



The Longest Drive

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CHARACTER LIST

"Main Characters"

Maggie Lambert - Female 30s, English

David Rollins - Male 30s

Faith Rollins - Female 11 years old

Michael Rollins - Male 12 years old

Eddy Rivers - Male 50s - 60s

Dan Fury - British Male, 30s - 40s

"Characters by Order Of Appearance" - US Cast

Butler - Voice Only, Male 30s - 50s

Tony Ferguson - British Male, Distinguished 50s - 60s

James/Chauffeur - British Male 50s, Cockney

Driving Range owner - Male 60s

Extras for Crowd Shot at Driving Range - Various

Mr. Davis - Trailer Park Manager - Male 50s - Nasty

American Amateur Tour Announcer - Male 40s - 50s

Various Long Drive Competitors - Male 20s - 50s

Matt Too Tall Kohler - Male - 20s - 30s - Tall

Miss Ellis - Female 30s - 40s

Miss Baxter - Female 40s - 50s

Olaf Johansen - 20s -30s - Tall

Competitors Mike Thompson and Ryan Kelly - Male - 20s - 40s

EMT - Male or Female - 30s

"Cast Members - United Kingdom

Extras at Heathrow - Males and Females Various Ages.

Cab Driver - Male 50s - 60s

Cashier at Fish and Chips Stand - Female 20s

"Flood Scene"

Police and Fire Personnel - Males and Females Various Ages

Extras for people in cars - Males and Females Various Ages

Ann Fury - Female 40s

Mary Fury - Female 10 - 12

Announcer - Male 30s - 50s British Accent

Golfers - Males Various Ages - Fit

"Eddy Rivers' Henchmen"

Roderick - Male 50s - Large

Peter - Male 50s - Large

Andre - Male 40s

"Cast Cont.)

Jimmy Burke - Male 50s

Extras - Males and Females Various Ages

Dimitri Voltov - Male - Tall

Gym Manager - Female 50s

Friar Tuck - Male 50s - Stocky

English Bobby - Male 30s

Sherwood Reenactors - Males and Females Various Ages In
Costume

Archery competitors - Boys and Girls 12 and Under

James Worthy - Male 30s - Tall

Punt Boat Attendant - Male 20s

999 Operator - Female Clear Voice

Inspector Jones - Male 50s - Disinterested

Officer Brenner - Male 30s - Professional

Officer Thomas - Male - 30s - Brown Noser

"Dan Fury's Men"

Doyme - Male 40s - Large

Patrick - Male 40s - Large

Jack - Male 30s - Competent

Cast (Cont.)

Dr. Keane - Female 40s

Jocko - Male 30s - Australian - One of Two Twins - Tall

Billy - Male 30s - Australian - One of Two Twins - Tall

Event Official Announcing Cue - Male Voice - Clear

James Worthy, Golfer - Male 30s - Tall

FADE IN:

EXT. COUNTRY ESTATE SURROUNDED BY GATED WALLS - DAY

A weather beaten truck is seen parked by the front gate of a country estate. Inside the truck's front bench seat sit Faith and Michael Rollins the children of Carpenter David Rollins. David is standing by the gate pressing an intercom.

DAVID ROLLINS

Yes sir this is David Rollins. I came by to see when your boss was going to pay me for the roofing job I completed six weeks ago.

BUTLER

Please send us a written invoice and I'm sure that the matter will be settled.

DAVID ROLLINS

I've already sent you four invoices and for some reason, none of my telephone calls were returned.

Laughing is heard over the intercom as David recognizes the voice of Mr. Flynt the home owner.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Mr. Flynt, I can hear you. Listen I'm out at least twelve hundred dollars in material costs without even considering labor. What you're doing is not right.

More laughter is heard over the intercom as the butler's voice is heard once more.

BUTLER

Yes sir. Ha ha ha my employer informs me that the check is in the mail and that security will be called if you do not immediately vacate the property.

More laughter is heard from within as Faith angrily bolts from the front seat of the truck and presses the intercom button.

FAITH ROLLINS

Listen to me you pretentious losers!

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FAITH ROLLINS (CONT'D)

When we take you to small claims court the Judge is going to enjoy listening to the recording I just made of this conversation. Further more, I'm going to email every credit rating service and tradesman I can think of to report how you honor your commitments. No one within a hundred miles of you will come the next time you need to have work done.

The intercom goes silent for a few moments, then suddenly comes to life.

BUTLER

My employer informs me that he found your misplaced check and will have security bring it down immediately.

Five minutes later a security guard passes David a check and the family drives off.

DAVID ROLLINS

Remind me to never get on your bad side.

FAITH ROLLINS

Don't worry dad. We'll let you know if you're crossing the line.

MICHAEL ROLLINS

Count on it!

DAVID ROLLINS

What do you guys say to a trip to the driving range? They just opened a new hamburger place next door so we could hit them up after we knock a few balls down range.

FAITH

Sounds good but just a small bucket for me.

MICHAEL ROLLINS

Same here.

EXT. LOCAL DRIVING RANGE - DAY

A large driving range is filled with various golfers of differing ability.

A lone female sits watching carefully as a Rolls Royce stops near to where she is seated. The driver, James, opens the passenger door as a distinguished gentleman dressed in casual but expensive looking golf attire emerges from the touring sedan. Both head to the automobile's spacious trunk as James removes a golf bag and sets it up for his employer.

TONY FERGUSON

That's great Jimmy I'll be about an hour. (He gives the driver some folded bills.) Get yourself something to eat and if you could bring me back a coffee I'd appreciate it.

JAMES/CHAUFFEUR

Thank you sir. I'll be back in an hour and I'll have your coffee pipin hot and ready.

TONY FERGUSON

Now you're cookin with gas!

James pulls onto the main road as Tony begins to wheel his cart. He stops suddenly and stares directly at the woman who has been watching the golfers.

TONY FERGUSON (CONT'D)

As I live and breath! Maggie Lambert.

Tony extends his hand and both shake hands.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You're looking well Tony.

TONY FERGUSON

Thanks but not as good as you. It must be 5 years. It's like you just went missing or fell off the face of the earth.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I think falling off of the face of the earth is preferable to being buried six feet under.

TONY FERGUSON

I heard about the trouble you had with Eddy Rivers.

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TONY FERGUSON (CONT'D)

Fixing football games is a sure way to make a lot of enemies. I knew you were too smart to get involved.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Try and tell that to a thug like Eddy. He blames me for the large hole in his wallet, hence my unplanned visit to the States. I've kept myself afloat by selling jewelry and odds and ends at trade shows and country fares. I haven't exactly struck pay dirt but it pays the bills. What about yourself?

TONY FERGUSON

I'm still promoting sporting events. Some boxing but over here MMA seems to be the thing. Here's my card (Tony hands Maggie one of his business cards.). Give me a call if you ever want to change professions. Someone as bright as yourself is always in short supply.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I'll keep that in mind. Thanks.

Tony heads over to his assigned spot and begins to hit consistent though unspectacular shots. Maggie is a bit nervous seeing someone out of her past and is about to leave when David, Faith and Michael pull up in their well used truck. As the family exits, they are in good spirits and are doing a lot of laughing. In a moment all three tee up in front of Maggie and begin hitting balls with the clubs they have rented. The children begin as their father looks on. Faith hits a ball near the 150 yard line and Michael hits near the 200 yard marker. David then addresses a ball and hits it over the limits of the range. Soon a crowd gathers in the parking lot as people shake their heads in disbelief as all of David's efforts clear the far away fence line. David notices the crowd and smiles.

DAVID ROLLINS

Beginner's luck!

At this point Maggie walks near the fence that separates the golfers from crowd and comments:

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I'll give you twenty dollars if you can hit your next ball one hundred yards beyond the fence.

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MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)

All air and no rollers counted.
Plus you only get one shot.

DAVID ROLLINS

Your serious?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You bet I am.

FAITH

Dad! Say yes! Twenty bucks will pay
for our lunch and then some.

MICHAEL

Yeah dad, you can do it!

David turns and looks at Maggie

DAVID ROLLINS

Okay then. I'll give it a shot.

By this time everyone at the range has paused to see David make the attempt. The elderly man who owns the range steps out of his office and gives David a thumbs up.

FAITH

Daddy, Let me tee it up for you.

DAVID ROLLINS

Sure, thanks.

Before Faith leaves the golfer's booth she whispers in her father's ear.

FAITH

Just enjoy yourself.

David nods and focuses on the ball as he lines up for the shot. He brings the club slowly back and then unwinds on the ball screaming with joy as he makes contact. The ball flies like a cruise missile and doesn't touch ground until it lands at least 100 yards beyond the 325 yard mark that signals the limit of the range.. A roar of delight is produced by all present as the range owner comments:

RANGE OWNER

In twenty years, that's the
farthest drive I've ever seen at
this range. Wow!!!

Michael and Faith rush to their father and hug him as Maggie makes her way over and hands him a crisp twenty dollar bill.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 (Quietly) I've seen a lot of great
 ball strikers in my time but you
 just might be the best.

Maggie takes out her business card and hands it to him.

MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)
 If you ever decide to make some
 real money just give me a call.
 Even at the amateur level, the long
 drive tournaments have some fairly
 decent payouts.

DAVID ROLLINS
 I'm a carpenter by trade. I'd have
 to think about this.

MICHAEL
 Dad just say yes! You can do it.

FAITH
 Dad we have to talk about this.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 Take your time. I'll be in town
 for two more days. Just don't lose
 the card.

DAVID ROLLINS
 No way. Thanks again.

David, Faith and Michael drive off as Tony Ferguson's driver,
 James returns with Tony's Rolls Royce. When Tony sees the
 limo he finishes up and rolls his golf cart up to the rear of
 the Rolls. James loads the clubs into the trunk of the car,
 then stands by the open passenger's door. Before getting in,
 Tony walks over to where Maggie is sitting.

TONY FERGUSON
 I got the tail end of that display.
 Very impressive. You always did
 know how to put on a show, not to
 mention spot real talent. I've got
 a feeling you'll be back in the
 game before you know it.

Both shake hands as Tony turns and gets back in his limo. As
 James drives away Maggie comments to herself.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 From what I've seen today, you
 might be bloody well right.

EXT. ROLLINS FAMILY TRAILER HOME - DAY

Late that same afternoon, David pulls up to the small parking space in front of their trailer as the family exits their truck.

MICHAEL

Dad, that new hamburger place was great.

FAITH

The milk shakes were incredible!

DAVID ROLLINS

Oh yeah! I'm glad you guys enjoyed yourselves.

Faith turns for a moment and realizes that the trailer park manager is headed their way.

FAITH

Dad!...Here he comes.

MR. DAVIS

Mr. Rollins, I noticed that your rent payment was short by one hundred dollars.

DAVID ROLLINS

I know I made the check out for twelve hundred and the lease agreement is good for another two months.

MR. DAVIS

But the maintenance fees have gone up by one hundred dollars per unit.

DAVID ROLLINS

I must have missed that in the fine print. Let me look over my lease and I'll get back with you by the end of the week.

MR. DAVIS

Don't wait too long. The county sheriff is my brother in law and if I tell him I want a slow paying tenant evicted it usually happens pretty quickly.

DAVID ROLLINS
I guess it pays to be connected.

MR. DAVIS
You're not trying to get smart with
me are you?

David turns in the direction of the family's simple home.

DAVID ROLLINS
Not likely. I'll look through my
paper work and get back to you.

David opens the front door with his key as the family rapidly enters. The lock on the front door clicks loudly as Mr. Davis looks on, not comprehending that the meeting with David has ended.

INT. FAMILY'S HOUSE TRAILER - DAY

Early next morning David is in the kitchen preparing oatmeal for the children's breakfast. The tiny home is simple but neat. On the wall next to the refrigerator we see a family picture with David's recently departed wife Jenny standing in the middle. David looks at the photo and comments to himself.

DAVID ROLLINS
We sure miss you Jenny.

David then opens the refrigerator and pours two glasses of orange juice for Faith and Michael.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Hey guys wake up! Your oat meal is
ready.

The children gradually emerge from the two back rooms while they pass their father's place on the fold out coach.

MICHAEL
Dad, when are we gonna start having
bacon and eggs?

DAVID ROLLINS
We can have that on the weekend.
That stuff is just a little too
expensive to have it every day.

MICHAEL

Maybe we could raise some chickens.
That way we could even sell a few
eggs.

DAVID ROLLINS

I agree with you but the park rules
are strictly against it. Some day
things will change and we'll have a
proper home. I'm sorry I don't
always have the money to give you
guys all the things you want. When
your mother passed all of the money
we saved went out the door. It
doesn't help when people are late
paying me but I'll get things
together. I... I promise.

Tears start to run down their father's face as he gets up
from the table and moves to the sink to get a paper towel and
wipe his face. Both children move quickly to where their
father is attempting to dry his eyes. They rest their arms on
his shoulders as they speak.

MICHAEL

Dad, I'm sorry for complaining
about what we're having for
breakfast. Every thing you make
always tastes great.

FAITH

Yeah dad. If it wasn't for the way
you hit that ball the other day, we
wouldn't have had those great
burgers and shakes.

MICHAEL

Dad I think you should call that
lady back and tell her you're
interested. The way you hit a golf
ball we could make some serious
money.

