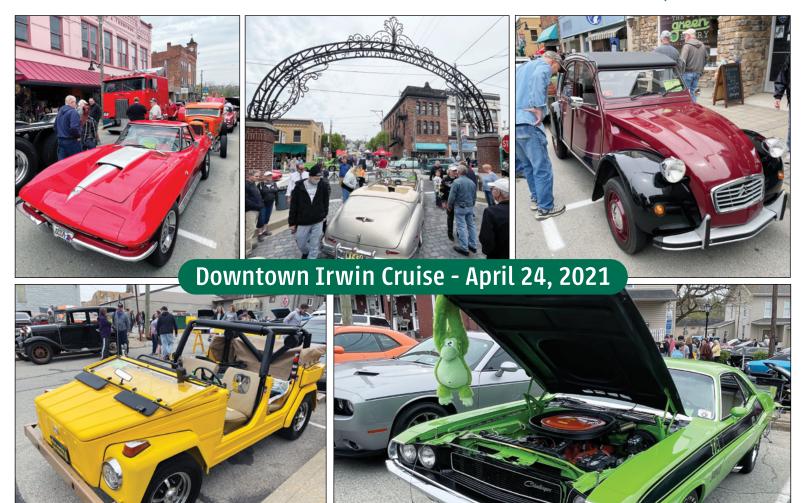
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A Favorite Returns - Scenes from the Spring 2021 Downtown Irwin Cruise - Photos by Mark Jackson

Get Those Great Old Cars Out...

Local Cruises & Shows

See <u>carcruises.com</u> for more local 2021 events and information Search "Pennsylvania" and the month.

Special thanks to Denny and Becky Blank for researching these 2021 shows and cruises.

Ultimate Tuesday Car Cruise at Kings *Kings Family Restaurant*

6297 US 30, Hempfield Plaza 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Tuesdays:** May 18 and 25; June 1, 8, 15, and 28 (no cruise June 22); July 6, 20, and 27 (no cruise July 13); August 3, 10, 24 and 31 (no cruise Aug. 17); September 7, 21 and 28 (no cruise Sept. 14); October 5, 19 and 26 (no cruise Oct. 12),

The Car Cruise at the Lamplighter Restaurant

6566 William Penn Highway Delmont, PA 15626 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. **Thursdays:** May 20, 27; June 3, 10, 17 and 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; August 5, 12, 19, and 26. This cruise continues each Thursday until October 28

Murph's Pub/Ice Garden Summer Cruise Series Rostraver Ice Garden 101 Gallitin Rd., Belle Vernon, PA 15012

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday May 22, Sunday May 30, Sunday June 6 New Life Cruisers Car Cruise Word of Life Church Route 136, Greensburg PA, 15601 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday: May 22 and 29, June 5 and 19

Monday, May 31 Memorial Day 4th Annual Car Cruise Saint John's Catholic Church 497 Athena Drive, Delmont, PA 15626 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, June 11 EC Cruisers Bovard Burger Bash Bovard Fire Hall 2 Washington St., Bovard, PA 15619 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

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for further information see the 2021 Western PA Region Roster, which is available on the Region's website.

Membership Information

Do you like old cars? We at the Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America are excited to share our fun and exciting activities, events and resources.

You don't have to own an antique automobile to become a member, However, you must first join our national club, The Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) before joining our Region. For national membership information and to join online visit: <u>www.aaca.org</u> AACA is the largest and oldest antique automobile club in the world and offers a wide variety of resources, and activities. All national members also receive the beautiful *Antique Automobile Magazine.*

For a Western PA Region AACA new membership application visit: <u>http://westernparegion.org/membership/</u> wpr application.html New members must attend a Western PA Region monthly meeting to be voted in and welcomed. Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January. We are a Latrobe-based club.

Upon receipt of your membership application, our Membership Chairman will contact you to schedule a convenient monthly meeting for you to attend. Our monthly meetings take place at several venues in the Latrobe and Greensburg, PA area.

To learn more about our club and activities visit our website: www.westenparegion.org

Please also feel free to contact any of the directors above with questions about memberships.

