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Well we have arrived at that important time of year when the season is once again open and I know that quite a few of our members got out for a fish over the opening weekend with some good catches recorded. This is indeed a positive sign and let's hope a good indication of the season ahead.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome both Mark Thomas and Shane McCutcheon to Southern and I encourage all members to introduce themselves and make our new members feel welcome. It is also great to see our new Facebook page attracting a significant amount of attention and I want to thank Erhan Cinar for getting this underway. If you have not joined the page as yet then please look it up or contact Erhan for more details. This page opens up another realm for web based discussion and promotion of Southern and we are already receiving new membership enquiries as a result.

August was a little light on in terms of club trips due to the time of year and the very wintry weather, however we filled this gap with a visit from Jim Baumgartel (FlyFinz) and a night at Hurley's Fly Fishing. I hope that you all had a chance to look at some new equipment and consider what you need to add to your collection in preparation for the season ahead.

In September we kick off the season with the Daylesford Family Weekend and also a trip to the Goulbourn River which looks like being well attended. The committee has also been discussing future trips to ensure that we have a packed agenda through until the end of the year which will include weekend trips and day trips. If you have a trip idea please let Tony Hyett know and we will help you with promotion and organisation. If you want to go fishing and are looking for someone to go with, then don't forget to use Facebook to contact other members or pick up the membership list and give someone a call. Please also note that there are still some vacancies on the second Tasmania trip that we are looking to fill and you can contact Tony Hyett if you are interested in coming along.

Our membership renewals continue to flow in and I encourage anyone that may have forgotten to pay their fees to do so as soon as possible, so that they can continue to come on trips and take advantage of the clubs activities. If you come on a trip and are not a financial member then you will not be covered by the clubs insurance. For those members who paid their fees early you will soon be receiving your club jackets and thanks to Peter Cairns and Les Pratt for formalising the orders.

The speaker for this Wednesday's member's night is Dallas D'Silva from VRFish (Victoria Recreational Fishing). Currently our club is represented at the VRFish Round Table by the Council of Victorian Fly Fishers and the Australian Trout Foundation. While we support both of these bodies I am keen to hear more from Dallas around the role of VRFish and how we can bolster support for the Trout fishing community. We are a growing club and it is important that we continue to explore how we can increase the feedback that is provided to VRFish on behalf of Southern members. In line with this I would like to ask as many members as possible to attend this Wednesday's member's night to demonstrate the strength of Southern.

In closing I want to thank Peter Cairns and the committee for covering my absence during the last month and to keep them in practice I will be away for most of September and early October. If you have any queries during this period please don't hesitate to contact Peter or one of the Committee.

Calendar – Coming Events

September

Wed	2 nd	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Mon	7 th	Winter Fly Tying Course , Week 5
Wed	9 th	Members Night . Speaker: <i>Dallas D'Silva from VRFish</i>
Fri/Sun	11 th /13 th	Daylesford Family Weekend . Leader: <i>Colin McMillan</i>
Mon	14 th	Winter Fly Tying Course , Week 6
Wed	16 th	Wed Afternoon Social Meeting . Leader: <i>Darryl Foulds</i>
Sun	20 th	Goulburn River Trip . Leader: <i>Jan Horack</i>
Mon	21 st	Winter Fly Tying Course , Week 7
Wed	23 rd	Casting 6.30 pm, General Meeting 7.30 pm.

October

Fri/Sun	2 nd /4 th	Millbrook Group 3 . Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>
Mon	5 th	Ring Casting . SFF Clubrooms 7.00pm Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>
Wed	7 th	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Sun	11 th	Yarra River Trip . Leader: <i>Scott Dargan</i>
Wed	14 th	Members Night . Speaker: <i>Bill Jeans & Ian Sambell on Fishing in South America</i>
Wed	21 st	Wed Afternoon Social Meeting . Leader: <i>Darryl Foulds</i>
Sun	25 th	Max Kepert Cup. Eildon Trout Farm . Leader: <i>John McDonald</i>
Wed	28 th	Casting 6.30 pm, General Meeting 7.30 pm.

