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# Foreword

Phil Armes

Happy NewYear!

At the time of writing we have not suffered any bad weather so far this winter, but I expect as we get in to the new year there will be plenty of the white stuff covering many of our venues. As usual this will cause all sorts of headaches for those of you trying to put on events, and will lead to some having to be cancelled. Please remember to let me know if you have to cancel an event, and don't forget to let the webmaster know as well, so that the information can be put on the website at the earliest opportunity.

It may be the start of a new season but the annual awards presentation will be on February 22nd at Gt Blakenham when we recognise the 2013 champions – if you haven't got your ticket then contact the centre secretary, and put the date in your diary.

I am in the process of finalising the 2014 Eastern Centre Handbook, and the provisional fixture list should be confirmed and available by the 31st December. If any club secretaries, or officials require any changes to their details for publication in the handbook please let me know by 28th December.

It's good to see top class Grass Track coming to the centre in September, when the 500cc Sidecar Association organize the 2014 European Sidecar Finals. I'm sure we all wish them luck with this event, and if you haven't been to top flight Grass Track then put the date in your diary and get along on September 6th/7th.

Wishing you all a safe and successful 2014.

## Biking Humour

A vicar was visiting his parishoners on his old Velocette motorcycle when it suddenly died and coasted to a stop at the side of the road.

Nothing was obviously wrong, so he tried kick-starting it. After a couple of minutes he became aware of a small lad watching him over the fence.

"What ya doin' Mister?" asked young Johnny.

"I'm trying to start my motorcycle, my son" replied the vicar.

"My Dad's got one of those. You have to jump up and down on the kickstarter while you swear at it."

"But I am a vicar. I can't swear. Indeed, it has been so long since I was saved by Jesus that I doubt I can even remember how to swear"

"Never mind" replied Johnny "You just keep kicking that old bugger. It will soon come back to you!"



# EASTERN CENTRE ACU TRIALS OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Event: ..... Organisers: .....  
 Venue: ..... Date of Event: .....  
 Permit No: **ACU** ..... Course Lic/Cert No. (where Applicable) .....

*This event is held under the National Sporting Code of the Auto-Cycle Union, the Standing Regulations, Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions issued for the meeting. The ACU National Sporting Code and Standing Regulations are published annually in the ACU Handbook.*

**Entry declaration:** I/we the undersigned apply to enter the event described above and in consideration thereof:

- I/we hereby declare that I/we have had the opportunity to read, and that I/we understand the National Sporting Code of the ACU, the ACU Standing Regulations, such Supplementary Regulations as have or may be issued for the event, and agree to be bound by them.
- I/we further declare that I/we are physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and I/we are competent to do so.
- I/we confirm that I/we understand the nature and type of event I/we are entering and its inherent risks and agree to accept the same notwithstanding that such risks may involve negligence on the part of the organisers or officials.
- I/we confirm that the machine(s) as described below which I/we compete on shall be suitable and proper for the purpose.
- I/we confirm that if any part of the event takes place on a public highway, the machine(s) described below shall be insured as required by the Road Traffic Acts, or equivalent legislation, and that it/they will comply with the regulations in respect thereof.
- I/we agree that I/we are required to register my/our arrival by "signing on" at the designated place not less than 30 minutes prior to commencement of my/our practice or first competition, whichever occurs first.
- I/we confirm that I/we are not suspended or my/our ACU Licence has not been suspended/withdrawn from any ACU competition.
- I consent to details of any injuries I may suffer at this event being passed between all medical services and the Clerk of the Course.
- I consent to the collection and retention of my personal information by the ACU
- **I/we understand and accept that if Supplementary Regulations state the Insurance cover for this event is "Basic" there is no Personal Accident cover for Competitors and Liability cover in respect of any claim made by third parties is limited to £10 million and £5 million for Medical Mal-practice.**

**Premium Insurance will be assumed unless clearly stated otherwise in the Regulations.**

- I/we enclose the entry fee of: £ .....

