

EPISODE 212: "THE SWING VOTE"

stranded in ARUBA



OJEDA, NIGHT 20

After having successfully voted off Rafe, the Caquetios alliance can taste victory.

Melinda - Ok, so we're at the final 6!! 😊 If you, Courtney, or I win the next IC, it is in the bag!

Misty - Yeah. But we have to make sure whatever the case that Bobby does not go to Gary and Morgan or vice versa. We have to make sure he stays on targeting those two. I'll keep close to Morgan and Gary to make sure on my end as well.

When Melinda goes to Bobby, is she attempting to play both sides or keep him close and strengthen her alliance with Misty/Courtney?

Melinda - Alright, so what do we do now? I was really thrown off by that last minute change-up, I still voted for Morgan though, did you vote for Rafe?

Bob Dawg - yeah, I want to make sure I'm still looked at as loyal to the other side, i assure you its benifical for both of us. You do realize that we only have eachother now? We have to work on Morgan

Melinda - Alright, yep. I'm worried they have a final 4 deal together tho... :-/

Bob Dawg - Its not in Morgans interest to stay with them, shes the next one out

Melinda - What about Gary? Where do you think he stands? Because after Misty gave her immunity to Courtney tonight, it is pretty obvious the two of them are unbreakable.

Bob Dawg - Hes on their side, no question about it. We have to tagteam on Morgan

Melinda - Alright. Who should we target?

Bob Dawg - It depends.

After losing his closest ally, Bob Dawg tries to change the game. At the same time, Misty also tries to secure her future through Morgan.

Bob Dawg - **CONFESSIONAL** - Actually its kind of good we got rid of Rafe, he was just such a wildcard

Bob Dawg - Listen, I know I've lied to you in the past, and I'm sorry, its just a game. You're a great player and you would do the same to me. I know you like Misty/Courtney, but they have the idol. Can we at least team up to get rid of the idol? *pleads*

Morgan - How can I trust you? considering I do not trust anyone in this game right now.

Bob Dawg - Think of it this way. Gary has an alliance with Misty/Courtney. Your the next one gone, i assure you. You're useless to their cause. Pm me if you want to continue

Morgan - Okay I just got this one, ignore my last one, so is Melinda with you then for sure?

Bob Dawg - Well, can he be strongarmed into it? By the way, a tie is broken by the immunity winner.

Morgan - Okay well I am in for sure, don't worry I will have Gary with us, so we can use him for majority. However I will keep chatting up Misty and Courtney and act like im still with them so they don't feel vulnerable come tribal and use the idol you see. So, just play your cool game, and let Melinda in on this info Uhm I'll talk to Gary aswell so we can stay in a good position.

Bob Dawg - Listen, Courtney still has the idol, so we'll target her alright? And one more thing. I just spilled my guts. Do you have any trust in me at all?

Morgan - huh? what do you mean spilled your guts? I do have trust in you 😊 I just sent a mass ass PM to Gary explaining to him why we should get Misty and Courtney out now.

Misty - I was so happy that Rafe didn't show up tonight. I bet he regrets it now. I'm a little worried about what Jeff said earlier though...

Morgan - Yes, me too. and I thought i'd be going home lol.

Misty - You'll be fine. So have Bobby or Melinda talked to you yet?

Morgan - Uhm na, why so?

Misty - Just checking. I thought Bobby might try to explain why he voted for you. 😊

Morgan - CONFESSIONAL - And ofcourse it's Morgan in the middle, just how I like it 😊 cos' that way I am the extra vote, it'll get me to the final 4 and that way I can give it my all in the final IC and *hopefully* pump out a win. However I am trying to go with the weaker sided alliance, ofcourse; Courtney, Gary and Misty, a lot of arrogance, Melinda trying to scheme on everyone and Bobby having numerous friendships and alliances, they are most hated by the Jury, but however will be harder to beat come the final immunity challenge, so right now I am in a loop, that's right I have proven Shane's assumption wrong, I am in the loop.

Because Melinda did not know about the plan to boot Rafe, Courtney has to backtrack and do some serious damage control.

