



Program Alert – March 14, 2007

Intrepid Canadian Stormchaser George Kourounis Heads into Wild Weather – Again – in Season Two of *Angry Planet*, March 26

While many Canadians wish to evade the barrage of winter weather pummelling the nation this season, daring stormchaser George Kourounis eagerly heads into the heart of these storms – and other natural phenomena – in another thrilling season of OLN's hit series ***Angry Planet***. Beginning **Wed., March 26 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT**, season two of the series follows Kourounis as he delves deep into the wet caves of northern Vancouver Island, sustains the ferocious forces of Hurricane Dean in Jamaica, dives with Galapagos sharks in Hawaii and chases storms across Australia – of course! Throughout the 13-part series, get a behind-the-scenes look at the adventures and misadventures of Kourounis as he explores the continuing disintegration of the environment and some of the world's most natural – and unnatural – weather phenomena.

****Media Note**** Download photos for *Angry Planet* at www.ctvmedia.ca/oln.

Highlights from the second season include:

***Angry Planet*: “Island Caving”**

Wed., March 26 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

Kourounis descends deep into the northern wilds of Vancouver Island to find out where the rain goes by exploring the deep, wet caves that pepper the area. Accompanied by a group of hardcore cavers from Alberta and British Columbia, join Kourounis as he delves into four different caves that lead deep into the earth... but it isn't as easy as it seems. Watch the group rappel 40-metres, swim through waterfalls and kayak into the caves to explore the dark river running deep under ground.

***Angry Planet*: “Hurricane”**

Wed., April 2 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

Teaming up with legendary stormchaser Jim Leonard, Kourounis tracks Hurricane Dean as it makes its way across the Caribbean – eventually building to Category 5 strength. The pair fly to Jamaica to intercept the storm and get right into the action as it pounds the shoreline of the island. Then, follow Kourounis to Nova Scotia to experience the even bigger turmoil of Hurricane Noel as it slams into the iconic Maritime village of Peggy's Cove.

***Angry Planet*: “Waterspouts”**

Wed., April 9 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

Waterspouts are the nautical cousins of tornadoes – spinning whirlwinds of water vapour that menace mariners and exposed shorelines. Kourounis uses a motorboat, a van and small plane to try to get up close to these freak winds in the Florida Keys – home to more waterspouts than anywhere else in the world. While exploring the southern tip of Florida, he gets a chance to meet some of the 25 million alligators that live in the Sunshine State.

Angry Planet: “Hawaii – Surf and Snow”

Wed., April 16 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

In this episode, Kourounis explores the wild side of Hawaii. Watch as he swims with Galapagos sharks; fights the snow-covered blizzard conditions at the top of Mauna Kea; has his teeth cleaned by Peppermint Cleaner Shrimp 25 metres below the sea; explores one of the toughest surfing beaches in the world; and gets his boots lit on fire by Kilauea, one of the world’s most active and spectacular volcanoes.

Angry Planet: “Hottest & Coldest”

Wed., April 23 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

In an attempt to explore extremes in temperature, Kourounis heads to one of the hottest and coldest locations in North America – Death Valley, California; and Snag, Yukon, respectively. Temperatures in Snag, Yukon, have plummeted to as low as –62 C, while Death Valley temperatures have reached a staggering 56 C. In both locations, Kourounis meets ultra marathon runners testing themselves against the searing heat of Death Valley and the bone-chilling cold of the Yukon. Watch as Kourounis tries his hand at running through the desert and dog-sledding through the northern snow.

Angry Planet: “Thunder Down Under”

Wed., April 30 at 8:30 p.m. ET/9:30 p.m. PT

When summer starts to heat up, the thunderstorms and winds start to blow across the great plains of North America. In early December, the same thing happens across the dry and dusty Australian Outback. Kourounis heads “down under” to meet up with Aussie stormchaser Jimmy Deguara where the pair head out “back a buggary,” as the Aussies say, to witness storms sweeping the nation. While in Oz, Kourounis explores the Great Barrier Reef, and when the opportunity arises to see how painful the sting of the venomous Box Jellyfish is, well, he has to have a go, doesn’t he?

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