

It was total rubbish and done purely to overshadow him. It's so obvious that she's only marrying Alex because he's just won *CBB*.

"Any normal person would wait at least a couple of weeks so they could tell their kids they were planning to get married again, but not Kate. She had to do it the week he won the show, when Alex's popularity is at its peak. Otherwise the impact wouldn't have been so great."

Since their high-profile split, Jordan has made no secret of the fact that she still loves Pete - bombarding him with text messages and voicemails, begging him to meet up with her and performing a series of attention-seeking stunts.

Just last week, Pete revealed that after dumping Alex on *I'm A Celebrity... Get Me Out Of Here!*, she phoned Pete straight away to tell him - implying she wanted him to take her back.

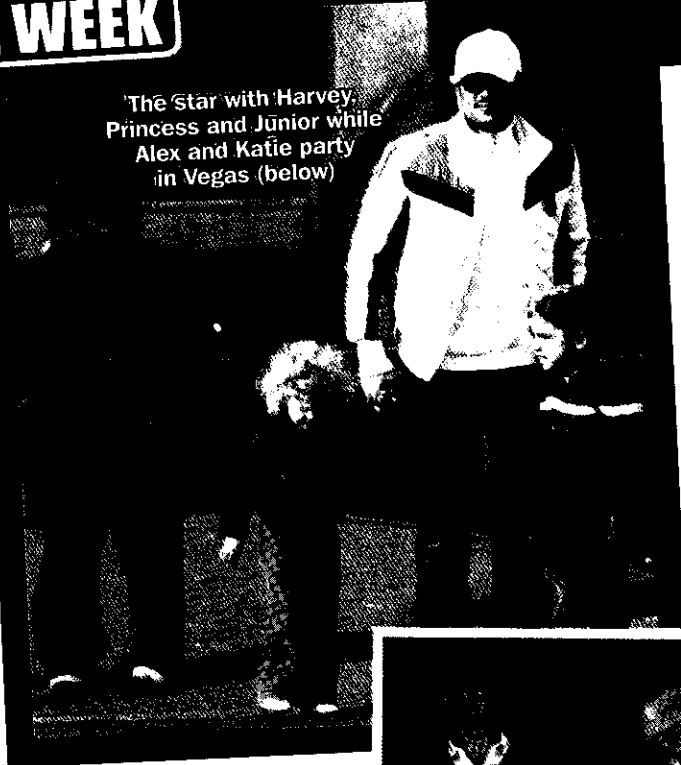
Pete said, "I genuinely hadn't seen any of it. Then she told me she was ending her relationship with Alex. I said it was up to her."

In an interview last week before the newlyweds jetted off to tie the knot, bitter Jordan made several digs which were clearly aimed at Pete, as she vowed her life with Alex would be a "real marriage".

She said, "Every man I've been with, I'd never buy a house with them, never buy a car with them. But I said to Alex: forget my house, we should buy a house together. I'm going to downsize so that we can both afford it."

"We'll have a joint account. Whatever we earn will go into one pot and everything will be

The Star with Harvey, Princess and Junior while Alex and Katie party in Vegas (below)



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JORDAN

paid out of that. It will be completely equal. So there's no egos; who earns the most. I've never done that with a guy and that's what I'm doing with Alex."

Throughout their turbulent three-and-a-half-year marriage, the issue of who was more famous and who earned the most money caused tension between Jordan and Peter.

In another stab at Pete, she declared that Alex was the "love of my life" on *Celebrity Big Brother's Big Mouth's* final show after he took the *CBB* crown.

She went on to say, "I wish that I'd met Alex six years ago. He's perfect in every way."

However, she said the same about Pete just five



months ago. Speaking about their marriage breakdown, she said, "It's a shame because it was a fairy tale and he was the love of my life."

In a throw-away comment that she knew would upset Pete, who is famed for his impressive six-pack, she added, "He's [Alex's] not show muscles - his muscles are there for a reason."

In the final bitter blow, Katie has taken Alex's last name and will officially become Katie Reid, despite not taking Pete's name after they wed. Gushing about her new married name, she boasted, "I'll change my passport, my cheque book - everything. I want to be traditional the way marriage is meant to be."

Describing her new

husband, she then said, "He's so grounded. Fame doesn't faze him. He wants to be with me. I can be myself 100 per cent with Alex. There are no egos here."

She added, "We can socialise with other couples together."

This is a clear reference to Pete's refusal to socialise with Jordan's horse trainer Andrew Gould and his wife Polly due to his claims that his former wife was obsessed with him.

Despite Jordan's insistence that she and Alex are "forever", bookies are already setting odds on when the newlyweds will split. William Hill is taking bets at 8-1 that the happy couple will officially announce their separation by the end of the month.

A William Hill spokesperson said, "The speed of their marriage has caught us by surprise but the odds

suggest that the marriage could be quite speedy, too."

The source close to Pete added, "Pete has absolutely no idea what goes on in Jordan's head. She did exactly the same when she went on *I'm A Celeb...* Pete had very little warning about that and it was just a case of "I'm off!" Pete really hopes that she thinks more about her actions in the future and puts the kids first.

"He genuinely hopes that by marrying Alex, Kate will settle down and that this whole farce will end. If she's happy, the kids will be happy and that's all that matters to him."

**Turn the page for the Sky News interview in full, and to page 38 to read Pete's column**

## Could Alex ever adopt Pete's kids?

Leading family lawyer Rodney Hylton-Potts explains why Pete will not lose his children

"Anybody can seek an adoption order - so Alex could apply," says Rodney. "But would he win? No. It's only in rare circumstances that a judge would allow an adoption

order to take place. If both birth parents were abusing the children and they are taken into social care, then a judge might allow an outsider to adopt the child. But in the

case of Peter and Alex, the answer is a simple 'no'.

"Pete is still very much in the children's lives, so Alex wouldn't have a chance of winning an adoption bid."



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