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A Busy March

America's Boating Club-Marco Island has had a busy March. Here are some photo highlights of the many activities of our club! See inside the Eagle's Eye for more news.



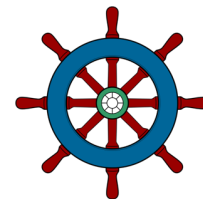
Commander Tom Morr and members of the Bridge and Executive Committee at a planning retreat



Education Officers John Maciolek and Tom Ryan celebrating a successful year of learning!



Vessel Safety Examiners, like Ed Bauer, inspected over 100 boats so far this year to insure that appropriate safety equipment was on board



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Coming Events 2019

April

4/2	Cards at the Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
4/3	First Ever MISPS Fishing Event	0800
4/6	Cruise & Raft Up, Turtle Key	1130 p. 07
4/10	Executive Board Meeting, Learning Center	0900
4/10	Membership Meeting, Marco Island Yacht Club	1700 p. 08
4/12-13	D22 Spring Conference/COW, Punta Gorda	0900
4/16	Silver Tridents Breakfast	0830
4/16	Cards at the Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
4/20	Cruise & Lunch, Mangos	1130 p. 07
4/24	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04

May

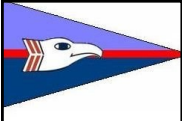
5/7	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
5/8	Executive Board, Learning Center	0900
5/8	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
5/18	Cruise and Lunch, Island Gypsy	1130 p. 07
5/21	Silver Tridents Breakfast	TBA
5/21	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
5/22	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
5/25	Miniature Golf Tournament/LaTavola	1900
5/30	Cruise and Lunch, Port of the Islands	1200 p. 07

June

6/4	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
6/12	Executive Board, Learning Center	0900
6/12	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
6/18	Silver Tridents Breakfast	TBA
6/18	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
6/26	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 0. 04
6/29	Cruise and Picnic, Keewaydin Island	1130 p. 07

July

7/2	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
7/10	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
7/13	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy	1130 p. 07
7/16	Silver Tridents Breakfast	TBA
7/16	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 12
7/24	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
7/27	Cruise & Picnic, Coconut Island	1130 p. 07



THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR
Lt Marcy Marinelli, P

I want to give our readers a heads up that the Eagle's Eye will be on a reduced schedule in the summer. There will be a May issue, a June/July issue and an August/September issue. Monthly issues will commence again in October. Our Eagle's Eye is published to our website usually before the end of the month. Be sure to take a look at it to see what activities/information is being shared by our officers and committees. In addition, monthly postcards with our activities will be sent out to those who have a Marco Island address and will be here for the summer. If you are heading back up north and haven't let us know that you won't be here, please let me know.

Thanks!



COMMANDER
Tom Morr, P

As a member of America's Boating Club – Marco Island, you have an ownership stake in an organization that was formed forty years ago to make boating around Marco Island fun and safe. Let's take that sentence apart. What does that mean?

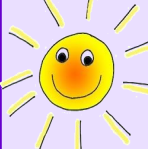


Member – According to Webster to be a member is to be a 'person . . . that has joined a group, society or team.' Our Club is a group/society/team of people engaged by common interest in boating. People join our Club to be a worthwhile part of a worthwhile (and fun) group.

Ownership – Ownership is often used in the sense of legal right of possession, but in a not-for-profit organization (such as ours) where any financial benefit by law cannot be distributed to 'owners', the more accurate definition may be to take 'ownership of' or 'responsibility for.' "We take ownership when we believe that taking action is not someone else's responsibility," says Warren Tanner in Modern Manager. In the context of our Club, ownership is the act of assuming accountability for doing something or getting something done. Examples are organizing an event, inspecting a vessel, teaching a class or just participating in an activity. Many members step up as owners to make the Club successful.

Organization – 'An organized body of people with a particular purpose, especially a . . . society, association, etc.' Synonyms include group, alliance, coalition, movement, club and others. We are a group with a shared purpose which is to foster responsible, informed and enjoyable boating for the residents and visitors to our island paradise – and having fun as a group doing so. Further, we are part of a much larger national association that seeks to educate people using the United States' waters everywhere about how to operate a boat, providing skills, knowledge of the rules and laws and supporting the growth of the nation's boating community. Being a member and owner in America's Boating Club matters. I hope you agree.

At the March members meeting we focused upon vessel safety checks. One way you can take ownership for safe boating on Marco Island is to be sure your boat has been checked and is properly equipped with everything in good working order. For a free vessel safety check contact Lt. John Salotto at 703/864-5528 or at johnj.salotto@gmail.com or Lt. Dan Marinelli, P at 239/900-0299 or gopackers1113@msn.com and either of them will have an examiner contact you.




