Cold Cases

Most murder investigations in the Netherlands are solved. Unfortunately, some of them aren’t. For years on end, next of kin wonder who killed their loved one, and why. For them, more than anyone, it is vital that these unsolved homicides are solved!

For a few years now, murder has no longer been subject to a statutory period of limitation. This means that unsolved murder cases (that were within the limitation period when the above regulation became effective) can still be investigated. This why special police teams all over the country are working on these so-called cold cases.

The golden tip
Over the past few years, many cold cases have been solved thanks to tips. For that reason, the cold case teams have decided to use this calendar to bring 52 unsolved murder and missing person cases to your attention.

Maybe you wonder why you would help. Well, there may be several reasons. You may have kept information to yourself for many years and may no longer feel the need or the obligation to do so. Of course you can tell your story anonymously. And there is a reward in many cases. Your tip may lead directly or indirectly to legal action against the offender.

Sharing information
Cold case teams would like to set to work using your information to finally solve a number of cases. There are several ways to pass on your information, anonymously if you prefer. The options are described on the next page.

Several languages
The entire cold case calendar is available online, also in Dutch, Arabic, Russian and Spanish. Visit www.politie.nl/coldcases and check it out. This website can also be viewed in the penitentiaries.

Thank you!
And finally: if you have information and you pass it on, we and the next of kin will be truly grateful! Thank you very much!
If you have a tip, contact:

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Anonymous: no
Reward: yes

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Reward: possible

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Geleen: Body in the garden

In the morning of 3 January 2005, 33-year-old Henri Nieboer was found dead in the garden of his home at Lavendelstraat in Geleen. A neighbour discovered the lifeless body of Henri, who had been missing since Thursday 23 December 2004.

Henri had a girlfriend, but they had agreed to go their separate ways for a few months. This girlfriend told the police that on the night in question, Henri was picked up by an unknown person at about 02:45am. No one has heard from Henri since.

Investigation showed that Henri died of an extreme drug overdose, possibly in combination with other substances. It is known that the victim had connections in criminal circles.

He was a drug dealer, who was also very active socially.

Eight months after the start of the investigation, Henri’s girlfriend was arrested, but she was released again on 15 September 2005.

Who can help solve this case?

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Henri Nieboer found dead (2005)
Derk Kiers found dead (2011) (see week 4)
Ede: Robbery with fatal consequences

It was in the night of Tuesday 11 to Wednesday 12 January 2011 that auctioneer Cees Lieftink and his wife were rudely awoken in their home in Ede. Next to their bed stood several men who were asking for money and the safe.

Cees Lieftink did not give up anything without a fight. He put up resistance and tried to stop the robbers. A fight ensued, and shots were fired. Cees Lieftink died almost instantly as a result of this violence. He was 59-years-old at the time. His wife remained unharmed.

For months, the police tried to find out who the attackers were. All kinds of angles were investigated, but it is still unknown who were behind this robbery with fatal consequences. We hope new information will emerge so that this case can be solved.

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Cees Lieftink’s date of death (2011)
Hilversum: Walking the dog at night

On Wednesday 30 January 2002 at around 00:40am, 72-year-old Martien van der Mayjs was stabbed to death near his home on Admiraal de Ruyterlaan in Hilversum. He was stabbed in the back by an unknown person while walking his dog that Sunday night.

A neighbour heard Martien scream and immediately called the police. Martien was bleeding severely and was reanimated by ambulance and police personnel. He died in hospital, where it turned out that he had been stabbed repeatedly.

A camera was positioned near the spot where Martien van der Mayjs was stabbed. Around the time of the stabbing, an unknown man, wearing light-coloured trousers and a dark jacket was seen. We still don’t know who this man was. Do you have any idea? Or was it you? Or do you have other information that could help us solve this case? Please let us know.

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Martien van der Mayjs's date of death (2002)
Wildervank: Who killed Derk Kiers?

On the evening of Monday 3 January 2011, the body of 41-year-old Derk Johannes Kiers was found in Wildervank, near Veendam in the province of Groningen. He was found in his home and had died as a result of a crime. Kiers must have died between Saturday 1 January 2011 and Monday 3 January 2011, in other words: shortly after the turn of the year.

Derk Kiers was a small slim man, wore glasses, had a slightly stooped posture, and a strikingly jutting lower jaw. He smoked strong rolling tobacco. Derk was single, and he and his two dogs had lived at Sportterreinstraat in Wildervank since 2003.

He lived off invalidity benefit for young disabled persons and participated in a debt management scheme. In addition, Derk had some extra earnings from jumble sales and doing odd jobs for thrift shops. He loved trucks and regularly visited truck festivals. He collected miniature trucks and searched for them in trucker magazines and on Marktplaats auction site.

People were arrested in connection with this case, but the perpetrator has not yet been found. Who has tips that will help us solve the case?

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Bladel: Death of elderly widow

At around 8:30am on Wednesday 12 February 1992, 84-year-old Miet van Bommel van der Aa was found dead in her home in Bladel in the province of Brabant.

Miet was a widow and, together with her husband, had run the Van Bommel pub in Bladel for years. Miet lived on Snie-derslaan in the centre of Bladel; the same premises where the pub had been located. Miet was single and in need of help. She was partially sighted and one of her legs had been amputated. Her combined living room and bedroom was situated on the ground floor in the front part of the building.