DAVID ROLLINS

What about you Faith? You think I
should give it a shot.

FAITH

I know you have what it takes to
win. Just let me do a little
research into contracts and agent
fees. And dad, don't sign anything
unless I'm there.

DAVID ROLLINS
No problem. I'll do it.

EXT. LOCAL SCHOOL HOUSE - DAY

David pulls his truck up in front of the local junior high school where Michael and Faith grab their school bags and exit from the front of the truck.

DAVID ROLLINS
Alright guys. Do your best.

Both children give a thumbs up as they exit. Faith turns to her father and pauses before leaving.

FAITH
And dad, make sure you have your notebook and pen next to you when you call that woman from the range.

DAVID ROLLINS
You bet!

EXT. SIDE OF THE ROAD - DAY

David takes out his cell phone and dials Maggie's cell phone.

INT. LOCAL MOTEL - CONTINUOUS

Maggie Lambert is sleeping with eye shades over her eyes. After several rings, Maggie picks up her cell phone and answers.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Hello.

DAVID ROLLINS
Hi Maggie, this is David Rollins. I hope I didn't wake you.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
David, the man who swings a golf club like a cruise missile. What can I do for you?

Maggie makes her way over to a nearby table where her laptop is located. She turns her computer on while switching her cell phone to speaker mode.

DAVID ROLLINS

I was thinking about taking you up on your offer.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Did you discuss this with your children? Without both of them on board this is a tricky proposition.

DAVID ROLLINS

Just this morning they both encouraged me to call.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Excellent. Listen, this proposal is going to take a bit of time before the real money rolls in. The important thing is that we begin. You can't enter the pro circuit unless you've got a few wins under your belt from the amateur competitions. I've got one question to ask before we start. Where did you learn to hit a golf ball the way the way you do?

DAVID ROLLINS

Oh that's easy. My dad used to be a local club pro. He took me to the driving range a bunch of times and, based on how I was built, showed me how to drive the ball. He passed when I was ten. Every time I go to a driving range it's like he's there encouraging me. I never get tired of it.

MAGGIE LAMBERT.

That figures. Keep that memory close.

Maggie looks on her computer as she reviews her own schedule.

MAGGIE LAMBER

A week from now, I'll be in Harrisburg Pennsylvania working a trade show. The Harrisburg long drive competition is being held at the same time. The top prize is six hundred dollars plus a set of golf clubs. If you win I'll take two hundred and you can have the rest as well as the clubs.

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MAGGIE LAMBER (CONT'D)

Also, you need a couple of drivers to practice with before you get there. Go to your local golf shop and get a couple of used clubs with oversized heads and shafts that are as long as possible, forty eight inches would be best. I'll cover the cost for now. You can pay me back down the road.

DAVID ROLLINS

That sounds great. I'm supervising a roofing crew this week but I'm free after 5:00PM. I'll get on it this afternoon.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Sounds like a plan. And one more thing; if this project starts to get rolling there will be plenty of individuals coming up to you offering suggestions on how to improve your swing. Don't listen to them. What you've got can't be improved upon. Don't let anyone take it away from you.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thanks I'll give you a call on Friday.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Sure. Just shoot for around 10:00AM. I should be driving down to Harrisburg at that point. Bye bye.

Maggie head for the bathroom as she takes her shower she begins to sing:

MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)

We're in the money. We're in the money. We've got a lot of what it takes to get along.

EXT. LOCAL DRIVING RANGE - DAY

The rest of the week is filled with scenes of David on site with a roofing crew and later mixed with practice sessions at the range. David's children give him a thumbs up while they sit and do their homework. When they finish their school work they also take the opportunity to hit a few balls.

When it rains, the children take seats in the family truck while their father continues to practice under a roofed over section of the range.

EXT. HARRISBURG LONG DRIVE COMPETITION - DAY

Rows of bleachers are set up directly behind the ball strikers with a clear view of the driving range. A local radio personality broadcasts the event while also acting as master of ceremonies. Camera crews from several television stations are also taping for televised broadcast throughout the day and evening. The local high school band plays during lulls in the performance while the cheer leading squad from the same school also provides entertainment for the crowd.

ANNOUNCER

Yes ladies and gentlemen. This year's competition has been outstanding thus far. But now we're down to the final two competitors. The pressure's on and there's a strong head wind that will have to be ignored or perfectly timed in order for someone to walk away with first place. First up is Matt Too Tall Kohler with a best drive thus far of 400 yards. Matt stands at six feet five inches tall and he knows how to translate all of that height into some of the fastest club speed on the planet.

Matt lines up and takes a tremendous swipe at the golf ball sending it just out of bounds.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

A spectacular drive but just out of bounds.

Matt unwinds on a second attempt but it too lands just outside of the boundary markers.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Third and final attempt coming up. Good luck Matt.

Matt makes a final attempt and unleashes a strike that travels four hundred and five yards just within the boundary lines.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Wow! Head wind or no head wind, At four hundred and five yards, that's the longest drive of the day. Next up we have our last competitor David Rollins from just outside of Philadelphia. David is a newcomer to these competitions but thus far has done well with a best drive of three hundred and ninety five yards.

David steps up to the line and unleashes a straight drive of at least four hundred and ten yards. After he sees where the ball has traveled he gets down on his knees and offers a silent prayer as the crowd cheers wildly.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Talk about beginner's luck! It's official. David Rollins is this year's winner of the Harrisburg Long Drive Competition!

Local officials are seen presenting a check and set of golf clubs to David while photographers capture the moment. David receives the prizes from a local official while Michael and Faith stand on either side giving him a hug. Maggie stands next to them, beaming. After being congratulated by various officials Maggie, David, Faith and Michael head for the family truck.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

First time out and you won! Good on ya.

DAVID ROLLINS

The children and myself were praying on our way down here.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Never hurts to have God on your side. If you can say a prayer for me now and then I'd appreciate it.

DAVID ROLLINS

Count on it.

INT. LOCAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL - NIGHT

David Rollins along with a number of other parents is seen attending parent teacher night. One by one the parents are called to sit opposite various teachers as they are given brief updates on their children's progress.

In class room 102 David sits opposite a young teacher assigned to the seventh grade students.

MISS ELLIS

Faith is one of the best students in her year group. Always polite and never skips a beat when it comes to home work. Whatever you're doing, keep it up.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thank you. Faith's brother and I are constantly amazed by her. I know that I don't even come close when it comes to the brains department.

MISS ELLIS

Don't cut yourself short. I saw the kitchen cabinets you built for the Clark family. Tammy and I were in school together. Your work is way ahead of anything I've seen.

DAVID ROLLINS

Well, anyway thank you for talking to me. I'll pass on your observations to Faith.

Both shake hands as David walks upstairs to find the eighth grade student home room. David enters the room finding that he is last in line to see Miss Baxter, Michael's home room teacher. Miss Baxter smiles in a way that is dismissive and artificial.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Hi ma'am I'm Michael Rollins father.

MISS BAXTER

Not exactly on time. Your son Michael displays the same behavior...Well please have a seat.

David takes a seat and feels anything but comfortable as he tries to keep civil.

MISS BAXTER (CONT'D)

We've administered a number of tests with Michael and have determined that he has severe dyslexia.

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MISS BAXTER (CONT'D)

The school psychologist is also of the opinion that Michael would do a lot better if he were enrolled in a school with a strong special education curriculum.

DAVID ROLLINS

Instead of dismissing him as a problem in need of being rid of have you ever considered providing him with the help that he needs? I had the same diagnosis when I was in school but thankfully I had a reading teacher who believed in me and encouraged me to use the gifts that I did have. You might not know this but quite a number of famous artists such as da Vinci, Picasso and Rodin are believed to have had dyslexia not too mention writers such as F. Scott Fitzgerald, Jules Verne and Agatha Christie. However they did it they succeeded. I'm not saying that my son is in the same category as these people but who's to know unless he has a chance to show what he can do?

MISS BAXTER

How dare you, a run of the mill carpenter come into my class room and try to correct me. I know who you are. I know you killed your wife in that car accident because you couldn't control your drinking.

DAVID ROLLINS

That's not fair. The lab technician who did my blood alcohol test was the cousin of a builder who wanted the contract for renovating the county court house. By changing the numbers, I was discredited and unable to bid on further contracts. I haven't had a drink for ten years. Im trying...I'm trying.

David is shaking and unable to focus as he struggles to rise and leave the class room. Miss Baxter gives a laugh that sounds more like a growl as David leaves the class room.

EXT. WILDWOOD NEW JERSEY MUNICIPAL DRIVING RANGE - DAY

A large crowd is gathered behind a small fence as the golfers wait to take turns at the extended driving range which has range markings out to 500 yards. The local high school band plays during any lulls in the action.

ANNOUNCER

Next up we have last week's winner of the Harrisburg Long Drive competition David Rollins. David is capable of driving in excess of four hundred yards so we're expecting a major performance today.

David gets in position and tees up his ball. His mood is noticeably somber before he hits the ball. On his first attempt the ball flies three hundred and fifty yards landing in the center of the golf range. The crowd cheers as David tees up and prepares himself for yet another drive.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

An entirely acceptable drive by David Rollins as he steadies himself for his second of three attempts. The distance to beat this afternoon is 400 yards. Attempt number two coming up.

David tees up and swings the ball is slightly past his last attempt but just out of bounds. The crowd claps politely amid sighs of disappointment.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Don't count David out yet. He's got one more attempt.

David tees up one more time and once again falls short as his ball lands once more on the three hundred and fifty yard line. David gathers up his driver and walks over to where Maggie, Michael and Faith are sitting.

DAVID ROLLINS

I'm sorry I let you down guys.

FAITH

Dad, you still did better than most people.

MICHAEL

Yeah dad, we think you did great.

Maggie is silent as they head toward their vehicles. On the way, Michael sees and ice cream stand. In the distance the words of the announcer can still be heard.

ANNOUNCER

It's a rap! Matt Kohler's drive of 400 yards makes him today's winner followed by Joe Mullins coming in at 390 yards and Fred Williams coming in third with a 385 yard drive. Congratulations to all of you for a job well done.

MICHAEL

Dad can we have some ice cream?

DAVID ROLLINS

Sure.

David opens his wallet and gives Michael ten dollars.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

That's for both of you.

FAITH

Thanks dad.

MICHAEL

Thanks. This is great!

Both children run over to the ice cream stand as Maggie waits till they're out of hearing range.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I could see that something upset you before you started.

DAVID ROLLINS

Michael's home room teacher got to me the other day. She thinks he should be in a special education setting because of his problems with reading. I have dyslexia myself but I learned to get around it. He's such a great guy. I just want him to do well.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

First of all, that idiot doesn't know what she's saying. I used to be a reading teacher so I think I know what I'm talking about. Listen if you were to turn pro I'd be able to come with you guys on tour.

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MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)

Michael's a smart boy and I'd be in a position to give him the help he needs. Two more wins on the amateur circuit and you qualify for the professional league. Learn from today and never let anyone take your joy away from you. Next week the tournament is in Portland and following that we're looking at Boston. I have no doubt that you'll be in the winner's circle for both venues.

Maggie and David shake hands as a look of confidence returns to David's face. Both children soon return, ice cream cones in hand with broad smiles on their faces.

EXT. PORTLAND DRIVING RANGE - DAY

The tournament is in full swing as the local high school band plays and local radio and television crews are seen on site reporting on the venue. David has drawn number ten in the line up and waits on the side lines as other players put forth their best efforts. Two of the local players have hit just over four hundred yards while Matt Kohler has hit one drive of four hundred and ten yards. Finally David hears his name on the PA system.

ANNOUNCER

Next up is David Rollins. David recently won the Harrisburg Long Drive competition so we're expecting great things from him.

On the way over to his tee position Matt Kohler comments:

MATT KOHLER

Be careful on your back swing, I noticed you'r club head was just a little unstable.

DAVID ROLLINS

Really I was going to tell you you're left foot was way out of alignment.

This stops Matt cold as David tees up his ball and takes one loose practice swing. He then focuses and yells with commitment as he smashes the golf ball with maximum velocity. Without a bounce his ball touches ground at the four hundred and twenty yard mark. David's family, Maggie and the rest of the crowd go wild as the announcer makes it official.

ANNOUNCER

It's official! Four hundred and twenty yards puts David Rollins at the top of our leader board.

At the end of the tournament David is presented with an official check by an individual dressed in a rubber lobster suit. The music plays and cheer leaders perform as the crowd disperses. Maggie, David's children and David meet by their vehicles.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Nice going. One more victory and you'll find yourself on the pro tour. Next week get your practice sessions in and just stay loose on Friday. See you in Boston.

Maggie gets into her car as David, Faith and Michael wave.

INT. FRONT BENCH SEAT OF FAMILY TRUCK - CONTINUOUS

MICHAEL

Dad, this ice cream is great!

DAVID ROLLINS

What flavor did you get?

MICHAEL

My usual. Vanilla!

FAITH

And I got butter pecan. Mmmm. Mmmm!

DAVID ROLLINS

You guys have good taste.

EXT. FRIDAY ON INTERSTATE HEADING NORTH TO BOSTON - NIGHT

Michael, Faith and David are seated on the front bench seat of their aging truck driving north to Boston while the children enjoy their hamburgers and french fries.

