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**Pulling Your Own Weight**

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| **Episode 05 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Richard | 4 | - |
| Kelly | 8 | 9 (+1) |
| Rudy | 4 | - |
| Susan | 4 | - |
| Sean | 10 | 11 (+1) |
| Colleen | 3 | - |
| Gervase | 3 | 4 (+1) |
| Jenna | 4 | 5 (+1) |
| Greg | 6 | 4 (-2) |
| Gretchen | 4 | - |
| Joel | 2 | - |
| Dirk | 4 | - |

Day 13

1. **Colleen (1/3):** We slept late for the first time since we've been here today. Everybody is a little bit on edge, everybody is a little vulnerable today.
2. **Joel (1/2):** I think today we're just a little bit down because another person is gone, of course. And we can see that the group's getting a little bit smaller. Even if it's only two people smaller, it's still getting a little bit smaller and, uh, we're starting to see that a little bit.
3. **Jenna (1/5):** For some reason, the last two to three days we've just been really down. I think its got a lot to do with just, uh, we lost two in a row. We lost a member of the group and one of... who I consider one of our male leaders, Greg, was really feeling terrible. He's got an ear infection He's really sick.
4. **Gretchen (1/4):** I think the camp looks trashy. I think stuff's all over the place. I think the flag should be up. I mean, there's a lot we can do to make this camp look really nice. I mean, something's going to have to change. Something's going to have to happen to make everybody decide to pitch in.
5. **Rudy (1/4):** That is the parachute that they dropped the cargo with the other day that, uh, contained some goodies and, uh, right now, they want to hang the parachute up for shade.
6. **Kelly (1/9):** Me, personally, I was a little irritated with, um, Sean and Dirk's effort around camp. I mean, they try to go out fishing when they know they're not gonna catch anything and I think, personally, it's just so they can say, *“Hey, well, we did something.”*
7. **Sean (1/11):** Kelly thinks that failure to catch fish is failure to try. You know, I think she's equating those two, which is not true. (05:22 → 05:32 = 10s)
8. **Sean (2/11):** The fish are not biting hooks out here for some reason. Either we got the wrong bait, or we're going the wrong time.
9. **Rudy (2/4):** Fishing with a hook, I think, is useless. They put about 25 hours in and not a bite. That's big enough hint for me not to go fishing with a hook.
10. **Susan (1/4):** I'm just irritated with them. Sean and Dirk going out wasting three days in the daylight fishing. And I let them know, too.
11. **Sean (3/11):** It's expected to get on each others nerves. Maybe everyone's on my nerves, too, but I just don't really act on it. I just wanted to be happy − have a nice life here and that's it.
12. **Kelly (2/9):** It's been the people who really work and contribute to camp versus people who are lazy and don't really do anything to contribute to the camp.
13. **Dirk (1/4):** The second I stop having fun I'll vote myself off the island. I came here to have a great time, grow in my faith with the Lord and that's the most important thing to me.
14. **Rudy (3/4):** It's funny to me that a guy would read the Bible out here. The only reason I'd bring a Bible is if... I mean, I'm religious too... if I needed toilet paper.
15. **Sean (4/11):** We had a little visit from Jeff, our host, today, and he came by and told us that tomorrow's going to be a competition, a Reward Challenge. So we've been practicing all day at that. (08:16 → 08:26 = 10s)
16. **Sean (5/11):** Turns out that I'm pretty good with the blowgun. And I never really... never shot a blowgun before in my life. Turns out Rich is an expert marksman. Something we didn't know about him until today, so, uh... he has excellent aim when it comes to a slingshot. And Sue throws that spear much better than any of the guys in our tribe. She's a wild woman with the spear.
17. **Susan (2/4):** And I was kind of hoping that I'd be good at nothing so that I could just, like, hang back and let the pressure go on somebody else. Turns out I throw the javelin the best. I'm thinking the other team's going to have a guy throwing the spear. So if there is, there's a good chance that I can dog some guy on national TV. Even if we lost and I at least dogged the guy in the spear throwing, they'd be happy.

