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## "Visit our BODC Canteen"

## Operational during Saturday training

We have drinks, lollies, chocolate bars, icy poles, tea, coffee, hot pies and sausage rolls

\*\* IF POSSIBLE SMALL CHANGE & NOTES WOULD BE APPRECIATED\*\*



## President's Report

Looking back over my three years as President the first thought I have is just how fast the time seems to have gone. As a club we have faced some hurdles during this time and most of them seem to have been external (but with common sources) and not very helpful to the actual day to day running of the club. But with input and help from within our Membership we have been able to draw on skills and abilities that have enabled the club to deal with these issues and move ahead in a stronger position.

I need to do a BIG thank you to, Committee, Instructors, everyone that has helped out during the year and lastly to you the members that turn up week after week to enable the club to achieve its aim of people learning and spending time with their dogs.

When you first joined you might have had some idea of what you wanted

to learn / teach your dog. Have we enabled you to reach your goals or not? Our instructors are good, but with your help we would like to make them even better.

One way for us to do this is for you to give Instructors and Committee feedback as to what we are doing that you like (so we can keep doing it), what we are not offering (so we can see if we can) and lastly but the most important is what we are doing that is below your level of expectation (so we can correct it)

The club has recently purchased (using funds from the chocolate drive) a hydro-bath to give your dogs a quick rinse of the little bit of mud that they might collect while training. Come the warmer months we will be able offer its use to you to use for a full wash.

Some dogs are not used to being in a hydro-bath and need to be 'trained' before they feel happy about staying in it. If you have one of these dogs please try to come outside of the rush at the end of each session, so we can spend more time with you and your dog

Lastly a reminder that with the warmer / dryer weather (coming) that we there will be an increase of members turning up for training and this will put pressure on parking. So when parking could you please leave as little gap as possible between cars.

I leave you with the thought that one day you will come to club and take home a clean dry dog.

Stephen Pearson

President Berwick Obedience Dog Club Inc.

## HAVE YOU LOST SOMETHING?



Take a look in our lost property box in the clubrooms.

Prepared by the Berwick Obedience Dog Club September/October 2011



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WHEN: WHERE: 7.30pm, Monday, 5 September 2011 BODC Clubrooms, NARRE WARREN NORTH VIC 3804

VOTING: Clause 16 of the Berwick Obedience Dog Club Constitution (The Constitution) deals with voting at general meetings.

Your vote must be given personally. You are eligible to vote at the annual general meeting if, on Monday, 5 September 2011, you: are 18 years or over,

are a financial member of the club, and

Have been a financial member before 1 April 2011.

#### TRANSACTION OF SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Sub-clause 9(5) of the constitution deals with the transaction of special Business at an annual general meeting. In accordance with that rule, notice is hereby given that the following motion will be voted on at the annual general meeting.

Motion One: That the BODC introduce a Service Medal, in place of Life Membership (Motion 2) - to formally recognize people who have made a major contribution to the Club.

Outstanding Service could be shown through:

Service excellence to club members and/or the wider community;

Innovation in training programmes or project developments;

Leadership, including as a member of a team; or

The achievement of more efficient processes or better services for members. Long Service should not be used as a basis for making nominations.

The Service Medal:

Can be awarded to anyone who is a member of the Berwick Obedience Dog Club.

Is NOT reserved for club officials - it is open to all members of the BODC Club.

Can be awarded more than once to a member.

\*See Document Hand Out at the AGM for more information and Criteria\*

#### IF MOTION ONE IS PASSED, THEN MOTION TWO BECOMES WITHDRAWN.

Motion Two: That the BODC add another class of membership to the club- Life Membership (Honorary).

-Amend the Constitution to offer and reflect the requirements to award Life Membership

- Insert in Section 4(1)

(e) Life Membership (Honorary)

(f) Any other class of membership

-Insert a new section under - Section 4(14) (1)

Life Membership can be awarded to those few who have preformed an ongoing outstanding service above and beyond what would normally be expected from a member.

Before Nominations can be accepted, the Nominee must qualify for Life Membership by:

Being a Financial Member of the BODC for a minimum of 15 years, plus minimum of six years in specific roles that contribute to the benefit of the club and a minimum of three years on the Committee of Management.