... There's Lots of Fun Things Happening!

Saturday, June 19 Scottdale Car, Truck and Bike Cruise Pittsburgh Street, Scottdale, PA 15683 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 26 First Annual Penn Trafford Band Parents Car Cruise *Community Church* 3487 PA Route 130, Irwin, PA 15642 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 27 Latrobe, PA Veterans Anything with Wheels Show *Cooperstown Event Center* 2541 Thomas Street Latrobe, PA 15650 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 10 Shorkey Chevrolet All Chevy Show 6370 William Penn Highway Murrysville, PA 15668 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 17 Mount Pleasant Rock-N-Rods Round Up 2021 918 Pleasant Valley Road Mount Pleasant, PA 15666 Starting at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, July 17 Kiski Township Firehall 3rd Annual Car Cruise and Show *Kiski Township Firehall* 1037 State Route 66, Orchard Hills

Apollo, PA 15613 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 31 Hempfield Spartan Marching Band 2nd Annual Car Cruise *Word of Life Church* Route 136, Greensburg PA, 15601 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Raindate Sunday, August 1)

Sunday August 1 6th Annual DARCEE Car Show Derry Community Park Hannastown Road. and W. 5th Avenue Derry, PA 15627

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Western PA Region AACA Activities & Events

Our Region is moving forward into 2021 with optimism and caution. Our April Annual Meeting/Picnic was a bit chilly, but a success (See pages 4 and 5.)

This year our Regular WPR Business Meetings will be held at different dates and venues, and sometimes combined with other events. Please watch your email and *The Western Round-Up* for updates and details on these meetings and additional fun events, which are in the works.

No WPR Regular Business Meeting for May 2021

June WPR Regular Business Meeting We are looking at some different venue possibilities where we can social distance including the Ligonier Theater. Information to follow soon.

Saturday, June 26 Driving Tour to Dan's Cars Showroom Pittsburgh, PA Departing 11:45 a.m. from Hoss's South Main Street, Greensburg RSVP with WPR Tour Chair Carl Erb (See page 7.)

Sunday, July 11 Driving Tour to Dave & Karen's Car Showroom

Departing 9:30 a.m. from the former King's Restaurant parking lot, Rt. 66 Delmont (The restaurant is closed) RSVP with Tour Chair Carl Erb (Flyer to come) Sunday, July 25 Annual Summer Picnic Cooperstown Club Pavilion Latrobe, PA A registration flyer will be in the June Western Round-Up. A brief Western PA Region business meeting will precede the picnic.

Sunday, September 5 Western PA Region Car Show/Cruise Legion Keener Park, Latrobe 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Car Show is back after a 2020 pandemic hiatus, but it will be different this year. In consideration of time, finances, the unpredicitable nature of the pandemic, and other logistics - the WPR directors have chosen to have a non-judged car show this year. It will be more like a traditional cruise. However, we will have a special display of AACA Senior Award cars with educational signs on the criteria of AACA Senior Awards and what makes them special. A flyer with more details is in the works. We hope to return to a judged show in 2022.

Friday, August 6 EC Cruisers Bovard Burger Bash Bovard Fire Hall 2 Washington St., Bovard, PA 15619

6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 8 20th Annual Trinity Lutheran Church Car Hop *Trinity Lutheran Church* 331 Weldon St., Latrobe, PA 15650 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Friday, August 13 The Stroll - Ligonier's Car Cruise Downtown Ligonier, PA 15658 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 15 Greensburg FD Hose Co. No.1 Car and Bike Cruise 6 McLaughlin Dr. Greensburg, PA 15601 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 22 Saltsburg Car Show for Homeless Veterans

Iselin Community Park 1782 Iselin Rd. Saltsburg, PA 15681 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

2021 Annual Meeting & Picnic Held in April



Region directors (I-r) John Kuhns, Sr. and Craig DeFloria enjoy a laugh at the Annual Meeting.

Region Membership Chair Howard Finney makes his report at the Annual Meeting.