Day 14

1. **Joel (2/2):** I never really threw a spear in my life. Except, you know... anything serious. It's kind of hard to keep it straight. That's a good distance, especially a little thing like this, and you don't know if you can take a running start or how you should do it, or what the thing is, so this looks like it's going to be our weakest event for sure. Because the other girls have the, uh, blowgun down really well. The slingshot looks good. So it'd be nice to win it today. You know a lot of these Reward Challenges we haven't really been after, but, uh, you know, I think we're all really determined for this one. Looks good.
2. **Jenna (2/5):** I don't know what brought us down, but it seems like winning that challenge just brought everybody right back up. I can't speak for the rest of the tribe, but I really wanted to win 'cause it was fruit. I wanted to win that more than any of the other reward thus far. Unexpectedly, we came back with three live chickens which was absolutely wonderful. (16:11 → 16:26 = 15s)
3. **Jenna (3/5):** Well, we're going to see if they produce any eggs, but I'm really thinking that we're going to wait every other day and eat a chicken.
4. **Gretchen (2/4):** They're not going to be around long. Everybody's waiting for them to lay eggs but I think they're under a lot of stress and there's three of them in that box and so they have a very short time to produce before they're slaughtered.
5. **Gervase (1/4):** The fruit and the chickens was just so huge to us, really, I mean... I think that's the biggest reward so far to date. (17:04 → 17:19 = 15s)
6. **Gervase (2/4):** I think we were down just because we lost. I mean, no matter how you look at it, losing hurts and we had to vote somebody off. So we just had to get out of that, and then, when we won the Reward Challenge, that was our momentum right there.
7. **Susan (3/4):** As far as losing the challenge today, I was a little irritated. Here's my dream come true. I can stomp a guy on national television and I miss by two inches. It was a bummer, but then when they pulled the chickens out, I started laughing. Cutting off a chicken's head? No, it's not what I would want to do for food. I can live without the chicken right now.
8. **Richard (1/4):** So that was all right. The other team won some live chickens with some eggs. So we came back here and I went spearfishing and got us a nice eel. That's the first eel. If I'd seen others, I'd have gotten others.
9. **Kelly (3/9):** At least we eat stuff that we go out and catch and look for ourselves, and we don't have it handed to us.
10. **Sean (6/11):** The eel was pretty horrible. Uh, it wasn't any good whatsoever.
11. **Kelly (4/9):** We thought it was going to be you know, big, fat steaks of meat, but it really wasn't.
12. **Rudy (4/4):** I wouldn't go after eel again if I had a choice − I would have rather had chicken without a doubt.
13. **Gretchen (3/4):** My feelings on who the leader is has always been Greg. He's just really good at it.
14. **Greg (1/4):** I may be slipping into some sort of leadership position. I'm attempting to avoid it. I don't want to be the leader of anything. I go play by myself, help out the tribe as much as I can and try and recharge my batteries so I can be there fully with them.
15. **Gretchen (4/4):** He's really good at living in the woods, too. I think, out of everybody here, Greg's the most comfortable in the woods.
16. **Greg (2/4):** My psychological comfort does not come from sleeping with the group in a hut. In fact, they kind of make me nervous, 'cause there are a lot of people doing a lot of different things and it's a lot of energy in a very small space while I'm trying to, uh, clear my head of energy. Sleeping in the forest is comfortable for me. I'm making a little sleeping pad. Sleeping pad, sleeping bag − depending on how big it gets. I just used some bedding of debris or whatever I can find − palm or the leaves that are around − and pile up a bunch of debris. It's all a nesting instinct. As with everything, make yourself a nest. I nest like a mama bird. Papa bird − more like a papa bird than a mama bird. A single... like a bachelor bird, I guess. Colleen has joined me in the forest to sleep. She apparently finds it more comfortable, as well.
17. **Gervase (3/4):** I mean, they go off a lot, seems like together. Like last night, for example, while everybody was going to bed, they got out, and nobody saw them till just this morning sometime.

