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humboldt
I'll try anything
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Posted - 20/02/2009 : 09:00:37



Someone keeps vandalising Dusty's page on Wikipedia. See below.

http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Dusty_Springfield&diff=271972058&oldid=271959279

I keep changing it back but it would be great if folks on here would all keep an eye on it. Hopefully this sad hater will give up.

http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Dusty_Springfield&diff=272032221&oldid=271972058

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Kathy
Wasn't born to follow
5 stars

Posted - 20/02/2009 : 10:49:26



Thanks for letting us know -- All this person's other Wikipedia entries (and there are quite a few) are about the Soviet Union and Estonia-- this is the only one on a singer. Odd

xx
Kathy

"You're still here on my mind..."

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MissDustyFanatic
Where am I going?
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Posted - 20/02/2009 : 11:48:38



Just to play devil's advocate....is it really vandalism? It feels to me to be like sensationalizing or embellishing things that were/are known. Not the style of neutrality that Wikipedia is supposed to be written in, for sure, though.

"I've got to be where my spirit can run free..."

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Posted - 20/02/2009 : 12:45:39



I'm surprised at your response MDF as I always thought that you considered Dusty to be 'untouchable' - perhaps I got that wrong.

Anyway I call it 'vandalism' because of the way that person has deliberately gone out of their way to highlight in a crude manner some of Dusty's excesses. I will keep on deleting any unnecessary derogatory remarks that people make on all the Wikipedia profiles that I watch. I'm all for truth and accuracy but stop at downright mischief making!

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Carole R.

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Posted - 20/02/2009 : 18:24:42

You're standing up for Dusty, John..

Good on ya, Mate!..

Carole R xx

"Let everyone debate the true reality, I'd rather see the World the way it used to be"



Baby Blue

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USA

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Posted - 20/02/2009 : 19:54:31

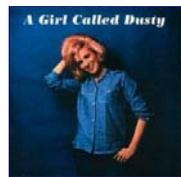
I agree with Carole, keep up the good work John!

Marty



Cardiff Bluesgirl

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Posted - 21/02/2009 : 15:00:14

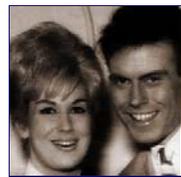
yes me too.

"every day I find your'e in my heart and on my mind" liz mason



spooky

Little by little



USA

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Posted - 21/02/2009 : 17:49:12

Does anyone know who the mischief-maker is? Or why they're so invested in this particular spin on D's story?

Annie

warten und hoffen...



insomniacafe

I'll try anything



Netherlands

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Posted - 21/02/2009 : 17:59:32

Certainly must be someone with a chip on their shoulder about the whole thing. Isn't there a way to report repeated vandalism and get a person's IP address banned by the site?

Michael

Let's pretend we're cats instead of people and go roll around and scratch an old latch hook rug together.



MissDustyFanatic

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Posted - 21/02/2009 : 20:05:44

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Well, Humboldt, I WAS playing devil's advocate...trying to look at both points of view. I certainly agree with you on this, though. I don't think it's helpful to anyone wanting to learn about her whole story to have those excesses highlighted in that manner.

"I've got to be where my spirit can run free..."



Posted - 21/02/2009 : 20:11:25

I have reported him and so far today her page hasn't been touched. The odd thing is if you look at his page he lists Dusty as a favourite! There are several pages that I keep a watch on and you'd be amazed at how some folks get their kicks!!!!



Humboldt



MissDustyFanatic

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Posted - 21/02/2009 : 21:46:32

I find it so odd that someone who claims to love Dusty that much would focus on the more sensationalistic aspects of her life. They exist, but don't need to be highlighted.

"I've got to be where my spirit can run free..."



Posted - 21/02/2009 : 22:18:13

My feelings exactly but then there are many crazy people out there.



Humboldt



memphisinlondon

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Posted - 22/02/2009 : 13:24:55

Thanks, Humboldt, for this thread. I found the Wika discussion pages even more interesting than the Dusty entry. Erikupoeg says he likes music and has 're-written' other singer pages eg the one on Mina. I don't think he's a 'hater' but I agree these particular changes are unnecessary mainly because Dusty's Wika entry doesn't pitch itself as a biography.

When I re-read the Wika entry and the discography I felt like 're-writing' some of the text myself (but I won't). Overall, I felt the main entry downplayed Dusty's greatness and some of her albums. The discography balances this out a bit. 'Getting it right' is a mine field though because we still don't know much deep detail about Dusty and her career. I think Colin Larkin's Encyclopaedia of Pop entry for Dusty remains one of the best and I see the Wika authors have taken his team's line about Dusty sounding thin on 'A Girl Called Dusty'. That's not right, and I can't see any reason for including this kind of down beat line.

Memphis
Ever since we met...

Edited by - memphisinlondon on 22/02/2009 13:30:47



humboldt

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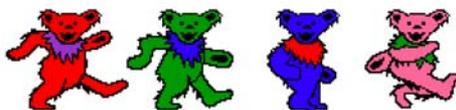


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Posted - 23/02/2009 : 18:34:46

http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Dusty_Springfield&diff=272711721&oldid=272660284

Teda & Carole will be interested in these latest changes. I can no longer change anything back as the bastard has accused ME of vandalism!!!!



Humboldt



memphisinlondon

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Posted - 23/02/2009 : 20:05:16

A day later...and I'm totally pissed off with this Erik guy. I just saw red but I'm better now.

Humboldt - have you tried talking directly to the guy? Explaining the intended pitch of the Dusty page. I didn't think he was being vindictive but now he is and he's going for the jugular. Talking is good. What do you think?

Memphis
Ever since we met...



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Posted - 23/02/2009 : 20:42:23

I have washed my hands of it as I tend to get depressed about silly things like this and end up making myself ill.



Humboldt



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Posted - 25/02/2009 : 22:09:47

Thankfully someone at Wikipedia has seen sense and deleted all the unnecessary details about Dusty's life. 😊



Humboldt



memphisinlondon

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Posted - 25/02/2009 : 22:28:11

That was me, Humboldt. I hope you don't mind the edits. I did retain some of the more factual bits but I toned them down.

Memphis
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Posted - 25/02/2009 : 22:52:33

2010-07-27

I'll try anything
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Oh that's great 😊



Humboldt



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