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WHO GOT RHYD OF THE LIGHT

Rival Leon's in the dark

by JAMES INGHAM

X FACTOR runner-up Rhyddian Roberts has been accused of sabotaging Leon Jackson's performance on the show's sell-out tour by plunging his set into total darkness.

The two singing rivals are currently appearing in arenas across the country with their fellow X Factor finalists.

And according to former dinner lady Niki Evans, Rhyddian finally gained revenge on his younger rival by stealing the 18-year-old's limelight - literally.

Plug

Niki, 35, who finished fourth, said: "At the end of his performance Rhyddian jumps off the stage and runs around the side to make way for Leon.

"But the other night he happened to run around the wrong way and step on a plug which turned all the bloody electrics off."



TROUPER: Leon carried on singing

Leon but all the stage went dark behind him. He carried on like a trouper and, bless him, he could see the funny side of it afterwards."

Last year's X Factor final was thrown into controversy when former shop assistant Leon scored a shock victory over bookies' favourite Rhyddian.

More than 1,100 fans complained to

between the two singers' rival camps with Rhyddian, 25, even snubbing the show's end-of-series party in protest at the result.

And although Rhyddian and Leon have since patched up their differences, Niki revealed that Rhyddian still likes to distance himself from the rest of the group.

She said: "Rhyddian is very professional and he needs to have his own space.

"He likes to spend a lot of time on his own.

Gossip

"He generally keeps himself to himself a lot, whereas the rest of us are usually gossiping together over a cuppa."

Meanwhile, Niki is preparing to have £10,000 of liposuction courtesy of MYA Cosmetic Surgeons when the 27-date tour finishes next month.

The singer, who will then be performing at Butlins, added: "I can't wait. I've wanted to have it done for years and now I finally can."

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ACCIDENT: Rhyddian knocked out the electrics



SINATRA STAR: Anthony Frankly spooky

ONE And Only stars Anthony Adams and Katy Setterfield think they are being spooked by their dead idols.

Anthony, 52, who was Frank Sinatra in last night's final, said: "I went to see a film set in New York and out of nowhere Frank's song I Get A Kick Out Of You started playing."

Katy, 37, who was Dusty Springfield, said: "I've copied other singers but when I do Dusty on stage I get a standing ovation, I think it's a sign."