Courtney - CONFESSIONAL - I am definitely paranoid all the time. I even asked Misty to give me immunity and I am shocked that she did! I

Courtney - Hi Melinda...Wat do you think of that vote? That was not with our original plan...

Melinda - Well, it's fine because we're all still here. I'm kind of throw back by it... did that all come up last minute? I wish I would have known about it sooner.

Courtney - I do not kno if it came up last minute or not but I kno I got it last minute...I just came to camp right before the challenge and I didn't even kno there was a vote today...I thought it was Morgan when you messaged me. So I messaged Bobby and Misty to make sure...Misty told me that we should vote for Rafe...So I did not kno if it changed...That is when I messaged you and told you wat I heard...Bobby then returned my message and said we were voting for Rafe too...So then I thought the vote just changed...So you voted for Morgan then?

Melinda - Yeah, I just stuck by the original plan.

Overnight, Melinda has become the most popular player in the game as everyone is vying for her vote.

Morgan - Hey Melinda, so..have you heard whats going on?

Melinda - Hey, Morgan, no, what is going on??

Morgan - Oh well, Bobby asked me for an alliance, with you, him, Gary. We were apparently voting Courtney off next cos' she has the idol.

Melinda - ok, he talked to me about an alliance but not that you or gary were apart of it. Sounds good, though, the 4 of us til the final 4 then?

Morgan - Yeah, lol. I agreed to it, due to Misty's strength in the challenges and Courtney having the idol, it plays a major roll, so me and Gary are going to bluff with them and make them think were with them 100% and were voting one of you's out and then bam hit them at tribal, right where it hurts

Melinda - OMG that is a really smart idea... honestly, I think they are playing way too many sides...

Morgan - I agree so much, I believe Misty was pulling a lot of strings from the day we merged haha. as long as the 3 best of our 4 go to the final 3, I will be so happy

As Melinda weighs her options, she has to fill Bob Dawg in on what's going on.

Bob Dawg - I think Misty suspects what are on to, and will use the idol. So we'll target Courtney, and hopefully she'll use the idol

Melinda - Do you really think Misty has the idol? I thought for sure Courtney had it... why else would Misty give up immunity to her tonight?

Bob Dawg - She knows what were up to. Shes very bright, I've said it in my confessionals since the beginning, one of the smartest players in this game. She wouldn't make it so obvious that she has the idol

Melinda - why would Courtney give it up to her though? that would be kind of dumb for her to do, don't you think? And Morgan just messaged me saying her and Gary were down with it... so you think we can trust them?

Bob Dawg - Its in their best interests, they logically have to

Melinda - Alright, sounds like a good idea to me too... they are trying to play way too many sides... they think they are alligned with everyone in the game at this point...

Courtney and Melinda continue their conversation from earlier.

Courtney - Have you asked Misty and Bobby why it changed?

Melinda - No, I have no idea! I didn't really agree with the decision, but whatever.

Courtney - Did you tell Misty that? I think we need to decide things earlier as a group so this does not happen again...

Melinda - Yeah, and I thought we had decided... but then she proposed this completely out of the blue... so that was really weird.

Courtney - Yea I kno... Bobby did too when I asked him... Wat has he said about it? I think they are working together becuz they are Outcasts... I think they are both with us 2 tho...

Melinda - I just don't know what the heck is going on anymore in this game... you're the only person I truly trust.

Courtney - Yea i kno... I do not think Misty will turn on me becuz she gave me immunity today... just need to make sure that they do not try to get us out before F4... I am sticking with you and Misty so I will let you kno if I hear anything...

Melinda continues to be the swing vote at this crucial point in the game.

Morgan - So are we in agreement to vote off Courtney next?

Melinda - Yes... but I would maybe have a back-up for Misty in case Courtney wins immunity or something.... i don't know if you can have a back-up vote, but it might be smart...

Morgan - Oh yes, I do, do that. so if Courtney wins immunity, then I vote for Misty instead.

