

**Trojan Horse**

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| **Episode 07 Confessionals** | | |
| **Castaway** | **Old Count** | **New Count** |
| Sophie | 1 | - |
| Coach | 5 | - |
| Albert | 0 | - |
| Ozzy | 4 | 5 (+1) |
| Rick | 0 | - |
| Brandon | 1 | - |
| Edna | 2 | - |
| Cochran | 8 | 9 (+1) |
| Whitney | 0 | - |
| Dawn | 0 | - |
| Keith | 1 | - |
| Jim | 1 | - |
| Christine | 0 | - |
| Mikayla | 0 | - |

Day 16

1. **Edna (1/2):** It's not a good feeling to have your name come up on the vote every single time you're at Tribal Council. But Brandon's reaction and his unpredictable nature is a liability, yes. Definitely. And if he continues this way, he-he's making my job on *Survivor* easier by just *(chuckles)* being himself.
2. **Coach (1/5):** If there comes a time where Brandon becomes a liability, just like old *Lennie* of *"Mice and Men,"* there comes a time where you got to put a bullet in somebody's head and in this game, it's kill or be killed.

Day 17

1. **Ozzy (1/5):** Christine has been on a hot streak. She has won five duels in a row. If we do merge, she could go to the other side or she could come with us. People are thinking that the merge is coming after the next challenge. So if we lose the next challenge it might be worthwhile for us to send somebody to Redemption that can beat Christine, come back in the game, and even out the numbers. You know, you gotta make big moves in this game, and if we have to, that might be a big move worth making.
2. **Ozzy (2/5):** Cochran and I got back from the duel, and I wanted to let Cochran in on my worst-case scenario plan.
3. **Cochran (1/9):** The general sense around camp is that the merge is happening sooner rather than later. And now Ozzy suggested that he'd be willing to make a-a pretty bold move in the event that we lose our next Immunity Challenge. He's considering lending his Hidden Immunity Idol to somebody else on the tribe, allow Ozzy, himself to get voted out of our tribe so that he can be sent to Redemption Island Arena and duel against Christine, and then hopefully win, come back to our tribe and keep our numbers intact, 6-6 tie going into, uh, the merge.
4. **Cochran (2/9):** Now Ozzy seems to have gone from kind of this bitter free agent, temper tantrum throwing baby of a couple nights ago, to a new man. And if Ozzy was being honest, and it's gonna be huge, willingly fall on his sword for his tribe, that'd be great for me 'cause that means I wouldn't be going home at the next Tribal Council.
5. **Coach (2/5):** This tribe is down in the dumps. We feel after the vote last night, that we're divided. We feel like we blew the last challenge, and we feel like we've lost. We need a shot in the arm right now, and we need something to boost our spirits. The only thing we can do is to say, *“Look, guys, we've got the Hidden Immunity Idol. Go team!”* That's what we have to do. There's waves within waves in the game of *Survivor* to survive.
6. **Coach (3/5):** So right now, Sophie, Albert, and I know that I have the idol. But people like Rick and Brandon, Edna, want to find the idol, so we've got to pretend like, *“Look, we found it!”*
7. **Sophie (1/1):** You know, this whole prayer thing, for me, it doesn't weigh as heavily on my mind because I'm not the one speaking the prayer. I find Coach to be a little more questionable when he actually is the one saying, you know, *"Dear God, help us find the idol,"* when he knows he has the idol in his pocket. I-- it gives me a little bit of an icky feeling.
8. **Coach (4/5):** So Sophie and I went to unearth the idol. Lo and behold, it was two for the price of one. Tree Mail rolled up on our doorstep and now we're going to roll up a victory in this challenge.
9. **Brandon (1/1):** We actually all said a prayer, asked God for help to find the idol, and we just hear, *“We got Tree Mail.”* Not only did they get the Tree Mail, we found the idol, not even five minutes after we got done praying. It's definitely an advantage having-having the Big Guy upstairs on your-- on your tribe.
10. **Cochran (3/9):** Before the challenge, Ozzy reassured me that in the event that we lost, Ozzy would say, *“Send me, Ozzy, to Redemption Island, and come back and restore our numbers.”* But after I, uh, blew the challenge, it seemed like that plan went out the window. I mean, I knew immediately that I was the next target. I really did feel like crying, but, you know, I-I just stayed as strong as I could and put up with it.
11. **Edna (2/2):** This reward and immunity is so important for our team and we feel great having this private screening of the new movie with hot dogs and pretty much unlimited candy.
12. **Coach (5/5):** *"Jack and Jill,"* loved it. I love Adam Sandler. Personally, I'm a fan. It was good because it was funny, but at the same time, there was a message, and the message was, hey, family comes first. It's a great message for us to be reminded that going into these days to come, it will get tough. It will get to be a point of compromise. But we have to be uncompromisable as a unit. Unbreakable, that's what our tribe is, and now we're ready to play the second half of this game.
13. **Cochran (4/9):** So we get back to camp after this devastating loss, which I guess, apparently, I caused. You know, I've always felt like an outcast on-on my tribe, but this was a real-- a huge-- this was-- this was a new level of-of ostracism, and it felt horrible. That loss just killed me.
14. **Cochran (5/9):** You know, at that moment, the-the high I had been experiencing from the knowledge that, really, I wasn't going home in any event. I-I was-- I was safe, nobody was going to kick me off. That-that evaporated instantly, and I-I knew immediately that I was the next target.
15. **Ozzy (3/5):** It's a risky move to send Cochran to Redemption. It's a riskier move to send me into Redemption and have the merge be delayed one more challenge. Cochran volunteered to go to Redemption. It's going to be his chance to redeem himself.
16. **Cochran (6/9):** I mean, basically, what it comes down to, is instead of sending Ozzy, the *Trojan Horse*, to Redemption Island to shock everybody in a merge and destroy Christine, and-and even the odds, they're sending the court jester. And I don't know what I'm supposed to do apart from a-a funny little dance or shake my hands around in a comical manner. Uh, it's not going to win the challenge and, uh, it's probably not going to get that many laughs so I don't know what-- what they're-- what they're hoping for. (29:34 → 29:45 = 11s)
17. **Cochran (7/9):** Everybody was on board with voting me off, and what made it worse was that they had this kind of weird kumbaya rationale for voting me off that only confirmed their-their belief that I should go, so I'm terrified. I don't need to be a hero at Redemption Island. I don't-- I don't need to be the person that saves my tribe. I'm not here to be a hero. I'm here to-to-to make it as far as I can, whether that means, you know, slithering on the ground or-or-or whatever. I don't want to shine right now. I'm willing to shine later, or I'm not just gonna shine at all. I just-- I just don't want to go to Redemption Island.

