

NOVATO HORSEMEN NEWS



June
2008

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General Meeting Tuesday, June 3rd

Dinner 6:30pm

Meeting 7:30pm

Dinner

Susan Atamaniuk is preparing Penne Pasta Primavera
with baked chicken, green salad and garlic bread!

Popsicles for dessert

RSVP to: ATAMANIUKWEST@comcast.net

Monthly Event Calendar

★ CLUB EVENTS ★

- 6/1 NHI Gymkhana – Club Arena – See Pg. 7 for details
- 6/3 Senior General Mtg – 7:30 Club House
- 6/4 Junior General Mtg – 7:00 Club House
- 6/9 Open Jumping – Club Arena – See Pg 2 for details
- 6/14 NHI Gymkhana – Club Arena – See Pg. 7 for details
- 6/15 CSHA English Western Show – NHI Arena CLOSED
- 6/17 NHI Board Mtg – 7:00 Club House
- 6/18 NJH Board Mtg – 7:00 Club House
- 6/21 NHI Trail Ride – See Pg 2 for details
- 6/22 NJH Playday – Club Arena
- 6/29 Western Cow – NHI Arena CLOSED
- 7/1 NHI General Mtg – 7:30 Club House
- 7/2 NJH General Mtg – 7:00 Club House
- 7/4 Novato 4th of July Parade

★ OTHER EVENTS ★

- 5/31 CSHA Trail Trials – Skyline Park – Napa
- 5/31 CSHA English/Western – Windy Ridge Santa Rosa
- 6/6-8 Sacramento Horse Expo – www.horseexpo.com
- 6/7 English Western Show – Dickson Ranch
- 6/21 MHC Spring Ride – Dickson Ranch
- 6/21 Summer Fun Day – Napa Vly Horsemens
- 6/21 CGA Gymkhana – Sebastopol Wranglers
- 6/29 Gymkhana – Russian River Riders

President's Message

From Gary Sello

They don't come when you call them and they definitely don't clean up after themselves. They want breakfast and dinner on a regular schedule and will fight you tooth and nail when you try to get them to take a bath..... No, not your elderly relatives or your kids, but our bodacious bovines who have come to enjoy six weeks of excitement at Novato Horsemen. They get run, they get turned, they get chased in circles, they get cut (not literally), they get penned (literally), they get sniffed by horses, they get sworn at by the two legged ones, they get numbered, grouped, and squeezed through chutes. If we don't keep this secret, will have young cows jumping fences just go get to Novato Horsemen and the fun and games available there.

I visited the club during opening night for Western Cow with Chris, Ranch Cutting with Scott, and Team Pen with Ken... (couldn't resist the rhyme.) People were laid back from the hot days, respectful of the cows and their horses. Sometimes people are less respectful of the club grounds when they leave litter, manure, hay, cigarette butts, etc. I am proposing a \$9,000 video surveillance system, which will pay for itself in the first 60 days at \$100 a ticket for the first offense, and \$300 for the second offense. I am trying to hold back the group that wants to bring back a more severe form of punishment.

Regarding people not being respectful of each other, Public Stocks are being proposed as a catalyst to attitude adjustment. You should hear what the other group wants for punishment

As always, the daily operation of our club relies on a lot of people who dedicate part of their lives to making sure that things happen the way they should. This month, the big stand out, logging 814 phone calls to me as well as 976 emails in a 34 day period is Ken Frank. Our collective hats should be off to Ken who has done a great job with a lot of organizing volunteers, working on the water system, taking care of business, and with the aid of his wife Marci and the Hamblys and the Hunters, put together a great CSHA show with short notice and has two more to go. Yeah Baby!

As our hats are already off to Ken, I would ask all members to take said hat, and place it over their heart while they think good thoughts for Lori Frugoli whose favorite horse Tucker was put down at UC Davis earlier this week. Tucker and Lori soared to new and higher levels of horsemanship and communication together and they worked hard and well together. On behalf of this wonderful club I offer our sincere condolences and respect for Lori and Tucker.

