

'I want to catch the bouquet at Spenny's wedding!'

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am Thompson had us crying with laughter on *Celebs Go Dating*. (Shouting Harry Potter spell

Expecto Patronum at one of his dates will definitely go down in reality TV history.) But the *Made In Chelsea* star is a single pringle once again now he's back in SW3. Boo.

Yes, since returning from Cape Verde, Sam has sadly split from Emilia Yates, 19, who he picked in the *CGD* finale. But he's not letting it get him down as he's been busy filming for *MIC* and fronting a campaign from Public Health England to encourage youngsters to take their sexual health seriously.

When we catch up with the 25 year old, not only do we want to know why he's campaigning for condoms, we're also keen to find out when we can expect his sister Louise and her fella Ryan Libbey to tie the knot and why Sam should be the new Eden Blackman...

Are you still in touch with anyone from *Celebs Go Dating*?

Me and Mike Thalassitis talk all the time! Nadia Essex and I speak a lot. I ask her for advice every now and then.

What do you make of Eden leaving the show?

I liked Eden. He was very calm and had this air of authority. When he spoke, I listened with

Sam Thompson talks to **new!** about showmances and being single again...



Sam hopes to be invited to Spencer and Vogue's wedding

respect – bearing in mind I have ADHD, so I find it hard to remain focused on things. But I thought he was a really, really good guy and really helped me through quite a weird period of dating. I think he'll be missed.

Well, they might be looking for a replacement...

I could definitely replace him! Oh my God, agent Sam – that would be brilliant. I'm going to get my CV to Nadia.

A lot of the celebs have found love since the show...

I'm single!

Awkward! What happened?

Emilia basically said, "Look, this is what I want, are you prepared to give it to me?" I tried to be as honest as possible and told her I wasn't ready to have a girlfriend as I'd just come out of an incredibly long relationship.

Do you still talk?

She's really sweet whenever I see her out. I think she's a friend for a while now, so it's nice. And who knows in the future!

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Sam wasn't ready to jump into a relationship with Emilia



Sam says Ryan and Louise are "basically married"



Are you invited to Spencer Matthews' wedding?

I hope so! I know the bridesmaids are meant to catch the bouquet, but I'm going to be jumping in there as well for a little ruckus.

Is it harder to date when you're on TV?

TV has a knack of rushing things, and being in the public eye I never really believe a lot of things I see.

Are you talking about people having showmances?

In this reality TV game, you never know who's being serious. You get people coming out of *Love Island* and getting engaged after five weeks. You don't even know their parents' names! It's just a bit intense.

Are Louise and Ryan ready for marriage and babies?

They're taking things slowly. They take things at their own pace. They're basically married now, just without the ceremony!

Would you be best man if they did tie the knot?

Oh my God, I'm going to have to do a speech. Nah, Ryan has

brothers and all that, so I won't be. But I'll be something. I'll be part of the wedding I feel.

Louise's ex, Alik, recently told us she was "into vanity and not as genuine" now...

I'd probably turn around and say, "Why have you rejoined the show if you're not vain as well?" He's clearly only coming back to be known. I think that's probably the epitome of vanity, isn't it?

Tell us about Public Health England's Protect Against STIs campaign...

It primarily aims to reduce the risk of sexually transmitted infections among 16 to 24 year olds. The fact is, people would rather risk getting an STI than wear a condom and there's something fundamentally wrong in that.

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Sam is supporting Public Health England's Protect Against STIs campaign. Find out more at Nhs.uk/protect-against-stis-use-a-condom