

# TWO BLUE TRIBUNE

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## Rains Gods ruin round 8 as just the girls get on

The rains Gods put an end to all men's and boy's Saturday cricket leaving it to the girls to grace the fields for Sunday matches.

The Women's 1sts were outclassed by a strong Wallington team while the 2nds had a great win over Geelong West, see page 2 for scores and match reports.

Meanwhile the GCA T20 Cup scheduled for Tuesday evening has been abandoned and rescheduled for next Tuesday, December 19, at Burdoo Reserve.

Don't forget to book your spot in the club golf day at *The Sands* on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

## N&CCC life members annual lunch at the Gold Diggers Arms Hotel

The annual N&CCC life members luncheon was enjoyed by 16 club legends last Friday at the Gold Diggers Arms Hotel.

Thanks to Chis for organising a great afternoon and guest Ronnie McKenna.  
Options around future get togethers were discussed and \$320 donation to the club.



Back row: David Murray, Grant Whiteside, Tony Jefferies, Stuart Day, Neville Crane, David Barnes, Phil Morgan.

Middle: Don Royce OAM, Chris Carroll, Michael Merriman, Max Ellis, Greg Wells.

Seated: Tony Devlin, Ronnie McKenna, Graeme Chisholm, Mark Turnley, Graeme Taylor.





# Two Blue scoreboard 2023/24 round 8



*Men's cancelled due to wet weather*

## BWCC 1sts C grade round 9 lost to Wallington on Shaw Oval

### BIANCA DUFF BOWLING HEROICS NOT ENOUGH AGAINST POWERFUL WALLINGTON

The Two Blues BWCC First XI went down to a crack Wallington side despite a mighty bowling effort from Bianca Duff.

Bianca took 4 for 14 from her four overs, including a double wicket maiden, as an under-strength NCCC side kept the second top team in the competition to 122.



Bianca Duff

The Two Blues reply got off to a rocky start with both Bianca and run-machine Lauren Marino falling to amazing catches.

"They win matches," said coach Phil Twaddle after his side was dismissed for 63.

"Our top order has been a mainstay for us this season, but it wasn't to be this time.

"We were missing a few players and at time our inexperience showed.

"But that's cricket, and when we get to pick our best side again, I am scared of no one.

"Having said that, the players we did put on the park gave their absolute best, and that's fantastic, there's a lot of spirit there."

#### Wallington 7cc/122

	Runs	B	4s	6s	SR
Sarah Kelsall (c) c: E White b: B Duff	2	6	0	0	33.33
Christie Ralph c: F Twaddle b: B Duff	48	44	7	0	109.09
Prue Davies c: L Marino b: M Gavin	5	18	0	0	27.77
Ruby Wright c: M Gavin b: H Birah	36	34	6	0	105.88
Melanie Kelsall b: A Johanson	13	13	1	0	100.00
Tara Smith c: M Gavin b: B Duff	3	9	0	0	33.33
Skye Cook not out	1	2	0	0	50.00
Jemima Cartin b: B Duff	0	3	0	0	0.00
Maresa Annand not out	0	2	0	0	0.00
Extras 0WD, 12NB, 0LB, 2B, 0P	14				
<b>Total (20 overs)</b>	<b>7cc/122</b>				

**Fall of Wickets:** 1-12 Sarah Kelsall, 2-37 Prue Davies, 3-94 Christie Ralph, 4-109 Ruby Wright, 5-119 Melanie Kelsall, 6-122 Tara Smith, 7-122 Jemima Cartin

Bowlers	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Bianca Duff	4	0	14	4	3.50	0 1
Mehar Birah	4	0	19	0	4.75	0 0
Harman Birah	4	0	32	1	8.00	0 4
Michelle Gavin (vc)	4	0	18	1	4.50	0 4
Annabelle Johanson	4	0	37	1	9.25	0 3