On the evening of Tuesday 11 February 1992, a community nurse helped her get into bed. The next morning, Wednesday 12 February 1992, the community nurse found Miet dead on the floor of her room. Miet had been sexually assaulted and killed with brute force.

The perpetrator had smashed a window in the front door so he could open the door and get in. He also left the house via the front door.

No robbery or theft was involved. Up to the present time we don’t know who is responsible.

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Amstelveen: Woman murdered at home

On Wednesday 9 February 1994, 63-year-old Lydia Baneke-Knap was found seriously injured in her home at Haagkerelaan in Amstelveen. Lydia had stayed home by herself that Wednesday, while her husband went shopping that afternoon at 02:00pm. When he returned at 04:00pm, he found Lydia fatally wounded in their home. Shortly after, she died from her injuries.

Lydia was a very social woman. Her entire life was devoted to providing support. Lydia was retired and previously worked for the Jewish social services. Lydia’s family and friends still don’t know who killed this socially-aware woman and why. Tips could help solve this crime after all these years.

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Lydia Baneke-Knap’s date of death (1994)

Miet van Bommel-van der Aa found dead (1992) (see week 5)
Helmond: 8-year-old Manon Seijkens murdered

On Thursday 10 August 1995, 8-year-old Manon Seijkens from Helmond disappeared. Six months later, on Saturday 17 February 1996, her body was found in the bushes along the Helmonds canal. Manon's parents were divorced and Manon lived with her mother at Marslaan in Helmond. This street is near the Helmonds canal in working-class neighbourhood De Eeuwsels. Manon spent a lot of time on the streets and, according to some, was quite cheeky.

It turned out that Manon had been murdered and that she had probably been sexually abused as well. Her body was found at a few hundred metres from her home. In 1998, a man was arrested, but he was acquitted on appeal. So we still don’t know who killed Manon.

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Almere: Murder in a car park

Around dinner time on Wednesday 22 February 1995, 37-year-old Glenn Crawfurd was shot dead in the car park underneath his home. Glenn lived at Harderwijkoever in Almere and worked for a bank at Weesperzijde in Amsterdam.

On 22 February 1995, he drove home from work in his dark green Daihatsu Feroza. On the way, he filled up the car at the Mobil gas station on Gooiseweg in Amsterdam. When Glenn arrived at his home, he parked the car in the car park underneath his house. He was probably shot right after he parked, as he was found dead in his car.

Glenn was born in Amsterdam. His full name was Glenn Samuel Crawfurt. Rumour has it that Crawfurd was involved in a cocaine deal that went sour mid-1980s. Glenn was fitness and aerobics trainer. Since September 1992, he and his wife owned the In Shape gym on Ermelopad in Almere. During the day, Glenn worked at the bank, in the evenings he worked in the gym.

Up to the present time it is unknown who shot dead Glenn.

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Nederweert: Shooting during carnival

On Monday 27 February 2006, in the carnival period, 40-year-old Daan van Es was shot dead during a robbery of his home at Populierenstraat in Nederweert.

At 04:55am that Monday morning, Daan and his wife arrived at their home in Weert, carrying the day’s takings of their discotheque Carte Blanche. Right after they had arrived, a number of masked individuals forced their way into the house. Van Es soon grabbed a pistol, and a gunfight ensued. Daan was fatally hit and may have injured one of the perpetrators.

The robbers left with nothing. Shortly after the robbery, a burned out BMW was found in Nederweert.

Around 05:30am, three individuals driving a Volkswagen Golf arrived at the hospital in Veltheoven. A man wearing a balaclava dropped off a passenger and subsequently drove off at high speed. The man turned out to have a gunshot wound, and was arrested. He was suspected of involvement in the robbery in Nederweert, sentenced, but acquitted on appeal. In other words, the perpetrators of the robbery with fatal consequences are still at large.

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The Hague: Who killed Pim Hornstra?

At 06:45pm on Tuesday 8 March 1994, police received a report that a man was found dead in a house at Wassenaarseweg in The Hague. The victim was 53-year-old Pim Jacobus Hornstra. A friend discovered him dead in his bed.

Pim was only partially dressed and had several wounds on his body. He lived alone and regularly received male visitors. He also visited Haagse Bos park, a meeting place for homosexual men. Haagse Bos is situated between Boslaan and Laan van Nieuw Oost-Indië in The Hague. He took the men he met at the park home for sexual relations.

We still don’t know who killed Pim Hornstra.

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Amsterdam: Woman killed in her own home

On Monday 15 March 2004 at around 04:00 pm, 71-year-old Cornelia Brielsman was found dead in her home at Bovenover in Amsterdam.

That Monday morning, Cornelia went shopping at the C1000 supermarket at Buikslotermeerplein in Amsterdam. She was supposed to take a traffic exam at 01:30pm, but never showed up. A bit later, a friend of Cornelia’s found her dead in her home. Cornelia was a very active woman, liked hiking and travelled a lot. We still don’t know who killed Cornelia.

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Sterfdag van Cornelia Brielsman (2004)

Annie Visman-Venema’s date of death (2003) (see week 15)
Echt: Hugo Charles missing for years

At around 08:00pm on Thursday 29 March 2012, 47-year-old Hugo Charles left his home in Echt to go to a meeting in Waardenburg. He stopped at De Lucht gas station on the A2 motorway near Bruchem and then continued his trip. No one knew who Hugo was supposed to meet in Waardenburg.

