approach women, what to talk about and how to get their phone numbers – and possibly more. We walk through the bustling

night streets and, following our leader, wade into bars. The Coach quickly cases each joint and, not having found any "doubles" or "triplets" of all-attractive-women tribes, ushers us to the next stop.

We enter a dark, hip club. The Coach nods and tells us to watch him. Very carefully. I order a virgin Crantini and then almost drop my drink upon spying the Coach as he advances with his hand in the air toward three pretty women seated side by side in an airline-styled seat. All three women raise their hands giddily to complete a tri-hi-5. Giggles follow. Huge smiles. Hair tossing, the works. All three women are vying for his attention. Leaning towards him. Basically, gagging for it.

Matt is certainly in good hands – or wicked hands, depending on the way you look at it.

Next is the most exciting part of the workshop. It's time for Matt to take all the lessons that The Coach had given him during theory class and the live demonstration, and put it to test.

Two blonde hotties are pointed out to Matt. It's now or never.

I watch as Matt strides confidently over and begins talking to them. And watch as Matt, not soon after, walks not-quite-so-confidently back to us. The Coach takes Matt aside and gives him suggestions on how to improve his game. For the game is on, with another few hours of women-approaching ahead.

I looked at the time, midnight. Every Cinderella knows when to leave a party.

The next morning I ask Matt how the night transpires. He met a girl who was out with her cousins, he says.

"It was like she was a female version of me," Matt says. "We hung out until 4am."

"And," I ask, "did you get her number?"

Matt laughs, "Of course." "And did all this help? The makeover? Bootcamp?"

"It was great and what I learned I'm trying to put into practice every day now. It has really turned me around."

Best of luck in love.
Dr. Bella xx