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Digital TV Switchover

By now most of us will be ready for the final analogue switch off on

23 November. If you know of someone who isn't ready and or for some reason might have difficulty then perhaps they are eligible for the Help Scheme and should ring 0800 40 85 900 for more information. *Michael Gasper, Switchover Help Scheme Community Volunteer*

[An article from Suffolk Trading Standards about the Digital Switchover is on page 8 of this issue]

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/index.php

As from the 17th August the Parish Council will be holding a surgery from 7:15pm to 7:30pm before the start of the Monthly meeting (Parish Councils meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month) for Parishioners to come and express their concerns and grievances.

A meeting has been arranged for 14th September, 2011, in the Village Hall Community Room at 7:30pm for the representatives of Village organisations to come and discuss the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. If any Parishioners would like to participate in the organising of this event, we would be pleased to see you.

The Parish Council would like to ask all Parishioners who have a boundary hedge that is adjacent to roads or pathways to please cut them back.

Suffolk Coastal Services hopes to have the roundabout in the children's play area repaired soon. Highways have been asked to clear the drains and sweep the roads. The traffic Police are to be asked to carry out speed checks in the Village. Parishioners are complaining about the speed of vehicles coming through the village. *Mary Pennock, Clerk*

Look out for the Good Neighbour Questionnaire enclosed in this issue. Please fill in and return to PO, Blythweb or The Star.

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Sunday 14 August

Teas in the Church 2:30 - 5*pm* * * * * *

Flowers in the Church both days



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Funeral Services

Rosedale Funeral Home.

Arcadia House, 19 Market Place, Halesworth. Tel: 01986 875588

Everything You Wanted To Know About Funerals...

Rosedale Funeral Home is launching a series of free funeral planning sessions, which it hopes will help people to make good decisions following the loss of a loved one.

Most people are in shock when they have to arrange a funeral. Suddenly they have to make all sorts of decisions about the funeral arrangements and while we want to make sure they understand all the options available, it can simply be too much to take in.

What we hope these planning afternoons will do is enable people to find out more, so that when the time comes they will have had time to consider some of the choices they will need to make.

With the summer holidays soon to be over, it is a good time for people to get their affairs up to date and these sessions may appeal to those wanting to plan their own funerals. There's nothing morbid about leaving instructions about your wishes - in fact it can save a huge amount of heartache for those left behind if they can be sure your wishes have been carried out.

As well as information on the vast array of funeral options available nowadays, there will also be an opportunity to ask advice on issues surrounding wills and probate.

Those attending will also receive a take-home pack of information, along with a copy of the book When we Remember - 'Inspiration and Integrity for a Meaningful Funeral', together with its accompanying CD of funeral music.

The first funeral planning afternoons will take place in September according to demand, with further sessions being planned later in the year (tea, coffee and cake provided).

Places are limited to four per session. Further information is available from Rosedale Funeral Home 01986 875588 or email halesworth@rosedalefuneralhome.co.uk.

Anne Beckett-Allen, Rosedale Funeral Home

Wenhaston Word online www.wenhastonword.co.uk

Footpath Walking

The morning walk on Tuesday 2nd August will leave from Wenhaston Village Hall at 10am.

The longer walk on Tuesday 16th August will be led by Heather Hammond. Meet at 10am at Huntingfield Arms for a circular walk via Cookley. Returning to pub for lunch.

For any other help contact Heather Phillips 01502 478545.

Wenhaston Commons Group August Work Parties

Tues 9th - Bickers Heath. Meet at seat 10am.

