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Lympstone Parish Council Chairman's New Year message:

I am proud to be the Chairman of your Parish Council this year. The Parish Council continues to meet twice each month except August and our meetings are always attended by some residents of the Parish. All are welcome and everyone is given an opportunity to air their views if they wish.

We have regular reports from our District Councillors and County Councillor and we keep up the pressure on them to make improvements in Lympstone. It is not easy as their budgets are being cut by central government in its attempt to balance the national budget.

Unfortunately, during the year, Mrs Terri Scott left the Parish Council to work with her husband in Malawi for a year. We wish her well in this exciting venture and give our wholehearted thanks for the hard work that she put in as a Parish Councillor, including gaining an impressive result in the Best Kept Village competition.

Terri has been replaced by Cllr David Young who served on the Parish Council a few years ago. We are glad to have him back. David lives in Marley drive and it is good to have a local representative at the top end of the Parish whilst we are under threat from development on land off Marley Road and at Goodmores Farm.

#### Cont

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#### Cont

David's contact details, together with details of all the Parish Councillors. can be found on each of the six Parish notice boards and on the village Please don't hesitate to contact anyone of them if you have questions about what any is happening or might happen in Lympstone.

During the year we have achieved many good things for the Parish.

We have surfaced the new path from the School to Candy's Field. We are about to order two lights for the car park and hope to find funds to surface the car park in the coming financial year.

We put a new surface at the entrance to Cliff Field so that it can stand the occasional use by vehicles without causing damage. Thanks go to parents of Scouts and footballers for their help in laying this. We hope to finish the job by completing the concrete apron around the scout hut in the near future.

We are actively supporting Lympstone Pre-School in their quest for a new building of their own on part of the Village Hall site. This will give them a permanent home and help them to achieve greater things for the young children of the Parish. I am sure there can be no better investment than this.

We have continued to support local groups by offering grants, paying for works or equipment. We put aside money for this each year and occasionally we are able to find larger sums for bigger projects. This is an important way in which we can help to keep Lympstone a vibrant community with a wide range of activities.

We have supported Lucinda Telfer in her quest to put a public access defibrillator in the village. We are grateful for this initiative and for the help of the new owners of the village shop and the friends of Lympstone Surgery.

At the request of Cllr Mrs Kathy Rogers, the bus stop on Meeting Lane has been refurbished and a new litter bin has been provided.

We arranged for the War memorial to be cleaned and repaired in time for the special service in August, for the commemoration of the start of World War I.

Finally, the Lympstone Neighbourhood Plan has been approved by the Planning Inspector and is now with EDDC to arrange a Parish Referendum. The value of this has already been seen in that it encouraged SLP to withdraw their appeal against refusal of planning permission for houses on land off Courtlands Lane and they were ordered to pay part of EDDC's costs. There are still some concerns about

Neighbourhood Plan but on balance, the Parish Council as a whole feels that the Parish is better protected from unwelcome development by having it in place. It also sets out a number of community projects which will be taken forward. If you have some concerns and would like to do something about it, why not contact Cllr Jenny Clark and see whether you might join the Neighbourhood Plan working group. The Neighbourhood Plan will be reviewed regularly to make sure that it is kept up to date with feelings amongst residents. The first step though is for a resounding vote from the community.

All in all, these achievements are considerable for a small parish such as ours. They could not be achieved without hard work and dedication of your Parish Councillors and many people in the Parish who give their time willingly to make Lympstone a great place to live.

I wish you all a Happy New Year.

*Cllr Richard Eastley*, Chairman, Lympstone Parish Council

#### THE PARISH CHURCH

Epiphany is the celebration of the visit of the wise men to the child Jesus. The season of joyful celebration that began at Christmas now continues through the successive

Sundays of Epiphany, and the festal cycle ends only with the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple

(Candlemas) which we 1 st celebrate on February.