Due to pandemic restrictions and concerns, the 2021 Western PA Region Annual Meeting could not be held in January as usual. However, with the advances in vaccine distribution and other encouraging signs, the region directors decided that an outdoor event in late April combined with a picnic could work out nicely.

On Sunday, April 25th about 50 members turned out for the 2021 Annual Meeting and Rev-Up Picnic at the Cooperstown Club Pavilion in Latrobe. The temperature wasn't too bad, but a bit of steady wind made it a little chilly. At least we didn't experience any April showers that day. Members were really glad to see each other again as they gathered and grateful to see each other doing well considering these challenging times.

After some socializing and hors d'oeuvres, Vice President Craig DeFloria conducted the Annual Meeting starting around 1:30 p.m. President Bob Doppelheuer could not attend, but had prepared the agenda and state of the region report, which Craig followed and read aloud. Minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting will be printed in the December 2021 Western Round-Up for approval at the 2022 Annual Meeting (hopefully in January).

During the committee reports Membership Chair Howard Finney told members about a special memorial gathering to celebrate the life of past member Stanley Kanick who passed away December 14, 2020. Howard had informational flyers available for those who would like to attend.

Mark Jackson, The Western Round-Up Editor presented Guy Davis with a Chrome Quill Award in recognition

of his legacy of wonderful story and photo contributions to the newsletter over the years.

The 2020 Car Show was canceled due to the pandemic. There was a discussion on the 2021 Car Show, which is currently shaping up to be a cruise this year rather than a judged show for a variety of concerns – a delayed start, finances and the unpredictability of the pandemic.

Tour Chair Carl Erb presented a recap of the 2020 tours and polled members present on some great ideas for 2021 tours.

Vice President DeFloria also told members present that the directors are looking at some different venues for upcoming meetings, which will be announced. Following the committee reports John Kuhns, Sr. presented these Western PA Region Awards for 2020:

- The Jack Clark Service Award to Carl and Camille Erb in recognition of the three extraordinary tours they hosted, which helped keep us rolling through 2020.
- The Paul P. Bell Award for Most Unique Car Shown at a Western PA Region Event to Dave Davis for his 1964 Mercury Parklane four-door sedan.
- The John Ross Kuhns III Participation Award for driving an antique car to the most region events in 2020 to Tom and Doreen King.

Three outgoing directors were recognized for their service – Craig DeFloria, Bob Doppelheuer and John Ross Kuhns. However, the nice director's mugs they are traditionally presented were not available due to pandemic-related production delays.

Since our region was so long into the 2021 year, all



A chilly April day, but some great cars still came out to shine.



Post Avenue Catering serves up a delicious buffet dinner.

current directors agreed to serve in their current positions until the 2022 Annual Meeting. The members present were in agreement with this. So Vice President DeFloria asked the Secretary to cast the ballot for the current directors to continue serving accordingly:

> Bob Doppelheur - President Craig DeFloria - Vice President Mark Jackson - Treasurer Mark DeFloria - Secretary John Ross Kuhns - Safety John Kuhns Sr. - Publicity

After the meeting all enjoyed a picnic dinner served by Post Avenue Catering, which included savory Italian beef sandwiches, fried chicken, rigatoni, green beans, salad and a variety of delicious pies.

Door prize winners were called before the meeting and during dinner. There was also a 50/50 drawing. After the delicious dinner most members were ready to go home due to the chilly day. So the games that were planned will have to wait for another, warmer day.

Special thanks to John and Vickie Kuhns, and John Ross and Blair Kuhns for hosting the 2021 Annual Meeting Picnic and making arrangements with the Cooperstown Club.



John Kuhns, Sr., right, presents the Jack Clark Service Award to Carl and Camille Erb for the outstanding 2020 tours they hosted.



(I-r) Dave Davis receives the Paul P. Bell Award for the Most Unique Antique Car driven to a WPR event in 2020 - a 1964 Mercury Parklane



(I-r) Western Round-Up Editor Mark Jackson presents Guy Davis with a WPR Chrome Quill Award recognizing his outstanding article and photo contributions to the newsletter over the years.



