THE BRIDE IS A HE, THE GROOM'S A SHE

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Odd couple . . . bride Susan (an ex-man) and Jim (still a woman—just)

Sex change couple's odd wedding

Another Sun exclusive

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A STUNNED registrar yesterday conducted the weirdest wedding of the year—the bride was a HE and the groom a SHE.

The woman in white, 51-year-old Susan Bond, used to be a burly labourer before her sex swap operation.

And new husband Jim Chapman, 29, the man in the grey suit, is halfway through surgery to change from a woman to a man.

But the amazing Mr and Mrs sex swap saga didn't end there—even bridesmaid Helen Sinclair used to be a fella!

Registrar David Simpson performed the wedding ceremony in Leeds after making exhaustive checks and deciding it was all perfectly legal.

LIKE when groom Jim vowed: "I do take thee Susan Bond to be my lawful wedded **HUSBAND.**"

Afterwards, back home in Seacroft, Leeds, Jim explained: "The official truth is I was the bride and Susan the groom.

Perfect

"But now I'm halfway through my sex change to become a man. Susan had hers done a few years ago.

"A lot of people would think this odd but we just don't care. We are in love.

"I can't wait for our first night as man and wife."

Susan, 6ft 2in tall with tattoos, wore a flowing white bridal gown.

Bridesmaid Helen, 35 (also a former man . . . remember!) said: "They're a lovely couple."

Registrar Mr Simpson said: "Marriage is the union of one man and one woman.

"I am quite satisfied that the people who were married today fit those descriptions. But it does take some believing."

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