

ASHFIELD

Marriage fallout in the shelter

SCI-FI THRILLER WITH A TWIST

Shireen Khalil

TRAPPED in a nuclear bomb shelter isn't a situation you would want to find yourself in - especially if you're sharing it with your husband and the man with whom you're cheating on him.

Ashfield actor Michela Carattini finds herself facing this situation in the Australian independent sci-fi thriller *54 Days*, which is being filmed at C3 TV Studios in Oxford Falls.

Carattini plays Michelle, one of five people in the shelter facing a challenging set of circumstances.

"I haven't done a sci-fi film before but for me it's more of a psychological thriller and I'm very much interested in exploring the human psyche and how people react when put in specific situations," Ms Carattini said.

"It's a very challenging story to act because it's

MOVIE: 54 DAYS

- Currently being filmed at C3 TV Studios in Oxford Falls
- It follows the journey of five people trapped in a nuclear bomb shelter with hardly any food or water
- Scheduled for release at the Sydney Science-Fiction Film Festival in August
- For a preview, visit innerwestcourier.com.au
- Details: pozible.com.au/54days

dramatic moment after dramatic moment."

The micro-budget feature film is scheduled for release at the Sydney Science-Fiction Film Festival in August.

Pyrmont writer-producer-director Tim Lea is the man behind the 1970s-style movie - his seventh screenplay and the first he's putting into production.

The film is set mostly in the shelter where the five are trapped without enough food and water.



Ashfield actor Michela Carattini stars in the sci-fi thriller *54 Days*.

Picture: ANNIKA ENDERBORG

CAMPSIE/CROYDON PARK/LILYFIELD

Four arrested as police seize large amount of drugs and cash

Steve Stickney

MORE than 140kg of drugs were seized and four men arrested - including Campsie men aged 29 and 66 - as police raided properties in Lilyfield and Campsie last week.

Organised Crime Squad detectives and specialist police from the Tactical Operations Unit confiscated 2kg of methylamphetamine

(‘ice’) and arrested three men when at a Lilyfield property about 4.45pm on April 16.

All three were charged with offences relating to commercial drug supply and police believe they have smashed a major drug ring.

The 66-year-old was arrested a short time later, and was also charged with commercial drug supply and criminal group offences. All

four men were refused bail. After the arrests, police executed search warrants at seven properties throughout Sydney, including three in Campsie, one in Canterbury, one in Riverwood and another in Croydon Park.

At one of the Campsie addresses, a storage facility on Perry St, police allege they found ephedrine, methylamphetamine and cocaine.

At the property in Beaumont Hills, police seized \$460,000 in cash as well as numerous documents and electronic items. Cash, mobile phones and documents were also seized from a number of the other properties.

The Commander of the State Crime Command, Asst Commissioner Mark Jenkins, said the investigation had been a major success.

"This was a complex,

high-level investigation undertaken by shrewd, committed detectives, and it has delivered some outstanding results," Assistant Commissioner Jenkins said.

"The ephedrine seized had the potential to produce about 100kg of methylamphetamine and detectives have arrested a number of key players in what we believe is one of NSW's biggest drug supply rings.

CAMPSIE DRUG BUST

- 136kg of ephedrine seized
- More than 3.5kg of methylamphetamine
- 1kg of cocaine
- 29-year-old Campsie man to face Central Local Court on May 29
- 66-year-old Campsie man remanded in Burwood Court
- 41-year-old Surry Hills man ordered to face Central Local Court on June 10

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