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Editor: Giles Collins

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Donations gratefully received for sale, raffle or refreshments

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Many thanks for your generous donations in the door-to-door collection for the RNLI. Worton and Marston raised an amazing £295.55, up 11% on last year.
Sally Collins



‘Many hands make light work’

The next Village Hall Maintenance Day (9am -1pm) is on Saturday July 19th. If you can spare an hour or more, please come along and help out. Enthusiasm is more important than ability!

Any questions, please phone: Veronica Franklin 726845 or Mark Fisher 726489.

JULY BOOK SWAP

Saturday 12th July

10.00am - 12 noon

at The Dell, 32 High Street, Worton

(hosted by Cheryl Hailstone)

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Saturday 9th August

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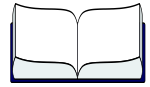
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Letter from the Vicarage



“I just want to get back to work” said a young lady I was talking to today. “It’s nothing to do with money; I just want things to get back to normal”. This person has been unwell for a long time, and her illness means that life has been put on hold. “I suppose”, she said, “I’ve almost given up hope”.

Hope is one of the things the Christian faith majors in. The word occurs many times in the Bible, and it is something desperately needed in the world today.

What are the characteristics of Christian hope?

First, this hope is based on a person, Jesus Christ. Because Jesus died and has risen, his followers have a guaranteed hope. If you are going to hope, it is as well to know your hope is built on a solid foundation, and this is the best.

Second, this is a hope which goes beyond this life. To live as a disciple of Jesus is the best way to live life here and now, but our hope is also for eternity. St Paul once said: ‘If it is for this life only we have hope, we are of all people most to be pitied’. But the truth is, Jesus has defeated death and so we have a sure hope of eternal life.

I have been asked several times recently about eternal life: what will heaven be like? Will a person sick on earth be healed in heaven? Generally our ideas of heaven seem to be that it will be somehow like here, but not quite so ‘real’, perhaps a bit insubstantial or airy. I think that is totally wrong. As usual, C.S. Lewis has some brilliant insights. He says that ‘to enter heaven is to become more human than you ever succeeded in being

on earth.’ The Christian hope is to be in the presence of God, who is love. On earth every act of love is tainted in some way because we cannot help a bit of selfishness getting in. In heaven we will know what true love is, for the very first time. Heaven is actually reality, and when we get there we will realise that this earth was only a pale shadow.

Third, this hope is a gift of God the Father given to all who trust Jesus as their Saviour and live their lives with him as Lord. It comes from God’s grace, something given us though we can never deserve it. If your desire is to follow Jesus then this gift is yours, something you can rely upon totally. You will fail to be what you should be, but an awareness of your failings and a determination to grow closer to Jesus will bring forgiveness and a new start.

There are many things that can cause us to lose hope. Illness is one; others are bereavement or relationship breakdown or unemployment or despair. It is precisely then, of course, we need hope most. At those moments it is vital we return to the centre of our faith. Jesus loves us and he promises never to leave us. Whatever the outward situation may be, faith is taking him at his word and trusting him for now and for the future. Things may get tough, but He will prove to be faithful, I guarantee it!

David Howard

SERVICE CALENDAR

July

July

Sun 6th TRINITY 3
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am Family Service in Worton and
Marston Village Hall
(Please note the earlier start time)
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Mr Eric Clifford

Sun 27th TRINITY 6
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Cathy Arscott

August

Sat 12th
6.00pm CHRIST CHURCH
Cluster Praise Service

Sun 3rd TRINITY 7
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
No service; the final service of
holiday club will be on
Marston Green at 4.00 pm.
4.00pm *Open Air Service on*
Marston Green

Sun 13th TRINITY 4
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Area World Church Group

Sun 20th TRINITY 5
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Morning Worship
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev David Ellis



There were no baptisms, weddings or funerals at Christ Church in May.

Visit the church website: www.christchurchworton.org.uk

CHURCH ROTAS

Sidesmen for July

Sun 6th	8.00am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Mrs A Pratt, Mr N Coleman	Family Service (in Village Hall)
Sun 13th	9.30am	Mr P Witcher, Mr T Walker	Parish Communion
Sun 20th	9.30am	Mr A Pratt, Mr T Brewer	Morning Worship
Sun 27th	9.30am	Mrs J Buckley, Mrs A Cross	Parish Communion

Sidesmen for August

Sun 3rd	8.00am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
	9.30am		No service at Christ Church

**Altar
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June 29 th	Mrs Brierley	Mrs Brierley	Mrs M Brewer
July 6 th	Mrs Brierley	Mrs Brierley	Mrs A Darling
July 13 th	Mrs Walker	Mrs Mason	Mrs S Hale
July 20 th	Mrs Smith	Mrs Collins	Mrs S Horn
July 27 th	Mrs Puckle Hobbs	Mrs Lane	Mrs D Harwood
August 3 rd	tbc	tbc	Mrs G Holiday

Church Cleaning

July 13 th :	Mrs Purchas, Mr B Mitchel
July 20 th :	Mrs Coleman, Mrs Pratt





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From July 6th until the end of the year the service will begin at 9.30 am.

