# PARISH OAK



OCTOBER 2015

October 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1st 10.30 am Coffee Morn, The Copse, Upper Enham	2nd Live Music, Ed Cusick: The Oak, Smannell	3rd Enham Club: Burlesque (In Hall)
4th 10.00 am St. George's: Harvest Communion	5th	6th 6.00 pm: Christ Church PCC meet	7th The Oak, Smannell: Quiz Night	8th	9th	10th Enham Club: Covergirlz Band
6.00 pm Christ Church: Harvest Festival	ı					
11th 10.00 am Christ Church: Matins	12th	13th	14th 7.15 pm Enham Alamein Parish	15th	16th Parish Oak November Issue: Contributors	17th
6.00 pm Michael House Evening Service			Council meet, Enham Resource Centre		Deadline	
18:30 am Christ Church: Communion	19th	20th	21st The Oak, Smannell: Quiz Night	22nd	23rd	24th
10.00 am St. George's: Communion						
25th 10 am Christ Church: Communion	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th	31 <sup>st</sup> Enham Club: Halloween Disco
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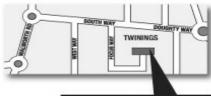
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#### **EDITORIAL**

What a roller coaster some parts of your life turn out to be. There you are, things ticking over nicely and suddenly you are banjaxed by a big unwelcome event. In our case, Jeremy spent what summer there was in July in hospital, and I spent the days either on the road, beside his bed, or in the hospital car park waiting to find a space. He is home again, and grateful for the kindness of the staff of both RHCH Winchester and Andover's own Kingfisher Ward. And full of praise for the efficiency of the "get you home again" service providing equipment, with a smile.

What else has been happening this summer? It doesn't do to turn on the television news as it is depressing wherever you look in the world – even taking a train ride on a little Indian railway ended in disaster. Those of us lucky enough to have had the chance (in our case in the Nilgiri hills from Coonoor to Ooty) will be reminded of the excitement of the journey and shocked that it could all go so wrong.

But close to home some things stay the same, thank goodness. The love of family, the joy of grandchildren, the pleasure to be had in a garden, the beauty of the countryside. And haven't there been some amazing red skies at night! Pity that more often than not the next day's weather didn't live up to the promise, but what would we do for conversation when we meet, without the British weather to moan about?

The memorial service celebrating the life of John Kinchenton was a proper tribute. John's contribution to our parish was enormous, not least in the way that he solved so many of the problems to do with the fabric of St. George's Church, without fanfare, but also because he was such a good friend to all.

It's nice to have the concert at Christ Church to look forward to.

Julia Reilly



## CHURCH IN SMANNELL & ENHAM



#### Ramblings from the Rectory...

Well it has been lovely watching the Harvest take place in the fields around us. The Hampshire countryside is really beautiful at this time of year and we have enjoyed walking some of the footpaths over the summer.

But Philip especially has been busy tending the garden over the last year and we have eventually adjusted to having a garden that is much bigger than a postage stamp. Our previous garden was very different!

Now having been here a whole year we have seen the garden grow...and experienced all the seasons...and seen how the garden behaves in each. We've learnt that we need to plant more shrubs...there are still too many empty spaces in the borders...after having cleared all the weeds. We've discovered some beautiful patches of snowdrops and white bells as well as lily of the valley...did a previous priest like white flowers I wonder?

We have planted more roses, but the most exciting addition to the garden has been the greenhouse with the opportunity to grow our first cucumbers...and they have done surprisingly well. We have also grown tomatoes, peppers, courgettes, potatoes and cabbages, as well as strawberries and raspberries. So without too much effort...it sometimes seems more by luck than by good judgement...we have been able to harvest more produce than we can eat from the Rectory garden.

Psalm 65 acknowledges that the harvest comes from God. The psalmist worships and thanks God because:

'You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance.'

Harvest festivals were traditionally a time when villagers brought some of the crops from their fields and gardens into church for a service where God was thanked for all the bounty that had been produced that year. They were a time of real thanksgiving and celebration...often involving a Harvest Supper together afterwards.

