

VINTAGE MESSENGER

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New Members

RMVR wishes to announce the following new members! Welcome to each of you. We hope you will take full advantage of your membership, all the club activities, and the camaraderie of your fellow members. Please help us in welcoming these fine folks.

- Thomas Doherty - Glen Haven, CO
- Elliott O Barron - Leander, TX
- Devin Boucher - Terrell, TX
- Mac Anderson - Kerrville, TX
- Sean Beever - Lake Forest, CA
- Jake Latham - Broomfield, CO
- H.D. Woodruff - Houston, TX
- Paul Haggart - Cypress, TX
- Phil Schaefer - Minneapolis, MN
- Tom Stephani - Crystal Lake, IL
- John Daniels Jr - Minneapolis, MN
- Mitchell Dilley - Denver, CO

I've had some problems with the New Members Report, ... if I've missed any one, please let me know and I'll welcome you in a future block. Ed.

New RMVR Administrator

Please welcome aboard Iris Helveka, who is taking over from Mary Popejoy. A BIG Thank You to Mary for her years of service!!!

Phone number and e-mail remain the same. The new land address is in the block, below.

2020 Drivers' School

Yes, it's time for drivers' school! We want to achieve our goal of 80 students so time is of the essence. LET'S GO!!!!



What an amazing event! What an amazing achievement!

Together, we raised
\$180,449
to fund pediatric cancer research!

To all of you that participated--whether through driving, volunteering to work at the event, sponsoring, fundraising and/or personal donations—a huge **THANK YOU!!**



Board Meeting Changes

The dates will remain as the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The time is now 6:00-8:00 PM. With the COVID19 situation, the meeting will be via teleconference.

Board Meetings will be typically held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, **6:00 to 8:00 PM, (New Time)**. The Board Meeting location is:
via teleconference

457 S. Broadway Denver, CO 80209 303-778-0147[[MAP](#)]

FOR MORE INFORMATION: RMVR c/o Iris Havelka, RMVR Administrator

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Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing, Ltd.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2020

Virtual - teleconference

Meeting Minutes:

1. **Call to order JP 6:00 PM**
2. **Teleconference Attending Board Members:**

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
Evans, Judd	X		Sumner, Branden	X	
Fay, Patrick		X	Tisdale, Ken		X
Hall, Jeff		X	Van Westerburg, Rob	X	
Leach, Brad		X	Victoria, John	X	
Payne, Jeff	X		Willis, Martin		X
Schakel, Eric		X	Zieg, Bradley	X	

3. **Approval June 2020 Meeting Minutes:** DUE TO A LACK OF QUORUM: NO VOTE
4. **Presidents opening remarks:** RAKC is looking good. As of July 15, 132 entries are signed up! Hope to get to 150 entries. Iris Havelka, RMVR new Administrator joins BOD meeting tonight. She and Mary Popejoy have been meeting to review the requirements of the position. Welcome Iris!
It is not too early to begin thinking about club elections. RMVR will need an elections committee chairman. If you haven't volunteered for anything lately, here's your opportunity!
5. **Treasurer's Report:** La Junta DID make money for RMVR! Treasurer Schakel presented a Balance Sheet and an Overall Summary. No vote to accept could be taken.
6. **Chief of Specialties reports:**
Chief Steward CW: Once again, La Junta went very well. Good safe racing weekend.
CDI LF: Drivers' School at PPIR Could have 30 precision and 30 competition drivers!
 COVID-19 has us thinking about communication in the cars and car to car in open wheel on-track sessions. Would like to gift to instructors RMVR caps. LF presented a two-page report on his current thinking. Mary Popejoy states we will need to resupply some COVID-19 items. LW suggests if there are no social events Friday or Saturday nights, volunteers might receive a stipend for dinners.
Flagging and Accommodation LW stated she has 36 volunteers for RAKC – good to man the track with use of the lighting system at HPR. As of today, there are extra rooms at Byers Motel if others might need to stay there.
Tech: Too many drivers are waiting to get their annual inspections done at the track. Brandon suggests a fee for at-track annual inspections to be at a cost of \$30.00. Board thinks it should be \$50. There is no excuse for not getting an annual inspection done ahead of time.