When Hugo did not show up at his mother’s cremation on Saturday 31 March 2012, his relatives realized that something was wrong. On Sunday 1 April, he was reported missing to the police. One of Hugo’s daughters and his girlfriend stated that their last telephone contact with him had been at 09:23pm on Thursday 29 March.

Hugo Charles was a luxury car dealer and was also involved in car racing. On Monday 2 April 2012, the police found Hugo’s Audi at De Meern car park along the A12. But Hugo had disappeared without a trace.

Who can give Hugo’s family clarity about what has happened to him?

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Nieuwegein: Body in the water

On Sunday 2 April 1995, 18-year-old Sjakie Gerwig was found dead in the water along Laagravenseweg in Nieuwegein – the canal through Hoge Landen. Sjakie had been hit on the head with a heavy object and died from his injuries. He was subsequently thrown into the water, where he remained for a few days.

The previous Wednesday, 29 March 1995, Sjakie had celebrated his sister’s birthday at home. A football match was on TV that Wednesday; the Netherlands beat Malta 4-0. After the match, Sjakie went to visit his girlfriend at Baarsstraat in Utrecht. He went there on foot, but never returned.

Sjakie, also known as Sjaak, was a quiet cheerful boy, born and bred in Utrecht. His official name was Izaak. He was unemployed and spent a lot of time in the Rivierenbuurt area in Utrecht. It is still a mystery who beat Sjakie to death.

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Hugo Charles’ last sign of life (2012) (see week 12)

Henk Gerritsen found dead (1998) (see week 17)

Sjakie Gerwig found dead (1995)
Tielt (Belgium): Body along the motorway

On Sunday 22 February 2009, 41-year-old Ronald Noteboren from Schinnen was found dead along the motorway from Brussels to Aachen, near the Belgian municipality of Tielt-Winge. Ronald had been cut into pieces and covered with a tarpaulin. Horse hairs and dog hairs were found on his body.

Four days earlier, on Wednesday 18 February, Ronald had been extremely nervous when, at around 07:50pm, he was picked up by a stranger at his home in Schinnen. No sign of life was received from Ronald between the 18th and the 22nd, but the police found out later that his telephone had connected with telecoms masts in different locations.

For a while, Ronald had been talking about hitting the jackpot soon. Investigation showed that there may have been a connection with a large embezzlement fraud case at the Fonds voor Beeldende Kunsten, Vormgeving en Bouwkunst in Amsterdam. It was established that Ronald had been trying to cash in on €2 million for his role as an intermediary. The money was eventually distributed between several bank accounts. Suspects came to the fore, but this never resulted in legal proceedings. Who knows more?

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IJmuiden: Fire at Edisonstraat

At around five in the morning of Saturday 15 March 2003, a fire on the premises at Edisonstraat in IJmuiden was reported to the fire brigade. On site, the fire brigade found the 68-year-old Annie Visman-Venema inside the burning building.

Annie lived at the premises. She was lying on the kitchen floor, unconscious. She had probably been on her way to the back door, of which she carried the key. Three days later, on Tuesday 18 March 2003, she died from the consequences of carbon monoxide poisoning that she suffered as a result of the fire. Investigation has shown that the fire had been lit via the letterbox.

The victim was known as a very friendly, tidy and helpful lady. She collected waste paper for the church. What happened and who lit the fire is still a mystery.

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Groningen: Shooting at a pub

On 21 April 1990, Salah Tayebi and a few of his friends were sitting in a pub and cannabis coffee shop Revolution at Prof. Rankestraat in Groningen, when a masked man opened fire on him at around 02:15am. After his deed, the shooter ran out of the pub and, on the passenger side, got into a car that was waiting for him. The car subsequently took off. This is how the life of 46-year-old Salah Tayebi ended.

The victim was a drug dealer. This may have caused problems with others and the murder may have been a retaliatory action. The pub where the shooting took place lies just east of the centre of Groningen in a quiet neighbourhood.

Who can tell us more about what preceded the shooting and what happened that night? And who shot dead Salah Tayebi?

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Wenum-Wiesel: Murder of the Pigeon racer

When, in the evening of Monday 30 March 1998, 65-year-old Henk Gerritsen did not show up for his weekly card night, his card buddies raised the alarm. When his house in Wenum-Wiesel (municipality of Apeldoorn) was checked, Henk was found dead on the floor of his bedroom. It was not immediately clear that he died a violent death, as he lay on his stomach. It was therefore a major shock to the family when it turned out that Henk had been shot dead.

Henk Gerritsen was highly respected among pigeon racers. For over fifty years he had practiced this sport and his pigeons performed very well on the national level. This meant that his top pigeons were worth a lot of money. The police immediately started a major investigation into the murder of Henk Gerritsen. Although several suspects emerged from the investigation, it is still unknown who killed Henk and why.
Rotterdam: Philippine woman strangled

At around 06:20pm on Friday 3 May 1996, the police were called out to a house at Paul Krugerstraat in Rotterdam. Someone was said to have become unwell.

On site, ambulance staff was already in the process of reanimating a woman, who turned out to be 34-year-old Veronica Delia Camarines from the Philippines. The attempts of the ambulance staff to bring the woman back to life failed. Veronica had died. During the autopsy it became clear that she had died as a result of suffocation.