For some time many have been asking whether this would be more sensible, now is the time to find out.

The new time will enable the service taker to talk to people after the service, and also to arrive at Potterne able to begin the service on time!

Please make your views known to PCC members as the months pass and you have a chance to reflect on the change.

(Our parishes are the only ones in local villages with the same start time each week - we are very fortunate!)



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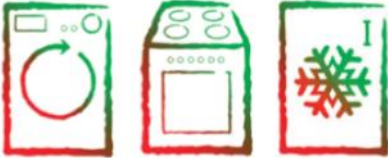
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Annual Drive In Service on Marston Green

Sunday August 1st at 4.00 pm



We invite you all to join us for what is always a very special occasion. Like last year, this will be the final service of the Holiday Club, with some of the team taking part.

Enjoy a barbeque with us after, salads and bread provided; please bring your own food to cook, and whatever you like to drink.

Please note; this is the only Family Service this week.

Look forward to seeing you there.

St. Mary's and Christ Church Fetes, with sports tournament at Worton.



Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make this year's Fetes such successful events.

We are very grateful to everyone who donated, collected, created, erected, sold, served, cleared, played, bbqed, ate drank and were merry; as well, of course, to those who came along and spent their money!

We trust you all had a good time.

We are always open to suggestions regarding these events and certainly welcome any offers of help.

The next **parish walk** is on Sunday 6th July, leaving the pub at 10am and returning about 11.30am for bacon rolls.

Fantastic Raffle Prize.....

The gift of a luxury night for two at the Savoy Hotel in London with theatre vouchers has been made to St. Mary's Church. Accordingly we have decided to raffle this amazing gift.

We are inviting everyone to buy tickets for a chance to win this fabulous prize. Church members (from St. Mary's and Christ Church) will have some to sell; please look out for them.

Tickets are £2.00 each and the winning number will be drawn on August 1st at the end of Holiday Club.

Thank you, as ever for your support and of course to the donor of this prize.

David Howard

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Flower Show 30th August 2014

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We have reintroduced the Children's Section this year so please encourage any young people you know to enter.

Five Lanes School pupils will again be painting for the poster competition. We are always thrilled at the standard and variety of their artwork, some of which decorates the Village Hall for many weeks.

Don't forget to keep the photographic classes in mind when out and about with your camera through the summer.

- Adults
1. Yellow (this could be a bit challenging! Anything yellow in the garden)
 2. Poppies
 3. A single butterfly or moth

Children: Children - aged under 16 on 30th August 2014

1. A garden shed
2. Creepy crawlies (slugs, snails, worms, insects etc.)
3. A big flower.

We shall be pleased to receive any raffle prizes for Show day.

Committee contacts are:

Sally Brooks - 720587, Bill Francis - 739986, Frank Marshall - 729575

Jeff Stocks - 726845 and Heather Walker - 725785.

Let's all enjoy the summer, but with enough rain to make the gardens flourish.

Heather Walker for Flower Show Committee

WORTON FAMILY FUNDAY 26th JULY 2014

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Booking is required

Sunday 6th July

Breakfast 9am-11am

Parish Walk 10am

Tuesday 8th July

Sausage Night

6pm to 9pm Booking is recommended

Tuesday 15th July

Fish & Chip Supper

6pm to 9pm Booking is recommended

Tuesday 22nd July

Curry Night

6pm to 9pm Booking is recommended

Sunday 27th July

1pm Meat Raffle

7.30pm Pub Quiz followed by Rock & Roll Bingo

Tuesday 29th July

Steak Night 6pm to 9pm



LUNCH BUNCH

The date for July is Wednesday 2nd when the menu will be:
Roast Beef, roast potatoes and vegetables
followed by lemon meringue
Tea or coffee
£12 per person

We gather from 12 noon onwards and sit down to eat at 12.45.
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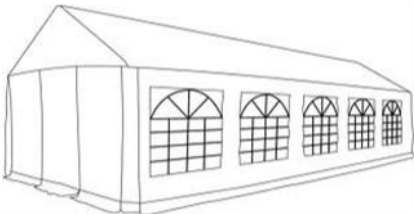
As expected with so many things changing we are needed more than ever. So we are looking for people to join us as a volunteer. We are particularly looking for people to be the first point of contact for people who are facing a difficult issue, need advice or information to resolve their problems. We are also looking for receptionists and administrators. We will provide training and support. You need to be a good listener and willing to learn and pass on information.

