



JULIA GIVES DI BOOK ON 'HOW TO SNARE MEN'

Jibe on TV

LOVE-SPLIT wife Julia Carling yesterday unveiled her birthday gift for Princess Diana...a book on how to snare men.

She put the knife in on TV's The Big Breakfast as the princess was waking up to her 35th birthday.

Presenter Julia paraded a copy of the US bestseller *The Rules*, a woman's guide to catching and keeping a guy, wished Diana many happy returns, then gleefully announced: "We are going to be sending you this book."

"It has time-tested secrets for capturing a heart."

Calls

And Julia made sure the princess and the viewers got the reference to Di's friendship with her estranged husband Will — and their frequent phone calls — by revealing the book's Rule No5. It says: "Be quiet, be feminine. Don't make conversation with men."

"Don't arrange dates. Be interested — but don't reveal your problems. Don't call men — they'll call you. Rarely return phone calls — and buy an egg timer so no call lasts more than 10 minutes."

Julia chortled on air: "That's a hint. That is a hint. There are some fantastic things in here."

Salute

Like Rule 23: Don't date a married man.

Or Rule 12: Stop dating a guy if he doesn't buy you a romantic gift for your birthday.

The Rules, written by Sherrie Schneider and Ellen Fein, is billed as a tongue-in-cheek guide for women looking to secure Mr Right. And



CLAWS OUT: TV's Julia Carling

By **THOMAS QUINN**

Julia was at her cheekiest yesterday.

She and co-presenter Mark Little began by pretending they were going to ignore Diana's big day completely.

They offered birthday greetings to two other blondes first — actress Pamela Anderson Lee and singer Debbie Harry.

But then they gave Diana an honorary 21-gun salute — using plastic water pistols instead of cannon.

And the jokes continued at Di's expense when

puppets Zig and Zag interviewed Daily Mirror royal reporter James Whitaker.

They "revealed" to Whitaker that Zag has been Diana's secret lover for the past 16 years.

Moans

Then the puppets tastelessly lampooned the princess by singing:

"Beautiful Diana who would be our Queen, likes a red hot and furry alien love machine."

"Well it all started up 15 years ago, in the queue for the toilets at Windsor polo."

"Although she was in line for the British throne,

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she just wouldn't leave my alien butt alone.

"All day and all night she pestered me on the phone."

And later in the song Zag had a dig at Prince Charles, too. He crooned:

*"The Queen of Hearts says Charles really f**ts."*

"He raves and he rants and he talks to the plants."

"He moans when she goes with the kids on vacation. She's so stressed out she needs colonic irrigation."

A spokeswoman for Channel 4's The Big Breakfast later defended the jibes, saying: "Julia is free to comment within the terms of the show in whatever way she pleases."

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