Veronica was married and had children. She worked as a prostitute. She received her customers at the premises where she was murdered. The police started a large criminal investigation. Initially, her husband was considered a suspect, but it turned out that he was not the perpetrator.

As yet, the investigation has not led to the solution of this crime.

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Oostvoorne: Caroline van Toledo

In the morning of Saturday 3 September 2005, a burned out car was found in Kruininger Gors recreational area in Oostvoorne. The mortal remains of 35-year-old Caroline van Toledo were found in the trunk of the car.

Caroline lived in Oostvoorne, in a bungalow right next to her parents’ house. She liked to spend her time off with her family, her two horses and her dog.

On Friday 2 September 2005, Caroline went horse riding after work. She probably also walked the dog. After that she probably went to bed. That night, after 05:00am – this was on Saturday 3 September – Caroline’s blue Opel Astra was no longer next to the house, but stood in front of it. The lights in the house were on and the iron gates were open. More than 30 minutes later someone noticed that her home at Molendijk was on fire.

Her car was gone. It was found at Kruininger Gors recreational area in Oostvoorne at around 06:30am. The burned out car with Caroline’s remains was parked on the cycle path at Heindijk, behind the De Kogeloven monument.

Suspects have been arrested in this case, but tips are still welcome.

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The Hague: Murder of kidnapped young man

In the evening of Friday 24 June 1994, a witness saw two men pushing Nazim Isik, of Turkish origin, into a car under threat of a gun. At the time, the car, motor running, was parked at Van Mierisstraat in the Schilderswijk neighbourhood in The Hague.

Later that evening, a witness was fishing at Madestein recreational area between The Hague and Westland. This witness saw three persons walking on a cycle path in the direction of a small bridge. They stopped on the bridge, pushed and pulled something, and shortly after, the witness saw two men running in the direction of Madesteinweg.

1994, 32-year-old Nazim Isik was found dead near the small bridge at Madestein recreational area. It was clear that he had died as a result of a crime. Nazim Isik was married and had two children. He worked as a labour-only subcontractor for a horticultural company.

Who can help the police solve this crime?
**Breda: Marchen Geurts still missing**

On Friday 1 June 1990, the mother of the then 26-year-old Marchen Geurts reported her son missing. At the time, Marchen Geurts was known in criminal circles in and around Breda.

On Monday 28 May 1990, Marchen Geurts had an appointment with an as yet unknown person at Eindhoven train station. Subsequently two friends allegedly gave him a lift from Eindhoven to Breda, where they dropped him off at Breda central station. There has been no sign of life from him since the date he went missing.

In 1990, the Breda police twice launched an investigation, based on the mother’s report, but what happened to Marchen is still unclear. This is why tips that will provide more clarity are still more than welcome.

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Maarten Geurts’ last sign of life (1990)
Amsterdam: 18-year-old prostitute murdered

On Saturday 25 November 1989, the dead body of the 18-year-old prostitute Marie Christine Jonas was found in her workroom at Spuistraat in Amsterdam.

Marie Christine worked as a prostitute and was called Luna. In Amsterdam, she had become addicted to cocaine and started soliciting to pay for the drugs. To earn enough money, Luna became a window prostitute in the basement of a premises on Spuistraat in Amsterdam. This premises was also used by other prostitutes. Thirty years ago, brute force abruptly ended the Luna’s very young life.

After all these year, her family and friends are still in the dark about what happened to her on Saturday 25 November 1989.

Who killed Luna and why? Tips can help solve this case.

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Utrecht: Grandma Bindi

At 08:10am on Thursday 9 June 2005, 93-year-old Ger Bindi-van der Steeg was found dead in her home at Grutterdijk in Utrecht.

Ger Bindi was well-known in Utrecht. She had run the first Italian ice-cream parlour in that city on Amsterdamse-weg. Everyone knew her as a meticulously groomed lady. Ger was married to the Italian Ottavio Bindi, and everyone called her grandma Bindi. She was well-loved and often gave free ice-creams to poor children.

The last years of her life, grandma Bindi lived alone and, because of her health problems, had help from various home care workers and informal care givers. At the time, she had hardly any social contacts left; only a few close relatives still visited her.

Grandma Bindi died as a result of brute force, but we still don’t know who did it.

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Delftse Hout: Man shot dead

In the early morning (05:20am) of Friday 8 June 2007, a dead man was found at Delftse Hout recreational area. He was lying on his back in a puddle of blood at Noordeindseweg near Delfgauw.

At a metre and a half distance to his right was a two metre long tree trunk with a diameter of about 15 cm. At two metres from the tree trunk stood a blue Volkswagen Bora; the motor still running, the lights on and the door open.

It turned out that the man had been shot. It was 50-year-old Jacobus Johannes Drevijn, known as Koos. Koos Drevijn lived in Delfgauw and ran an equestrian centre.

Now, about ten years later, Koos’ relatives still don’t know who killed Koos and why. Who has tips about this case?

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Aarlanderveen: Who killed The Indian?

It was Friday 11 June 1999. A man was walking his dog on Treinweg in Aarlanderveen. At a remote car park he found the body of 47-year-old Hans Schonewille from Leiden, also known as The Indian. Hans had been shot and was lying in a puddle of blood.