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For those that may not know, Good Neighbours is all about linking residents with the services that they need to remain independent in the community. It is a free, confidential and non-judgemental service and works by referral. To find out more you can contact me via the details at the bottom.

Something that I am personally very keen to do is reach out to those that, for a number of reasons, do not come to the lunch clubs, friendship circles or activity groups. Social interaction is very important and I invite ideas or thoughts that any of you may have to help remove barriers and improve it in our area. Maybe it is something we can work together on...

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you think I may be able to help. If calling, please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

I look forward to meeting you.

Alex North, Good Neighbour Co-ordinator for Devizes villages.

M: 07557 922027 E: devizesgnc@communityfirst.org.uk

*As I walked along the seashore, this young boy greeted me.
He was tossing stranded starfish back into the deep blue sea.
I said 'tell me why you bother, why you waste your time this way.
There's a million stranded starfish, does it matter anyway?'*

*And he said 'it matters to this one - it deserves a chance to grow.
It matters to this one - I can't save them all, I know.
But it matters to this one, I'll return it to the sea.
It matters to this one, and it matters to me.'*





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VILLAGE HALL MAINTENANCE

Eight people turned out on Saturday June 7th for the third Village Hall maintenance morning and although the weather was changeable we managed to achieve quite a bit. Hopefully some of you will have noticed that the railings have now been sanded and painted and the fire door has had its top coat. We also prepared some of the outside window sills ready for top coating next time, and built a compost bin (out of the old front door).

Inside we painted the window sills and sorted the draught that came from the badly fitted fire door and continued with cleaning. But, the most noticeable change is that we have made a start to the lobby by removing the interior wooden structure that held some coat hooks. This is in preparation for work which the Trustees hope to commission for August on re-skimming the floor in the lobby. As a temporary measure, for those of you using the Hall, there is an adjustable pole with coat hangers replacing the coat hooks.

Maintenance mornings are fun and we always leave with a feeling of satisfaction. Why don't you come along to the next one and see for yourself? The next maintenance day will be on Saturday July 19th.

And many, many thanks to those of you who did turn out.

Veronica Franklin, Trustee

WW1 – Remember and Celebrate our Freedom

We have a lot to be grateful for and I was wondering if villagers would be interested in organising a number of events to mark each year of the World War I to show our gratitude to those who gave so much, ending with a celebration to mark the centenary of the end of this terrible war in 2018.

If you have ideas and would like to share them or would like to help in any way please contact: Cathie Simpson at Orchard Cottage, Back Lane,
via the Parish Council or on 723032.

Marston Parish meeting - 27th May 2014

Philip Salaman chaired the meeting attended by 16 parishioners.

Matters discussed were:

- i. Regarding ownership of the piece of land at Norney Bridge, Dave Handsford is investigating historical use of the land. Until such time as this matter is resolved it was agreed to fund the purchase of a new seat. A grant has been applied for.
- ii. Chris Cash was thanked for the work keeping it tidy thus far.
- iii. ROW 10 needs some attention before the contractors return to see if repairs are needed. A work party will be organised asap.
- iv. Chrissy Salaman has volunteered to organise lettings of the village marquee.
- v. Marston Ladies Group are disbanding and are thanked for all their hard work over many years. They have asked that surplus funds should be passed to the Parish Council and used for the benefit of all parishioners.
- vi. It was agreed to get quotes for keeping the Green cut.
- vii. Marston Parish Council has submitted their response to the application for a Solar Farm at Lower End Farm, based on the results of the village consultation.

Next meeting: November 25th 2014

Marston Parish Council Meeting - 27th May 2014

Present: Philip Salaman (Chairman), William Warden, Cathy Kavanagh, 'Cille Packer.

The following items were discussed:

- i. Mr Salaman discussed the issue of dispensation for conflicts of interest. It was pointed out that with such a small community there are likely to be occasions when the Council would be inquorate.
- ii. The ROW survey has now been completed and one landowner has been asked to remove an obstruction blocking a path over his land. A Path Improvement Grant has been applied for to place kissing gates on the path linking Plough Lane with Close Lane and permission is being sought from the landowners.
- iii. A new door has been ordered to repair the Phone Box with funds from the Insurers.
- iv. Robin Shercliff has compiled a record of all local people killed in the war. A sum of £250 was agreed to support this effort.
- v. The Annual Finance return was agreed and signed off. The insurance renewal was agreed.

