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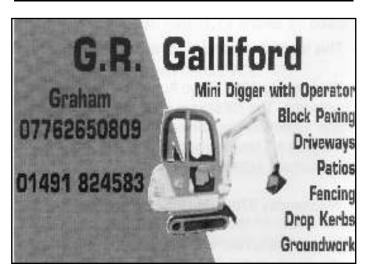
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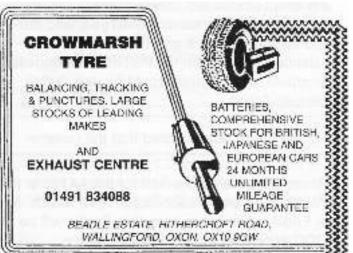
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Winter is traditionally the busiest time of year for the National Health Service, so patients are reminded only to use Emergency Departments in an emergency.

A range of alternative options is available for non-emergency situations to ensure you get the appropriate care that you need, while saving an unnecessary trip to the Emergency Department.

What's available?

- Self-care is the best choice for minor illnesses and injuries – a range of common winter ailments can be treated at home with a well-stocked medicine cabinet. Having a winter plan – such as keeping stocked up on medicines, keeping your home warm, and looking out for neighbours – can also help.
- Local pharmacies can give advice on several conditions, such as coughs, headaches, upset stomachs and skin conditions, as well as advising how to stop coughs and colds from getting worse.
- NHS 111 has call handlers who can help you choose the right health services for your needs, as well as a website. NHS 111 can put you in touch with a clinician, a GP, or book you an appointment at your nearest minor injuries unit. You can also use NHS 111 online: 111.nhs.uk
- Minor injuries units can treat deep cuts, small burns, sprains, sports injuries, and infected wounds. To find out your nearest MIU please visit the Oxford Health website
- Your local GP may offer extended opening hours into the evening or at the weekend.

Most importantly, only attend Emergency Departments when there is a genuine emergency, such as loss of consciousness, suspected heart attack or stroke, severe breathing difficulties or severe bleeding that cannot be stopped.

NHS telephone numbers Emergency number 999 NHS non-emergency number 111



Wallingford Photographic Club

Wallingford Photographic Club allows people of all ages and levels of experience to meet likeminded individuals and learn how to improve their photography through chatting to club members, presentations by visiting speakers, and regular competitions. The club meets every Thursday at 7.30pm for an 8pm start (7.45pm start on competition evenings) at Crowmarsh Pavilion.

- 8th February, practical evening
- 13th, Peter Greenway on 'The challenge of photographing the National Trust'
- 20th, professional fine-art photographer
 Viveca Koh will give a talk called 'The joy of seeing photography my way'
- 27th, our annual "battle" against Abingdon Camera Club (to be held in Abingdon).

See www.wallingfordphoto.club for more information and come along to a meeting – visitors are always welcome!

Emily Dunn

Sue Ryder sales of goods

The next sales of donated goods are on Saturdays 15th February and 7th March, from 10.00am to 12 noon. Saleable donated goods are welcomed on weekdays between 9am and 4.30pm, until 13 February. We cannot accept goods on Sale day or the day before. The Sue Ryder Nettlebed Hospice is at South Oxfordshire Palliative Care Hub, Nettlebed, Henley on Thames, Oxon, RG9 5DF. Please call 641384 ext. 246 for further information.

Our plans to move out of the Nettlebed building have been well documented and we are currently planning to exit the building completely from April 2020. Our last sale will be on 28th March and we will no longer be accepting donations from 13th February.

After that we will gratefully accept donations at our local Sue Ryder store, 4 St Martins Street, Wallingford, OX10 0AQ (01491 825714). Our free collection service can come and collect items of furniture from you: request collections on 03330 031883 or via our website www.sueryder.org/furniture

Benson Garden Club

Tickets are now on sale for our meeting on 5th March, when we are delighted to welcome TV gardening personality Frances Tophill for a talk on "Right Plant, Right Place". Priced at £10, they can be bought from Derry's Den or Maison White in Benson or Wallingford Town Information Centre, or at our meeting on 6th February, when our speaker is Jim McDonald from the National Sweet Pea Society.