SUNSHINE NEWS

Please remember the families of Chuck Wilson and Jim Ferry, who recently passed away. Erma Maciolek had successful surgery. Jann Kenyon will be having surgery. Gerry Marks has been in the hospital. Please keep them in your thoughts.

Please let me know of anyone who is sick, injured or deceased. I will send a card in the name of the squadron.

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Captain's Meeting
"Meet & Greet"
everyone welcome!
CJ's Gazebo Bar
at the Esplanade at 1700
on the 4th Wednesday
of the Month

For April RSVP to
Sonya Benson at
414-617-5718 Or Email:
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Lt/C Bob Smith, AP

Calling all Members! This is an invitation to all of you to participate in our many boating activities and to have lots of fun enjoying the beautiful waters and landscapes around Marco Island.



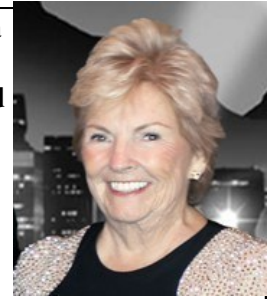
America's Boating Club - Marco Island's first ever Fishing Event will be held on Wednesday, April 3, with prizes going to people who catch the longest pompano, redfish, and snook. Captains have been established by now but it's not too late to join in as a fishing crew member. Simply call Rick Kelso at 239-961-1476 to be assigned to a boat. We will fish during the day and meet at the Sand Bar that evening to dine on our own Catch of the Day. For additional cruise and picnic, and cruise and lunch opportunities check the schedule elsewhere in this Eagle's Eye. The more our members participate, the more fun for each of us.

Another great way to get out on the water for a productive, service oriented day is to join our Cooperative Charting team, which monitors and reports on needed repairs or replacement of local Aids to Navigation (ATONS). They survey a significant portion of our coastal and inland waterways around Marco Island and south to Everglades City. Past Commander Carl Thieme, the team's leader, shares Cooperative Charting findings with the Waterways Advisory Committee and with Collier County Coastal Zone Management Division, who are responsible for maintenance, repair and replacement of the ATONS. Cliff Winings, our Web Master, has developed a complete digital data base to support this effort, making it easy to pinpoint each ATON requiring attention. Please give Carl Thieme a call at 239-394-4236 if you are able to help us in this valuable public service effort.



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
Lt/C Wanda Burson, S

Well my friends it truly does take a village to keep us all safe and having fun. P/C Carl Thieme reviewed my tide schedule for cruises and picnics and as a result of his efforts we are changing the Cape Romano Cruise and Picnic from 3/23 to 3/30. I will be posting his notes with the info on upcoming events.



Don't forget if you don't have a boat or don't wish to go alone boating club members will be happy to take you. Just check with the Cruise Captain.

The first ever fishing event is coming up on April 3. Contact Bob Smith for information.

The Turtle Key raft up should be a fun event and something new to a lot of us. We would like that to begin at 11:30. Since it will not be on the beach we have to scratch the Easter Egg Hunt. I am sure you will enjoy the raft up experience. We are good to go for the April 20th lunch and cruise at Mangos at 11:30.

Don't forget cards at the Learning Center every first and third Tuesday of the month. Call Dorothy Harkness for info she is our extraordinaire planner for these events. Sonya Benson is our Asst. Admin. Officer and she does a wonderful job of getting all the reservations for cruise to restaurants as well as the Captains Meetings. See her to sign up for all future events - she always has something new.

Bryan Mordecai gave me permission to use his beach picnic planning guide. I feel this is really important information and good for any trip you are planning.

- Publish a route with waypoints (lat/lon) on a chart (be sure to add caveats)
- Sign-up for weather cancellation notification
- Bring shade, chairs, beach shoes, sunscreen, trash bag, lunch and water.
- Monitor channels 16 & 78
- Two anchors (bow and stern) are needed
- Help other participants to land and launch
- Leave the site cleaner than you found it.

Don't forget to check the schedule and sign up for all the upcoming events. Thank you all for keeping us all safe and making it fun.



EDUCATION OFFICER

Lt/C Tom Ryan



We finished the “school” year a little early this time around. Our final ABC class concluded on March 18. And, we finished on a high note. We had a full classroom with 17 students and everyone passed the test! Plus, everyone knew what the Orange and White markers meant! Extra credit goes to our instructors - John Maciolek, Jim Olmes, Peggy Reiss and Kathleen Reynolds. They teamed up for four ABC courses this semester. Great job and thank you.