Sun 21st - Blackheath. Meet at seat by Black Deek pond. Work will include light removal of vegetation on nearby paths and by pond. We will also be having our annual picnic afterwards - all welcome. *Jonathan Alder*

St. Peter's Church Services - August

- 7 No service (11:15am Spexhall)
- 14 9:30am Parish Eucharist
- 21 No service (10:30am to Methodists)
- 28 6:30pm Evensong

Methodist Church - August

All Sunday services at 10:30am No weekday meetings this month

- 7 Rev'd Jane Taylor
- 14 Ina Gray6:30pm Songs of Praise MHARev'd Robert Soanes
- 21 Rev'd Pam Bayliss United S
- 28 Iris Baker and Jeanette Soanes

Home for Apples! If you have a glut of unwanted eating or cooking apples in your garden, later this summer, then we would be glad to hear from you for our apple pressing project. Please call Shane Smeaton-Small on 01502 478743 or Michael Gasper on 01502 478016 Many Thanks

Wenhaston Word Deadline Date

16th August for September issue please note earlier date

Blood Donors Wanted

Wenhaston Village Hall 24th August. To book an appointment call the helpline on 0300 123 23 23 or visit www.blood.co.uk

Village Hall Surgery

There will be no Southwold Surgery at Wenhaston Village Hall on **Tuesdays 2nd, 23rd or 30th August** Contact 01502 722326

Wenhaston WEA Autumn Course 2011

The British Civil Wars: Tutor Simon Doney The Course will provide a survey of the English Civil War in the Stuart Period; with focus on the experience of war, why Parliament won and why the King was brought to trial and executed.

Wenhaston Village Hall 10:30am 10 Week Course beginning Friday 16th September Fee £45.00 For more information contact Kathleen Orme 01502 478708

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*	The Osiligi Maasai Warriors come to	*
*	Wenhaston Village Hall	*
*	7:30pm Friday October 14	*
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*	Tickets Available Now!	*
*	(See page 9)	*
*	All enquiries to Jill & Michael 01502 478016	*
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Thank You

Eagle-eyed readers will notice that there is no Music Corner this month. After many years Chris Dunn has retired from providing these useful snippets and we thank him wholeheartedly for all his contributions. Chris and ourselves would be only too pleased if someone else would like to take up the baton. We look forward to hearing from you!

Eileen and Becky, Wenhaston Word

Pier 2 Pier Beach Run for Cystic Fibrosis (Lowestoft to Southwold)

On Sunday 21st August 2011 at 8am Craig Stammers has organised the above event to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis. Craig and Ruth have a 3 year old daughter with CF, and with the recent news of a 'Gene Therapy Trial' which could possibly reverse the effects of CF starting in 2012, the trust needs to raise £6 million to launch the trial, or it will not go ahead!

If you would like to make a donation there are around 40 plus people taking part and they are raising money through www.justgiving.com/pier2pierbeachrun, or there are some people who have sponsor forms, you can also if you wish just drop a donation into Glenarm House, Blackheath Road, Wenhaston.

After the run we are having a raffle, BBQ party at Wenhaston Playing Field with the very kind help of our friends at Wenhaston Football Club.

We very much appreciated all the support that we had when Craig and friends took part in the Great North Run in 2008 raising over $\pounds 8,000$ and hope that you will feel able to support this cause very close to our hearts again.

Craig, Ruth, Chloe & Molly Stammers

Wenhaston Energy Support Group

How much heat are you losing through your windows, walls and doors? Wenhaston Energy Support Group is aiming to find out by using a thermal imaging camera which will pinpoint the problem areas and measures can then be taken to plug those gaps.

East Bergholt Society will be demonstrating the use of the camera to WESG in August. It will then be tested in members' homes before being offered for trial to village residents. WESG hopes to test the efficiency of community buildings such as the village hall and the school.

WESG is also planning to pursue group options relating to photo-voltaic installations:

• Following our successful solar hot water scheme, to lead on a tendering exercise where a number of households install PV panels and benefit from a bulk-buy discount. They will also get the Feed-In Tariff which pays homeowners generating electricity a tax-free guaranteed and index-linked tariff for 25 years

• Alternatively if there is enough interest in 'rent-a-roof' scheme WESG can give people more information.

The positive experience of one Wenhaston resident, who recently installed 17 panels on his roof, is encouraging. Following an initial investment of £15,450 (and WESG is aware that prices are coming down) he hopes to recover the cost in less than nine years. In the first three months the panels generated 1500KW hours and have resulted in a return of £670 from the energy company. The reduction in electricity costs is approximately £40 per month.