All that being said, keep those cards and letters coming. "If you don't like the news, go out and make some of you own." (Wes Nisker author)

Welcome New Members

Elizabeth Turner, Mary Shannon, Leonard & Jane Page, Sean Page, Abby Hill, Annette Krupp, Jason Gooch, Dawn Betts, Dan Linnehan, Chad Matthias, Terry Clancey, Valerie Duck, Lisa Marvieu, Rachael & Steve Murphy



Club News



JUNE TRAIL RIDE – SONOMA JACK LONDON STATE PARK

Saturday, June 21 – Meet at the upper parking lot, far west end. \$6.00 parking. 10:00AM – in saddle ready to ride. MEMBERS ONLY, Juniors should call Elizabeth Tapia for appropriate forms and info. I'll have forms for those who want to join. Bring lunch. Moderate, 10 mile ride. Gilda (415)892-1034 or gdkhag@comcast.net.

Thank you all for supporting our trail rides!!! The Memorial Trail Ride Riders were: Linda Kruger, Dale Wilson, Beth Roens, David Ruggiero, Crystal Glass, Monte & Curt Kruger, David & Rebecca Jones, Ron Sauls, Diane George, Jana Hefner, Dan Millikin, Jenny Greggor, Carroll Rotkel, Dan Greeley, Steve Tracy and me. (18 riders!!!)

The Bon Tempe and Lagunitas Riders were: Monte & Eric Kruger, Beth Roens, Crystal Glass, Dale Wilson, Becky Rosales and me.



SAVE THE DATE

BOOTS & BUCKLES DINNER/DANCE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2008

WITH MUSIC BY "AFTER MIDNIGHT"
FEATURING NHI'S OWN ROLAND TOLOSA



. . . MORE DETAILS TO COME . . .



OPENING JUMPING – The second Monday of every month.

Free of charge and open to all members. We will all help set up and take down jumps. The focus will be on working towards jumping courses with some cavaletti and gridwork. Riders must be able to control their horse at all gaits. Open to riders with any level of experience over fences. Always wanted to jump? Come learn and practice in a supportive environment. Western riders are welcome too. The focus will be on jumping safely and correctly, and jump height will be set according to the experience of the riders in attendance. Rain cancels. Please come early if you can to start the set up. See you there!




A big THANK YOU to our cattle haulers:
Jason Gooch, Terry Clancey, Stan Mossi,
and Ken Frank.



ELECTRONIC CUTTING – Charlie Raposa will be working one or two of his horses with an "electric cow" that works up and down the rail with pre programmed moves or through the use of a remote

control, most Saturday & Sunday mornings. This activity takes place in the "warm-up arena". All club members are invited to come work their horses on whatever level is appropriate. Charlie will work with you, your horse, and the movement of the "cow". Interested people could show up around 10:00 or call Charlie at 707.338.6611

June Cattle Events

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Nightly Fee: \$20.00 per rider – All events start at 7 p.m. except penning which starts at 6:30 (some schedules will change during the season, these changes will be posted in the newsletter) Please feel free to contact any chairperson for information. If it's hot (85+) at the time of event, the chairperson may cancel that event. Call the chairperson if you're unsure. COME ALONG AND HAVE FUN						
2	3	4 BASIC COW	5 WORKING COW	6	7 TEAM PENNING <small>(1st in Buckle Series)</small>	8
9	10	11 RANCH CUTTING	12 WORKING COW	13	14 TEAM PENNING	15
16	17	18 BASIC COW	19 WORKING COW	20	21 TEAM PENNING	22
23	24	25 RANCH CUTTING	26 WORKING COW	27	28 TEAM PENNING	29 WCHA
30	Basic Cow Chairpersons – Jill Peterson (415) 897-2404, Monte Kruger (415) 897-7308 Working Cow Chairperson – Chris Maithonis (707) 795-1093 Ranch Cutting – Scott Colvin (415) 897- 8438 Team Penning – Ken Frank (415) 898-7768					

Announcing the Novato Horsemen 2008 Team Penning – Buckle Series*



1st Saturday of each month
 6:30 PM Sharp!
 Best 3 of 5-show series
 Buckles for each Sr. team & Jr. team.
 Prizes to 3rd place
 (or lower as participation allows)
 Entry: \$75 senior / \$50 Junior

Other nights will include: Pick your partners nights, partner Hat picks, grudge matches (you challenge another team – maybe a small gimmick bet), Jr/Sr matches, Jackpot nights

*You do not have to be enrolled in series to ride on these nights, however, we will follow buckle series rules

We need your help... Volunteers needed. In order to run the series we need a foul line judge and a pen judge and a timer judge too.