Melinda - Great! OMG how crazy, the game has changed SO much! 😊

Melinda - CONFESSIONAL - Oh wow, what a night. When the last minute thing came up about voting out Rafe instead, I was really taken back by it and not too happy either. I'm not really sure why Misty pushed for Rafe all of a sudden, but it sure as heck makes me wonder about what she might have had worked out with Gary and Morgan... i think it was a really stupid move to be honest... and I hope it comes back to bite her in the butt. After what happened tonight, I definitely trust Misty a hell of a lot less than before... I wonder what kind of deals she has worked out. I'm in a position now in this game that I never have been before... I am really a swing player. Bob Dawg, Gary, Morgan, and I are set to vote out Courtney next TC.

Melinda flops once again and spills the plan to Misty.

Melinda - Ok, well you, Courtney, and I are guaranteed the final 5 if we play this right.... Morgan has messaged me tonight saying she is super excited for the final 4 alliance Bobby proposed to her and Gary that included me because Bobby thinks I am with him of course. She told me she

was pre-voting for Courtney. If Courtney plays her idol, we vote them out 3-0... what do you think?

Misty - Courtney, you and me are guaranteed F4 if we don't need to use the idol at all. I'll talk to Gary and Morgan when I see them to see if it comes up. We'll have to see how it goes and decide what to do from there.

Melinda - But Misty, we are guaranteed final 4 no matter what if we get to final 5... even if one of the 2 people left besides us in the final 5 wins immunity, we have 3 votes to boot the other! Using the idol now is what needs to happen. If you talk to Gary and Morgan about it they are going to know I told! Seriously, I don't understand why save it to the final 5 when we have 3 votes at the final 5 against 2.... that is just not smart at all

Misty - I'm not going to tell them about anything we've said. Don't worry about it. I'll just talk normally with them. That's all. It doesn't even matter if the idol exists as long as we keep Gary, Morgan and Bobby separate.

Melinda - Misty, please trust me on this... I am fairly sure that Gary, Morgan, and Bob will vote out Courtney tomorrow. Having the idol in play at the final 5 does us absolutely no good if all 3 of us are here, and since that is the goal, Courtney needs to play her idol tomorrow but the other 3 CANNOT expect that she's going to do it.

Misty - Okay. We'll see what happens. If they really go with that and one of the three of us wins immunity, we can break a tie anyway so no need to use the idol. If we don't have immunity, we might have to use the idol then.

Melinda - CONFESSIONAL - so now I am in a dilemma about what to do... I am thinking telling Courtney to use her idol tomorrow is a good idea, because Morgan will probably then go and Misty, Courtney, and I can have a 3 person majority in the final 5... but I really don't know what I'm doing yet. I don't know whether Morgan knows I was the vote for her or not, but frankly I don't think it really matters all that much... I think she and Gary will be pretty excited about getting rid of Courtney and setting themselves up in a good position in this game. But I am more confused now than ever in this game. For all I know they all could be playing me, and plan on booting me tomorrow night, which is why I plan on bringing my A game at the challenge. I feel like this is the most important challenge of the game so far for me, so I am really going to work my butt off to try and win it. No matter what happens, I will have some options tomorrow. But I would be so much happier with a guarantee of immunity.

Misty tells her #1 ally and friend, Courtney, all about Melinda's information.

Misty - I continued talking with Melinda right after you left. Turns out Bobby approached Morgan with a F4 alliance with him, Melinda, Gary and Morgan. Morgan went for it and agreed to vote for you tonight. Whatever happens, you, me and Melinda will vote for Morgan. If one of the three of us has immunity, we break the tie normally. If not, you have to use the idol. I can't wait to see Morgan's reaction when she sees what happens. 😬 She thinks she's safe and Bobby is planning his own demise.

Courtney - Thx for letting me know! Wow...

Misty - Yeah. Wow indeed. So will you be around tonight? It's extremely critical for us that all three of us are here. And don't forget to pre-vote in case the unthinkable happens.

Courtney - If Gary has betrayed us then let's vote for him... Gary was supposed to be Arawak's strongest challenger along with Judd... There is no point in keeping him over Morgan if he has turned on us...

Misty - Morgan was the one who went along with it and said Gary would be on it. We keep Morgan and Bobby is guaranteed to work with her. Everyone here regards Gary as the biggest jury threat and Bobby won't let him get any further. Melinda as well.

Courtney - I think he will! He's been going after me for awhile now...He is playing risky so he is not really playing smart...We clearly can't control him and I am not relying on Bobby's intelligence...

