

ROCKY MOUNTAIN BLOODHOUND CLUB

The Bimonthly RMBC Newsletter



Wake Up! It's Our Very 1st Newsletter!

VP & Editor Stacey Eberhart

I hope you enjoy this premier issue of the RMBC Newsletter. We have a variety of recurring segments that we would love to have your contributions to, so that we can all benefit from the shared knowledge and experience from our members. Pictures are welcome, and we'll try to see what all we can get into the newsletter.

These features include: Tales of Trails: a place to share Law Enforcement/Search and Rescue bloodhounds' stories and their contributions to society; In the Kitchen: recipes for treats, and other canine-safe foods; Training Tidbits: anecdotes about why it may be a good idea to teach your hound a specific trick, skill, etc, and/or how to train them to do what you're wanting them to do; Activities & Events; Wags and Brags: Get a new hound? Earn a new title on your pup? This is where we can celebrate the accomplishments of you and your hounds; In Memoriam: A place to honor those hounds who have touched our lives and are no longer with us.

You will also all the official club stuff too (reports, minutes, notices, etc.)

This is your newsletter. That means we want members to send in their articles, stories, photos, memes, cartoons, brags, questions, tips, whatever! (Gotta be a member though, so JOIN US TODAY, application on page 12.).



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MEET YOUR BOARD



Volunteering is a work of HEART



Marlene Groves-President: Marlene has had Bloodhounds 22 years (Bassets 20 years prior). She has served on the Colorado Dog Federation, Rocky Mtn. Hound Club, Arapahoe Kennel Club and Plum Creek Kennel Club boards. She is an AKC Judge, developer of the AKC Dog Show Patch Program, an AKC Public Education Coordinator, is all about bloodhounds, public education, juniors and helping new people into the sport of purebred dogs but also working bloodhounds like AKC Ace Award Winning K9 Radar (whom she and Karissa bred).

Stacey Eberhart-VP: Stacey is 5 years into bloodhound ownership and though she did show her bloodhound a little in conformation her bloodhound did better in other AKC events such as CGC (Canine Good Citizen), Farm Dog, Rally, Trick Dog, etc. where she earned AKC titles and learned good bloodhound manners. She has and shows other AKC dog breeds therefore understand the sport of dogs quite well. She came to the dog fancy after growing up showing horses and livestock, growing up on her family's farm. Stacey lives in NM.

Donna Cano-Secretary: Donna has had bloodhounds for a little over 2 years and currently has two. She is a newer participant in AKC dog showing with interests in other AKC dog sports such as rally, obedience, nose work, etc. Donna also is a supporter of AKC Juniors and has a young area junior as her dog's handler. She would like to learn to trail and possibly become a pet tracker. Cano also has interests in helping preserve the bloodhound breed. She has worked as a vet tech, and has many years of experience with horses and other farm animals.

Karissa Groves-Treasurer: Karissa began showing dogs at AKC dog shows before the age of 9. She was a top junior (under 18) handler for multiple years, showing dogs from CA to NY and most all states in between. She ranked her dogs in multiple Top 20's, participated in Eukanuba, AKC National, Westminster, etc. She has bred 2 litters of bloodhounds, finished 5 bloodhound champions and the list goes on and on. Her passion for the sport is focused on helping other kids get into dog showing. Karissa is focused on college and a nursing degree.

Terry Bell-Director: Terry has had 12 bloodhounds over 22 years. Her bloodhounds have been AKC registered and rescues. She is a former board member of the Allie Foundation (a nonprofit formed after the death of Allie Berelez to help get working bloodhounds in service). Bell has also been a participant in AKC dog show sports; but her heart is with true working bloodhounds.

Hannah Rawson-Director: Hannah has owned and loved bloodhounds for 12 years and is a true bloodhound breed advocate. She has had AKC registered bloodhounds and now has started some AKC dog showing. Hannah the happiest in a pile of puppies or group of slobbery bloodhounds, or maybe out with the horses. She wants to work on getting (Emmy) her young bloodhound her CGC (canine good citizen), TD (therapy dog certification) and would ideally love to do a combination of public education and therapy work.