**Don't forget to put Entry Fee here**

**Acknowledgement of the risks of motorsport:** I/we understand that by taking part in this event I/we are exposed to a risk of death, becoming permanently disabled or suffering some other serious injury and I/we acknowledge that even in the event that negligence on the part of the ACU, the promoter, the organising club, the venue owner, or any individual carrying out duties on their behalf were to be a contributory cause of any serious injury I/we may suffer, the dominant cause of any serious injury will always be my/our voluntary decision to take part in a high risk activity.

**I/we have read the above and acknowledge that my/our participation in motorsport is entirely at my/our own risk.**

**Rider's signature:** ..... If under 18, state date of birth\*: .....

\* For riders under 18 years of age - I accept the above conditions of entry to this event and give my approval:-

**Signature of parent or person with parental responsibility:** .....

*Riders and Passengers under 18 years of age who cannot produce a valid ACU Competition Licence/Trials Registration must also complete a 'Parental Agreement form (Single Event)' in addition to this entry form.*

**Don't forget to sign**

**Rider's Surname:** ..... **First Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

..... **Postcode:** .....

## Phone Numbers

**Landline (inc. area code):** ..... **Mobile:** .....

**Email:** .....

**ACU Licence No:** ..... **Club:** .....

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## Class Entered (Tick required)

Expert ☐ Expert B ☐ Inter ☐ Inter B ☐ Novice ☐ Pre 70 ☐ Twinshock ☐

Youth A ☐ Youth B ☐ Youth C ☐ Youth D ☐ Youth E ☐

**Machine: Make:** ..... **Engine Size (cc)** .....

## LOWESTOFT INVADERS MCC

Sunday 9th February 2014

## Restricted Permit TRIAL

Pond Farm, Aldeby

### The Jubilee Trophy Trial inc Rnd 1 of Eastern Centre Championship

Sign On: 08.30 am

National Grid Reference: TM 465945

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: John Read Club Stewards: R. Greensides & R. Tozer

Clerk of the Course: C. Grice (Licence No: 38892)

Child Protection Point of Contact: Ron Greengrass

Secretary of the Meeting: Ron Greengrass Tel: 01502 563566 email: [rjg@rongg58.plus.com](mailto:rjg@rongg58.plus.com)  
58 Dell Road Oulton Broad Lowestoft NR33 9NS

Start: 10.30 am

Permit No. ACU 40120

#### JURISDICTION:-

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Open to Adult & Youth members of the Eastern Centre of the ACU riding solo machines.

**Course:** Multi route sections in Woodland & Sandpit. Non scoring first lap for experts

**Classes:** Expert, Inter A & B, Novice, Pre-70, Youth A,B,C

**Awards:** The Jubilee Trophy for best performance – youth or adult

**Entries:** Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of **£14.00 for Adults, and £12.50 for Youth**. Include one 9x4 SAEs. Cheques/POs to be made payable to **Lowestoft Invaders MCC Ltd.**

**Entries Open:** 4th January 2014

**Entries Close:** 4th February 2014 - NO LATE ENTRIES

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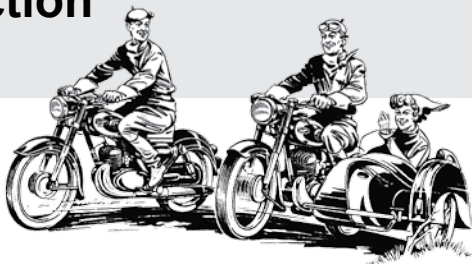
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# The Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny



I'll make no bones about it – I do not subscribe to the "football culture" – which has seemingly permeated into our national life well in excess of its real importance. A valid enough sport without doubt, yet as ever, some people take their supposed enthusiasms too far. For instance, I was sorry to hear of the degree of abuse referees have had to endure – in youth football, mainly from lineside parents. In my book, this is an indication of a lack of respect for authority which nowadays occurs right through our society and in my earlier days was virtually unheard of.