#### Newtown & Chilwell 63

	Runs	B	4s	6s	SR
Lauren Marino c: C Ralph b: J Cartin	4	10	0	0	40.00
Bianca Duff c: M Kelsall b: R Wright	7	12	1	0	58.33
Kate Seiffert b: J Cartin	4	12	0	0	33.33
Michelle Gavin c: T Smith b: P Davies	16	27	0	0	59.25
Florianne Twaddle b: R Wright	6	12	0	0	50.00
Annabelle Johanson b: J Cartin	7	19	0	0	36.84
Harman Birah b: P Davies	1	2	0	0	50.00
Mehar Birah not out	3	8	0	0	37.50
Erin White b: C Ralph	3	5	0	0	60.00
Extras 4WD, 6NB, 0LB, 2B, 0P	12				
<b>Total (18.4 overs)</b>	<b>63</b>				

**Fall of Wickets:** 1-12 Bianca Duff, 2-15 Lauren Marino, 3-25 Kate Seiffert, 4-39 Florianne Twaddle, 5-57 Annabelle Johanson, 6-60 Harman Birah, 7-60 Michelle Gavin, 8-63 Erin White

Bowlers	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Ruby Wright	4	0	13	2	3.25	1 1
Prue Davies	3	0	8	2	2.66	0 0
Jemima Cartin	4	0	17	3	4.25	2 3
Tara Smith	4	0	11	0	2.75	0 1
Christie Ralph	3.4	0	15	1	4.09	1 1

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# BWCC 2nds E grade round 9 defeated Geelong West at Bakers Oval

## BIG WIN FOR SECOND XI

The Second XI had a powerful win over Geelong West at Bakers Oval.

The Rams scored 60, a tally chased down by the Two Blues for the loss of two wickets.

"After winning the toss we were off to a great start," said vice-captain Carly White.

"Jules and Steph bowled some excellent overs and Zoe got her first catch, securing the early wicket we needed to keep the momentum going.

"Maddie and Carly bowled well against the wind as the second and third wickets fell.

"Bec was fabulous behind the stumps with a catch and a quick run out.



Bec Wright

"Keely was a ball magnet and fielded extremely well out on the boundary.

"Alice bowled a couple of great overs, landing the ball right at the batters' toes making them hard to hit.

"Keely and Bec continue to shine as they open the batting, smashing them all over the ground."

The vice-captain, too, played her role with the bat after Bec was dismissed lbw.

When Carly was run out, only three more runs were required, and soon after with Jules at the wicket, the job was done.

"Everyone played so well today," Carly said.

"Our fielding was tight, the bowling was on point and we smashed it with the batting."

### Geelong West 4cc/60

	Runs	B	4s	6s	SR
Gail Cook (c) c: R Wright b: M Tegelhuter	16	38	0	0	42.10
Gabby Alessi c: Z Hunter b: J Holt	1	1	1	0	09.09
Miette Craven-Briggs. not out	8	51	0	0	15.68
Chloe Kearney run out: Rebecca Wright	5	7	0	0	71.42
Grace Viccars c: R Wright b: C White	2	24	0	0	8.33
Fill-in not out	1	1	0	0	100.00
Matilda McLeod-Hoskin	dnb				
Ava Harvey	dnb				
Fill-in	dnb				
Extras 3WD, 22NB, 0LB, 2B, 0P	27				
<b>Total</b> (20 overs)	<b>4cc/60</b>				

Bowlers	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Jules Holt (c)	4	-	5	1	1.25	-	-
Zoe Hunter	1	-	8	0	8.00	-	-
Mary Malone	1	-	5	0	5.00	-	-
Alice Marquand	2	-	10	0	5.00	-	-
Maddison Tegelhuter	4	-	11	1	2.75	-	-
Carly White (vc)	4	-	11	2	2.75	-	-
Steph Wynd	4	-	10	0	2.50	-	-

### Newtown & Chilwell 2/62

Keely Franklin	not out	22
Rebecca Wright	lbw: C Kearney	10
Carly White (vc)	run out	8
Jules Holt (c)	not out	1
Zoe Hunter	dnb	
Leah Irving	dnb	
Mary Malone	dnb	
Alice Marquand	dnb	
Maddison Tegelhuter	dnb	
Steph Wynd	dnb	
Extras 3WD, 18NB, 0LB, 0B, 0P	21	
<b>Total</b> (14 overs)	<b>2/62</b>	