The night before, on Thursday 10 June 1999, Hans left Leiden, driving a blue Opel Omega. At 02:00am in the night of Thursday to Friday, this car was found ablaze at another car park at Hondsdrafzoom in Leiderdorp.

Hans Schonewille was born and bred in Leiden. He had an estate agency for pubs, restaurants and hotels, HAKO, and owned a number of pubs. Previously, Hans had worked as a car dealer and in textiles. He, together with his brother in law Cor, later started the CBAmusement company that rented slot machines to pubs, restaurants and hotels. Hans was also involved in illegal lotteries and other illegal activities. We still don’t know who killed The Indian.

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## Helmond: Killed in own home

On Thursday 30 June 1994, the lifeless body of 28-year-old Jessica de Roij was discovered in her apartment at Jupiterlaan in Helmond. It was general knowledge that Jessica, who was better known as Yekka, used hard and soft drugs.

The housing corporation received several complaints about an odour nuisance from Yekka’s place, and on Thursday 30 June, employees visited the premises. Inside they found Yekka dead on the floor in the hall. She was fully dressed and her house keys were still in her hand. Yekka had been killed by brute force. She had last been seen at around 23:25pm on Sunday 19 June 1994.

An acquaintance of Yekka’s was arrested, but released again. Who can help solve this case?

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Jessica de Roij found dead (1994)
Alkmaar: Murder at Waagplein

At around 11:35pm on Sunday 6 July 2003, 28-year-old Mark Kerssens was shot at Waagplein in Alkmaar. Mark worked as a doorman for several pubs at Waagplein.

A young man wearing a balaclava approached across Waagplein. When he reached the sidewalk next to the terrace, he pulled a weapon and shot Mark at close range. Mark was hit in the back of the head. The perpetrator then ran away across Waagplein.

Mark’s colleagues followed the shooter, but the still unknown, probably young man opened fire on them as well, causing them to give up their pursuit.

Two days later, on 8 July 2003, Mark died from his injuries. Mark’s family is still unsure why he was shot. Do you have more information about this case? Then please contact the police.

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Apeldoorn: Dead woman near gas station

It was on Tuesday 17 July 2001 at around 05:00pm when a driver pulled up to the Lucasgat gas station along the A1 motorway near Apeldoorn. In the bushes lining the car park he found a naked woman, dead, who turned out to be 26-year-old Dyora Bosgra.

As a teenager, Dyora Bosgra had a multitude of psychological problems. She started using drugs and became addicted. She started soliciting to be able to pay for the drugs; first in Groningen, and from 2000 in Rotterdam. In Rotterdam she solicited near the streetwalking zone at Keileweg. She may have used the names Deborah, Sandra and Dirkje.

In the early hours of Monday 16 July 2001, Dyora was still in Rotterdam at Keetje Tippel’s, a shelter for prostitutes. She talked about a customer who had paid already and with whom she would go in the direction of Apeldoorn. More than a day later, Dyora’s body was found. She had been strangled and was lying naked in the bushes.

Who has this murder on his conscience? Was it her last customer, of someone else?

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The Hague: Double murder

At around 07:00pm on Wednesday 19 July 2006, the police received a report that shots were heard at Van Musschenbroekstraat in The Hague. The police immediately turned out and established that shots had indeed been fired in one of the apartments. With fatal consequences. Behind the front door were the bodies of 42-year-old Anandkoemar Koebar (known as Anand) and 32-year-old Claudia Yvette Edoo.

Anand and Claudia were born in Paramaribo. The couple’s 1-year-old son was also found in the hall. He was alive, crying, lying naked on the floor between his parents. There were no signs of forcible entry on the outside of the house, and the front door was unlocked. Claudia and Anand had been hit by several bullets.

After ten years we still don’t know who was behind these murders.

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Landgraaf: Murder at an optician’s

Around 08:00pm on Friday 30 July 2004, 48-year-old Isabelle Pongs was found lifeless in the kitchen with ancillary office space of the optician’s business, Isabelle Optiek, at Sterkerstraat in Landgraaf.

When exactly Isabelle was killed is unclear. At 02:30pm she did some quick shopping at the Schlecker chemists a few metres from her own shop.

The investigation was carried out by 25 criminal investigators. The case was also presented in Opsporing Verzocht, the Dutch Crimewatch programme. But the investigation did not produce a solution.

After a restart, three suspects were acquitted by the Court of Maastricht. The Public Prosecution Service did not file an appeal.

The death of Isabelle Pongs, who was known as happy and enterprising, is still a mystery. Who can give any tips that may help solve this case?

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Rotterdam: Double murder

On Monday 3 July 2006, the mortal remains of a man and a woman were found in a house at ’s-Gravendijkwal in Rotterdam. They had died as a result of brute force. Documents found in the direct vicinity of the male victim showed that the man was the 33-year-old Karim Bouhmala.

The bodies were in an advanced stage of decomposition in the living room and bedroom of the house. A large-scale investigation was launched after the victims were found. It is likely that the background of these murders can be found in narcotic substance trafficking. Later, Karim Bouhmala’s car was found in Belgium. It is therefore possible that the solution of this murder may be found there.
Zuidwolde: Seriously injured in box-bed

On Thursday 29 June 1995, 85-year-old Anna Heemenga-Woldendorp was found seriously injured in the box-bed of her home at Beijumerweg in Zuidwolde, Groningen. She was in a coma and was immediately hospitalized. The next day, an unknown man called the hospital to ask how she was doing. But he received no information because he was unable to state the victim’s name. The caller remained unknown. Anna Heemenga lived for another few weeks, but was unable to say who had attacked her in her home and what had happened. She died in hospital on 10 August 1995.