Epiphany-tide is an apt season to pray for the worldwide mission of the Church. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity falls in this period. (See below). In the Eastern churches, the Epiphany is, rather, the celebration of Christ's baptism at the hands of John, when the Heavens were opened and a voice from Heaven declared Jesus to be God's beloved Son. The miracle of Cana in Galilee,

where Jesus 'first manifested his

glory'.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity -18th to 25th January 2015 - Prayer meetings are held in host Churches at 12.30 p.m. throughout the week and are followed by Fellowship with serving of Soup and Bread by the host church. Monday 19th at the Baptist Church, Victoria Road; Tuesday 20th at the Methodist Church, Tower St:

Wednesday 21st at Holy Trinity Church of England, Rolle Street; Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at Glenorchy U R C, Exeter Rd and Friday 24th at Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Raddenstile Lane.

There is a United Service at Holy Ghost Catholic Church on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 6.00 pm.

Quiet Prayer Time - Come and join our time of quiet, reflective prayer

from 9.30-10am on Monday, 12th Jan. Sessions tend to include a short passage of Scripture, an extract from a meditative writing or a occasionally some music, and 15-20 minutes of silence; we close with a Collect and the Lord's Prayer. Jesus tells us that when two or three are gathered together in God's name, He will be there in our midst. The opportunity to spend regular 'quality time' with God is invaluable in our busy lives - we do hope you can join All are welcome! For more information, or just a chat, please ring Demelza on 272243. The time of quiet prayer is on the second Monday every month the next being the 9th February.

Stairway to Heaven - There will be a Community party celebrate the completion of the new staircase at Holy Trinity. Refreshments will be served and then we can use the new staircase to go into the church for a performance of old-time Music Hall songs, performed by the Exeter Cathedral Players. This was a great hit when performed recently at the cathedral and there will be opportunities to join in with songs! Tickets will be available early in January at each church and from the office.

Lent When the Herald next comes to print we will be on the eve of Lent with Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) and Ash Wednesday to remember before the preparation for Easter with reflection on Jesus' time in the wilderness.

That is for next month. Church notices are displayed on the church board under the railway arch or in the church porch.

Brian Mather

(Lent – Weds 18<sup>th</sup> Feb to 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr. Ed)

#### FROM THE EDITOR

A Very Happy New Year from all connected with the production and distribution of the Lympstone Herald. We hope that the formatting problems caused by incompatible hardware and/or software which have marred our layouts recently have been resolved. (Wendy is retyping anything that looks suspicious)



#### **BOXING DAY SWIM**

Just a few of the dozens who felt the need to enjoy the estuary with a festive dip at Lympstone.

Chris Carter

### BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2015

Now's an ideal time for collecting stray litter hiding in bushes and verges ... and not forgetting to remove old staples from our telegraph poles! A community litter-pick day will also be taking place next month. For more information, contact: Greg Crum and Sharon Wayland on 274551

Sharon Wayland

#### **POLICE**

Between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of December a burglary was committed at a stables in the area of Tedstone Lane. CR/126949/14 Refers.

Tedstone Lane. CR/126949/14 Refers. On the 9<sup>th</sup> December a public order offence occurred in The Strand. The offender also obstructed Police whilst being arrested.

Between the 29<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> December a theft from vehicle occurred in Glebelands. CR/133909/14 refers.

If anyone has any information, please contact Police on 101. Ring 999 for emergencies only.

We have had 22 calls to our communication centre during this time:

- 2 x abandoned calls
- 2 x alarm activation
- 4 x suspicious circumstances
- 5 x concern for welfare
- 3 x administration
- 3 x anti social behaviour

1 x highway disruption 2 x road traffic collisions.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year and look forward to working with you in 2015.

Sarah Trayhurn, PCSO 30110

### FURRY DANCE SANTA AND MULLED WINE EVENT

The Furry Dance Committee would like to thank all those who came and supported another successful Mulled Wine Christmas event. As usual a welcoming festive warm and atmosphere was provided by our generous hosts Angie and Mike at The Globe, Santa's arrival was made extra special by his chauffeur driven vintage transport sporting antlers and a red nose, which delighted adults and children alike. The snow fell and "Here comes Santa" played by the SW Comms Training Band, set the mood for a morning of seasonal fun and enjoyment. Thanks once again to all our helpers and sponsors. We wish you all a Happy New Year.

