

SIMPLE CHAPTER--ACTION--GMC/ROMANCE LIST --from a 2005 manuscript

CHAP	DATE	SCENE ACTION	CONFLICT/ TP on ROMANCE or GMC
1/1	8/27 Ryan	Hero comes to town, Hero welcomes warmly by Adelfa and Travis; dad is cold and angry that he showed up.. he has serious injuries from Iraq	Ryan plans to help solve ranch problems, then leave ASAP. His ext goal: help ranch to help his brothers. He and Clint ø get along at all...see first argument
1/2	8/28	Ryan takes dad to town	Ryan hears Kristen's voice. YIKES
12/1	8/28 Ryan	The Meet. Ryan stunned. He remembers she ditched him. Clint is angry at seeing her and walks out.	Hero ø want her to see his med files (pride)..but then caves and has brief appt, to set up patient relationship at clinic so he can get refills. He tries to hide his reaction to her touch.
2/1	8/2 Thurs Ryan	She sags against wall when he leaves clinic, a little breathless.	She reminds self sharply that only Cody and her career matter now. She wants to be solvent & secure. H/H don't trust each other.
3/1	8/28 Fri Kristin	Visits with Miranda, discuss give away.	Hint that Cody is rebellious. Hint that Kristin has already seen that people aren't glad to see her because she is a Cantrell.
3/2	8/28 Fri Cody	He runs off after armadillos.	He gets lost, Kris panics, ...Ryan finds and returns him. He misjudges K's parenting--which rankles. He disappears without another word.
4/1	Kris Sat	Takes Cody & goes to RaeJean's to asks questions re: childcare/sitters	Sees Ruth Holden who is ø accepting--who hints that town still hates K's dad...Ruth is prickly.
4/2	Ryan Sat 8/30	He has appt with Leland. <i>TP: Leland tells Ryan that K's dad Nate stole most of the money--maybe he gave it to her</i> <i>I haven't addressed this well enough w/ Ryan yet (as of ch 12) so I need to go back and fix</i>	Learn Leland was Ryan's mentor. Hear that Leland want to "help" Ryan in any way possible if trouble occurs. Leland refers to investigator who ø find embezzler (later show he hired a crony who ø even look). Hear Garret is gallivanting off to rodeos. HINT --see that Leland is aging before his time . Ryan defensive about suggestions that he can't go back to army. Ryan hears about land consortium, and homesteaders. Leland urges Ryan to tell if he sees anything suspicious.
5/1	Kris Sun 9/1	Nora arrives at Kristin's with horses & hint of a dog coming too	Nora warns of trouble w/ Clint who warred with Nate--hints at Nate's death, too. Stirs up K's curiosity about truth.
5/2	9/2 Kris Tues	Clint & Ryan to clinic, Ryan apparently lost the bet, had to bring Clint again....	Clint rude, warns her away from Ryan. Clint's health poor but he is in denial. Kris is pondering Nora's words and wonders if Clint response for Nate's death?? RESEARCH THE CARDIOLOGY TERMS!!
6/1	9/3 pm Tues Kris	Max, the nurse, shows up first time	Offbeat guy but dedicated, eager, sad about lost wife. Says Clint need to grow up, as he may need Kristin's medical care in future. Makes her laugh.
6/2	9/3 after school Cody	At football practice, he isangry over a time out for hard tackle	Feels sad, left out by kids...feel worse because other kids have dads cheering and he does not. Feels unloved. Perks up at slight attention from Ryan, who offers cell phone

Note that I use this to add reminders to myself, too...if I find in chap 10 that something needed to be set up in Chapter 3, I go back and write myself notes...and then do all the minor fixing when the ms is done. It's so important to keep going and get to the end, and not just muddle around making minor fixes...but if there's something major, then of course I do have to go back and get it right.

NOTE--I keep a running tally of dates and POV here, too...to make sure the dates flow logically, and that I don't totally drop a POV if it has been introduced once