Marketing and Communication Jim Morton will be joined by Meagan Sumner for the remainder of this year, then she will take over next year solo.

7. Special Orders:

- a. RAKC – Thanks to Eric Schakel for producing a workable budget. Registrations are strong. JP will submit our COVID-19 procedures to HPR. Kirk is working on food vendor, worker meals and donated beer for Friday evening.
- b. Drivers' School – Need a budget. JP to submit our COVID-19 procedures to PPIR. Discussed the possibility of using only the large classroom (without instructors) to help promote social distancing. The Labor Day one day race should be a stand-alone event and promoted as such if it goes forward. The idea of cancelling it was discussed. There may not be enough interest after two days of school and the holiday. LF and JH will work on this effort. A special session meeting will be set for the first week of August to discuss DS/Labor Day.

8. Unfinished Business:

- a. Website needs to be updated for the Drivers' School and Labor day race if it happens
- b. Lisa – RMVR needs to change Administer for Facebook portal. Branden stated that the Administrator should be a club officer. Kyle P started Instagram. JP will ask Frank to turn over admin responsibility to Meagan and Jim.
- c. New RMVR logo – There may not be a complete understanding of how to handle the new logo decision. This item was tabled until the full board can discuss.

New Business:

- Extend medicals to the inability of people to see doctors. Temporary ok so folks can register for RAKC. Will need to discuss further.
- New computer for Admin. The old one is ...old.
- Suggestion to provide custom RMVR facemasks for workers and for purchase by drivers. Vote next time.
- Clean up outstanding race credits – vote next time
- Budget to wrap the new van – discuss next time

9. Review of action items:

- a. Admin duties for Facebook etc.
- b. Kirk P worker meals at RAKC.
- c. COVID protocols [SCCA] submitted to HPR and PPIR.
- d. Teleconference vote next Special Meeting:
 - i. Race credit issue.
 - ii. Face mask issue.
 - iii. Schedule next teleconference Special Meeting.
 1. JP suggests 1st week August.

10. Motion to adjourn RVW 8:00 PM.

Respectively submitted: Bradley Zieg, Secretary

August 2020 President's Message

Hello RMVR,

What a great event RAKC turned out to be, minus the incidents of course! The weather mostly worked out, rescheduling was relatively easy, and everybody got plenty of track time. The meals were great, and the free beverages were even better! Thanks Kirk, Jamie, and everybody else involved for putting that together. A big thank you to all the volunteers who came out. Somebody forgot to inform to HPR that we wanted to use the lights at the corner stations (yes it was me, dang!) but fortunately we had enough workers to staff the track. Whew, dodged a huge bullet on that one! Thanks, Lisa for bailing me out. How about that big screen showing of Ford vs. Ferrari on Saturday night? Super cool!

We all wore our face coverings and hugged less, and I think for the most part RMVR complied with the rules and stayed safe. Thanks everyone for working with us on the that.

Over-exuberance was displayed by too many drivers and we had some contact and lots of spins and dust-ups. It's good to get back to racing, and it was more challenging on a crowded racetrack but come on people, let's not break racecars. Chad and Gary will have more to say on this elsewhere in this issue. We are very lucky nobody got hurt.

Hopefully everyone who attended got to see Mary Popejoy at registration. RAKC was her last official event as club Administrator, but rumor has it she may make an appearance at Drivers School. And I hope you all got to meet Iris Havelka, who taking over for Mary. Iris hasn't run off screaming yet so please go easy on her!

Next up is Drivers School on September 5th and 6th. There are a couple spots left if you know anybody that wants to become a better driver. Maybe some of the drivers that had trouble staying on track last weekend should sign up. We could use a few more instructors as well. If you've never instructed before you would be surprised how beneficial it is for the teacher as well!

The composition of the board has changed. Martin Willis has resigned and Jon Whiteley, who was runner-up for President in the last election is stepping up to take his place. Welcome Jon!

That's it for this month. We are still doing board meetings via video conference, so if you care to sit in, contact me at president@rmvr.com and I'll get you the call-in number.

Keep the black sticky side down!