Looking forward, you may like to note that on 5th November our guest speaker will be Nick Hamilton, son of the late lamented Geoff.

Further information about the club and our 2020 programme, which includes garden visits as well as talks, can be found at bensongardeningclub.weebly.com, or email bensongardeningclub@gmail.com.

We meet at Benson Parish Hall, with doors opening at 7 pm for a 7.45 pm start, and are always very pleased to see new faces.

Crowmarsh Pre-School Quiz Night

We are delighted to be hosting a Quiz Night on Saturday 28th March at Crowmarsh Gifford Village Hall at 7pm. Tickets will be £10 per person (including admission and food). We will run a silent auction throughout the evening.

Please put the date in your diary and start to get your teams together (a maximum of 8 people per team). Last year's quiz was a huge success – let's make this one another night to remember!

Henley & district stamp club

If you enjoy doing research of any kind why not give philately a go? Stamps, covers (envelopes), airmails, postcards all come under its umbrella and there are so many subjects that can be covered and however much research you want to do will make your collecting much more interesting.

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at Bix Village Hall at 7.45 pm. Visitors and new members are welcome. Further details can be obtained by phoning 681739 or on our website: www.henleyphilatelic.org.uk

12 February: Nine A4 favourite pages from collections – postcards, stamps, postal history etc.

26 February: Auction viewing – open to nonmembers (or you can view online).

11 March: Henley's popular Auction – nonmembers welcome.

Crowmarsh Parish Council

The Parish Council does not meet in January. The next meeting will be held at Crowmarsh Gifford Village Hall on Thursday 6th February, starting at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome as always.

Please contact the Parish Clerk at 2 Home Farm or crowmarshparishclerk@gmail.com if you have any questions or enquiries.





Wallingford Museum news

Volunteers at the Museum are very busy preparing two new exhibitions of local interest, for the re-opening on Tuesday 3rd March:

- **'Plague, Pus and Pills** the history of Wallingford's hospitals' will trace the story of caring for the sick from mediaeval times to the present day
- The 'Willis Family paintings'

In addition, there will be special events:

- 'Can you FACE it?' workshops in April (which will appeal to ages 7 to 99!) will introduce forensic science. With plenty of imagination you can make your own facial reconstruction, complete with eyes, eyebrows, nose, lips, hair and ears.
 - ** Booking is now open online! **
- 'Family Archaeology Day' in July
- 'Squish, Squash, Bish, Bosh!' a special family event in August. Discover how Victorians worked hard in Wallingford!
- Drop-in quizzes, puzzles and other family things to do during the summer holidays.

Our Museum Bookshop has an excellent selection of good second-hand books (fiction and non-fiction) at sensible prices. We'll be open on Fridays in February from 10.30 to 3.00 and Saturdays from 10.30 to 1.00. We look forward to seeing you: it's free to browse!

We would love to hear from anyone interested in volunteering, whether to be a custodian, assist with the archive, delve into research, assist at events, or be a walk guide etc.

If you would like to join our team please contact Jenny Carpenter on 01491 826734 or email jenacarpenter@hotmail.co.uk

> Stu Darby www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk

Short Mat Bowls takes place at the Pavilion on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2pm. For more information, please call Don on 202543



Dr Elaine Jamieson (Reading University) will talk about the re-use of castles on 12th February. Elaine's talk is about the research project funded by the Leverhulme Trust which aims to explore the date, form and palaeoenvironmental context of large mounds in England in order to test the hypothesis that some medieval castle mottes are re-used monuments from earlier periods.

This talk will be held on Wednesday 12th February, 7.45 for 8pm, at St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford. Visitors (£4) are most welcome.

> Katharine Keats-Rohan www.twhas.org.uk

Sustainable Living Fair

Saturday 7th March 2020 — put the date in your diary now!

An opportunity to share ideas about how to reduce our impact on the environment and campaign to persuade government and business to react faster to the developing climate and environmental emergency.