MICHAEL

Dad you always find the good places. These hamburgers are great!

FAITH

Yeah baby! And these fries are out of this world. We should go on the road more often. We don't usually eat this well.

DAVID ROLLINS

As long as I keep winning the banquet will continue. Thank you God!

All is going well when a loud rumbling noise is heard coming from the rear passenger side of the truck. David is forced to slow down.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Sounds like a flat. Lucky thing we're near a rest stop.

David enters the rest stop and pulls over to the right. Upon exiting the truck, he sees that the passenger's side rear tire is flat. As he runs his hand over the face of the tire, he finds the head of a nail.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Just as I thought. I must have run over a roofing nail at my last job site. Lucky for us we have a spare. Guys if you could stand on the grass I'd appreciate it.

FAITH

Will do.

MICHAEL

Just call out if you need help.

David then puts a wedge shaped block under the passenger side front tire and drives it securely in place with a ball peen hammer. He then takes a lug wrench and removes the nuts from the bolts of the flat tire. When this is done he places a jack under the appropriate part of the truck and works it until the rear tire lifts above the ground. As he pulls the old tire off he cuts his hand on a piece of sharp metal inside the wheel well.

MICHAEL (CONT'D)

Damm! That hurt.

FAITH

Dad! Are you okay.

DAVID ROLLINS

No problem. I'll take care of it in a second.

David finishes putting on the spare and putting the tools, block and flat tire away. He then opens the rear tailgate under an overhead street light. David retrieves the first aid kit from the rear of the truck.

Taking advantage of the overhead light, he then examines the cut. It runs the length of his palm but is not too deep.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Michael get a bottle of water from
up front and open it up please.

Michael retrieves and opens a fresh bottle of water.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Thanks. Slowly pour it over my left
hand.

Michael complies

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Slowly..Slowly...That's it!

David moves his hands together under the water attempting to wash the cut. After this he takes a paper towel and dries his hands After this he applies beta-dine solution followed by a gauze pad. This he wraps tightly with white surgical tape and then pulls on the tape while speaking.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Faith please grab the scissors and
cut the tape against the roll.

Faith does this as David looks admiringly upon the result.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Guys next time I need to hire a
couple of emergency room doctors,
you'll be first ones on the list.

INT. FRONT BENCH SEAT OF FAMILY TRUCK - NIGHT

MICHAEL
Dad, do you think your cut will
hurt you during the driving
competition?

DAVID ROLLINS
No way. Besides, I'll be wearing a
golf glove over my left hand.

FAITH
I hope so.

DAVID ROLLINS
Don't worry, we'll say our prayers
before things begin.

FAITH

That sounds good.

MICHAEL

And how. Now I can go to sleep.

When David looks over he notes that both of his children are fast asleep. He uses his right hand to tuck their blanket in around them and then continues to drive.

EXT. BOSTON LONG DRIVE TOURNAMENT - DAY

The skyline of Boston can be seen in the distance as the competitors line up on the driving range of a local golf club. David's family and Maggie are seated in the middle of the viewing area. The range faces out in the direction of the ocean with range markers extending over five hundred yards. A large crowd forms behind the competitors with coverage provided by both local and national television stations. Local high school and university bands and cheerleading teams provide on field entertainment whenever there is a lull in the competition.

ANNOUNCER

Good morning ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls and fans from around the globe today we're gathered for the premier event of the US sanctioned amateur long drive tour. Today, we have some of the best ball strikers in the US as well as some of the best hitters from around the globe. The first prize winner for today will take home a check for one thousand dollars as well as a beautiful trophy and a place in the record books. Luck of the draw has placed Olaf Johansen of Norway as our first competitor. Olaf is the Norwegian champion and has several all European titles to his credit.

Olaf walks confidently to the tee off position where he sets his ball and takes a focused practice swing. The crowd grows silent as he unleashes a strike that carries his ball out to the four hundred and twenty yard mark. The crowd cheers loudly as the distance is announced.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

It's official. First attempt by Olaf Johansen indicates a carry of four hundred and twenty yards.

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ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

The bar has certainly been set for the remaining competitors.

One by one the participants in the competition line up and attempt to do their best as the announcer broadcasts various results.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Eddy Smith of England four hundred yards!....Mike Thompson from Ohio three hundred and ninety yards! Four hundred and ten yards by Ryan Kelly of California!. Coming up we have David Rollins of Pennsylvania. David is one of the major talents on the circuit so we'r expecting him to be in the running for this year's top prize. Every competitor gets three attempts to walk home with a check so let's see what David can do.

David walks confidently up to the tee and launches a ball over four hundred yards. It is not counted because it is just out of bounds.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Oh no just out of bounds. David has two more attempts to bring home top honors.

David makes a second attempt which though it carries a far distance is also out of bounds.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Out of bounds again. David is down to his third and final attempt.

David realizes that the dressing on his left hand is throwing him off. He quickly removes it, throwing it into a nearby waste bucket. He then settles down and screams as he launches a ball into the stratosphere. When it touches down two different range officials agree that the ball has carried four hundred and thirty yards.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Yes!!! We have a new leader. David's last attempt indicates a distance of four hundred and thirty yards. We have a new leader.

The crowd cheers wildly as David's children and Maggie give him an enthusiastic thumbs up. The final competitor then steps up to the tee off position.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
 Final competitor of the day is
 Tommy Burnside from Toledo Ohio.
 Tommy's on his third attempt to
 bring home a nice pay check.

Tommy screams as he strikes a ball that carries 390 yards.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
 Final attempt of the day by Tommy
 Burnside comes in at three hundred
 and ninety yards. It's official we
 have a winner. First prize goes to
 David Rollins! Second place Olaf
 Johansen of Norway and third place
 to Eddie Smith of England.

Pictures are taken with local officials as prizes are given out. When Maggie and the children join David Maggie notices that David's golf glove is turning red due to the fact that the previous night's cut has opened up.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 What's going on with your hand?

DAVID ROLLINS
 It's nothing, I cut it while
 changing a tire on the way in last
 night..

Maggie takes out a paper towel from her purse and examines David's hand prior to wrapping it.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 Before we do anything else, you're
 going to get stitches.

Faith notices the cut and calls over one of the EMTs who had been standing by. He quickly walks over first aid kit in hand.

EMT
 Let me take care of that for you.

DAVID ROLLINS
 Oh thanks.

After the EMT lays his first aid supplies down on a portable table he quickly cleans and wraps David's cut.

EMT

I think you need some stitches and a prescription for an antibiotic. There's a twenty four hour emergency care center on Charles Street. They'll fix you up in a jiffy.

The EMT writes down the address and gives it to David

DAVID ROLLINS

Thank you for your help.

Both shake hands.

EMT

My pleasure.

Maggie waits for the EMT to walk away as she takes David aside and addresses him.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You showed me something today David. Not only do you have the talent needed to succeed but you've also got the guts. From here on out you've played your last amateur event. From here on out you're in the pros.

Both of David's children clap hands and jump up and down when they hear what Maggie says.

EXT. HEATHROW AIRPORT ENGLAND - DAY

In early Spring, Maggie, David, Michael and Faith clear English customs and pick up their luggage. A quick cab ride takes them to the rental park. Maggie enters the office and soon emerges with paperwork and a set of keys. Maggie then takes the small family to their vehicle which turns out to be a camper van with a pop up roof.

MICHAEL

Wow! This looks neat!

FAITH

I call the pop up bed!

MICHAEL

I call it tomorrow night!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I thought this would be a good idea instead of wasting money on hotels and motels. For some of our events trying to find a room for the evening can be a nightmare. With the caravan that's one less worry.

DAVID ROLLINS

Great idea! You saw where we were living. It was a trailer without wheels. I've just got to get used to driving on the left side of the road.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Don't worry we'll remind you if you forget. We're not due at the Brighton Beach tournament for another two days. That gives us time to pick up fresh linens and some food. We can also see some sights along the way.

DAVID ROLLINS

Maggie you think of everything. It's like God was shining down on us the day we met you.

Faith and Michael look on Maggie with obvious agreement causing tears to form. She turns away as she takes out a tissue to wipe her eyes.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

That's the nicest thing anyone's said to me in the last twenty years. ...Any way let's get going. We'll never get to Brighton if we don't get on the road.

All load their luggage, including a bag containing David's Driving woods, into the rear door of the van. This accomplished, Maggie gets into the driver seat and drives onto the main road heading south.

EXT. SIDE OF SECONDARY ROAD - DAY

Maggie and David's family are seen stopping next to a fish and chips shop as they head south from London to Brighton.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
I hope you guys are hungry?

MICHAEL
And how!

DAVID ROLLINS
Let me get this.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Okay, but from now on our daily expenses will come from our winnings.

DAVID ROLLINS
That sounds fair.

David soon brings plates of fish and chips over to a wooden picnic table for everyone to eat.

FAITH
Where are the chips?

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Over here, they call french fries chips.

Faith takes a bite and comments after tasting.

FAITH
Whatever they call them, they taste great!

DAVID ROLLINS
Guys we forgot to say grace.

Everyone stops eating and bows their heads.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Lord we just want to say thank you for our food and we want to thank you for blessing us with a friend like Maggie. Since she came into our lives things have been looking up and we just want to let you know that we're grateful.

ALL
Amen!

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Since I met you guys I've been feeling the same way. Thank you God!

ALL

Amen!

After lunch the family heads south in the direction of Brighton. The rain starts as soon as they finish their lunch and quickly turns into a torrential down pour. Late in the afternoon the storm increases and traffic slows. Just as they are about to cross an ancient stone bridge local police set up a detour and prohibit further crossing. A small truck with a caravan in tow attempts to execute a U turn when suddenly a large tree and a rush of flood waters smash into the bridge causing it to fail. A large branch from the same tree catches the front of the caravan, easily snapping its tow hitch. The caravan is immediately pulled into the flood waters. All that keeps the caravan from being totally submerged, is the large boulder in the middle of the raging river. The woman who had been driving the vehicle which had been towing the caravan gets out and starts to scream.

ANNE FURY

Someone help! My Daughter is asleep
in the caravan. Please help!

While others only look at the unfolding drama, David removes his shoes and coat and jumps into the ranging river. An act of providence causes the turbulent waters to drag him directly towards the caravan where he forces the door open and grabs the young girl just as the camper is ripped away from its temporary perch. David holds on as firemen run down stream and extend a long pole across the water. David reaches up with his free hand and is forced below the surface of the water as he supports Mary above the deadly flow. Firemen take the young girl out of the water then reach with strong arms and pull him to shore just before he loses consciousness. Later David and Mary are seen in the back of an ambulance wrapped in blankets. Mary's mother embraces David and gives him a kiss.

MRS. FURY

You saved my little girl. We're
never going to forget you..

EXT. LOCAL HOSPITAL - DAY

Early the next morning, both David and Mary are released from the local hospital. As Mary and her mother as well as David, Maggie, Faith and Michael make their way out of the hospital, an extremely large male makes his way over to where they are standing. This individual is immediately embraced by Anne Fury/Mrs. Fury and Mary.

MRS. FURY

Dano this man saved our Mary when the caravan was dragged into the river. Everyone else was just looking but he jumped in the water and saved her. Almost got drowned for his efforts.

Dan Fury gives his hand to David then gives him a hug.

DAN FURY

People usually refer to us in a way that's not too kind, but amongst Travelers like ourselves we don't forget when someone saves the life of one of our family members. I didn't catch your name..

DAVID ROLLINS

David, David Rollins.

DAN FURY

Well David I'm sort of an official amongst our people. If you ever need help you just give me a call.

DAVID ROLLINS

I will thanks.

Dan pulls out a card that has his name printed on it with a picture of a caravan and a telephone number. Dan and his family then head for their car as Dan picks Mary up and Anne walks close beside him. Maggie, David, Faith and Michael walk back to their camper van where all present give David a hug prior to getting in. Maggie then drives as they head for the main motor way.

EXT. BRIGHTON DRIVING TOURNAMENT GROUNDS - DAY

In front of the driving range a large banner hangs with the words "Brighton Long Drive Competition" Clearly visible. Faith and Michael hold Maggie's hands as they walk David to the area where the competitors are waiting to be called.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Are you sure you're okay with competing today?

DAVID ROLLINS

I'm on top of the world The meds the doctor prescribed made me sleep like a rock. I can't wait to take a crack at the ball.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I can't ask for any more than that.

Maggie and the children give David a thumbs up as he heads for the area where the golfers are waiting. The event is packed with a large number of viewers plus a collection of reporters from local television and radio stations. Secondary school bands are present as well as a collection of pipers. David is an unknown quantity to most of the viewers and participants many of whom are well over six feet tall. Some of the taller players looks at David and motion with their hands indicating that he does not look like much of a threat due to his average stature. This early rude behavior does not upset him. Rather, it increases his focus as well as his commitment.

ANNOUNCER

Up next we have Dimitri Voltov of the Russia, one of the top drivers on the tour. Silence please.

Dimitri gets in position and takes a swing which drives his ball out to the four hundred and twenty yard range on the course. A loud round of applause is produced by the audience.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

It appears as though the gauntlet has been thrown. Voltov's drive comes in at a very impressive four hundred and twenty yard range. That's the high score of the day and the new mark to beat... Trying to best that mark is a big lad in his own right and a hometown favorite, Terry Jones. Every player gets three tries and stops when he or she produces a winning drive. Terry's had a winning season so far so let's all give Terry a nice warm welcome.