Misty - He's going after you because you have the idol! He doesn't care about you personally. He doesn't think you pose any threat in front of the jury. He wants Morgan and Gary out but he also wants to get the idol out of the way also. I think he's a little obsessed about it. We make it through this vote and it won't matter either way.

Courtney - That doesn't make any sense tho! The idol will die on its own after F5 so I think he is just trying to get rid of me becuz I am with you...I will never be safe as long as Bobby is around...I kno I need to make it through this vote but if none of us get immunity we need to make sure people do not vote for us...

Courtney continues to become frustrated with Melinda and contemplates calling everyone out.

Courtney - Yea I will...How do we kno Melinda will stick with us at final 5 tho? She is playing everybody right now and is the only 1 with a real agreement with everyone...

Misty - She has to stick with us at 5. Morgan goes and it's just Gary that everyone wants out. Melinda was with us from the very start. She's told us everything that has been going on and nothing to the others.

Courtney - Well she may stick with you but I'm not sure she will stick with me...She may vote me out and then she knows she will be set for F3 becuz you all need to vote Gary out at F4...

Misty - You mean vote you out at F5? The risk is too big that Gary wins the next immunity if he's not immune at that point. Even then, I don't think Bobby will vote you out over Gary also.

Courtney - Can you explain to me the harm of calling everyone out? I do not think there is any drawback...No one is going to let you get eliminated and the others don't have the numbers to take me out and then have enough votes to remove you or Melinda...

Misty - The harm is that they might shift the target to me or Melinda to ensure our partnership is broken up should they have immunity. We worked hard to get to this point and we're just one vote away from being in the F5. If you want to call people out, we can do that after tonight's vote but I suggest we just continue going along the way we have so far

Courtney - If I call people out then the only people who will vote for you are Gary and Morgan, becuz Melinda and Bobby will not vote for you...So unless Melinda and Bobby stick with voting for me then we will be alright no matter wat.

Misty - I honestly think you are making this more complicated than it should be. This causes too much chaos and makes everyone doubt each other. I know you're worried about F5 but if one of the three of us wins immunity tonight, the whole thing is academic. You will still have the idol to protect you at F5.

Courtney - I trust you but I do not completely trust Melinda...I mean I hope 1 of the 2 of us gets immunity but there is 4/6 chance that we will not...I think it might be better to cause chaos...I am really worried about final 5 becuz if they are going after me they will not give up until I am gone. I think causing chaos and exposing moles will get the others to distrust one another...

Misty - Melinda is with us tonight. She already prevoted just in case but she will be here at 7. She can't afford to lose either you or me at this point or the others will hold all the cards.

Courtney - I have tried with Melinda...She only talks to me about obvious stuff and says she is totally with me but I hear everything she thinks from you...She has not mentioned any of this to

me... I am going to talk to Bobby...I do not think that will cause any harm to you or me no matter what so there is not harm in me confronting him...

Misty - There is harm in that he will think you're hearing things that you're not supposed to hear. Please trust me and don't do anything. I tell Melinda a lot, almost as much as I tell you. Maybe that's why she tells me more.

Courtney - We do not need Melinda if I can make it past this round with the idol...If I do then I make F4 for sure with you and we can at least tie any situation...

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Melinda - Hey Morgan, how are you? Have you talked to Gary or Bob at all today? I haven't been around all day... is the plan still to boot Courtney tonight?

Morgan - It sure is babe 😊 haha yay, just if you could remind Bobby were voting for Courtney that'd be great 😊 uhm and I've spoken to Gary aswell and if you could chat him up too? lol well I am going out tonight so wont be here im prevoting for Courtney and if she wins IC thgen the votes for Misty however.

Melinda - Have a good night!

Morgan - well yeah I will be back asap. so I hope our plan all goes well, just member its Courtney and if she wins ic then its Misty 😊 <3 love hun xx.

Melinda - Yeah I think our plan should work out, I am hoping so anyways! Misty and Courtney are way too close and need to be broken up now, or I think they'll go all the way. I'll talk to the boys when they get on, so no worries. Enjoy your time with your family!