Every sport must have its rules and each sport must have its rule enforcers. Ultimately discipline has to prevail in order to provide that essential element: "fair play" All competitors need to be assured of equal conditions under which to perform. In our own calling there are very full regulations not only controlling how the sport is run but also relating to the potential hazards of motorised competition with which, our delegated officials also have to cover. The fact we as a Centre run so many meetings with comparatively few problems, is surely a testament to the organisation and its rules, which mainly emerge from our Governing body, yet evolve seemingly in a democratic climate and with largely sensible outcomes. Supporters of our sport do not as a rule cause any trouble whatsoever, at or after, meetings and I like to think, go home quietly to a good supper. I can just recall hearing of bad behaviour by European fans at some International motocross races in the 1950's/60's when they would throw stones or in other ways, try to put off riders (often British) who were threatening to overtake their own national heroes. We do not hear of such things today – no doubt due to improved fencing.

In all my time in the sport – I only had one occasion to resort to the organising officials in the form of a protest over the way the rules had been applied. It was a Stowmarket trial in the early 1960's and I had been – I thought – unfairly docked a "five" for poisoning motionless on my Tiger Cub, in a section

"Five – you stopped" Called out the no-nonsense observer.

" - But my feet were on the footrests – I was in control" I protested

"Doesn't matter – the rules state: 'Stopping' - lack of forward motion – five!"

He would not be shifted. Distraught, and later having received the results which confirmed the five, I sent off my letter of protest with a postal order for 10/- (50p) – as was the rule.

It was I think, Ian Lummas, who conveyed the verdict on my protest at a subsequent trial a week or so later.

"We got your protest letter Sidge, thank you."

"Yes?"

"Well – we all had a good laugh at what you'd written..."

"Oh?"

" But really, the observer was right – by the rules.."

"Oh..." My heart hit my boots.

"But we enjoyed your letter so much - here...." And reaching into his pocket, he gave me my rather creased postal order back....

**DISS MCC**  
Sunday 23rd February 2014

**Open ENDURO**  
Santon Downham, Thetford Forest

**GH MCs HUSABERG ENDURO CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 1**

**Sign On: 7.30 am**  
**National Grid Reference: 820880**

**Start: 9.00 am**  
**Permit No. ACU 40151**

**OFFICIALS:-**

**Eastern Centre Steward:** David Smith      **Club Stewards:** Richard Snowden & Ady Taylor  
**Clerk of the Course:** Andy Waters (Licence No 95651)  
**Child Protection:** Ms. B Allum  
**Secretary of the Meeting:** Ms. B Allum 2 Riverside Cottages Wortham Ling Diss Norfolk IP22 1SU.

**JURISDICTION:**

Held under the NSC and the Standing Enduro Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Open to Adult members of the ACU riding solo machines.

**Start & Finish:** Ride 22 off A134 Nr Santon Downham    **Course:** 12 miles approx. of Forestry Commission Land  
**Classes:** Championship; Expert; Expert Vet (40+); Clubman; Clubman Vet (40+); Clubman Supervet (50+); Sportsman

**Entries:** Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of **£50.00**. Include one 9x4 SAEs. Cheques/POs to be made payable to **Diss MCC Ltd**.

**Entries Open:** 4th January      **Entries Close:** 15th February      **Awards:** At end of series

**NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY.** All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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- I consent to details of any injuries I may suffer at this event being passed between all medical services and the Clerk of the Course.
- I consent to the collection and retention of my personal information by the ACU
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- I/we enclose the entry fee of: £.....

**Don't forget to put Entry Fee here**

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**I/we have read the above and acknowledge that my/our participation in motorsport is entirely at my/our own risk.**

**Rider's signature:** ..... If under 18, state date of birth\*: .....

\* For riders under 18 years of age - I accept the above conditions of entry to this event and give my approval:-

**Signature of parent or person with parental responsibility:** .....

*Riders and Passengers under 18 years of age who cannot produce a valid ACU Competition Licence/Trials Registration must also complete a 'Parental Agreement form (Single Event)' in addition to this entry form.*

**Don't forget to sign**

**Rider's Surname:** ..... **First Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

..... **Postcode:** .....