Able to show a level of contribution above the normal level required in a position, which must be clearly documented and corroborated. All Nominations must be completed by following the process outlined in the BODC Club Rules - Nominating a Member for Life Membership (Honorary)

Members must be nominated by a Financial Member of the Club. Nomination must be submitted to Committee prior to the first meeting in May of that year. The Committee will clarify and vote on recipients of the award each year. The Nominee will be notified and a Life Membership will be awarded at the BODC Birthday in October of that year.

The entitlements of a Life Member include:

Annual Fee's waivered, and shall be entitled to vote at General Meetings and hold an Office Bearing Position on Committee.

#### Please note that a copy of the constitution is available in the clubrooms.

If you have any questions regarding this notice please contact me on (03) 9799 4895.

Melissa Scott

Melissa Scott SECRETARY



# **Berwick Obedience Dog Club Inc.**

**2011** 

ENTRIES TAKEN ON THE DAY

# **Members Competition** Saturday 22nd October 2011

BEGINNERS & RED Classes — normal time of 1.30 pm

YELLOW, PINK, GREEN AND BLUE Classes Commencing from 1.30 pm

Community Companion Dog and Novice Classes will be Commencing from 1.00 pm



PRESENTATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE DAY AT THE CONCLUSION OF ALL CLASSES

AND

WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A BBQ, CAKE AND THE DRAWING OF OUR RAFFLE TO CELEBRATE OUR 31st. BIRTHDAY

THIS IS A FUN DAY. YOUR INSTRUCTORS WILL BE RUNNING YOU THROUGH YOUR NORMAL CLASS EXERCISES, BUT IT WILL BE ON A ONE TO ONE BASIS



## AGILITY



## Frequently Asked Questions

#### Introduction

The first documented agility "demonstration" was held at Crufts in the late '70s. The demonstration's creator borrowed from police and defence force dogs' training, and from horse showjumping. By 1980 it was recognised officially as a "dog sport" in the UK, and expanded rapidly to the US, Canada, Europe and Australia. The object is for the dog to negotiate a "course" of obstacles without fault, with the placings decided on the fastest times for a clear run.

### What are the obstacles?

Jumps : Tyres, bar jumps. spreads & broad jumps Tunnels: eg flexi

Contacts:

- A-frame (steep ascent/descent)
- Dog walk (shallower ascent, long straight plank, shallower descent)
- See-saw (up, tip, down)

#### Table: (on, pause, off)

#### Weave poles:

Set of poles, usually 12, set at an even distance. The dog has to weave through each gap to negotiate the next pole on the other side.

## When can I start my dog?

It is generally accepted that a dog shouldn't start over obstacles until they are at least 12 months old, and not do excessive "work" until they are 18 months to 2 years. However teaching the dog to negotiate obstacles (with the exception of the weavers and sometimes the contacts) is usually the easy part – directing the dog around the course is the difficult bit. The "foundation" training which will lead to both handler and dog learning the directional cues can begin at any age.

## I'd like to do agility, but I don't think I would ever compete?

Many of our class participants at Berwick do it for their own and their dog's enjoyment, while others do participate in trials. Even if you are doing it "just for fun" your dog will enjoy it a lot more if you can be clear and consistent with your "cues" so classes are structured to give you those skills whether you wish to trial or not.

#### Training times for 2011:

11.45-12.00 set up area

12.00 - 12.20 Preparation skills

12.20-12.35 equipment set up

12.35-12.55 Handler and dog skills

12.55- 1.10 Instructor training

1.10-1.30 Course work

1.30-1.45

pack up



## Frequently Asked Questions continued.

## How high will my dog have to jump?

Each course in a trial is run at 5 different heights, the height at which a dog runs depends on their height at the shoulder. To trial you have to have an "official" measurement, but for club purposes we will do an informal measurement and your dog won't be expected to jump beyond their "official" height. However when you start jumps are very low to encourage confidence in the dog.

## Can any type/size of dog come to class?

Yes. More important is that the dog is physically sound, healthy and not overweight.