Steven Fusco-Director: Steven adopted his bloodhound (Stella) about 2-3 years ago and has completely enjoyed learning all about the bloodhound breed and training his girl. He and Stella love the outdoors and do many things together which makes Stella quite the hit with the general public wherever they go. He is a wonderful addition to the board representing Wyoming and balance as a fun loving bloodhound pet owner.

Never be too busy to meet someone new



If you change nothing
Nothing changes
~ Joyce Brothers ~

To make great ideas a
reality, we must act,
experiment, fail, adapt, &
learn on a daily basis
~ Joycelyn Gleib ~



President's Perspective

By Marlene Groves

Greetings Everyone,

First, please accept my warm welcome to the club and my personal excitement about having a our new local bloodhound club!
If I was my bloodhound Glitter you would hear me rooo-rooo-roooing with jubilation!

We officially founded and started in June last year (2021) and really for 6 months (July thru December) we focused on sending out membership applications, making connections with local bloodhound owners and trying to get a structure in place for us. I wish we had gotten an additional membership meeting pulled together for 2021 along with better and more frequent communication, and promise you it is a board focus for 2022!

Thanks are absolutely in order for each board member who stepped up to found the club and scope it's future and biggest thanks of all for all members joining.

In case anyone hasn't noticed – there are a lot of bloodhounds in the Rocky Mountain area. We do ask for your help to invite anyone you know of who is not a club member to join us. Speaking of members, we are over 50 members now and growing towards the 60 member range; and the board will be targeting 100 members by the end of 2022 (and we will need your help with that!)

We now have a newsletter and all the **kudos go to our VP Stacey Eberhart** for taking on this important role! I know she will be grateful for any photo, story, recipe, even bloodhound meme or cartoon to put in it. Her email is staceyeberhart@hotmail.com.

Our T-shirt and Legging project was a nice start up fundraiser and for that we own our gratitude to RMBC member and marketing gal Shari Norton. We will be repeating something like that and we also plan to expand our line of fun bloodhound wearables and maybe add other fun bloodhound things!

There is a 2021 Financial Statement included in this newsletter and our June 2021 founding meeting minutes. Our club/non-profit's operating style is fully transparent; but if you ever have a question, just reach out to myself or any board member.

The biggest thing I want from you is - I want to know what you want to do for 2022? Trailing Days, Meet and Mingles, Dog Training or Seminars, Bloodhound Play Dates, Dog Shows, Dog Events, Picnics, Fundraisers, what?

The next thing I would really love to hear from you is - What do you maybe want to step up to do or help with? Do you want to host a Meet and Mingle or a Bloodhound Pay Date or a Picnic? Do you want to think about chairing a committee? We will never decline any member the opportunity to help us make this club the best it can be.

This year, in addition to our bi monthly newsletter, we will be scheduling zoom membership zoom meetings, and shooting for some type of monthly event, whether it be with a dog club or another group, a few members getting together to trail or perhaps a training opportunity. We will promote it on our Facebook page and really want to try to get more and more people to participate. Please do not be shy about attending anything or about suggesting anything!

I can't wait to meet you, your hounds and start having more local BLOODHOUND FUN!!!

Contact me anytime!

Marlene Groves

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There are truly a lot of
Bloodhound People in our area...
**Please help us grow
by inviting folks to join!**
ALL ARE WELCOME
Purebred, Rescue, Pet, Trail Show

*We are doing our best
to gather who ever can attend
and have some type of
monthly event/activity!*



We Want You! at our Upcoming Events



Zoom membership Meeting

Saturday, February 26th at 7PM

Meeting ID and Password were sent out. Please reach out if you did not receive that information.

We want your involvement and input! It's your club!

TRAILING MARCH 26 - Most likely Ramah, CO

Come meet others and learn some basics about Trailing.
How to start your bloodhound, how to read your dog, etc.
Maybe some Nose Work activities & CGC pre-tests

The Board is Open to all your suggestions!



Yay - Whoot - Applause!



Official Founding Meeting was June 12, 2021

For future meetings, we will shoot for one or two in person,
and then utilize Zoom and/or other technology for others.

