

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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PRESS REPORT

NATIONAL INTER CLUB 'DENNY CUP' COMPETITION 5TH ROUND NORTHAMPTON v PETERBOROUGH

NORTHAMPTON IBC IS STILL GOING STRONG – EMPHATIC WIN AGAINST PETERBOROUGH & DISTRICT IBC, TO TAKE THEM TO LAST 16 IN THE COUNTRY.

Northampton & District IBC played Peterborough & District IBC in the 5th Round of the National Denny Cup competition, with the usual format of two rinks at home and two rinks away, and enjoyed a tremendous win by 33 shots, with three winning rinks and the fourth losing by just 2 shots. This win was in stark contrast to their previous three encounters where wins were by the smallest of margins and in doubt until the last end was completed, and the achievement in beating a full strength Peterborough team should not be understated for this Club reached the Final last season to be beaten into runners-up spot by Cumbria IBC, and they also won the Denny Plate the previous season. Well done to Northampton IBC, a marvellous performance.

Final score was Northampton 86 – Peterborough 53 shots. Rink scores as follows:

At Northampton:

Rink 1.

Northampton
John Leggett
Tim Whitney
Colin Dalgleish
Phil Reeve
25 shots

Peterborough
Tony Morton
Maurice Elding
Simon Law
Stuart Popple
6 shots

Rink 2.

Northampton
John Freeman
Gordon Lockhart
Roger Summers
Ollie Kirkwood
18 shots

Peterborough
Nigel Eagle
Dick Noble
Tristan Morton
Jeff Newson
20 shots

At Peterborough:

Rink 3.

Northampton
Dominic Graham
Tony O'Leary
Alan Ramscar
Andy Smith
20 shots

Peterborough
Nick Wilkie
James Harford
Trevor Collins
Ean Morton
14 shots

Rink 4.

Northampton
Mick Spear
Richard Lemon
Ray Castle
Chris Bland
23 shots

Peterborough
Joe Martin
Chris Wheeler
Cliff Watson
Martin Durber
13 shots

Northampton now face Barking IBC in the 6th round (last 16) to be played on the 3rd January, 2009.

NATIONAL INTER CLUB 'DENNY PLATE' COMPETITION WELLINGBOROUGH v ST. NEOTS

Wellingborough IBC versus St. Neots IBC.

This National Competition is for first round losers in the Denny Cup competition and in the 4th Round played on Saturday, 6th December, 2008, Wellingborough played St. Neots on the usual basis of two rinks at home and two rinks away from home. Wellingborough came out on top by 7 shots, thanks in large measure to Paul Broderick and his rink which had a large win of 20 shots compared with the defeats of the other three rinks by 6 shots, 6 shots and 1 shot. Final score was Wellingborough 78 shots – St. Neots 71 shots. Rink scores, St. Neots skips only, as follows:

At Wellingborough: **Rink 1.** Callum Height/Jamie Walker/Mick Cooper/Paul Broderick 27 shots – B Kitto 7 shots
Rink 2. Bob Fuller/Michael Chester/Darren Lyman/Maurice Allen 18 shots – Coleman 24

At St. Neots: **Rink 3** Jason Hall/Steve Norman/Robert Norman/Neil Corbyn 16 shots – Bailey 22
Rink 4. Dennis Collins/Walt Winsor/Mark Corbyn/Wayne Gregory 17 shots – Price 18

Wellingborough now faces in the 5th round, to be played on the 3rd January, 2009, Beccles IBC, Suffolk, who beat the fancied club Tye Green IBC, Harlow in the previous round.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES 3.12.08. – RESULT

Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association played the Northamptonshire Women's Indoor Bowling Association on Wednesday, 3rd December, 2008, at Rushden IBC, and managed a comprehensive win in this 'friendly' match by 51 shots with 5 winning rinks and just 1 losing, in doing so regained the 'Hunter-Court Trophy'

The final score was Northamptonshire Men 141 shots – Northamptonshire Ladies 90 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.

