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**This Marriage Is Going to Be Wild!**  
**Survivalist/Special Forces Husband Teams with Journalist City Wife in**  
**Discovery's 'MAN, WOMAN, WILD'**  
*World Premiere Series Launches Friday, July 16 at 9 PM ET/PT*

(Silver Spring, Md) Surviving the wild can be hard enough but add to the mix a husband and wife who don't always see eye to eye and you have Discovery Channel's **MAN, WOMAN, WILD** premiering **Friday, July 16 at 9 PM ET/PT**.

Mykel Hawke is a former Special Forces survival expert. His wife Ruth is a television journalist. Together, they take on some of the most forbidding and remote locations around the world. Dropped into each spot, they must survive as a team for four days and nights, with only a knife and the clothes on their backs. As they test their will and their marriage, the two find common ground standing up to nature as husband and wife in the wildest places on Earth.

"The Hawkes are captivating and compelling guides for survival instruction. The authenticity of their relationship coupled with the high stakes of their predicaments makes for a wild, memorable series," said Clark Bunting, president and general manager of Discovery Channel.

For Mykel, survival comes naturally. Years of military training as a Green Beret have taught him to survive in any condition, but for Ruth every thing in the wild is still very new to her. From building shelter to hunting for food to finding a route to rescue Mykel teaches Ruth the necessary skills needed to survive in different terrains.

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**MAN, WOMAN, WILD** is produced for Discovery Channel by Renegade 83. David Garfinkle and Jay Renfroe are executive producers. Bill Howard is executive producer for Discovery Channel.

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## **MAN, WOMAN, WILD**

### *Bios*

#### **Mykel Hawke**

Captain Mykel Hawke has made a career of doing the unthinkable, from fighting rebels and training UN peacekeepers in war-torn Africa to running a war clinic on the front lines and establishing a combat medic school in Azerbaijan, to doing combat search and rescue during the height of Colombia's drug war. With over 20 years of combined military and survival experience, Mykel has traveled the world learning how to operate and survive in unique situations.

After passing through grueling training and assessment as an enlistee in the Green Berets, Mykel earned his commission as an officer in the elite force. Well-schooled in telecommunications, intelligence operations, remote medical management, combat search and rescue, guerilla warfare, counter terrorism, security tactics, Mykel has also mastered several languages. He's used all his training to survive in eight different war zones, steamy jungles, arid deserts, arctic icecaps, turbulent oceans, and gritty urban environments.

Currently, Mykel runs a survival school known as SpecOps, where he teaches civilians how to handle the ultimate survival scenarios, and also does contract training for the US government. He recently published a book, titled Mykel Hawke's Green Beret Survival Manual: Essential Strategies For Shelter and Water, Food and Fire, Tools and Medicine, Navigation and Signaling, Survival Psychology and Getting Out Alive! about the survival lessons he's learned in the world's most treacherous locations. The book is already in its second edition.

#### **Ruth England**

Trained in documentary filmmaking and photography, Ruth Hawke has traveled the world recording wild adventures, natural phenomena, tribal societies, and exotic wildlife. As a successful TV journalist and photographer, Ruth has traversed the world from the wilds of Africa, to the jungles and mountains of Asia, to the frozen Arctic tundra.

In Borneo, Ruth was adopted by the Iban tribe, who taught her to eat tadpole stew, and how to suck water snails from their shells. She's hung off a cliff in Rwanda, holding onto nothing more than a machete blade, while being charged by a 450-pound silverback mountain gorilla. In South Africa, she was filmed at gunpoint; in Iceland, she's kayaked across volcanic lakes; and in the Alps of France, rappelled down glacial crevices. Ruth has faced a herd of stampeding African elephants, gone swimming with sharks in Australia, and tracked tigers in Nepal. Along the way, she's survived all of her adventures with nothing more than a few bruises and scratches.

Now, Ruth is about to embark on a documentary assignment that blows all of her past experiences away. For the first time, she's documenting the best survivalist she's ever met as they journey into the unknown. And the tough as nails trekker going with her just happens to be...her husband.