### How often would I have to train my dog?

Like any training with your dog little and often is the best formula. If you can spend 10-15 minutes 4 to 5 times a week it will be enough to progress.

### Will I need my own equipment?

Everyone starts with no equipment. If you enjoy the training you will probably want to construct some basic equipment – jumps and weave poles can be fairly easily "created". If you become more serious you may wish to purchase some equipment, or if you have the resources, to make it. For most people regular training at club combined with some "home built" equipment is enough to reach reasonable skill levels – many of the skills are developing handling skills which can be done without so-phisticated obstacles.

## What are the requirements to join the class?

To start participating in the Pre agility class your dog must be in at least "Yellow" class and be able to work with a "loose lead". You must start you start with a "Preparations skills – pre-agility" class which will give you exercises to practice with your dog to prepare it for agility, you are welcome to bring any dog over 6 months to a foundation class. (This requirement may be waived if you have completed a similar



#### Resources on line:

There are many sites that you can visit the following are just a few. http://www.cleanrun.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=categ ory.display&category\_id=447 http://www.clickerdogs.com/ http://www.dogagility.ca/cartoons.php



Agility is fun for both members of the team

# BERWICK FLYBALL RACH TEAMS

## <u>Training</u> <u>Times</u>

Team Training: (Currently being held offsite due to wet conditions) 11.00am-12.00pm Intermediate: 12.30pm-1.00pm Beginners: 1.00pm-2.00pm



We are soon to begin our next competition season. Flyball competitions are very exciting to watch and when held at events such as shows, draw a large number of spectators. Comps are noisy and exciting with dogs and handlers competing to be heard. If you have the opportunity, come along and see this sport in action!

## **Beginners Flyball**

Over recent months, a lack of instructors has meant that there is only one instructor to run the beginners class each week. Due to its nature, early flyball training is very much a one on one process. This has led to some waiting time for beginner dogs. We have now made some changes to the instructor roster to ease this process. There will now be two instructors on each week and each instructor will attend two weeks in a row to allow for more consistency for beginner dogs and handlers.

To attend a beginner flyball class, your dog requires a good recall. Flyball is an off lead sport, so when off lead and you call your dog, it is important that he/she returns straight to you. Please talk to an instructor (Obedience or Flyball) if this is an issue for you and your dog.

## **Upcoming Competitions:**



"On the Fly" Frankston Obedience dog club: Saturday 10.09.11 "Pets Day Out" Ballam Park, Frankston: Sunday 9.10.11 Geelong Show: Sunday 16.10.11 "Euroa Flyball Euphoria" Euroa Show: Sunday 22.10.11 "Dandy Drags" Dandenong Show: Saturday 12 & Sunday 13th November 2011 "Lilydale Flyball" Lilydale Show: Sunday 20.11.11 "Santa Ball" Ballarat Dog Club: Saturday 3.12.11



## **YELLOW BANDANAS**

The Berwick Obedience Dog Club has available **Yellow Bandanas** to identify dogs that may need a bit of space around them.

The reason for needing one could be:

- Nervousness
- Recovery from an operation (i.e.: convalescing)
- Unsociable to people or other dogs

When approaching a handler and dog with a yellow bandana, we should:

- Be respectful of their space
- Ask the handler if they are happy to socialize with your dog

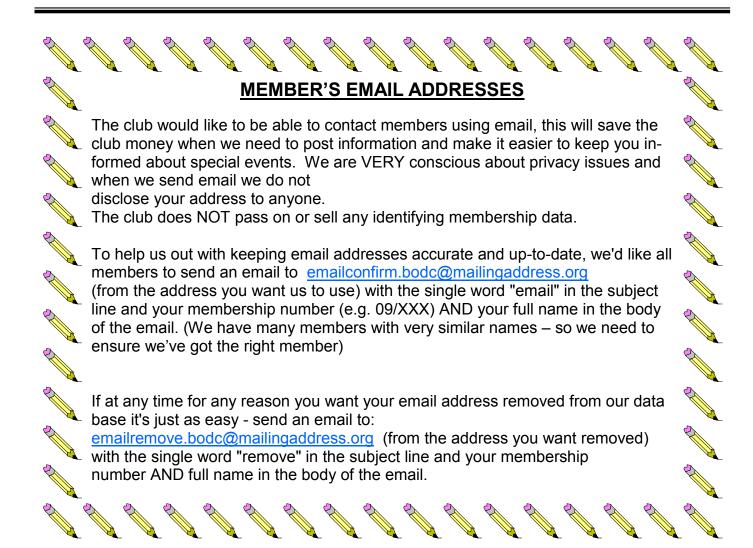
When approaching a yellow bandana dog please make sure your dog doesn't go running up to it freely, just as the handler of the yellow bandana dog should be mindful of the space around their dog at all times.