Fall/Winter Fundraising \$\$\$

Logo Shirts, Eat-Sleep-Slobber Shirts - Logo Legging
Shirts & Leggings sent all across the USA,
and even to Canada & the UK!

More Shirts and other Fun Stuff Coming Soon!

Without your involvement
you can't succeed.
With your involvement,
you can't fail.
~ Abdul Kalan ~

*We are excited
you're involved with our
Rocky Mountain
Bloodhound Club!*



Recap of 2021 Activities

Dec 11 2021 - Trailing, Trailing, Trailing!

Nov 2021 - Pueblo, CO Dog Show & a few Trails
VP Stacey Eberhart up from NM for the event!

October 2021 - AKC & UKC Dog Shows
Trinity took home Best In Show!

September 2021 - some did local AKC Dog Shows
Junior Anja helped Evie get a Hound Group placement!

August 28 - Colorado Springs - Bloodhound Pool Party
Super Fun with bloodhounds learning to swim & jump!

August 18 - 22 - Greeley, CO - Dog Shows
Rocky Mtn. Hound Club & Greeley KC Shows
Showing, Rally, Obedience, Dock Diving, Vendors & More

Jul/Aug - Casper, WY - Central WY Dog Show
Showing, Barn Hunt, Dock Diving, CGC, Group Dinner
& meeting new club members!

July 2-3-4 2021 - Colorado Springs Dog Show!
Showing, New Peeps, & Emmy got her first AKC Points!!!

June 2021 - Flatiron KC & Plum Creek KC Dog Shows
Showing, Connecting with New Bloodhound Juniors,
Trailing Demos by 2 Working Bloodhounds
& our official Founding Meeting!

May 2021 - Some Dog Show Training & Puppy Fun Matches

April 2021 - Dog Show in Mitchell, NE
First time for Secretary Donna Cano to a Dog Show!

March 2021 - Puppy Play Dates, Dog Show Practice
and some very beginning obedience work!

February 2021 - Ramah, CO - Very Beginning Trailing

January 2021 - Nothin' - guess we were slackers!

One trained dog
equals 60
search and rescue
workers.

~ Charles Stoehr ~

TALES ON THE TRAIL THE LATE , GREAT YOGI 1989-1998

By Terry Bell



In the Aurora Police Department's K-9 Search Dog Team, there was an amazing dog with a nose. Yogi was a one-year old Bloodhound that was Jerry Nichols partner, Joining the force in 1990 a young Yogi and Jerry started intensive training which included de-snaking and other basic K-9 skills. Yogi's utterly amazing nose really became apparent when it came to finding missing persons.

Jerry and Yogi enjoyed a successful career that included working 476 cases with over 70 different Federal, State & Local Agencies in 8 states. The most famous case Jerry and Yogi worked was that of a missing child Allie Berrelez. Allie was abducted from her Englewood, Colorado home in May of 1993. When Yogi and Jerry got the call. They followed her trail that lasted 4 long days and covered 14 miles in blistering heat. Yogi tracked diligently. They pressed on, only stopping when thirsty and exhausted.

Yogi is credited with having the most sensitive nose on record. He was able to track the victim who was abducted by car by scenting the dead skin cells that are shed naturally and were emitted through the vents of the automobile. This amazing effort yielded results. The five-year old's body was found in a duffle bag in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains near Deer Creek Canyon.

Yogi's amazing search abilities lead to this amazing dog being featured on an episodes of "Unsolved Mysteries" Animal Planet's "Breed All About It" and "America's Most Wanted" as well as several appearances on local and national TV shows. Yogi never stopped working, his keen nose and amazing case work even influenced decisions in Colorado Appellate courts regarding bloodhound evidence. He worked his last case a month before his hip dysplasia and bloat took his life. Yogi received several awards over the years for his distinguished service on the force and is memorialized on a plaque at the Aurora Police Department. His unbelievable 14-mile record for tracking a victim of an auto abduction still stands to this day.

Do you have a
Story or Photo
or Anything for
our Newsletter?