Chris Doak

#### GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION

After trying relentlessly to find someone to take over the garden waste collection scheme, I've had no luck whatsoever and with advice of the scheme down.

Thanks to everyone for their support over the years. With much sadness it is a decision I just have to take.

Chris Barnacle

#### LETTER FROM NORMA EXELBY

May I use the Herald to express my and my family's gratitude for the overwhelming support and kindness following Keith's sudden death. From the first day, forty years ago, Keith loved Lympstone and judging by the manv cards and many. expressing affection and respect and attendance at the funeral, the village heart. took him to its The contributions to the Diabetic & Vascular Research Unit at the RD &E Exeter are presently nearing £500, an amazing tribute. Thank vou Lympstone

Norma Exelby

#### ART TALK AND WORKSHOP



Lympstone Art Group will be holding a talk, "Plein Air or Not?", by Phil Creek on Thursday 5th February 7.30pm in the Methodist Hall, Chapel Road. Plein Air, or painting directly from your subject, as a painting methodology, become has

doctors, sadly have decided to shut increasingly popular in recent times. Is it important to paint from direct observation, often outside, or is working photographs from drawings just as successful? Phil will discuss his own work and compare different ways of working and how different methods can impact upon the qualities you can achieve. All are welcome. Members free, others £3 on the night.

> On Wednesday 4th March we will be holding a Workshop on Building a Sketch Book, run by Naomi Hart from 10am to 4pm at Lympstone Sailing Club

> Naomi will provide examples of Travel Journal Sketch Books, hers and other artists' using different media She will give examples of forms of sketchbooks and their construction. show materials she carries with her and experiment with mark making, collage, subject drawing matter composition and themes. Cost £30. If you are interested in attending please contact Mai Targett on 271915 email maitargett@btinternet.com

Lizzie Hodge

#### **QUIZ NIGHT SAT 24th JAN**

If you've eaten too many mince pies and need to stimulate your brain cells again, put together a team of up to 6 people and take part in Quiz night. £10pp to include delicious tapas

served during the quiz. Proceeds ESTUARY FLOOD DEFENCE towards Lympstone Sailing Club WORK COMPLETED. funds. Doors and bar open at 7pm. Barrel of real ale over the bar. Buy tickets from Lesley on 222849 or by Environment Agency team led by email - eventslsc@mail.com

Lesley Anderson

#### ANTIQUE 'ROADSHOW' **OUIZ SUN 22<sup>nd</sup> FEB**

A quiz with a difference! Our quiz master, Rick Hall, has compiled a number of different items with a variety of ages and histories. Each team has 10 minutes to assess the purpose, age and value of an item before the items move on. £10pp to include supper. Proceeds towards LSC funds. Doors and bar open at 7pm. Buy tickets from Lesley on 222849 or bv email eventslsc@mail.com

Lesley Anderson

#### MOBILE LIBRARY

Friday, Jan. 30, Feb. 27 Meadow Close 10.15 -10.35 am Car park. 10.45 -

11.45 am



Best wishes for a Happy New Year. Diana Letcher

Shortly before Christmas the Howard & Mel completed months of essential work to the Estuary flood defences.

The wall at Quay Lane has been substantially rebuilt and strengthened with a new more effective alignment for the floodgate and additional runoff opportunity for spray topping-over the wall. Gate 5 also at Quay Lane now has replacement steps to make it safer, and Gate 3 has a new threshold height to reduce beach incursion from waves running up the slipway. Our emergency flood-board store has been reconstructed and a considerable length of wall at Harefield Cottages has been re-mortared.

This project has resulted from the effective partnership between Flood Gate Warden team and the Environment Agency and is demonstration of the excellent quality of work delivered by their in-house Lympstone resources. is verv fortunate indeed to have benefited from this costly work in these straitened times.

As in 2014 very high tides are forecast for the first months of 2015. and householders in the lower village are advised to remain vigilant.

