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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 08:56:10



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With the onset of Wimbledon today, I thought it was the perfect time for this.... Having followed tennis all my life and having been to Wimp years since the mid 80's, I often wonder what it would have been like if I'd spotted Dusty's face in the crowd.

Tennis World January/February 1971

"TENNIS WORLD" interviews "DUSTY" SPRINGFIELD the tennis fan

TENNIS WORLD. Dusty—do you play tennis?

D.S. No, I don't now. The last time I played was when I was in the third or fourth form at school, but the other girls became too good for me and I gave it up at that stage. I have always followed tennis and as you may know, have been a regular subscriber to **Tennis World**, and whenever tennis is on T.V. I watch it when I have the time. I even plan my schedules to fit in with watching certain players during Wimbledon, but I have never seen tennis live before. This is my first experience.

T.W. If you had not become of one the world's top pop singers would you have liked to become a tennis star.

D.S. I guess I would have liked to have been anything in the public eye, my original ambition was to become a show jumper, but since I fell off the horse every few yards, I decided that this was not my scene after all.

T.W. What made you decide to come and watch the tennis at Wembley?

D.S. I originally saw the Embassy advertisement in **Tennis World**, and also a small notice in the national press, and as you know, I have been here every session right through to the final.

T.W. When I first introduced myself to you on Monday, during my conver-



"Dusty" with her favourite star Ilie Nastase

spectator—there is something so attractive about the way they both play.

T.W. As you may have noticed there was a poor attendance at the beginning of this week, especially when you know that the top players in the world, excluding Newcombe and Roche, are competing here during these championships. When a public there is always a good attendance. What do you think about this?

D.S. I am very interested in this question, it is very hard for me to judge. I am always surprised to see people turning out, especially in the winter months, when it is so much easier to sit at home to watch a spectacular on the T.V. I should imagine that if the sponsors want to get more people here, they should seriously consider more advertising. The majority of people only know and remember Wimbledon. I think it also needs some good flashes on T.V. and a few strong plugs on the sports programme. I personally think the crowd here is quite good and with a good atmosphere, but there were one or two big gaps up top. All I know is that I am enjoying every minute and I certainly will come again. I have now decided that making the effort to come to see tennis live is really worth the effort.

Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 09:00:26

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I've got a good thing
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Thanks for that article Carole, good Weather's expected for Wimbledon, I recall seeing a pic from about that era with Dusty in sunglasses at Tennis Racket, I think she did play a few games whilst living in the USA?

Mark

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 10:05:48

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Wasn't born to follow
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Great article Carole, I have a pic somewhere of Dusty at the airport, I think, carrying tennis rackets. I'll see if I can dig it out later. Have a great time at Wimbledon, I'll look out for you on tv!

Casx

'Something in your eyes'

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 13:57:19

Clive
I'll try anything
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thanks Carole, I hadn't seen this article before or the photo.



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Casx

'Something in your eyes'

Mark
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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 16:06:28

That's the pic Cas, does anyone know what Dusty sang on Rolf's show?



Mark

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 16:40:10

Great clippings, ladies.

thought some of you might enjoy this clip of the other favorite of Dusty's (not pictured), Rosie Casals (playing Martina N.)

Check out the tennis costumes!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hIWRFooSHtM&feature=Playlist&p=CA152E0703D2179C&playnext=1&playnext_from=PL&index=17



x N

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There's something in my soul that will always lead me back to you.

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 17:10:47

I had them ready in case you couldn't find yours Cas 😊 Mark, Dusty sang Up on the Roof and Knowing When to Leave on the Rolf show.



These were some fancy dresses Nancy 😊 Rosie looks like she's come out of a box of Quality SH. I wonder if Dusty was watching outside



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I just spotted Dusty fan Paul doing his line judge bit on the Wozniak match, he got a couple of long, lingering close ups 😊 See if anyone els



Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 18:07:45

It's awfully kind of Dusty to say she likes my style of play. I've never thought of myself as much of a tennis player. Bless her. 🙏

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 18:13:48

Thanks for the paper articles 😊
I like tennis too, and I think it's the only sport I can watch without falling asleep 🙏

Sara x

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 18:39:26

Wow! Nancy not seen Rosie Casals in years, I loved her tennis skills way back then. Great to see her again, many thanks.