Northants Men

John Smith
Dave Garland
Peter Wood
Richard Somerton
25 shots

Northants Ladies

Ann Woods
Leah Purcell
Joan Bryan
Pam Lewis
11 shots

Rink 2.

Northants Men

Gordon Morris
Peter Hales
Walter Stoddard
Andy Purcell
26 shots

Northants Ladies

Pat Starsmore
Helen Jones
Sue Prior
Margaret Cave
14 shots

Rink 3.

Northants Men

Eddie Pinder
Tim Hawtin
Martin Keech
George Warren
24 shots

Northants Ladies

Sharon Burrows
Janet Hall
Joyce Burns
Valerie Blackwell
12 shots

Rink 4.

Northants Men

John Whiting
Mick York
Mick Weatherill
Geoff Harris
18 shots

Northants Ladies

Zoe Eisler
Elaine Urquhart
Sylvia Brown
Brenda Bishop
15 shots

Rink 5.

Northants Men

Peter Woodhams
Mick Pullen
Don Scoble
Terry James
20 shots

Northants Ladies

Margaret Newport
Brenice Willmott
Eleanor Winters
Irene Scoble
21 shots

Rink 6.

Northants Men

Tony Lane
Dave Jones
John Lewis
28 shots

Northants Ladies

Pauline Welch
Wilma Walker
Irene Cross
17 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE VICE-PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

The AGM of the Northamptonshire Vice-Presidents Association is to be held on Thursday, 11th December, 2008, at 7.30 p.m. at Northampton & District Indoor BC, Harborough Road, Northampton. All VP's welcome.

Friendly Match between the Vice-Presidents Association and Daventry IBC Thursday, 4th December, 2008.

The Vice-Presidents played Daventry IBC in a friendly match at Daventry on Thursday, 4th December, 2008, and achieved a narrow win of 4 shots, with each side winning three rinks and losing 3 rinks.

The final score was VP's 118 shots – Daventry IBC 114 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.

VP's

Bob Tingle
Roly Smith
Dennis Allsopp
Tony Buckmaster
31 shots

Daventry

John Sharpe
Dennis Orcherton
Arthur Flynn
Bill Webb
16 shots

Rink 2.

VP's

Graham Cashmore
Tony Johnson
Mick Pullen
Keith Forbes
24 shots

Daventry

Ken Blenkin
Chick Barnes
Jim Milburn
Stan Alton
17 shots

Rink 3.

VP's

John Watson
Brian Robbins
Derek Essam
Graham Dunscombe
23 shots

Daventry

Geoff Clifton
Derek Headley
Geoff Allen
Brian Jones
14 shots

Rink 4.

VP's

Bill Foster
Gerrard Stephenson
Walter Stoddard
Roy Cave
14 shots

Daventry

Jed Sterland
John Shanahan
Alan Saunders
Arthur Stowe
22 shots

Rink 5.

VP's

Barry Adair
Harry Bell
Peter Byworth
Dave Williamson
15 shots

Daventry

Ken Lumsden
Ken Faulkner
Adge Smith
Brian Smith
21 shots

Rink 6.

VP's

Len Smith
Geoff Care
Peter Stewart
Tony Essam
11 shots

Daventry

Ken Garlick
Jim Walvin
Brian Tonks
Brian Gilder
24 shots

Friendly Match between the Vice-Presidents Association and Oxfordshire Vice-Presidents 7.12.08.

The Northants VP's lost their first match against County opposition since March, 2007, when they came unstuck against Oxfordshire VP's on Sunday, 7th December, 2008, at Oxford & District IBC, Cowley, Oxford, losing by 20 shots despite having 3 winning rinks. The final score was Northants VP's 107 shots – Oxon VP's 127 shots. Rink scores, Oxon skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.

Mick Hall
Peter Stewart
Brian Robbins
Richard Somerton v Geo Swann
12 shots 32 shots

Rink 2.