Alan Burton

#### FILM SOCIETY – YOUR NEXT FILMS

Two renowned classic films for your enjoyment: Our Tuesday Matinee on January 20<sup>th</sup> is *The Railway Children* starring Jenny Agutter. 2pm for 2.15pm start at the Methodist Hall. £3.50 including refreshments.

Our Friday screening for February is *The Lunchbox*, "a romantic's delight" featuring Mumbai's famous lunchbox delivery system. On February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm at the Village Hall. Doors open at 7pm; bar. Free for Film Society members or £5 on the door.

Don Mildenhall

### SOMETHING FISHY'S BEEN GOING ON



Lympstone Film Society is delighted to announce two screenings of a new film about fishing from Lympstone. Some of the film makers that the society supports are currently hard at work editing this, their second major documentary.

The team followed the Compass Rose out to sea (and back again!) in the

summer of 2014 and filmed subsequent fishy events on shore.

We will be showing their film Tied to the Tide: A Lympstone Livelihood on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st March in the Village Hall. Tickets will cost £10, to include a light fish supper or vegetarian option, and will be available from Monday 16th February.

For further information, contact Suki suki.commin@googlemail.com or Sue: sue.m@btinternet.com

Sue Mildenhall, Suki Commin and Lizzie Hodge

### ENCOUNTERS WITH AUTHORS



Calling all fiction fans! Lympstone Entertainments is delighted to present an evening with widely acclaimed crime writer Graham Hurley. On Tuesday 27 January Graham will be at the Village Hall to talk about his hugely popular Joe Faraday series of books and, since his move to Exmouth a few years ago, how he has followed this with exciting stories set in East Devon.

The event will begin at 7.30pm, bar open from 7pm. Tickets £5, available on the door or in advance from the Lympstone Entertainments 'box office' at 2 Brookfield Cottages, the Strand, or call 07516 322853, or 01395 272243.

Grace Packman

#### YOU DID IT!

When Shears Cafe decided with the help of their many customers to try and raise £1,000 for Exmouth & Lympstone Hospiscare by Christmas, it seemed an impossible dream.. Sarah Jane's determined enthusiasm. however, along with huge generosity from so many of their customers.....resulted in Pam Warren, our Fund Raising Chairman, and I being presented with the final part of the £1,000 about a week before Christmas. This wonderful donation to our local Charity came from customers popping £1 coins into a tube in the Cafe....and what a lot of coins you popped in!!

A huge thank you to the Cafe, to Sarah Jane and to everyone who helped raise the £1,000 - it is local patients and their families who will benefit. Thank you all.

Frances Longhurst

## FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH LOTTERY



The lucky winner of the Friends of the Church Lottery in December was Martin Richardson -- doubly lucky as the December prize includes the Christmas bonus, giving Martin £50 in all!

Clive Wilson

#### LYMPSTONE MUMMERS

The traditional Lympstone Mummers performed their play to packed houses in the Redwing, Swan and Globe on Saturday 20 December. As usual, we collected afterwards for the Children's Society and we would like to thank all who gave so generously, helping us to raise over £164. We performed also in Exmouth and Topsham and altogether collected just short of £450.

Clive Wilson

#### POPPY APPEAL

2014 Poppy The Appeal has so far raised £5496.23 and I am still waiting for some cheques to arrive for wreaths so I anticipate the final total to be just under £6000 which is a fabulous achievement. An enormous thank you to everyone in Lympstone Village and CTCRM for their generosity once again. I must of course also thank my very willing band of House to House Collectors and the Money Counters in Lympstone and at CTCRM who make it all possible and without whom I could not do it. Thank you one and all.

Becks Pearson



A GOVERNMENT DECISION means developers will no longer have to provide affordable housing on many smaller rural sites.

Communities minister Brandon Lewis announced the removal of Section 106 agreements from sites of fewer than 10 homes in a written statement to parliament.

It means developers will no longer have to provide affordable housing when building homes on smaller sites. Lewis said: "Due disproportionate burden of developer contributions small-scale on developers, for sites of 10-units or less, and which have a maximum combined gross floor space of 1,000 square metres, affordable housing and tariff style contributions should not be sought.

"This will also apply to all residential annexes and extensions."