November

Sun	1 st	Competition between Southern & La Trobe - TBC
Mon	2 nd	Ring Casting . SFF Clubrooms 7.00pm Leader: <i>Tony Hyett</i>
Wed	4 th	Committee Meeting 7.30 pm.
Sun	8 th	Noojee Streams Trip . Leader: <i>Les Pratt</i> meet at coffee shop at 9am.
Wed	11 th	Members Night . Speaker: <i>David Featherstone, Guide and Fly Fishing Guru</i>
Mon/Mon	16 th -23 rd	Tasmania Trip 1 . Leader: <i>Scott Dargan</i>
Wed	18 th	Wed Afternoon Social Meeting . Leader: <i>Darryl Foulds</i>
Sun	22 nd	Steavenson River Trip . Leader: <i>TBA</i>
Mon/Mon	23 rd -30 th	Tasmania Trip 2 . Leader: <i>Scott Dargan</i>
Wed	25 th	Casting 6.30 pm, General Meeting 7.30 pm.

General casting practice sessions are held each second and fourth Wednesday from 6.30 to 7.30, under floodlights, (weather permitting). Come and learn from the experts, improve your accuracy and method.

Bruce Ratcliffe is also running casting practice sessions on Tuesday nights from 7.00pm at the casting pool.

Committee – Officers and Delegates 2015-16

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Bringing you Australia's Finest Seafood

It's on again, Southern's premier event of the year. The one event that's an absolute to lock into our diaries.

When: Sunday 25th of October.

Where: Eildon Trout Farm, 460 Back Eildon Road, Thornton.

Time: 9-30am for briefing and fly selection

10-am Competition commences

12-15 pm Barbecue Lunch

1-00 pm Competition recommences

3-30 pm Competition closes

3-30 to 4-00pm Announcement of results and presentations.

Cost: \$50 per head covers, entry, lunch and flies. Visitors, partners and children \$20 to cover catering cost. Children 12 and under no charge

As with last year we will have exclusive use of the main large lake, which is well stocked and Lee has promised that some large fish will be added.

It is strictly a catch and release day and all hooks will need to be debarbed.

Once again Peter Cairns will organise a typically great lunch. If a drink is needed please bring your own beer or wine.

Anyone wishing to take home a fish or two please arrange with the office.

The farm also sells a range of smoked trout, pate and local produce.

Trophies will be awarded to the winners on the day and the winners name will be added to the perpetual trophy held at the club.

Rules.

1. The club will supply all flies to be used in the competition.
2. There will be quite a mix of different flies and a draw will be held to select flies. i.e. if you draw number 1 you have first pick of the flies, Two wets and a nymph or midge. Whoever draws number 2 gets the next pick and so on until the last person.
3. The flies you select are those to be used for the competition. Should you manage to lose all three, then you may fish on but any further fish caught do not count in the competition.
4. There will be a "lucky fly" tied by Max and whoever selects that fly will receive a bottle of wine.
5. As there will be quite a few around the lake every half hour or so we would ask everyone to move around clockwise.
6. Prizes: Most fish caught
Heaviest fish
7. Winner of the event will be the angler who catches the most fish. In the event of a tie a fish off will be held and first fish caught is the winner.

It's a great event, great fishing, great company, great food and terrific competition. So please make every effort to be there. Our inaugural winner of the cup last year was Conor Edwards with 7 fish, just shading out Tony and Majid. The heaviest fish was a lovely 6 pounder caught by Jill McMillan. Watch out for a major effort from Colin this year. (Nets and dynamite are not allowed Colin).

Enquiries to John McDonald on 0408 418 332

Email john@linked.com.au

Winter Fly Tying Course in Pictures



**Materials:**

- Thread:** Black, brown or olive 6/0
Hook: Standard Shank Wet Fly Hook #12 - #16 (Kamasan B175)
Tail: 12 Pheasant tail fibres
Body: Hare's Ear dubbing – with guard hairs. This is used for both the abdomen and thorax.
Rib: Medium gold or copper wire (depends which fly you tie)
Wing case: Butt ends of the pheasant tail fibres
Head: Build up of tying thread
Optional: Gold/copper bead head, lead wraps (10 – 12) under thorax.
UV Knot Sense (or similar) to coat wing case.