Wikipedia

oon Motor Car Company (1905 - 1930) was an American automobile company that was located in St. Louis, Missouri. The company had a venerable reputation among the buying public, as it was known for fully assembled, easily affordable mid-level cars using high-quality parts. Often this meant the manufacturing process required more human intervention, leading to operating losses.

The company was founded by carriage maker Joseph W. Moon. Moon produced both cars and trucks. Moon Motor's peak production year was 1925 when the company produced 10,271 vehicles.

In addition to the Moon name, Moons were sold under the Hol-Tan name in 1908. Moon produced the Diana via its subsidiary the Diana Motors Company in 1925 - 1928. Another subsidiary produced the Windsor in 1929-1930.

The firm also produced a cotton picker built under contract from the American Cottonpicker Corporation.





A Moon Roadster from the early to mid 1920s

Beginning in 1924, Moon was increasingly unable to meet dealership orders. The company went out of business at the start of the Great Depression; the Moon factory was purchased by Ruxton automobile.

Moon automobiles are on display at the Missouri History Museum and Museum of Transportation in St. Louis, Missouri and Pioneer Village Foundation Museum in Minden, NE. The amusement park Six Flags St. Louis also features a ride using the Moon automobile body.

Walt Disney famously had to sell his Moon Roadster to help finance the production of Steamboat Willie in 1928.



Moon advertisement around 1926



Departing: 11:45 a.m.

Meeting Location: Hoss's

1261 South Main Street, Greensburg, PA

Showroom Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m

Dinner: Applebee's in Murrysville

There is no banquet room, but they will reserve a section for us. I will need a headcount of those dining with the group. (Order off the menu – You might want to check their menu on-line a few days before the tour.)



lthough Dan owns several Ferraris for which he has a special attraction, his car collection is quite eclectic with assorted makes of cars and motorcycles all in Concours condition. Just to mention a few: 1970's Rolls Royce Corniche Convertible - 1950's Saab 2 cycle station wagon - 1920's American LaFrance fire truck - modern day 3-wheeler Morgan - 1970's Citroën SM - 1920's Hispano-Suiza 4 door sedan with unbelievably beautiful rosewood dash and window trim door panels - late 1930's Cadillac - a small 1920's Sinclair tanker truck - and a horsedrawn popcorn trailer. They are all housed in one beautifully designed building with an ice cream parlor, a "man-cave" lounge with leather upholstery, a grand-daughter's Playroom and a restroom

with a very unusual floor consisting of multi-state antique license plates covered in clear epoxy. Dan has offered to fire up his popcorn trailer for us and to provide us with a selection of ice cream treats during our visit.

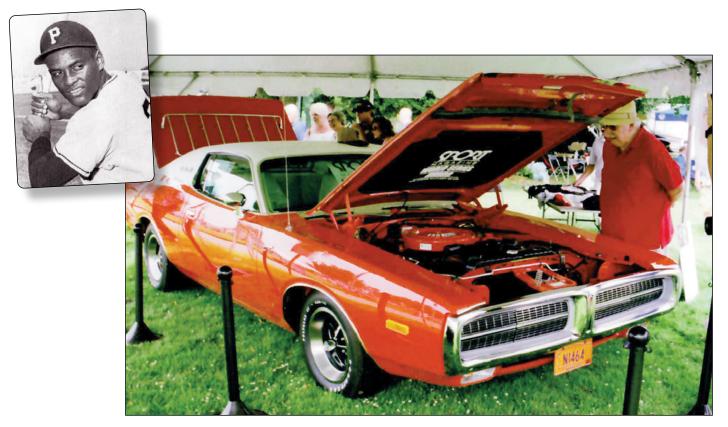
*There is limited seating in the "Man-Cave" lounge and in the "Ice Cream Parlor", so please bring a fold-up chair if you wish to sit down during our visit.

**Although this location is in the metropolitan Pittsburgh area, you need not worry about the car you drive because Dan will have an off-duty policeman from that part of Pittsburgh where his showroom is located to keep an eye on our cars. (Those of you who were at the April meeting know the location, but we do not want to publish it on our website where non-members might have access.)