For designated rural areas under section 157 of the Housing Act 1985, which includes National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, authorities may choose to implement a lower threshold of 5-units or less, beneath which affordable housing and tariff style contributions should not be sought.

This will also apply to all residential annexes and extensions.

Mr Lewis said: "Within these designated areas, if the 5-unit

threshold is implemented then payment of affordable housing and tariff style contributions on developments of between 6 to 10 units should also be sought as a cash payment only and be commuted until after completion of units within the development.

"These changes in national planning policy will not apply to rural exception sites which, subject to the local area demonstrating sufficient need, remain available to support the delivery of affordable homes for local people."However, affordable housing and tariff style contributions should not be sought in relation to residential annexes and extensions."

The Rural Services Network said abandoning the requirement for developers to include affordable housing when building homes on smaller development sites was ill-thought through.

Rural Services Network housing spokesman Andy Dean said: "This decision is huge blow for rural communities. It is very, very disappointing news.

"Affordable housing is key to retaining young people in rural communities and in smaller rural settlements, this is how most new affordable homes are delivered."

The Rural Services Network is calling dential on the government to reverse the decision which exempts developers these on sites with 10 or fewer homes from 5-unit requirements to include affordable

housing - at least, in relation to all HELP WANTED rural settlements.

In some rural areas, the exemption will apply to sites with five or fewer homes.

But Mr Dean said: "This is a small concession and the policy could still provision of rural decimate the affordable housing because most sites in villages are small.

"These planning requirements are the mechanism which delivers most of the new affordable homes in our villages. Without them, families will be priced **LITTER** out of the countryside.

"There is scant evidence that such planning agreements undermine development site viability and, where local authorities conclude it would. they can already reduce the burden.

"We have to find a better way to balance the government's desire to encourage small scale builders with over-riding need provide the to affordable homes in rural communities."

Rural Network Services

#### VILLAGE WEBSITE

Any updated information please contact Update@lympstone.org call or 01395489506

Mark Reynolds

DCC have asked the Parish Council to find identify volunteers to where possible, have repairs done to the



roads in Lympstone .No rewards but a lot of thanks. Contact Tony le Riche279665/07866 535580 clerk@lympstone.org if you can help

Chris Carter

Beautiful Ah. Lympstone! No wonder people want to visit, and live here. I have, however, noticed a lot of litter around the village. Mostly it seems to be food or drink related, possibly thrown from cars, bikes or walkers, sometimes washed up on the tide. Whenever I walk out from my house, I take a bag and fill it with rubbish. Could we all take an interest in this modern problem? Please pick up any litter you see, remind others to use the bins and enjoy our beautiful surroundings.

Wendy Headeach

#### KARATE CLUB - CORRECTION

Thursday evening in the Village Hall.

Peterwards74@hotmail.com

#### LYMPSTONE GARDEN CLUB



Just before Christmas, our workshop with Frances Hurrell proved really popular. Nearly thirty of us gathered round as Frances demonstrated with great skill how to make a Christmas table centrepiece using a wonderful variety of foliage, candles and tasteful baubles. We learnt new skills and endless tips on how to wire everything from fir cones and twigs to walnuts!

Then we were let loose on our own creations, with some hands-on help from Frances. Very soon, seasonal displays were taking shape around the hall, and we celebrated our achievements with mulled wine and Christmas nibbles.

Many thanks to Frances for a really enjoyable and instructive afternoon, and to Sheila and Suki for raiding their wonderful gardens for all the fine greenery.

There's no Garden Club talk in January, but we're back on Tuesday 10 February with a talk on orchids by Sarah Rittershausen, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Function Room - £3 on the door. On the night, we'll also be selling tickets for the Toby Buckland event on Saturday 7 March, when he'll be looking forwards to spring in the flower and vegetable garden. There'll be afternoon tea, a raffle and book signing.