Morgan - thanks babe ilysm 😊 I do agree though, those girls need to be cut apart like sushi? haha i needed something to say haha. I am terrible at punns, 😊 however thanks for the wishes and I hope everything goes well, I prevoted, and I've told the host aswell, so I made two votes, obviously first one for Courtney and if she wins immunity then its Misty duh haha love you xx.

Morgan - CONFSSIONAL - I am just super happy I have made it to final 6 😊, now the claws are really coming out, cos' I am in the best position of the game I could possibly be in! I am now the one controlling everyones strings, and it's fantastic, I am in a majority alliance, and everything is going out to plan!!

Melinda - Have Morgan and Bob Dawg messaged you about tonight? What do you think about it? I honestly think it's in all of our best interests...

Gary - if thats what you wanna do? then ok

Melinda - I am down for it. Courtney and Misty are way too close, and with that immunity idol they worry me... I think this is the big move we can now make 😊 It secures the final 4 for us if Misty doesn't win immunity next round. At first I was kind of reluctant to it, but I think they are trying to play way too many sides... and just the fact that Misty would give Courtney her immunity means they are pretty loyal to each other.

Gary - I agree

Melinda is not the only one playing both sides of the fence. At this stage of the game, it seems like everyone is lying to everyone.

Courtney - Hi Bobby. Just checking to see what you have heard about the vote...

Bob Dawg - I heard its Morgan tonight

Courtney - CONFESSIONAL - I definitely am worried...The hidden immunity idol makes me a target and Bobby has been scheming to get me out! He makes me mad. I am really trying to help him go to the final 3 and all he can do is try to get rid of me to weaken Misty... 🤔. I am wondering if he doesn't care who goes becuz he will be taken to the finals no matter wat. So he is randomly picking people to align with... The paranoia in this game sux...That is y people made fun of me in my last game and I had a billion alliances...It is ironic that I had no alliances this time at the start...I am doing a lot better as you can see! I am so happy I made final 6!!! I am so surprised and happy!vww

Melinda - Alright, just confirming with you, Gary and Morgan will vote with us tonight to blindside Courtney? Hope to see you at the challenge!!

Bob Dawg - No doubt I'll be there. One of the two of us has to win it just in case!

To and fro.

Misty - What about Gary? What's he said?

Melinda - I haven't heard anything from him yet

Misty - Hmm... Okay. We'll see. Let me talk to Bobby. Tell me what you hear fmo him. What do you think about the thing I sent you about causing some confusion?

Melinda - Hmm, I don't know... i think obviously you should campaign to them to vote out Morgan... but I'm not going to or they'll think I am with you...

Misty - Let's get the challenge over with first and then decide. Let's make sure Gary and Bobby are the first to go.

Melinda - Ok sounds good... Gary target first.

Bob Dawg - How are you voting tonight?

Gary - the way morgan told me too 😊

Bob Dawg - which is?

Gary - morgan said that you & melinda are voting for Courtney or Misty depending on IC and that she was voting with you and that I should do the same

CHALLENGE BEACH, DAY 21

Jeff Probst - Today's challenge will incorporate all the aspects of the game thus far. One person will be eliminated as each step of the game progresses. You must rely on the relationships youve made to cary you ahead. It is the quitescential strategy game. It is this game in a nutshell which is why I've saved it until this important stage of the game.

