

## Let's Hear It For Sharking

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From *Metro*, 14/11/13: *Some may think she is the ultimate feminist, striking a blow for women's rights and their freedom to enjoy life on the same terms as men. Others may describe her differently. Either way, Elina Desaine is revelling in being crowned Britain's horniest student. She has won £500, a crate of alcohol and a year's supply of condoms, after impressing contest organisers by having sex with up to three men a week. Miss Desaine – a former pupil at an independent Church of England girls' school in south London – had slept with only two people before arriving at Exeter University. But she was determined to embrace undergraduate life and broke it off with her boyfriend of two years 'because I wanted to be able to do what I want'. She relishes 'sharking' – a term used at the university for seducing younger students – and sometimes heads out again afterwards in search of her 'next victim'. "I try to keep a list of all my conquests so I don't forget but sometimes I have to put descriptions or question marks instead of names", the 20-year-old said. The third-year computer science student admitted her friends were worried her new title – awarded by the Shag At Uni hook-up website – might make it harder for her to find a job. But Miss Desaine – who insists that all her conquests wear a condom – added: "I hope employers see it as a bit of fun and it shows I am more confident than the average girl".*

I think employers might be a little more reticent than Elina thinks, especially if they hear of her predilection for shagging in 'on the job', so to speak. She was quoted as saying, whilst being interviewed for <http://blog.shagatuni.com/>, "*Feeling horny right now, so might just text someone on my 'shag list' and do it in the computer room (I've done this before, was great!)*".

I barely know where to start deconstructing this one. Let's try this: suppose this story was about a man? Perhaps I'm out of touch, but can you conceive of a man behaving in this way being rewarded with a £500 prize? Consider a man admitting to deliberately seeking out younger, less experienced, girls - specifically and solely to fuck them and dump them - sometimes two a night, and generally 3 per week, often not even asking their names. Would anyone consider this man to be anything other than a scumbag? Does he deserve a prize?

Do note the opening sentence of this article which attempts to excuse Elina's behaviour on the grounds of "*enjoying life on the same terms as men*". What? I doubt that there is a single man in the country who behaves like Elina, let alone the implication that such behaviour is the norm for men.

The really unforgivable thing, though, is that Elina has no care for the danger she is putting her victims way. She has been quoted as using alcohol as an aspect of her 'partying' (and, indeed, won a crate of it). Well, that's fine and dandy for her. But any man who has sex with her when she is under the influence of alcohol is dicing with a possible accusation of rape. The fact that she is a known shagoholic will make no difference. Any time this lady wants, she can turn one of her victims into a rapist. It only takes her word.

And finally, on <http://blog.shagatuni.com/> she is quoted as stating that her ultimate goal is to sleep with one of her university's lecturers. So, you don't give a flying fuck about getting the poor bastard sacked, then, Elina? No, of course not. Rampant entitlement with no responsibility, yet again.