This still happens in some of our churches but often Harvest festivals are now focused on an awareness and concern for those who do not have enough food...sometimes those affected by famine or drought in the developing world. But

with a growing gap between the rich and the poor in the UK, there is a greater recognition of the needs in our own communities. In 2014-2015, almost 1.1 million people were given 3 days' food by food banks. Sadly the numbers needing this support have grown and show no signs of decreasing.

So you will find that some of our churches' and schools' Harvest Festivals support the local food bank. Do join us at a Harvest Festival this month, when we will give thanks to God for all his provision to us. You are most welcome to come to one of our local services...Smannell church on the 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm for the church Harvest service or for the school Harvest service in the church on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

God bless you all, Rev Val

Rev .Val Gagen 01264 748065

## Harvest Festival

at

Christ Church, Smannell on 4th October 2014 at 6 p.m.

Please stay on afterwards in the Church for a bowl of soup and a Ploughman's supper washed down with wine

Donations please of £10



#### **Notices**

#### ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING

To be held in aid of the **Countess of Brecknock (Andover) Hospice** on Thursday, 1st October 2015 at 10.30 a.m. with Margaret Smith at The Copse, Upper Enham.

Bring & Buy Stall, Sale of Greeting Cards and Raffle. **Entrance £1. Please come and support us.** 

#### Thank You from Christine Kinchenton

Thank you all so much for your letters and messages of support for me and the girls after John's death and everyone who came to his thanksgiving service.

I am especially indebted to Margaret Smith, Margaret Hughes and Jean McCarthy for their help with the refreshments and everyone who put the church back together after we had left.

John's ashes are now in his grave outside St George's as he requested.

#### Ride and Stride - Thank You from Val Gagen

The Ride and Stride event in aid of Hampshire and the Islands Historic Churches Trust was held on Saturday, 12th September 2015.

A big thank you to all those who helped with this event. To those who walked or cycled and also to the gallant folks who helped to man our churches, supplying visiting cyclists and walkers with refreshments...thank you indeed.

I cycled with Philip around the 7 team churches and one other nearby church as well as 4 in Andover. It was good fun and we got to chat to lots of interesting people along the way. Do think about joining us next year, God bless...Val

# Deadline for November's Parish Oak will be Friday 16th October

Contact: editor@parishoak.co.uk / tel 01264 512262

#### PARISH REGISTER

#### **Baptisms**

Roman Francis Hyde-Webb 23<sup>rd</sup> on August 2015 at Christ Church, Smannell.

We welcome you into the Lord's family We are members together of the same heavenly Father.

#### **Funeral**

Samuel Todd on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Funeral and interment at Christ Church, Smannell.

I shall not forget you.

Look, I have engraved you on the palm of my hands (Isaiah 49 v15-16).

#### Wedding

Mark Joseph Jamieson and Emma Louise Burridge on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Christ Church, Smannell.

God is love, and those who live in love, live in God and God lives in them.

### **Parish Oak Advertising Rates**

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To love, to learn, to live ... to leave a legacy

# SMANNELL & ENHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

I'm sure that if you've passed the school recently you'll have noticed our smart new fencing. Our old fencing had become somewhat dilapidated and needed replacing, so we have taken the opportunity to make sure that we comply with the latest safety requirements, as well as having the same type all around the site.

We now have 110 children on our school register and as well as welcoming 15 new children to our Reception class, we have also quite a few new staff who have joined our family.

Our first big whole school event is already on the horizon. We'll be celebrating Harvest Festival on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at Christ Church at 9am. This year we'll be following this with a Macmillan Coffee Morning in our school hall which will be hosted by our oldest children in Swallows Class. They have already begun to plan the cakes that they intend to make for the morning. If you are free at that time you would be very welcome to come and join us.

In the news you regularly hear about children not being occupied in their activities. I thought that this would be a good opportunity to share some of the extra activities that take place at school. As well as our sporting clubs such as football, netball and running we also have a school choir, a cookery club as well as craft clubs. For a few years we have also offered a breakfast club at the beginning of the school day.

