

JOINED BY NEARLY-WEDS ZARA AND MIKE LYNSEY DALGLISH WEDS NICK ROBINSON AS PROUD FATHER KENNY GIVES HIS DAUGHTER AWAY



Lynsey with her proud dad, Liverpool football legend Kenny Dalglish (above). The happy bride and her Welsh rugby international husband, Nick Robinson, are joined by good friends Zara Phillips and Mike Tindall (right). The two couples both became engaged last December and scheduled their weddings within weeks of each other

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With illustrious guests from a variety of sporting arenas, including equestrienne Zara Phillips and her rugby-playing fiancé Mike Tindall, the wedding of Liverpool FC manager Kenny Dalglish's daughter, Lynsey, and her rugby-player beau, Nick Robinson, was always going to be a dazzling occasion.

So when the couple tied the knot on 16 July, there were both tears of joy and high spirits among their friends and family.

"We all got a bit emotional, but then there would be a funny moment and we'd end up laughing," recalls Lynsey in an exclusive interview with **HELLO!**. "That's exactly what Nick and I wanted: a really good laugh with touches of emotion."

Among the 200 guests joining the couple were ex-Liverpool players Alan Hansen, Terry McDermott, Gary Gillespie, Ronnie Whelan and Steve McMahon, along with Nick's former team-mates at Gloucester rugby club, including Zara's husband-to-be Mike.

Lynsey and Nick, both 29, have been close friends with Mike, 32, and 30-year-old Zara ever since Nick started playing for Gloucester two years ago.

Coincidentally, both couples got engaged within a week of each other last December and scheduled their weddings two weeks apart.

"We celebrated our engagements by popping over to Zara and Mike's house for a few drinks," says Lynsey. "Nick and I live near them in Cheltenham and are part of a big group of friends that go out together a lot."

"But we didn't synchronise our weddings so that they didn't clash. They were discussing dates and so were we, and it's just lucky that we didn't choose the same weekend!"

ONE OF THE GANG

As these **HELLO!** pictures show, the two couples enjoy a strong friendship. But Lynsey, from Merseyside, and Cardiff-born Nick insist that it made no difference to them that one of their guests is 13th in line to the throne.

"She's really down-to-earth," says Lynsey. "Zara was just like any other guest and wouldn't expect any special treatment, or appreciate it if you gave it to her. She's one of our mates, and we were happy she was there to celebrate our day with us. She's a good laugh and always fun to be with."

Cutting in, Nick recalls how Zara and Mike demonstrated their sense of fun at the reception.

"Zara abused my dancing so much," he grins. "She told ▶"

