

# Flying in Birdcage



my diary  
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GLAMOUR and style oozed at Derby Day at Flemington this year.

The celebrity and society set flocked to races to be seen in the VIP marquees in the Birdcage.

Once again Melbourne put on a great show.

The ACP marquee kept in black-and-white Derby Day tradition with a *My Fair Lady* theme, featuring stunning motifs created by fashion designer Jayson Brunsdon.

It looked like a scene from the movie as the guests dressed with impeccable taste.

But nothing could stop a few dress malfunctions as Charlotte Holmes a Court's shoe strap snapped and Mathew Csed's new girlfriend Lauren Roscoe lost the button holding her dress together.

But within a flash Charlotte whipped out a mini-sewing kit from her bag and mended the problems within seconds.

If it was you who needed some maintenance, the Emirates' marquee was the place to be with hairdressers and make-up artists on call for guests.

Style guru Tali Shine was making full use of their services, but I'm sure she could have given them a tip or two with her



Great day out: your diarist, Kate Waterhouse, at Derby Day. Pictures: WAYNE LUBBEY

new make-up range launching into David Jones any day now.

Tali looked great along with the younger crowd this year at Emirates, including soap stars Natalie Bassingthwaigite and Kate Ritchie, which pleased *The Bold and the Beautiful* star Romm Moss, who seemed to have an eye for the younger fillies.

As the Derby approached and the hype built up, there was no better place to watch the race than the Lexus Marquee.

As Lee Freedman's

Benicio bolted in there was no one happier than funnyman Jimeoin who won the trifecta with his first and last bet of the day.

Guests including Cathy Freeman were then treated to a gift of My Sweet Feet diamante and silk slippers that are due to appear on the feet of Marcia Cross in an episode of *Desperate Housewives*.

A must marquee this year was the space-age inspired Moet tent.

Again it attracted a stellar group of celebrities who cheered on Danny O'Brien's appropriately named Glamour Fuss all the way home in the Sepelt Salinger Stakes.

Guests included big-haired disco icon Leo Sayer, who made everyone feel like dancing!

After a great day at the races an exclusive crowd, including stunning singer Erica Baxter, partied on at the Crown's karaoke room where Leo surprised everyone with a few a cappella renditions of his most famous songs.

It was a great Derby Day, full of fabulous faces, races and fashion.

Bring on tomorrow.



Footloose: Charlotte and Tim Holmes a Court.