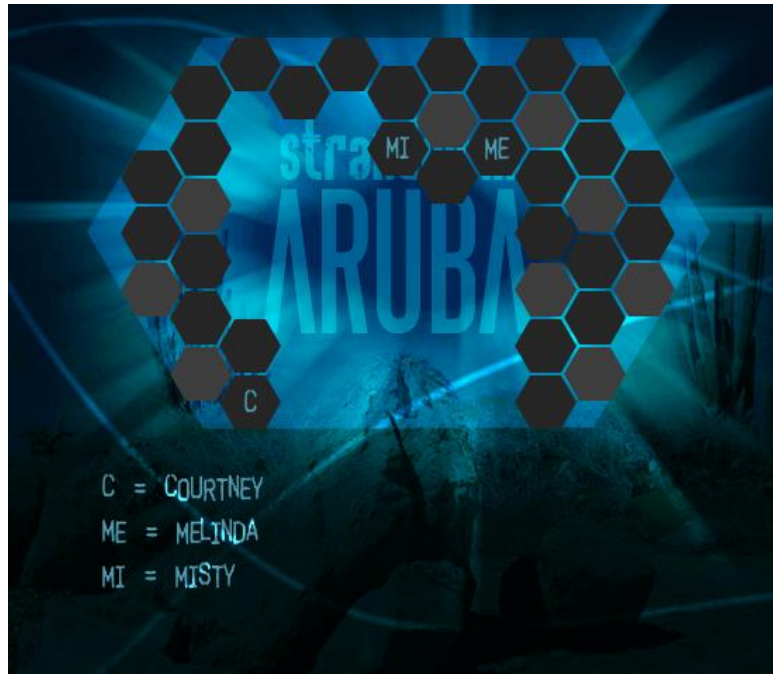
Misty - Here, Jeff! Sounds interesting. How does it work?

Gary - lets do it! the sooner the better

Jeff Probst - You're each gonna pick a place on a playing board. You will then move one at a time in any direction. Once you leave a piece on the board, you can never return to it. You are out of the game when you have no where left to move. The last person standing wins.

Bob Dawg - I ove this game! I play it alot by myself or with friends

First out is Gary, then Bob Dawg forfeits when he realizes it's impossible to win.



Jeff Probst -

Melinda, congratulations, You have won Immunity, it is numerically impossible for Misty or Courtney to win.

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Bob Dawg - YES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! great girl, now you can break the tie

Melinda - Yep, do you think there will be a tie?

Meanwhile, Misty and Courtney get into an altercation over the challenge.

Courtney - Misty! Why did you do that? I could've won...

Misty - I was trying to kamikaze myself and give you as many spaces as possible but it was numerically impossible. We're fine anyway. Don't worry.

Courtney - No I mean when you tried to close off my space! If you had gone after Melinda right away I would have won!

Misty - I was blocking off Bobby. It's more important to make sure Gary and Bobby were out before Melinda. We're cool. Just check with Melinda. And check with Gary how he's voting.

Courtney - Congratulations Melinda! So just checking again...wat is the vote?

Melinda - Misty said Morgan

Just as the vote seems locked in for both tribes, Gary shocks everyone when he warns Courtney of the vote.

Gary - heres the scoop kiddo Bobby/Melinda & Morgan are voting for you you/me & Misty are voting for Bobby you're gonna have to use your idol od Melinda will take you out I have to go to work soon, so I'm telling you now

Courtney - O no! Thx for telling me!

Gary - I'm sending the info to Misty right now

Misty - Okay. Melinda won. So Morgan said the backup was Bobby?

Gary - there's a bit of a problem, Bobby & Melinda got Morgan to vote with them, I didn't get a chance to talk to her today to change her mind. so the votes gonna be 3 bobby vs. 3 courtney I just told her to make sure and use her idol or we're screwed.

Misty - Damn. Okay. I'll give Courtney the heads up.

Gary - I already told her, Bobby thinks I'm voting with them. I gave you my word and I'm sticking with you to the end. this must work without them knowing. I have to leave soon, please make sure this works

Courtney runs to Bob Dawg and informs him of Gary's betrayal, calling Bobby out in the process.

Courtney - Bobby! Gary has just told me that I'm getting voted for tonight so I should use the idol and vote you out!

Bob Dawg - WTF? I've wanted Morgan out for the last few TCs. I know your close to him but hes just trying to save his butt. He'd win in a jury vote, right?

Courtney - Also Bobby I have heard for awhile now you are going after me...It's time to really tell me wat is up and why you are going after me so much...You are trusting the wrong people...

Bob Dawg - You don't get it do you? I have no reason to vote you out. You and Misty have helped me so much in this game, and I would lose in front of any other group but you 2 because I'm an outcast, don't you believe me?

Courtney - Well wat am I supposed to believe when everyone is saying you've been trying to get me out? And you have stopped talking to me and give me short answers...I've been told you rounded up Gary, Morgan, and Melinda to take me out. The idol is getting played tonight so you tell me who should go home...Otherwise guess wat I have to go with...