Please send it
to Editor/VP
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Note: Crate tags with your phone # are a great idea when traveling.



TO CRATE, OR NOT TO CRATE THAT IS THE QUESTION

By Stacey Eberhart

This is one of many widely debated topics you'll see if you spend any time on the dog side of social media or forums. I will gladly share my own personal thoughts and ideas on the topic, as well as some anecdotal evidence and some outside references on the topic.

For starters, I am 100% a huge supporter of crate training dogs, and I have a few major reasons as to why.

1. Bloodhounds, like any dog, can get into things they're not supposed to if not watched/supervised closely. Being crated can help prevent that.

2. One never knows when emergencies will arise. Mother nature can be rather unkind...floods, fires, frozen pipes, etc. Sometimes you may not be able to get to your dog before rescuers do, and they'll thank you for having a crate trained dog.

3. Speaking of being thanked, your veterinarian and his staff will appreciate your crate trained dog should they have to keep them in a crate for the day, overnight, or longer. Its much less stressful to have that training done before an emergency arises.

4. It's safer for dogs to travel in a crate than loose in the car. You never know when another driver may not be careful, and a loose dog after a wreck can be terrifying for all involved, and fairly preventable with the right crate.

How do you start?

Well, if you're lucky enough to get a dog/puppy from a good breeder, they'll have started the process for you. Usually by feeding the puppies in crates with the doors open, so the pups don't feel trapped, and eventually closing the door while they eat, and extending the time it's closed in small increments. *Our dogs still eat in their crates.

Crates should be cozy, safe, secure places for dogs, akin to a den. Some like having a bed or at least a blanket, others are fine with a thin pad, or even a Primo style pad. It should be a place that they want to be, and even seek out on their own.

If they're not comfortable with eating in the crate, you can always make a game of it with tossing in a treat, or playing fetch with their favorite toy to encourage them to go inside and work them up to having meal time, and eventually whenever they need to be crated.

Always make sure that the crate is not damaged, and that there isn't anything they can pull into the crate through the bars or ventilation holes they shouldn't have. That can be very dangerous, especially if they like swallowing things they shouldn't.

I understand that crating may not be for all people, or dogs, and that's totally fine. However, if you're wanting to try to begin the process, hopefully these tips can help you get started.

Note: Open crate door. This puppy chose to nap *mostly in the crate. Still likes her crate as an adult.





IN THE KITCHEN-NO BAKE BABY BITES

TWO INGREDIENT DOG BISCUITS

By Donna Petrie Cano

Here is a super easy dog biscuit recipe that your dogs will love – I know mine did. This recipe is for a “hard” dog biscuit, so you will need a rolling pin (or a wine bottle works too), and either cookie cutters or a sharp knife to cut your own shapes into the dough.

Ingredient list:

- 4oz of baby food (my dogs prefer 2 ounces of the meat baby food mixed with 2 ounces of the peas or carrots)
- 1 cup of flour

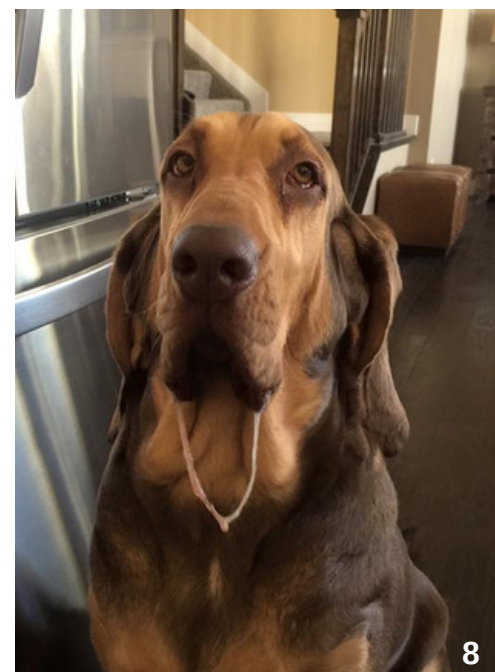
Directions:

- Set oven to 350 degrees
- Mix ingredients until the dough forms a ball and is no longer sticky
- Roll the dough out on a surface sprinkled with flour
- Cut into shapes and arrange on your baking tray
- Bake at 350 for about 15 minutes
- Let cool then let the hounds enjoy!