The crowd cheers as Terry walks up to the ball and after a practice swing, unleashes a mighty effort that drives his ball out to the four hundred yard mark.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Terry Jones comes in at four hundred yards placing him the number two slot. Second attempt coming up and...

Terry Takes a mighty swing that is far but not straight.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Oh no, it's a good strike but hooks
left and out of bounds...One More..

Terry puts forth a mighty effort as his ball once again lands
on the four hundred yard mark.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Another four hundred yard strike
and a fine effort by Terry Jones.

The competition continues with a number of efforts landing
just shy of four hundred yards. After a string of competitors
have tried and failed to take over the lead, David finally
readies himself as he tees up for a shot.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Coming up at the end of the day is
a competitor from the US named
David Rollins. Dave is a new comer
to the UK Circuit so let's give him
a warm welcome and a round of
applause.

The audience claps vigorously as David tees up his ball and
hits a drive that travels with extreme velocity and just the
right amount of lift.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four hundred and twenty five yards!
David Rollins has just moved into
first place! ..Now...It's official
David Rollins is our winner! David
has won the ten thousand pound
first prize.

David is joined on the podium by Faith and Michael. Maggie is
reluctant to share in the spot light but is video taped by
one of the local television stations before she can get out
of the way. After the awards Maggie and the children walk
with David as they return to their camper.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

How does it feel to be in the big
leagues?

DAVID ROLLINS

I can't believe it. I've never made
this kind of money before in my
life.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I knew what you were capable of when we I saw you hit in Pennsylvania. There's always gonna be someone bigger, faster or stronger but you've got something going for you that no one else seems to have.

DAVID ROLLINS

So what do we do now?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

A nice steak sounds like a good idea. And then straight to bed. You've got an appointment in the local gym. And, Faith and Michael have to get crackin on their school work.

MICHAEL

What about having fun?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Up at six and work till two. That gives us a lot of time to see the sights.

FAITH

Dad we don't usually eat steak. What should we order?

MICHAEL

Don't worry, Maggie will come up with a good suggestion.

INT. LONDON GAMBLING CLUB - NIGHT

In a back room Eddy Rivers, bookie/club owner/hoodlum is holding court. Two enormous henchmen are both standing on either side of a flamboyant entertainer and gambling addict who is behind in his payments.

EDDY RIVERS

Well Andre you can imagine how shocked I was when Peter and Roderick told me you were behind in your payments.

Peter and Roderick nod their heads in agreement.

EDDY RIVERS (CONT'D)
 Shocked and disappointed is how I
 would describe my feelings,

ANDRE
 I'm sorry. I'm sorry! I'll get it I
 just need an extra week.

EDDY RIVERS
 But time is something you just
 don't have. You know I keep anyone
 who owes me money on a short leash.
 Speaking of leashes, Peter tells me
 you've got a little poodle named
 FiFi who's just as cute as can be.

Peter hands his boss a picture of the dog. Fifi is sporting
 an elaborately decorated collar while Andre walks her at the
 end of a shiny white leash.

ANDRE
 No. No. Please don't hurt Fifi. I
 wouldn't be able to sleep at night
 if something happened to her!

EDDY RIVERS
 I understand. Believe me I Do. I
 tell you what..Peter remove that
 fancy watch of his as well as the
 pinky ring.

Peter removes the watch and ring and hands them to Eddy. Eddy
 places them in a wooden box positioned on his desk

ANDRE
 That was my mother's watch and that
 ring was given to me when I
 graduated from RADA!

EDDY RIVERS
 Now Andre.. Don't worry about
 things that can be replaced. Fifi
 on the other hand might not bring a
 sparkle to your eye if Peter or
 Roderick was to say turn her into a
 lump of pate.

ANDRE
 No no. I'll get you the money by
 the end of the week. I'll figure
 out a way. I promise. I promise!

EDDY RIVERS

Now that's the spirit. Off with you
and knock em dead when you're on
stage this evening.

Andre gets up and leaves Eddy's office as quickly as he can. Eddy then gets up from behind his desk and resumes his putting practice as he taps a ball into a stationary device that returns the dimpled object if it's accurately stroked.

EDDY RIVERS (CONT'D)

Roderick, while you're up and
about, see if you can get the long
drive competition from Brighton on
the tube. I know we missed most of
it but I'm curious to see who won?

RODERICK

Roderick moves quickly to the television and after flipping through the channels finds the one broadcasting the final minutes of the Brighton Championship. Scenes of David and his family on the podium are proceeded by a direct shot of Maggie shaking her head when asked to take part in the photo opportunity.

ANNOUNCER

Yes indeed a bit of a surprise
today as American golfer, David
Rollins hit the long ball of the
day which came in at a very
respectable four hundred and twenty
five yards.

Eddie Rivers suddenly stops in his tracks as he speaks.

EDDIE RIVERS

Peter, Roderick quick, look at the
screen and tell me that bird just
below the podium isn't Maggie
Lambert.

RODERICK

Sure looks like Maggie to me.

PETER

Definitely and no worse for wear at
that.

EDDIE RIVERS

Roderick, first thing in the
morning get me a copy of the tour
schedule.

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EDDIE RIVERS (CONT'D)

And talk to numbers if you have trouble doing an on line search.

PETER

Will do boss.

RODERICK

We'll have it for you first thing in the morning.

EDDIE RIVERS

And boys keep your commitments loose. I've got a feeling that we'll be hitting the road before you know it.

INT. LOCAL GYM - DAY

Early in the morning, Maggie drives their van to a local gymnasium where Maggie, David, Faith and Michael make their way inside. The facility is brightly lit and inviting. Maggie sees a middle aged man sitting at a desk behind a counter typing on a computer.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

So, I see that my old friend Jimmy Burke has entered the modern age.

The man looks over and smiles as he gets to his feet.

JIMMY BURKE

Maggie?

Maggie nods her head up and down as Jimmy comes over and gives her a warm hug.

JIMMY BURKE (CONT'D)

Maggie!, I thought you up and disappeared. No word in five years!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I was in the States for a while but now you could say that I'm back. I would appreciate it if you kept my return on the Q.T.

JIMMY BURKE

Mom's the word. Introduce me to your friends. I don't want anyone to feel left out.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

This is David Rollins.

David and Jimmy Burke shake hands.

DAVID ROLLINS

Pleased to meet you and this is my daughter Faith and my son Michael.

Jimmy shakes hands with Faith and Michael, pretending that Michael's grip has caused him to experience a lot of pain.

JIMMY BURKE

A regular Princess and a young Hercules. You must be proud of them.

DAVID ROLLINS

I sure am. Thanks.

Maggie borrows David's club and uses it as a prop as she speaks.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Jimmy, David just turned professional in the golf long drive tournament. Id like you to show him how to work on his "vertical" (Maggie jumps), "chop" (Maggie mimes a golf club on it's way to the ball.), "push" (Maggie mimes club head making contact and moving through the ball.) and rotation (Maggie completes the swing with the club ending up where it started). Over all emphasis on a balance of speed, strength and flexibility. And no comments on his swing. That's Right where it should be.

Jimmy takes a small notebook out of his back pocket and writes down Maggie's requests as she speaks.

JIMMY BURKE

I get your drift. Don't mess with what works and strengthen the basics. I had a couple of blokes from the tour in last week so I'm familiar.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Great and do you think that the children and myself could take a seat in the party room? They need to do a bit of school work. We'll be long gone by 1:00 PM.

JIMMY BURKE

Have a seat with my blessing. Also there are cold water and healthy snack machines in case the any of you guys get hungry or thirsty.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

How much are you Charging?

JIMMY BURKE

First time through, it's on the house. I'll earn my keep when you make a second visit.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Thanks Jimmy. We have tomorrow free so the second visit is a lock.

Maggie takes the children and a bag of books into the party room while Jimmy Burke hands David a white towel and a lock with a key.

JIMMY BURKE

You can put your stuff in one of the lockers. Just hold onto the key. Let's start off with an easy twenty minutes on the treadmill. After that, we'll do our stretches and then it's off to the races.

DAVID ROLLINS

Sounds great!

INT. GYM PARTY ROOM - ONGOING

In the meantime, Maggie sit's down with the children and begins their home schooling. Faith starts work on a series of math assignment while Maggie takes out a series of pre-printed pages with practice sentences. She sits down with Michael and asks him to read the printed sentence.

MICHAEL

I can't do this! Why do you make me do something I can't do?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Michael I think you can do this.
Faith knows how smart you are and
so do I. Besides, I'm going to do
it with you.

MICHAEL

Oh..okay.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Michael, put your finger on the
first word and tell me what it
says.

MICHAEL

It says O N...on.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Great job. I knew you could do it.
Now..put your finger on the second
word and tell me what it says.

MICHAEL.

This is hard. It's too big!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Don't worry, I'll do it with you.

MICHAEL

It says Frid ay.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Nice try and very close. Some words
have spelling that just doesn't
always make sense. You just have to
recognize them. First, what comes
after Thursday.

MICHAEL

Friday!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

That's the word, now let's practice
writing the word. Put your finger
on it and write one letter at a
time.

MICHAEL

Okay...

INT. GYM WORKOUT AREA - DAY

David, dressed in tee shirt, gym shorts and running shoes finishes up with the treadmill Jimmy Burke then has him stretch.

JIMMY BURKE

Remember, never stretch unless
you've first given your body a
chance to warm up.

Both walk over to a clear unobstructed space in front of a floor to ceiling mirror. Jimmy has a driver in his hand which he passes to David.

JIMMY BURKE (CONT'D)

Now, I want you to take a couple of
practice swings. Go easy at first
and face in the direction of the
weight room. Be sure and give
yourself plenty of room.

David starts at an easy pace and gradually increases his speed. After seven practice swings, Jimmy signals for David to stop.

JIMMY BURKE (CONT'D)

Just watching you swing, I can see
that your speed is world class.
What were you doing for a living
when Maggie saw you hit a golf
ball.

DAVID ROLLINS

I was working as a carpenter custom
cabinets, renovation, flooring, you
name it.

JIMMY BURKE

In other words, you spent a lot of
time swinging a hammer, picking
things up, pushing, pulling
twisting. That's part of why you
developed the strength and
flexibility you have now. Only
trouble is, now you're not working
full time as a carpenter. In order
to stay on top you're going to have
to work out and make the gym your
friend. I'll write it out for you.
Once you get going you won't think
twice about it. In fact if you
miss a day of training you won't
feel right. Now let's get going.

DAVID ROLLINS

Do any of the guys on tour drop by here to work out when they're in town?

JIMMY BURKE

Some, occasionally, but the top guys tend to stop in like clockwork.

David begins by jumping and then works with free weights, a medicine ball, weight machines and pulleys. After three focused hours, Jimmy points to the clock.

JIMMY BURKE (CONT'D)

Three good hours. That's enough. You can use the shower to clean up.

David proceeds to take a shower and then meets up with his children and Maggie. All head for the exit where Jimmy and David shake hands. Jimmy hands David his business card.

JIMMY BURKE (CONT'D)

You're gonna do just fine. Just think about what we went over and call if you have any questions.

Maggie stops and gives Jimmy a hug.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Thanks for all your help.

JIMMY BURKE

I live to serve. I think David's gonna do just fine. On top of having the right stuff he's got you as his manager and the support of his children.

Faith and Michael beam as they all head out the door.

DAVID ROLLINS

That was great! What do you say we get some lunch?

FAITH

We're starving!

MICHAEL

Dad Maggie was helping me with my reading. She's a good teacher.

FAITH

Yeah dad, she's real smart.

David nods his head in agreement and gives a thumbs up as they head for their camper van.

EXT. BRIGHTON PALACE PIER - DAY

Maggie, David, Faith and Michael make their way onto the Brighton Palace Pier. Michael and Faith are both enjoying a bar of Cadbury chocolate.

MICHAEL

Dad! The chocolate here is great!

FAITH

I'll say.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I've got to admit that was something I missed while I was away.

Maggie gives a piece of chocolate to David.

DAVID ROLLINS

Wow! I've got to watch myself around this. I could become addicted in a second.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Don't worry, we'll keep an eye on you.

Maggie and David's family then enter the pier area where the family enjoys playing in the arcade. Maggie and Faith excel in retrieving stuffed animals with a sensitive crane while David and Michael win a large number of tickets playing "Whack a Mole".

EXT. I-360 BRITISH AIR WAYS TOWER

Maggie, David, Michael and Faith enter the passenger compartment of the I-360 and are transported skyward with a number of other tourists, where they are given a birds eye view of the beautiful city of Brighton, the shore line and the Isle of White in the distance.

DAVID ROLLINS
The Isle Of White! That's where
Jimmy Hendrix gave one of his last
public concerts.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Now look who knows his geography.

DAVID ROLLINS
Not really. I'm just a music fan.

David's children beam with pride when their father reveals an
unknown side and draw close to him as they look up at Maggie.

EXT. FAMILY'S CAMPER VAN HEADS NORTH FROM BRIGHTON BEACH. -
DAY

After David makes an early visit to the gym and all stop for
breakfast the Camper van heads north while Maggie drives.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Next stop Nottingham.

