

# North Devon Sports & Classic Car Club

August 2023



# CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

We are well and truly in the thick of it now as the events, shows and runs out are approaching in all directions. The Powderham Show, the Tiverton Castle Run, Chumleigh Fayre as well as our Anchor Inn evening get together have all been a success. The Tiverton Castle run and owners guided tour of the castle has been a great success with lots of positive comments from those who went. By its very nature it is a limited number event so if you see it on the calendar in the future book your place as it was oversubscribed this time around. Chumleigh Old Fayre proved popular with around 10 cars, its a mid week event so not for everyone, but this annual event will be found on the annual NDSCCC calendar of events in the future. Both Rosemoor and Braunton Wheels were also very popular with well over 20 cars on each day, and that despite the inclement weather. It was great to see so many of you with the "get out in it or loose it" attitude. Having just returned from 2 days at Rosemoor I can thoroughly recommend the annual vintage weekend and with the Club gazebo up accompanied by tea/coffee and bacon baps what is there not to recommend. Next up is the West Somerset Railway Steam and Vintage Rally and our very own North Devon Festival of Transport, and in between both of those is the monthly Nosh and Natter lunch. The NDSCCC is certainly a club that keeps you all busy!

The Dulverton Vintage Fayre is a great day out, and you can dress up as well. Space is limited to 18 cars though so be quick!

The North Devon Hospice run has unfortunately been cancelled (10<sup>th</sup> Sept) but is being replaced by a "steamy jungle run" that is now advertised in this magazine. This will consist of a Woody Bay Station "drop in" for tea/coffee and a snack (the steam element) followed by a trip over Exmoor to Tropiquaria (the jungle element), details are on the entry form enclosed with the magazine. Entries have to be in by the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, to enable the logistics, so book in as early as possible please.

Of course our annual Big Sheep Show follows on the next weekend and if you are a fan of classic racing cars there is an opportunity to join us at Castle Combe and watch the Autumn Classic on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Aspiring Pirates should note that the Annual Treasure Hunt is the following day on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September .....ahoy me hearties!

So still lots to see and lots to do and all arranged for you!

Cheers Tim

# NDSCCC - Membership Renewal 2023/ 24

## North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club 2023 / 24 Renewal / Membership



Title	
First Name	
Surname	
House Name/No.	
Street	
Town	
County	
Postcode	
Telephone Number	
Email address <i>(Please ensure this is clear)</i>	
2nd Member Name	

### Vehicle information (continue over page if required)

Year	Make	Model	Registration No

Will you display your car at events? Yes / No

Cars at Club events may be photographed and images maybe published in club newsletter or used in online media.

### PAYMENTS

Payment Method Bank transfer Cheque Cash

Preferably pay online by Bank Transfer **using your Surname as the Reference**

Name: North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club Sort code 20-04-59 Account No. 50441007 at Barclays Bank

**If cash**, name of to whom paid and at which event.

Please return your completed form with your fee of £15 to: The NDSCCC Membership Secretary, 40 Daneshay, Northam, Bideford, EX39 1DG

Cheques and online payments Payable to: NORTH DEVON SPORTS AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

**If paying online**, you may email the completed form to the Membership Secretary at email address [club@ndsccl.co.uk](mailto:club@ndsccl.co.uk)

**You are reminded that it is an offence against the Road Traffic Act to use a motor vehicle on the road without a valid certificate of insurance and, where applicable, Tax & MOT. Any member who attends an NDSCCC meeting or event with a vehicle not covered by such certificates will risk having their membership terminated.**

Please note your details will be kept on the NDSCCC database for membership purposes, urgent communications, and newsletter distribution. If you object, please contact the Membership Secretary. Membership is renewable in March each year.

All communication is via email (i.e., no paper).

