

I wouldn't let my husband see the children if he cheated on me

LORRAINE Keane may be all smiles but you don't want to get on her bad side as she has said she would castrate her husband and not let him see their children if he ever cheated.

The former TV3 presenter told RSVP magazine that she does firmly believe that marriage can survive infidelities, but she might not be so forgiving if the tables were turned on her.

She said: 'I know lots of people who have survived it, and for some couples, it has made them stronger.' She added jokingly: 'My own personal reaction would be I would castrate him and never let him see the kids again! Ah no, I think you have to trust people.'

The former Xposé anchor is married to musician Peter Devlin, whose work often takes him on the road. But while the distance may prove tough, Ms Keane insists that groupies are something she will never have to worry about. Not mincing her words, she

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told RSVP: 'You know, it's probably a bit complacent of me to say this, but I would probably worry less about Peter being out on the road with groupies than I would previous boyfriends that were salesmen or in an office, and that's because of Peter's character. He is very honourable.'

The couple have been married for over ten years and have two children, Emelia and Romy. Ms Keane also revealed her secret to a solid marriage in February's RSVP. She said: 'Communication and making time for one another. My mother says 'don't forget what you fell in love with, because they are usually the things that drive you mad after a long period of time!'

Ms Keane made the surprise decision to step down from TV3's Xposé in 2009 to spend more time with her children, then aged two and five.



On the road: Lorraine's husband, Peter Devlin

Dingle hotel voted best in the world for a bargain stay

By Laura Lynott

A HOTEL run by a husband and wife team has been named the best in the world for a bargain by holidaymakers.

The Castlewood House hotel, in Dingle, Co. Kerry, has been named the world's No.1 hotel for value by holidaymakers via the TripAdvisor website.

More than 700,000 hotels across the world were selected as part of this year's awards but the 12-bedroom hotel on the banks of Dingle Bay was the winner in the best-value category.

The €45-a-night hotel also ranked 7th in the world and 2nd in Europe in the category of small hotels.

Owner Brian Heaton, who works alongside his wife Helen, said it was 'an attention to detail' which helped the hotel gain recognition. 'We are delighted with the award,' Mr Heaton told the Mail.

'We are a family business and we have put everything in to providing a relaxed and distinct atmosphere for our guests.'

'Each bedroom is different and boasts a bathroom with power shower and Jacuzzi bath.'

With sweeping views of the bay as it opens up in to the



World's best-value break: The Castlewood House in Dingle

Atlantic, the hotel is a firm favourite with guests. Mr Heaton said: 'Our breakfast menu is also award-winning. We present each on a tray, so there is a real sense of occasion when guests sit down to eat.'

The breakfast menu includes dishes such as eggs benedict and pancakes.

The owner said: 'All our food is bought locally and prepared fresh on the day, and guests from the US, Australia, the UK, Ireland, and from all corners of the earth, come here and many return again asking for the same rooms or to try different ones.'

The hotel is situated by the bay but is only a few minutes'

walk from the town centre, which has bars that play music every night.

Castlewood House, currently closed for refurbishments, is to re-open next month.

Overall, Ireland's best performing town was Killarney, home to 16 winning properties in this year's awards - better than Sydney, Bangkok and New York.

Now in their 12th year, the TripAdvisor awards honour the world's most outstanding properties in the categories of top hotels, bargain, B&Bs and inns, family, luxury, romance, and small hotels.

Travellers' Choice award winners were determined based on

the opinions of millions of travellers across the world.

In the Ireland awards, Harvey's Point in Donegal town was named the country's No.1 hotel.

The Killarney Park Hotel was crowned No.1 luxury hotel while Kelly's Resort Hotel & Spa in Rosslare topped the family hotel category.

Bay View House Bed & Breakfast in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, was named Ireland's best B&B.

Elsewhere, the residents of Pontresina, Switzerland, have much cause for celebration this year as the city's Grand Hotel

'Our guests love coming here'

Kronenhof claimed the big win with the title of the world's top hotel for 2014.

'For the 12th year running, these awards recognise the finest hotels across the globe according to those that really matter - the travellers themselves,' said James Kay, a TripAdvisor spokesman.

'With more than 700,000 hotels in the running this year, what a fantastic achievement for an Irish hotel to be named the best in the world for a bargain.'

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Tough cookie: Lorraine Keane is no fan of infidelity

Over 800 people arrested for Christmas drink-driving

MORE than 20 people died on Irish roads over the festive season, while 800 were arrested under suspicion of drink-driving.

In total 805 were arrested under suspicion of drinking and driving, compared to only 413 arrests for the same period at the end of 2012.

A total of 21 people were killed on the roads, compared to 6 in the same period of 2012.

More than 8,000 mandatory alcohol testing checkpoints were set up across the country

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as part of the Christmas Enforcement campaign. An average of 22 people were arrested on average each day for intoxicated driving; with 11 on Christmas Day, 45 on New Years Day. The Garda operation to catch drink-drivers was stepped up in Christmas 2013 to catch more offenders.

In December 2012 only 26,500 people were breath-tested compared to 44,000 tests

carried out on motorists between December 1, 2013 and January 5, 2014. The results clearly show that the higher the Garda visibility, the more arrests were made.

Assistant Garda Commissioner John Twomey said: 'Even on Christmas Day, when families should be enjoying each other's company, 11 people were arrested for drink-driving. These people put themselves and others at significant risk.'

In total, 190 people were killed on Irish roads last year, which represented an

increase of 28 on 2012. This rise in road deaths was called 'disappointing' by Mr Twomey after years of continual decline.

Mr Twomey said: 'It is very disappointing that there was an increase in road deaths in 2013 after so many successive years of reductions. Minister for Transport Leo Varadkar, who was speaking regarding the Road Traffic Bill 2013 in Seanad Éireann yesterday said he aspired for the new legislation to cut road deaths and accidents on Irish roads.'

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