WESG hopes to hold a public meeting at the village hall in September. Watch our website wenhastongreen.org and the next WW for more details. Anyone interested in joining a tendering process, with no obligation, should contact Ann Jones on 01502 478085.

Ann Jones



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Wenhaston WI July Meeting

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Ever thought of "Investing in a Fairer World"? This was the title of a very interesting talk by Sally Rieth, from Shared Interest. This co-operative organisation was set up over 20 years ago to encourage people to not just invest their money to get a financial return for themselves, but to make an ethical and moral profit through helping co-operatives elsewhere in the world to develop their businesses producing, harvesting, and marketing products, including foods and crafts, certified as Fairtrade. Shared Interest started small, but has grown significantly, now investing £40 million annually in 63 countries around the world. It does not give handouts, and only invests in established co-operatives which have already shown their sustainability and ability to re-pay the loans. However Shared Interest gives loans where often local finance companies are unwilling or unable to get involved, so they are encouraging local businesses and ensuring the continued employment of many thousands of people all over the world. We all learnt something new about Fairtrade products, including the Brazil nut which has only recently been certified. Brazil nuts grow in the wild, on trees up to 200 years old, so it is not a crop that can be cultivated! Between 12-20 nuts, as we know them, are contained in a much larger nut, about the size of a grapefruit. A Brazil nut will never seem the same again to us!

Our next meeting will be the garden party on August 3rd, and members were encouraged to "dress to impress". *Fiona Adams*

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Hull or Bust! - Anne and Cathy's 250 mile Cycling Adventure

A much fuller report naming the tearooms and accommodation enjoyed is on Wenhaston WI's website www.wenhastonwi.org.uk - click the link on the home page.

Four WI ladies from Suffolk, all keen and experienced cyclists and including Wenhaston residents Anne Harvey and Cathy Harrison, agreed to set aside six days in May 2011 to undertake their own long distance bike ride. They decided to follow part of the remarkable, but unromantically named, National Cycle Route One. This links Dover to John O'Groats, passing through East Anglia where it skirts Wenhaston. The ride would start from Peasenhall then head north to Hull, or possibly York, for them to be whisked back to Norwich by train in under four hours.

Day One - Sunday 15 May ~ Peasenhall to Langley

Laden with panniers containing the bare necessities for six days away from home, the ladies were off, following the thin yellow line on the Sustrans map that shows Route One's progress to Hull.

Lunch! was enjoyed at the railway crossing on the Ipswich - Lowestoft line, behind Bernard

Matthews' factory at Holton (accessible only to walkers and cyclists), before pressing on to Beccles to complete 21 miles. The joy of the chosen cycle route was already becoming clear as good time was made along quiet country lanes, in many places virtually traffic free. The motorist may be able to follow much shorter routes but this was a 'quality' trip rather than a fast ride. 34 miles travelled today - to which was added home to start mileage.



Lunch! Photo © Anne Harvey

Dinner and accommodation that night was in Langley.

Day Two - Monday 16 May ~ Langley to Little Walsingham

After breakfast tyres were checked, bikes reloaded and off to Norwich. The route was along the Yare valley, passing boats moored on Rockland and Surlingham Broads, crossing under the A47 and following the country park to the Trowse roundabout with the unappealing Norfolk County Council building ahead. Local knowledge played a part as Anne led unerringly through the city centre to a café stop. Here it was concluded that the breeze of yesterday had turned into a strong headwind somewhat slowing the pace.

From the unlikely starting point of a roundabout on the Norwich Inner Ring Road, Route One points along Marriott's Way, a 16 mile traffic-free ride along a disused railway track. There were few other users, giving opportunity to admire the sculptures fashioned out of discarded iron track. Towards the end of the track is Whitwell Station, where a steam train runs once a month on restored track. We left the shade and shelter of Marriott's Way and emerged into the light and full force of the wind in the delightful village of Reepham.

A mere four miles to Little Walsingham, our destination for that night, but the wind had made it a difficult day and we were all feeling tired and hoping for a restorative miracle in Walsingham. Near disaster was averted when Anne pumped some much needed air into Joan's deflated rear tyre. Our kind hostess that night arranged for the necessary repairs while dinner was enjoyed by the intrepid ladies. 55 miles showed on the onboard computer for the day and never had an early night seemed such a good idea!

