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JASON CONNERY

Producers Paul Knight and Esta Charkham announced that JASON CONNERY is to play the lead in the next series of ROBIN OF SHERWOOD, which starts production at the end of February. JASON, 22, is the son of famous parents SEAN CONNERY and DIANE CILENTO. He has been chosen from over 50 aspiring young actors for this much sought after role, after screen testing for the part during the Summer. The Producers are delighted that JASON has accepted the role following Michael Praed's departure to star in the series DYNASTY. "He is young, a brilliant athlete, has a warm and engaging personality and will bring great energy and enthusiasm to the role" say the Producers.

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD has recently won a major award at the New York Film and Television Festival and is currently being seen in over 20 countries including the US and has even been sold to the Soviet Union. The Second Series, which starred Michael Praed, will begin transmission in early March in a prime time Saturday night slot. The Producers are particularly delighted with the fantastic worldwide response from viewers to the first series, Fan mail has been pouring in from all over the world enquiring about the band of young actors and even arch villains Guy of Gisburne and the Sherriff of Nottingham have built up a devoted following.

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JASON CONNERY was born in London in 1963. He attended Millfield and Gordonstoun and his hobbies are Sports and Drama.

He then went to Perth Repertory for 6 months where he appeared in "WEST SIDE STORY", "BREEKS ARE DOON" and "THE MAN FROM THERMOPLYAE" among others.

He then appeared in "LORDS OF DISCIPLINE" for Paramount in which he played a young cadet who is put through the tortuous plebe system and survives.

Following that he filmed "DREAM ONE" in Paris for Christel Films and Goldcrest which is the story of Nemo and in it he plays 'Older Nemo'. The producer was John Boorman and the director was Arnaud Seligniac.

Jason then went on to do the "FIRST OLYMPICS" for Alvin Rakoff in which he played 'Curtis' a young Athlete.

His most recent film is "THE BOY WHO HAD EVERYTHING" for Alfred Road Films which was directed by Steven Wallace and produced by Dick Mason.

He has recently finished doing "DR. WHO" for BBC TV - "Vengeance on Varos".

"ROBIN OF SHERWOOD" - SERIES III

JASON CONNERY is TV's newest ROBIN HOOD in an eagerly awaited third season of the award winning series "ROBIN OF SHERWOOD".

ROBIN'S apparent death at the end of the last series raised an outcry from fans all over the world. The series is now seen in over thirty countries, from the U.S.A. to the U.S.S.R.

Blond haired, grey-eyed and just 23 years old, CONNERY replaces MICHAEL PRAED, who left the show to join "DYNASTY".

Thanks to forest magic and HERNE THE HUNTER, our hero returns in 13 one hour episodes, starting on April 5th, on ITV at 5.35 p.m., with the episode entitled 'HERNE'S SON' (Part One). The fine supporting cast of talented youngsters remains the same, but attain new heights as they gradually accept their new leader.

"ROBIN OF SHERWOOD" is an HTV production in association with GOLDCREST T.V., with PATRICK DROMGOOLE and PAUL KNIGHT as Executive Producers for each Company. The series is produced by ESTA CHARKHAM. Joining RICHARD CARPENTER - who not only created the series, acts as Script Editor and has written seven out of the 13 new episodes, are the young writers, ANTHONY HOROWITZ, JOHN FLANAGAN and ANDREW McCULLOCH.

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE ONE

HERNE'S SON part I - by Richard Carpenter

Robin of Loxley is dead. The Merry men have scattered - Marion, having been pardoned by the King, has returned to Leaford.

At Huntingdon Castle, the Earl and his son Robert prepare to entertain in order to arrange a political alliance for the King. Among their guests are The Sheriff of Nottingham, his brother Hugo, Guy of Gisburne, the Welsh Marcher Lord Owen of Clun and his followers and Sir Richard of Leaford, together with his daughter Marion. Young Robert is captivated by the sadness and serenity of Marion. Lord Owen becomes infatuated with her - he insults her and then abducts her. Robert realises he must gather his resources to deliver her from this fate - but he needs help from those who love her. With only Tuck remaining in Sherwood, the task is destined to be long and arduous, but with Herne's help Robert is determined.