### Phone Numbers

**Landline (inc. area code):** ..... **Mobile:** .....

**Email address:** .....

**ACU Licence No:** ..... **Club:** .....

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**Class Entered** Championship ☐ Expert ☐ Clubman ☐ Sportsman ☐ Tick if OVER 40 ☐

### Machine:

**Make:** ..... **Capacity (cc)** .....

**Sponsor (if applicable)** .....

If TWO MAN, Partner's Name ..... **SEPARATE ENTRY FORM REQUIRED**

**PLEASE INDICATE WHO WILL BE RIDING FIRST** .....

## Halstead & DMCC Club Notes

So here we go the countdown to the start of the motocross has started. Pre-season training is taking place (sitting in the pub) and the diets have begun (or you are still eating the turkey from Christmas)

This year's AGM was held back in November which saw Keith Weavers re-elected as chairman and Ray Game back as president. Andy Mayers has taken over from Ben Howlett as vice chairman. Ben Howlett decided to concentrate his efforts into the role of treasurer. We have a new general secretary Ruth Bearfoot and Juliet Salmon is continuing her work as competitions secretary. Tony Adams is continuing as press relations officer. We would also like to welcome Vince Pryke and Kieran Doherty on to the committee.

Thank you to everyone who have taken on roles in the club and an even bigger thank you to those who have chosen to step down we appreciate your contribution to the club over the past years.

Liz Weavers is continuing as membership secretary and is now taking membership for the 2014 season. Please ring Liz on 01787 374886 if you would like a membership form.

Andy Crawford has become an honorary life member of the eastern centre. Which I am sure you will agree is richly deserved. Well done Andy

By the time you are reading this the fixtures will probably be announced but I can tell you that we will be holding the Maxxis British Sidecarcross Championship again on the 7th of September.

We have also had some news of rider sponsorship for Phil Burton. Phil will be displaying the Colchester estate agent Haart's logo on his bike for the 2014 season.

In the results we have seen teenager Sam Peck taking place in his first ever trials. We hope this will be the start of some good results. As always Matt Skeet has been near the top of the leader board in many of the trials during the winter.

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# Woodbridge & DMCC Club Notes

Charlie Ralph

At the recent dates meeting for 2014, our dates for enduro, grass track, motocross and trials have been agreed. Details of venues, championship rounds, etc., will be announced in the next edition of the gazette.

The ACU have requested that they use Blaxhall for the 2014 BYMX club championships on October 11th and 12th. We are pleased to let them use the circuit as this will give youngsters from around the UK, a chance to compete at a circuit that not many have ridden on before.

Latest news from one of our national motocross riders, James Cottrell. James missed most of 2013 with a few nasty injuries, but is now fit and raring to go for his new team, H&M Plant KTM. He will compete in the MX2 European series, and the British Maxxis, plus the Red Bull Championships. We wish him well.

Daniel Carter had another good result recently, in the National Thumpers Trial, near Colchester. He was narrowly beaten in the two stroke class, settling for second place, a good effort from the up and coming youngster.

The 2014 Eastern Grass Track Championships have been allocated to the Woodbridge Club, and provisionally, the date is July 20th. It is planned to have youth racing, etc on Saturday July 19th, so it should be a bumper grass track weekend.

Our AGM is on 27th of February, at Wickham Market F.C. All members are welcome, we would like input from riders as well.

A final reminder that membership to the club is due. We welcome new members to our busy club, There are several ways to join, online to [www.entrycentral.com](http://www.entrycentral.com), or go to the Woodbridge website, where you can download a membership form, and send it to me. Another quick route if you are renewing membership, is to go online to [www.acu.org.uk](http://www.acu.org.uk), where you can also renew your racing license.