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Chaplain's Challenge

“*Patience* is not just the ability to wait, but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting” – Author Unknown. Patience is tested while we wait for things to happen or for people to do what we want. We must wait on a Coronavirus vaccine and for government agencies to manage the pandemic in the meantime. We must wait on a restaurant, a hair salon, or even the zoo to allow us to come in. We must wait on a new job, a boss to make decision, our 401k to recover, a spouse to share the bathroom or do a chore, babies to be born, teens to do chores, 20-something's to get a job and move out. We all have to wait for water to boil, paint to dry, the light to change, a parking space, the I-25 Gap project, and we must have patience with the person driving too slow in the left lane. Hey, that reminds me, our patience is also tested on the racetrack when we are having difficulty passing another driver we think is going too slow. Patience is a virtue we appreciate in others. Let's try practicing it ourselves. We can count to 10, take deep breaths, and my favorite—pray. If we think it's hard to show patience with a few people around us, we can learn something from God who shows patience with all humanity. For those coming to Drivers School, we'll have the usual chapel service on Sunday from 7 to 7:30 a.m. Come to chapel to learn from God's Word about how to develop patience—and don't be late!

Chad Wight, “The Faster Pastor”

2020 Helmet News

I have had many questions regarding 2010 helmets expiring on December 31, 2020. First of all, the Snell Foundation will NOT be issuing 2020 stickers until October of 2020. In this way, no helmet manufacture gets a jump start on another.

What happened in 2015 was that many of the manufacturers did not meet the Snell Foundations strict requirements, and the new models did not come out until 2016 and some 2017. Many clubs, including ours, had to extend the expiration dates on a 2005 helmet by a year or two. It just boils down to we all just have to wait. I will keep you updated as I know more. Please keep Wine Country Motor Sports in mind for your racing

Thanks,
Bonnie Mortimer, FVee 88, 303-799-6606



Yes, it is a bit early to start thinking about running for the RMVR board, President elect... But is it? My plans for next year will be varied, out-of-the-box, new and hopefully creative. As a club we must rethink the way we do business in every way. With that said I would like to see those of us that have been around for a while and presently in positions of leadership or planning to be to begin training RMVR members that have not had recognized positions so the club can remain viable for many years to come.

So get out of your comfort zone express those new and creative ideas and run for the RMVR board, become a co-Chief-of-Tech, Co race chair, or race chair, chief of grid, timing and scoring, and other positions that you may be interested in.

Officially, we will not begin “recruiting” for board members until Fall. But being ahead of the eight ball is always best.

Hall

CDI Corner August 2020 Edition

Driving instructors spend a lot of time discussing and sharing ways to obtain better, safer performance on the race track. That is our passion. For this month's column I would like to talk about one way to achieve better performance that doesn't have anything to do with how you drive your car, and doesn't get talked about very often; reducing stress.

As we all know, car racing requires focus and clarity way beyond what is required for other routine activities. For best performance (and safety) it is best to have a clear mind and laser-focused attention. This is especially true during the rolling starts where all the cars are bunched up and rarin' to go. A driver needs to be focused, of course, but also as calm as possible. As we all know, stress is the great enemy of calmness. Therefore, we can improve our performance and safety, especially during the critical first few minutes of a race, by reducing stress.

For me, this begins long before the green flag waves. What works for me, and what I would recommend other racers try – especially those who are new to the sport – is to reduce stress by having a routine for how you get ready for your next race session. My mentor the late Walt Hane, 1966 SCCA national champion and RMVR big-bore driver, had a saying when asked how he was able to continue being a fast, highly competitive driver well into his '70s: "You gotta have a system." What I think he meant was that it helps to have certain things you always do the same way, so they become automatic and can be done almost without thinking. For me this includes always putting my helmet, glasses, gloves and other safety gear in exactly the same place after each session. When the time comes to go out again, I don't get stressed out trying to remember where I put everything (the older we get, this seems to become more and more of an issue!). I also make it a habit to loosen my safety harness straps after I get out of the car, so they are easy to put on the next time I get in. Sometimes, due to needed repairs or other factors, we are unavoidably in a bit of a rush to get in the car when our next session is called. Having the straps already loose, and my gear right where I expect it to be really helps alleviate stress in those instances.

