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Jane

Little by little



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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 00:43:47

Message for Carole G - Carole, I remember you posting a photo of Dusty on the DSC which was absolutely delightful and I was wondering if you could possibly post it again please. It was when she was doing the promotion for 'It Begins Again'. It was a colour shot. She was looking to the side with her hands behind her neck. I actually thought she looked distinctly like a young Faye Dunaway in it. I can't recall ever seeing her looking quite so stunning. Anyway, you'd make this girl very happy if you could dig it out.

Many thanks

Janie xx

daydreamer

Moderator



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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 07:11:59

Guess this is the one Janie, it's absolutely perfect to my eyes. And, you're right, there is a look of Faye Dunaway.



Carole x



Jane

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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 09:15:29

Carole, I do appreciate that...thank you very much indeed.

Janie xx



Gypsy Rose Lee

I'll try anything
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 13:39:03

For my money, Dusty NEVER looked better than she did during the period when that photo was taken. Could be the only time she really looked like a sophisticated woman and not a superannuated teenager.

Great photo, Carole - thanks for posting it!!!

Love,
Ro

Gypsy Rose Lee



Jane

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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 13:56:41

Methinks that was a bit of a harsh statement Ms Lee! Some of us can't even claim one period of sophistication in our lives. All we can hope for is to feel comfortable in our own skin, be it a 'sophisticated' one or 'superannuated teenager' (your expression!) one. 🙄

Janie,who also claims superannuated teenage status (I rather like that term)... 🙄



daydreamer

Moderator
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 14:18:53

Me also thinks that's a bit of a harsh statement! You want sophistication, give me time and I'll find the pictures 🙄

Carole x



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Mads

Where am I going?
★★★



Posted - 12/10/2006 : 14:42:21

Awww I think Dusty always looked a million dollars, no matter what look she was going for.

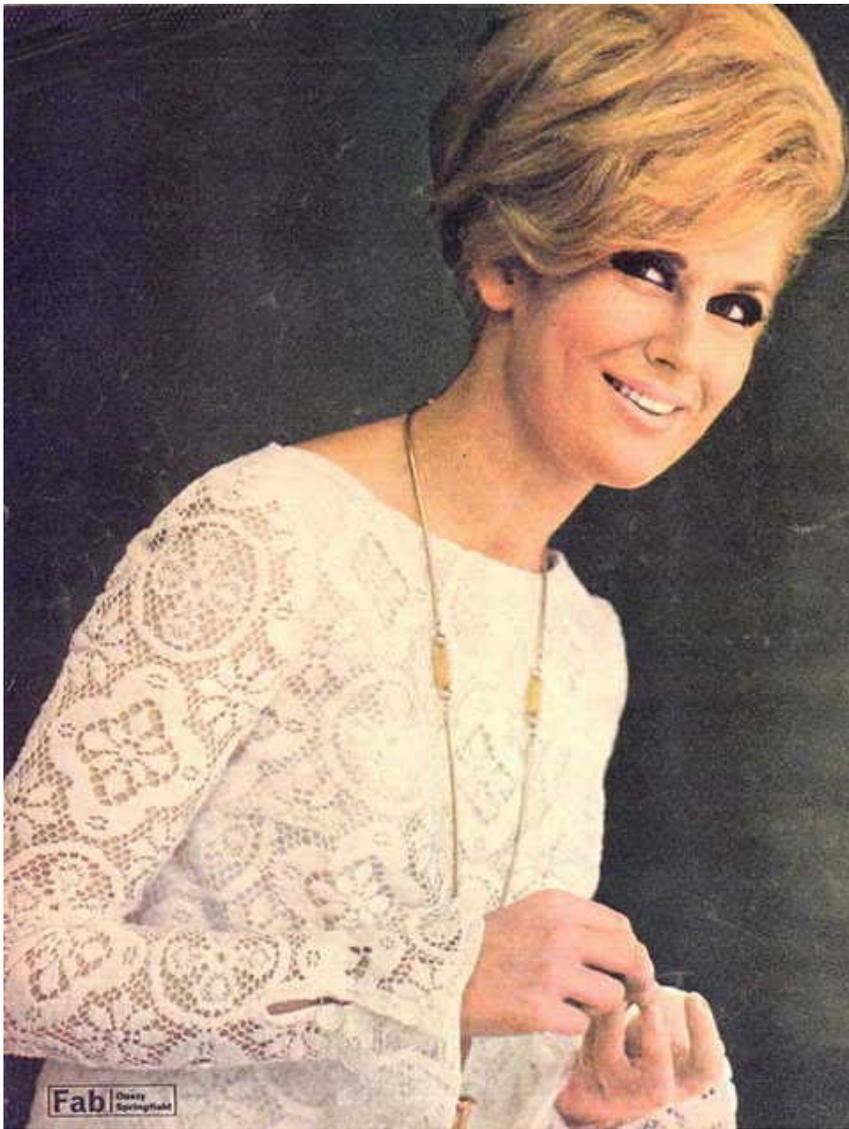
I think she looks pretty sophisticated in these photos:



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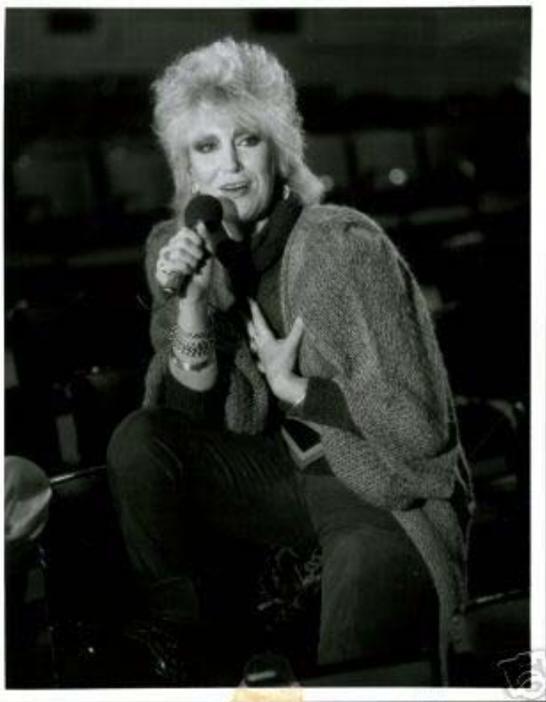
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Buuuuut my idea of sophisticated could be very off-center lol.

Love Mads xxx



Gypsy Rose Lee

I'll try anything
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 17:23:49

Does "sophisticated" mean something different across the Pond? Here it is a compliment. To say someone looks like a 'sophisticated woman' is to say something positive here.

Hmmm..... guess it gets lost in translation..... it was not intended to be 'harsh'

Love,
Lee

Gypsy Rose Lee



daydreamer
Moderator
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 17:44:24

Oh no, Lee, sophistication means the same, it was the superannuated teenager bit we didn't quite get! I think that Dusty had some wonderfully sophisticated looks in the 60's, especially on



her TV shows, where she looked absolutely stunning. Like I say, give me time 😊



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Jane

Little by little
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 17:50:21

Hi Lee

No, you're not wrong...sophistication means exactly the same on this side of the pond. It was your other term 'superannuated teenager' that MAY in certain instances be deemed to be the harsh comment. I suspect that the zany Dusty would have been most charmed and delighted to have been referred to by either word/term. I suppose it depends if she had her Mickey Mouse Hat on at the time or not! 🙄

Janie xx

p.s. Just realised Carole got in before me - shows she used the same dictionary as me!!

Edited by - Jane on 12/10/2006 17:52:22



allherfaces

Administrator
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 18:11:31

I think I've got the sophisticated bit, but it's time to talk to Webster about superannuated.

Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



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Mark

I've got a good thing
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 18:12:00

Thanks for posting Carole and Mads!.....Carole, when you have a moment could you share with us the photos of yourself and Dusty please, also there was the nice colour one of you by the billboard (Alfred Marks was on the bill too!)

Mark



United Kingdom
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daydreamer

Moderator
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 19:55:34

Will do Mark, though there are only a couple of me and Dusty and they're not great. Cas19 and I have often wondered why we had so few and think it's because we were just so intent on getting her in the frame and also because we were do damn shy! I'll sort it later.

Carole x



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Moderator
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 22:03:53

Sophisticated lady....





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And these are two I took by pointing a camera at the TV screen back in the 60's.



Carole x



daydreamer
Moderator
★★★★★

Posted - 12/10/2006 : 22:09:36

Two of the ones you asked for Mark, they were already in Photobucket. I'll have to search for the other one and post it later.





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Carole x

Edited by - daydreamer on 12/10/2006 22:10:48



Gypsy Rose Lee

I'll try anything
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Posted - 12/10/2006 : 23:38:34

Hmmm... still like the other one best. Why? Perfect make-up - a much softer look without all that eye make-up. I don't know about you kids, but I'm an "eye person" - the eyes tell it all. Until I met Dusty, I didn't even know if she actually had eyes! 😊😂😂

Gypsy Rose Lee



Mark

I've got a good thing
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Posted - 13/10/2006 : 18:40:24

Thanks for posting all the photos Carole.....they're lovely 😊

Mark



daydreamer

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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 13:01:22

Nearly forgot Mark, you asked for this one....



Carole x



Cas19

Wasn't born to follow
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 13:38:18

Which brilliant photogragher took that great pic Carole?! 😊 Happy days!

Casx



Cas19

Wasn't born to follow



Posted - 14/10/2006 : 13:40:58

Were we staying over night or was that case just for your eye makeup!!! 😊 Would be good if I could remember!!! 🙄



Casxxxx



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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 13:53:24

Twas you if I remember correctly! It wasn't an overnight stay, but have make up will travel, and I carried that case everywhere, Dusty had one just like it 😊



I remember that we were hanging around at the front door of the theatre and Dusty rolled up in a taxi at the side and we had to leg it round there sharpish! We got there in time as my avatar, taken at the side door, shows. Definitely happy days.

Carole x

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Edited by - daydreamer on 14/10/2006 13:54:29



Mark

I've got a good thing



Posted - 14/10/2006 : 15:06:04

Thanks for posting it Carole.....as you say, a Happy and innocent fun time back then, my own Sis recalls the 60's with great fondness too!



Mark



United Kingdom
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Cas19

Wasn't born to follow



Posted - 14/10/2006 : 15:10:31

Am I right in recalling that Dusty had a black eye... not make up... hence the dark glasses!! 😊



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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 15:31:13

Did she 🙄!!! Don't remember that, you made that up 🙄



Carole x



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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 15:39:30

That's my fave photo of you, Carole G. It's cool that your hair has gone a Dusty-esque platinum blonde instead of the grey some of the rest of us have to contend with. (Come to think of it, I dont know what color my hair really is anymore.)



Question: How many times did you two meet Dusty? Did she recognize you after the first time?

Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 16:05:46



Well it didn't go blonde of it's own accord Nancy 😊 Cas and I met Dusty together and on different occasions, but I'd say it was in the teens. I'd also say that for the period when we were all over the place in the mid to late 60's, she couldn't help but recognise us and she used my name when I walked into her dressing room once, so that must mean, not only could she see me but she recognised me as well! 😊

Carole x



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Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 17:27:32



Nope I did not! Honest!That I DO remember!

Casx



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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 17:31:14



That's a new thread....Dusty's Dressing Room! Or perhaps just meeting Dusty...where you could describe your memories.