Day Three - Tuesday 17 May ~ Little Walsingham to King's Lynn

The ambitious plan for the day was to cover the 60 miles to Holbeach. Although now adept at spotting the small blue 'Route 1' signs which marked the way, usually affixed to lamp posts, route advice was sought from a local resident who, whilst extolling the beauty of the route, also indicated that it would disprove the notion that Norfolk was flat!



Resting amongst the cow parsley Photo © Helen McLeod

So it was that a 'lung-busting' run led to Ringstead where the ladies' exploits paled into insignificance alongside a trio of German-speaking youngsters, carrying their own camping gear, who were cycling to Switzerland!

At this point Joan admitted to feeling unwell. Tests at King's Lynn hospital later revealed that she was fine, and her problem unrelated to the cycle ride. However it was deemed wise for her to return home and accompanied by Helen they got a taxi ride back to Hollesley. Anne and Cathy had continued following Route One to rendezvous at the hospital. A break had been taken at

Sandringham where the rhododendrons were in full bloom, but the owner was sadly missing the display being otherwise engaged in making history on a state visit to Ireland.

Anne and Cathy stayed at a Kings Lynn hotel that night, availing themselves of the swimming pool and happy that, despite everything, over 40 miles were recorded that day. Thus far the route had been delightful - open country, poppies in the fields, peaceful villages - but it was soon concluded that with no let up in windy conditions it might make more sense to turn and head home.

Day Four - Wednesday 18 May ~ King's Lynn to Norwich

Route One was rejoined in Castle Rising. Now with the wind at their backs Anne and Cathy were bowling along through a deserted Sandringham estate before morning coffee in Burnham Market.

Fakenham was the lunch stop and it was agreed that it might be possible to get to Norwich that evening. By 4pm at Reepham, and with only the Marriott's Way between the ladies and Norwich, it was decided to book into a Norwich hotel. There followed remarkable attempts to secure that night's accommodation. The hotel eventually booked was not the first choice, with B&B for one night being at quite an eye-watering cost, but Anne and Cathy were tired, ahead of schedule and were saving on train fares - so, yes please!

With the knowledge that the night's sleep was secured, on once more, returning along the Marriott's Way. This time it was busier with commuting cyclists heading home out of the city. Cathy noted sayings carved into the seats which offered resting places for walkers and their dogs. Noting in particularly the invitations to "Rest in the day's music" and "Enjoy a train of thought". As the bikes were locked in the hotel's secure car park the day's mileage read 71!

Day Five - Thursday 19 May, return to Wenhaston

The day dawned brightly, the wind had dropped and Anne and Cathy were clear of the City Centre and speeding through Whitlingham Country Park before 9am. Coffee in Loddon was contemplated but the lure of home and a hot bath was strong. Upon arrival into the centre of Beccles, with Teashop antennae by this time well-honed, the ladies found a delightful newlyopened café.

The last 13 miles became increasingly familiar. A fond goodbye to Route One was said as Anne and Cathy swung left out of Mells heading for Wenhaston, home and husbands. Before the start Cathy had noted her weight and, once through the front door and after having stripped off cycling gear leapt back on the scales to glory in the pounds lost - to see a weight gain of one pound! And so, gentle reader, over 30 hours had been spent in the saddle. We may not have made Hull but we were by no means bust! *Cathy Harrison*

Postscript Cathy's younger sister suffers from MS and needs constant nursing care. If you have enjoyed reading about our trip and would like to support further research into this condition then please go to www.mssociety.org.uk or contact MS Society, 372 Edgware Road, NW2 6ND.

Digital Switchover Help Scheme

Digital Switchover- What will this mean for you?

The way we receive our TV signal is changing. The switch from analogue to digital signals will take place in Suffolk in 2011. The following information should provide you with what you need to deal with the switchover.