Those in the big-bore group who have been racing with me for a while probably know that I am usually quite early getting to the grid before my races. This has nothing to do with track position or eagerness. I have learned, the hard way, that nothing knocks me off my game quite so much as feeling flustered and rushed. I get to grid early because I like to take my time putting on all of my safety gear, and making sure everything in the cockpit is ready to go. By the time grid is starting a 5-count, I like to be 100% ready to race, not still struggling with my HANS straps, or window net, or anything else. Being ready early helps me relax and focus on the task at hand. If I am late, I get flustered, I feel stressed, and that is not a good way to be when approaching the starter's stand with a bunch of other pumped-up racers!

So don't arrive at the grid in a hurry, rushed, flustered, and feeling stressed out. A few simple things can become part of your personal routine, and will help insure you arrive at the green flag in the best possible state of mind to be a safe, competitive vintage race car driver.

Brad Leach- CDI

Infraction Report

<u>Event</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>06-15-20</u>	<u>Penalty Remaining</u>
PMP	Eric Stange	#2 M2M	1 event probation
PMP	Mark Shillingburg	#2 M2M	2 event probation
Snowmass	Frank Jones	#3 4-off into barrier	2 event probation.
Pueblo	Dave Gardner	#2 at Cnr 9 M2M	2 event probation
PMP 6/19	Steve Bachenberg	#2 4 off Into Barrier (PMP)	2 event probation
PMP 9/19		#1 M2M OAD (PMP)	
Snowmass	Scot Pettit	#2 through hay bales	1 event probation
HPR	Steve Rogers	Unauth track entry OAD #2 M2M	2 event probation
HPR 5/19	Allen Johnsen	Class 3 M2M, OAD	1 event probation
HPR 5/19	Terry Hefty	Class 1 M2M	1 event probation
PMP 9/15	Robert Jimenez	Class 4 roll-ever	License Revoked
	Char Blackler	Incomplete remediation	License Retired
Key:	OAD= Over- Aggressive Driving	M2M= Metal-to-Metal	Class 1,2,3,4 = Level of severity

In lieu of penalty, drivers are invited to volunteer as Corner Marshals for one or more weekends. To be properly credited, a driver must sign-up, show-up, & report to the race steward. Also, non-participation only cancels suspension, not probation. For further detail on infractions, see *Operations Manual*, Appendix J: p.54-56 (2018 Edition)

Steward's Report—

Respectfully submitted,
Chad Wight
Co-Chief Steward



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Classifieds

For Sale: 1966

Lotus S7 1500cc, 135hp Ford, non-cross flow, 4 cyl. with 2 Weber 40 DCOE's. Dry sump, Leeson Gearbox, gone through in 2016. New Fuel Safe cell in June of 2016, 13" X 6" wheels, Brakes are disc front, drum rear. Some spares and original road parts [windshield, headlights, etc.]. Car has been racing with RMVR since 1987. Front runner in small bore, running 2:11's at HPR, down to 2:08 with new tires. Also raced in the Monterey Historics, various other US tracks, and in New Zealand. Augie Pabst raced the car several times in the Steamboat Springs Historic Races in the late '80s and early '90's. It is a solid, reliable, totally legal DP81 car. Has current RMVR Log book. Prepared by Thomas Vintage Motors. Call Tom Ellis 303-449-9112



For Sale: 1972

Brabham BT-38 chassis #12. Lucas Fuel Injected BDG built by Cosworth Racing, 300+ HP DYNO sheet.

Complete history on this RONDEL TEAM car driven by Pescarolo & Wollec during the 1972 F-2 season. No expense spared on restoration, call for complete details. \$79K Terry Allard 303-816-0776



For Sale: 1973

Merlyn Mk.24, about 6 hrs. on good engine, lots of improvements, spare wheels, fits six foot driver, fun to drive, great handling, ready to race, spare gears, etc. \$11,000.

more information at sandyfalck@mac.com
Carbondale, CO 970-704-9149



For Sale: Ex-Harley Morey, Chiquita, A Production, '65

Corvette with fresh aluminum head 427 engine with flat tappet cam. Tex Racer Super T-10 trans, Accusump, 2 sets of Bassett wheels, fresh alignment, 4:11, 15 gallon cell, new windshield, good paint, 4 RMVR log books, raced with CVAR, SVRA. Contact Bob Hill at 719-597-1946 or oldshelby110@gmail.com. \$58k.