Bowlers	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Miette Craven-Briggs	2	-	6	0	3.00	-	-
Ava Harvey	2	-	10	0	5.00	-	-
Chloe Kearney	3	-	8	1	2.66	-	-
Matilda McLeod-Hoskin	2	-	8	0	4.00	-	-
Fill-in	2	-	9	0	4.50	-	-



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# Ian Ritchie Redpath – the Two Blues infinitely Precious Antique

By Warwick Hadfield

Lots of folk around Geelong have Ian Redpath stories, including those who live to tell the tales, stretching back to his schoolboy days.

His family, owners of the famous Redpath Mills, are part of local history, while their scion is part of global cricket history, renowned as one of the toughest and bravest ever to play the game.

John Craven found enough of those stories to dedicate a whole chapter to Redpath in his magnum opus, *The Conquerors*, rating him at number six in his list of the region's finest ever sports products.

When Redpath was, somewhat belatedly, installed into the Australian Cricket Hall of Fame this year, Gideon Haigh, Australia's greatest living cricket writer, so able to tell another tale, wrote a magnificent tribute to his fellow Geelongian in his former newspaper, *The Australian*: "Growing up in Geelong in the 1970s, it was hard to miss the shopfront, with its earthen shade and white lettering. Redpath Antiques: it was where our Test cricketer worked, in those days when Test cricketers lived and worked among us, rather than roaming the globe in their gilded chariots.

"Even then, Ian Redpath looked a bit of an antique himself, with his smooth chin, bowl cut, and spare 70kg frame, all Adam's apple, ears and elbows, amid all the mushrooming moustaches and brawny forearms.

"My favourite fact about him: Redders was the last Australian to play Test cricket for nothing, foregoing a fee during his maiden Test summer 60 years ago so as not to compromise his football career with Geelong Amateurs. He wrote a column in the *Geelong Advertiser*

and he drove a Torana, although on the morning of a Melbourne Test or Sheffield Shield match he would catch the 8.45am train from Geelong's rambling 1870s railway station."

Redders is always "Reddily" acknowledged in another magnum opus – Barnso's Bible – listed as one of the Two Blues to have gone on to play first-class then Test cricket. Lindsay Hassett is the other, well among Australian Two Blues.

Gooch/Insole Scholarship holder Dan Lawrence has played for England at Test level, and if Nasser Hussain is any judge, Ronnie McKenna will too.

Professor Daryl Tucker, one of the inaugurals of his generation in the first ever batch of NCCC juniors, has his share of Ian Redpath stories and can bear witness to his qualification as a Two Blue.

It was around 1954, as the Queens Park Oval was being reclaimed from riverside scrub.

"I was part of the first junior team at Newtown and David Shaw was my first coach," Professor Tucker told the Two Blue Tribune.

"I was a contemporary of Ian Redpath's. He went one way with cricket, I went the other way."

That other way for Daryl includes becoming one of Australia's most respected chemists, holding senior academic positions around the world until he ended up back in his hometown as the Dean of Science at Deakin University where he helped the University establish its modern research profile.

In and among all that, he watched with delight Ian Redpath go from talented schoolboy to champion Test cricketer via the path pioneered by Hassett – South Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

"I remember Ian Redpath as being very shy, he was never one to blow his own trumpet, even though it was obvious what a fine cricketer he was," Professor Tucker said.

"He is under-rated in Australia cricket, more among the general public.

"His team-mates I believe though, always had the highest opinion of him."

One of those team-mates is Greg Chappell who lives to tell the tale, despite the best efforts of England poet/fast bowler John Snow.

In the Ashes summer of 1970/71 Snow, all poetry and raw emotion - was revelling in the bounce of the WACA Ground and dining out on the Australia top-order, knocking over Bill Lawry for a duck, Keith Stackpole for five and Ian Chappell for 50.

Doug Walters and Paul Sheahan also fell to the English bowlers as Greg Chappell joined Redders with the score 5-107 in reply to England's first innings of 397.

Redders met Chappell in the middle in a way that many - including Chappell – believe said "young 'un you stay down this end and leave Snowie to me".

