

Starwatch

Samantha Armytage

'My mother has a chest of drawers that we call the ghost cupboard. She inherited it from her mother and the story goes that one time they put an old clock on top of it that hadn't worked in years, and all of a sudden it started running again. Then when my brother Charlie was about two, my mother found him reaching behind the drawers. She asked him why, and he said because "they" were calling him! We used to refuse to go into the room.'



DAVID 'KOCHIE' KOCH

'My grandfather talked to me through a medium a few years ago. I was a massive sceptic beforehand but, through her, he talked about how, when I used to stay with him as a kid and hated peas, he used to mix them with honey so that they stuck to my fork and I had to eat them.'



STARS' Spooky ENCOUNTERS

JAMES TOBIN

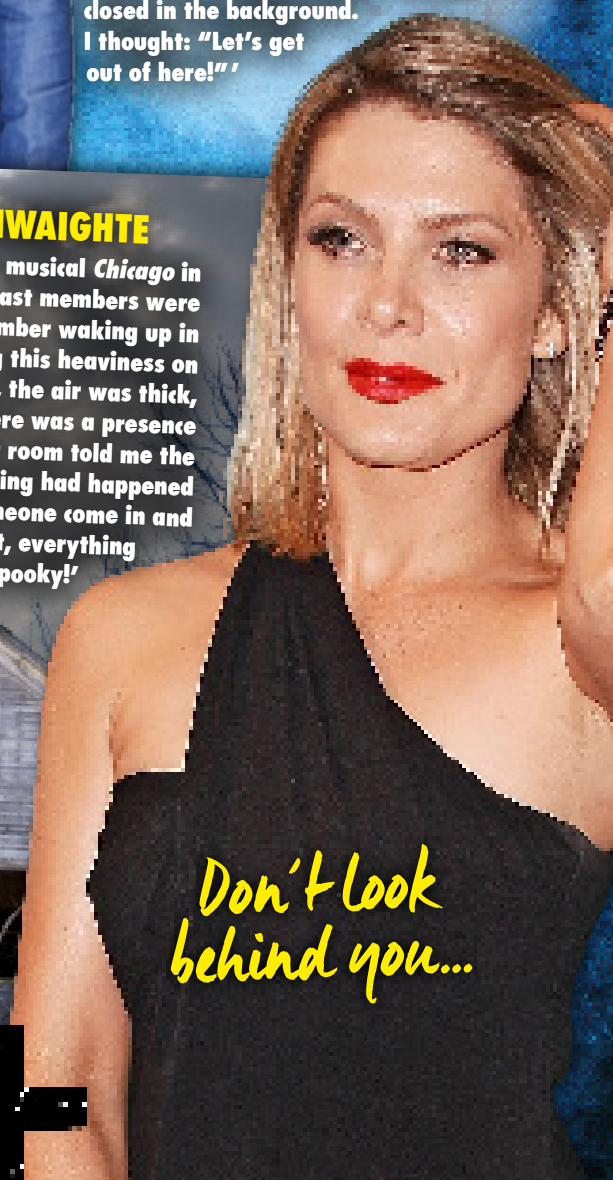
'I was filming in the Quarantine Station in Manly and we were in the old autopsy area - a space the psychic who was with us refused to go into. We circled around the room and then returned to the door - which had been open - and discovered it was closed and locked! We reopened the door, started to film and while the camera was rolling, the door slowly closed in the background. I thought: "Let's get out of here!"'



JUST IN TIME FOR HALLOWEEN, OUR FAVOURITE STARS REVEAL THEIR GHOSTLY ENCOUNTERS...

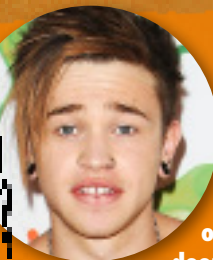
NATALIE BASSINGTHWAIGHTE

'When I was appearing in the musical *Chicago* in Perth, myself and a few of the cast members were staying in a house there. I remember waking up in the middle of the night and feeling this heaviness on my chest. It was hard to breathe, the air was thick, I was sweating and I felt that there was a presence in the space. A girl in the other room told me the next day that exactly the same thing had happened to her. We ended up having someone come in and sage the entire house. After that, everything was fine. It was really spooky!'



Don't look behind you...

Reece Mastin



'When I was 11 or 12, I remember waking up in bed and seeing a very tall man in black standing outside my sister's bedroom door across the hallway from mine. I must have made a noise as the man turned around and ran across the hallway and jumped up at me! I closed my eyes in fright and when I finally opened them, he wasn't there.'

Marcia Hines



'One time, I was in Rotorua, New Zealand. We were silly enough to decide to have a seance and it got way out of hand. That's all I want to say, [other than] it got really unpleasant. I believe you need to leave those things alone. There's no way I'd attend a seance again - ever!'