FAITH
I remember reading how Robin Hood
fought against the Sheriff of
Nottingham. Can we visit Sherwood
Forest while where there?

DAVID ROLLINS
What do you think Maggie?

MAGGIE LAMBERT
On the morning after the tournament
we'll have time.

FAITH
I want to be Maid Marion!

MICHAEL
I want to be Robin Hood!

EXT. NOTTINGHAM DRIVING RANGE - DAY

The spectator seating area is packed in front of the
Nottingham driving range as bag pipers play a local
gymnastics club puts on a show.

ANNOUNCER
Ladies and gentlemen welcome to the
tenth annual long drive competition
from the Nottingham Range.
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ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

This year the competition has come down to the wire with Magnus Magnuson of Sweden teeing off against David Rollins of the United States. Both have come through Matched pairs competition and have earned the chance to fight it out for the first place prize money of twenty thousand pounds put up by the Sterling Building Society. As last year's returning champion Magnus can choose to go first or second.

Magnus holds up one finger indicating that he will go first. As he tees up his ball he looks dismissively at David and after one practice swing he unleashes a mighty effort that makes full contact with the ball. The ball soars through the air and stops on the four hundred and thirty yard mark.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Magnus Magnuson Drives the ball four hundred and thirty yards! David Rollins certainly has his work cut out for himself today.

The crowd claps in appreciation as David tees up his ball and takes one practice swing. Magnus laughs out loud and receives a cautionary glance from the judge. David then concentrates as yells and unleashes his finest effort for the day. The ball rockets down range with a mighty crack and stops at the four hundred and forty yard mark.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

That ball looks like it's headed for the stratosphere. Going. Going. Going. Gone!

Both range indicators indicate four hundred and forty yards.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four hundred and forty yards. It's official, David Rollins of the United States has just won The "Nottingham Long Drive Competition"!

David smiles as he ignores Magnus and responds to the cheers of the crowd by raising both hands in the air in celebration. His children join him on the podium while Maggie once again shows a reluctance to receive any public attention.

As she turns to hide behind the crowd, Eddy Rivers steps forward and blocks her path.

EDDY RIVERS

My, my, look who's here, Maggie Lambert. I recon you found that winning horse of your's while you were in the States. That family looks squeaky clean. Don't suppose they'd appreciate it if they found out about your drinking not to mention your one year suspension for socializing with known criminals.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I haven't had a drink in ten long years and that accusation was a set up between you and your friends in the news papers.

EDDY RIVERS

You know, this bit of trouble could all be avoided if I had some control over David's win/loss record.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Drop dead!

EDDY RIVERS

If this place wasn't so public, I'd break your leg for that. I'll be in touch. You think long and hard about what I told you. Three days till the Preston tournament. Call me by this time tomorrow or I'll as they say start to tighten the screws a bit.

Cedric and Peter crowd in on either side of Maggie as an English Bobby notices the look of discomfort on Maggie's face and comes to her assistance.

BOBBY

Is everything alright ma'am?

EDDY RIVERS

We thought the lady looked a bit tipsy we were just trying to render assistance.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I'm fine. This is all a big misunderstanding.

BOBBY

I think it'd be best if you gentlemen went for a walk.

EDDY RIVERS

Yes officer. We wouldn't dream of interfering with an officer of the law.

RODERICK

No way.

Peter tips his hat as the three hoodlums walk away.

BOBBY

You haven't been drinking have you ma'am?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

No I haven't.

The officer nods his head and walks on. Maggie struggles to get control of herself as she rejoins David, Faith and Michael at the base of the stage where the awards ceremony has just concluded.

DAVID ROLLINS

I can't believe we won again. This money is starting to get serious.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Winner winner, chicken dinner. Speaking of dinner, what do you say we find some good curry?

FAITH

What's that?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

It's a dish that's very popular in this country. All different types. Some spicy and some not so spicy. What do you say?

MICHAEL

Sounds interesting.

FAITH

I don't want all this fancy stuff. I want a hamburger!

David gets on his knee and addresses Faith directly.

DAVID ROLLINS

I tell you what Faith. If you don't like it, tomorrow night you get to pick where we eat. I promise.

FAITH

Okay.

Faith gives her father a big hug and all seem satisfied. Both then run ahead to pat a small dog as Maggie comments.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I don't think I've ever met anyone like you.

DAVID ROLLINS

I'm not so special. I just like being a dad.

Maggie gives David's hand a squeeze while the children are distracted petting the little dog. David returns the squeeze as both of their hearts skip a beat.

EXT. NOTTINGHAM CARAVAN PARK - DAY

At four in the morning, David wakes up and quietly exits their caravan as Maggie waves. David checks that his running shoes are properly tied and then picks up his small back pack that contains a change of clothes. Once the pack is secured he jogs to the gym.

EXT. GYM - DAY

Several hours later, Maggie drives their caravan up to the gym where she and the children exit.

INT. GYM WORKOUT AREA

Maggie and the children wave as they head to the party room for an hour of study time. After David finishes his shower he heads to Maggie and the children who are hard at work. David is about to enter their study room but Maggie stops him as she points to her watch and mouths the following:

MAGGIE LAMBERT

"Fifteen".

David gives a thumbs up and waits until fifteen minutes have passed. When Maggie sees him standing outside she gives him a hand signal to enter.

DAVID ROLLINS

So how are you guys doing?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I think that Faith is probably a lot smarter than I am and Michael is all business.

MICHAEL

Dad, I can almost spell Friday.

DAVID ROLLINS

That one always gave me a problem. I used to use wooden blocks when I was stuck on a word. It seemed to help when I could put my hands on a solid object.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Excellent idea. Michael do you want to give it a shot?

MICHAEL

Okay.

Michael puts the "F" and "R" down on the table and then pauses.

MICHAEL (CONT'D)

This is the hard part.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Michael close your eyes and tell me what you see when you trace the next letter with your finger.

Maggie pushes the first block within reach as Michael traces the letter several times then makes a decision.

MICHAEL

It feels like an "I".

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You got it!

Michael then correctly identifies the remaining letters after tracing them with his finger

MICHAEL

"D"

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Next?

MICHAEL
"A"

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Next

Michael take a bit of time with the next letter as Maggie questions him.

MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)
What letter looks like a man
standing up as he raises both arms
over his head?

MICHAEL
"Y"

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Now open your eyes and tell me what
word you see?

MICHAEL
Friday!

David gives Michael a hug as all look pleased. David notices that Faith is upset by the fact that Michael is getting an excess amount of attention.

DAVID ROLLINS
Faith I keep getting good reports
on you too. Yesterday I told you it
was your choice for dinner. You
also get to pick where we go for
breakfast.

FAITH
I don't have to choose dinner. I
like that Curry stuff, especially
the lamb. I'd rather choose where
we go now. Do you think we can have
an English breakfast?

MICHAEL
Yes!

DAVID ROLLINS
Sounds good to me.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
I know just the place. Right on the
way to Sherwood Forest.

MICHAEL

I can't wait. I want to have a sword fight with Friar Tuck.

FAITH

And I want to shoot a bow and arrow!

DAVID ROLLINS

What are we waiting for?

The family heads for the main door as David stops to settle his bill. The woman who is a co-owner of the gym smiles at the sight of the happy people standing in front of her as David pays the amount indicated on the receipt.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

A great facility. Thanks for letting us drop by.

GYM MANAGER

Your welcome. Come back any time!

EXT. SHERWOOD FOREST - DAY

We are presented with a series of scenes of Sherwood Forest. Medieval re-enactors add to the flavor of the location as we see Faith winning an archery competition for children twelve and under. Her final arrow hits the center of the target. Michael, David and Maggie all take part in a photo opportunity as Faith is awarded a medal suspended from a neck ribbon. Michael gets to engage in a wooden sword fight with a man dressed as Friar tuck. Finally Friar Tuck can take no more.

FRIAR TUCK

I yield! I yield! A veritable tiger
I tell you. A tiger!

Michael is also awarded a medal suspended by a neck ribbon. On the way out of the park, David purchases two green archer caps made out of felt that Michael and Faith proudly wear.

EXT. THE CAMPER VAN HEADS NORTHWEST TO PRESTON - DAY

DAVID ROLLINS

So how long till we reach Preston?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Roughly an hour and a half. This tournament is going to be different. You'll be driving into the ocean so you won't get the benefit of a roll.

DAVID ROLLINS

To win all I have to do is hit the ball farther than the other guys.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Just stay loose and enjoy yourself. With the way you've been training we should see you in the winner's circle.

Faith and Michael sitting in the back seats of the van still wearing their archers' hats from Sherwood Forest. Faith is reading a comic book to Michael as both are on an adventure of their own.

EXT. OUTSKIRTS OF PRESTON - DAY

By afternoon the family drives into Preston as Maggie points out the local sights. She stops for a moment in front of the Royal Preston Hospital.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I spent a year of my life training to be a nurse in that hospital before I realized I wanted to go into teaching.

DAVID ROLLINS

Well all of us are happy that you decide to teach. I hope your parents didn't give you a hard time.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I never knew who my parents were. I was raised in an orphanage. The nuns were strict but they sort of had to be. When they tried to place me with different foster families I always ran away. Those Carmelite Sisters became my family.

DAVID ROLLINS

With such a rough start you sure turned out okay.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 Sort of...Any way we still have
 time to stop for breakfast and do a
 bit of shopping.

INT. PRESTON MARKET - DAY

The family is seen making small purchases from a butcher shop
 and a cheese stand.

MICHAEL
 I really like those blood puddings!

FAITH
 And I like the breakfast sausages!

DAVID ROLLINS
 What about some cheese?

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 I would suggest some cheddar.
 England's known for it.

DAVID ROLLINS
 Sounds good.

MICHAEL
 Dad do you think we can get some
 more chocolate? I like the one with
 the hazelnuts.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 A little piece now and then some
 tomorrow.

DAVID ROLLINS
 I'll just have one little piece!

MAGGIE LAMBERT
 Just make sure you hit the gym in
 the morning.

DAVID ROLLINS
 I plan on it!

EXT. PARKING AREA IN THE REAR OF PRESTON MARKET - DAY

It is now late afternoon as the family loads their purchases
 into the van. Once in the van Maggie turns to the children.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Well guys what do feel like having
for dinner?

MICHAEL

I'd like a hamburger with some of
those chips.

FAITH

Me too!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

That's just what I was thinking.

DAVID ROLLINS

Actually, I was dreaming about a
burger with blue cheese and bacon.

MICHAEL

Yeah dad that sounds great!

DAVID ROLLINS

Well Maggie, lead the way!

EXT. CARAVAN PARK ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF PRESTON - DAY

Early next morning, David emerges from the van clad in gym
attire while carrying a change of clothing in a back pack.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Just 2 hours this morning but
focused. You need to be nice and
loose for tomorrow's competition.

DAVID ROLLINS

Will do. I'll be back in a jiffy.

David takes off at a brisk jog.

EXT. THE FAMILY CAMPER VAN - DAY

Two and one half hours later David returns and begins to
prepare breakfast. After setting plates and utensils on the
picnic table next to the van, he takes out a square Coleman
portable stove and cooks the food purchased the day before at
the Preston Market. When all is ready David calls out.

DAVID ROLLINS

Wakie! Wakie!

Everyone comes out all dressed and ready.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)
Wow! You guys are quick!

MICHAEL
We wanted to come out as soon as we
smelt the food on the stove but
Maggie made us wait so that we
didn't get in your way.

FAITH
It was hard but we did it!

Everyone is impressed with the way that David has set the
table.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
Flowers and everything. You should
be working at the Ritz!

The children are also beaming as David serves everyone and
pauses to say grace.

DAVID ROLLINS
Thank you God for our food. And
thank you for allowing Maggie to
share with us and show us things
we've never seen before. Also we
pray for anyone who doesn't have
enough to eat.

ALL
Amen!

FAITH
This tastes great!

MAGGIE LAMBERT
A carpenter and a chef. Everyone
thinks that they can cook breakfast
but only a few do it well.

MICHAEL
Dad's real smart he's just not a
big mouth.

MAGGIE LAMBERT
As far as I'm concerned you can
cook any time you want. I never had
anyone do something this nice for
me.

DAVID ROLLINS

My pleasure.

The family is enraptured with the quality of the food. Faith waits till she's finished eating before she speaks.

FAITH

Where are we going to go today?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I was thinking of visiting Blackpool, especially the Winter Gardens. Only thirty minutes from here. It's one of the largest indoor entertainment venues in Europe. Full of different exhibit halls and a number of places where you can have something to eat. They just underwent a major renovation. When I was younger my girl friends and used to stop in for an elegant "Afternoon Tea".

FAITH

What do you do at an afternoon tea?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Besides tea, they usually present you with a multi level tray with finger sandwiches and a selection of lovely pastries. It's known to be popular with sophisticated young ladies.

MICHAEL

Sounds good to me!

DAVID ROLLINS

I'll say!

FAITH

Do you think we can go?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

After this great big breakfast your father prepared for us I don't think we'll need to eat for a while. An "Afternoon Tea" sounds perfect!

EXT. DOWNTOWN BLACKPOOL IN FRONT OF THE WINTER GARDENS- DAY

Maggie, Faith, Michael and David are seen walking towards the entrance to the Winter Gardens. Faith and Michael are so excited, they are jumping up and down. Maggie and David also have an obvious skip in their step.