Quite often handlers of yellow bandana dogs have put a lot of work into dealing with specific problems with them, so it would be disappointing if all their hard work was lost.

So if you feel your puppy needs to be given their own space, then go to the office and obtain a bandana for the day. Please return them when you have finished, so that other puppies can have their turn. This is not something the DODC is found on the supples of the second for the well-being of upper day.

BODC is forcing on handlers as it is your choice and for the wellbeing of your dog/puppy.







Has your dog recently suffered an injury or had surgery? Are they living with a chronic condition such as arthritis? Is your dog fit, healthy and active but you want to optimise your canine's athletic performance? Or do you just want to ensure the best for your canine companion. If so, then why not try Canine Myofunctional Therapy (CMT)

#### Benefits:

- Increase flexibility
- Enhance performance

Improve muscle function and tone

- Reduce pain and discomfort
- Promote circulation
- Improve socialisation
- Enhance health and wellbeing

K9 Therapeutics:

- Provides professional, therapeutic canine massage
- Offers a fully mobile service
- Flexible appointments
- Services the eastern suburbs of Melbourne, Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges

Fees:

- Initial consultation and massage \$70
- Therapeutic Massage \$60
- Discounts available to club members

For more information and to arrange an appointment contact:

Julie Schlemmer 0437 950 790 ABN 68 871 678 731

Prices valid until December 2011. You may be asked to consult with your vet prior to treatment

Julie Schlemmer gained her qualifications in Canine Myofunctional Therapy from the National College of Traditional Medicine (NCTM) and is a member of the Small Animal and Equine Naturopathic Association. She has a Certificate III in dog behaviour and training (NDTF) and experience as professional dog trainer. She has over 24 years experience in health care as an Occupational Therapist.





## Lost Pets????

Animals collected by the City of Casey Local Laws team are impounded at the Lost Dogs' Home. As pets are impounded, they are photographed and their details are published on this website (<u>http://petsdatabase.casey.vic.gov.au/petsdatabase/petsListing.asp</u>).

## **Pound location**

If you have lost your dog or cat you should call the Lost Dogs' Home Animal Pound **The Lost Dogs' Home** South Eastern Pound 920 Thompsons Road Cranbourne West Phone 03 9702 8055 Monday to Friday: 10am - 6pm Saturday and Sunday: 9am - 1pm Public Holidays: 9am - 1pm Closed Christmas Day & Good Friday



THE TIMES WE LIVE IN





"I MET SOMEONE WONDERFUL IN A CHAT ROOM... AND THEN I FOUND OUT SHE'S A CAT!"





## REMEMBER TO CALL YOUR DOG EVERY 90 SECONDS

## **Off - Leash Area Rules**

- \* Do not enter when the flag is displayed Obedience, Agility or Fly ball class is in progress.
- \* Dog owners using this area are responsible for their dogs and injuries or damage caused by them.
- \* Always consult those already using the area before entering.
- \* Only stay 5 minutes if others are waiting.
- \* Clean up after your dog.
- Dogs showing signs of aggressive behavior towards people or other dogs must be removed from the area immediately.
- \* Maximum of 8 dogs at a time.
- \* All dogs must wear a collar and owners must carry a leash at all times while in the area.
- \* Owners must not leave their dogs unattended while in the area.
- No toys are to be used in the off leash area on club days
- \* No young children permitted in the area.