Time machine, please. I want a ticket!

P.S. What year was this blackeye? 🤔

Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



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Cas19
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 18:56:53



July 2nd 1967 or so it says on the back of my photo! It ...as I have said before is so difficult for me to remember meetings with Dusty as Carole and I met her on quite a few occasions. We have been lucky enough to be in the dressing rooms I'd say nearer to 20 times so they do all tend to mingle into one and we need just that one person with an excellent memory to really sort it all out for us and say hey remember how you did this at Blackpool ABC or wasnt it fun when we did so and so at Stockton! So please if you knew us all in the 60's I beg you to get in touch and put me out of my misery!!!!!! 🙏

At Blackpool I do recall we gave Dusty a cake I'd had specially made shaped like a 10 for her getting to was it 3 in the charts, a huge pink and white one, Dusty said that John... her hairdresser would help her eat it as he loved cake!How on earth did I carry that all the way on the bus!!!! 🙏

Casxx



Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 18:58:50



The cake was for 'I close my eyes and count to 10.... sorry I fogot to say.

Casx



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Administrator
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 19:09:22



OMG that is so sweet....a cake for Dusty! And we KNOW she ate some of it herself!

What flavor was it?



Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



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Corinna
Forum Admin
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Posted - 14/10/2006 : 22:13:44

... shaped like a 10 and carried all the way on a bus! If that's not love, then I don't know what is! 🙄

Love, Corinna xx



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Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
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Posted - 15/10/2006 : 14:23:25

Sorry no idea about the flavour.... do you recall Carole! 😊 It did get a mention in one article!Fame at last! 🙄

Casx



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daydreamer
Moderator
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Posted - 15/10/2006 : 15:01:59

Do I recall? I wasn't even there! At least if I was, I don't remember! Mind you, the article rings a bell, maybe between us we can find it. And I still don't believe the black eye 😊

Carole x



United Kingdom
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Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
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Posted - 15/10/2006 : 15:34:24

Carole you sadly have a worse memory than me!!!!!! 😊 You were there it was at the ABC Blackpool and we were Q in on the steps to see Dusty in the dressing room. I will try to find the article... its only one line about the cake..... I'm right about the eye 😊

Casx



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Posted - 15/10/2006 : 18:20:14





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made her wary and suspicious. Her pursuit of perfection has earned her a reputation as a 'difficult' singer, but she is dazzlingly in control of her audience.

'I'm always forcing my voice to do things it's not educated to do,' she says. 'I don't breathe properly and I've got a weak throat.' An American coach told her 'All I can do is educate your voice for the onslaught that it's going to receive'. So, although she is self-conscious about it, she now spends half an hour before she sings locked in her dressing-room with a tape on which the coach says 'Now, Dusty' and she goes up and down the scale. 'Now Dusty, remember, keep it dark, dark.' Before she goes on she drinks cheap port, and during her act takes lemon juice in hot water to soothe her throat.

Her records are invariably hits

and she can make £1,000 a night in this country, considerably more in the States. But despite all the evidence of success she is desperately conscious of a need to appear beautiful. She can't bear to be photographed from the left because that's her bad profile, and is very concerned about two heavy lines running from her nose to the corners of her mouth. She tries to conceal them, but they're the very lines which, onstage, widen her face into laughter. She covers her shortish hair with elaborate wigs and false pieces and effectively obliterates her features with cosmetics. She refuses to be seen without this full makeup, even at nine in the morning. And she'll go to endless lengths in hotels to avoid being seen by the staff; if she orders a meal in her room she'll lock herself in the bathroom while it's served.

'She's vulnerable,' says Fred Perry, who arranges her shows, 'like an exposed nerve, which is why everyone bends over backwards to keep her happy. Sometimes she doesn't realise the loyalty she inspires.' He will rearrange his schedules for Dusty: she once flew him from the Isle of Man to Brighton and back for one Sunday-night show, and when she appeared at the Prince of Wales in 1964 telephoned him in America to get a lighting plot. From Tokyo she rang him for half an hour to describe the theatre and light settings so he could send a plan out to her.