INT. WINTER GARDENS - CONTINUOUS

The adventure continues as they enter a large elaborately decorated main hall that connects to different exhibit areas, meeting areas and dining areas. One of the pavilions is holding an exhibit dealing with decorative craft items made by the vikings. The tiny group attends and then heads to other standing exhibits as well as paying visits to various concessions and specialty shops. When all are ready they enter one of the dining areas where an "afternoon tea" is being offered. Faith and Michael indulge in plates piled high with various pastries while Maggie and David limit themselves primarily to a few finger sandwiches. When the family finishes their visit they take a series of photographs with the winter garden Marquis in the background.

EXT. MAIN MOTOR ROUTE - DAY

By late afternoon the family gets on the main road to Preston. They never notice the large black automobile that pulls in behind them and follows them as they drive. When they are near the entrance to the caravan park, Maggie sees a well known pizza parlor. Both children are sleeping in the rear of the caravan.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

The pizza parlor up ahead is sort of famous around here. Mind if I pick something up? One plain and one fancy?

DAVID ROLLINS

Good idea. Let me give you the money.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I'll get it. You can pick up the tab for breakfast in the morning.

Maggie then turns off the main road and parks their van near the busy pizza parlor. The black limo pulls into the same parking lot as Peter and Roderick wait for Maggie to go inside.

When Maggie enters, Roderick exits from the black sedan and walks over to David's side of the van. He takes a large envelope and motions for David to open his window. Not wanting to be rude, David rolls his window down as Roderick hands him the envelope.

RODERICK

Good day Sport! You might want to take a look at this.

Roderick then walks quickly away and gets into the passenger side of the black car. Peter puts their vehicle into drive as they head off into the distance. When David opens the envelope he takes out a copy of an old newspaper story and seeing Maggie's name reads to himself.

DAVID ROLLINS

"Well Known Sports Agent Maggie Lambert Has License Removed For Association With Known Criminals"

Further reading reveals more details as David reads to himself once more.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

5 years earlier, Maggie Lambert was removed from her position as a special reading instructor after reports of public intoxication surfaced.

Maggie exits the pizza parlor as David quickly hides the envelope under his shirt. Later that evening after the family has enjoyed the pizza Maggie purchased, David cleans up the left over debris and wipes off the picnic table. Maggie returns from a nearby bath room where she and the children use the facilities and brush their teeth. Both Faith and Michael give their father a hug before entering the camper where they are soon fast asleep. Maggie comes outside when she sees that David continues to stand next to the picnic table, reading over the newspaper article left by Roderick. Maggie walks over to where David is standing. He hands the newspaper article to Maggie.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Maggie, a shady character with a bad comb over handed me this while you were ordering the pizzas.

Maggie reads the newspaper article and becomes visibly upset and nervous.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

The reports of my associating with criminal elements were false. That accusation was made by a Gangster named Eddy Rivers. I wouldn't allow one of the aging soccer players I had under contract to throw a game so that Eddy could make a lot of money betting on the other team. The point about being fired five years earlier due to alcohol abuse is true. When I was a young girl just a few years out of university, I met someone who told me he loved me. When I became pregnant, he left me for someone else. Shortly after that, I had a miscarriage. That's when I started to drink. It's been ten long years since I've had a drink but that cloud never seems to go away. I should have told you but I thought you'd never commit if you learned about my past.

DAVID ROLLINS

First of all the accusation by Eddy Rivers was false, and secondly you made a mistake when you were younger. I never told you what happened to my children's mother. When the children were only six and seven years old we were driving home from seeing a movie when we were side swiped by an eighteen wheeler. My wife was killed outright while we got away with a few bumps and bruises. I had one beer three hours before the accident took place. I was arrested a week later and charged with drunk driving. One of the workers in the county lab doctored the results of the blood alcohol test in order to help his brother in law, an unqualified contractor who consistently lost to me when I bid on a job. Two years later, the conviction was overturned when the lab worker's evidence handling was shown to be improper. That did little to restore my reputation. Not only that, legal expenses caused me to loose my house.

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DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

I've been screaming for mercy for years now. I'm not about to throw stones at a fellow traveler.

Maggie turns to David as both kiss and embrace.

EXT. PRESTON LONG DRIVE COMPETITION - DAY

A large crowd is assembled in front of a driving area that has been roped off. A podium plus announcer's booth for the local radio station is set up to the right of the designated tee off area for the competitors. Numerous television stations are present as well as a local brass band that entertains whenever appropriate.

ANNOUNCER

Welcome ladies and gentlemen to Preston's fifth annual drive to the sea long drive tournament hosted by Roxy sailing craft and Jones Golf apparel. This tournament is unlike any other on the tour because we have our golfers drive directly into the sea. Distance is determined by laser range finders and in the event of a tie we go into a sudden death play off. And for the environmentally conscious folks out there, have no fears golf balls float on salt water. All will be gathered up after the tournament and donated to our nationally supported soldiers' and sailors' home for the aged. First competitor of the day will be Jose Banderas of Spain followed by Clyde Stewart of Scotland.

The first golfer tees up his ball and after one practice swing drive the ball into a strong wind.

ANNOUNCER

It's official. Three hundred and seventy five yards directly into a strong head wind. Great effort by Jose Banderas!

The crowd claps wildly as the next golfer tees up his ball. The tournament continues through a score of other golfers as David readies himself for his attempt.

ANNOUNCER

The wind has proven to be quite a challenge today as our longest drive of the day so far comes in at three hundred and ninety yards. Up next is David Rollins from the US who is the current points leader on the UK long drive circuit. Let's see if David can deal with the head winds and go beyond the elusive 400 yard mark.

David tees up and tries to out wait the wind but has to make the attempt due to time restrictions. After one practice swing David swings makes solid contact and drives what looks like a winner when a 40 knot head wind catches his ball and drives it back.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

A powerful hit by David. Looks good but oh my a forty knot head wind is pushing it back and it goes into the water at three hundred and eighty five yards.

Tournament continues as the last golfer of the day, William Smith makes solid contact.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Nice final effort by William Smith a very respectable three hundred and seventy yards. The results are in. Our winner for the day at three hundred and ninety yards is Martin Walsh of Surry. Second place goes to David Rollins and third place goes to Jose Banderas. Great effort by all! Congratulations!

Instead of shying away from the spotlight, Maggie joins David, Faith and Michael on the main stage as pictures are taken and prize checks are handed out. As the family makes their way to their caravan David comments.

DAVID ROLLINS

I think I could have won but that wind slowed me down quite a bit.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You did fine. Don't even worry about it. Besides, it'll just increase your popularity with the fans if you don't win all of the time.

MICHAEL

Don't worry dad. We think you did great.

Maggie gives him a hug as they continue on towards their camper.

INT. EDDY RIVER'S GAMBLING CLUB - LONDON

Television is on as Eddy listens to the results of the "Preston Drive to The Sea tournament.

EDDIE RIVERS

So Roderick, it appears that you were able to shake golden boy's confidence when you passed on that bit of information on our friend Maggie.

RODERICK

It was either that or the wind that took some of the luster from the big hitter.

EDDY RIVERS

Excellent point. Variables can enter in when you least expect them. As far as I'm concerned, we're not in the business of variables. Listen up lads, I've got an idea on how we can eliminate those troublesome variables once and for all.

Roderick and Peter draw closer as Eddy explains his plan.

EXT. MAIN ROAD FROM PRESTON TO EDINBURGH - DAY

Early in the morning Maggie drives David, Faith and Michael northeast of Preston.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

We're not due in Cambridge for the next tournament for another six days. We might as well do a bit of sight seeing until then.

MICHAEL

That sounds like a good idea.

FAITH

Oh yeah.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I was thinking of Edinburgh. It's about three and a half hours north east of here.

DAVID ROLLINS

Sounds good to me.

EXT. EDINBURGH CASTLE - DAY

By mid day, Maggie, David, Faith And Michael are seen leaving Edinburgh Castle and walking down a road referred to as "The Royal Mile" to the part of the city known as "Old Town". Maggie and Faith enter a store selling traditional Scottish garb When both reemerge, Faith is clad in a dark green kilt with matching green tweed jacket white blouse, knee length stockings and dress shoes. The outfit is complimented with a knit tam o'shanter cap of matching tartan pattern complete with pom pom.

MICHAEL

Wow!

DAVID ROLLINS

Faith you look great! Maggie how much do I owe you?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

My idea. My treat.

MICHAEL

Wow!

Faith dances around and performs a quick jig to the delight of all present.

PASSERBY

Now that's a bonnie lassie.

Faith is beaming as David looks at Maggie still shocked at her act of selfless generosity.

EXT. ROYAL MILE - DAY

Family is seen exiting a local restaurant.

FAITH

Dad that lamb was great!

MICHAEL

I liked the "Clapshot"!

MAGGIE LAMBERT

It's hard to go wrong when you
combine parsnips and potatoes.

All continue walking as they view the sights of the "Old
Town".

EXT. MAIN MOTOR WAY - DAY

Early the next day, Maggie, David, Faith and Michael are seen
heading south west in their camper van.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Next stop the English Lake
District.

MICHAEL

Are we going to spend our time in a
boat?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

We can take a boat ride but there's
a lot to do and see. The area's
beautiful and just perfect for
hiking and enjoying nature.

MICHAEL

Can we see bears and lions?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

At a zoo we can, but I'm sure we
can see some red deer and lots of
beautiful birds.

EXT. ENGLISH LAKE DISTRICT - DAY

One beautiful scenic image after another unfolds as Maggie,
David, Faith and Michael are seen hiking on one of the local
hills and taking a steam boat ride on one of the lakes. Faith
insists that she wears her kilt with matching jacket and hat
while Michael sports his archer's cap. Maggie ensures that
Faith and Michael devote pre afternoon time to school work
while David rises early to exercise and hit a golf ball
whenever the opportunity presents itself.

EXT. CAMBRIDGE - DAY.

After several days in "The Lake District", The Family arrives
in Cambridge. A roadside plaque proudly announces the name of
the town. Directions are also given to the university and
other points of interest.

INT. LOCAL AUDITORIUM - DAY

On Saturday morning, Maggie, David, Michael and Faith pause at the entry way to a large auditorium where a simulated driving range is located on the main stage. On a space that faces the simulated driving range a single teeing position is set up. Golfers and audience members face a clear video projection of a long fairway with a flag and putting green at the end. The area in front of and to the sides of the golfer is hung with heavy nets and dark padded material in order to control the flight of the golf ball. Golfers are directed to a waiting area in back of the stage while audience members are seated in designated seating areas throughout the auditorium. A local television station has cameras positioned to showcase the event while a radio station broadcasts from inside of a plexiglass glass see through sound proof booth. A large banner with the words "Cambridge Long Drive Tournament" hangs well above the stage. David with golf clubs in hand examines the simulator while Maggie, Faith and Michael pause for a brief moment in order to look at the simulator and everything else.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

You won't have a head wind working
against you today. Just enjoy
yourself and I guarantee you'll
bring home the bacon!

Faith and Michael give their father a hug and thumbs up. Before turning to join the other contestants David turns and comments.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thanks guys. I'll do my best.

The auditorium rapidly fills up as music plays and cheer leaders entertain before the competition starts. When the audience is seated and the simulator is up and running the announcer takes the stage.

ANNOUNCER

Yes ladies and gentlemen welcome to
one of the major venues on the
United Kingdom Professional Long
Drive Tour. Our thanks go out to
the technical whiz kids at Simulon
Golf Simulators as well as the
physics and engineering departments
of Cambridge University whose
graduates played a key role in the
development of the technology that
we're witnessing today.

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ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

The rules are simple enough: "The longest ball wins!" First up for the day, we have Martin Walsh, winner of last week's "Preston Long Drive Tournament".

The audience claps as Martin walks over to the driver's position. As the auditorium grows silent, Martin tees up his ball and takes one practice swing. Martin then takes a mighty swing and makes solid contact with the ball. The simulator shows a golf ball streaking on a straight course highlighted in orange as it flies in the direction of a distant pin. When the ball stops a distance of 400 yards is indicated in red lettering on either side of the stage. Loud applause and cheers are heard from the crowd.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four Hundred yards! Brilliant effort and a great start to the tournament by Walsh.

Other golfers attempt to outdrive Walsh without success.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Half way through the tournament and no one has yet to best Walsh's drive. Next up is a big lad from Canada, James Worthy. Let's see if he's worthy of first place...

James Worthy from Canada, who stands six and one half feet tall, then approaches the golfer's striking location and tees up his ball. After one practice swing, he unwinds and makes audible sure contact with the ball. An orange trail follows the ball as it loops to the right and then fades to the left. The ball finally touches down after covering four hundred and twenty five yards

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Worthy indeed! That's the best effort of the day. Two golfers remaining and two chances remaining. Next up James Smith of Coventry.

James is met by polite cheers as he tees up his ball and after one practice swing, makes sure contact. The ball streaks slightly to the left and then lands at the 395 yard mark.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

It's official, three hundred and ninety five yards. Great effort by James.

The crowd cheers and claps enthusiastically.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

And now we come to our final competitor of the day, David Rollins from the US. David has two victories on the UK tour and is definitely capable. Let's see how he does today.