Day 15

1. **Jenna (4/5):** I noticed they seem to be spending their nights out under the stars and cuddling up. I think it's stepped up a notch − maybe a little romance going on.
2. **Colleen (2/3):** Um, when we go off, it's all about sex. It's all that's happening. Um... it's a really passionate affair right now. Things are going great. *(laughs)*
3. **Greg (3/4):** The question was asked before whether this was a romantic situation or not, and I will reaffirm that there is no romance.
4. **Colleen (3/3):** You know, he reminds me of my friends back home, so it's like I can totally, totally be myself with him.
5. **Greg (4/4):** So we like to play together − not as a romantic situation, but, yeah heading back out in the forest and sleeping out there and the rest of it is great.
6. **Richard (2/4):** This is a yellow-banded sea krait. We find a number of them in the jungle. I haven't seen one down here on the beach. I'm hoping he goes for a swim. I might help him. He's awake now. Oh, I'm not afraid of snakes. I mean, I don't want to be bitten by something that's deadly, but, no, I used to play with garter snakes, when I was a kid and feed them frogs, and... You know, they're not… They are quick, and it's... and they are... they can move fast, but you can see when he's about to coil up and strike and you can prepare yourself and you can get ready to move before it does. I want to put him in the water 'cause I want to watch him swim. (23:14 → 23:24 = 10s)
7. **Richard (3/4):** We've been told they're extremely deadly − immediately deadly, within six hours deadly. Horseflies bother me more.
8. **Sean (7/11):** I knew today was going to be a good day when I woke up. I haven't had a bowel movement in nearly two weeks. This morning, I had my first bowel movement − felt fantastic. I'm getting thinner and thinner. I think I'm using most of the rice I make 'cause I'm not bloated and my pants are getting skinnier. Very excited about it − it's the way to start the day off, with a little bit of a bowel movement. Nice work, Sean. Go, New York, go! (24:10 → 24:19 = 9s) We were concerned about Dirk and his eating a while ago, because he was really disappearing into nothing. We're all losing a little bit of weight, but Dirk was really losing a lot of weight.
9. **Dirk (2/4):** I definitely lost a lot of mass, a lot of muscle mass, a lot of strength. It's not going to help me but, as long as I conserve my energy − don’t-don't waste it on things that we don't need − as long as I'm smart about it, I think I'll be okay.
10. **Kelly (5/9):** We've noticed Dirk kind of getting a little skinny. Um, there was a few days where we were all kind of concerned about him and, uh, he was just kind of... I think, you know, mentally, he was-- he was a little bummed out and all of us were, like, you know, *“Eat more rice, eat more rice.”*
11. **Kelly (6/9):** Well, we all kind of try and keep an eye on him, 'cause he was real skinny to begin with, you know. The labor thing is... it's actually better now. Sean and Dirk started to realize that they better, you know, do something. Otherwise, they're out of here. *(laughs)*
12. **Susan (4/4):** They've kind of come around the last couple, two, three days and started doing a little more, but it's a little too late for that.
13. **Dirk (3/4):** Maybe I am on thin ice with this team now. I don't know. I feel like I'm pulling my weight and I think the group sees that and I'm just going to find tapioca, and I'm just going to let it work itself out.
14. **Sean (8/11):** There was about five on this stem that I picked up but only one was good. The rest were mushy. So I had to throw the rest away.
15. **Kelly (7/9):** Today's Day 15 and we have an Immunity Challenge today.
16. **Sean (9/11):** Hopefully, um, it'll be something that, uh... that we can win pretty handily, and I don't feel like going to the Immune Council tonight by any means. (28:27 → 28:39 = 12s)
17. **Sean (10/11):** Apparently, we need one rower and the rest of us swimming which is good, because we have Kelly who's a rower. That's what she does as a profession for a living.
18. **Kelly (8/9):** I'm a commercial white-water raft guide, so obviously, I'm the rower today. Feeling a little pressure, but I'm not too worried about it. I know Gervase can't swim, so my guess is that they're going to put him in the boat rowing, which is cool for me because I can beat him any day of the week.
19. **Jenna (5/5):** You can look at it as a disadvantage that, uh, Gervase can't swim. But we all are going to have our differences. Not all of us are going to be strong at everything.
20. **Gervase (4/4):** Comfort level with swimming's about 80%. I mean, I've heard you're more buoyant in the ocean, because of the salt water. I don't know that, though. To me, I'll sink like I was in a pool.
21. **Kelly (9/9):** Tonight we have to take the suckfest hike to the Tribal Council, and we get to vote somebody off tonight, unfortunately. You know, despite everything, I was the best choice to put in that boat today, and, you know, like I said, sometimes your best just isn't good enough and life just wouldn't be life if everybody didn't get their little embarrassments from time to time, so...
22. **Sean (11/11):** Oh yeah, it's always in the back of my mind whether or not anyone's going to vote against me, you know. I don't have a vote against me yet, and now we're losing numbers so I'm sure one's coming, just like the other people who don't have a vote against them, one's coming in their direction, too. I suspect it might be Rudy. That's how I'll probably cast my vote at this point.
23. **Richard (4/4):** It's an interesting game, but it's a game, and I've had a strategy from Day 1. I've already built an alliance and we're going to work through as best we can right to the end before the free-for-all.
24. **Dirk (4/4):** I think I'm vulnerable. I've tried my hardest and put as much effort if not more into everything, but I haven't been successful in any areas so maybe some people will look at that and say, *“Dirk doesn't know what he's doing. He's being lazy.”* Whatever. But I think they realize that I'm a valuable member of this team, so I'm not worried about being voted off. I think I'll be here tomorrow.