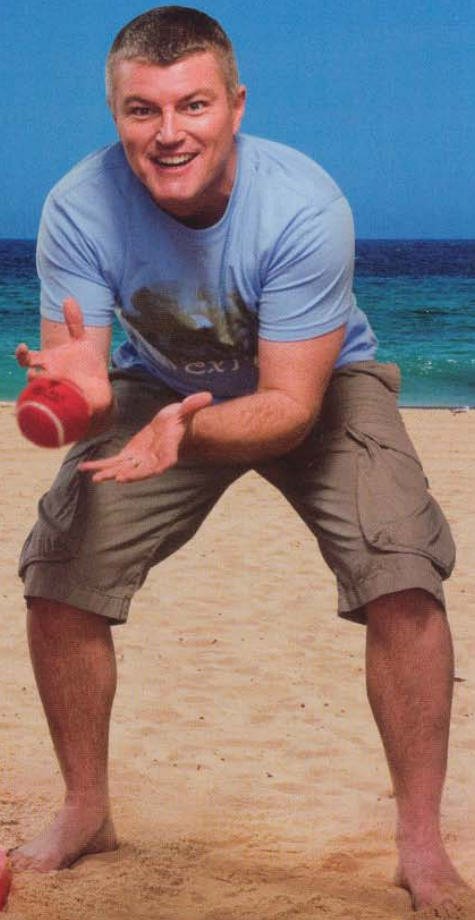


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Our stars shine in the summer sun



SPECIAL 16-page kids' lift-out



TIM ROSS - *The Merrick & Rosso Show*
on THE COMEDY CHANNEL.

"I'm hoping whatever
I cook turns out okay
on Christmas Day."

All-star summer

Spending time with friends and family, catching waves, spectator sports and relaxing poolside – it's all in a summer's day for these FOXTEL stars

Stuart MacGill

Stuart MacGill *Uncorked* (LifeStyle FOOD)

Favourite summer memory? My first Christmas with my little boy, Alex. We were in Melbourne for the Boxing Day Test and Alex woke up really excited that Father Christmas had come, but he was scared that he might still be there. He was looking around the room, walking in slowly, looking for him.

What does summer mean to you? Everything about Australia is geared towards the summer lifestyle – the food, the sun, the music. I hate to be cliché but I really think summer sums up Australia.

What will you be watching on FOXTEL over the summer? I love *Seinfeld* and my wife and I watch a lot of the home shows on The Lifestyle Channel. And I'll keep an eye out for *bills food* too.

Plans over summer? I'll enjoy having a summer with my family for a change. I'll try and learn how to appreciate cricket as a spectator again. You tend to watch people doing your job in an analytical way, but I'd like to sit back and watch people playing sport for fun again.

"Christmas is about spending time with family and enjoying each other's company"

ANTONIA KIDMAN

Alison Whyte

Satisfaction (showcase)

Favourite summer memory? Most of my summer memories centre around getting sunburnt! I grew up in Tasmania, so we had some beautiful beaches and I remember spending plenty of time there.

What does summer mean to you? Those long, balmy evenings and the smell of the summer bush. And bushfires. We live in the bush so that can be a major concern. I just really love the longevity of the days in summer – it allows more time for friends and family and great food.

Plans over summer? My children have just learned how to swim, and my husband and I have just bought a hotel with a pool, so we'll have fun with the kids in there. There'll be plenty of sitting by the pool and listening to the cicadas. For Christmas, we're having a beach Christmas with the family, which will be lots of fun.

What do you want for Christmas? I just want another happy year to come for 2009.

