

**Swimming with Sharks**

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| **Episode 10 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Sandra | 1 | - |
| Lillian | 2 | 3 (+1) |
| Jon | 5 | 4 (-1) |
| Darrah | 1 | - |
| Burton | 5 | 4 (-1) |
| Christa | 0 | - |
| Tijuana | 0 | - |
| Rupert | 11 | - |

Day 24

1. **Rupert (1/11):** Nighttime is my one bad time. If I could go just 39 days and never have to sleep, I would make this beautifully. But nighttime is killing me. (03:09 → 03:18 = 9s) At night out here, I start thinking about family. That's when I miss my family. I tell Laura, my wife, all my woes and sorrows, all my triumphs. I tell Laura everything. And I want for everyone to see I am the best damn *Survivor* that has ever been. I am it. I know they will. Shouldn't think that way, I know. I know. I know. I know. I hear you. I hear you. Take it down to the one or two people that I truly, really care about. I care about Sandra and Christa. They care about me. It's very hard keeping mentally aware of everything that's going on around here. I try to guide everything that goes on on my island. I try to direct everyone's actions while keeping myself grounded and aware of what is going on and what I am doing, not settling ever for anything but first. And letting everybody here realize that they are finishing in places of honor. To build them up to be a winner and still lose… that's a hard mental battle.

Day 25

1. **Jon (1/4):** Honestly, Rupert and Christa are making me sick with their, *"Baby, baby, beebee, beebee,"* blah, blah, blah. I've been saying this in my head and I-- I've never-- I haven't vocally expressed this thought, but I feel, uh, Rupert, Christa and Sandra have gotten to the point of-of the old saying, *"Absolute power corrupts absolutely."* They are so power-ridden, they know it, that they feel that they're above the law. Burton and I decided to go on a… well, we decided to talk a little strategy, knowing that the bond between Christa, Rupert and Sandra’s pretty much puts us at fourth and fifth. Like, to hand-feed me number four and say, *"Jon, be happy. It's number four."* No. That's not going to make me happy.
2. **Jon (2/4):** Once again, Jonny Fairplay finds himself in a great position. He can either go with Plan A: Christa, Rupert, Sandra, and Burton or Plan B: Burton, D, T, and Lill. And, uh, I'm throwing all my eggs in choice "B." You know, if the bases are loaded and, you know, you got three people saying, *"Hey, bunt,"*... screw you, man. This is my chance to knock a grand slam.
3. **Burton (1/4):** The problem is it's more risky to flip the alliance now and to go against Rupert, Chris and Sandra. If I go this other way, I have a much better chance, but if I get caught and the cover is blown, it's not going to be a good thing. I talked to Lill about this and I've talked to Jon about it. So, we didn't know when to tell Tijuana and Darrah what the plan is to flip on our original alliance.
4. **Rupert (2/11):** I have to go out and get fish. I would love it if I was a mean-ass son of a bitch and just went out and got fish for myself. But, so, what are you going to do? You go out and get fish.
5. **Jon (3/4):** Burton and I found ourselves with an opportunity-- everyone else there with Rupert fishing and Sandra and Christa going to get lemons. I looked at Burton, Burton looked at me. He was like, *"You think now's the time?"* I was like, *"Absolutely."*
6. **Rupert (3/11):** A shark appears, and I'm like, *"Ah, I want him. I want him, bad!"* But, the only way I'm taking that shot is if I can get directly over him, hit him straight down in the head and hold that spear into him. Because, if not, he's going to be gone with my spear.
7. **Burton (2/4):** We tell them, Rupert's going home. Their eyes are about as big as the sun. They can't believe it. They're like, *"Oh, my God! Thank you guys so much! Thank you so much!"* So, the game's about to take a serious, serious change.
8. **Darrah (1/1):** I was down in the dumps, thinking that I was going to go home, but all of a sudden, that changed. And now, I'm just-- I'm ready to stay.
9. **Rupert (4/11):** I almost had a four-foot gray reef shark. My God, I sure did want that shark. I love being the baddest hunter out there. I never give up, I never surrender, I never admit defeat.

Day 26

1. **Burton (3/4):** We got Tree Mail, and the clue says, you're going to be following in the shadows of ancient pirates. I think I've got a pretty good shot at it if it's something that has to do with speed. If I do win, just to keep the impression that our alliance was going strong, I'll be giving my reward to Rupert, because he gave me his last time.
2. **Rupert (5/11):** The deal between Burton and I, after I had given him my bacon, my breakfast, my wonderful breakfast… he said he owed me, and he would pay me back with the next challenge he wins. Burton promised me. It's fine. It keeps unity between he and I. It's a deal. It keeps unity in our group.
3. **Burton (4/4):** I didn't want to give this reward to Rupert, because I don't want Rupert to have any more food than he can, because, tomorrow, in the Immunity Challenge, I want him to be tired, weak, injured and hobbling around, because I want to smoke him.
4. **Rupert (6/11):** When Burton gave that away to Jon, and Lill kept it in her hand without even thinking about it, that showed me that… I might not be as secure as I am-- as I think I am.
5. **Lillian (1/3):** I should have sent Rupert on this, and I didn't. *(hides face)* Rupert should go. Rupert would catch fish. I can't catch fish. (21:24 → 21:36 = 12s)
6. **Lillian (2/3):** I don't want to make anybody mad. I don't want to get anybody upset, but I'm just not that good at the game. I don't go on vacations all the time. I can't afford to do these kind of things. If I had a chance to sail on a beautiful boat, that's what was in my mind. I've never done anything like that before.
7. **Rupert (7/11):** Got to find out what's going on. My only hope is when Lill comes back, she looks me in the eye and tells me what Jon is talking about.
8. **Rupert (8/11):** When Jon and Lill came back from their catamaran, I just sucked Lill in quickly and told her, *"You stick with me and you could be top two."* You know, *"It could be you and me."* I tried to figure out what Jon was talking to her about and if Jon was going to try and suck her in and get her in some kind of alliance. And she said *"No."* I know now that Lill will be wholehearted with me. I wanted to hug and kiss her.

Day 27

1. **Rupert (9/11):** The Immunity Challenge pissed the hell out of me. I know I was clearly the best dart-blower there. And they knocked me out so damn quick. My own team, Burton and Sandra, knocked me out. Sandra truly was a mistake. I don't blame her at all. Burton, he knew what the hell he was doing.
2. **Jon (4/4):** I'm pretty happy right now in that, uh, Rupert's going home tonight. Although, I promised him that I wouldn't write his name down again, uh, promises, to me, uh, can be broken about as easily as a fat woman on wicker furniture. It's that simple.
3. **Lillian (3/3):** Burton and Jon keep pounding into my head, *“This is a game!”* But I'd love to keep Rupert, ‘cause I love that man.
4. **Rupert (10/11):** Darrah is still acting like she's ready to go and packing and saying her good-byes. But that could all be an act. Luckily, I have Lill on my side, I have Sandra on my side and I have Christa on my side. Lill has been the key figure in a lot of votes lately. (35:18 → 35:28 = 10s)
5. **Rupert (11/11):** If they've turned and they've gotten Darrah, T, Jon and Burton together on one side, I've got my four on my side and we will have a tie.
6. **Sandra (1/1):** The vibe at the camp is that everybody's agreed upon Darrah going home. Maybe Burton figured out that there was a way between him and Jon to get together and outmaneuver us three. But I don't see it happening. I just can't see it happening, because all along they've said, *"It's going to be the strong five and we'll separate from there."*