The crowd cheers as David waves in appreciation. David then tees up his ball and lines himself up. He forgoes a practice swing and unleashes a mighty effort as he sends the golf ball straight and true. It stays suspended until the orange line that follows it finally stops. The red digital score boards indicates a distance of four hundred and thirty yards. The crowd goes wild and applauds vigorously.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four hundred and thirty yards!
David Rollins of the United States is the undisputed winner of the Cambridge Long Drive Tournament. David will take home a first place prize of thirty thousand pounds! Second and third place finishers, James Worthy and Martin Walsh, will also go home with substantial cash prizes.

Maggie, Faith and Michael hug David and gather around him as he is awarded a larger than life check. Local band plays during any pauses.

EXT. RIVER CAM - DAY

Later morning on the following Monday. Maggie, David, Faith and Michael are seen exiting their caravan as they head for a punt (a boat propelled by a pole) rental station. Michael is still wearing his archer's cap, purchased at Sherwood Forest while Faith is still sporting her Kilt with matching jacket and hat. Faith and Michael are bouncing with excitement as they walk slightly ahead, while Maggie and David and Maggie walk together.

DAVID ROLLINS

I can't believe that all of this is happening to us. Before we met you, we were living in a trailer park and surviving on tuna fish and oatmeal.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

For me, this is the closest I've ever come to having a family. I grew up thinking that God forgot about people like me.. Ah well we're one week away from the "Drive Across The Thames" championship. Today we have fun. After that, it's back to business!

From the Roadway we see Peter following the family's movement with a pair of binoculars as he looks out his car's rolled down window. Roderick, wearing dark sunglasses and a baseball cap is sitting in the rear of a small motor boat stopped within arm's length of the punt boats. An attendant sees the boat and walks to the end of a small dock.

ATTENDANT

You need any help sir?

RODERICK

Just a loose wire leading to the starter. I'll have it fixed in a jiffy.

ATTENDANT

Very good sir.

As Maggie and David head for the punt boats, David stops suddenly.

DAVID ROLLINS

Darn. I left the ride tickets on my seat in the camper. I'll be right back.

Maggie and the children get in the punt as the children both share a seat in the rear of the boat.

ATTENDANT

Tickets please.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

David left them on the seat of the camper. He'll be back in thirty seconds.

ATTENDANT

No problem.

Peter rings Roderick's cell phone and starts talking.

RODERICK

Yeah?

PETER

The father's back at their camper
retrieving something. Now! Do it
now!

Roderick starts his motor boat and heads to where Maggie Faith and Michael are waiting. He then does a fast turn causing a jet of water to drench Michael Faith and Maggie. Faith falls into the water and Roderick pulls her out while Maggie keeps Michael from jumping in after the fast escaping boat. As soon as Faith is in Roderick's boat, Roderick uncover's a sheet of canvas revealing a young male who is obviously an accomplice. The accomplice forces Faith's hands behind her back and zip ties them. He then forces her to sit while holding her against him. In the meantime, Roderick directs his boat at high speed away from the punt boat rental stand. David catches the tail end of what has taken place and seeing that Maggie has rescued Michael, he takes off running at high speed as the boat heads up river. Faith sees him racing along the shore line and screams.

FAITH

Daddy!

For a while it looks as though David might have a chance of catching them but then but his progress is stopped as the walkway next to the river is blocked by a bridge support. David runs up the dirt embankment and onto the main road only to see Roderick's accomplice forces Faith into Peter's car. Peter then speeds away. David then opens his cell phone and dials 999, the emergency number used in the UK.

DAVID ROLLINS

Police! Police! Someone's taken my
daughter Faith! They're heading
north on the river Cam in a four
door black sedan.

OPERATOR

Do you have a description of any of
the perpetrators?

DAVID ROLLINS

No my little girl's five feet four
inches tall. Less than one hundred
pounds. She has brown hair and is
wearing a green kilt with matching
hat and jacket. Please hurry.
They're getting a way...

OPERATOR

Once again do you have a
description of the perpetrators?

DAVID ROLLINS

I said no before! Black four door
sedan heading north! Dispatch the
police! Dispatch the police!

OPERATOR

Mind your manners Sir! We're
supposed to ask for a description!

DAVID ROLLINS

Aaah!

David shakes his head in frustration.

INT. LOCAL POLICE STATION - DAY

Maggie, David and Michael are seated in front of a police
inspector who seems more interested in his tea and biscuits
than he does in the desperate people seated in front of him.

INSPECTOR JONES

Well Miss Lambert and Mr. Rollins I
can assure you we'll make this a
top priority. Miss Lambert, I see
from your file that your agent's
license underwent a five year
suspension for associating with
known criminals. You wouldn't
happen to be up to your old ways
again would you?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

My suspension ended one year ago
and was based on a false
accusation. But what the Hell does
that have to do with looking for
Faith?!

DAVID ROLLINS

I don't hear any announcements in
the paper or on the radio or
television. How can you say you're
doing something when all I hear is
silence?

INSPECTOR JONES

These things take time. You'll
just have to have patience.

DAVID ROLLINS

I'm going to contact the US Embassy
and file a complaint against you.
This is wrong.

A young police officer hears the exchange and follows Maggie, David and Michael as they head out of the police station. He stops them as they make their way down the front stairs.

OFFICER BRENNER

One moment please. I want to
apologize for what went on back
there. I'll make a call to my
cousin who works on the "MORNING
SUN" newspaper. If you have any
money I'd hire a private detective.
Also if you have any friends in the
area contact them. The more people
who are involved, the better.

Officer Brenner takes a contact card from his wallet and hands it to them.

OFFICER BRENNER (CONT'D)

This is my contact information.
Call me if you have any questions.
I'll do what I can.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thank you for your help.

INT. POLICE STATION, INSPECTOR JONE'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Officer Thomas, enters with a cup of tea and more biscuits for the inspector.

INSPECTOR JONES

Officer Thomas, I don't have my
glasses on at the moment. Who's is
that talking with the civilians in
on the front steps?

OFFICER THOMAS

Oh that would be Officer Brenner
sir.

INSPECTOR JONES

Type up a letter to personnel with my signature block on the bottom requesting that Officer Brenner be assigned to midnight foot patrol in the warehouse district. Off the record I'm rather tired of having him stick his nose where it doesn't belong.

OFFICER THOMAS

Very good sir. Coming right up.

EXT. POLICE STATION PARKING LOT - DAY

Maggie, David and Michael are about to enter their camper van when Michael starts to cry.

MICHAEL

Daddy I don't want anything to happen to Faith! I want my sister back. Dad, you always figure things out! Do something!

DAVID ROLLINS

You're right Michael. Let's pray.

Michael, Faith and David join hands with their heads bowed.

ALL

Amen!

When they get back in the camper, Maggie turns to David and asks:

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Do you still have the name of that traveller leader who said to give him a call?

DAVID ROLLINS

I do. Maggie you're here for a reason.

David takes out Dan Fury's card and Dials.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Dan...This is David Rollins and we need help.

EXT. CAMBRIDGE CARAVAN PARK - DAY

Two hours later Dan Fury along with two other men dressed in suits pull up in front of the family's camper and take seats on the picnic bench. Maggie serves each of the men a cup of tea as well as a selection of biscuits. Maggie sits next to David and opposite Dan and his men.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thank you for coming. Except for one police officer, the authorities haven't been very helpful.

DAN FURY

Now you know my people feel twenty four/seven. No matter, we're hear to help.

Both of the man put their hands on David's shoulders as a sign of solidarity.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

We don't have much of a description of the men who took Faith but we found this note pinned on a light pole next to our caravan's parking spot when we got back.

Maggie reads the note that has been placed in a sealed plastic bag.

MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)

If you want to see your little girl again learn how to follow orders. Don't contact the authorities or Faith will disappear.

DAVID ROLLINS

We picked the note up with a tweezers in order to preserve finger prints and DNA evidence.

DAN FURY

Good thinking. Do you know who might have sent you this note?

MAGGIE LAMBERT

A man named Eddy Rivers, a booking agent and a gangster, caused a lot of trouble for me years ago. He must have seen us on television. David is one of the longest drivers on the pro tour.

Dan and his men look on impressed.

DAVID ROLLINS

That stuff doesn't mean anything.
I'd rather be poor and unknown than
lose my little girl.

DAN FURY

I feel the same way. Family comes
first.

Dan's men nod their heads in agreement.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

Any way, this man Eddy Rivers
showed up after David won the
competition at Nottingham and told
me to fix David's win/loss record.
I told him to drop dead and he
verbally threatened me. We're only
a day and a half away from the
"Drive Across The Thames
Tournament. It's the biggest of the
season and he's probably trying to
hedge his bets. He knows we'll do
anything to keep her safe.

DAN FURY

I've heard of this guy before. All
of these bullies are cowards at
heart. I'll have some friends keep
tabs on him so we know where he is.
As for my associates and myself
we're heading to London in order to
talk about the facts of life with
this gangster.

Dan takes out a mobile phone and hands it to David.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

If I need to call you I'll contact
you on this phone. Don't call me
unless it's an emergency. Also, in
case the authorities contact you,
you never saw me or heard from me.

DAVID ROLLINS

We understand. Thank you.

DAN FURY

Like I said before, I owe you.
While I'm above ground that's not
going to stop.

Dan turns to his men and motions with his head in the direction of his car.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

We'd better get a move on. I'll keep in touch.

David shakes hands with Dan and both of his men. As they drive off, Maggie turns to David crying.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

I'm sorry I didn't tell you about Eddy Rivers approaching me at Nottingham. I didn't want to upset you.

DAVID ROLLINS

You did what you thought was right. If I was in your place I probably would have done the same thing. Let's call the police so that they can examine the extortion note. At the same time, let's get on the phone to the local papers and television stations so we can get Faith's picture out there for the public to see. We can also contact local family organizations so that we can get flyers hung. I know the good people of England won't let us down!

EXT. EDDIE RIVER'S GAMBLING CLUB - NIGHT

Dan Fury and his men, Patrick and Doyne, drive up to a parking lot across from "Eddy River's Gambling Club". Dan notices a familiar face as he sees a man sitting in a car parked nearby. Dan gets out of the back seat of his car and walks over. The man in the front seat recognizes Dan and rolls down his window. Dan and the man in the automobile shake hands.

DAN FURY

Good seeing you Jack. Thanks for answering the call.

JACK

Any time Dano. Any time.

Jack then hands several pieces of black and white images of Eddy Rivers and his associates Peter and Roderick.

JACK (CONT'D)
I downloaded these photos of the
guys you're interested in.

Dan takes the photocopies and nods his head in approval.

DAN FURY
You're on the ball as usual.

JACK
Also, he's in the club right now.
My mate on the inside says he's
acting jumpy so he might take off
at any time. That big Mercedes next
to the rear is his car so that's
where he should head.

Jack hands Dan a device with a small screen that looks like a
cell phone.

JACK (CONT'D)
We put a tracker under the driver
side rear wheel well. You'll be
able to follow him at a distance
without giving yourself away.

Suddenly, Jack's phone rings. Jack notice the caller ID and
answers immediately

JACK (CONT'D)
Righto.

Jack puts away the phone and speaks.

JACK (CONT'D)
They're on the way out!

DAN FURY
We'll take it from here Jack.
Thanks.

Jack gives him a thumbs up and drives off. Dan runs back to
his car and jumps in the back seat.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)
They're on the way out. Show time!
There's a tracker on his car so
keep way back when you follow.

DOYNE
Will do.

Eddy Rivers exits his club along with Peter and Roderick. As they approach the limousine, Roderick holds the rear door open for Eddy who takes a seat. Roderick then sits behind the wheel while Peter joins him in front. They then proceed to drive out of the parking lot.

EXT. MAIN MOTOR ROUTE HEADING NORTH FROM LONDON - NIGHT

An hour out of London, Dan notices on his tracker that Eddie River's vehicle has turned off of the main road.

DAN FURY

Heads up Patrick, They're turning off at the next exit.

PATRICK

Right Dan, my turn signal's up.

They continue to follow till Eddy's car turns onto a dirt road with dense vegetation on either side.

DAN FURY

Hold back and kill your lights.

PATRICK

Will do.

Their car proceeds slowly down the road till Dan taps Patrick on the shoulder.

DAN FURY

Pull the car over and park. They're three hundred yards up ahead. Give them some time to settle down and get comfortable.

After a thirty minute wait, Dan, Patrick and Doyme exit their vehicle and quietly close the car doors. They then proceed to the back of the car and take out three double barrel shot guns as well as three rubber masks. They put the masks on and walk quietly down the road where they see a small cottage with Eddy's car in front. Patrick and Doyme spread out as Dan walks toward the front porch. Just as Dan is about to climb onto the porch Eddy and Roderick exit laughing from the cottage front door. Dan ducks low and listens.

RODERICK

Boss, I hope all the trouble we've gone through is worth it.

EDDY

Are you kidding? Maggie and the girl's dad will do anything to get her back. When her father loses the tournament we'll clear at least a million quid by betting against him

RODERICK

We can retire on that kind of money.

EDDY

My thoughts exactly.