Ian Redpath scored 171 and Greg Chappell – after taking a long while to get his first run but refusing to give another inch to the English - made a century on debut to begin one of the most elegant careers in Australian Test history.

Redpath was unbeaten in Australia's second innings after what looked like inevitable defeat became a draw.

Though Ian Redpath has never confirmed it publicly, Greg Chappell reckons he protected him from facing John Snow.

"I have always said we all would die for a baggy green cap but only a few who would kill for it and Redders was one of them," Greg Chappell told the Two Blue Tribune when reminded of that moment.

"He got his runs when it was toughest.

"I can still see him facing John Snow that day and him ducking and weaving out of the way of bouncer after bouncer and glaring back down the pitch at Snow. It was just incredible Test cricket.

"Ian's example at the other end made me feel that if it meant that much to him to keep his wicket intact then I had better make sure I try just as hard to keep mine intact.

"Fortunately, we both succeeded and our partnership put us in a sound position.

"But from my point of view, I had received an invaluable lesson in what Test match batting is all about from one of the most courageous batsmen ever to play for Australia."

"Redders was just such a great competitor. I'm not sure I played with any player who enjoyed a win more or who hated losing more.

"He was not really a drinker or a smoker yet I can't recall a win where he did not have a drink or a smoke in his hand."

After Ian Redpath retired, as well as working in the antiques store, he had a stint as coach of Victoria, famously upsetting Dirk Wellham, a young woman sitting on the fence nearly didn't live to tell.

Customers entering the antique shop would find him emerging from out the back covered in saw dust and if one of them happened to want to chat about cricket as much as old furniture, Redders would happily oblige, fully of the carefully considered thoughts arrived at as he patiently planed at ancient timbers.

Shy as he was as a schoolboy, as a grown man he had his well-formed opinions and if the moment needed it, he could offer them with a fair measure of force.

In a different time in Australian cricket, sport generally, the participants were expected to tug the forelock to the administrators, and all for a pittance.

When a few cricketers began to grumble about the amount they were being paid, a bloke by the name of Alan Barnes, the secretary of the Australian Cricket Board, reckoned if the current players didn't like their pay and conditions, he could find 500,000 people willing to take their place.

About the same time, Barnes then made the mistake of going into the Australian dressing room where Redders was waiting for him.

There are varying accounts of the tone and content of the conversation - largely a one-way exchange - in which Redpath pointed out the obvious, most of that 500,000 might not be very good.

Barnes retreated; Redpath became one of the signatories to World Series Cricket, changing the game, and the pay scale, forever.

An injury in a World Series Cricket game in at Kardinia Park ended Ian's serious playing days, though Greg Wells ran him out when he agreed to play in an exhibition match - another story.

Now like Professor Tucker, into his 80s, Ian Redpath remains generally shy and humble.

His response to his induction into the Hall of Fame was typical.

"It's come as a great shock, but it's very nice of them," he said. "I've just been very fortunate."

"I thought they were pulling my leg. Some of the fellows who are in it: I don't know if I was at their standard, but it's lovely to be recognised."

And so, Ian Ritchie Redpath becomes an infinitely precious antique among the all the shiny bright, ephemeral, plasticky stuff that is the Big Bash.

And as he has since his teenage days, he remains the much-loved character the Two Blues will forever proudly claim as one of their own.



Ian Redpath batting against England at The Oval.

WATCH THE TWO BLUES TRIBUTE TO IAN REDPATH ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE CRICKET AUSTRALIA HALL OF FAME.  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V6Yc\\_PMWsVw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V6Yc_PMWsVw)



# WINEPRESS - A personal recommendation

On 55th Street in Manhattan, there's a fabulous wine shop, owned by Kamila Myzel. Down the ramp, immaculately kept shelves bend just slightly under the weight of the precious stuff. It's a haven from the relentlessness of Midtown NYC.

As well as talking with Kamila about her wines, you can chat - endlessly if you wish - about cricket. She's from Grenada, personal friend of the likes of Viv, oops, she corrects, Sir Viv. Drop a name, she drops two back. I'll match your Clive with my Curtley and Courtney.