Perry was largely responsible for the setup of her Shirley Temple act at the Talk of the Town when she came running onto the stage in a little girl's red and white dress with bows in her hair, white socks revealing plump knees

and red tap shoes. In a month she drew an audience of 15,000 at the rate of 600 a night. She brought with her 16 people: a drummer, six violinists, two cellos, four male dancers, two girl singers and a pianist, all paid by herself.

Few singers bother with this kind of lineup, and Dusty does it largely out of nerves, out of a feeling that she alone might be inadequate. When she repeated her Talk of the Town act for a BBC-2 colour programme Stanley Dorfman directed her. 'She's not easy to work with', he observed as she stopped in mid-rehearsal to worry about the microphones. 'Her big fault is lack of faith in all the technicians who work with her. She seems to think they're not going to bother when in fact everyone's knocking themselves out. She doesn't want to leave anything in anyone else's

Dusty Springfield continued

hands. But the end is always so rewarding.'

She brings the same meticulousness to her recording sessions: with Philips Records here, and Atlantic in the United States. She had a singing spot in a Liverpool pantomime while recording with them in Memphis. One Saturday night she drove to London, flew to America to spend six hours in the studio and flew back for the Monday matinee. All because she didn't like part of the piano accompaniment.

At 10 one morning she is singing in the recording box at the Philips studios in Barnes. 'Can you stop?' she breaks in suddenly. 'The bass guitar was playing wrong notes through that passage.' Afterwards she stays on listening to the tapes, suggesting changes: 'Can you lose those flutes a bit?'

That evening she goes to their London studios for reducing: the complex process of getting the sounds onto a twin-track stereo tape ready for the factory, where it will be turned into a first press of at least 75,000 records. She is intensely selfcritical: 'That sounds a bit metallic, a bit boxed in. It's lost pathos, it seems to have a hard top edge and no underneath any more.' She walks round the huge

strange grown-up voice,' says her brother Tom. He had early left his job in a City bank to sing in small London clubs and at 17 his sister stopped working in a laundry to join him. 'I'd do it for a month and then scream it was too much and go to work in Boots,' she says. After a while she joined the Lana Sisters in 1959 and did spots in variety halls in big-bosomed dresses with long tulle skirts. Then after 2½ successful years as the Springfields they decided to split before they were out-dated and in February 1964 played in Blackpool and that was that: Dusty had rather less than £100 and a lot of white shirts.

Her clothes now are made by Darnell of London: she wears anything from orange crepe culottes and sparkling waistcoats to shimmering beaded dresses that can weigh 30 lb. and cost £800. In her Knightsbridge flat ('It's a £55 a week tenement') two rooms are entirely filled with trunks and cases of clothes; more hang on long rails - silk, satin and fur, velvet, chiffon and lamé.

All the rooms are full of odd possessions: a road sign stating *Ruhe-aufzeichnung*, a plump red rhinoceros wearing a sailor's cap. On a table a pile of false eyelashes

before managing to keep them. And she has eccentricities: suddenly flying four friends off to Rio for Carnival, or giving 'destruction parties' at which French loaves and plates of salami and coleslaw are provided for throwing.

WHERE DOES SHE GO FROM HERE?

'The minute Dusty is left alone,' says Pat, 'she's like a lost child. She needs company and affection. She has an extremely small circle of friends - you could count them on one hand.'

'The authority that I have in my job can carry through to my private life,' says Dusty. 'If somebody's personality is weaker than mine I take over. Or else I'm so frightened of this happening that I don't act naturally at all. It's very difficult to be a completely natural woman in the company of a man: few can manage an attitude between "My God, it's you!" and "Who are you, anyway!" The responsibility of being - for want of a better word - a star, means I feel almost masculine. It's like being a husband - I've got to pay the bills. I

kind of money I need. I can work every workingmen's club in the North but they wouldn't want me back next year. I have to spread it out, make myself desirable - it just doesn't do to be around too much.'