Signs of forced entry were found in Anna Heemenga’s house. It was difficult to find out whether anything had been stolen. Later it turned out that a small Huguenot cross that she was always wearing had disappeared. An intensive investigation in the neighbourhood and among passers-by, and a search of the neighbourhood did not produce the desired results. Who helps us solve this case?

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Eindhoven: Dead woman tied up in bed

In the evening of Friday 20 August 1999, 38-year-old Ine Wijnen was found dead in her apartment at Johannes Buijslaan in Eindhoven. She was half naked and was lying on the bed, tied up. Ine had been sexually abused and had been killed by brute force. Her apartment was ransacked and someone had tried to put it on fire.

Ine earned a living by delivering advertising brochures and by working as a cleaner. On Wednesday 18 August 1999 she was spotted at a cafeteria in Eindhoven at 18:20pm. Shortly after her death, her bank card was used to withdraw money at an ATM in Eindhoven.

An ex-boyfriend was arrested in this case, but acquitted on appeal. Who can help solve this brutal crime?

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Diemen: Student murdered in her own room

On Saturday 26 August 1989, 22-year-old Ellen was found dead in her student flat at Rode Kruislaan in Diemen. Ellen went to university and had many social contacts. Besides her studies she worked at Het Trefpunt students’ club.

A friend who lived in the same building was the last one to see Ellen alive. This was at 10:00pm on Wednesday 23 August 1989. Ellen stood in the doorway of her own flat. At the time, roof-high scaffolding had been put up because of refurbishments.

Until the present moment we don’t know who killed Ellen. Who can provide the tips that will solve this case?

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Ellen found dead (1989)
Rotterdam: 22-year-old woman murdered in her own home

On Monday 23 July 1990, the mortal remains of 22-year-old Natascha (Johanna Petronella Rosita) Mayjer were found in her home at Beukelsdijk in Rotterdam. She was found by her mother, who had been worried after she hadn’t heard from her daughter for quite a while. When Natascha was found, it was immediately clear that her death was the result of a crime.

A large-scale criminal investigation was started after Natascha was found, which led to a male suspect. But DNA testing showed that he could not be the perpetrator. Whoever killed Natascha has remained obscure.

Who has got tips that may help solve this case?

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Caroline van Toledo found dead (2005) (see week 19)
Ureterp: Robbery of waste food collector

Folkert Veenstra and his wife lived at Selmen in the Friesian village of Ureterp near Drachten. They were in the habit of visiting a supermarket in Drachten every day at 1:30pm to collect vegetable waste for the livestock.

Between 09:15 and 09:30 in the morning of 9 September 1992 an unknown person suddenly appeared in their home. This individual hit Folkert and his wife over the head with a hard object. The 65-year-old Folkert was beaten so hard and so often that he died in hospital later that day. His wife was injured too, but managed to warn the neighbours, who immediately called the police. The robber stole a well-filled wallet. He also tried to set fire to a bed.

Who knows more about the attack on this Friesian waste food collector?

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Rotterdam: body found at preparatory land works

On Saturday 1 December 2007, 39-year-old Hannes van Schaften was reported missing. He turned out to have been missing since 26 November 2007. Since then, there had been no trace of his black Volkswagen Caddy either.

On Saturday 9 February 2008, Hannes’ missing Volkswagen Caddy was found in a general car park at André Gideplaats in Rotterdam Ommoord. According to a witness, the car had probably been parked there since the first week of December 2007.

On Tuesday 25 March 2008, the human remains of a man were found during preparatory land works at the then Beekweg in Rotterdam, near Zestienhoven Airport. These land works involved large quantities of sand being moved from the grounds at Woensdrechtstraat to Beekweg. Investigation showed that the remains had been buried at the Woensdrechtstraat location.

It is still a mystery who killed Hannes. It is also unknown why Hannes had to die. It may have been connected to a conflict in drugs circles.
Den Haag: Tobacconist murdered

On Thursday 22 September 1988, the body of 72-year-old Johannes Schrijvers was found in his small cigar shop at Mient in The Hague. Schrijvers was a widower and lived behind the shop. Each Thursday, Friday and Saturday he opened his shop to the public for a few hours. Neighbours said that Schrijvers always kept his door locked for fear of robberies. Customers first had to ring the bell before he would open the door for them.

Schrijvers was lying on the couch behind the shop. He had been killed by stab wounds. The knife that was used was never found. A few witnesses had seen someone clutching something to his chest running away from the shop at Mient.

Johannes Schrijvers had regular contact with women, who he picked up at The Hague Hollands Spoor train station.

We still don’t know who killed the tobacconist from The Hague. Who can help solve this mystery?

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Deventer: Man stabbed to death

At around 07:15pm on Monday 4 December 1995, Hugo Bootsma was found dead at his home at Bergstraat in the centre of Deventer. He had been killed by multiple stab wounds. Hugo was a hardworking man, aged 46. Since a few years he had been openly gay. He lived in Deventer, but often visited Amsterdam, where he had bought a small apartment a short while before his death.