For advice, you can contact Digital UK on 08456 50 50 50 who will be able provide you with advice on what changes you might need to make. Alternatively you can find information at www.digitaluk.co.uk or in local libraries.

There is also the Digital Switchover Help Scheme which will be available to you if you are:

- Aged 75 or over, or
- Have lived in a care home for six months or more, or
- Get (or could get) certain disability benefits, or
- Are registered blind or partially sighted

If you are eligible, they will contact you and provide you with impartial advice on what equipment, if any, you need. Help with arranging installation if necessary, and help with the use of the new equipment. For further information, call free on 0800 40 85 900 or visit the website www.helpscheme.co.uk.

Avoiding Rogue Traders

Rogue Traders are using the switchover as an opportunity to mislead residents on what new equipment they require. Trading Standards have a few top tips for Suffolk residents:

• There is no such thing as a digital aerial. Most existing aerials will receive digital TV. The Registered Digital Installers Scheme (RDI) is the UK's only official body to register licensed digital aerials and TV system installers. Contact them at either 01353 644040 or www.rdi-lb.tv

• Nobody from Digital UK or any other organisation linked to the switchover will call at your house without a prior appointment.

• Don't have work carried out by any aerial installer who calls uninvited or who fails to show proper identification. Remember to always get at least two written quotations before having work undertaken.

• The Trusted Trader Scheme will help you find a trader that has been accredited by Suffolk Trading Standards and recommended by other residents in Suffolk. For more information call 01473 264 859 or visit www.suffolktrustedtrader.com .

• Don't pay for work upfront and always agree a price, payment arrangements and start/finish dates before work commences.

• If you are not satisfied with the work or feel they may have over charged or you are a victim of a rogue trader, call Consumer Direct on $08454\ 040506$ or visit www.consumerdirect.gov.uk/ .

Buying New Equipment

Almost any set can be converted to digital using a set top box, however if you're thinking of buying a new TV, you can get an Integrated Digital TV (IDTV) which has a digital receiver built in - look out for the digital tick logo.

If you are buying new equipment to receive digital signals, make sure you recycle your old electrical equipment at your local recycling centre.

Waste electrical equipment contains harmful materials which can be damaging to the environment if they are put in landfills. Recycling electrical waste is easy, simply bring your old TV or set top box to your nearest recycling centre and we'll do the rest.

For more information about recycling in Suffolk, visit http://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk Suffolk Trading Standards

New Groups At The Village Hall

Starting in September, there will be two new groups meeting on alternate Tuesday afternoons in the village hall.

Material Girls will take place every first and third Tuesday and is a chance for ladies to get together to knit, sew, paint, patchwork, crochet, do ceramics or any other craft. The first meeting will be on September 6th from 2pm - 4pm and will cost £1.50 or less. Tea, coffee and a chat are free. For more details contact Denise on 01502 478505 or just turn up on the day.

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Cycle Ride

An early reminder that this takes place on Saturday 10th September and that we shall probably walk around Norwich again, and should be grateful for sponsors and stewards for the church. *Margaret Bloomfield* Wenhaston Art Group is for new and experienced artists to meet informally to paint in oils, acrylics or water colours, or to sketch and draw and share ideas. This will start on September 13th from 2pm - 4pm and costs £1.50 per session. It is hoped that we can stage an exhibition later in the year or early next year. For more details ring Andy on 01502 478634 or Denise on 01502 478505 or just turn up on the day. Materials can be provided for anyone wanting a taster. See you there. Denise Corbett

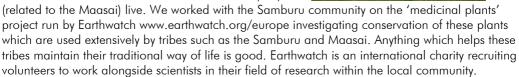
Dates For Your Diary

3rd September - Jumble Sale, Village Hall 13th October - Quiz Night, Village Hall 14th October - Maasai Warriors, Village Hall For events in the local area go to www.blythweb.net/calendar/

The Maasai come to Wenhaston! Friday 14 October ~ Wenhaston Village Hall ~ 7:30pm

Wenhaston Commons Group is supporting two very different communities at this event - the Maasai and their traditional way of life in Kenya and Wenhaston Village Hall which is a focal point for many activities and events in the village.