Bill Foster
Graham Cashmore
Peter Byworth
Sid Nixon v Melvin Brain
5 shots 35 shots

Rink 3

Paul Cooke
Roly Smith
Dave Williamson
Ron Chambers v Terry Gripe
24 shots 22 shots

Rink 4.

Willi Wilkin
Geoff Care
Malcolm Foster
Roy Cave v Ian Whelpton
23 shots 10 shots

Rink 5.

Barry Adair
Ken Friend
Phil Bates
Tony Essam v Gordon Watts
13 shots 22 shots

Rink 6.

Peter Woodhams
Harry Bell
Roy Whitehead
Graham Dunscombe v Mike Collison
30 shots 6 shots

Next match at Desborough IBC on Wednesday, 16th December, 2008, against Norfolk VP's.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES VERSUS LINCOLNSHIRE LADIES 'MIDLAND COUNTIES LEAGUE'

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES versus NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT LADIES 10.12.08.

The following have been selected to represent the County in a friendly match against Northampton & District IBC ladies on Wednesday, 10th December, 2008, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Rink 1.

Vicki Rushall, Daventry
Joyce George, Wellingborough
Sue Lomas, Desborough
Valerie Blackwell, Rushden

Rink 2.

Sue Bagshaw, Kettering
Janet Hall, Desborough
Rhona Holland, Daventry
Joan Bryan, Kettering

Rink 3.

Pat Starsmore, Kettering
Ann Walvin, Daventry
Elsie Hatton, Brackley
Tina Burgess, Wellingborough

Rink 4.

Jean Burgess, Wellingborough
Pauline Welch, Kettering
Irene Scoble, Wellingborough
Barbara Oliver, Northampton

Rink 5.

Sue Fincham Wellingborough
Sharon Burrows, Desborough
Helen Jones, Wellingborough
Zoe Eisler, Desborough

Reserves:

Sue Prior, Brackley Lilian Allen, Kettering Elaine Urquhart, Daventry

Non-travelling Reserves:

Marjorie Wright, Kettering Eileen Williams, Wellingborough

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S MIDLAND COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP v LEICESTERSHIRE

The Midland Counties Indoor Championship match due to be played next week has been postponed and will be re-arranged to a date yet to be fixed.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S VERSUS DESBOROUGH IBC 7.12.08. – RESULT

The County Under 25's played a friendly match against Desborough IBC on Sunday, 7th December, 2008, and had a splendid win by 37 shots, with 4 winning rinks including the all girl rink taking the prize as the highest winning rink. The final score was Under 25's 149 shots – Desborough 112 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.

Under 25's	Desborough
Nathan Betts	Zoe Eisler
Adam Pitfield	J Thomson
Chris Wright	N Wolfe
Matt Pownall	B McGillivray
23 shots	14 shots

Rink 2.

Under 25's	Desborough
Sam Gamble	J Manton
Aaron Mulligan	H Cupson
Ann-Marie Gearey	C Cinato
Matt Wordingham	G Gray
28 shots	19 shots

Rink 3.

Under 25's	Desborough
Danny Walker	C Cinato
Will Walker	M Corby
Adam Brown	M Cinato
Jamie Walker	J Haines
17 shots	24 shots

Rink 3.

Under 25's	Desborough
Kirsty Gage	D Brown
Tia Mulligan	B Diver
Ross Knox	B Brune
Michael Chester	C Haines
17 shots	18 shots

Rink 5.

Under 25's	Desborough
Matt Cattell	C Noble
Ieuan Howells	D Wykes
Will Hill	D Noble
Jack Tobin	G Russell-Perkins
31 shots	18 shots

Rink 6.

