

MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL

Magnificent MIUM

After her daughter suffered a horrific accident, Alison Jones set to work on healing her daughter's scars

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It's the phone call every mother dreads. "Mummy, I'm in hospital – I've had an accident." Only for Alison Jones this news was made worse – 10,575 miles worse, in fact – as her daughter, Maddie, was in Australia.

"She wouldn't let anyone else call me," recalls Alison. "She knew I'd freak out – and I did. I was at a garden party at the time; and I was ready to go straight to the airport. Everyone tried to play it down, but I knew I needed to be there."

Of course, getting to Sydney wasn't as simple as buying a ticket. Alison, from Maidenhead, had horses, dogs and a business to take care of. She also didn't want to be in the air while Maddie was in the operating theatre. "I just wouldn't have coped with not knowing what was going on," she says.

In those "horrific 48 hours" before her flight, Alison discovered the extent of Maddie's injuries and how she got them.

Maddie was working in a dressage yard when the horse she was leading got scared, ran past her and kicked her in the face. She was left with multiple fractures, a smashed right eye socket and severely damaged sinuses. Fluid from her brain was also leaking into her eye socket.

"When I got there, she was in a bad way," says Alison, fighting back tears. "She'd already had two operations and I knew she wasn't right. The painkillers just



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weren't touching her. The doctors knew it too, and they were absolutely amazing. They spent 16 hours constructing a model of her face so they could make the titanium pieces to fit her skull. Then they moved her to a private hospital for the complex, but thankfully, final operation."

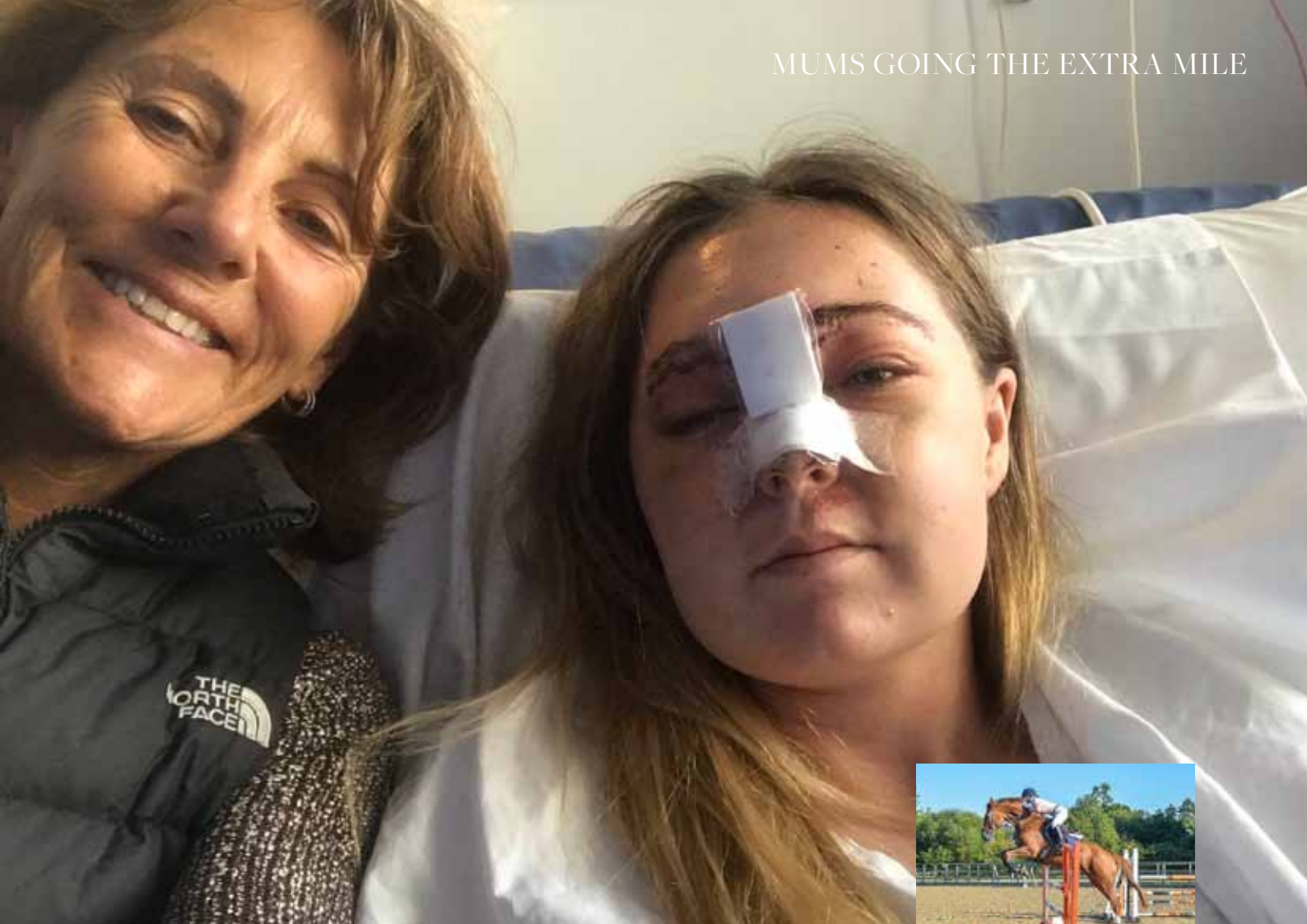
Alison spent every day by her daughter's bedside – including two days in complete darkness as Maddie couldn't bear the light. But the worst was yet to come.