For our advanced courses, we completed two sessions of Boat Handling (the Seamanship replacement). Nick Rago and Rick Kelso did an excellent job not only teaching the course but also providing feedback for the National Boat Handling trial. Ted Reiss, in addition to his District duties, was able to teach Marine Navigation (Piloting) and another Past Commander, Rhonda Gloodt, taught our Weather course. If you missed these courses this go around, be sure to sign up next time because all of these are essential to becoming an accomplished boater.

Our Seminar Team consisting of Jim Olmes, Carl Thieme, Lee Harkness, Gene Burson, Peggy Reiss, Ted Reiss, John Maciolek and Rhonda Gloodt conducted 8 seminars this semester. Combined, these instructors have over 100 years of experience. It’s the teaching that keeps them looking so young! Keep that in mind.

Congratulations to all of our instructors. We appreciate your effort. We are always looking for new instructors to join the team. Many of our members are experienced in various aspects of boating. We encourage you to share your knowledge and help us by teaching a course or seminar. We provide the training and material and you provide your experience. Remember teaching will keep you looking young!

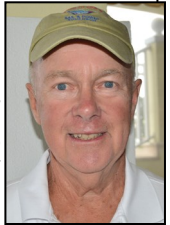
But, of course, the ultimate measure of our success is the students. We had a total of 99 students. This year all of our courses were open to the public. But we also had a good response from our members. To see a list of the members who successfully completed these courses see the middle of page 13.

Congratulations to all of our students and thank you for your participation.



SAFETY OFFICER

Lt Ed Bauer, S



“A NEAT SHIP IS A SAFE SHIP”

Improperly stowed gear can damage your equipment and become a tripping hazard, or worse. A cluttered deck is particularly dangerous in rough water if loose gear is sliding about.

Everyone hates reaching for a line that is fouled into a tangled mess. If you don’t have a line locker, you may install a board with hooks on the inside of the gunwales to hang your coiled lines. Having lines handy, fire extinguishers mounted in a strategic spot, first aid kit close by, and anchor line clear for instant use, are all little things that can help a rapid response to a developing situation.

Properly stowed gear might seem a trivial issue, but I read of incidents that highlight its importance. In one case, a man and woman aboard a 40-foot pleasure boat were about to tow a smaller boat. While the woman was preparing the tow line, there was a slack length lying on the deck. She inadvertently stood amidst the loose line. As the towing boat started to move, this line coiled around her leg and lifted her into the air. She took a severe fall and suffered an extreme injury.

In another incident, three men were out for a day of fishing when they decided to move to another location. They pulled the anchor on board and left it lying on the bow above the anchor locker. Coming up on plane, the boat bounced over a wave and the anchor slipped back into the water. The line played out and the anchor temporarily set on something. When the force of the boat caused the anchor to release, it catapulted forward toward the boat, and sank the shank of the anchor into the head of an unlucky fisherman.

Returning quickly to the dock they were met by emergency medical teams and the injured man was airlifted to a hospital where the anchor was safely removed.

It is hard to imagine that these severe injuries would take place. Unfortunately, there are a myriad of potential accidents lurking amongst your poorly stowed equipment. Keep your gear stowed safely! Remember the old saying; “A place for everything, and everything in its place.”

Some content from The Beacon



Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities



Boating Chair: Lt Nick Rago, AP at (860) 798-4141
Boating Assist. Chair: Dan Marinelli (240) 606-1119



**** Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants
 Sonya Benson at 414-617-5718 Or Email: sbensonwi@gmail.com**

Before cruising, make sure you have your vessel safety check!

30 March	Cruise & Picnic, Cape Romano	1230	Carl Thieme 239-394-4236
06 April	Cruise & Raft Up, Turtle Key	1130	Tippy Cavanagh 239-248-5815
20 April	Cruise & Lunch, Mangos	1130	Don Cates 217-370-6659
18 May	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy	1130	TBA
30 May	Cruise & Lunch, Port of the Islands	1200	TBA

If you'd like to go on one of these trips, but don't have a boat, contact the cruise captain who can connect you with someone willing to give you a ride!

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LAST OF THE SEASON
MONTHLY DINNER MEETING
MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019
MARCO ISLAND YACHT CLUB

1400 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island

1700 (5:00 PM) – SOCIALIZING

17:45 (5:45 PM) – SQUADRON MONTHLY MEETING

18:15 (6:15 PM) DINNER FOLLOWED BY SPEAKER

SPEAKER:

Professor Michael Savarese, FGCU

Principal Researcher/NOAA Grantee

“Understanding Impacts of Sea Level Rise and Climate Change”

MENU:

\$35 per person

Choose One Dinner per Person:

Mixed Greens and Boston Bibb Lettuce, Dried Cranberries, etc.