For Sale: 1 Set Goodyear Eagle FV Rain Tires.

Lightly used! \$100 without wheels. \$200 with wheels. email Ed Shuler (eshuler@mac.com) if interested.



RMVR Apparel Now Available On-line

If you need some cool RMVR logo apparel, you can get it here. If you forgot to purchase an event shirt from past events, here they are!! Keep returning as the store will add more products as our members request them.

Support our club and advertise RMVR by purchasing and proudly wearing these cool products!

<https://represent.com/store/rockymountainvintageracing>

For Sale: 1998 Birkin S3 with 2 liter Ford Zetec.

Don't have room in your garage for a race car too? This car stores in a space of 125" x 67", is street legal, has run with RMVR as an exhibition car on three occasions, and is likely to be approved in the future. Can likely run in Gateway Group. Car is eligible for Driver's School Competition Class.

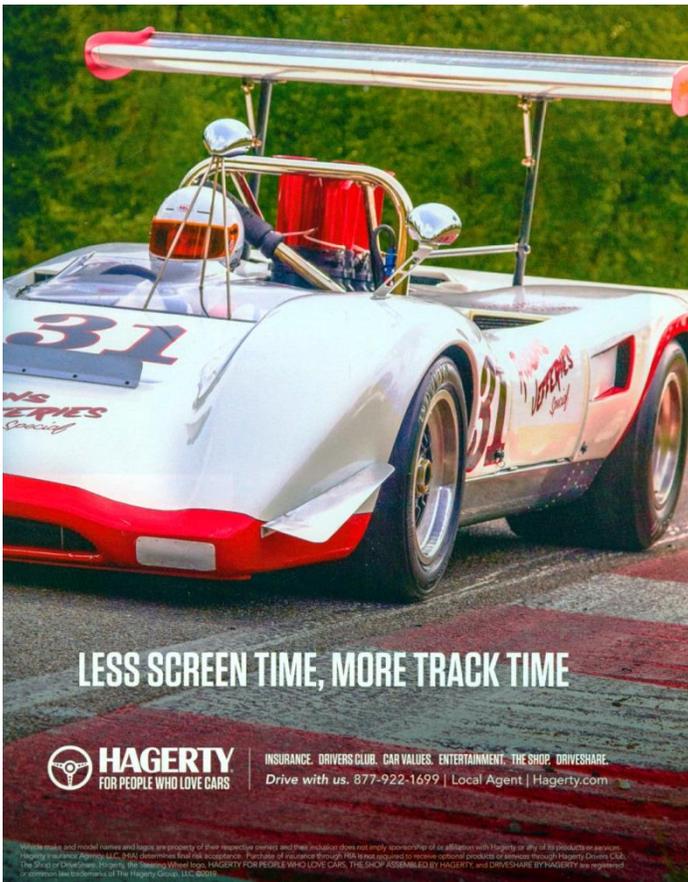


What I love about this car:

It's acceleration, cornering and braking. It's low and midrange torque. It's simplicity. It's size, it fits in my large 2 car garage with my Alfa, Crossle CF and Mitsu I love working on it because almost everything is super accessible. I love its versatility. This car can go from an entertaining race car to a sport tourer. Make it fit you exactly the way you want it. Make it lighter, faster, louder, or make it quieter and more comfortable. You decide. The 360 degree view. I love the color. I wanted a yellow seven to enhance safety in traffic. I love the reactions it generates from passing drivers, from pedestrians, from people in parking lots. People pull over on twisty roads sooner for this car than for my Alfa or my Ferrari 308.

Car is titled and licensed in Colorado as a kit car, exempt from all emissions and safety regulations and was approved by the RMVR Board to run as an Exhibition car in 2018 and 2019. Exhibition class entry will require Board approval. Offers contingent on 2020 Board Exhibition Class approval accepted.