Method:

1. Secure thread and wrap an even underbody from behind hook eye to the bend of the hook.
2. Tie in wire for rib so that it is on the opposite side of the hook to the tier.
3. Tie in approximately 12 Pheasant centre tail feather fibres using the pinch and loop technique. The tail should be about two thirds the hook shank length. Do not cut off the waste. Wrap over it to just behind the hook eye. Return thread to the base of the tail.
4. Prepare a thin dubbing rope and dub a tapered body to just behind the hook eye.
5. Wind rib in even turns to behind head and secure. Cut off waste.
6. Fold back the pheasant tail fibres and take the thread back to approximately one third of the body length. Secure the pheasant tail feathers at this point.
7. Leaving the pheasant tail fibres protruding, dub a thorax back to behind the hook eye.
8. Bring the pheasant tail fibres to the hook eye, forming a wing case, and tie off with a whip finish.
9. (Optional) Coat the wing case with any UV solution and cure to provide a shiny wing case which is much stronger and lasts longer.

This nymph just looks “buggy”! Don’t be scared to scrub it with a Velcro scrubber to pick out more guard hairs and make it look scruffy. It can be fished in a variety of ways – on point just cast out and let drift with the wind on a floating line or tweaked along using anything from a super slow to quite a fast figure-of-eight retrieve on a floating, intermediate or sink tip line. Equally useful in still or moving water this is a nymph to carry in different sizes, colours and weights (unweighted, bead headed or with a lead wire wrapping). Often used by itself as the point fly, or middle dropper in a team of three flies.

Saturday 15th August 2015

With Port Philip Bay as smooth as a sheet of glass, our Vice President stepped onto the Beaumaris Motor Squadrons jetty with rods (not fly) in hand, following an early morning fish on the Bay, with our President. His chauffeur was last seen disappearing into the horizon, one presumes for more fishing.

This did make for a grand entrance for Peter to attend a meeting of VRFish at the BMYS clubrooms. Southern's other attendees simply drove to the venue and were talking amongst themselves, in the carpark, when the above arrival occurred.

Peter te Hennepe from Southern, is on the VRFish Council as a representative of the Victorian Fly Fishing Council. Peter Cairns, Erhan Cinar and Colin McMillan, attended the meeting as observers from Southern Fly Fishers, our flag was noticed again. We enjoyed a reserved table for four down the front, in prime position.

Following some mingling with other members the meeting got underway promptly at 9:30AM with the usual welcome and apologies followed by minutes of previous meeting and business arising from previous minutes. All completed with the limited fuss or interruption. Apart from one member who questioned who Peter te Hennepe was and how could he move the previous minutes when he did not appear on the list of attendees. Peter came to his own defense with the apology that he had not signed the attendance book. His explanation was accepted. Just shows how important it is to sign attendance record books.

Next on the agenda was the Chairman's Report / VRFish Strategic Plan by the Chairman, Russel Conway. A concise and informative report was presented.

Dallas D'Silva, General Manager VRFish, then presented his report on the Action List resulting from the previous meeting. These were many and most were completed or close to it. The ones that affect freshwater fly fishers were:

- VRFish to provide links to responsible handling guidelines and electronic media on website – Ongoing. This is currently being developed as information becomes available.
- VRFish and the North Central CMA to develop a MoU between the two organizations – completed.
- VRFish pursuing all options (both short-term and longer term strategic) to secure a water allocation for Toolondo – In progress. Advisory group has been set up, including VRFish, and has met to discuss future long-term management options.
- VRFish to audit representation on water management forums, and write to all water authorities to ensure that there is representation when bulk water allocations are made (and also reviewed) – Not complete on-going.
- Development of proposal on implementation and priorities for Government \$2k fishing club grants – Complete, discussions are now occurring between VRFish and Fisheries Victoria.

- Formation of working group to discuss options for future research and trial to support SW rivers trout management – In progress. Revised proposal submitted by Scott Gray in August. Meeting between relevant parties on 11 August. Fisheries to look at trials.