Can store for about 2 weeks in airtight container.



EVERY SNACK
YOU MAKE,
EVERY CAKE
YOU BAKE,
EVERY BITE
YOU TAKE,
I'LL BE
WATCHING YOU.
- the dog



Founding Board & board emails

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Founding Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/12/2021

Location: Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, Aurora, CO

Attendees: Marlene Groves, David Groves, Karissa Groves, Donna Cano, Hannah Rawson, Tom Rawson, Allee Braswell, Gianni DiGiacomo, Terry Bonnell, Mike Bonnell, Steve Fusco, Shari Norton, Tim Norton, Erin Leininger, Josh Leininger (Junior)

Meeting started at 11:00am with a brief welcome, then passing out of agenda and by laws, then onto voting for TEMPORARY MEETING OFFICIALS. Karissa Groves motioned and Terri Bonnell seconded accepting the temporary meeting officials. *Motion passed.*

Group agreed to the agenda Karissa Groves motioned to accept the AGENDA and Donna Cano seconded. *Motion passed.*

Attendance taken, 14 voting adult members validated a proper quorum. Founding member bios for people not present were read aloud and members who were in attendance presented their own bios. Shari Norton motioned to accept all FOUNDING MEMBERS and Dave Groves seconded. *Motion passed.*

FOUNDING MEMBER DESCRIPTION was discussed and decided that Founding member would be any member who joins and pays in 2021, and that the initial dues payment would cover both 2021 and 2022. Shari Norton motioned and Karissa Groves seconded motion. *Motion passed.*

Motion for the FORMAL NAME of the club to be Rocky Mountain Bloodhound Club was presented by Donna Cano and seconded by Terry Bonnell. *Motion passed.*

BYLAWS were read with no objections. Membership definitions and membership prices were presented. Future disciplinary action was briefly discussed. Motion to accept by laws was brought by Shari Norton and seconded by Karissa Groves. *Motion passed.*

ELECTION of officers. Officer candidates presented were Marlene Groves - President, Stacey Eberhart - Vice president, Secretary - Donna Cano, Treasurer - Karissa Groves. Shari Norton motioned the same and David Groves seconded. *Motion passed.*

ELECTION of directors. Club bylaws allow for a flexible number of directors, and the group discussed starting with three. Motion by Donna Cano, second by Karissa Groves for these 3 members, with geographical and background diversity, Steven Fusco (Wyoming/Pet), Hannah Rawson (Southern Colorado/Pet/Show) and Terry Bowman Bell (Colorado/Pet/Rescue/Trailing). *Motion passed.*

Shari Norton motioned to ADJOURN the meeting Karissa Groves seconded. *Motion passed.*

TRAILING & LUNCH followed the formal meeting.

~ Notify the club secretary if there are any corrections or edits needed to these minutes. ~

Rocky Mountain Bloodhound Club

Profit & Loss

January through December 2021

	Jan - Dec 21
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Membership Dues	
Family Membership - 2 votes	400.00
Single Membership - 1 vote	120.00
Associate Membership - no vote	10.00
Junior Membership - no vote	0.00
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Total Membership Dues	530.00
Donations	
Membership Donations	100.27
Round Up Donations	253.70
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Total Donations	353.97
Club Decals	15.00
Legging Fundraiser	
Leggings	249.00
Legging Shipping	-23.94
Legging Paypal Fees	-20.52
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Total Legging Fundraiser	204.54
T-Shirt Fundraising	
Shirts	793.19
Shirt Shipping	-13.75
Shirt PayPal Fees	-38.30
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Total T-Shirt Fundraising	741.14
Total Income	1,844.65
Expense	
Administrative Expenses	
Bank Fees	3.00
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Total Administrative Expenses	3.00
Membership Operations	
Club Logo Decals	133.86
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Total Membership Operations	133.86
Total Expense	136.86
Net Ordinary Income	1,707.79
Net Income	<hr/> 1,707.79

Bank Funds
Beginning of the Club = \$0.00
Ending 12.31.21 = \$ 1707.79

Respectfully Submitted By
Karissa Groves, Treasurer
12.31.21





Wags and Brags

Spending time
with your dog
is better than
spending time
with negative people!