The police immediately started an investigation into this murder. Who stabbed Hugo and why? The case was reinvestigated in 2012. Several suspects came to the fore, but the case remained unsolved. The next of kin still live in uncertainty about the reason why Hugo was killed and who did it.

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Groningen: Where is Ineke Fleurke?

It has been over 20 years now since Ineke Fleurke went missing. The then 29-year-old woman lived at Populierenlaan in Groningen, and was addicted to cocaine. She had an Iranian boyfriend. This man dealt drugs, also from Ineke's house. Ineke's parents saw her last on Wednesday 5 October 1994. This was in her house at Populierenstraat. Ineke appeared to have been battered and seemed depressed.

More than a week later, on Friday 14 October 1994, a friend reported Ineke missing to the police. About a year later, the police was notified that Ineke was back. But five years later, in November 2000, it turned out that Ineke was still missing. In hindsight, the notification that Ineke was back turned out to be highly questionable. It never became clear, for instance, who notified the police.

Ineke was about 1.70 metres tall and had shoe size 36.5. On her forehead was a small scar. There are indications that Ineke has become the victim of a crime. What happened to Ineke? Where is she?

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Utrecht: What happened to Robert OberMayjer?

On Saturday 30 December 1989 at around 09:30pm, 26-year-old Robert OberMayjer was found dead in his sister’s home at Beukstraat in Utrecht.

In 1983, Robert OberMayjer quit his studies and moved to Utrecht, where he mainly worked in pubs and restaurants. In his last job, he worked as a temp at an old people’s home in Bilthoven. Robert had many casual sexual contacts. According to people in his surroundings, Robert had a more or less steady relationship with someone called Willem, and also with a man named Peter.

Until the present day it is unclear who this Willem and Peter are. A few days before his death, the victim allegedly had dinner with both Willem and Peter. Afterwards he is thought to have gone home with one of them. Who knows what has happened to Robert OberMayjer?

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Zutphen: Where is Duncan Zwakke?

Duncan Zwakke from Zutphen has been missing for over a quarter of a century. Duncan was last seen in the centre of Zutphen on Tuesday 17 October 1989. He was 31 years old at the time.

Duncan, who was born in Suriname, worked as an engineer for a company in Dieren. Investigation has shown that he was probably also involved in illicit drugs. After Duncan’s disappearance, the police arrested a suspect from Zutphen, but he was released after a few weeks.

Many stories are told in Zutphen about what happened to Duncan and how his body was hidden. But it still remains to be seen what truly happened. Who can help the police discover the truth, so that after 25 years, Duncan Zwakke’s next of kin will finally find out what has happened to him?

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Breskens: Fireman Ploegstra missing

On Tuesday 26 October 2010, 35-year-old Herman Ploegstra was last seen in Breskens, where he went to the Way of Life fitness centre. But Herman never made it home at IJzendijke. His wife raised the alarm.

In addition to his ordinary work, Herman was a member of the voluntary fire brigade in Breskens. After a search, Ploegstra’s car, a BMW type X5, was found on the driveway to the grounds of the water board at Duivelshoekseweg in Breskens.

The car was unlocked, and Herman’s wallet and fire brigade pager were found right next to it. Herman had vanished without a trace. Tips are more than welcome.

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Den Haag: Shooting at an industrial estate

A dead-end street at an industrial estate in The Hague was the scene of a shooting on Monday 3 November 2008.

The victim was 38-year-old Peter de Koster. He was found dead at 08:00pm, sitting in a delivery van. The van was on a dead-end side street of Binkhorstaan at De Binkhorst industrial estate in The Hague.

Since a week, Peter de Koster had been living in a caravan at that very estate. He previously lived on a houseboat at Trekvlietplein in The Hague. Peter was shot in his delivery van, but we still don’t know by whom. Who has got tips that will help us find the perpetrator?

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### Groningen: Who killed Cor Booisma?

On Wednesday 11 November 1998, the human remains of 69-year-old Cornelis Booisma were found at his home at Koninginnelaan in Groningen. It turned out that he had died as a result of brute force.

In the morning of Monday 9 November, Cor Booisma had still be seen in the street. That same night, witnesses overheard an argument at Cor’s home. In the evening of Tuesday 10 November, a meals on wheels employee wanted to deliver a meal, but no one opened the door. By that time, Cor Booisma had probably passed away already.

Cor was a heavy drinker and was regularly visited by fellow drinkers. After the death of his girlfriend that same year, Cot had been neglecting himself and his alcohol intake had increased. People visiting him sometimes did some shopping for him, and he sometimes lent money to his visitors.

Someone was arrested for this crime in January 1999, but this did not lead to its solution. Who has a tip that may solve this case?

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Geldermaelsen: Robbery of a motorcycle shop

On Monday 16 November 1998, after closing time, the owners of Helimotors motorcycle shop in Geldermalsen were having a cup of coffee with a few regular customers. They were sitting in the canteen behind the shop when, at around 09:30pm, they suddenly heard dull thuds and the sound of breaking glass. A few of the visitors ran towards the shop to check out what was going on.

One of them was 47-year-old Daan van Kraanenburg from Deil, who regularly visited the motorcycle shop. They saw that the entry door had been broken and that a car stood outside, in front of the door. An unknown man wearing a balaclava was walking around in the shop, and another robber stood outside. He was armed. Chaos arose and it came to a shooting. Daan van Kranenburg was hit and died of his injuries shortly after.