Volunteers needed. In order to run team penning, we need people to help with numbering cows on/off, moving pens up/down.

How Can I Protect My Horse Against Infection With West Nile Virus?

Gleaned from www.westnile.state.pa.us

Vaccination of horses is not a guarantee of protection against infection, and does not offer any protection for other animals or people. The best method of prevention of infection with West Nile Virus for people and animals is to reduce the risk of exposure to the mosquitoes that may carry the virus. Reducing the risk involves eliminating mosquito breeding sites to reduce the number of hatching mosquitoes, and to reduce exposure to adult mosquitoes. Mosquitoes breed in stagnant water, so reduction of breeding sites involves eliminating stagnant water sources.

To reduce the number of mosquito breeding sites: Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, buckets, ceramic pots or other unwanted water-holding containers on your property. Pay special attention to discarded tires. Tires are important mosquito breeding sites. Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers left outdoors. Containers with drainage holes located only on the sides collect enough water to act as mosquito breeding sites. Clean clogged roof gutters every year. Millions of mosquitoes can breed in roof gutters each season. Turn over wheelbarrows. Empty and refill outdoor water troughs or buckets every few days. Use landscaping to eliminate standing water that collects on your property, especially near manure storage areas. Mosquitoes may breed in any puddle that lasts for more than four days.

Additional steps can be taken to reduce the likelihood of exposure of horses

to adult mosquitoes: Avoid turning on lights inside the stable during the evening and overnight hours. Mosquitoes are attracted to yellow incandescent bulbs. If light is needed near the stable, place incandescent bulbs outside the stable to attract mosquitoes away from the horses. Black lights (bug zappers) don't attract mosquitoes well. Reduce the number of birds in and around the stable area. Eliminate roosting areas in the rafters of the stable. Certain species of wild birds are thought to be the main reservoir for the virus. (Although pigeons have been shown to become infected with West Nile Virus, they do not appear to act as reservoirs and therefore don't transmit the virus to mosquitoes). Periodically look around the property for dead birds, such as crows. Any suspicious birds should be reported to the Department of Health. Use gloves to handle dead birds and place the birds in plastic bags, as directed by the Department of Health. Topical preparations containing mosquito repellents are available for horses. Read the product label before using. Fogging of stable premises can be done in the evening to reduce mosquitoes; read directions carefully before using.

For help in assessing mosquito exposure risks on your property and for suggested control practices, please contact your county extension office, county Department of Environmental Protection, county Department of Health, or mosquito and pest control company.



CSHA INVITES YOU HANG ON TO YOUR HATS... TIGHTEN UP YOUR SPURS... GET READY MATE... FOR GYMKHANA 2008

Saturday, April 26 – Buckle Series 1 of 4 – Novato
Saturday, May 10 – Buckle Series 2 of 4 – Novato
Sunday, June 1 – Buckle Series 3 of 4 – Novato
Saturday, June 14 – Buckle Series 4 of 4 – Novato
Saturday, June 21 – CSHA Bling Series 1 of 4 – Ukiah
Saturday, June 28 – CSHA Bling Series 2 of 4 – Napa

Sunday, July 27 – CSHA Bling Series 3 of 4 – Sebastopol
Sunday, August 10 – CSHA – Sebastopol
Saturday, August 23 – CSHA – Ukiah
Saturday, Sept. 6 – CSHA Bling Series 4 of 4 – Russian River
Saturday, Sept. 13 – CSHA Double Point-Santa Rosa

Wednesday, September 24 – Mandatory Qualified Rider Meeting – Star Restaurant – 6:30

We look forward to a very exciting year with new arenas to burn up!