Day 18

1. **Ozzy (4/5):** Yesterday, before Cochran cost us the challenge, I told him that I'd be willing to go sacrifice myself, go to Redemption, beat Christine and get back in this game and give our tribe an edge. And last night, I had some crazy dreams about actually doing what I said I was gonna do. I had to bring the idol out of my hiding spot, just so everybody really knows I actually do have it. I might as well make a grand entrance. Everybody thinks that this is Cochran's opportunity, that he should going to Redemption and redeem himself but I came to redeem myself, so it's my opportunity, really. The question is, you know, will the tribe go along with my idea?
2. **Cochran (8/9):** Ozzy comes waltzing into camp with this, uh, this pearly necklace around his neck and-and-and-and saying, *“Vote me out. Send me to Redemption Island.”* Ah! It was like the gospel. I-I-I-I could have-- I could have died right there. (32:52 → 33:03 = 11s)
3. **Cochran (9/9):** The reaction to Ozzy announcing that he would be willing to go to Redemption Island was met with some opposition, so I don't-- I don't know what's going on right now and-and it's creeping me out.
4. **Keith (1/1):** Ozzy is talking about going to Redemption Island but I won't agree with it. What worries me most about the plan is that the merge is not gonna happen like we think it is. We are only as strong as our weakest link, and that's Cochran. And so Cochran's left to basically pull the rest of the weight that Ozzy left behind, and I don't really know what much hope we have for a-- for another team challenge.
5. **Jim (1/1):** If we're wrong about there being a merge after the next Redemption Island, the biggest deal would be if we have another challenge and we're down Ozzy, and all of a sudden, Dawn's our third guy, Cochran would be our fourth guy. Scary position to be in.

Redemption Island

1. **Ozzy (5/5):** The move to get myself voted out is probably either the stupidest thing I could have done or it's one of the most iconic moves in *Survivor* history.