As for wines "if you're looking for Californian wines, we have some very good ones". We were looking for good Californian wines, have been ever since the 1976 Judgement of Paris. (Alan Rickman starred in the movie about same, worth watching as a quick way to get up to speed on the tectonic shift in the attitude to American wine-making, particularly among the French.)

You can find the same heady mix of richly stocked wine shelves and a bit of cricket in Geelong, Geelong West in fact, Pakington Street. It's a little bit of New York in Geelong, or perhaps Kamila's is a little bit of Geelong in New York.

Whatever, it's where the president's cousin Nick has his shop, Winepress, now, one senses with a kinsman twisting his arm a bit, a club sponsor.

Nick is no great cricketing name-dropper, apart from Tom's, but he does have Californian wines, or had until we cleaned him out last Friday. He promises to get more.

Winepress was also the Radio National Breakfast Show team's choice when buying their sports presenter fine wine and champers for his 70th. Hand-delivered by this big tall guy with a mop of ginger.



What a way to find out about what was then a relatively new business.

Nick continued to deliver our purchases, if he said he was going to be there at 9.45, he would be there at 9.45. With that timing, he could have worked at RN Breakfast - and now it's time for the news.

Geelong is fortunate to have a classy little business like Winepress, and NCCC is lucky to have Nick as a sponsor. Christmas approaches, the birthday of the bloke who turned water into wine.

Nick's wines, especially those from the Napa and adjacents, have much of the heavenly about them.

Can't recommend any higher than that - Warwick Hadfield, Life Member, Newtown & Chilwell Cricket Club.



The weather fizzled but the sausages still sizzled. Thanks to Heritage Meats.



# Two Blue honour roll 2324 Win/Loss

## Seniors



	<u>Played</u>	<u>won</u>	<u>lost</u>	<u>bye</u>	<u>drawn</u>	<u>tied</u>	<u>forfeit</u>	<u>Ladder position</u>	<u>Players used - 100</u>
GCA1 First XI	8	2	5	-	1	-	-	7 <sup>th</sup> of 8	16
GCA1 Second XI	8	3	3	-	2	-	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of 8	23
GCA1 Third XI	8	4	2	-	2	-	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of 8	28
GCA1 Fourth XI	8	4	2	-	2	-	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of 8	27
GCA1 Fifth XI	8	5	1	-	2	-	-	2 <sup>nd</sup> of 8	24
BWCC C grade	9	5	3	-	-	1	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of 10	16
BWCC E grade	9	6	3	-	-	-	-	3 <sup>rd</sup> of 8	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> in the Club Championship</b>	



Won 50% Lost 32.76%

## Juniors

	<u>Played</u>	<u>won</u>	<u>lost</u>	<u>drawn</u>	<u>tied</u>	<u>bye</u>	<u>Ladder position/Section</u>
Under 17 Taylor	6	2	3	1	-	-	5 <sup>th</sup> of 8 in the Just section
Under 15 Crane	5	2	2	1	-	-	4 <sup>th</sup> of 8 in the Emond section
Under 13 Royce	7	5	2	-	-	-	3 <sup>rd</sup> of 10 in the Norquay section
Under 13 Morgan	7	1	5	1	-	1	7 <sup>th</sup> of 7 in the Agg section (Friday night)
Under 13 Chisholm	7	3	2	2	-	1	5 <sup>th</sup> of 9 in the Jefferies section (Friday night)
Under 13 Barnes	8	6	1	1	-	-	2 <sup>nd</sup> of 8 in the Hansen section (Friday night)

## 5 wickets or more in an inning (6)...

Levi Irving	5 for 18 versus Grovedale 2nds on 7/10/2023.
Noah Guida	5 for 46 versus East Belmont 1sts on 14/10/2023.
Lewis Povey	6 for 21 versus East Belmont 4ths on 14/10/2023.
Steve Abram	5 for 15 versus St Josephs 5ths on 21/10/2023.
Archie Bain	6 for 27 versus Grovedale 1sts on 11/11/2023.
Brendan Twaddle	5 for 42 versus Grovedale 3rds on 18/11/2023.

