

# Already the end?

a drawn reportage





We are in a small village near Chur. Like everywhere, all restaurants are closed due to corona regulations. But here is a restaurant with a special story. From the outside its just a normal restaurant with an empty terrace.





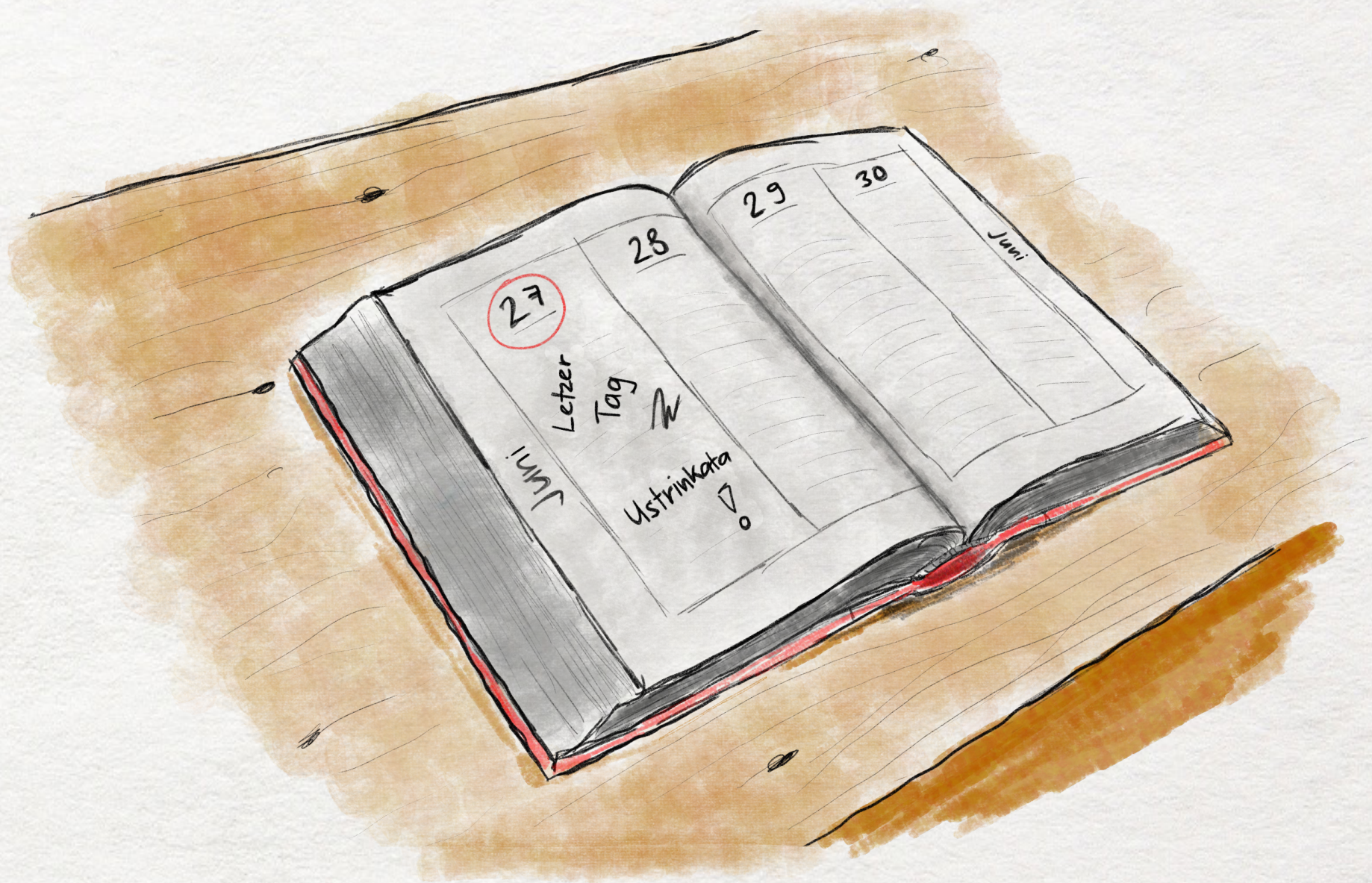
Behind the front door there is a sign. On this sign it's written "closed for the time being", because no one knows how long the lockdown will continue. It's a disaster for every host and also for every shopowner.





Inside the restaurant, one of the hosts is sitting alone at the bar. He is sad because the restaurant is closed, but the other reason is, that they had planned a very important event. This event needs to be cancelled now because of a virus that shut down nearly the whole world.





The hosts will stop the next month and the restaurant will be run by someone else. They organised a big and fun closing party. All his guests should come for a drink, talk and relive the past times. Since 13 years they are hosts of this restaurant and had experienced many things over the years. But now, due to corona, the event will not take place. Was that already the end? From one day to the next, close the door and that's it? Many days pass by, still no good news.





But suddenly, the current most seen man on Swiss TV, Alain Berset tells the good news. The restaurants can be opened again! But, there are many regulations to make the restaurants corona safe. They didn't really care about how many things they had to do, they just wanted to open again.





First, they had to remove some tables out of the restaurant, because between each table, you need 2 meters distance.  
The restaurant looks nearly empty, but it's corona safe and ready to receive guests.





Everywhere in the restaurant you need to have disinfectant and signs with all the regulations. Every person who enters the restaurant needs to disinfect the hands and if they agree, give his personal informations. Armed with a folding ruler and the yellow tape, the hosts did the last things to make their restaurant corona safe. The hosts are really happy to be able to receive guests again.





But the most important thing is, the party may take place. Although they can have fewer people, it's at least possible.  
The last 13 years can now be celebrated properly!



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