This year the requirement to qualify for Show of Champions is 7 shows

For additional information or any questions, Contact Marci Frank marci-jo@comcast.net

Dates are subject to change - and will be updated as changes arise.



BUCKLE SERIES



**NOVATO HORSEMEN, INC.
CSHA REGION 1 GYMKHANA**

☆☆☆ **SUNDAY – JUNE 1, 2008** ☆☆☆

SHARON DRAKE, presiding

BEST OF 3 OUT OF 4 SHOW SERIES
REMAINING SHOW SATURDAY, JUNE 14

Sign-ups at 8:00 am, show starts at 9:00AM

CSHA rules apply. Dress Code Required.

Snack Shack will be open.

Prizes to First Place, Division high point and reserve prizes.

EVENTS

BIG T	CLOVERLEAF BARRELS
BIRANGLE	SINGLE STAKE
SKILL BARRELS	SPEED BARRELS I

ENTRY FEES

Novato member entry fee is \$7.00/event + \$5.00 CSHA fees = \$47.00 for full day.

Non-member entry fee is \$8.00/event + \$5.00 CSHA fees = \$53.00 for the full day.

Time only runs @ \$5.00/per run or \$30.00 for the full day.

Make checks payable to: **NOVATO HORSEMEN'S INC.**

Rider: _____ Horse: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____

Circle Division: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Open-Age ____ Leadline ____

For more information contact

Marci Frank @ 415-264-7768 or marci-jo@comcast.net or

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BUCKLE SERIES



**NOVATO HORSEMEN, INC.
CSHA REGION 1 GYMKHANA**

☆☆☆ **SUNDAY – JUNE 14, 2008** ☆☆☆

RAY De VISSER, presiding

FINAL BEST 3 OUT OF 4 SHOW SERIES

Sign-ups at 8:00 am, show starts at 9:00AM

CSHA rules apply. Dress Code Required.

Snack Shack will be open.

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BIRANGLE	POLES 2
SKILL BARRELS	HURRY SCURRY

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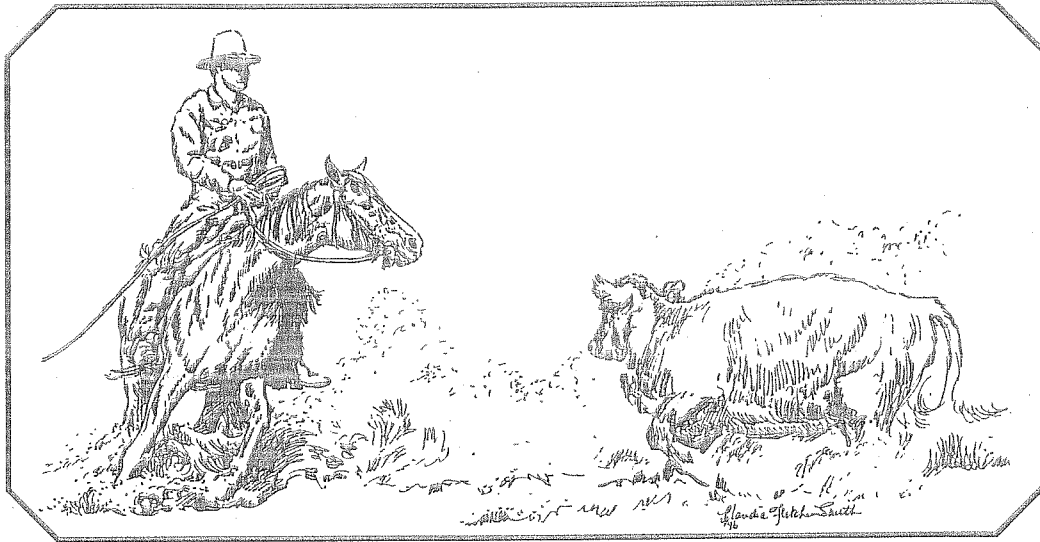
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- STARTING HORSES ON CATTLE
 - CUTTING FROM THE HEARD
 - SETTING UP THE CUT
 - USING OTHER CATTLE TO HELP MAKE THE CUT