If you need to contact me, a reminder that my phone number is 01394 389330.

Finally, on behalf of our committee, grateful thanks to all those who have assisted the club in 2013, and we wish you all a happy and fruitful new year.

## **Trials & Enduro Licencing Seminar**

A Trials and Enduro Clerk of the Course and Steward licencing seminar is to be held at midday on Saturday February 1st 2014. All those needing licences renewing need to attend as this is the only one planned within the centre in 2014. Venue will be announced on the Centre website as soon as it is confirmed. Can all those who would like to attend please forward your name to Alan Penny at least a week before the seminar.

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The reserved number scheme was a great success last year, enabling the Centre to make a donation of £1,500 to the Essex Air Ambulance, while preventing the need for riders to change numbers from event to event. Unfortunately a few riders still prefer to keep requesting the same number from race secretaries without reserving it. Not only does this reduce the amount we are able to donate to charity, but is very unfair on the riders who DO pay for their number. **For the 2014 season it is far more likely that your chosen number will not be available to you unless you have reserved it!**

Numbers purchased for the 2013 season will be held for renewal until 31st Jan 2014. Any number not renewed by this date will be made available to all riders. **If you want to ensure that you keep the same number for the 2014 season, you must renew by 31st Jan 2014 at the latest. NO NUMBERS WILL BE HELD AFTER THIS DATE.**

Any numbers not renewed by 31st January will be made available on a first come, first served basis. If you have not renewed your number by this date there is every possibility that you could lose it to another rider. There are now over 900 riders on our database, any of whom could be entering the same event as you, so it is more important than ever to reserve your number if you wish to avoid having to change it from meeting to meeting. If another rider has reserved the number he/she WILL be given it if you both enter the same meeting.

You can renew (or reserve a new) number by using the postal form on the opposite page. If you prefer, you can also do this online at [www.easternacu.org](http://www.easternacu.org). The cost of reserving your number stays at £5 per season. If reserving the number online an extra 39p is added to cover the fees we are charged by PayPal. This ensures that the chosen charity we donate to does not lose out, and is still cheaper than sending the application form by post.

Riders who finished in the top 10 of the 2013 expert championship have the right to use numbers 1-10, but this is not obligatory, and they may reserve a different number to prevent losing it (whether they ride with it in 2014 or not).

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# Sudbury MCC Club Notes

Roger Chaplin

Well a start of another year, I wonder what there is in store, time will only tell.

Two reminders, firstly our Annual General Meeting which is on Monday 27th January 2014 at The Dolphin, Bradwell near Braintree on the A120. We have held our monthly Committee Meetings there since March 2013 and it is about central for all especially those from Hertfordshire and Cambridgeshire. Start time is 8pm and as usual there will be food laid on, hope as many of you can attend. Secondly our Annual Dinner and Awards Night which is on Saturday 1st February 2014 at the Stoke by Nayland Hotel and Golf Club. There are about 50 trophies to be presented on the night also we will announce the line up for the 2014 Team Dave Roper which will be on similar lines as last year which proved to be very successful.

A little bit of 'horse trading' was done at the Dates Meeting last November, we conceded our date on the 13th April for our annual Dave Roper Memorial Moto Cross, however we will be running on that date a Trail Cross (back to grass roots). The Dave Roper MX brings in a lot of money for his Team Fund and I think the Sudbury Committee have been very gracious to co-operate because there is a serious loss of income and when it comes to the Dates Meeting in November this gesture will hopefully be remembered. We also moved our 11th May date to 18th May, Hare and Hounds Enduro and our 21st September date to 5th October, 2 Man H&H Enduro. The other dates we requested seem to be okay.

