Goga Ashkenazi is expecting her second child

Billionaire Goga Ashkenazi is preparing for the imminent birth of her second child after keeping her pregnancy a secret.

The divorced Kazakh socialite, a close friend of Prince Andrew, already has a four-year-old son by married Kazakh tycoon Timur Kulibayev, 45 – the businessman tipped to be Kazakhstan’s next president.

Mr Kulibayev, who paid £15 million for Andrew’s former Sunninghill Park home in Ascot in 2008, is believed to be the father of her second child as well, although he is married to Kulibayeva Dinara Nursultanovna, 44, the daughter of Kazakhstan’s president Nursultan Nazarbayev.

Friends say Goga, who has a £28 million home in West London’s Holland Park, remains close to Mr Kulibayev and is expecting any day.

‘Goga has been keeping a low profile,’ says a friend. ‘Her baby is due this week and she’s looking forward to being a mummy again.’

Oxford-educated Goga hit the headlines in 2007 when she had lunch in Ascot with Prince Andrew three days after the birth of her baby. She also had a dalliance with Italian tycoon Flavio Briatore.

The intriguing 32-year-old once said: ‘It is every girl’s dream to have a prince on one arm and a billionaire on the other.’

Interior designer Kelly Hoppen, 52, has found romance with John Gardiner, a dashing businessman and father of three in his late 40s.

The pair were introduced at the 40th birthday party of Marks & Spencer model Lisa Snowdon in London last month. ‘It’s early days, but Kelly really likes John and it seems to be mutual,’ says a friend. ‘Kelly seems really happy.’
Actress Holliday Grainger is presenting the Short Film award at the Baftas tonight – but she would love to give out another gong.

‘I’m really hoping that The Artist will take home best film,’ the 23-year-old Jane Eyre star told me at a dinner hosted by Harvey Weinstein at the Dean Street Townhouse in Soho, London.

‘It is just such a brave and inspired movie. I had cheek-ache from smiling so much while watching it.’

Holliday has been filming new movie Great Expectations, playing Estella. It is out this year.
Being the Duchess of Cambridge doesn’t mean Kate is too grand to nip out of her Kensington Palace home to get her own coffee.

Regulars at Costa Coffee in Kensington Church Street in West London were stunned when Kate, with her new cocker spaniel puppy, walked in from the cold for a skinny latte last week.

‘Kate loves pottering about in Kensington and she wants to be able to do all the chores she did before she was married,’ says a friend.

‘She walks the dog, does the shopping and was in Peter Jones in Chelsea the other day buying underwear for William.’