To take advantage of the club insurance it is important both partners/members sign this form

Please tick this box to agree to follow the NDSCCC club Membership Rules:

Signed 1)

Signed 2) Date



# NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR—2023

## **IMPORTANT - Please note:**

At all Club events, a member of the committee may take details of you and your car. This is for several reasons:-

- 1 — It allows the Club to check that your membership is current and therefore you are covered by our insurance
- 2 — It allows the Club to keep the database of vehicles current
- 3 — It allows us to track attendance to see how viable / popular events are

All information is solely for the use of the Club and no information is passed on to third parties.

We trust you will support us in this matter.

## **MEETING POINTS FOR EVENTS**

To keep things simple, the following meeting points will be used for events

Bideford – Affinity (Atlantic Village) Main Car Park, Clovelly Rd, Bideford EX39 3QU

Barnstaple – Homebase Car Park, Rose Lane, Barnstaple EX32 8PG

Tiverton—Homebase Car Park, Lowman Way, Tiverton EX16 6SR

South Molton – Eastbound Truck Stop on A361, South Molton EX36 4RZ

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are always looking for volunteers to be the point of contact for events. This does not mean you have to organise it, attend meetings, or be on the committee, just be the named contact for a specific event.

Let us know if you are able to assist.

As you know, things can change very quickly, so please keep your eyes on your email and our Facebook page.

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## REMEMBER—YOU CAN PAY FOR EVENTS ONLINE

Pay online by Bank Transfer **using your Surname as the Reference**

Payee: **North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club**

Sort code **20-04-59** Account No. **50441007** (Barclays Bank)

## **MIDWEEK INFORMAL MEETS**

We have set up mid week meeting venues for any members who wish to get together outside the formal event calendar.

**These are a “just turn up and natter” and no booking in is required**, however if you require food please contact the venue direct to book a table.

All venues have large car parks

The meeting points are:-

1st Wednesday of the month	- Williams Arms, Wrafton, Braunton EX33 2DE	<a href="tel:01271812360">01271 812360</a>
2nd Wednesday of the month	- Anchor Inn, Exebridge TA22 9AZ	<a href="tel:01398323433">01398 323433</a>
3rd Wednesday of the month	- Crealock Arms, Littleham EX39 5HN	<a href="tel:01237477065">01237 477065</a>
4th Wednesday of the month	- Portsmouth Arms, Umberleigh EX37 9ND	<a href="tel:01769561117">01769 561117</a>

We welcome your feedback on whether these are successful or not.

## **2023 Calendar of events**

**On the following pages is the 2023 event calendar for full members only.**

**Please note that some of these are still provisional.**

In all cases please register interest with the nominated event leader quoting your Membership Number. **Please DO NOT email the Newsletter Editor.**