Whilst we have only just started this school year, the process of applying for places for next year's Reception children will soon be underway. If you, or someone you know, is interested, we are holding an open morning on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, between 9.15-11.00 and an open afternoon on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October, from 1.15-2.30. There will be an opportunity to meet the staff and see the school in action.

We like to make sure that our school site is always in good condition, we seem to have a number of small DIY jobs that always need to be completed. If you know of anyone who would be interested in offering a few hours of a 'handyman' service then please contact the school office.

Happy New 'school year' to you all.

Peter Shaw, Headteacher

# The Smannell and Enham Church of England (Aided) Primary School



To love, to learn, to live ... to leave a legacy

The Smannell and Enham Church of England (Aided) Primary School is currently in need of new Foundation Governors.

Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising school standards. The role of the governing body is absolutely key to the effectiveness of a school. Ofsted (the national inspection body for schools) has noted that the most effective schools demonstrate effective leadership and management, and that include the leadership brought by the governing body.



Our school Governing Body is made up of people who come to us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skill and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the School and are the link between the School and the community it serves.

The role of the governing body is a strategic one and its key functions are to set the aims and objectives for the school; set the policies and targets for achievement; monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making. All this while being a source of challenge and support to the headteacher (a critical friend).

This isn't an application to be taken lightly, as it involves time, energy and a willingness to become involved in the life of the school on a regular basis over at least four years. However, it is very rewarding, as together we can strategically input into the school and see another generation of children growing in knowledge and development within our community. A Foundation Governor represents the Church of England and should be a regular communicant within the Church.

We would be delighted to hear from anyone who has an interest in the performance of the school, but also a willingness to listen and help us make informed decisions to develop the school forward.

Contact Peter Calcraft on 01264 512262 (editor@parishoak.co.uk) or Paul Sexton on 07766 162347 (paul@colvinnet.com) to discuss how you can be involved.

#### **ENHAM ALAMEIN PARISH COUNCIL**

Hello all,

This is a first for me. Having moved to the village two years ago with my wife, I have found myself becoming quickly accepted into the community and onto the Parish Council.

There is not a day that goes by when I do not think how lucky we are to have found such a special place. I know that a lot of residents have lived in the village for some time and I would hope that for them the charm of our Parish has never worn off.

Of course there are a lot of new additions to the community and this trend looks to continue as new housing goes up, and our population expands. We are very lucky to have a terrific village shop and post office, a garage, the town close by and of course an unending supply of unspoilt countryside walks straight from our door.

As a naturalist and wildlife/landscape artist, our ever changing environment provides me with resource material that many painters would typically travel miles to see. The light, landscape and wildlife here is incredible, which, I hope, provides that extra special something in my work. I can never take this for granted as such untouched scenery is becoming a far scarcer commodity in the UK. The wildlife that I see on a daily basis, is equally in many cases having a hard time of it, and again I feel extremely fortunate to have such easy access to such a vast array of life, some of it much threatened across the UK. It is therefore reassuring to see that as we accept the new developments from Andover, the likes of the Enham Trust and the Parish Council recognise just how important the open and undisturbed spaces are, and how they contribute in such a positive way to the wellbeing of our residents, whether human or not!

Councillor James Nash

#### Please Note:

The next meeting of the Enham Alamein Parish Council will be on Wednesday, 14th October at 7.15pm in the Enham Resource Centre.

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Leslie and Tim

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Peta Wilkinson CEO

01264 345800

Hello Everyone,

As I write this, the wind is blowing through the trees and the rain beating down on the window – Autumn has definitely taken hold! Now is the time for cosy evenings spent in front of the fire with family and friends, crisp early morning walks, and of course, now is the time for change.

I'm delighted to share with you the wonderful news that, since I last wrote, we have integrated two dynamic initiatives; The MOVE Partnership (supporting children and adults with complex physical disabilities to gain independent mobility) and Andover Advocacy Service (giving a voice to vulnerable people in Andover), expanding the services we are currently able to offer disabled, disadvantaged and vulnerable people to become as independent as possible.