Grilled Salmon

Or

Mediterranean Beef Skewers

Roasted Red Potato

Or Vegetarian: Wild Mushroom Wellington



Warm Blueberry Bread Pudding

Adult Beverages Available for Purchase

(No cash or Discover card – Only Master Charge, Visa or American Express)

PLEASE RESPOND BY FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2019

Because the Yacht Club is closed on Mondays, reservations must be received by the Friday before the meeting so that the proper amount of food may be ordered.

MAIL CHECKS PAYABLE TO MISPS TO:

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1651 BARBADOS CT.
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Name _____

Tel# _____

Menu choice: Salmon _____ Beef _____ Vegetarian _____

No. attending @ \$35 _____ Amount Enclosed _____

CRUISE AND LUNCH, DOLPHIN TIKI BAR

An Irish theme predominated as a large group of MISPS members attended the cruise and lunch at Dolphin Tiki Bar on March 7. More photos on the next page.



Bill Kreppin, Lt Susan and Lt Ed Bauer, S



Lt Bob Gloodt, P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN and The Lucky Dog



Julie Riley and Madeline Moore



Bill Kreppin, Cdr Tom Morr, P & P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN



New members – Dave Randall & Shelly Derrough



Mary Dyroff with D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN & D/1/Lt Peggy Reiss, JN-IN



1/Lt Sonya Benson and Don Cates



Bryan Mordecai, AP, Lt/C Wanda Burson, S and Lt Ed Bauer, S

CRUISE AND LUNCH DOLPHIN TIKI BAR, Continued



Lt Nick Rago, AP and Debbie Rago



P/C Bill Hughes, JN and D/L/C Andy Battaglia, AP



New members Jim and Sheila Bahin



John Moore and 1/Lt Steve Riley



Lt Bob Gloodt, S Gerry Marks, P and Bob Marks, JN



Lt Sheila & P/C Carl Thieme, SN

Photos from Dolphin Tiki Bar Trip courtesy of Andy Battaglia

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Mercedes and Kyle Fabregas



Susan Bauer (r), new member Ginny Roseberry, and friend Connie Swanson (left) with mystery guest (middle)



Commander Tom Morr, P swears in Kyle Fabregas, Jim and Sheila Bahin



Mark McFadden, P/C Bill Hughes, JN and Jennifer Jewett



Vessel Safety Chairs Lt Dan Marinelli, P, Lt John Salotto and Katy Hart



P/C Lee Harkness, AP and Webmaster Lt Cliff Winings, SN



Julie Riley, Sheila Bahin, D/L/Candy Battaglia, SN, and Madeline Moore



New member Jim Bahin

“Hand & Foot” Card Game

Call: Lt Dorothy Harkness, S at 642-3575
Email: dorotheaharkness@embarqmail.com



Easy to learn this fun game ... nice to play while on cruises. Socialize with members of the squadron, give Dorothy a call ... 642-3575

Cards dates will be at MISPS Condo on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1300.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to the following MISPS members who are celebrating this month!

George Engstrom 4/1
Rudy Landwaard 4/4
Petra Williams 4/7
Roy Sander 4/12
Jo Martin 4/16
Nick Rago 4/16
John Noffze 4/23
John Salotto 4/24
Carl Thieme 4/24
Lynette Noffsinger 4/25
Cliff Winings 4/26



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“CAPTAIN TED’S CORNER”
D/Lt/C Edward Reiss, SN-CN



- 1. INLAND ONLY** When power-driven vessels are crossing, a signal of one short blast by either vessel means _____.
 - A. "I intend to leave you on my port side"
 - B. "I intend to hold course and speed"
 - C. "I intend to change course to starboard"
 - D. "I request a departure from the Rules"
- 2. INLAND ONLY** Which statement is TRUE concerning the Inland Navigation Rules?
 - A. They list requirements for Traffic Separation Schemes.
 - B. They define moderate speed.
 - C. They require communication by radiotelephone to reach a passing agreement.
 - D. All of the above
- 3. Where should a vessel being towed alongside be positioned for increased maneuverability?**
 - A. Stern of the towed vessel aft of the stern of the towing vessel
 - B. Stern of the towed vessel even with the stern of the towing vessel
 - C. Stern of the towed vessel forward of the stern of the towing vessel
 - D. Bow of the towed vessel even with the bow of the towing vessel
- 4. 17 degrees of latitude is equal to _____.**
 - A. 68 miles
 - B. 510 miles
 - C. 1020 miles
 - D. 4080 miles

Answers: 1 A, 2 A, 3 C, 4 C

NEW MEMBER PROFILES

Bill and Mary Kreppin joined America's Boating Club of Marco Island this past November. They recently retired and will be snowbirds here in Marco, looking forward to "Endless Summer" boating days. They have been boating on the south shore of Long Island for over 40 years. Both of them grew up on the Great South Bay in the summer boating, sailing, water skiing and jet skiing. Growing up on the water they encouraged that love of boating in their four children and were very excited when their oldest son followed in his father's footsteps as a Merchant Marine Engineer. Bill and Mary have jumped into squadron activities and are very thrilled to be members of America's Boating Club of Marco Island.