## **DOGS**

**We have tried to identify where dogs are welcome or not allowed in the event list.**

**Some locations allow dogs in restricted areas only. If in doubt please check with the venue**

**NDSCCC - Bideford North Devon Festival of Transport  
13th August**

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!**



**THE  
NORTH DEVON**



**FESTIVAL of TRANSPORT**

**SUN. 13<sup>TH</sup> AUG. '23 10am-4pm.**

**at Victoria Park, Bideford**

Classic, Vintage & special Sports Cars

Vintage & classic Motorcycles

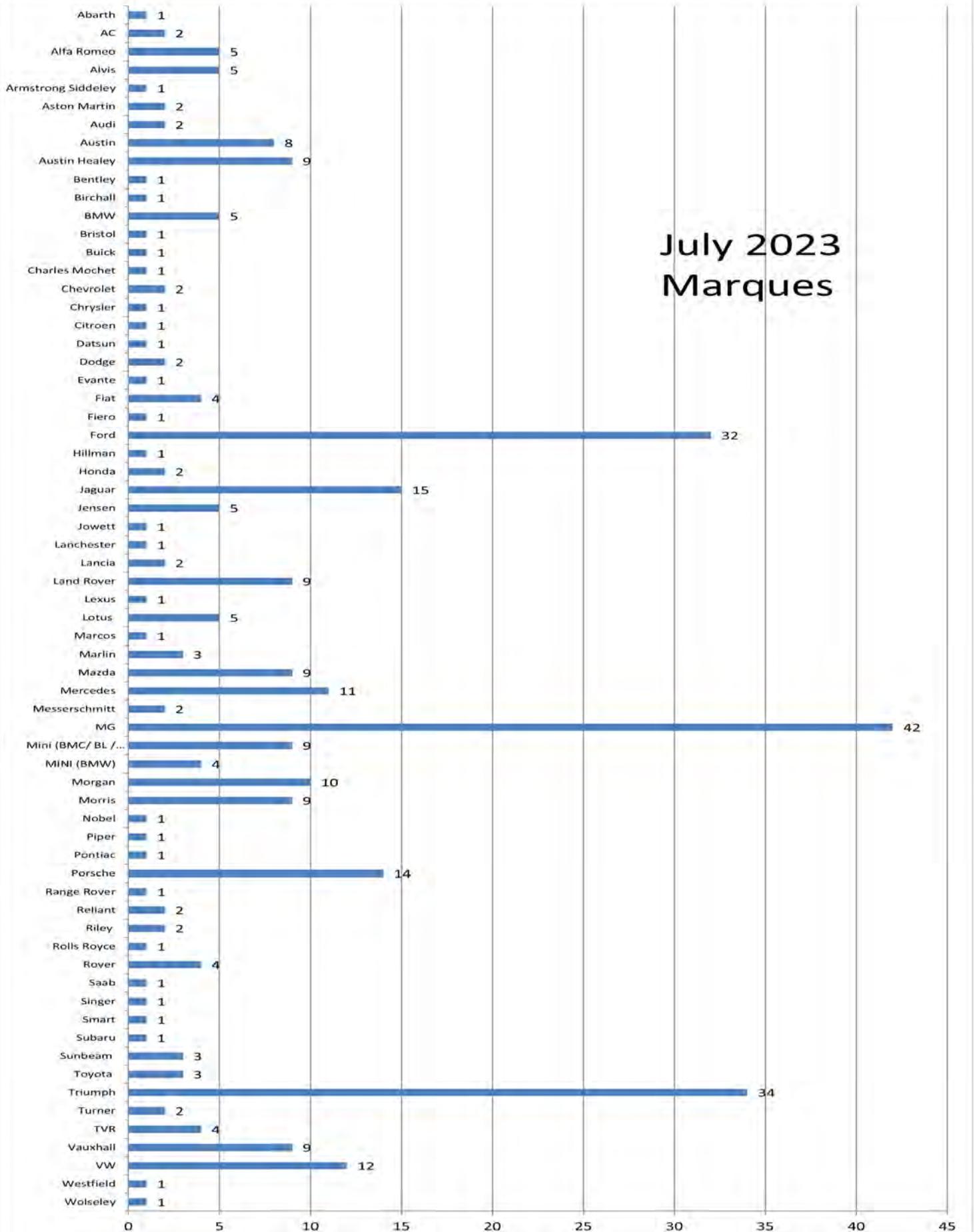
Commercial, Agricultural & Military Vehicles

Autojumble - Crafts & Stalls - Food & Drink - Bar

 **Bideford Bridge Rotary Club**

**ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL CHARITIES**

# NDSCCC - Members Cars



# NDSCCC - Where we've been Westward Ho!



# NDSCCC - Where we've been Powderham



# NDSCCC - Where we've been Barnstaple



# NDSCCC - Where we've been

## Tiverton Castle

With a very wet day forecast we set off from Barnstaple and took a leisurely drive to Gemma's at Waytown Café on the A399 near Kentisbury. Meeting other members at the café we enjoyed what I can describe as one of the best breakfast experiences the car club has had. The service and food were really good and a place I would recommend to anyone.

With breakfast finished we took a drive over Exmoor on our way to Tiverton Castle. Typically, we missed a turning and we drove down some roads I didn't expect to drive down. The weather wasn't brilliant and there wasn't much of a view. With the roads becoming increasingly wet we decided to get on the North Devon Link Road at North Molton and turn off heading to Rackenford off the Link Road heading into Tiverton staying away from the traffic heading to the Mid Devon Show.