Luke Wilson, Department Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, spoke on the importance of the fishing industry to Victoria and indicated his support in a variety of matters raised.

Following a short break Dr. Bruce Kefford was introduced and he facilitated a “think tank” where all present were to come up with a list of “dream situations” for fishing in Victoria for the future. This session of brainstorming lasted about twenty minutes before the chairperson from each table, usually a VRFish board member, gave one of the ideals, in rotation from group to group, to the facilitator. At the end a brief summary of the many points, ideals raised was given.

Lunch and more mingling then took place before the four members from Southern departed. The afternoon session was for the VRFish Board and staff to continue working with Dr. Kefford in drawing up a future vision.

I felt the meeting very worthwhile and informative. It will be interesting to hear and see the outcomes. Maybe Dallas can expand when he speaks at our Members Meeting on Wednesday 9 September. If not we can look forward to future reports from Peter te Hennepe.



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Tuesday	9.00am-5.00pm

DATE: WEDNESDAY 25th August 2015 7.35pm

Held at Hurley's Fly Fishing Centre

COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Scott Dargan, Tony Hyett, Peter Cairns, Ken Moran, Tom Galloway, Les Pratt, Ray Boast, Erhan Cinar.

Scott Dargan chaired the meeting.

APOLOGIES:

Phil Magness, Colin McMillan, Steven Clements, Allan Roberts, Mark Thomas, Max Kepert, Charles Bradley, Ross Larson, Richard Potter.

VISITORS:

Nil.

NEW MEMBERS – approved August Committee Meeting:

Bruce Quig

Mark Taylor

Laurent Dapremont

Ivo Kavelj

Graeme Renfrey.

MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETING: Tabled as issued

Moved: Scott Dargan

Seconded: Jan Horack

Any matters arising from minutes. Nil

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Newsletters; Sale, Greenwells, Red Tag, Ballarat, Hastings

4x4 Show participation.

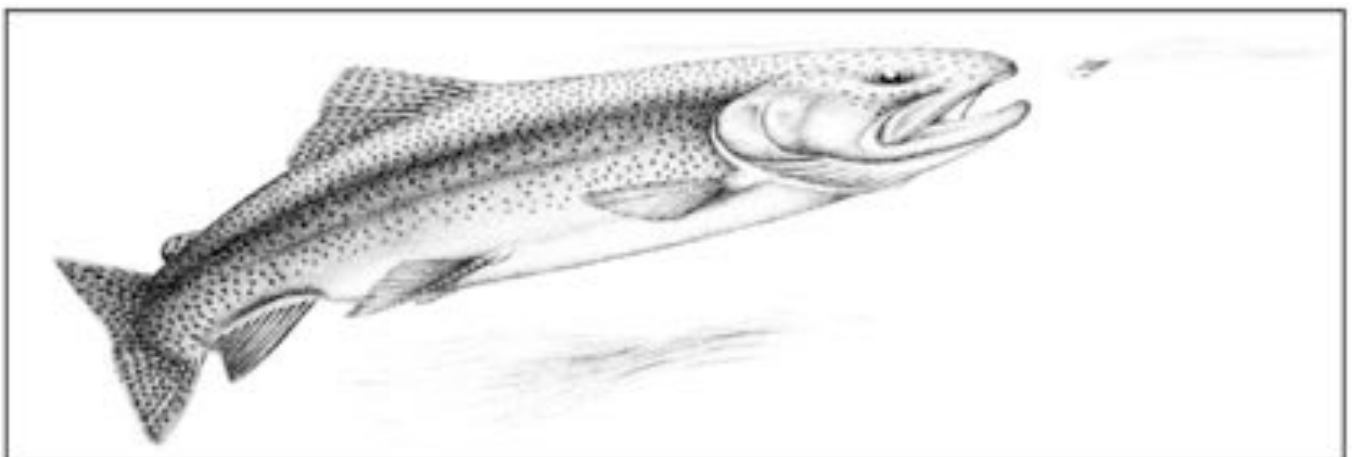
CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

Letter of support for King River stocking.

