

PATCH UP A PENGUIN!

The South African sea bird sanctuary that saves injured penguins like Bandit...

PENGUIN A&E WITH LORRAINE KELLY

Tuesday, 9.00pm Channel 5 *Factual*

When a very poorly penguin with a fishhook in its stomach arrived at South Africa's biggest emergency unit for sea birds, staff feared he wouldn't make it.

But amazingly, this African penguin survived the traumatic process of removing the hook. His bad behaviour afterwards, however, led the team at the SANCCOB sea bird sanctuary in Cape Town to name him Bandit!

"He can't be released until the staff know the hook hasn't damaged his

stomach," says Lorraine Kelly, who presents this two-part documentary. "But he's not happy to be here and is biting other penguins that go anywhere near him."

Love bites!

Staff at SANCCOB deal with all sea birds, yet it is the African Penguins that need the most care.

The sanctuary saves more than 1,500 penguins a year, but Bandit is the star of the show – and it's not just the other birds who have to watch out!

"He's proving a handful

for the vets," says Lorraine. "He's giving people cuts and bruises. They call them "Bandit's love bites", but I think they'll be relieved when he goes back to the wild!"

Yet Bandit's boldness soon helps several young penguins... "The little ones were nervous when they were released on the beach," explains Lorraine. "But Bandit heads straight for the ocean and gives confidence to those who follow him. Well done, Bandit!"

Penguin pal... Lorraine heads to South Africa



Lorraine Kelly meets one of the patients



Penguin A&E

DOCUMENTARY / 9.00pm / C5

NEW This programme needs a cuteness warning, because the sight of a fluffy penguin chick snuggling up to a cuddly toy – its surrogate mum – is too adorable for words. But there are also plenty of tense moments in this four-part series, presented by Lorraine Kelly, which follows staff at a penguin rescue centre in Cape Town, South Africa. Helping penguins who have been hit by cars, bitten by dogs or swallowed fish hooks is all in a day's work for the dedicated team, as is being nipped by some of the more feisty patients. ★★★★★ JE



NEW!

Penguins A&E With Lorraine Kelly

CHANNEL 5, 9PM

The clue is in the title: this is indeed a doc in which Lorraine journeys to Cape Town in South Africa, where a species of penguin live far away from their usual icy abodes. Lozza meets the team who help the endangered species at Africa's busiest (only?) penguin emergency dept.

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Penguin A&E

- Behind-the-scenes look at a penguin hospital in South Africa



Bird box

PENGUIN A&E WITH LORRAINE KELLY
Channel 5 9pm

Lorraine heads to Cape Town in this four-part series to meet the people who treat local penguins when they become sick or injured. In tonight's opener, vet Natasha has to act quickly when Bandit the penguin is admitted with a fish hook in his stomach, while the 'penguin patrol' heads out to keep the birds away from the city's most dangerous spots – which is easier said than done.