Under 25's	Desborough
Chloe Wordingham	G Gray
Louise Haladij	I Pautnaude
Louise Harrington	A Wykes
Jasmin Spear	K Howlett
33 shots	19 shots

COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Northampton Women's County Bowling Association

Held on Monday 1st December, 2008, and attended by 35 affiliated clubs' representatives. Margaret Cave, Rushden Town BC was inducted as President for 2009; Pat Gayton, Swanspool BC became the Senior Vice-President.

No Junior Vice-President nominated at this stage, and as this is an important position anyone interested is asked to contact County Ladies Secretary Jan Hunt as soon as possible.

Christine Barlow, Abbey Park, has stood down from the post of Treasurer after many years, and her place was taken by Alison Dring, Swanspool BC. All other officer holders were re-elected.

A tribute was paid by newly elected President Margaret Cave to Christine Barlow, who was honoured by being appointed as a Life Member of the Association. She was also, much to her surprise, presented with a cheque as a thank you for 48 years of dedicated service to the Association and Bowls in general, both on and off the green. She has been one of the most successful County Lady Bowlers over the years having represented the County at the National Championships on no less than 18 occasions.

The following were elected Selectors for the County:

North Area:	Joan Bryan, Burton Latimer	Brenice Willmott, Irchester	Eleanor Winters, Corby Forest
South Area:	Christine Barlow, Abbey Park	Marlene Court, Brackley	Margaret Ruff, St Crispin

Northamptonshire Bowling Association

Held on Tuesday, 2nd December, 2008, at Abington BC, Northampton. Mike King, Wellingborough, was elected to the office of President for 2009. This will be the second time that he has held this important position, having been President previously in 1985. Tracy Nunn, Corby Forest BC was elected Senior Vice-President. There was no nomination for the post of Junior Vice-President, and members present were asked to assist in identifying a suitable person to be approached to take on this important role.

The Treasurer for the past 18 years, Stuart Lake did not seek re-election to the post, and his place was filled by Geoff Simmons, Wellingborough BC. All other office holders were re-elected for a further year.

In recognition of the dedication of Stuart Lake, as Treasurer, Past Secretary and Match Secretary, and Past President, he was presented with a cut glass rose-bowl from the Association.

LEONARD DENNY MEMORIAL TROPHY COMPETITION

The draw has been made and published for the Leonard Denny Memorial Trophy Competition, which is organised by Cambridge Park Indoor Bowling Club, and which attracts Clubs to it from a very wide area of the South and Midlands. Six of the County clubs have entered and they play in the first round proper by the 10th January, 2009, as follows:

Wellingborough IBC versus Northampton & District IBC
Daventry IBC versus Bedford Borough IBC
Rushden Town IBC versus Desborough IBC
Kingsthorpe IBC versus Lawson Park IBC, Bedford

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

The Northamptonshire Bowls Youth Development Scheme Champion of Champions were held on 7th December, 2008, on a round robin basis between the champions of Northampton & District IBC – Ieuan Howells aged 13 years; Desborough IBC – Ross Knox aged 17 years; and Rushden IBC - Matthew Wordingham aged 17 years.

Both Matthew and Ross beat Ieuan comfortably, a reflection of the age gap between them perhaps, which set up a deciding match between Matthew and Ross.

Ross won the contest 13 shots – 8 shots, and therefore won the Mike Swift Champion of Champions Cup which was presented by the Chairman of the NBYDS Keith Howlett.

NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS – LATEST RESULTS FOR COUNTY PLAYERS

GENTLEMEN

Singles: Roger Tansley (Kingsthorpe) beat Simon Walker (Brackley) 21-15
Alan Dunkley (Brackley) beat Paul Maynard (Kingsthorpe) 21-17
Callum Height (Wellingborough) beat Graham Maddams (Wellingborough) 21-12

Pairs: Andy Smith/Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Carl Wigfield/Martin White (Desborough) 23-16
Andrew Manton/Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Neil Rees/Paul Broderick (Wellingborough) 24-6