4x4 Show: withdrawal of SFF participation due to late notice of schedule.

Moved: Jan Horack

Seconded: Erhan Cinar



Accounts to be paid for were presented and approved (rounded)		
Distance casting rod	\$400	Miles Hodge
AGM food , beverage , webcam cost	\$207	Peter Cairns
Admin expenses	\$55	Les Pratt
Raffle prizes	\$100	Pro Angler
New cupboard	\$119	Colin McMillan
Fly Fisher costs	\$90	Steven Clements
Video cable	\$28	Paul Harris
Fly tying vices	\$220	Pro Angler
Consumer Affairs annual returns	\$224	SFF
Daylesford trip deposits	\$902	Dabbs Agencies
Fly tying course materials	\$80	Ross Bailey
Fly tying materials	\$65	Peter Gadd
Certificates/ August meeting expenses	\$150	Pro Angler
Pool pump repairs	\$77	Bill Jones
Bar stock replenishment	\$278	Tony Hyett

Moved: Les Pratt

Seconded: Ken Moran

DELEGATES REPORT:

CVFFC Concerns about member club involvement, only 3 clubs represented at last meeting. Due to lack of responses to surveys some club's submissions were not being submitted. In future any response will be forwarded to the appropriate body.

ATF: Meeting held on Monday 17 August. This was a constructive meeting with many worthwhile points raised. Executive is looking into the possibility of the ATF being involved in the Federal Governments. Work for the Dole Scheme. ATF member Craig Foulis from Eildon would coordinate projects to enhance waterways and access to them and other projects nominated in the area by ATF. A Projects meeting is to be held next week SFF member Erhan Cinar attended as a new ATF member.

ACF & CASTING: Nil.

COMBINED CLUBS: Insurance claim, Archery issue, pending.

FLYFISHER: Submission required ASAP.

LIBRARY: A donation of books, magazines, DVD's and vice has been received from a former member Mr. Bill McKee he was a member of SFF in the 1990's. These will appear in the library when catalogued. He contacted me after visiting our website.

WEB SITE: Nil.

NEW

FACEBOOK: Erhan Cinar has initiated a Face book page that is “testing the water”. Responses have been positive and the committee will consider the ongoing development for member access.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Scott Dargan thanked Peter Cairns and his trusty band of helpers for the work involved in revamping our club rooms. The new layout will make it easier to access trip sheets and club notices.

Steven Clements was congratulated on winning the individual award at the tri-club's Gerry Bolt event (a very nice 4ld brown) and ensuring the Southern retained the annual trophy.

Scott also thanked Gavin Hurley for the use of his showroom for the August General Meeting and for providing members with “on the night” specials.

FISHING REPORTS:

Paul Dunham fished Blue Rock without success, only one follow.

Joe Lauinger had several trips to the Latrobe region with mixed results.

Florent le Bec has returned from a trip home to France, had a fish and landed some nice browns & salmon.

Richard Potter travelling in Canada, caught 3 kilo salmon on Lake Okanagn yesterday, very weird fishing set up-100foot down.

Fishing Trip Calendar

Daylesford Family Weekend	11 th -13 th September	Trip Leader Colin McMillan
Goulburn River	20 th September	Trip Leader: Jan Horack
Millbrook #3	2 nd /4 th October	Trip Leader: Tony Hyett
Yarra River	11 th October	Trip Leader: Scott Dargan
Max Kepert Cup	25 th October	Trip Leader John McDonald
Noojee Streams	8 th November	Trip Leader: Les Pratt
Tasmania Trip 1	16 th -23 rd November	Trip Leader Scott Dargan
Tasmania Trip 2	23 rd -30 th November	Trip Leader Scott Dargan

Please review the trip board at the club for all details and proposed destinations

Our new members are encouraged to come on our trips and experienced members will always help.