Safely at the Castle we parked in front of the house and with umbrellas to hand and rain coats on we were taken on a very informative and leisurely tour of the grounds and the Castle by the owner Alison.

After the tour we were seated in the Dining Room and Library and treated to a lovely cream tea.

Despite the weather it was a lovely day and the Castle is well worth a visit.



# NDSCCC - Where we've been Rosemoor



# NDSCCC - Where we've been Braunton



# NDSCCC - Members Story Part 1

## By David Vogler

### A SPIDER'S JOURNAL (MOZZARELLA ON THE ROAD)

Back in 2019, Alison (the boss) and I, took our little Alfa Romeo (Mozzarella) back to Italy. We'd been a couple of times before but only ever got as far as the lakes. We had both just retired so had the time to go down one side and back up the other, taking in all the wine regions on the way. It took a month but we also caught the Mille Miglia race lunch stop in Siena. Awesome!!! We covered 4040 miles, had some glorious food and wine, visited some wonderful places and made the decision to try and see the Targa Florio in Sicily and to drive the islands' roads for our next trip.

We had to wait until May 2023 because of the dreaded Covid but we finally caught the ferry to Cherbourg on May 1. The drive to Tours was simple for our first overnight stop.

May 2. We blasted down the French motorways on our way to our next stop at Chambray. It took most of the day, but, although the tolls are expensive, the roads are mostly good with only light traffic until Lyon and the scenery is really nice. However. The French do seem to have the same deal with Beelzebub when it comes to the dreaded cones though. Miles of the things and not one navy leaning on a shovel to be seen.



ALPS IN THE SUN

## NDSCCC - Members Story Part 1

May 3. More motorway driving and through the Frejus tunnel into Italy the next day. Wonderful views of snow-capped mountains and even a Golden Eagle!! E5 petrol was Euro 2 a litre in France and down to Euro 1'75 in Italy. With great weather we dropped the hood to get started on my tan and pushed on to Parma. Heaps of roadworks both sides of the boarder but we got into Parma mid-afternoon ready for snax and drinkipooos. Here for two nights so we explored and met some lovely people. Great food and company, great place to chill. Parma is very pretty with some lovely sight to see, Italian food at its best and the Rippaso is outstanding. We'll be back.



PALMA MAIN SQUARE

May 5. Now, well rested, we drove from the lovely city of Parma to the coast and towards a town called Follenica. Through the mountains on the highways seeing some beautiful scenery. We did come across a lot of roadworks, most of the roads are elevated so I presume that, because of the Genova disaster, the Italians are checking every inch of the network. Night stop in Follenica, very pleasant, nice little resort and worth the stop.

May 6. Another long day but the roads and scenery are spectacular. Mountains and plains, farmland and small towns. We drove into Gaeta about 3pm and into the B&B with secure parking. Here for a couple of days and only 1 1/2 hours from Naples ready for the ferry trip to Sicily. The town is ours to explore so ready for a glass of wine and plate of pasta. My poor car is filthy and covered with more flying bugs than I knew ever existed. Ever!

## NDSCCC - Members Story Part 1



DO NOT NEED BUGS

May 7. A good day to relax, walking around town and the harbour. Coffee and cake twice before lunch and then a long walk over the peninsular into the main resort, ideal for families with kids.....so we turned around and came back to the harbour and had ice-cream!

Day 8. RAIN. Out of the B&B and on our way to the ferry in Naples. However. On this day, the police decided to raid Mafia homes and blocked the roads. No diversion signs so had to find a new route...not easy on Italian B & C roads. Lots of delays and heavy traffic but when we got to the next major junction the cops had blocked that too!!! The locals were not pleased which meant a lot of shouting and arm waving. We did finally get to the M road but a major bridge had also been cut off. Some Italian drivers did a U turn and drove back down the road...so we followed...We got to Naples in plenty of time though and were caught up in hellish traffic. Got to the port ok.