See RMVR classified ad for more info or contact me at carguy1315@hotmail.com \$25,950 obo



Event Tech Reminder

...A reminder to all drivers that they must have their Annual Tech on file and every race their vehicle must be inspected by the owner / driver and a tech inspection sheet must be filled out and signed to give to tech at registration please and thank you.

Time to TECH

Before you know it our first race in June will be here so make plans to have your car inspected by one of 38 RMVR authorized TECH inspectors listed on the RMVR web site. If you want to be an inspector yourself simply call Brandon Sumner or Jeff Hall to discuss the process. Those of you that are currently authorized tech inspectors contact Jeff Hall to order your stickers. REMEMBER, an annual TECH is good for the entire racing season. AND Tech inspectors will only inspect a car at the track for out of state racers and for those in the club that have made previous arrangements with TECH for an at track annual inspection.

WANTED: Do you have any old automotive related materials you would like to move out of your house, office or garage? Why not donate them to Auto-Archives, the Colorado 501c(3) non-profit Automotive Library and Research Center based in Littleton. We are looking for car magazines, race programs, books, photographs, trophies, and model cars in any condition to be catalogued for research and educational uses. Any donations are tax-deductible.

Thanks to the help of several RMVR members, we now have complete sets of most of the major magazines but are still looking for the following magazines to complete collections within the 55,000+ items currently in the archive: Hot Rod (1948-1960, 1970, 1974-83), Motor Age (pre 1992), Hop Up & Motor Life (pre 1953), National Speed Sport News (pre 1985).

Do you have any old Slot-car track and accessories lying around that you haven't used for years? (Scalextric) We are trying to build up a big four-lane circuit that will be used for Auto-Archives and charity fund raiser 'race day' events that RMVR members will of course be invited to.

We are also continuing to build a fascinating archive of motor sport events Colorado. Do you or anyone you know have any Colorado related material? Events from places such as Continental Divide Raceway, Pikes Peak, Steamboat, Aspen, Salida, Copper Mountain, Lakeside, Second Creek, and La Junta.

Help us build an exceptional archive here in Colorado for all car enthusiasts to access. To find out more about Auto-Archives, or to donate any items please contact William Taylor on 303 933 2526, or by email at library@auto-archives.org

See our new revised website at www.auto-archives.org and check out the RMVR club page that records donations from RMVR members. <http://auto-archives.org/clubs-auto-archives/rocky-mountain-vintage-racing-rmvr/>

Victory Lane Magazine

Dan Davis at Victory Lane Magazine is always looking for content (articles). They are particularly interested in stuff about RMVR, our history, our members, our racetracks, racecars, race shops, anything unique that others would be interested in reading about. We could really use a good (even mediocre) writer or two that would be interested in putting something together. I have personally submitted a couple of articles to Dan and been published! Just think, you could be a big nationally published author!

Please submit articles to me Pres@rmvr.com and I'll see that Dan gets it.

Thanks!
Jeff

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2020 RMVR Schedule

Rescheduled

September 4-6, 2020

Drivers' School

Pikes Peak International Raceway

September 19-20, 2020

Sprints & Enduro Reimagined

Pueblo Motorsports Park

October 10-11, 2020

La Junta

La Junta Raceway, La Junta, CO

Event Registration: Register [online](#)



RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS

August 2020

By Lisa Williams



Dear RMVR Volunteers,

As I reflect over the 2020 RAKC, my heart is sincerely warmed by every one of you who gave of yourselves for such a great cause. It is because of all your hard work and efforts that RMVR was able to raise more money for the Morgan Adams Foundation this year. Please know you truly are appreciated. It is because of RMVR's great volunteers that we did not have use HPR's Light System. The Corner Marshals did a great job communicating with and helping drivers during our crazy race weekend.

This year, September brings RMVR's annual Drivers' School as well our Sprints + Enduro Re-Imagined. Drivers' School is being held Labor Day Weekend (September 5-6, 2020) at Pikes Peak International Raceway (PIR) in Fountain Colorado. RMVR will be racing at Pueblo Motorsports Park (PMP) in Pueblo on September 19-20, 2020. Please sign up ASAP at www.rmvr.com for these two great events.

Once again, thank you for giving of yourselves to RMVR!

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon,
Lisa

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