Bill and Mary Kreppin



Mary and Bill being sworn in at the December meeting



Stephanie Ward

Welcome to new associate member, Stephanie Ward. Stephanie is a part-year Marco resident who joined USPS in 1985 and currently has 31 Merit Marks! She originally joined the Pennsway Power Squadron and was their first female Commander. When Pennsway disbanded she transferred to Delaware River (the 2nd oldest squadron in the country) - which just celebrated their 103rd Change of Watch on March 17th. She's done two stints as Commander there—three years each. Stephanie will be installed as the Assistant Administrative officer for District 5, which goes from central New Jersey out to central Pennsylvania and down to Richmond, Virginia. She has a 40 foot Luhrs SF and does a lot of offshore fishing—mostly marlin, tuna and dolphin. Welcome Stephanie! It sounds like you have a lot to offer America's Boating Club—Marco Island!



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CONGRATULATIONS!

MISPS member Allyson Richards was recently awarded MICA's 2019 Humanitarian of the Year award. Allyson has given countless hours of her time to a variety of organizations on Marco Island, including the Power Squadron. Congratulations Allyson! This most prestigious award recognizes all she does. Way to go Allyson!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following MISPS members who successfully completed an educational course this year:

ABC – Jennifer Jewett, Dennis Enstrom, Mary Dryoff, David Randall, Shelly Derrough.

Boat Handling – Jim Mogan, Pat Mogan, Ed Bauer, Bob Gloodt. These members also receive the Education rank “S” after their name.

Weather – Marcy Marinelli

Chart/GPS – Dennis Enstrom, Henry Stanley, Earl Halde-
mann III, David Knudsen, John Moore, Steve Riley.

Anchoring – Sonya Benson, Don Cates

VHF Radio – George Engstrom, William Martin, Pat
Mogan

Partner in command – Mary Krepein, William Krepein



DO YOU KNOW ABOUT AMERICA'S BOATING CHANNEL?

The main mission of America's Boating Club-Marco Island is safe boating. We accomplish this mission by taking classes to expand our boating knowledge and making sure that we are operating a safe boat. Many of us don't like the formality of an actual class but would like to continue to expand our boating knowledge. America's Boating Club has developed America's Boating Channel, a website featuring safe boating videos and boater education digital media created especially for boaters, by boaters. There is a wide variety of content that appeals to kayakers, paddleboarders, jet ski operators, as well as boaters. Topics include Basic Skills videos such as preparing for departure, preparing for arrival, securing your boat, life jackets, pivot turns, stopping and holding position, getting on plane and operating on plane, maneuvering on plane, stopping a boat on plane, anchoring, and man overboard. There are also specific videos on paddle sport safety, navigation rules, vessel inspections, cold water survival, etc. Each video is short—no more than 5 minutes and has a lot of useful information. The videos were made with the cooperation of a number of squadrons throughout the USA. You may be surprised to see some faces you know from our own squadron in some of the videos!

In addition to America's Boating Channel—did you know that you can take on-line courses through USPS? Almost any course or seminar that is offered in person can be taken on line. Here's the link to more information about on-line courses: <https://americasboatingclub.org/education-matters/online-boating-education>



Make 2019 the year that you make a commitment to increasing your own boating knowledge. Learn something new this year!



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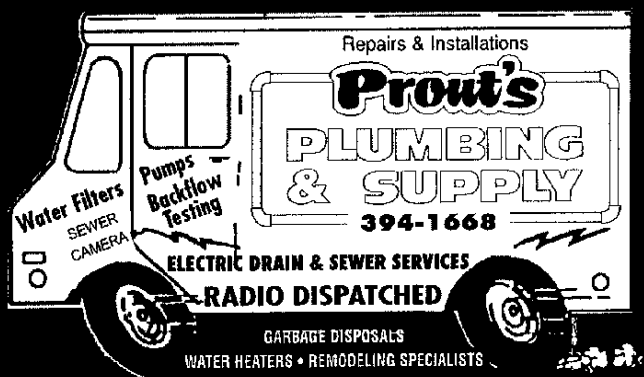
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