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- \* Hydrobath
- \* Microchipping
- \* Premium Pet Foods & Accessories
- \* Pensioner Discounts

#### **Business Hours**

Mon to Fri 8am to 8pm Sat 9am to 3pm, Sun 10am to 2pm

#### Consultation By Appointment Phone : 9799 1479

Cnr Pound Rd & Vanessa Dve Hampton Park (Near Freeway Entrance)

Web: www.poundroadvet.com



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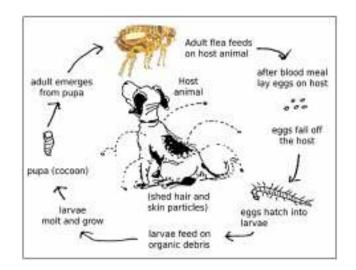
# Want to go to theDrive In

## Great Gift Idea!!!!!!



The Dog Club is offering **Family Passes** to the Dandenong Lunar Drive In for just **\$25**. Please note it is for the first session only. To purchase your pass please ask at the office. The ticket is for a car load (as many as you can in your car in a safe fashion) and you can take your dog.







The club shop has on sale Advocate, Revolution & Sentinel Flea products way below Vet and Pet Store Prices starting from \$46.00.

### Berwick Obedience Dog Club Members Price List

#### ADVOCATE

4 to 10 kg	\$50.00	(3pk)
10.1 to 25 kg	\$55.00	(3pk)
-	\$95.00	(6pk)
OVER 25 KG	\$60.00	(3pk)
	\$100.00	(6pk)
REVOLUTION		
5.1 to 10 kg	\$48.00	(3pk)
-	\$80.00	(6pk*)
10.1 to 20 kg	\$53.00	(3pk)
-	\$87.50	(6pk*)
20.1 to 40 kg	\$58.00	(3pk)
-	\$95.00	(6pk*)
SENTINEL		
4 to 11 kg	\$80.00	(6pk)
11 to 22 kg	\$85.00	(6pk)
22 to 45 kg	\$90.00	(6pk)
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\*Includes Bonus Canex Wormer

#### (PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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How much is that doggy in the window?

## Did you know that the BODC has a great shop?

With friendly service and prices well below your regular pet shop! Hours: 12.30pm—4.00pm

Why not come in and check us out for your obedience training, agility, flyball and trialling gear needs.

#### We stock a great range including:

- 🚳 Leads 🛛 Leather, nylon
  - Webbing (90, 120 & 180cm)
    - Adjustable/ multipurpose
  - Snub
  - Collars Limited slip collars\*
    - Correction chains\*
      - Gentle leaders\*
      - Training collars
      - Easy Walk Harness

\*The correct sizes all expertly fit-

ted to your pooch!

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- Treat pouches
- <sup>°</sup> Kongs & Treat balls
- Squeaky toys (for training)
- 🗳 UD Articles
- Show arm bands
- 🍄 Dog crates (By Special Order)

Club clothing (incl. polo shirts, windcheaters,

vests, beanies, caps & hats)

Club travel mugs (no more spilling drinks!)

## SHOP SPECIALS



Dog Treats for training (from 50c/ bag) Selected in store specials

\* If we don't have something that you need, see if we can order it in for you.





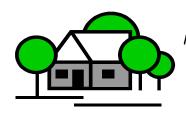
New members will be enrolled on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Saturday of each month from 12.30pm Please bring along your dog's current vaccination certificate.



CONTACT US AT: Berwick Obedience Dog

Club, P.O. Box 23, Narre Warren North 3804 Phone 9796-9496

<u>berwickodc@fastmail.fm</u>



*FIND US AT:* McKenzie Lane, Narre Warren North. Victoria 3804

Melways Map 108 Ref. E8 http://www.berwickodc.asn.au

## CAR PARKING

If the Car park is full, please park on the hill between the Football Ground and the Dog Club, Parking on the street is **NOT** allowed, as it is illegal to do so!!!!





Parking on the grassy hill is available if the oval is not in use.

## "WHEN THE CLUB IS CLOSED"

**REMEMBER:-** When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news is greater than or equal to 30c the club is closed.