'HERNE'S SON' is directed by ROBERT YOUNG. The other episodes are directed by GERRY MILL, BEN BOLT, CHRISTOPHER KING, DENIS ABEY, JAMES ALLEN and SID ROBERSON.

As well as NICKOLAS GRACE, RAY WINSTONE, CLIVE MANTLE, PHIL ROSE, PETER LLEWELLYN-WILLIAMS, MARK RYAN, ROBERT ADDIE AND JUDI TROTT, the series has a magnificent and diverse array of Guest Stars including; RICHARD O'BRIEN, OLIVER COTTON, GEORGE BAKER, CYRIL CUSACK, CATHRYN HARRISON, DERRICK O'CONNOR, LEWIS COLLINS, DOROTHY TUTIN, MATT FREWER, PHILIP DAVIS, BRYAN MARSHALL, PATRICIA HODGE, MICHAEL CRAIG and IAN OGILVY.

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ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE TWO

HERNE'S SON PART II - by Richard Carpenter

Robert has reunited the Outlaws in the quest to save Marion. Owen of Clun is determined to make Marion the mother of his children - their wedding day draws near.

Unbeknown to Robert and the Outlaws, Nasir is already in Clun Castle.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE THREE

THE POWER OF ALBION - by Richard Carpenter

Robert of Huntingdon has been living in the forest with the Outlaws, leading them as they return to their old ways.

When Robert is badly wounded in a raid, Marion is sent for, in order to offer her medical expertise. On her return to Leaford, she is arrested by the Sheriff of Nottingham. He is anxious to prove the identity of the band's new leader - being referred to by the people as Robin Hood. The Sheriff also confiscates Albion from Marion.

Robert of Huntingdon enters Nottingham in an attempt to dupe the Sheriff, save Marion and retrieve Albion.

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE FOUR

THE INHERITANCE - by Anthony Horowitz

In an old castle live a young girl, Isadora, and her father Agrivaine, who is the guardian of a priceless treasure. Agrivaine foresees his own death in the Tarot cards, but it is a more immediate danger that troubles him.

Raven, a one-eyed ruffian, together with Mortimer - Agrivaine's ex-steward, specialise in pillaging anything of value. Meanwhile, Isadora seeks the help of Robin Hood.



ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE FIVE

THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM - by Anthony Horowitz

King John is tired of having his taxes stolen, so he decides at last to replace the Sheriff. This news delights the Outlaws, but their joy is short-lived. The new Sheriff, Philip Mark, is known as THE BUTCHER of LINCOLN , and his Saracen sidekick, Sarak, is not much better.

Determined to catch the Outlaws, Philip Mark formulates a ruthless plan. He banishes his predecessor from Nottingham and the Castle and leaves him deep in Sherwood Forest.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE SIX

THE CROSS OF SAINT CIRICUS by Richard Carpenter

After a lucrative robbery, Much and Scarlet, having been separated from the others, take rest and sustenance in a rather unusual camp, which later causes them great concern.

Robin and the Outlaws make their way to Croxden Abbey to give away their loot to Abbot Martin - a fanatical Monk and custodian of the Cross of Saint Ciricus, which is said to have healing powers. En route they come across a Lady - a victim of a robbery, on her way to Croxden. Thinking she is about to die, the Lady makes a confession to Friar Tuck and reveals a strange connection between herself and Robin.

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE EIGHT

THE BETRAYAL by John Flanagan and Andrew McCulloch

The Sheriff's incompetence has brought the King himself to Nottingham to collect his taxes. With him he brings Roger de Carnac, a ruthless man who devises a clever plan to destroy Robin's reputation and deal with the Outlaws once and for all.