Information stalls, short talks, shared food and conversation. Find out more about green finance, tree planting, repair and repurposing, car sharing, growing your own food and many other ways of making your life more sustainable.

St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford has offered their space so that we can bring this together after the local market on Saturday 7th March. It will run from 2pm to 4.30pm.

If you would like to help, or have an idea for an information stall or a 20-minute talk, please email Amanda: acgriff9@phonecoop.coop

Please use the parish website for news and updates about local matters http://crowmarshgifford.org.uk

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For volunteers, we offer a welcoming office environment and an opportunity to gain new skills, meet new people and make a real and valued contribution to your local community. It's up to you when you volunteer. We normally ask for two half days a week but can be flexible. If you are interested, please follow this link: https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/ oxfordshire-south-vale/volunteer/ or if you would like to discuss these volunteering roles please email Jon Bright, Director: jon.bright@osavcab.org.uk

Citizens Advice can help you through relationship breakdown



There is no storm quite like an emotional storm, and the trauma of a separation from a loved one can be devastating and overwhelming. Some people say it feels as if the ground is falling away beneath their feet. It helps if you know there's somewhere you can go right away for help: Citizens Advice.

If you and your partner or spouse have decided that separation is inevitable, you

should try to work out the practical details between yourselves. But bear in mind that you might eventually need to consult a solicitor as well to enshrine your agreement in law, especially if you have assets or children. Going to court should be regarded as a last resort.

Discuss with your ex-partner where you will live, where your children will live, and how to split any money or belongings. If you and your partner are too upset to talk to each other calmly, wait and talk later, or use a mediator.

If your partner makes you feel threatened, get help. Call Refuge or Women's Aid on 0808 2000 247. There is also a Men's Advice Line on 0808 801 0327.

If you have children with your partner, you are both responsible for the cost of looking after them when you separate, even if you are not married. The parent who moves out might have to pay maintenance to the parent who looks after the children.

Consider any outstanding debts or loans that you might have, and think about who needs to be informed about the separation. If you pay council tax, or receive benefits or tax credits, get in touch with the relevant people and tell them about your new status.

Citizens Advice can help you find the ground beneath your feet so you can move on. Call Citizens Advice Adviceline on 0300 3309 042 or come and see us in person. For locations of offices and opening hours visit the website www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/ oxfordshire-south-vale

Winter recitals Wallingford

The second concert of the Winter recitals season on Saturday 8 February focuses on Beethoven, born 250 years ago this year. Anita d'Attelis will play three of his piano sonatas, each from a different period of Beethoven's musical life, illustrating his remarkable progression as a composer.

On 22 February, Colette Salkeld (clarinet) and George White (viola) will join Anita on piano to play music by Mozart and Max Bruch.

The concerts begin at 7.30pm in St Mary-le-More church. Tickets are £12 in advance from www.ticketsource.co.uk/wrw2020 or the Town Information Centre, or £14 on the door.



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Services for February

Crowmarsh Gifford

Sunday 2nd	11am	Candlemas Family Service	
Saturday 8th	10.30 - 12.30	Crowmarsh Community Café, Village Hall	
Sunday 9th	11 am	Parish Communion	
Sunday 16th	11 am	Parish Communion	
Sunday 23rd	11am	Family Communion	
Wednesday 26th	11am	Ash Wednesday Communion (also available at St Leonard's at 8pm)	
Morning Prayer every Friday at 9am Evening Prayer every Sunday at 4pm			

Full details at www.wallingfordcofe.org.uk/calendar

St Mary Magdalene's Church

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 26th when many Christians will be marked with an ash cross on their forehead, given with the verbal reminder "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ."

Whilst the second sentence may only apply to Christians who have the hope of resurrection and life after death, the inevitability of death is something that all must accept: we shall all return to the elements from which our bodies are temporarily constructed. This is made much clearer in the Bible where the original Hebrew words for 'ground' and 'man' are very closely related: "Lord God formed man (ha'adam) from the dust of the ground (ha'adamah), and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being". Our own language has the same Latin root for 'human' and 'humus', so you have been warned!

