IT'S A BIRD, IT

By Sam Richards

It's a bird, It's a plane...It's Andrea Stark! Technically the Super woman wasn't flying but she did happen to reach great heights last month, when she clambered up Queensland's highest mountain to raise money for Mongolia.

After witnessing the aftermath, I'm pretty sure Andrea wished she could fly up to Bartle Frere's summit. She had to overcome wet weather conditions; making the already tough climb a whole lot harder. (She has the bruises

to prove it.)

Not only did Andrea have to content with a slippery and steep terrain, but also the blood sucking critters it attracted. I'll spare you the gory details but imagine having to pull off enough leeches to fill an A4 sheet of paper!

Andrea says she might stick with fund raising garage sales from now on. She started the climb at sunrise and didn't reach the bottom of the mountain until almost midnight. 'The leeches were horrendous', she says, 'I was lucky to escape with just 38 bites, but my hubby retrieved over 1000 from our packs and clothing!'

Red Cross would have had a field day but instead the blood sacrifice went toward raising over \$2000 for future wells in the Gobi Desert. Well done Andrea, you're one brave woman and we hope your legs have

recovered.

## GREAT DAY AT THE RACES

By Sam Richards

You couldn't get a better name for the Landmark Ewan Cup winner than 'Money Bunny'; especially if you backed the six year old for a win. 'Mad Music' was not far behind; creating a fresh wave of excitement in the air at the Stockyard Creek amateur race meet.

The sunny Saturday also saw 'Moubassin' win the race beforehand. This particular race was held in high regard as it was dedicated to Peter Mitchell; an ABC broadcaster who recently lost his life to cancer, and who has spent many years supporting the Ewan Race event.

An ironic 'thanks' also went out to Tim McGraw during the event. No, he wasn't present for the weekend but the cancellation of the 'Fashions of the field' was due to many of its organisers being away at his Townville concert.

Just the same, the charms of the country singer didn't drag away a good many ladies partial to a good race day and a good race dress. In recognition (of the American heart throb), the second placed winner 'I'm Hot' in the Peter Mitchell Memorial was well backed.



Julie and Daniel Jenkins dressed to kill at Ewan Races

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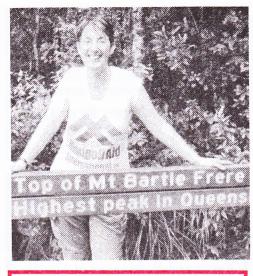


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salt & pepper 350 g shelled prawns 2 tblspns desiccated coconut soaked in 2/3 cup (150 ml) 1/4 pt water

1/2 to 1 tablespoon curry powder

2 this plain flour squeeze of lemon juice Method: Melt lard in a saucepan & fry onions until golden brown. Remove with a slotted spoon. Add tomato, garlic, salt, pepper & prawns & cook gently for 3 mins. Squeeze a little of the liquid from coconut and mix with the curry powder and flour to form a paste. Add to pan with rest of coconut mixture and onions. Bring to boil, stirring, then simmer very gently for 20 mins. Stir in lemon juice & serve with boiled rice.

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