During September, our unique skills development programme, Radio Enham, undertook a range of new and promising projects; firstly, enjoying their first outside broadcast during Andover Car Festival on the 27<sup>th</sup> September. I'm so proud of all of those who took part, helping to make the day a great success! Following this, Radio Enham are now able to offer all clients involved in the radio the NCFE qualification level one in Radio Production. I'm sure you'll join me in wishing them every success as they take on this new challenge.

Also last month, a group of 10 dedicated cyclists, taking part in the 54 mile-long London to Brighton cycle ride, raised over £1000 for our vital cause. A big 'thank you' goes out to all participants for their efforts.

Finally, our Gardening Services Team is selling logs again this year. Available by the bag, logs can be ordered by emailing: <a href="mailto:gardening@enhamtrust.org.uk">gardening@enhamtrust.org.uk</a>
More information can be found on our website: <a href="www.enhamtrust.org.uk">www.enhamtrust.org.uk</a>.

Best wishes.

Peta Wilkinson, CEO

# Little London Bonfire night and Fireworks display The Oak, Smannell - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November Pumpkin and Guy Judging 6.20pm Bonfire 6.30pm Firework Display starts 7.30pm

This is just a short note to let you know about the preparations for this year's Bonfire night display. The display aims to raise money for the Little London Playing Field Association and to entertain everyone.

Last year we had over 25 minutes of fireworks and everyone was bowled over. So tell all your friends and family to come and enjoy our wonderful display this year.

This year we will be holding the bonfire and display at The Oak in Smannell, on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> November. Things are going ahead well and we are now reaching the point when we will start to gather material for the bonfire. We are looking for garden waste that will burn easily and put on a good show. If you have been carrying out winter preparations in your garden – chopping branches or pruning hedges - and are wondering how to dispose of the debris - we have the answer. We would welcome your pruning and chopped branches on our bonfire. Sadly we cannot accept any wood that may contain nails etc. Please call Sam Jackson on 0774 756 2043 to discuss where you can donate your wood.

This year we are holding a Pumpkin competition and a Guy competition and encourage you all to have a go making a Guy for the bonfire. Also bring your amazing pumpkins along and see how spooky you can get them to be. So go on, be creative and impress us all.

We will be awarding a prize to the best guy and for the spookiest pumpkin and all the guys will take pride of place on the bonfire (unless you wish to keep yours).

We will be holding a raffle and if you would like to donate a prize, that would really be appreciated. Please contact Sam Jackson if you can help.

We have several roles that need filling on the night. If you could spare a couple of hours and would like to have fun and help, please contact Linn Jackson on 01264 338788.

The event will have hot food from the barbecue, soup, mulled wine, hot and cold drinks and some sweet treats for the children. Tickets will be available on the gate and from the pub.

Finally we are hoping for a great turnout and we are looking forward to enjoying another wonderful event with you. So roundup the family, get out the holey pullovers, start making your guys, put batteries in your torches, and remember to wrap up well.

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

Please be aware of the following scam which has emerged in Sussex. At the moment there is nothing to suggest that it has reached Hampshire but it's best to be made aware of.

Fraudsters have been phoning victims telling them that they are calling to let them know that they have been placed in the wrong council tax bracket for a number of years and that they are entitled to a rebate. They normally say that this rebate should be worth £7000. Since mid-July Action Fraud has received 16 reports.

Once the victim is convinced, the fraudster tells them that in order to receive the rebate they will need to pay an administration fee in advance; the payment they ask for varies between £60-350. The victim provides the details and makes the payment, but then is no longer able to make contact with the person they spoke to on the phone.

#### Wrong tax bracket

When they phone their council about the rebate and the fact that they are in the wrong tax bracket, the council will confirm that they know nothing about it and that they have been contacted by fraudsters.

The fraudsters have mainly been targeting both male and female victims who are aged 60 and over and live in the Sussex area, but it is likely that the fraudsters will also start to target victims in other areas.