\*\*\* PLEASE ALWAYS CHECK THE NEWSLETTER, NOTICEBOARDS & WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION\*\*\*

Labour Day Weekend - Sat 12th March 2011 Easter Weekend - Sat 23rd April 2011 Queens Birthday Weekend - Sat 11th June 2011 AFL Grand Final Day - Sat 1st Oct 2011 Melbourne Cup Weekend - Sat 29th October 2011

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR BREAK 2011/2012 CLUB CLOSED - AFTER OUR XMAS FUN DAY DEC 3rd DEC 2011 & WILL RE-OPEN SAT 4TH FEB 2012



## Training Times

## OBEDIENCE

1.30pm to 2.15pm - Beginners & Red, 2.45pm to 3.45pm - Yellow, Pink, Green & Blue Trial Rings 1pm - 2:30pm Advanced/Instructors Names must be entered on sheet by 2pm Ring stays at 2:30 2:45 - 3:45 New to Trialling

## FLYBALL

Team Training: 11.30am — 12.15pm Intermediate: 12.15pm — 12.45pm 2 Beginner Sessions: 1.00 pm —1.30pm 1.30pm - 2.00 pm Please Note: Fly ball will only be held if instructors are available on the day.

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From 11.45 am on Saturday's. Please Note: Agility will only be held if instructors are available on the day. We ask that all handlers who help in setting up the agility course MUST EITHER have their DOG

AGILITY

#### placed in a crate or left in the car.

## PLEASE DO NOT

WALK YOUR DOGS ON THE FOOTBALL GROUND. WE HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE HERE AT THE DOG CLUB TO WALK AND EXERCISE YOUR DOG.

## THE COMMITTEE

**President** - Stephen Pearson Vice-President - Barry Cotton Secretary - Melissa Scott Treasurer - Daryl Scott Committee Members 2010/11

Annette White Chris Moore Fiona Kelly Paul Percival Ted Draude Glenda Smith



**KITCHEN** - Lorraine Jack

OFFICE STAFF - Annette White, Daryl Scott, Glenda Smith , Fiona Kelly, Tracey Gaffney GROUND STAFF - Mark Farrell, Ted Draude

## THE INSTRUCTORS

OBEDIENCE "c" Currently Instructing

Ron Blanchfield "c" Julie Colman Sharon Deeker "c" Ted Draude "c" Philip Gates "c" Ti-li Finn "c" **Denise Bailey** Laura Brown "c" Alan MacDonald "c" Cheryl Blanchfield Bernie Gaffney Tracey Gaffney

Alex McLaughlin "c" Colin Newman "c" Julie Pocknee "c" Karon Satchwell "c" Wayne Satchwell "c" Lisa Sinclair "c" Carla Thomas "c" Paul Percival "c" Andrea Schmidt "c" Susan Scott "c" Lara Wilson "c" Ivan Robinson "c"



FLY BALL Nicole Kendt Erin Chalmers Gordon Chalmers Kirsten Brown Jenni Veitch Belinda O'Shea

> RINGS **Barry** Cotton

AGILITY Stephen Pearson Lisa Sinclair Linda Wilson Judy Emmett HELPER

Sharon McLeod



## CLUB RULE IN REGARDS TO HIGH TEMP. (Ground rule 14)

When the predicted high temperature on the Friday evening news (6pm)

is greater than or equal to 30 degrees Celsius the club is not open.

## PLEASE NOTE:-

\*\*\* If for some reason the temperature changes on Saturday to below 30 degrees, the club will still remain closed as its to hard to organize Instructors etc at such short notice\*\*\*

BERWICK OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB INC.



IS NOW ON FACEBOOK. COME JOIN US AND KEEP IN TOUCH AND UP TO DATE ON ALL THE UP AND COMING EVENTS. http://www.facebook.com

NEWSLETTER-EDITIONS February-March April-May June-July-August September-October November-December

If you would like to contribute to K9 you can contact us at karon@abbeyparkborders.com

## ... Wayne & Karon Satchwell

Ps. Don't forget to check out your Newsletter in full color at http://www.berwickodc.asn.au



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