Next meeting will be 23rd September 2015

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.30pm

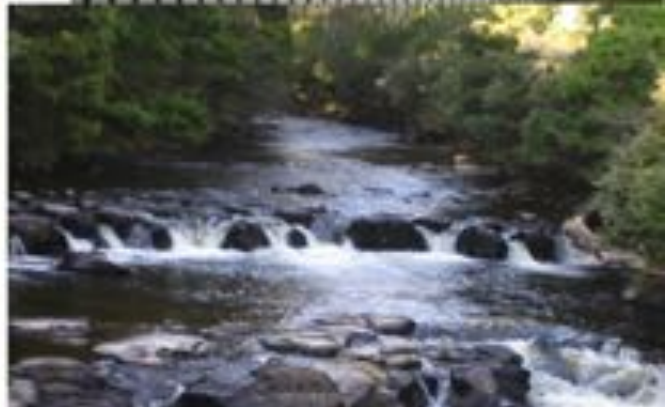
Accommodation Offers

Little River Cottage is located in Maydena, that is situated on the Tyenna River, 12 kilometres from Mount Field National Park. It offers spectacular mountain scenery and is close to the Styx Forest of Big Trees and the Styx River. The famous Tyenna River is just minutes down the road and is one of the top fly fishing rivers in Tasmania.

For those keen fisherman we can also arrange a guide who will take you to some hidden fishing spots that contain large brown and rainbow trout.

SFF Rate: From \$120 per night (Two people).
For more information contact Scott Dargan on 0420 909 449.

Little River Cottage - Maydena



Myrica Cottage at Bellbrae



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Membership Nomination Form

Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.

PO Box 388 Moorabbin 3192

Nomination date/...../.....

Nominee's Name.....Signature.....

Address..... Post Code.....

Phone contact(s) Home..... Mob.....

Email (Please print).....

Occupation

ProposerSignature.....

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** Membership category and applicable fee for 2014 -2015

Cat **	Membership Types	Existing Members			New members pro rata			
		Annual Subs+	Ins per person	Total PA	Jul to Sep	Oct to Dec	Jan to Mar	Apr to Jun
M	Member	\$80	\$10	\$90	\$90	\$70	\$50	\$30
P	Members spouse / partner	\$40	\$10	\$50	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
C	Concession (Note 1)	\$60	\$10	\$70	\$70	\$55	\$40	\$25
J	Junior (under 18 years)	\$40	\$10	\$50	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20
S	FT student (under 25)	\$50	\$10	\$60	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
CT	Country (Note 2)	\$50	\$10	\$60	\$60	\$48	\$35	\$23
F	Family Special (Note 3)	\$120	\$10	\$120*	\$120*	\$100*	\$70*	\$40*
L	Life member	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Note 1 Govt. Pensions and Seniors Card holders

Note 2 Permanently residing over 60km from Club

Note 3 At least 3 members, adults, juniors and students, of the same immediate family *(+ insurance each person)

Cheques should be made payable to **Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.** or alternatively direct to:

SOUTHERN FLY FISHERS bank account **BSB 063-118, Account No 1000-6744.** (Include name as reference)

Club use only

Membership category code**

Date submitted to Committee

...../...../.....

Approved by committee

Yes / No

Applicable fee paid

Yes / No

Notify:

Secretary ☐

Communications ☐

Treasurer ☐

Register number

*** Membership is subject to confirmation by the Committee of Southern Fly Fishers Australia Inc.***

We invite you to join and participate in the Club's activities. Our aim is to support members in the enjoyment of the sport of fly fishing, the environment and the social camaraderie.

Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the

Southern Fly Fishing Clubroom and Casting Pool

located in **Highett Reserve,**

Cnr Chesterville and Turner Roads, Highett. Melways 77 J 9

(Look for the "Combined Clubrooms" entrance at N° 33 Turner Road)

Membership Benefits:

- | | |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| - Beginners' & advanced casting tuition | - Competitive casting & fishing events |
| - Beginners' and advanced fly tying classes | - Discounts from sponsors' retail outlets. |
| - Streamcraft & fly fishing techniques | - Specialist guest speakers |
| - Monthly fly fishing discussion group | - Regular day & weekend fishing trips |
| - Annual interstate & overseas fishing trips | - Saltwater fly fishing activities |
| - Regular newsletter | - Public liability insurance for club activities |

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