Our first event for 2014 is the Endurothon on 9th March Foxborough Quarry, Sible Hedingham start time 9am and if the weather is kind it will run for SIX hours. It is both a 2 Man and Solo known as Ironman and we intend to run on TRANSPONDERS, yes transponders so now is the time to treat yourselves and buy one of these, you know it makes sense. However, they may be hired on the day but you must order and indicate that you want to do this on the entry form. In order there are enough transponders available to hire on the day it has been decided that each 2 Man team will share one transponder between them and the onus is on them to swap them over at changeover also if a bike breaks down on the course to bring the transponder with you for your team member otherwise your laps will not be recorded. We are very thoughtful!! Electronic Timing for Enduros is a big step into the 21st Century so please go with it also we intend to do Timing at all our Events this year and beyond. (fingers crossed)



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As a result of this, there will be no Stewards meeting on the morning of the January (19th) board meeting, but an evening meeting will be convened early in the new year. Date and venue to be added to the Centre website when finalised.

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## JANUARY

14th	Norwich Viking	Trial	RES	Lyng
14th	E.F.A.	Trial	RES	Lt.Bealings
12th	Wymondham	Trial	RES	Ellingham
12th	Southend	Trial	OPEN	Poles Wood
19th	BOARD MEETING pm. (STEWARDS am.)			Stanway Village Hall
26th	Ipswich	Trial	RES	Raydon

## FEBRUARY

2nd	N. & S. Junior	Trial	RES	Santon Downham	
2nd	Castle	Trial	NAT	Alphamstone	
9th	Lowestoft	Trial	RES	Aldeby	A-1 Non scoring expert first lap
16th	E.F.A.	Trial	RES	Snaque Pit	
23rd	Diss	Enduro	OPEN	Thetford Forest	GH Motorcycles ECC Rd 1
23rd	Southend	Trial	OPEN	Danbury	C-1 Pre-70 & Twinshock

## MARCH

2nd	Norwich Viking	Trial	OPEN	Santon Downham	
9th	Braintree	Trial	OPEN	Spansey Wood	B-1 Novice & Twinshock
9th	Sudbury	Enduro	RES	Foxborough	
16th	NSJMCC	Trial	RES	GT Ellingham	All solo & Sidecars
16th	Woodbridge	Enduro	OPEN	Bawdsey	GH Motorcycles ECC Rd 2
16th	NSJMCC	Motocross	RES	Great Hockham	
23rd	Norwich Viking	Motocross	OPEN	Mepal	ECC Motocross Champs Rd 1
23rd	Ipswich	Trial	RES	Bramford	B-2 Novice & Twinshock
23rd	EFA	Trial	RES	Chattisham	Pre-70 & Twinshock
30th	Braintree	LDT	OPEN	Stisted	Enduro & Trail
30th	Woodbridge	Motocross	OPEN	Blaxhall	
30th	Wymondham	Trial	RES	Middleton Pit	B-3 All solo adult Youth A&B

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**Full events calendar available on the Centre website - [www.easternacu.org](http://www.easternacu.org)**

Many members of the Eastern Centre, and in particular members of the Bury and Sudbury Clubs, will be saddened to learn of the passing away of Mary Keyton. She was a great supporter of Scrambles/Motocross from the 1960's onwards, and was always there for her sons Freddie and Victor when they were competing throughout the Centre over a 45 year time span. Mary died peacefully in her sleep on Friday 13th December at Ashmore Nursing Home, Stanton, just a few short months after celebrating her 90th birthday.

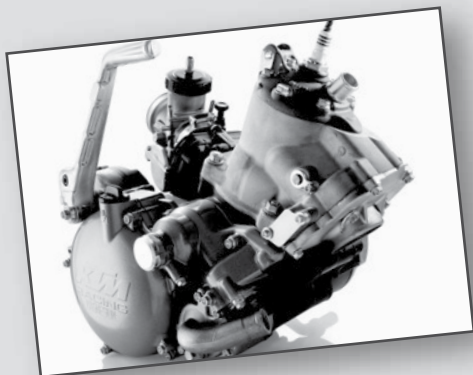


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