Colin Fowkes/Jim McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Tony Dicks/Mick Worthington (Daventry) 22-20
Dave Flippance (Desborough) given walk-over by Colin Jones (Kingsthorpe)
Robin Adams/Phil Reeve (Northampton) beat Tim Hawtin/Ian Dunn (Brackley) 30-6

Triples: Roger Tansley/Andy Hunter/Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) beat Will Hill/Matt Pownall/John Hall (Desborough) 25-12
Phil Rhodes/Malc Mattinson/Terry James (Rushden) beat Malcolm Paul/Peter Ward/Dave Flippance (Desborough) 13-12

Fours: Roger Tansley/Andy Hunter/Richard Mann/Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) beat Ron Chambers/Matt Pownall/Alan Withers/John Haines (Desborough) 23-11
Rob White(sub)/Ray Castle/Colin Dalglish/Phil Reeve (Northampton) beat Robert Duff/Malcolm Winckles/Jim Carr/A.N.Other(Desborough) 18-16
Mark Corbyn/Neil Rees/Neil Corbyn/Paul Broderick (Wellingborough) beat Steve Norman/Brian Williams/Robert Norman/Maurice Allen (Wellingborough) 24-13

Over 60

Pairs: John Baggat/Mick Sharpe (Kingsthorpe) beat Paul Healey/John Aston (Harborough & District) 22-15

Over 60

Fours: Barry Bonham/Richard Bryan/David Thompson/Roy Bigg (Rushden) beat Peter Byworth/Eddie Chapman/John Towell/Walt Winsor (Wellingborough) 23-13
David Thurlow (Wellingborough) given walk-over by John Clipston (Kingsthorpe)

Over 50

Triples: Andy Redfern/Bob Collyer/Martin Keech (Rushden) beat Robert Duff/Malcolm Winckles/Jim Carr (Desborough) 22-9
Lindsay Drage/Malcolm Mattinson/Terry James (Rushden) beat John Baggat/Sam Wade/Roger Tansley (Kingsthorpe) 19-13
Peter Maloy/Colin Dalglish/Alan Ramscar (Northampton) beat Mick Corbyn/Ron Plimmer/Alan Dempsey (Rushden) 26-10
Calvin Carpenter/Jim McKee/Mick Sharpe (Kingsthorpe) beat Paul Healey/Dave Allen/John Aston (Harborough) 22-15

Father & Son: Correction of information supplied last week.

I was supplied with the information that Jim and Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) had beaten Mick and Neil Corbyn (Rushden/Wellingborough) 20-13. This was not correct but was included in my report in good faith. They had not at that time played each other.

This competition is at the Area Semi-Finals stage and they are as follows:

Colin and Andrew Manton (Kingsthorpe) versus Ian and Chris Bland (Northampton)
Jim & Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) versus Mick & Neil Corbyn (Rushden/Wellingborough)
They are to be played by the 14th December, 2008.

MIXED

PAIRS: Vicki Rushall/Mick Worthington (Daventry) beat Marylin Oram/Chris Bland (Northampton)

Pairs Semi-Finals will now be as follows, to be played by the 21.12.08:

Rushall/Worthington versus Hilary Sharpe/Andrew Manton (Kingsthorpe)
Yvonne Pullen/Martin Keech (Rushden) versus Michelle Tansley/Chris Maden (Kingsthorpe)

Fours:

Jane Redfern/Margaret Cave/Andy Redfern/Martin Keech (Rushden) beat Barbara Hutt/Vicki Rushall/Bernard Spreadbury/Mick Worthington (Daventry) 27-12
Yvonne McKee/Sharon Tansley/Calvin Carpenter/Jim McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Rebecca Wigfield/Jean Flippance/Graham Southgate/Dave Flippance (Desborough) 22-17
Marilyn Oram/Di Baggat/Dominic Graham/Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Lynda Warren/Dena Bryan/Andy Smith/Phil Reeve (Northampton) 19-14

COUNTY COMPETITIONS – EARLY ROUNDS RESULTS

(Please note that these are local to Northamptonshire contested by members from the 8 Indoor Clubs in the County)

GENTLEMEN.