If you have not already signed up for this tour please email or text Carl Erb ASAP so he can make dinner arrangements and to let Dan know how many people to expect. Cell: 412-607-7857, Home: 724-325-4258, email: erbiewan@gmail.com

The Road Less Traveled By

by Guy Davis



When the Pittsburgh Pirates won the 1971 World Series, Roberto Clemente, pictured above left, was voted Most Valuable Player of the Series and was awarded this 1972 Dodge Charger. This recently restored beauty was on display at the 2019 Vintage Grand Prix in Shenley Park, Pittsburgh, PA

he 2021 baseball season is upon us and our home town Pittsburgh Pirates have begun their 134th year as a member of the National League. This year's team has a number of new faces and unfamiliar names as the ownership of the Pirates has begun yet another era of rebuilding. There was a time, however, when many ballplayers spent most, if not all, of their careers with one team. Such dedication fostered a unique closeness between player and fan to such a degree that the player almost seemed to become a part of one's family. Such was the case 50 years ago when the Pirates featured a large number of players who either spent their entire career in Pittsburgh or at least contributed a significant number of their productive years as a Bucco. A few of the players from that 1971 team included Willie Stargell, Manny Sanguillen, Steve Blass, Al Oliver, Bob Robertson, Bill Mazeroski, and Roberto Clemente. This year also marks the 50th anniversary when our Pirates won their division title, the National League Pennant, and competed in the World Series.

The Pirates faced the powerful Baltimore Orioles in

that 1971 World Series. The "birds" featured four twenty game winning pitchers and were heavily favored to win their second consecutive baseball championship. Even though our Pirates lost the first two contests of that bestof-seven game series, they stormed back to win the next three games and the final contest to claim the World Series title of Major League Baseball. Our star right fielder Roberto Clemente, who excelled with bat, glove, arm, and base running, was voted the series Most Valuable Player.

It has become a baseball tradition since 1955 that the World Series MVP be awarded a brand new automobile following the conclusion of the series. That tradition still holds true today. As MVP in the 1971 series, Roberto was given a sparkling new 1972 Dodge Charger. The special edition Charger contained a 440 Magnum engine, orange paint job with a white vinyl roof, and luggage rack on the trunk lid. Roberto's prize was transported to his native Puerto Rico where it remained there until 2017 at which time it was purchased by a Florida car collector. After a total restoration, the new owner began to show the Charger at numerous charitable events. During the

summer of 2019, Roberto's former car was displayed at Schenley Park as part of the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix. Both automobile enthusiasts and Pirate fans enjoyed viewing the piece of rolling history.

Sometimes one encounters unforeseen sharp curves on the road less traveled by. Fourteen months after being selected as the Most Valuable Player of the 1971 World Series, Roberto Clemente perished while on a humanitarian mission to earthquake victims in Nicaragua. His death shocked the baseball world and stunned the Pittsburgh community. The fans from western Pennsylvania had watched Roberto display his talents on the baseball field for 18 years and we came to know his wife, Vera, and their three young sons. They had become a part of our families and we became a part of theirs. Outside the home ballpark of the Pittsburgh Pirates stands a statue of Roberto. The monument depicts our star right fielder releasing his bat just after making contact with the ball. His gaze is skyward. Though we no longer witness Roberto's skills on the ball field, we can still imagine a time, some 50 years ago, when a talented athlete entertained the baseball world with his stellar play and determination to excel. His

legacy endures and he will be forever remembered as long as there are summer days, fields of green, and a game called baseball. As the Scottish poet Thomas Campbell once wrote, "To live in the hearts of those we leave behind is to never die."



Front view of legendary Pittsburgh Pirate Roberto Clemente's restored 1972 Dodge Charger at the 2019 Vintage Grand Prix



Roberto Clemente photo source: Wikimedia Commons - Public Domain



by Fred Trusty Vice President - Membership





grew up in the muscle car era of the 1960's and ever since I can remember I've been fascinated with anything mechanical. I'm not sure where this fascination came from. My father had absolutely no mechanical ability whatsoever and was never interested in cars or anything mechanical.