LIMIT: 15

DATE: August 8,9,10 **PRICE:** HORSE/RIDER

PLACE: Novato Horsemen's

AUDITOR:

CALL SCOTT COLVIN FOR INFO (415) 892-9755

INSTRUCTOR:

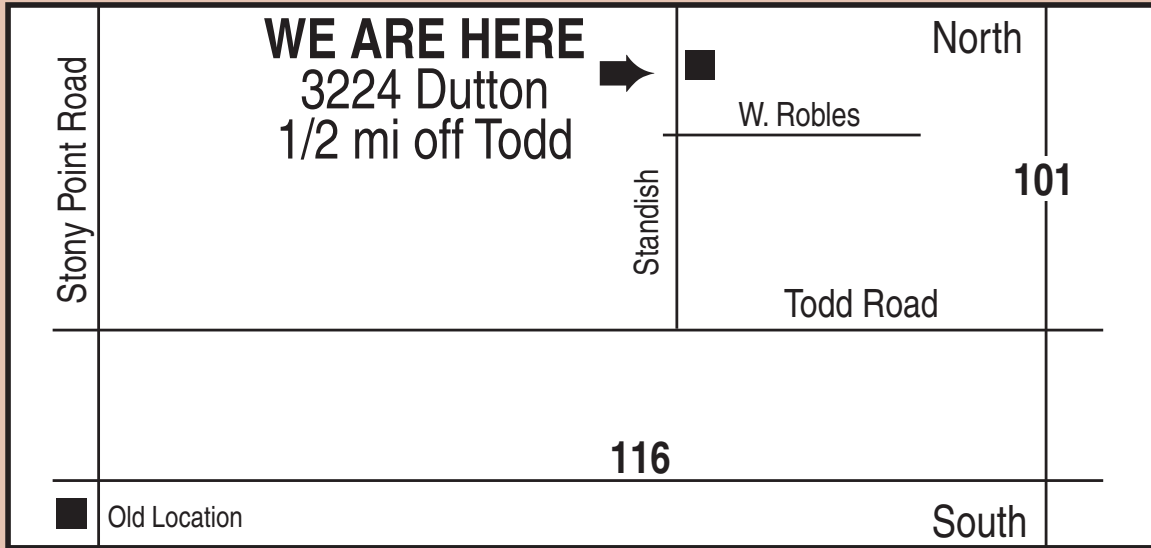
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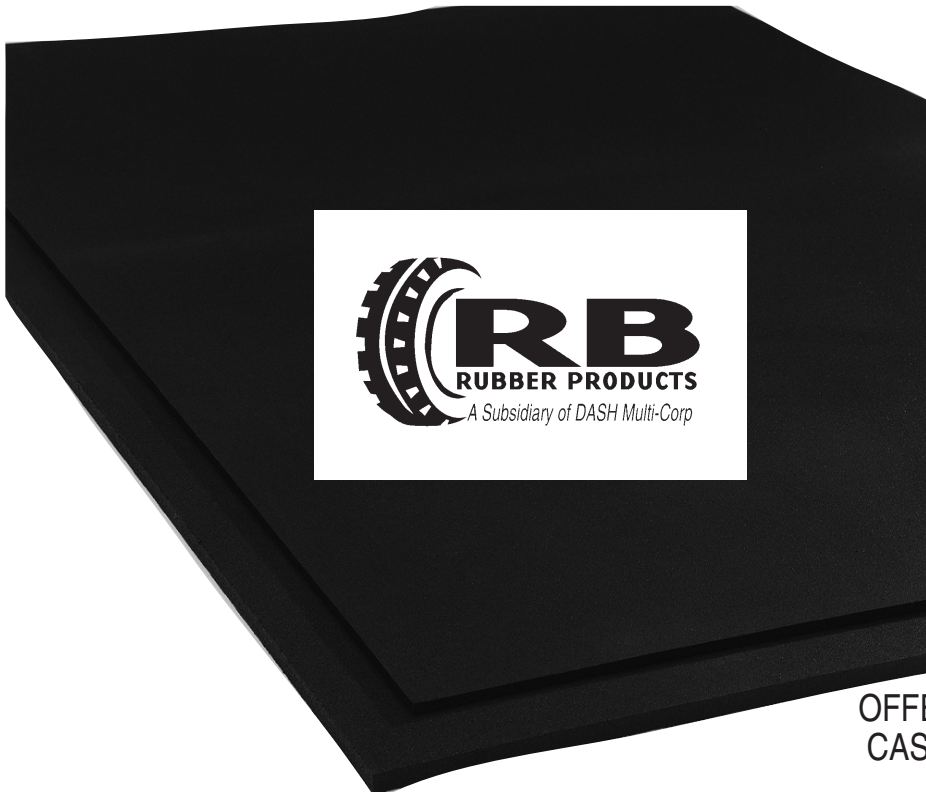
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ANNOUNCING OUR NEW LOCATION!