'I don't think I want to go on doing what I am doing for another five years - I'd be standing still. There are films, bigger things in the world.'

At present she has no manager. Vic Billings joined her soon after she went solo but last year 'we decided we'd done as much for each other as we could'. Now her closest companion when she travels is her hairdresser John Adam, a blond, elfin Australian with huge blue eyes. He wears short kid jackets over perilously cut pants, eats chips for breakfast at four in the afternoon and scratches uncontrollably whenever he's out of London. He acts as her road-manager and drives her around on tour. When he gets the chance, that is: Dusty must be one of the few people outside a joke who has actually jumped into a taxi in Leicester Square and said 'Blackpool'.

Dusty cannot afford another manager yet - she has to pay Billings £20,000 in lieu of two years' work and she has recently



This is the article with reference to the said cake article makes for interesting reading. Sorry its a bit of a mishmash but im no expert at this!
Casx 😊



allherfaces
Administrator
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Posted - 15/10/2006 : 18:34:47

FAbulous, CAss, Thanks! Fascinating and insightful into Dusty in so many ways.

Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



USA
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Mark
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 15/10/2006 : 19:36:03

Wow!....Thanks for postin' Carole.....a Flat in Knightsbridge?, that's a new one on me!
I'm guessing this Flat was post 113 Baker Street, and pre 38 Aubrey Walk?
Any address of it anyone?

Mark



United Kingdom
5309 Posts

daydreamer
Moderator
★★★★★

Posted - 15/10/2006 : 20:09:27

One of my favourite articles, but Cas are you trying to totally confuse the already confused???
That was the Cranberry Fold Inn, not the ABC, no wonder I'm denying all knowledge of cakes in Blackpool!

Carole x



United Kingdom
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Mark
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 15/10/2006 : 21:26:32

quote:

Originally posted by daydreamer no wonder I'm denying all knowledge of cakes in Blackpool!

Carole x



United Kingdom
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Plenty of cakes in Blackpool.....especially fruit ones! 🍷🍷🍷

Mark



Mads

Where am I going?



Posted - 16/10/2006 : 07:49:45

Way to give a girl a headache Cas! But thanks honey - thats such an awesome article!

Love Mads xxx



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dusty_freak

I've got a good thing



Posted - 16/10/2006 : 09:19:01

Thanks for the article Cas 😊

Clare xoxo

"I'm not Mama's little baby no more..."



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allherfaces

Administrator



Posted - 16/10/2006 : 16:17:13

quote:

Originally posted by Mads

Way to give a girl a headache Cas! But thanks honey - thats such an awesome article!

Love Mads xxx



USA
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Yeah, same here, but I thought of Dame Edna saying "these old eyes don't miss much." 😊

Well it's all right to go on and live your life, so come out into the light....



Cas19

Wasn't born to follow



Posted - 17/10/2006 : 17:36:43

Yes I do know that that was the Cranbury Fold but..... this is the author that gotitwrong because they travelled with Dusty for a while to get the story and at the time I noticed had got it mixed.... and thats the truth!

Casx



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Cas19

Wasn't born to follow



Posted - 17/10/2006 : 17:43:29

I did that last post in a hurry, I will try to explain it better. I gave Dusty the cake at Blackpool, I never went to any of her shows at Cranberry Fold, tho I seem to recall you may have Carole? Therefore it is a cockup on the part of the journalist! I rest my case!

Casx



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Moderator
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Posted - 17/10/2006 : 18:29:19



Yes I did go to the Cranberry Fold, maybe twice. I'll bet that it sounded better to say she was sitting up on the moors making a frock for Einstein than sitting in the middle of Blackpool. Journalistic licence. Either that or she was still munching her way through it when she got to Darwin!

