



OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN ENJOYS A TRIBAL GATHERING IN PERU

A little over a year after **HELLO!** exclusively featured their secret nuptials high above the Peruvian rainforest, Olivia Newton-John and her husband John Easterling are as *Hopelessly Devoted* to each other as ever. And there was only ever one place they considered spending their first anniversary. The secluded peak in the Andes is doubly special for the couple. Not only was it where they became husband and wife in a unique ceremony carried out by a local priest in the indigenous language Quechua; it was also where, 18 months previously, they had fallen in love while watching the sunrise. "Going back was like a pilgrimage," Olivia reveals to **HELLO!**

However as word of their plans got out, the couple soon realised that the return trip would be a lot more than an intimate celebration. As John explains: "It became national news in Peru that Olivia was there supporting the indigenous people." Representatives from local tribes (left) arrived to honour the singer and actress and her eco-entrepreneur husband – nicknamed Amazon John – for their support of the rainforest. And the couple were only too glad to share their special day as it meant more publicity for the cause. Says Olivia: "If I can help to give it more attention then that's my role."

In fact, Olivia is so dedicated to helping

conserve the rainforest that she's even prepared to raise a glass to it – literally. Along with John, the Aussie star is planning a world tour to raise awareness about the preservation of the endangered environment and promote their herbal drink Zamu – an organic blend made from the "feel-good fruit" *camu camu*, found in the Amazon flood plain. "The drink is based on a very extraordinary fruit," explains John. "Not only does it have the highest concentration of vitamin C found in any plant in the world, but the berry also has important amino acids. It gives the immune system benefits and it's an anti-inflammatory."

A proportion of the profits will be donated to the Amazon Centre for Environmental Education and Research, to help promote the conservation of the rainforests. But according to the ever-youthful Olivia – who turned 62 last week and says she maintains her glowing complexion by using all-natural products from the rainforest – the nutritional and environmental benefits of the drink aren't the only things in Zamu's favour.

"Two-and-a-half years ago I picked John up to take him to a friend's place for dinner and he brought a cup with him into the car," she recalls. "It was one of his first samples of Zamu, when he was testing it out. And I swear it was a love potion! That's how he got me."



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HOUSEHOLD CAVALRY THE MANE ATTRACTION IN ABU DHABI

Organisers planning the Abu Dhabi International Hunting and Equestrian Exhibition were determined to make the event as memorable as possible – so they decided to send in the cavalry.

In their first appearance outside Europe, the Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment will next week be performing its *Musical Ride*, first seen at Britain's Royal Tournament more than a century ago. But there is nothing dated about the 20-minute routine, in which riders display fast-moving cavalry drill skills to music.

Formed in 1882, the regiment is responsible for protecting the Queen and often takes centre stage at crowd-pulling events such as Trooping The Colour and The Queen's Birthday Parade.

However the 30 horses and 25 riders who were flown out to the

United Arab Emirates in specially modified planes last week are relishing the chance to get the bit between their teeth and are looking forward to wowing the 5,000-strong crowds in a specially customised, air-conditioned hall in the National Exhibition Centre from 30 September to 3 October.

"We're delighted that we have been able to show off their riding skills outside of these shores," Colonel Toby Brown tells **HELLO!**

The team, made up of soldiers from the Blues and Royals and the Life Guards, will perform five shows over four days and has been practising for six months. But it won't be all work, work, work. "After acclimatising, the horses hope to go out for a ride in the desert before the performances," a regiment spokesman says. Plenty of time for a little horseplay, then.



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