Singles: Martin Underwood (Rushden) beat Mark Corbyn (Wellingborough)
Paul Maynard (Kingsthorpe) beat Iain Walker (Kingsthorpe)
Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Connor Cinato (Desborough)

Pairs: Ross Knox (Desborough) beat Malc Mattinson (Rushden)
Graham Southgate (Desborough) beat Brian Jones (Kettering)
Bob Fuller (Wellingborough) beat Will Hill (Desborough)
Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) beat Carl Haines (Desborough)
Iain Walker (Kingsthorpe) beat Dougie Mitchell (Daventry)
Matthew Wordingham (Rushden) beat Brian Thomas (Desborough)
Dave Flippance (Desborough) beat Richard Horrell (Wellingborough)
Mick Worthington (Daventry) beat Malcolm Tait (Kettering)

Fours: Bob Collyer (Rushden) beat Malc Mattinson (Rushden)
Mick Worthington (Daventry) beat P Chambers (Desborough)
Tony Burns (Kingsthorpe) beat Richard Horrell (Wellingborough)

CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

KETTERING MIDLAND BAND BC

Roll of Honour for the Outdoor Competitions 2008.

The following are the winners and runners-up in the 2008 Club Competitions:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Winner(s)</u>	<u>Runner(s)-up</u>
<u>Singles:</u>	Dennis Mole	Connor Cinato
<u>Pairs:</u>	Dave Keller/Martin Cinato	Andy Adamson/Mark Turner
<u>Triples:</u>	Trevor Holgate/Colin Tebbutt/Mark Turner	Tom Ashley/Dave Keller/Dennis Mole
<u>2 Wood Singles:</u>	Rob Vowles	Connor Cinato
<u>2 Wood Pairs:</u>	Colin Tebbutt/Mark Turner	Rob Vowles/Martin Cinato
<u>Handicap:</u>	Connor Cinato	Rob Vowles
<u>Points:</u>	Mark Turner	Martin Cinato
<u>Novice Cup:</u>	Dave Keller	Allan Whitwell

DESBOROUGH IBC

Fixtures

- 10.12.08. Club hosts a match between Northamptonshire IBA and Midland Counties IBA at 2.0 p.m.
- 11.12.08. Kettering Lodge IBC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 13.12.08. The Club holds a Youth Invitation Gala
- 14.12.08. The Club stages its Annual 'Famous Grouse' open Triples Tournament Finals.
- 15.12.08. Cold Ashby BC & Old Centralians BC visit for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 16.12.08. The Club hosts a match between Northants VP's and Norfolk VP's at 2.0 p.m.

KETTERING LODGE IBC

Fixtures:

- 11.12.08. Members visit Harborough & District IBC for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 13.12.08. Stanion Short Mat BC visits for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
- 14.12.08. McAlpines BC visits for a mixed match at 2,30 p.m.
- 15.12.08. The Ladies section holds its Christmas Pudding Drive at 2.0 p.m.

KINGSTHORPE IBC

Fixtures:

- 10.12.08. The Ladies hold their Christmas Pudding Drive at 2.0 p.m.
- 11.12.08. Northamptonshire Police BA visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 13.12.08. Members visit Rushden IBC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 14.12.08. South Bedfordshire IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT IBC

Fixtures:

- 10.12.08. Northamptonshire Women's BA visits for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 11.12.08. Whyte Melville BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 13.12.08. Avon Valley IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

RUSHDEN IBC

Fixtures:

- 11.12.08. Daventry IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 13.12.08. Kingsthorpe IBC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 14.12.08. Members visit Harborough & District IBC for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH IBC

Fixtures:

- 11.12.08. Bedfordshire Civil Service BA visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 13.12.08. Griffins BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 14.12.08. Goodwood BC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 15.12.08. The Ladies hold their Christmas Drive at 2.0 p.m.



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