Last year we went on a trip to Kenya part of which took us to a town called Wamba where the Samburu people



The Osiligi Maasai troupe comes to the UK to give us an insight into their vibrant culture through song and dance to raise funds for their own projects eg building a school and providing clean water to the community. To learn more visit www.osiligiwarriors.co.uk . It is a great, lively, colourful evening's entertainment with their crafts, wares and CDs also on sale.

So do come and support the Maasai and Wenhaston Village Hall. (Profits to go to the Maasai and Wenhaston Village Hall).

Tickets will be on sale from 1st August: £10 Adult, £8 OAPs, £5 Children available from The Star Inn, Post Office (Mon - Fri 9am-1pm) and Blythweb (Mon - Fri 9am-5pm) in Wenhaston, the Bookshop in Halesworth and Jill & Michael 01502 478016 wenhaston.commons@btinternet.com

Michael Gasper, WCG

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Thefts in Wenhaston

Between Friday 1st and Sunday 3rd July, offenders have removed approximately seventy goldfish from a pond in a rear garden at a home in Narrow Way, Wenhaston. Some of the fish were up to ten inches long. Reference LE/11/678.

Between Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th July on Hall Road, Wenhaston offenders have forced entry to a barn in a field and taken a hedge trimmer, two large speakers and a crowbar from within. The door was also forced open on a Romany caravan at the same location but no items were taken from inside. Reference LE/11/729.

If you have any information please contact Suffolk Police on 01986 835300 guoting the reference Police Direct Team

Wenhaston Village Hall **100 Club**

Reminder Don't forget to sign up for the Wenhaston Village Hall 100 Club. If you missed the form in last month's Wenhaston Word it can now be found on the Village Hall webpage at www.wenhaston.net/villagehall/ and downloaded.

This is a new fund-raising initiative not only giving participants the chance to win a monthly cash prize but also generating much-needed funds for the village hall.

The promoters, Glynis Tucker, Sue Norris and Ann Jones, would like to thank everyone who has signed up so far...please keep those forms coming in.

The first draw will be at The Star in September. Ann Jones

Bell Ringing

There will be ringing at St Peter's Church, Wenhaston, on the following dates: Tuesday 2nd August 7:30pm - 9pm

(Halesworth practice at Wenhaston)

Saturday 6th August 2:30pm Wedding of Mark Teager and Jayne Pearce, the bells will be ringing after the service

Friday 12th August 7:30pm - 9pm (Southwold practice at Wenhaston) Jason Busby, 01986 873336

Mothers' Union

July is the month for the 'Wave of Prayer' when we pray for our link branches in Mount Kenya, the Windward Islands and Ballarat in Australia. This year the format was somewhat different as we were asked to pray and think about the campaign which is at the fore now - Buy Bye Childhood. 'Let children be children' was the theme and we thought about what children see and hear, what they wear, what they buy, who will speak out for them and what we can do. It was very well put together and thought provoking. Very appropriately, Jo Small then told us about her recent re-visit to Romania where children, especially disabled ones, are cast out of families and end up in orphanages. We support 'Children in Distress' which does all it can to make life bearable for these unfortunate little ones. An afternoon given over to our fifth object - to help those whose lives have met with adversity.

No meeting in August but an outing to Lound - lunch at the local pub and a look round the interesting church, 10th August leaving at 11:30am. Names to Margaret Goldstone, please.

Margaret Bloomfield

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Wenhaston Gardeners Club ~ Visit to Chenies Manor

Wandering on the lawns where the recent television series of Little Dorritt was filmed or enjoying a tour of the house the Gardeners Club visit to Chenies Manor in Buckinghamshire was a great success. Early rain did not spoil enjoyment of the beautiful gardens.

The house is said to echo to the footsteps of Henry VIII visiting his errant queen, Catherine Howard; we all listened but no joy! Thank you Jenny for organising a fine trip for us.

At the moment entries for the Village Show are flooding in and it already looks like it will be a successful day.

Our next trip will be a afternoon visit to Heveningham on September 6th. Details to follow.

Tony Gow



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