Carole x



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Tim
Where am I going?
★★★

Posted - 18/10/2006 : 17:56:02



A great read, thanx!

T x



United Kingdom
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mikeh69
Little by little
★

Posted - 21/04/2007 : 03:43:55



quote:

Originally posted by daydreamer

Guess this is the one Janie, it's absolutely perfect to my eyes. And, you're right, there is a look of Faye Dunaway.



Carole x



mikeh69
Little by little

Posted - 21/04/2007 : 03:44:55



FACE LOOKS LIKE JANE FONDA (A LITTLE)



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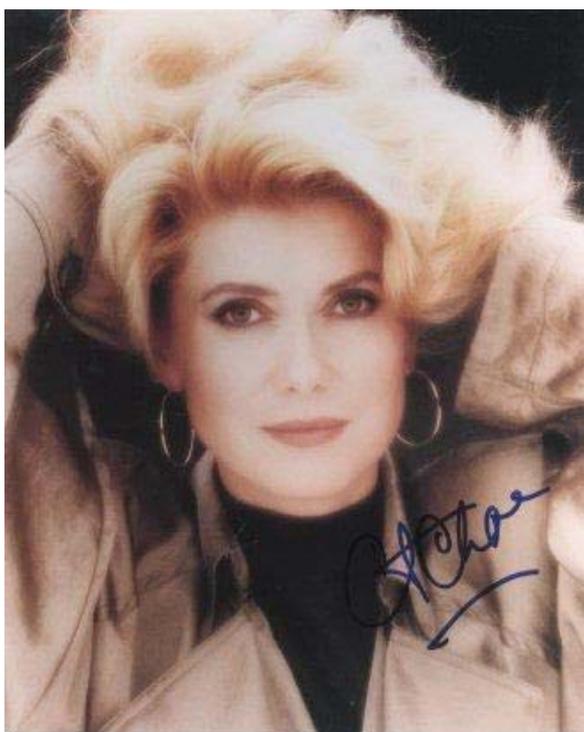
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Moderator
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Posted - 21/04/2007 : 08:44:19

Or even the very beautiful Catherine Deneuve...



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Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around..."

Edited by - daydreamer on 21/04/2007 08:45:15



MattMidd1
I've got a good thing
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Posted - 21/04/2007 : 10:17:22

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How have I never seen this thread before!?!?!?

Matt.



dusty_freak
I've got a good thing
★★★★

Posted - 21/04/2007 : 11:10:52

Coz you're special Matt... 🍷



Clare xoxo

"When you smile, i can tell we know each other very well.."



Australia
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DivineDusty
I'll try anything
★★

Posted - 21/04/2007 : 15:20:09

I love that pic Mike! So beautiful!!

.Divine.Dusty.

***I just decided I wanted to become someone else... So I became someone else. ***



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Will
Wasn't born to follow
★★★★★

Posted - 10/06/2007 : 14:59:14

I've really enjoyed reading this thread, especially Carole and Cas's recollections of their meetings with Dusty - that provides a real and very personal insight. I also like the Faye Dunaway-type pic.. and that is exactly who she reminded me of in that image.

Fraser had a shot of her which I assume was taken at the same time although the picture is three quarter length and face-on, but the clothing is identical, as is that look. He had the picture framed and it had pride of place in the living room - in fact wasn't it one of the Carole's who gave it to him (maybe Carole G can tell us once she gets home).



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Will

"..To this day when they announce me as Dusty Springfield I stand backstage and think myself into her personality.."

daydreamer
Moderator
★★★★★

Posted - 13/06/2007 : 07:44:00

I don't think I did give Fraser a framed copy of a Dusty picture Will but it is possible that he won one of the ones I'd donated to the various Dusty Day raffles. Or if it was a glossy, he could have bought it from Paul Howes and framed it as I know he was a sucker for those pictures.

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."



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