Proposed date for the next meeting 29th July 2014 commencing at 7.30pm in Marston Chapel.

'Cille Packer

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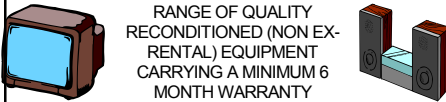
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Worton and Marston Gardening Club



The theme for our May Meeting was garden design. The evening was warm and sunny and was hosted by Sue and Andrew Lower at their new garden. It was a chance to find out about appropriate planting and for members to donate some plants to start Sue & Andrew's planting scheme.

We were grateful for the advice from Mike Wilkinson about the principles of garden design. Joy and Nick Stokes also invited members to view their own garden which has been designed and planted by Mike. Thank you to Sue and Andrew for their hospitality and to Nick and Joy for sharing their gardens with us.

Our July meeting will take place on Monday 21st. It is our Annual BBQ so we hope for a warm sunny evening!

The barbecue will be hosted by Mrs Brierley (80 High Street, Worton). Remember to bring along a pudding or a salad as well as your own drinks. Anyone willing to try their hand at cooking will be most welcome!

If you would like any further information about the BBQ, please call Dot or Bill Francis on 01380 739986.

Worton & Marston Open Gardens & Allotments will take place on Sunday 29th June 11-5. Further information available from Bill and Dot.

Dot Francis, Programme Secretary

If you would like to receive a copy of this year's programme please contact:
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Bill Francis at bllyb01@aol.com



Worton & Marston Ladies Group

Unfortunately we were unable to enter the museum for our meeting in April. No one turned up so after waiting in the rain and not feeling very happy we went home. We have heard since that the museum man was held up in London.

At our next meeting, to be held at Five Lanes Farm on June 25th, we will have a representative from Wiltshire Farm Foods. We invite anyone who is interested to come along at 8pm. You will be made very welcome.

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Frederick Kempster, the Worton Giant

Frederick John Kempster was born in 1889 in Bayswater, London being the youngest of five children to George and Florence Kempster. His parents were of normal height and Fred was the smallest member of the family as a child, but when he started to grow, he soon outpaced the rest and by the age of 20 he was 7 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 22 stone. Fred used to visit his sister Ruth in Bath, where he was known as the Weston Giant. He used to visit the annual Lansdown Fair where he was part of a side-show act.

Frederick came to Worton in 1911 when he was travelling around Wiltshire with a French circus. It probably stopped for a few days in Devizes and Fred decided to stay on, living in The Lodge with his sister and brother-in-law. Although The Grange, next door, was probably the largest house in Worton, Fred, the tallest man, had to live in one of the smallest. It is said that he had to enter on his hands and knees and had to have a special bed made by Mr Hunt, the village blacksmith. Fred used to light his cigarettes from the paraffin lamps in The Rose and Crown where he also played darts while kneeling. He used to walk from Worton to Melksham and Devizes where he was able to light his cigarettes from the gas street lamps. Nellie Thomas can also remember there being a mark on the screen between the class rooms in the old school showing Fred's height, which by now was 8 feet 4 inches and his boots were size 22.

In 1916 he moved from Worton to the Barge Inn at Seend Cleeve where his sister had taken over the canal side public house. Fred also toured Germany, where he was billed as Frederick the Great, the English Giant. He was in Germany when World War 1 broke out and was kept for a while in an internment camp and then in a hospital when he became ill until he was released home.

He later toured the North of England as a fairground attraction but whilst in Blackburn Fred was taken ill with pneumonia and died aged 29 years on 15th April 1918. If he could have had only one wish, it would surely have been to be of normal size. At his funeral in Blackburn cemetery the solid oak coffin which measured 9 feet long was carried by 10 brothers as pall bearers.

References: Around Devizes in Old Photographs by David Buxton.

An Introduction to Frederick the English Giant by Colin Alexander-Jones.

Does anyone know any other stories about Frederick during his stay in Worton?

Please see a picture of Frederick Kempster, the Worton Giant, on the next page.

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Unfortunately the Annual Fun/Presentation was cancelled in June due to unpredictable weather conditions, and is now re-arranged for Saturday 5th July (please check website for info).