As a young boy, I had lots of old metal toy trucks. I would park them all neatly in a row by my bed every night before I went to sleep. When I was probably 7 or 8 years old, I got one of those battery operated toys that looked and sounded like a Harley motor and bolted it on a bicycle. I was really cool when I rode my bike around the neighborhood. When I was about 9 years old in 1965, a couple moved into the house next door to us and they had a brand new Harley Davidson Electraglide. I used to look at it and dream

of the one I would own "when I got big". It wasn't too much longer before some older kids in the neighborhood started building mini bikes out of bicycles. They bolted a horizontal shaft engine just above the pedals and had their dad weld another rim to the back rim and put a long v-belt on it. It didn't have a clutch. To start it you just pedaled until the motor started and to stop you had to kill the motor. As young as I was at the time, I realized that this was not a very good design. I saw kids go through a fence or bushes because they couldn't stop the motor quick enough. Instead, I built my own go cart out of pieces of pipe and scrap plywood. There was nothing welded on it. Everything was bolted together. I designed and built my own steering and clutch and the thing actually worked. The wheels were old solid rubber wheels off of a dolly. It didn't go very fast, maybe 15 mph, but we sure had fun with that contraption.

Here I am 50 plus years later and I have several Harleys and one of them is a 1965 Harley Davidson Electraglide. You know what they say, "The only difference between men and boys is the price of the toys." I hope you enjoyed this article and maybe it brought back some memories of when you were a kid. Remember, just because you get older doesn't mean you have to grow up. Go out and play with your toys, have fun, and make some memories.

-- The Rummage Box



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Name That Car

by Mark Jackson

April's Car



Howard Finney was the first to correctly identify April's Car as a 1938 Buick convertible coupe. Bill Maurer and Gary Wiegand also correctly identified this snazzy car.

As I mentioned in the April, 2021 Round-Up, Jill and I were returning from a trip to Cape Cod in 1982 when we decided to stop and stay the night at a Holiday Inn in Northeastern Pennsylvania. We found the place very comfortable and found it more enjoyable when we discovered an antique car show being held there. I had never seen a gathering dedicated to one car make before. Apparently this was a Buick club event of some sort. There were beautiful Buicks a-plenty ranging from 1920's models to current day (early 1980s at the time). I remember being amused thinking that conversations at the event could be a bit redundant – " Hey, nice Buick." "That's a great Buick." "Oh, wow, beautiful Buick!", "Now that's a fine Buick." etc.

My Grandpa Stoner was a "Buick man." He was a dairy farmer and very involved in civic leadership roles. With a wife and seven children, he was busy guy. When he needed a new car he would call the dealer in Scottdale, PA and ask him to bring a nice Buick out to the farm for him to see. The dealer would comply, and according to my mother, Grandpa would look it over when the dealer got it there. He would either buy it or ask them to bring out another one and eventually make a purchase.

I remember him having a 1951 Buick Roadmaster, which he put over 200,000 miles on. The high mileage was due to a part time sales job he got selling feed to area farmers throughout western Pennsylvania. He would haul the heavy seed sacks in the spacious trunk. Eventually, he had a new motor put in the car. Then in the early 1960's he sold it to my parents for \$200. We took it on our first family vacation, which was to Lake Erie and Niagra Falls in 1962. It was a fast, comfortable car. My sister Elaine and I enjoyed playing with the power windows and I remember it's unique, powerful sound.

May's Car



May's car was at the 2021 Downtown Irwin Spring Cruise. Can you name the make and year of this sleek convertible? Be the first to contact me by phone 724-832-9074 and leave a message, or by email jacksonmark469@gmail.com and win a \$15 gift card to Arby's. ("They have the meats!")



A stately 1920s Buick touring car at the Holiday Inn entrance



Here's a line up of great old Buicks all wearing their best white sidewalls.



A 1948 Buick Convertible with huge fog lights



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