#### How to protect yourself:

- Never respond to unsolicited phone calls
- Your local council won't ever phone out-of-the-blue to discuss a council tax rebate. If you receive a call of this nature, put the phone down straight away.
- No legitimate organisation will ask you to pay an advanced fee in order to receive money; so never give them your card details.
- If you think you have been a victim of fraud, hang up the phone and wait five minutes
  to clear the line as fraudsters sometimes keep the line open. Then call your bank or
  card issuer to report the fraud. Where it is possible use a different phone line to make
  the phone call.

To report a fraud and receive a police crime reference number, call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or use the online fraud reporting tool.

Richard Budge, Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator

#### FRED'S PIECE

Dear Readers.

Once more we look back and remember some of the things we got up to in our younger years.

About this time (1943), I was just over 17 years old and as I had always wanted to be in the RAF, it was time for me to get off over to 'Hale Hall' in Salisbury to get my name down. So, with a pal of mine (Geoff Lewis from Andover), one afternoon, off we went! We signed on, passed the medical ok and were told we would hear in due course. Well, 3 weeks later we had instructions to be prepared to spend 5 days in London, in the big hotel rooms over Euston Station, which had been taken over by the RAF as an Aircrew Volunteer Centre. So here there were more medicals and aptitude tests and further exams! Well, all went well and we were accepted on the strength of AC2 rank and given a Service Number. Now came a bit of a disappointment: you were put on the RAFVR (Volunteer Reserve) for 6 months - so that was that! So, in a snow storm, Geoff and I paid a visit to the London Zoo and then made our way home. When Mum told Dad what I was up to, he just said: 'Well, he's made his bed, he must lay on it!' I think he was thinking of his experience in life: how he volunteered for the Army in 1914 and what was the result of his service in those days.

So, back to work to await my turn. Well, the war in Europe was coming to a close, and men were needed out in the Far East to fight the Japanese. So it was decided to take a lot of sailors and RAFVR and make them into soldiers. So we got new marching orders and had to report to Formby (Lancashire), so my next experience was to leave home at 6 a.m. one Thursday morning to get up there, which I reached at 11.30 the same night. Why couldn't we have been enlisted a lot nearer home? So my further time was spent in India and also a bit down the Suez Canal. America had dropped the atom bomb, so the war was over and the next job was the partition of India, with all the troubles and riots out there.

Some of us found India a very interesting country and we took a month's leave on one occasion and spent it up at the Hill Station called Simla. This was at the residence of the Viceroy of India, where all the Government bigwigs went for the hot season to escape the heat! To reach these hill stations, one had to catch a little narrow gauge railway, which took 5 hours to wind its way through to those places. Other leave camps were at Mussoorie and Chakrata. Here we enjoyed horse riding and pony trekking at weekends. The bushes and flowers and big butterflies in the Himalayas have to be seen to be appreciated - including some fantastic waterfalls!

As some readers know, once a month a small group of lads and lasses met for a light lunch and a good chat somewhere. On this last occasion (20th August), we had 3 new

friends turn up: Mr. and Mrs. Morton and 'Chubby' Broughton, an old Enham lad, so if you think this get-together would interest you, why not give it a try?

So—once again, hoping all this rambling is of some interest to you.

All the best till next time,

Fred.



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Although the pedestrians have not been segregated from vehicles, you don't need to worry about them either, as they know they have to jump in the hedge as you approach.

If you are unfortunate enough to be stuck behind another driver who perhaps does not fully appreciate the driving style required – just overtake them as quickly as you can, even if it may appear that the road is not wide enough, don't worry, as remember, you always have right of way, so the other driver will have to move over and allow you to pass.

There we are then, a new road that requires new driving techniques.

Of course the problem is that the road hasn't actually been built, we still have that narrow country lane known as the Smannell Road. But that hasn't stopped some drivers from practicing the new driving techniques.

Anton Sapient
You may say I'm a dreamer but I'm not the only one

#### It's a numbers game

Mrs Hampshire and I are preparing for our annual argument. I've got my bottle of Tipp-ex ready.

