

Abbotsford Man Hospitalised After Stupid ‘Love Actually’ Stunt

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ABBOTSFORD, BC – For one 27-year-old Abbotsford man *love actually hurts* after an attempt to make Christmas magic over the holidays turned into something tragic. Curtis LeClaire is in serious but stable condition in an Abbotsford hospital following an ill-conceived attempt to emulate a popular scene from British holiday film ‘Love Actually’.

In the movie, actor Andrew Lincoln is madly in love with his best friend’s new wife, played by Kiera Knightley. He finally manages to tell her how he feels – on their doorstep on Christmas – by displaying funny and romantic cue cards while pretending to be carolling. Like the movie, LeClaire was recently the best man at his best friend’s wedding. Unlike the movie however – where the protagonist wins the girl’s kiss – the lovelorn LeClaire received only a punch to the jaw.

According to eyewitnesses, LeClaire approached the townhouse door of his best friend and new wife and, following the film script scene-by-scene, turned on some music and started to display his own cue cards. The new bride’s husband – LeClaire’s

best friend – became suspicious after hearing that there were ‘carollers at the door’, allegedly asking “Who actually goes carolling anymore?” After discovering the messages on the cue cards, LeClaire was attacked.

Remembers neighbour Janine, “I totally knew what he was doing – I seen [sic] that flick before. So I watched. Cuz he can’t have thought that movie shit would work?” The real-life Keira Knighley in this case is Jennifer (who declined to offer her last name). She asked, “Did he think I’d find that romantic? That I’d just leave his best friend for him? To be totally honest, it was creepy.”

Riley O’Rourke, the officer on duty at the time, refused to comment on whether charges would be pressed, but did mention that “some crimes are just worth committing.” When reached for comment at the Abbotsford Regional Hospital, LeClaire refused to speak to us, instead making sounds that could only be construed as jello-sucked-though-a-straw.

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