Casx

'Something in your eyes'

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 19:04:17

I am a lifelong tennis fan and I love Wimby. I was so sad that Rafa had to withdraw, I love to see him play. I like Roger and as a Brit I have Murray can get to the final and then who knows. my era in the 60s saw me play as Ann Jones and my friend as Margaret Court!!! true to fc thrashed me!!

"every day I find you're in my heart and on my mind"

liz.

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:22:25

Rosie. Now admit it! Did you have a hot affair with Dusty back in the day. I know you deny it but you're amongst friends now. 🙏 Now tell us:

Memphis
Ever since we met...

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:23:34

Liz - oh, Rafa. How I love him. What's particularly sad is that he was on the cover of the Observer sport magazine last Sunday, and the str 'relax, I'm going to win.'
D'you think he needs someone to look after him?!

Rosie x

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:39:19

quote:

Originally posted by daydreamer

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Carole, I wonder if Dusty was at that famous match! That would have been awesome. It was a hoot. It was held in Houston and I was in c 90 minutes away. Many of us had bets riding on the game (on BJK of course) yet many people were sure she couldn't win! We were glued t

There was a TV film made about it with Holly Hunter--a fun one, if you get the chance to catch it. Called When Billie Beat Bobbie.

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:39:55

quote:

Originally posted by memphisinlondon

Rosie. Now admit it! Did you have a hot affair with Dusty back in the day. I know you deny it but you're amongst friends now. Now tell us the truth!

Memphis
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M, I have been laughing uproariously for about ten minutes.

In all seriousness though, if you want to know the answer to that question, I'll tell you after a couple of gins at DD 2010.

Dusty did swear me to secrecy but I don't mind telling just you, as long as you keep it a secret.

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:40:39

Once again, note to self.

I must never have dinner with my mother and drink half a bottle of wine then post things without thinking!!

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:48:28

Yes, you must always do this, Rosie. It's a very fine recipe!

I'll get you a bottle of gin and a bottle of wine (Sancerre of course) when we meet! LOL!

Memphis
Ever since we met...

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:55:06



What's really inappropriate is that I posted that while my mum was still here (she was reading the paper and drinking her espresso out of la the time, so I thought I'd just check out the LTD activity)

What time does DD start? Is it OK to have two gins and a bottle of Sancerre in the morning? Will I make it to the afternoon?

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 22:59:21

Yes!!!

Memphis
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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 23:03:14

M, how I enjoy our exchanges. I really hope the neighbours haven't been able to hear me laughing out loud for the last half an hour.

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."

trek007
I'll try anything

Posted - 22/06/2009 : 23:04:20

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often called Carole.

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Posted - 22/06/2009 : 23:22:56

and she had one of Martina's tennis rackets...

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Posted - 23/06/2009 : 07:12:39

I wouldn't be surprised if Dusty went to watch the tennis at Eastbourne, it wasn't too far from where her parents lived, or from London for never heard of her being at Wimbledon either Trek but who knows? I watched Rosie Casals play a vets match on an outside court about 5 had her opponents and the few watchers in stitches until she and her partner fell behind in games and then she changed gear.

Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

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MissDustyFanatic

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Posted - 23/06/2009 : 07:43:45

I think I'm completely in like with Rafael Nadal's arms. *sigh*

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

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Mark

I've got a good thing
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Posted - 23/06/2009 : 08:38:39

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Mark

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Posted - 23/06/2009 : 12:09:23

quote:

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Posted - 23/06/2009 : 12:19:46

quote:

Originally posted by streepalicious

quote:

Originally posted by Mark

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Mark

My mum saw Jo Lumley in the crowd at Wimbledon a few year ago...I was very jealous, coz I'm a big fan! 😊😊

Alicex

Me too!.....It's perfect Weather for Wimbledon today, I'd like to go but I'd be too uncomfortable trying to squeeze onto the Court Seats,

I'd liked Wimbledon most when you had the popular Tennis players of the late 70's era such as ; Chris Evert, Jimmy Connors, Sue Barker, M; Navratilova ,Ile Nastassi, Tracey Austin, Bjorn Borg, even "You cannot be serious"!! 😊

Mark