

THONG (noun)
Australian loose-fitting open-toed sandal.

THONG FAMILY (nongs)
Australian species whose propensity for self-extinction makes them more endangered than the dugong, the bilby and the numbat.

THE FLAMIN' THONGS



New animated comedy premieres Friday May 9 Screening Weekdays at 7.50am on ABC3

Whale Bay is home to the disaster-prone Thong family and to Australia's least visited tourist attraction, the Giant Thong. But that may be about to change, for all the wrong reasons... During this hilarious 26 x 12 min animated comedy series, follow the fantastic but fanciful plans of the dysfunctional Thong Family – parents Trevor and Brenda, their 12-year-old son Holden and 14-year-old daughter Narelle – as they try to put Whale Bay on the map.

Holden has a wild imagination and ability to construct amazing gadgets from recycled scrap. So, along with his Dad, Trevor's, hare-brained tourist-attracting schemes, Whale Bay is about to be wiped off the map before it's even on one! Barely tolerating their antics is Holden's sister Narelle, who desperately wants to get out of Whale Bay, and his mother Brenda who just wants things to be normal. Given Holden's best friend, Rerp, is a cane toad in a school uniform, there's little chance of that!

Voicing this dysfunctional family are - singer and performer Brandon Burns (Holden); award-winning stage and television writer, performer and character comedian Kate McLennan (Narelle); one of Australia's finest and funniest performers Mark Mitchell (Trevor); and one of Australia's most well-known and fun media personalities, Denise Drysdale (Brenda).

Episode one: The Boy Who Cried Blowflyman – Friday, May 9 at 7.50am on ABC3

After a Blowflyman fan convention, the others mock Holden's insistence that Blowflyman is a real superhero with real powers. He sets out trying to prove it by putting himself in 'peril' from which Blowflyman has to save him.

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