On the International stage, the Under 13s played in the Saint Marcel International Tournament 2014 (France), being invited as representatives of West Lavington, whose twinning town St Pierre D'Autills is next to Saint Marcel. This is the second time that a team from Wiltshire has participated. The team raised all their own funds to travel and participate and the players were hosted by the twinned town association members.

The tournament, won by Wolverhampton Wanderers in 2011, had teams invited from England, Germany and Morocco, as well as top teams from the Normandy/Parisian area of France. With quite a high standard of play expected from the 20 teams participating, the matches were 20 minutes in length and were 8-a-side, so not something our team was used to.

On day 1 they played 4 matches, winning 3 and losing 1 meaning they finished second in their league with a 'top 8' finish being guaranteed.

On the evening of Day 1, the team were met and welcomed by the Mayor of Saint Marcel, who recognised the contribution of the British over this 'Special weekend' commemorating the Normandy Landings '70th Anniversary', as well as the importance of Sport in the development of young people in their region.

Day 2 saw the quarter final against Wolverhampton, a battle of the English teams. It was a very close match which turned on a dubious penalty decision when their French U16 international fell in the box. The final score was 2-0 which perhaps flattered Wolves.

This meant the team fell into a play off for 5th to 8th positions. Their next match was a 4-0 win against FC Yvelines, which meant they then went into a play-off for 5th or 6th.

Unfortunately this game was to be played after a few hours, which in temperatures of 27 degrees, meant the boys were pretty tired by the time the match came around and didn't really perform to their ability going down 4-0 in the end.

Overall a very creditable 6th place out of 20. A measure of the success is that Wolves only finished 4th. Many friends made the trip over, with many new French experiences for the boys: from culinary delights of snails, to the interaction with French families and players.

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Annual Parish Meeting - We had a very successful Annual Parish Meeting which was very well attended. We have adopted a new format and held the meeting in the Village hall where we gave a summary of the Parish Council's achievements over the last municipal year and discussed ideas and plans for the forthcoming year. Last year, we placed benches in the village and plan another two so that there will be a circular walk around the village with regular sitting areas for rest and relaxation; there are new parish notice boards, bus markings outside the school, financial support for the village hall, and regular speed watch sessions to deter speeding vehicles to name but a few. A key issue for the Parish Council is road safety and proposed improvements were displayed for discussion.

Road Safety Improvements - The Parish Council negotiated road safety improvements with Wiltshire Council which include 'SLOW' patches and sign replacement at the north end bends, a formalised school coach stop opposite Sandlease and an informal crossing point in the High Street near Cedar Close. The Parish Council has consulted with Parishioners in the immediate vicinity of these improvements which have received unanimous support. We now await dates for work to commence but hope it will be in the school holidays. We are also awaiting news of the revisions to the speed limit zone requested by Worton Parish Council, and as soon as we have the results we shall share them with you.

Defibrillator - Worton Parish Council has received a generous grant by Aster Communities to enable the village to have its own defibrillator. Keith and Margaret Green, landlords of the Rose and Crown, have kindly agreed for the defibrillator cabinet to be installed outside the pub. Once the cabinet has been installed we will be arranging familiarisation sessions for anyone that wants to attend, but no training is required for anyone to use this essential life saving device as thanks to the wonders of modern technology it will talk you through each step.

Public Benches - Two further public benches, funded by another generous grant from Aster Communities, will be installed at Cuckold Corner and at the junction of Cedar Close and the High Street. We hope you will enjoy the respite they provide, particularly if you are exercising as part of recuperation.

Worton and Marston Bridleway - We are going to undertake some pilot work to see how best to repair and maintain the bridleway from the Church to the bridge. If you have any ideas please come and share them with us at the next Council meeting.

Worton Festival - For next year we would also like to hear if there is support for a 'Worton festival', bringing together a number of planned and regular events into one season of co-ordinated 'festival' activity. Again, please come along and share your views at the next Parish Council meeting.

WW1 Remembrance - Worton and Marston Parish Councils have both given grants to support an innovative project to remember our WW1 fallen. This innovative project is led by Robin Shercliff and Worton Parish Council has undertaken to support his endeavours to include missing names on a war memorial. Worton Parish Council will also be considering a number of public events over the next four years, stretching right through the commemorative period.

Come and Join In - Worton Parish Councillors would like to invite all parishioners to join us and share their views. We welcome you on Monday, 7th July at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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We will also be taking a table at the Worton Family Fun Day selling any old children's clothes and toys to raise money for the Toddler Group. Please feel free to drop any donations in the Village Hall during our sessions or with Hilary Hams at 130 Worton High Street.

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