Whatever our faith, we must prepare for the inevitable, not in a morbid way, but just to be honest and practical. I often deal with bereaved families where death was a taboo subject and they have no idea what their loved ones' wishes had been. They are then left to make some very difficult decisions in the midst of their grief and mourning. Some families can be torn apart by the absence of clear instructions, which is the last thing that we would wish on our loved ones – so please don't let it become the "last thing" you leave them.

So, what should we do about it?

- Draft a will and keep it up to date. Professional help is not mandatory, but is certainly advisable. A will kit is a start, but is immediately invalidated if not properly witnessed. Don't forget your favourite charities in your will, not least because it may significantly reduce any tax liability (our church buildings rely on such things!).
- Given that death from dementia or Alzheimer's is rapidly increasing (currently 1 in 8) and sometimes occurs even before retirement age, think about assigning a power of attorney, for taking decisions about your welfare or your financial affairs, or both.
- 3. Are you happy for any or all of your organs to be donated? The law may soon change so that the default expectation is for all rather than none, so discuss it and make your wishes known to your next of kin.
- 4. Burial or Cremation: What about the environmental considerations? Where will

your final resting place be? Will there be a permanent place where your loved ones can remember you?

- Funeral arrangements: why not plan your own funeral and leave written instructions with your will, perhaps some favourite hymns, a Bible reading, psalm, poem, etc.
 – even an outline of your life to give a structure to whoever gives your eulogy.
 For a church funeral, see the website www.churchofenglandfunerals.org.
- Finally, make a folder "In the event of my death" and keep a copy of all the above, along with financial details, account numbers, people to contact, etc. and tell your family (and executor) where it is kept.

If you would like to discuss any of the above with me, then please get in touch.

Yours faithfully, Rev Kev

Wallingford Theatre Club

The Wallingford Theatre Club arranges trips throughout the year for people who enjoy live theatre.

The club books a varied programme of drama, musicals and ballet, generally matinee performances, and travel is arranged using luxury coaches from our regular pickup points in Wallingford and Didcot.

Membership costs are £5 joining fee and £5 annual subscription. For more information and an application form please contact Marion Rae, 33 Goldsmiths Lane, Wallingford, OX10 0DN. Call 01491 824422 or email marion@274industries.com

Eva's Friends Supper Club: Saturday 7th March 2020

Eva's Friends Supper Club is back! If you enjoy food, friends and fun while raising money to change children's lives, then this is the event for you.

Eva's Friends is a local charity that is driven to accelerate a breakthrough in treatments and cures for rare neurological conditions in children. At present we are focused on funding a potentially ground-breaking gene therapy project to find a cure for Rett syndrome and other related MECP2 disorders.

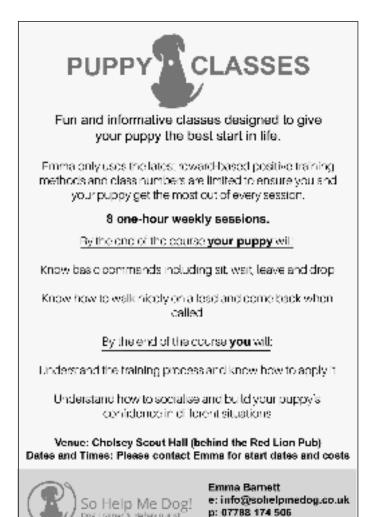
On Saturday 7th March we will be holding one of the country's largest multi-hosted supper club events and you can take part from the comfort of your own home.

Here's how it works: Invite some friends over for dinner and ask them to donate to Eva's Friends what they would have paid if they were out at their favourite eatery. Don't fancy cooking up dinner? Drinks and nibbles work too! There will also be an online auction on the night and competitions along the way.

To read more, please visit www.evasfriends.uk

If you have any questions or you'd like to get involved, please email info@evasfriends.uk for a fundraising pack.