Bob Dawg - I prevoted Morgan

Courtney - For your sake I hope you have...

Bob Dawg - Oh, and I'm sorry for giving short answers. I have to do school work and take care of my mom, I hope you can believe that

Courtney - Bobby...Are you saying the others are liars?

Courtney - CONFESSIONAL - Ugh I hate Bobby. It is confirmed that he has rounded up everyone to go after me. From here it is Courtney against the world until I'm gone or I win...I guess he thinks I am with Misty or something and will take her to final 2 no matter wat if the 3 of us make the finals...Individual immunity has never been so important becuz it breaks ties...Even if I play the idol tonight there is a chance that the immunity holder with have 2 people vote for me and 2 other people vote for Misty with the idol holder sending her home...That would kill Bobby's chances of winning but he is so greedy and trying to get every advantage he can possibly get that he is possibly going to get his #1 ally eliminated...Melinda is playing everyone and has alliances with all...Right now the way I see it is everyone wants to take the Outcasts to the end so it is a battle between Morgan, Gary, Melinda, and myself to be the 3rd spot...It is like F4 already...Except I have an extra person Bobby always trying to get me out 😞

Bob Dawg runs back to Melinda to tell her about Gary's betrayal.

Bob Dawg - Gary and Morgan told Courtney the plan to vote her out, and she's probably going to use the idol tonight, I hope she won't, I'm doing damage control. You have my back right? We need each other

Melinda - Of course I have your back! So are we voting Morgan now?? I think maybe me and you should in case Courtney uses the idol and they vote for you....

Bob Dawg - Sure, that's fine

Melinda - Alright... hopefully the four of them aren't voting for you... if there is a tie of course I have your back! but hopefully you won't get any votes

Bob Dawg attacks Gary.

Bob Dawg - Fuck you Gary you fucking traitor

Courtney then goes after Gary.

Courtney - I've been told that you, Morgan, and Bobby are voting me out... So what is the truth Gary?

Gary - The truth my dear, is that Bobby, Morgan and Melinda are voting for you this is why I just told you to use your idol, if you just heard that from Melinda, then clearly she's lying to you.

Courtney - Why didn't you tell me this before?

Gary - I was hoping Morgan would be around so I could change her mind. She's not here and now you need to know otherwise we're screwed I swear to you. I'm voting with you and Misty and am sticking by you for the rest of the game, nothing has changed except for Morgan.

Courtney - When did you find this out?

Gary - When I got here just before the challenge

Courtney - Uh huh. Ok Gary... The idol is getting played... I hope you like what happens 😊

Gary - Well, now Bobby knows that I'm not voting with them so please tell me we're voting for him

Courtney - I can't control what happens... I'm using the idol but I can't control who goes home due to it...

Gary runs to Misty for protection from Courtney.

Gary - Courtney's freaking out at me right now, has she talked to Melinda or something

Misty - About using the idol? I just told her what you said, that's all. What did she say?

Meanwhile, Melinda laughs about everything with Misty just as she planned it all along, telling Misty all of their plans the entire day.

Misty - Gary said it's going to be 3-3 Courtney-Bobby and told me to tell Courtney to use the idol. 😊 The idol won't be used today. This is a big one.

Melinda - I think Bob is gonna vote for Morgan now too... he is worried she is gonna use the idol!

Misty - Okay. I'll talk to him too. 😊

Melinda - It's funny how they're scrambling now... I think their plans were to vote out Courtney and thought you and Court would vote for me and then they'd get her to use the idol and take me out.... Haha, I am sure that's what they were looking to pull.... NOW I AM HAPPY

Misty - Brilliant. Gary is freaking out now... 😊

Melinda - I'd almost rather vote out Gary...

Misty - He's an ass who's trying to play both sides when he could have just been honest.

Melinda - I guess you can't blame him because we did it to them too... but we did it better 😊

Misty - **CONFESSIOAL** - I'll be nervous the whole night but if it works out as expected, I can't wait to see the expression on Gary and Morgan's faces. Metaphorically, of course. Should be quite a night no matter what.