Win or Lose,
You always take home
the Best Dog!



Bloodhound National Brags - San Diego, CA

There were a total of 50 bloodhound attending
4 Rocky Mountain Bloodhound Club dogs attended,
with 4 of our adult members and 2 of our junior members.

Trinity - Best of Breed Owner Handled & Award of Merit

Sheriff - Award of Merit & Best Op Futurity & Sweeps

Glitter - Best Futurity & Grand Futurity Winner

Evie - Best Puppy



Other Great Brags

Trinity earned her CGC!

Sheriff & Glitter earned their CH & GCH!

Evie rocked out not one, but two Hound Group Placements!

Libby successfully worked her first vehicle trail!

Hannah & Tom's first show dog, Emmy for her 1st AKC points!

We Want to Hear from You - So we are ALL EARS!

Should we name our Newsletter?
Should we leave it the way it is now?

Bloodhound Bugle?

Rocky Mtn Bloodhound News?

Rocky Mtn Bloodhound Times?

Something else?

Are there regular features you want to
see?

Send in ANY IDEAS to
staceyberhart@hotmail.com



Rocky Mountain Bloodhound Club



The objectives of the Club shall be:

- To foster a positive culture where all members are valued, respected, and equal regardless of their title or time in the bloodhound breed
- To assist and welcome area bloodhound owners whether they have a registered/papered bloodhound, rescue, or other
- To encourage only responsible bloodhound ownership and breeding
- To honor the bloodhound's history and purpose as a mantrailer
- To educate others on bloodhound history, health, temperament, etc.
- To coordinate bloodhound events and membership gatherings
- To support the local rocky mountain area dog clubs when possible
- To participate with other bloodhound clubs when it is practicable
- To regard, respect and follow the AKC bloodhound breed standard

Membership Type:

____ Family (2 votes)/\$25 ____ Single (1 vote) /\$15

____ Associate (no vote)/\$10 ____ Junior (no vote)/\$0

Payment info: _____

Founding Member Application

Check all boxes that apply:

- ☐ AKC Registered Bloodhound Owner
- ☐ Non Papered or Rescue Bloodhound Owner
- ☐ Future Bloodhound Owner
- ☐ Bloodhound Breeder (Future Breeder)
- ☐ Participant in AKC Dog Shows
- ☐ Participant in any Dog Event
- ☐ K9/SAR/Law Enforcement
- ☐ Youth/Junior

____ Years owning (or owned by) a Bloodhound

Any other info: _____

Name(s) of Applicant(s): _____

Kennel/Business Name, if any: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

Website: _____ Cell: _____

I/we apply for membership in the Rocky Mtn. Bloodhound Club and agree to abide by the clubs Constitution & Bylaws.

DUES: Membership dues shall be as follows: Family membership \$25 (2 votes), Individual membership: \$15 per year; Associate membership: \$10.00 per year; Junior membership \$0. Associate membership is appropriate for those outside the area. Associate and Junior members shall have all privileges of membership except the right to vote or hold office.

Dues shall be payable on or before the 1st of January each year and are considered paid for the ensuing year.

Signature/s: _____ Date: _____

Check any/all boxes where you would be willing to help:

- ☐ Serve on the Board
- ☐ Serve on a Committee
- ☐ Help with at a Bloodhound Social Day
- ☐ Host or Coordinate a Social Day or Gathering

- ☐ Help people learn about Dog Showing
- ☐ Help people learn about Bloodhound Trailing
- ☐ Help with other types of Dog Events
- ☐ Help others with Training (basic manners, obedience, rally, agility, nose work, etc.)

Complete this form. Mail the form & check to Rocky Mtn. Bloodhound Club, PO Box 900 Kiowa, CO 80117

Or pay by Paypal to money@rockymountainbloodhoundclub.org (please add \$1 or \$2 to cover Paypal fee)

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