> Carla Turner Trustee



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What's on at Wallingford Corn Exchange

Cinema

All regular performances normally start at 7:30pm and tickets are £8 for Adults and £5 for under-15s unless otherwise stated. See www.cornexchange.org.uk for further updates or call the box office on 01491 825000 (open in the evening from 7 - 8pm and from 10am to 2pm on Fridays and Saturdays).

Sunday 2nd & Monday 3rd Jojo Rabbit (12A) Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th Little Women (U) Thursday 6th & Wednesday 12th Knives Out (12A) Friday 7th & Saturday 8th Cats (12A) Sunday 9th 2040 (PG) Monday 10th The Two Popes (12A) Thursday 13th Ordinary Love (12A) Friday 14th Seberg (15) Saturday 15th The Runaways Sunday 16th &Monday 17th 1917 (12A) Wednesday 19th February Bombshell (15) Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd The Personal History of David Copperfield (12A) Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th Marriage Story (15) Thursday 27th The Lighthouse (15)

Live screenings

Tuesday 11th, 7:15pm Royal Ballet, *Sleeping Beauty* (12A), recorded live from Covent Garden, tickets £15 (adults), £12.50 (seniors), £10 (under 18s)

Tuesday 18th, 7:15pm Royal Opera, *La Bohème* (12A), recorded live from Covent Garden, tickets prices as above

Thursday 20th, 7pm NT Live, *Cyrano de Bergerac* (15), live from the West End, tickets £15 adults, £12.50 (seniors).

Live shows

Friday 21st February, 7:45pm Jeeves and Wooster in *Perfect Nonsense*, from Chipping Norton Theatre's production, tickets £12

Friday 28th February, 7:45pm *Posting Letters to the Moon*, readings of wartime letters between Celia Johnson (from Brief Encounter) and her husband Peter Fleming. Live on stage read by their daughter, actress Lucy Fleming, and her husband, actor Simon Williams. Tickets are £15.

Coming soon

Tuesday 10th to Saturday 14th March at 7:30pm, with a matinee on Saturday 2:30pm: *Guys and Dolls*, a joint production by the Corn Exchange and Crescendo Music, tickets £19 and £17 (adults), £17 and £15 (under 16s)

Wednesday 1st to Saturday 4th April, 7:45pm: A Sinodun Players production of Agatha Christie's play, *A Daughter's A Daughter*, an intense family drama, written in 1956.

Full details: http://www.cornexchange.org.uk

Wallingford Art Club

Wallingford Art Club's monthly demonstration evening is on 18th February. This month our demonstrator will be Cat Croxford, who will show us how she paints buildings in Acrylic. Cat runs the Joe Daisy studio at Mapledurham and is a qualified teacher. Her demonstrations are great fun and very informative. This is a return visit on request by many people, so not to be missed. The evening starts at 7.30pm prompt, free to members and at a cost of £3 to visitors who are very welcome to join us.

Tutored classes continue on Tuesday mornings with Lisa and Claire, and Tuesday afternoons with Grant Waters. The afternoon class is more structured for those who want to improve various skills. More information on these classes, which are fee paying, can be obtained from David 01491 681400.

All events are held at Centre 70, Goldsmith Lane, Wallingford OX10 0DT and details are on the website www.wallingfordartclub.org.uk or email admin@wallingfordartclub.org.uk or call David as above.

Useful telephone numbers

Crime Stoppers	0800 555	5 111
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John Howell MP writes ...

This is my first newsletter since the General Election and as I write Parliament is debating the Queen's Speech at the opening of this session of Parliament. The Queen's speech sets out the programme of legislation that the Government intend to pursue in the forthcoming session. Bills introduced in the speech can be brought forward for discussion in Parliament in the session. The debate allows MPs to express views on proposed legislation before the work of turning Bills into legislation begins. In the course of the parliamentary session Bills will be brought forward for debate, committees will scrutinise them, amendments will be tabled, the House of Lords will scrutinise them and suggest amendments, and MPs take a final vote. All this work shapes the Bill until following the final vote it is sent to the Queen for Royal Assent and then becomes law.

