CATSCAPADES 2022

Wackhead is a very handsome (well he thinks so) young man from the Kalahari. He wants go to Hollywood hoping to start an acting career there. On the bus he meets a dancer called Moonwalker and encourages him to join on the journey. When they finally arrive, they meet a very smooth casting agent, Kingsley. After the auditions, Wackhead actually succeeds in being cast in a film called Coco Vanilla, produced by Jupiter Pictures. A few days later he joins some of the cast members in a script read-through. He immediately likes Hinky Dinky, Stella, Danny, and Danny's son, Danny boy. Afterwards Wackhead is dismayed on learning how small his role is and tries to weasel his way into more time in the spotlight via the script writers. In doing that he unwittingly ends up angering Lacosta, a popular yet spoiled child actress with gorgeous curly hair. She promptly assigns her bodyguard, Skairin to intimidate Wackhead but it has no effect.

The next day the assistant director **Raphael** informs the cast members and crew that Lacosta's room was ransacked, and her jewellery stolen. Lacosta tells the unit manager, **Nighthawk**, that it can only be Wackhead. He promptly gets dragged to the police station and locked up.

The crew members decide to organise a rock concert to fund Wackhead's bail. **Hansom**, Hinky Dinky, **Thunderstruck** and **Scooter** will be the band members and they're calling themselves **Madness**.

They meet at a **super**-cool restaurant called **Much More Munch.** The owner, a retired cameraman, **Leeuloop** agrees to let them rehearse at his venue.

One evening, the waitress, **Bunny** asked if she could sing with the band. Her voice was like a **soft dream**, and she was really **Easy on the Eye**.

Meanwhile, back on set, things weren't going well. The new actor, **Aurora** who replaced Wackhead, was really bad. The other cast members try to persuade the producer, **Chandon**, to finance Wackhead's bail in the meantime, but he refuses to budge.

Back to the robbery investigation, Chief Inspector **Casper**, discovers a box buried underneath the make-up caravan. Inside is a beautiful **tiara** with **diamonds**, **Sapphires** and **Tanzanite**.

Upon questioning, the makeup artists **Marigold** and **Altaya**, admit that they found the jewellery in **Oro**'s bag and hid them, intending to sell the stuff later.

Constable **Lemoen** immediately arrests Oro. The two make-up artists are also taken in for questioning.

What to do? The production can't continue without Marigold and Altaya, never mind Oro.

The writers are summoned, and **Lyn** tells them to rewrite sections of the movie to work around the Oro problem. Now that Wackhead has been released, they are told to also **spice** up his role a bit and get rid of the replacement actor.

Several of the writers are not very happy about the extra work, but **Arien** promises them a bonus if they can save the production. They realise they have no **choice** and agree to gather at the restaurant for a brainstorm session. There they hear Bunny singing and decide to make her a star in the movie.

The producers are all sold on this idea, but they insist that the rehearsals for the rock concert can't continue as the bandmembers being crew members, and Bunny need to focus on the movie only. And after all, Wackhead is a free man now.

This upset everyone. **Jude**, who is a real **rebel** wants the crew to go on strike. **Medusa** steps in and convinces them not to. She even offers them a few cases of **Muskat** wine for the wrap party if they don't go ahead with the strike.

Once the filming is under way again, Lacosta is furious upon learning that Bunny plays a new character overshadowing hers. She persuades **Bogdana** to write in an extra scene where Wackhead poisons Bunny, hoping to get rid of both of them at the same time. When **Rockefeller** the director reads the new poisoning scenes he demands to know, who initiated this.

Lacosta is given a final warning and she goes into a momentous sulk.

The next evening, she sneaks into Bunny's caravan and pours **strawberry** syrup on all the costumes. As leaves the caravan to get away with Skairin on his **Kawasaki** she's surprised by Medusa and **Bluebelle** returning from set. Lacosta tries to run away, but trips over an **alley cat** and falls. When they get to her, Lacosta only manages to sob "All I wanted was a **Cuddle Buddy**! And where are my pearls? It's not fair! You haven't found my pearls yet."