Despite extensive investigation, the police have not managed to solve this case. Who can give us more information about this very violent robbery in which an accidental visitor lost his life?

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Arnhem: Body found between garbage containers

In the morning of Monday 22 November 2010, the body of Ida Sjamsudin was found in Arnhem.

Ida Sjamsudin was the mother of three children. After her divorce she lost her children and came into contact with drugs. To be able to pay for her addiction, she started soliciting. She did this in Arnhem in the Badhuisstraat area, near the Rhine. She worked as a prostitute all hours of the day and night to earn money.

And that is what she was doing on the evening of Sunday 21 November 2010. She left the homeless shelter in Arnhem at around 10:00pm, on her way to the streetwalking zone. In the morning of 22 November 2010, an employee of a poultry shop at Badhuisstraat got the shock of his life when he found the lifeless body of a woman between the company’s garbage containers. It turned out to be Ida Sjamsudin. She had died as a result of brute force.

Who can provide information that will help solve this case?

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Puttershoek: Jan Patat shot dead

In the evening of Sunday 3 December 2000, at around 07:30pm, 55-year-old Jan Dirk Albertus Groeneveld was shot dead in his home at Hazelaarstraat in Puttershoek (municipality of Binnenmaas).

The victim sold chips and deep-fried snacks from a chip shop on wheels. Locally he was better known as Jan Patat. In addition, Jan dealt in golden jewellery. He did this from home, from his chip shop and also from a pub in Roosendaal and other places. According to insiders, Jan had a large group of customers, and familiar customers freely entered his home through the kitchen door, without ringing the bell.

At around 07:30pm on 3 December 2000, two masked men entered Groeneveld’s home from the back. The victim, who was sitting in the living room together with his wife at the time, was summoned to open the safe in the hall closet of the house, under threat of a firearm. He was shot by one of the robbers while walking towards the hall. Jan Patat died instantly.

A murder investigation was launched, but has, to the present day, not led to the solution of this crime.

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Jan Groeneveld's date of death (Jan Patat) (2000)
Amsterdam: Murder of a stamp shop owner

In the evening of Thursday 7 December 2000 at around 10:30pm, 57-year-old Hans Alfred Mayjer was found dead at his stamp shop on Nieuwezijds Voorburgwal in Amsterdam.

That night, a passer-by had seen that Hans was still in his shop at around 06:30pm. When Hans had not returned home by 09:00pm, his wife tried to call him a few times, but failed to contact him.

She became increasingly worried and decided to go to the shop in the company of a neighbour. She called the police, and they went to the stamp shop as well. There they found Hans, lying on the floor. He had been killed by brute force. Sixteen years later we still don’t know who killed Hans.

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**Oostzaan: Death as a result of robbery**

In the night of Wednesday 28 to Thursday 29 December 2011, 66-year-old Herman Jansen from Oostzaan died as a result of a robbery.

Herman and his wife were asleep in their home at Zuideinde in Oostzaan. At about 04:15am, unknown persons forced their way into their home, assaulted Herman Jansen and his wife, and tied them up. After a while, the woman managed to liberate herself and immediately called the emergency services.

Unfortunately, it was too late for Herman. He died from a heart attack during the robbery. His wife had a head injury. The robbery lasted between half an hour and forty-five minutes.

Herman Jansen had a successful luxury taxi company, Eurolimo B.V., that was established at the same address at Zuideinde. The robbers spoke Dutch with a foreign accent. Who knows more?

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St. Hubert: Pregnant woman strangled in her own home

On Thursday 24 December 1992, 26-year-old Mariët (Jet) Peters was found dead in her home on Nimrod in St. Hubert, Brabant.

Mariët was married to Bart Bens and was thirteen weeks pregnant. She worked for an electrical appliances company in Uden and Bart was a driver for a manure distribution company. On Thursday 24 December 1992, it was Christmas eve, he went to work at around 04:30am. When Bart came home between 01:00 and 01:30pm, he saw that the front door was open and that the house had been ransacked. Mariët was lying on her bed. Dead. She had been strangled.

We suspect it was a burglary that got out of hand. The window in the front door had been demolished, everything was turned upside down, and the cupboards had been searched. The loot was in Bart and Mariët’s car. The perpetrator(s) apparently failed to start the car, because it had extra security.

Until the present day it is still unclear who was behind this crime.

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Mariët Peters’ date of death (1992)
Amersfoort: Shooting on new year’s eve

As always on new year’s eve, Ricky Hok Ahin and a few friends went for a drink in Amersfoort. But new year’s eve 1994 turned out to be the last one for 26-year-old Ricky, who was to become a father in 1995. Friends describe him as cheerful and always in for a bit of fun.

When Ricky and his friends were in The Flame pub at Scherbierstraat in Amersfoort, one of them was assaulted. The friends left, but later that evening decided to return to get revenge.

At the time, this pub was the clubhouse of Confederates motor club. Problems arose again after they had entered the pub. Shots were fired. Ricky was seriously hurt and collapsed on the street outside the pub, where he died. Someone who came to his aid outside was shot in the shoulder.

The person firing the shots in the pub was arrested and later released. Until the present moment we do not know who shot Ricky dead.

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Herman Jansen’s date of death (2011) (see week 50)

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Robert Obermeijer found dead (1989) (see week 41)

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31 december

Ricky Hok Ahin’s date of death (1994)