Coinciding with the King's visit, there seems to be a spate of attacks and pillaging in the villages surrounding Nottingham. Could they be connected.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE SEVEN

CROMM CRUAC - by Anthony Horowitz

Much has been wounded in a Forester's trap. His wound becomes infected and he is very ill. The Outlaws are miles away from any of their known 'safe' villages, but happen across a kindly Carter, who offers to take them to his village "Cromm Cruac".

However, Gulnar - formerly the Sooth-sayer to Owen of Clun, is not far away and he has an old score to settle.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE NINE

ADAM BELL - by Anthony Horowitz

Much is captured by the Sheriff, who threatens to hang him.  
Then, Adam Bell - an ageing outlaw, kidnaps Martin - the  
Sheriff's Nephew.

The Sheriff seems desperate to get his Nephew back and  
with Much in his prison, he has something to bargain with.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE TEN

THE PRETENDER - by Anthony Horowitz

Two years previously, King John took a new wife in the shape of Isabella of Angouleme, a twelve-year-old. The forsaken ex-Queen Hadwisa was outraged.

The Sheriff of Nottingham is bed-ridden, having been bitten by his dog - leaving Gisburne free to meddle.

A noble young man - saved by Robin from the Duke of Gloucester's soldiers, wants to join his band. The powerful Duke and his daughter the ex-Queen Hadwisa, are plotting against the King. There is no natural heir to the throne, only a Pretender, Prince Arthur of Brittany, son of the King's brother - only Prince Arthur is believed to be dead.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE ELEVEN

RUTTERKIN - by Richard Carpenter

Little John intends to elope with Meg of Wickham, but their flight is halted by a mysterious mad pig lady, who seems to have lost her charges.

Lord Edgar, uncle to Robin Hood, comes to Nottingham to visit the King who is suffering from an inexplicable illness.

While wandering through Sherwood, rounding up pigs, Robin comes across his Uncle Edgar, who claims to have been looking for him. It appears that the Earl of Huntingdon - Robin's father - is in great danger.....

ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE TWELVE

TIME OF THE WOLF PART I - by Richard Carpenter

It has been a poor harvest. There is a hard winter ahead. King John is raising an army against the Welsh. He orders all the food from the villages to be collected to feed his army.

Robin and his band are unwilling to stand by and see their friends starve, so they prepare the Villagers of Wickham for action.

Meanwhile, at nearby Grimston Abbey, an old adversary of Robin's appears to be back from the dead and practising his sorcery in most unusual ways.....



ROBIN OF SHERWOOD - SERIES THREE - EPISODE THIRTEEN

TIME OF THE WOLF PART II - by Richard Carpenter

Gisburne has joined the Sons of Fenris and together with Grendal, they have captured Robin and his band.

Marion and young Matthew are safe at Halstead Abbey, but Marion is deeply disturbed.

Gulnar then releases his latest creation upon the world and begins to believe that he is more powerful than anybody - even more powerful than Herne.....

THE MAIN CHARACTERS IN ROBIN OF SHERWOOD

ROBIN HOOD	Michael Praed/Jason Connery
MARION	Judi Trott
SCARLETT	Ray Winstone
LITTLE JOHN	Clive Mantle
NASIR	Mark Ryan
MUCH	Peter Llewellyn-Williams
FRIAR TUCK	Phil Rose
THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM	Nickolas Grace
SIR GUY OF GISBURNE	Robert Addie
HERNE THE HUNTER	John Abineri
PHILIP MARK	Lewis Collins
SARAK	Valentine Pelka
EDWARD OF WICKHAM	Jeremy Bulloch
HUBERT DE GISCARD	Robert Davis
GULNAR	Richard O'Brien
GRENDDEL	James Coombes
ALISON OF WICKHAM	Maureen Bennett
TOM THE VILLAGER	David Charkham
LORD EDGAR	Ian Ogilvy
MAD MAB	Annabel Lee
KING JOHN	Philip Davis
EARL OF HUNTINGDON	Michael Craig
WALTER CLOUT	Stephen Mackenna
MEG	Claire Toeman
LADY GISBURNE	Dorothy Tutin
ABBOT MARTIN	Brendan Price
BRABANCON	Mark Lewis