TRIBAL COUNCIL, NIGHT 21

Jeff Probst - Come on in guys! Okay, you guys really lucked out, I had planned revenge for Rafe, but he hasn't shown up. He was going to leave a message to one person and then reveal their answers to yesterday's immunity challenge, but since he hasn't shown up 😡...We will cancel that twist.

Bob Dawg - will Judd be here?

Jeff Probst - Ok, Melinda, it's final 6... do you feel proud of how far you've made it? Do you ever imagine you'd make it this far? Melinda, do you want to pull a retarded move like Misty did last council?

Melinda - I would not give up Immunity in a million years 😊

Jeff Probst - Bob Dawg, where do you fit into this tribe?

Bob Dawg - I'm the tribe clown. I guess the Howie Gordon or the Big Tom or Jonny Fairplay of this season. I guess alot of people think I'm strange, annoying, clodish, dispicable, etc. However, I don't have a problem with that. People also think that I'm not trustworthy. I've never said that I'm not playing to win this game, but my plan doesn't involve backstabbing

Jeff Probst - Okay, tonight... I'm going to do something a little different... I'm going to take basic questions from the jury members and reask them to you all.

Misty - This should be good...

Jeff Probst - This question comes from Danielle: To Melinda: Are you thinking about taking who you could win against, or the people who you like personally to the finals?

Melinda - To be honest Danielle, my biggest goal at this point is to just get to the finals. I really did not come here to make friends, I came here to play a game so I can't let friendships get in the way of what I set out to do. If I could just make it to the finals at this point I would be so happy. I'm not going to bring people who I think the jury hates, because I honestly don't know what the jury truly thinks about everyone else. And if I bring people to the finals that everyone hates, the jury might hate me even more for doing that. So right now I just am trying my best to get there, and then see what happens.

Jeff Probst - From Danielle, To Misty: Are you happy playing for second place?

Misty - I've known that the moment I stepped back into the game. I'm doing everything I can to get the people I want to the end. To that end, I've been quite frank with everyone and honest about how I go about things.

Jeff Probst - This if from Judd, To Bob Dawg: Do you feel your ineptitude in every element of the social game destroys your chances of winning? Are you really just playing for 2nd place, and maybe visualizing some great comeback story where you get dragged as a goat and garner respect with your oh-so-brilliant strategy?

Bob Dawg - The ineptitude that you are talking about was thrust on me day 1. I had sense of humor, and appartly you guys will have none of that (humor), unless it involves a worn out, cliched innendo about being gay. I'm not playing as a goat, you have completely misread my game. Tell you what fatty, when you and I have a chance to talk man to man, I assure you that you will change your mind about me, provided that you leave your prejudices at the door

Jeff Probst - From Judd to Misty: Do you feel you've kept a firm grasp of the post-merge game after usurping the power players? Do you think you can continue to hold onto your leadership position and work toward your obvious end game goals?

Misty - That's a brutally direct question but I don't expect any less from you, Judd. I would not say that I'm in a leadership position as you say. But I'm acutely aware that I'm always a target at any one point. Everyone wants to get to the end and I try my best to stay on top of things.

Jeff Probst - From Judd to Melinda: Are you making the necessary moves to impress the jury and put yourself into a more powerful end game position? Do you really, truly think you're a better player than the people you're competing against?

Melinda - Well Judd, I think I am making the right moves to set myself up for a good chance at making it to the finals. I've just guaranteed myself final 5 by winning immunity tonight, and now I just have to survive two more tribals in order to get to my first goal of getting to the finals. I would hope that the jury could respect that I have played a very smart game in order to get where I am, and if I can make it to the finals, I would hope they would judge me on how I played the game, and not use their vote as a way to get revenge on me for taking them out of the game. Everyone has to realize, we all came here with the goal of winning. If you're on the jury, you somehow got outwitted, outplayed, and outlasted, and I think a true player of this game could admit to being duped, accept that fact, and reward the person who got them out for taking out a really good player. I think if you come into this game thinking you aren't the best player, then you aren't. I don't trust anyone in this game more than I trust myself, and of course I believe I am the best player here... I think everyone here should think they are.

Jeff Probst - Okay guys, I'm going to go tally the votes. If you have a HII, and wish to use it, now is the time to do so

Jeff Probst - Okay then, I'll read the votes:

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