NOT A GOOD DAY.

To be Continued.....

## NDSCCC - New Members

Graham and Sandra's lovely Triumph Stag in French Blue.

Say hello when you see them





## CLUB SHOP



**NEW IN: CAPS AND BEANIES £10 each**  
**NOTEBOOK/PEN SET £5 each**  
**CLUB KEYSRING £2 each**  
**CLUB CAR AIR FRESHENERS £1 each**  
**IRON ON CLOTH BADGES £3**  
**MUGS were £5 now £3**  
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Anything car / garage related – for sale or wanted.

### WANTED

Any automobile related signage, suitable artefacts etc. for my "man cave".

Cash waiting. Please contact Tim [timhatcher63@gmail.com](mailto:timhatcher63@gmail.com) or 07968434577



Stock photo – not really Tim's Man Cave

### FOR SALE

For sale 1976 MGB GT— Aston Martin Rally Green with in excess of £10,000 of expenditure on the car including a rebuilt engine and gearbox. The car is an absolute hoot to drive with stainless tubular manifold and sport exhaust. The car starts first time and will be sold with 12 months MOT. The car as an unusual plastic bumper conversion and was built with light weight parts, aluminium bonnet and spare tyre cover along with electronic ignition and uprated suspension.

Offered at £6,000 ONO, Tel 07850413054 or [steve.h964@gmail.com](mailto:steve.h964@gmail.com).



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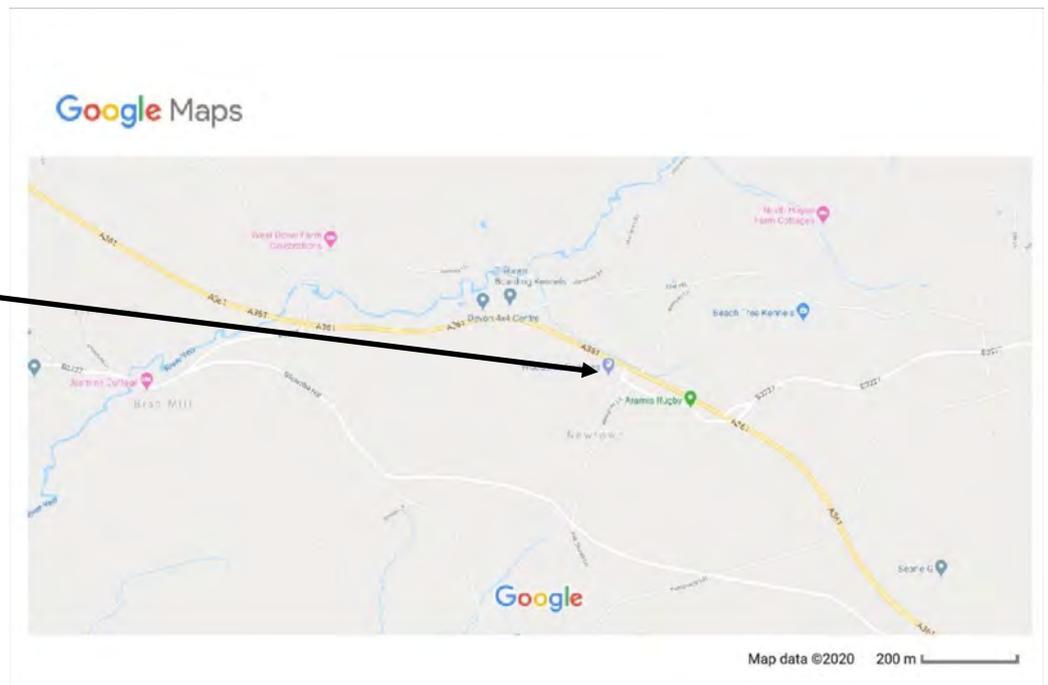
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Woodside Garage  
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A small petrol station built in the 1950s, on the old route of the A361.

The road was realigned in the 1980s, and re-joining the road when heading east requires a short detour.



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