I say 'our annual argument', but it's not like a run of the mill argument, this one starts around the end of September, and goes through to April, sometimes longer. We are familiar with each other's point of view (we should be, it's been going on for nearly 30 years), but we continue to turn deaf ears to the other's opinion. Sometimes we call on friends and neighbours for support, and on one occasion Mrs Hampshire even called in a plumber to confirm her opinion.

At this point I should make it clear that of course I am right and, if I was being charitable, I'd say she is perhaps not wrong, just stubborn.

A few years ago when two young dogs arrived to take control of both our home and our lives, Mrs Hampshire played a trump card by enlisting their support. They of course fell into her trap because when it comes to the crunch, they support the person that feeds them. So the ammunition she uses now includes her interpretation of the opinion of two dogs.

Any day now the question will be asked, "Do you think we should turn on the heating?" Do not be deceived, this is not an attempt to solicit my opinion, it is in fact the opening salvo in this year's campaign. This is followed with a question that gets to the core of the issue. "Are you sure you know how to use that thermostat?"

I've tried different tactics over the years, changing the time settings, scratching off numbers, even tampering with the water supply, but I'm dealing with a woman's brain, so of course she won't be persuaded.

Yes, this little box of electrical connections that sits quietly on the wall, will now be the focus of an argument that can last for at least six months. It has a dial that rotates and is used to turn the boiler on or off, depending on any change required in the room temperature. So I argue that if I'm cold the temperature dial should be turned up, and that the numbers on the dial are irrelevant. On the other hand Mrs Hampshire claims that '23' is far too high, so the thermostat must be wrong.

This year I'm painting over the numbers with Tipp-ex.

John Hampshire

## My Anniversary

I recently changed over my mobile phone service. My new service offers me free extra time whenever I update and it also notifies me of this. So I get a message which tells me what I have available, plus the free extension time, and an "anniversary date".

The "Anniversary date" had me fooled for a bit. How clever of them to know my anniversary I thought – and then realised that the 4th September is not my anniversary. Eventually I realised what the message meant - the "date of your anniversary" meant the last date on which I had put some more money on my phone.

Now anniversaries, as everyone knows, are yearly festivals, a time to remember something that happened one year ago. It might be a wedding anniversary with the bride and groom keeping their 48th - i.e. it is 48 years since they got married, or my mother's "tenth anniversary", meaning it is 10 years to the day that my mother died. So, do I really need an annual remembrance for the date I last put money on my card?

In Lewis Carroll's "Through the looking glass" Humpty Dumpty says that "words mean what you want them to mean". I am sure that is true. But there is a problem when a word already has a very specific meaning and people try and impose another meaning on it.

The use of "anniversary" in this situation probably comes down to the space available on the screen or some other equally mundane consideration. But it has unsettled me. When the wife reminds me that it is our anniversary, do I have to give her free extra "air time", and, if so, what does that mean?

Why not simply say "date of last purchase"? Is it any wonder that we are more confused these days?

Graham Trasler

## SERVICES IN PARISH OF SMANNELL WITH ENHAM ALAMEIN OCTOBER 2015

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October TRINITY 18

10.00 a.m. St. George's, Enham
6.00 p.m. Christ Church, Smannell
Harvest Festival

Sunday 11th October TRINITY 19

10.00 a.m. Christ Church, Smannell Matins

6.00 p.m. Michael House, Enham Evening Service

Sunday 18th October TRINITY 20

8.30 a.m. Christ Church, Smannell Holy Communion 10.00 a.m. St. George's, Enham Holy Communion

Sunday 25th October BIBLE SUNDAY
10.00 a.m. Christ Church, Smannell Holy Communion

Sunday 1st November ALL SAINTS
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Enquiries for Funerals in the Parish to the Priest, Val Gagen (748065) or Churchwarden, Pete Bowker (357201).

Enquiries for Baptisms or Weddings in any of the seven churches in the Pastrow Benefice, including Smannell and Enham, please go to the weekly Vestry Hour to make a booking.

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