News from the Garden Club is sent out regularly by email. If we don't have your details and you'd like to be kept up to date with what's coming up then please do send your name and email address to suki.commin@googlemail.com
You'll also find more information about the club and forthcoming events at www.lympstone.org

Gail McKenzie

#### LENT - OH NO, BUT PLEASE READ ON

Just getting over Christmas and the New Year? Not yet Candlemas, thinking ahead to Lent? Well perhaps however, plans are already underway organising a Lent course. An exciting and stimulating group discussion type of course from one of the popular Pilgrim Course on The Ten Commandments. In Lympstone beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February, Tuesday evening 7.30 to 9.00 and at Holy Monday Trinity afternoons February 2.30 – 4.00. Look out for posters, sign-up sheets and A5 leaflets with all the details, soon to follow. For further information please contact Revd. Sid Humphries 01395 274512 sid.humphries2@btinternet.com or Revd James Hutchings hutchingsjames@sky.com or Demelza Henderson 01395 272243 or Parish Office 01395 263681

Brian Mather

### WHEN SCIENCE AND MAGIC COLLIDE

Lympstone Entertainments is also proud to present a Comedy Magic Show with Oliver Meech, who has brought magic and science into collision at the Edinburgh Fringe for the past two years, with laughter all Expect amazing tricks the way. inspired bv astounding science (suitable for over 8s). Sunday 8th February at 2.30pm in the Village Hall (soft drinks and ices on sale). Tickets: adults £8, under 16s £4, from the Lympstone Entertainments 'box office' at 2 Brookfield Cottages, The Strand, or call 07516 322853, or 01395 272243.

Grace Packman

#### LYMPSTONE WI

"CHAOS" and "ORDER" proclaimed the notices that had sprung up on the telegraph poles of Lympstone during the first week of 2015. As well as prompting some of us to ponder existential questions, the posters were also inviting us to this month's very topical WI talk by Mrs Jasmine Sleigh on the benefits of putting those New Year resolutions into practice and decluttering your home or, as she prefers to call it, changing your space.

Following on from the talk, there was some essential WI housekeeping to attend to. Members' subscriptions

taken for various extra activities that members had signed up to. We then discussed the seven resolutions that had been short listed last autumn for action by the WI in 2015. The resolution to encourage awareness and the appropriate use of antibiotics in the face of increased microbial resistance was carried.

Members were reminded that our New Year evening meal is being held this year at the Redwing on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> January at 6.30 for 7. They were also asked to make a date in their diaries for the Members' lunch at the Sailing Club on Tuesday the February.  $24^{th}$ Other activities suggested for the coming months include visits to the Honiton Lace Museum and Torre Abbey, and following the success of our trip up the Exe River and Canal excursion on the River Dart.

Our next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30 in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, when Mrs Mary Benger will talk about the ongoing development of Burrow Farm Gardens, which she and her family have created over a period of fifty years.

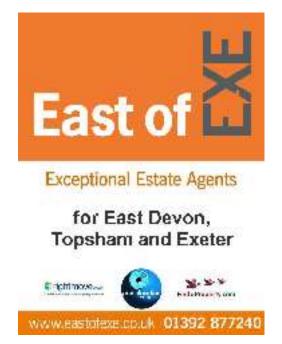
We are very pleased to welcome anyone who thinks she might be interested in finding out about the Lympstone WI. For more information please phone Diana de la Rue on 01395 274099 or find us on the village website.

Lindy Newton

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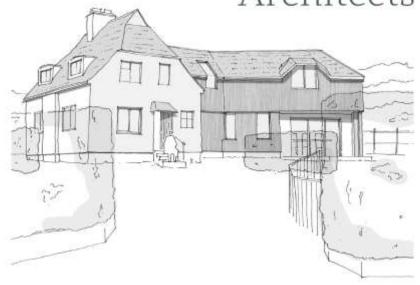
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- 14 Calligraphy Workshop
- 20 Film- The Railway Children
- 24 Quiz Night LSC
- 27 Graham Hurley Talk
- **30** Mobile Library

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 2 Parish Council
- **4** WI
- 5 Plein Air Talk
- 8 Science and Magic
- 10 Church discussion Group
- 10 Garden Club Talk
- 13 Film The Lunch Box
- 22 Antiques Roadshow Quiz
- **23** Church discussion Group
- **27** Mobile Library

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