

DAYID CASSIDY WHAT'S HE REALLY LIKE?

When David was in Britain a few weeks ago, he appeared as a guest of presenter Sally James on London Weekend Television's Saturday Scene programme. Unfortunately, viewers outside the London area will have missed this chance of seeing David, so Look-in decided to talk to Sally (lucky girl!) about her meeting with him, just to show that there's no favouritism in our offices.

We kicked off by asking Sally about her first impressions of David.

I don't know exactly what I had expected,' she told us, "but the last thing was that he should come walking into the studio bouncing a football and wearing a Q.P.R. football shirt. I learnt later that he had dodged the hundreds of fans outside and got into our building from the one next door -dressed up as a policeman! He was very charming, which is nice to see in such a super artist, and very lively, which surprised me, as I knew he had just done a concert in Glasgow the night before and had flown down to London that morning. In fact, David was very easy to talk to on my show -and he has got a lovely sense of humour.'

It appeared to us that Sally was quite charmed by her soft spoken

guest. Then she let the cat out of the bag! David, it seems, took rather a shine to her, and invited her out to dinner a couple of times while he was in England. (Don't all you young ladies start getting green with envy well, perhaps just a little then.)

"It was nice to get away from all the security men that surround David wherever he goes," said Sally. "I was able to talk to him much more informally, and find out what the real David Cassidy was like. My first impressions were wrong—he is even nicer than I had thought!

"David, I discovered, nearly always eats fish for his main course, and is rather fond of Scampi Provençale. He loves horse riding, and breeds horses on his ranch in California. One of his mares has, in fact, just given birth to a foal, which he was particularly de-

lighted about. He has two dogs, which he misses when away from home, called Bullseye and Shish."

Why has David decided to give up doing concerts though, we asked?

"Čertainly not because he wants to desert his fans," Sally was quick to point out! "The trouble is that, what with spending most of his time travelling round the globe, David doesn't really have a private life at all, although he can move around more easily in the States. When he's in England, he even has to change his car every two days, or he gets mobbed everywhere he goes.

"I think the truth is, David wants to settle down (he's having a house built in Hawaii) and spend more time writing and producing his music. If you listen to David's albums, you can see the way his music has developed, and I think his best is yet to come!"