Both then reenter the cottage as Dan climbs onto the front porch and presses himself against the cottage just to the left of the front door. No sooner is Dan in position when Eddy comes outside once more and takes a seat in a nearby chair while he lights up a cigarette. Dan takes a silent step forward and places the barrels of his shotgun to the back of Eddy's head.

DAN FURY

If you make a sound I'll blow your head off.

Eddy nods his head in agreement and raises both of his hands above his head. In a moment, Patrick and Doyne join them on the front porch where they wait silently on either side of the cottage front door.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

Move slowly and stay quiet.

Dan gives a shove with his shotgun as Eddy rises and proceeds to enter the house. After putting one round into the ceiling, Dan yells.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

Everyone down on you faces!

Patrick and Doyne level their shotguns at Roderick and Peter who along with Eddy, immediately comply. While Doyne and Patrick cover them, Dan quickly places zip ties around their hands and ankles. Doyne and Patrick then quickly seat them in chairs taken from the kitchen and further secure them with ropes brought in for such a purpose. As Doyne pats them down he quickly finds a series of knives and pistols. Patrick places these items into a shopping bag. Doyne then exits with the confiscated weapons and quickly returns with a portable toilet complete with wheels and a pull handle. Once this is accomplished Dan turns to Eddy and his men and addresses them.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

Now it's time for the big reveal. We want the little girl by the name of Faith Rollins. If you value your health you'll tell us where she is and for your sake she had best not have so much as a hair on her head damaged.

EDDY RIVERS

We don't know what you're talking about.

DAN FURY

So on top of being stubborn, you're also a bunch of liars.

Dan turns to Patrick and Doyne.

DAN FURY (CONT'D)

Alright, Number 2, Number 3, remove their clothing including their socks and shoes. Leave them their skivies. Looking at their personal belongings is a sure way to make me sick to my stomach.

Patrick (Number 2) and Doyne (Number 3) immediately take out their switch blades and use them to cut away all of Eddie's, Peter's and Roderick's clothing items. Everything, including wallets, keys and cell phones are thrown into a plastic bag.

EDDY RIVERS

If any of us get out of this we'll hunt you down and make you pay.

DAN FURY

Spare me. Now then, in an age of terrorism I'm sure men of the world like yourselves are familiar with the practice of waterboarding. Affective but less than efficient when time is a concern. On the way over here we noticed a couple of holiday campers who were trying to tidy up their caravan's port-a-potty by illegally dumping a week's worth of their best efforts. We left them get off easy with a verbal warning and borrowed this little contraption. Luckily there's plenty of this toxic mix to go around. So gents, you're not going to be water boarded.

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DAN FURY (CONT'D)

You're going to be "black water"
boarded. If I were you I'd save
myself a whole lot of pain and
suffering by simply telling us
where Faith is.

Eddy Rivers, Peter and Roderick all respond in unison.

ALL

Mile down the road! Cottage on the
left!

DAN FURY

And where is she being held in this
cottage?

EDDY RIVERS

In the basement. Entrance is under
a carpet to the left of the
stairs... Woman by the name of
Zelda is keeping watch. Just tell
her Eddy sent you.

DAN FURY

Number 2, Number 3 keep watch on
these low lifes while I retrieve
the girl.

Dan then exits and hops into his car.

RODERICK

Can we watch the telly while we're
waiting?

NUMBER 2

No you can't watch the telly!

In a few minutes Dan returns with Faith who is more angry
than she is frightened. When she sees the men she immediately
grabs a meat tenderizer from the sink and attempts to attack
the kidnappers. Dan motions to Number 2 who holds her and
prevents the attack.

DAN FURY

Faith we understand your feelings
but we don't want to sink to their
level now do we.

FAITH

I guess not.

Faith relaxes and Number 2 releases her. In an instant Faith
takes her meat tenderizer and whacks each of the three
kidnappers on their toes.

EDDY, RODERICK, PETER
Help! Ahh! Ahh!

Number 2 then grabs Faith once more as Dan signals with his hand for all to leave. Doyme/number 3 picks up the bag containing the kidnapers' personal affects on the way out the door.

DAN FURY
We'll make sure to call the police so they can check in on you. And by the way, I have a voice recording from your girlfriend Zelda identifying all of you. She was sort of mad about being left alone and not receiving the drugs and money you promised her. Go figure.

Dan then exits the room .

EXT. OUTSIDE COTTAGE - NIGHT

In the back seat of their car Dan hands Faith a bottle of water. He and his men exchange their masks for dark sun glasses. After this, Dan presses a speed dial number on his cell phone and hands it to Faith.

DAN FURY
Your family needs to hear from you.

FAITH
Daddy!

INT. ROYAL CAMBRIDGE HOSPITAL - DAY

Early the next morning, Doctor Jane Keane, dressed in scrubs brings Faith out of the examination room to see Michael, Maggie and David who have spent the night in the waiting room. As soon as the pair steps out into the room, Michael, Maggie and David jump to their feet and run over to them.

DR. KEANE
A clean bill of health!

All give Faith a hug while the Doctor looks at David and motions to a desk in a corner room. The doctor takes a seat behind the desk as David sits opposite her.

DR. KEANE (CONT'D)

We've done a thorough examination and have not seen a single sign of trauma or abuse. Faith tells me that she's a little hungry and tired so what I recommend is food and rest. Your little girl is very lucky.

DAVID ROLLINS

Thank you doctor. Thank you for your help.

DR. KEANE

My pleasure, Faith is a sweet girl besides being smart as a whip. She kept saying that she didn't want to worry Daddy or Michael and that Maggie was nice to her. You have a great family.

DAVID ROLLINS

Believe me I'm grateful.

Dr. Keane hands David a business card.

DR. KEANE

Here's my card. Just give me a call if you need help or can think up any questions.

DAVID ROLLINS

I will.

EXT. ROYAL CAMBRIDGE HOSPITAL - DAY

The family gathers in front of their camper van. Faith is seen holding her father's hand while everyone gathers around her.

FAITH

Daddy you better get to London or you'll miss the big tournament.

DAVID ROLLINS

But Faith, the doctor said you needed rest.

FAITH

I can sleep in the camper. If you don't go I promise I won't sleep at all.

DAVID ROLLINS

Okay but after today we take a trip just for fun. We can go where you decide.

FAITH

Don't worry dad. When those men took me I just asked God to bring us all together. That's what matters most to me.

DAVID ROLLINS

Okay then.

The family seats themselves in the Caravan as Maggie drives toward London.

EXT. SANFORD HOTEL - DAY

By mid morning, the family pulls up in front of the Savoy Hotel in London. The front of the hotel has a large portion roped off where numerous television stations have parked their vehicles. Near the river Thames seating is provided for spectators and a large projection screen is set up showing the roof of the Sanford. Some high priced viewing space is also reserved on the hotel roof.

DAVID ROLLINS

I'll phone as soon as I know when it's my turn to take a crack. The contestants have reserved parking down by the river.

MAGGIE LAMBERT.

In the meantime we'll take it easy. We'll join you on the roof when you're up.

EXT. ROOF OF THE SANFORD - DAY

Television cameras are positioned on either side as well as behind all of the ball strikers while broadcasting is done from inside a plexiglass booth. The players have seating on the floor below where they are called to the striker and on deck positions on the roof of the hotel. All have their golf clubs in their hands as they sit or walk about. A flat screen monitor is provided at the front of the room so that the tournament above can be viewed. As soon as David takes a seat two of the largest competitors David has seen to date enter the room. Not only are they both over six and one half feet tall but they are also identical twins. They take seats near David as they speak with pronounced Australian accents.

JOCKO

Let's get this show on the road.

BILLY

I hear ya. I still haven't been able to reach that guy Eddy Rivers. After payin our way over here you'd at least think he'd drop by to say hello.

JOCKO

Go figure.

An intercom in the room then comes to life.

EVENT OFFICIAL

Jocko and Billy Porter. Jocko and Billy Porter come up stairs. You're first up.

Jocko and Billy rise as Jocko addresses the room.

JOCKO

Nice meetin you mates. We'll think about you while we're spending our prize money.

The room stays quiet except for David who comments.

DAVID ROLLINS

Don't count your chickens before they hatch.

Both exit the room as they take the elevator up stairs.

INT. ELEVATOR - ONGOING

JOCKO

You believe that chicken comment. I hope he's not a chicken farmer. They'r a rough bunch.

BILLY

The guy looked like a carpenter to me.

JOCKO

They're even worse.

EXT. ROOF OF THE SAVOY - ONGOING

Jocko and Billy exit the elevator where Billy waits as Jocko approaches the drivers' tee. A brass band plays as the on scene television announcer speaks.

ANNOUNCER

Welcome viewers from around the world to London England where from the top of the Sanford Hotel we're hosting the "Across The Thames World's Long Drive Championship". We have one hundred of the world's best ball strikers here today so don't be surprised if past records fall as new bars are set. First up Jocko Porter of Australia. Jocko and his brother Billy are both Australian champions so we're expecting great things today.

Jocko then tees up his ball and takes a practice swing. He then winds up and unleashes a mighty strike that heads high and straight over the Thames. When it lands, the laser range finder displays the score in red lights from several locations.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four hundred and fifty yards!
That's a tour record. What a start!

Music plays as the crowd on the roof and by the river bank clap and cheer loudly.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Next up, Jocko's twin brother Billy. Let's see if lightning can strike twice!

Billy tees up his ball and takes one warmup swing. He then fires a mid height looping shot that takes the ball across the river. When the ball stops a distance of four hundred and forty five yards is displayed.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Four hundred and forty five yards!
He's just tied the old record. What a start! Unbelievable!

After this one striker after another tees up as the announcer broadcasts the results.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
Manuel Garza of Spain, Four hundred
and thirty yards!

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
James Worthy of Canada, four
hundred and thirty five yards!

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
Trevor Jones of Coventry, four
hundred and forty one yards!

INT. COMPETITOR'S WAITING ROOM - DAY

David is the last person in the room. Just as he begins to worry about getting a chance to compete, the intercom comes to life.

EVENT OFFICIAL
Come on up Mr. Rollins. Mr. Rollins
make your way up to the roof.

David takes the elevator up to the roof. As he exits the elevator he is met with enthusiastic applause.

ANNOUNCER
Ladies and gentlemen, the last ball
striker of the day is David Rollins
from the United States. David has a
fantastic record but as of yet has
not driven a ball out to the four
hundred and fifty yard mark. Let's
see if he can outdo himself.

Maggie, Faith and Michael look on while silently praying and outwardly screaming words of encouragement. David walks up to the golfer's striking position and tees up his ball. Without taking a practice swing, David brings his driver back as far as he can. He then yells as he unleashes a fantastic strike that rockets the ball straight across the river. When it finally lands the red lights on the score board indicate a distance of four hundred and sixty yards. The crowd goes wild with applause and cheering.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)
Four hundred and sixty yards! David
Rollins has just set a new course
record! David Rollins has just won
the tournament!

Maggie, David, Faith and Michael are seen on the podium receiving a check for one million pounds. A television reporter speaks as cameras roll and flash.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

What an amazing finish! David you were the last one up knowing that you'd have to beat the four hundred and fifty yard mark how did you do it?

David pauses a moment then answers.

DAVID ROLLINS

By the grace of God. Through the prayers of my family. And for the joy of it.

ANNOUNCER

That's a good answer.

EXT. SECTIONED OFF PORTION OF THE SANFORD HOTEL - CONTINUOUS

David leads Maggie, Faith and Michael behind a sectioned off portion of the hotel that overlooks the Thames River.

DAVID ROLLINS

One moment guys.

David then turns to Maggie and gets down on bended knee while removing a small box from his pocket.

DAVID ROLLINS (CONT'D)

Maggie I'm asking you to be my wife.

David hands the open box to Maggie. When Maggie takes out the ring she starts to shake as she slowly pushes it onto her finger

FAITH

We want you to be with us forever.

Maggie pushes the ring further up her finger

MICHAEL

And ever.

When Michael finishes, Maggie has pushed the ring firmly in place.

FAITH

Yes! For ever and ever yes!

David and Maggie hug as the Faith and Michael give them a thumbs up.

EXT. BEAUTIFUL COTTAGE NEAR SHERWOOD. DAY

In that special time just before the advent of summer, Maggie and David wait on a street corner near their new home as Faith and Michael board the bus to school. As they make their way to their house David comments.

DAVID ROLLINS

I better be getting down to the shop. People really go in for fancy cabinets here and I've three new orders in. Also because of Dan Fury's referrals we have requests for custom caravan installations that will take us through the rest of the year.

As they reach the front of their home, the mail carrier hands Maggie a stack of mail. She sees one envelope and opens it directly in spite of a look of obvious nervousness. Maggie reads silently at first while moving her lips and then out loud.

MAGGIE LAMBERT

This is from the Jennings Preparatory school. Dear Ms. Lambert, on behalf of Jennings prep I'd like to offer you a full time position as a reading instructor. Interviews with past students and their families as well as teaching colleagues have convinced us that you are the best qualified applicant for this position. Please contact us as soon as possible so that we can discuss the compensation and benefits package that we have in mind for someone as qualified as yourself.

Maggie turns to David and speaks.

MAGGIE LAMBERT (CONT'D)

I never thought I'd get to work in my profession again.

DAVID ROLLINS

Everyone deserves a second chance.

Both embrace.

THE END

