

Melanie

TE night family-friendly drama, *Winners and Losers*, she's been hot property.

She was in Adelaide last month for a lunch with Adelaide cast mate **Melissa Bergland**.

Melanie, who went to Norwood Morialta High and Flinders University and once house-shared with fellow local actor **Hugh Sheridan**, then told *Confidential* she was a cool, calm and collected bride. With only weeks leading up to the wedding, she didn't even have her dress picked out for the big day.

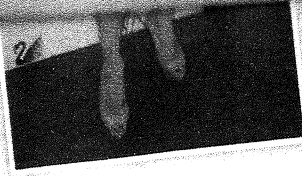
Details aren't her thing, but she was starry-eyed when talking about her

now husband Matt. The May wedding, which she told us was to take place in a Melbourne restaurant was to be a no-fuss affair.

On her career life, Melanie tells *OK* magazine she and the girls from *Winners and Losers* are buddies on and off the screen.

"We're all friends so we do stuff together quite regularly," she says. "We're planning a trip to a day spa soon."

She's come a long way since playing the blue power ranger in *Power Rangers Mystic Force* alongside *Underbelly* star **Firass Dirani**, with whom she was romantically linked at the time.



Telling the audience at the awards night, the singer said she thought it was another friend of hers named Anna, so she replied, "Yes, bitch, we did it!" Gaga waited for the laughter to die down and added, "I got a reply that said, 'How lovely'."

Salt's unqualified admission

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BERNARD Salt had a poor reception at the front of the Property Council's Sustainable Communities Symposium yesterday.

Members of the Stop Population Growth Now Association gave guests leaflets criticising Mr Salt for being widely quoted as a "demographer".

In a column in the *The Australian* on Thursday - in which he was tagged "demographer" - and again yesterday, Bernard admitted he had no

formal demography qualifications. "But I have 25 years of experience providing demographic advice," he says.

"I have in no part presented myself as a demographer. It is often used as a convenient tag."

Stop Population Growth Now's **Michael Lardelli** says Bernard is sending mixed messages.

"He says other people quote him as a demographer but his Facebook page says he's a demographer," he says.

Bernard says anti-growth campaigners like **Dick Smith** needed to be consistent. Dick's book *Population Crisis* refers to "demographer Bob Birrell", a man Bernard says has no demography qualifications.

However Michael says: "Birrell does have qualifications in sociology - and demography is a sub-classification of sociology".

- Giuseppe Tauriello

Hilton puts bite on burger competition

IT'S official. Hilton Hotel at Hilton makes the Best SA Pub Burger. And wagyu beef is the meat of choice.

The SA Pub Burger Challenge was yesterday presented at the SA Hotel and Restaurant Trade Show, with the support of the Australian Hotels Association SA and Meat & Livestock Australia.

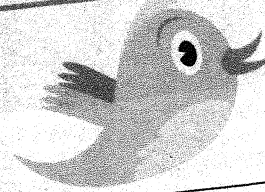
The pressure was on at the Adelaide Showgrounds as nine hotel finalists battled it out for the title of Best SA Pub Burger.

it two thumbs up. "All of the finalists' burgers were of a terrific standard, and it was hard to pick a winner," he says. "But quite simply, it was the fantastic flavour of the Hilton Hotel's burger which was the winning factor."

"The presentation was also outstanding, with condiments served on the side, giving customers some choice about what to add to their burger."

Other finalists were Woodside's Bedford Hotel, Daniel O'Connell Hotel in North Adelaide, Duke of York Hotel in the city, Links Hotel

TWEET OF THE DAY



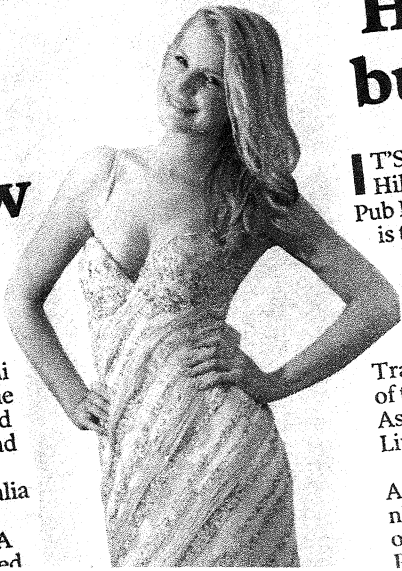
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(couture gowns would do for Adelaide model **Clare Venema's** in the Miss Universe Australia

Next Top Model 2009 finalist's uni budget wasn't helping her realise the That's where **George Georgiou** and **Pat** of Alexis George on Unley Road. Clare will be wearing two Alexis gowns at the Miss Universe Australia in Melbourne in July.



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