"Coming home without her was

unbearable, but I had no choice," says Alison. "My other daughter was about to get married and although she wanted to call the whole thing off, Maddie wouldn't hear of it. I also had to get back to my other responsibilities. Although her dad was with her, leaving really affected, even traumatised, me."

Despite this, Alison found the strength to channel her emotions into something positive for Maddie – and that 'something positive' was SCENAR, a little-known,

ABOVE:
Alison and
Maddie



ABOVE: Alison flew out to Sydney to be at Maddie's side
RIGHT: Maddie still loves to ride



natural, pain-relief tool she had at her fingertips.

"I first discovered the SCENAR (self-controlled energy neuro adaptive regulator) device 15 years ago and was so impressed with what it could do I re-trained in it, even going back to school to study anatomy and physiotherapy," explains Alison.

The device, which was invented by Russian scientists, encourages the nervous system to redirect its energy to areas of

weakness in the body and is one of the most advanced pain-relief technologies available.

Having successfully treated patients with acute and chronic pain, sports injuries, fibromyalgia and post-operative complications, Alison knew it could make a huge difference to Maddie.

"I'd never used SCENAR on a face before, but I knew it could be done. I invested in the latest, state-of-the-art device, which is so gentle it can be used on

babies, and learned how to use it in cosmetology."

Amazingly, Maddie made it home in time to fulfil her bridesmaid duties and Alison was itching to get to work on her scars. "I was so excited to see what a difference SCENAR could make," says Alison. "It was fascinating and the results, textbook. Black appeared on Maddie's skin as I did the treatment, which is the toxins – and the trauma – being released. After just a few sessions the scars started to improve and I'm hoping she'll soon regain some of the feeling she's lost in her face.

"Maddie is one tough cookie. So strong and so able. I can't tell you how proud I am of the way she's dealt with this. She's quite literally got straight back on her horse."

As we went to press, Maddie was competing at a British Showjumping meet. "Only 120 metres today," says Alison. "But she's aiming for 150 metres. There is no stopping her." And it's a trait she no doubt gets from her mum. ♦
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BELOW LEFT: Maddie suffered horrific injuries and underwent several operations

BELOW RIGHT: The SCENAR treatment has helped with her scars