We moved from Stony Point Rd. to
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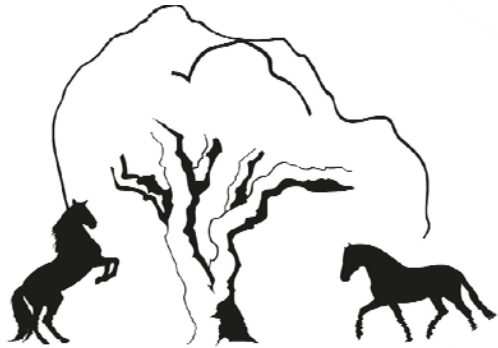


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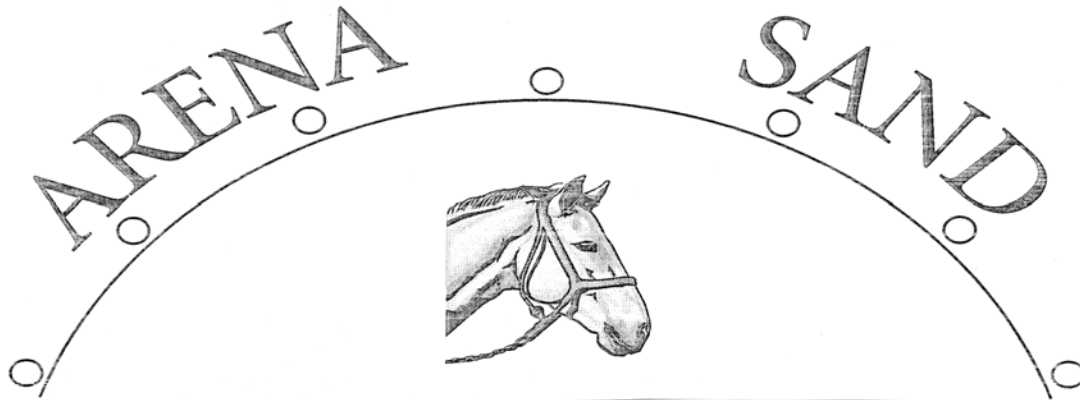
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HORSE FACILITY FOR RENT - McClay Road, Nov. 2 flat acres, 10 stall barn w/ paddocks, hay & tack rooms + add'l paddocks. Small arena. No House. Renter must carry own insurance. \$1,500+utilities/month. Call Anna for more info. (415) 897-1918

SUNSHINE- Someone in need of a little sunshine in their life. Contact Nancy Olsen (415) 939-5005.

NEWSLETTER - If you have something for the newsletter please email it to Beth Roens at b_roens@hotmail.com or call (415) 613-9955. All submissions must be received by the 20th of each month.

Reminders

General Information - Dogs must be leashed or safely located in a vehicle while on club grounds. Also, it is the responsibility of each on-site event chair to have a cell-phone for emergencies.

Close the Gate- It is an NHI Standing Rule that all members need to close the gates. If you see a gate open, close it. We must all be vigilant.

Club Gear - Show your support by wearing NHI logo'd products on your hat, t-shirt or sweatshirt. Let the community know you are a member of this great club. Contact Kristina Albright for availability and pricing.

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