With a large number of new MPs there will be changes in roles in the coming weeks to give people new opportunities. There will be elections for people to chair the Select Committees. In the House of Commons there is a Select Committee for each government department. Their work is to examine the work of the Department including spending, policies and administration. These committees decide upon their own lines of inquiry and then gather written and oral evidence. Findings are reported to the House. There are also Bill Committees set up to scrutinise each new Bill laid before Parliament. There are many other roles to be assigned to MPs and the Prime Minister is likely to make changes to his Ministerial team in due course.

There is also a range of APPGs, All-Party Parliamentary Groups. These are informal cross-party groups providing for discussions on issues of particular interest to members. These are run by and for members of both the Commons and Lords, though most also involve people and organisations from outside Parliament in administration and activities.

Each APPG has to be re-established following a General Election. I follow the work of a number of them and am vice-chairman of several. This month I have been elected as chairman of several more.

As always I am interested to know the views of constituents on the various topics as they come up for debate. Whether on a topic before the House or something else, if you have an issue that you would like to raise with me please email me at howelljm@parliament.uk or write to me at the House of Commons (House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA) or my constituency office (PO Box 84, Watlington, OX49 5XD), giving your full address.

Past times

We wish David Beasley a speedy recovery and hope he will soon be able to resume his popular "Past times" column.



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WHAT'S ON — FEBRUARY 2020

Regular events and meetings

Every Thursday	19.45-22.00	Wallingford Photographic Club	Crowmarsh Pavilion						
Every Friday	09.30-12.00	Wallingford Country Market	St Mary-le-More Church						
Every Saturday	10.00-12.00	WAGS Store open	Centre 70						
Every Saturday	10.00-13.00	Local Producers' Market	St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford						
Every Sunday	11.00 onwards	Parish Communion (Family service on the first Sunday of the month)	St Mary Magdalene's Church, Crowmarsh						
Various days	Different times	Didcot and Wallingford Ramblers www.ramblers.org.uk/didcot-wallingford	Different places						
This month									
Sunday 1st	19.00 for 19.45	Concerts@Cholsey: folk band Crows	Cholsey Pavilion						
Sunday 2nd	13.30 onwards	CTC 20-mile cycle ride	Meet Wallingford Market Place						
Wednesday 5th	14.00 onwards	U3A: Lecture on the restoration of Cotswold canals	Crowmarsh Village Hall						
Thursday 6th	19.30 onwards	Crowmarsh Parish Council Meeting	Crowmarsh Village Hall						
Thursday 6th	19.00 for 19.45	Benson Garden Club: Jim McDonald from the National Sweet Pea Society	Benson Parish Hall						
Saturday 8th	10.30-12.30	Crowmarsh Community Café (note later start time)	Crowmarsh Village Hall						
Saturday 8th	19.30 onwards	Winter recital: Anita d'Attelis plays Beethoven piano sonatas	St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford						
Wednesday 12th	19.45 onwards	TWHAS: The re-use of Castles	St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford						
Wednesday 12th	19.45 onwards	Henley & District Stamp Club: 12 favourite sheets	Bix Village Hall						
Saturday 15th	10.30 onwards	Sue Ryder sale (see p.4)	Nettlebed						
Sunday 16th	13.30 onwards	CTC 36-mile road ride	Meet Wallingford Market Place						
Saturday 22nd	19.30 onwards	Winter recital: clarinet and viola and piano — Mozart and Max Bruch	St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford						
Wednesday 26th	11.00 onwards	Ash Wednesday Communion Service	St Mary Magdalene's Church, Crowmarsh						
Wednesday 26th	20.00 onwards	Henley & District Stamp Club: Auction viewing	Bix Village Hall						
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Thursday 5th	19.30 onwards	Crowmarsh Parish Council Meeting	Crowmarsh Village Hall						
Thursday 5th	19.00 for 19.45	Benson Garden Club: talk by Frances Tophill — right plant, right place	Benson Parish Hall						
Saturday 7th	14.00-16.30	Sustainable Living Fair (see p.6)	St Mary-le-More Church, Wallingford						

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