## Centuries (2)...

Paddy McKenna	115 not out (off 173 balls with 13 fours, one six) versus Grovedale 1sts on 18/11/2023.
Ronnie McKenna	104 (off 169 balls with 13 fours) versus Grovedale 1sts on 18/11/2023.

## Partnerships over 100 runs (3)...

115 runs unbeaten for the 1 <sup>st</sup> wicket by Jordan Tegelhuter (82no) & Tim Hosking (21no) versus East Belmont 2nds in round 2 on 14/10/2023.
201 runs for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> wicket by Paddy McKenna (115no) & Ronnie McKenna (104) versus Grovedale 1sts in round 6 on 18/11/2023.
A record partnership for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> wicket in the First XI.
100 runs for the 8 <sup>th</sup> wicket by Tom Levick (68no) & Max Inderberg (48) versus Grovedale 4ths in round 6 on 18/11/2023.

## Milestones...

Andrew Knott	50 club matches	Sam Taylor	50 club wickets
Sam Mitchell	100 club matches	Adam O'Connor	6000 club runs
Harry Christie	100 club matches	Matt Suvoltos	300 club wickets
Jordan Tegelhuter	100 club matches	Brendan Twaddle	250 club wickets
Jordie Lewis	200 club wickets	Ronnie McKenna	1000 club runs
Grant Whiteside	450 catches	Adam Patching	250 club matches
Isaac Hogan	1000 club runs	Jordie Lewis	200 club matches

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## Batting

### runs

Ronnie McKENNA	261 @ 37.29
Binaca DUFF	236 @ 78.67
Paddy McKENNA	228 @ 38
Darren FLEET	222 @ 37
Lauren MARINO	209 @ 69.67
Adam PATCHING	181 @ 90.5
Andrew SADOWY	174 @ 29
Adam O'CONNOR	165 @ 55
Jacob HARMON	164 @ 32.8
Jordan TEGELHUTER	153 @ 30.6

## Catches - fielders

Jacob HARMON	6
Darren FLEET	5
Andrew KNOTT	5
Sam ALLEN	4
Harry CHRISTIE	4
Bailey YOUNG	4
Aiden GRACE	4

## Bowling

### wickets

Jordie LEWIS	13 @ 20.38
Levi IRVING	10 @ 8.9
Bianca Duff	10 @ 10.5
Brendan TWADDLE	10 @ 11.9
Mehar BIRAH	10 @ 15.3
Tom LEVICK	10 @ 17.6
Jules HOLT	9 @ 7.89
Sam TAYLOR	9 @ 14.67
Archie FLEET	9 @ 24.22
Susan MEANEY	8 @ 8.13
Steve ABRAM	8 @ 11.63
Riley NORTON	8 @ 13.25
Archie BAIN	8 @ 14.5
Jordan WHITE	8 @ 21
Lewis POVEY	8 @ 21.88
Noah GUIDA	8 @ 29.75

## Dismissals 'keepers

Mike CHAPMAN	9 (6c, 3st)
Rebecca WRIGHT	9 (9c)
Ronnie McKENNA	8 (4c, 4st)
Charlie WINDT	7 (5c, 2st)
Grant WHITESIDE	6 (2c, 4st)
Michelle GAVIN	5 (4c, 1st)
Adam PATCHING	3 (3c)
James PURCELL	3 (3c)
Florianne TWADDLE	4 (4ct)
Tim HOSKING	2 (2c)
Max INDERBERG	2 (1c, 1st)

## Player of the Season

Bianca DUFF	421
Jordie LEWIS	407
Ronnie McKENNA	381
Paddy McKENNA	338
Tom LEVICK	326
Jacob HARMON	319
Darren FLEET	292
Levi IRVING	263
Noah GUIDA	254
Lauren MARINO	259

	Club Championship		
	after round 8	TOTALS	
1	North Geelong	48.5	
2	South Barwon	48.5	
3	East Belmont	39	
4	Newtown & Chilwell	33.5	
5	St Josephs	33.5	
6	Lara	29	
7	Highton	25.5	
8	Grovedale	24.5	



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