JUSTIN'S WORK OUT OF CONTR

He was getting sloshed over the festive season, was caught meddling with drugs, is rumoured to be single again and has had to deal with his Beliebers self-mutilating over him: 2013 probably hasn’t started out with the type of bang Justin Bieber was hoping for. And it seems that this year’s about to get a whole lot worse.

Over the holidays, Justin and his BFF, Lil Twist, went to Mexico to celebrate New Year’s Eve. The pals started partying hard almost immediately, with Justin posting a pic of vodka on his Instagram account. He later removed the pic, despite the legal drinking age in Mexico being 18. Lil Twist then posted a photo on his Twitter account of himself popping open a bottle of champers alongside Justin, with the post, “2013 we gettin ready! #WildKidz #YoungRichGang!”

Only last year, Justin admitted in an interview that he’s only ever “had a beer”, and before that he said he didn’t like drinking because he wasn’t too keen on the taste of alcohol. So, is Lil Twist to blame for Biebs’ new penchant for partying, or has Justin just become more careless about trying to hide his wild side?

Those close to the star say it’s the former. “Friends and family are deeply concerned that Twist has become a powerful negative influence in Justin’s life. They feel very strongly that he needs a clean break from the rapper, or else bad things are going to happen.” Unfortunately, some of these bad things already have happened.

The day after the pals celebrated New Year’s Eve, Lil Twist borrowed Justin’s white Ferrari, and was stopped by the police for speeding. Paparazzo Chris Guerra, who was following Justin’s car, was hit by another car and killed. According to sources close to the photographer, he was trailing the Ferrari because he suspected the singer was in it, smoking marijuana. And it seems that he was onto something.

A few days after the fateful accident, pictures of Justin holding what looks like a joint were leaked. According to sources who were at the same hotel party, the singer was smoking weed rolled by his good friend Lil Twist – and he apparently does so quite often.

Since the scandal broke, Justin hasn’t admitted to smoking weed, but he did write on Twitter, “Every day growing and learning. Trying to be better. You get knocked down, you get up. I see all of you, I hear all of you. I never want to let any of you down. I love you.” He added: “We are ready. See you all tomorrow and every day after that. Back on tour tomorrow. Ready to see you all smile. Time to do what I’m supposed to be doing. Performing.” If the pop star thought that tweet was going to get him off the hook, well, then he was

BIEBS A BAD BOY
It seems that the lifestyle of the rich and famous has finally dragged Biebs in

SELF-MUTILATING BELIEBERS
Since the controversial pictures of Justin allegedly using drugs were leaked, a sick prank has escalated, and Beliebers across the world are cutting themselves in a bid to stop the pop star from using drugs. It all started as a joke when the blog 4Chan posted that fans should CutForBieber. Unfortunately, some took it seriously and images of fans all over the globe slicing their wrists went viral.

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• Alleged drug use and excessive partying gets him in hot water
• Fans cut themselves to get him to stop his behaviour
• Has Selena kicked him to the curb for good?

IS JELENA OFFICIALLY OVER?

While we almost got whiplash from looking back and forth, trying to keep up with Justin and Selena Gomez’s on/off relationship, it seems she’s finally kicked him to the curb... for good. Although Selena accompanied Justin and Lil Twist to Puerta Vallarta, Mexico, for their New Year’s trip, she cut her holiday short after an alleged blow out and flew back to L.A. a day before New Year’s Eve. According to a source, “They had another huge fight, and Selena won’t forgive him. She’s done with him. She says he’s changed and that he’s more of a bad influence in her life than a good one. He’s not the Justin she fell in love with.”

OVER FOR GOOD?
Selena thinks that Justin has changed, and is finally fed up with his behaviour.

While Justin is frightfully mistaken...

With Selena having kicked him to the curb (again), and Justin having no plans to slow down when it comes to living it up, it’s hard not to be concerned. Considering the downfalls of fame and the pressures of being in the business, is Justin another tragic child star in the making? We sincerely hope not.

Despite that, the fact that teenage girls are mutilating themselves over the star is probably one of the darkest periods of Justin’s career. With fame, comes its downfalls. While Justin is by no means responsible for his fans’ behaviour, a simple tweet like, “Don’t self-harm, kids,” could go a long way here. Just saying, Justin...

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BAD INFLUENCE?
Lil Twist makes no effort to hide the fact that he’s a fan of smoking weed.

SELF-MUTILATION IS NEVER THE ANSWER

Cassey Chambers of the South African Depression and Anxiety Group (SADAG) says, “There are many factors that could cause someone to self-injure as a way of coping with the pain they feel on the inside. Most people who self-mutilate have difficulty expressing their feelings verbally, and may have a dislike for themselves and their bodies. It’s important to understand that whatever the reason is that you self-mutilate, there are other more positive ways to deal with the way you feel inside. It is important to note that harming is just one way of dealing with emotional pain, and that there are other ways of expressing how you feel.” While Justin’s fans are going to the extreme to be heard, we really hope that they realise it’s doing more harm than good. If you or anyone you know is self-mutilating, contact SADAG on 0800 12 13 14.