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EITS OPEN HOUSE & FUNDRAISER

Sunday, October 16, 10 AM – 4 PM

by John O'Brien and Coni Edick

THIS IS A DAY YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS, SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

EITS is holding its 4th annual Open House & Fundraiser at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History and everyone is invited! It's a free admission day at the Museum, so bring all of your family and friends and enjoy the educational activities, games, exhibits, and presentations throughout the Museum's outdoor campus and Backyard. And of course the day will be highlighted by close-up encounters and stage presentations of our seven EITS bird ambassadors.

Activities, exhibits and events will include:

Instant Raffle
Scavenger Hunt
Souvenirs and Merchandise
SB Audubon
& Birding Information

EITS Aviary Tours
Crafts – make your own owl mask!
Birds from the Museum Collection
Kids Coloring
SB Audubon Science & Conservation

Kids Temporary Tattoos
Owl Pellet Dissection
Kids Stage Show
And the very popular Silent Auction!

The Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History is located at 2559 Puesta del Sol in Santa Barbara, California. The birds are looking forward to seeing you there!!

OPEN HOUSE - SILENT AUCTION / RAFFLE ITEMS

by Marsha Macdonald

In 2015, the Silent Auction/Raffle was a big hit, earning \$9,000 for SBAS's Eyes in the Sky Program. This success was in part due to Samy's Camera & Digital, who donated a pair of 8x42 Swarovski Binoculars, and Jason Niiya who shared the latest Swarovski spotting scope with our members/visitors. We also saw two great "Bird Walks and Brunch" ideas, one led by Joan Lentz, the other led by Mark Holmgren, Jeff Chemnick, and Chris Sandoval--all of whom donated their time and expertise!

We also had a two-night stay at the Bacara Hotel for two with spa treatments, a four-hour guided Night Safari at Sedgwick Ranch, plus prizes from 70 other local businesses who graciously donated to our EITS Open House Silent Auction/Raffle. We thank outstanding individuals like Libby Patten, who generously donated many pieces from her personal art collection along with ceramics and miscellaneous home items, and Laura Calderon, who expertly canvassed many local businesses for gift certificates to restaurants and wineries, body work certificates, etc. Many, many people assisted with the success of last year's Silent Auction/Raffle--we thank you all for your energy and contribution--it was a fun-filled new experience for EITS. Thank you!

This year we have many of the same diligent hard-working individuals supporting the Silent Auction/Raffle: Judy Hogan, Laura Calderon, Coni Edick and Julie Kummel, to name a few. Currently, we have procured:

- One-night stay at Cuyama's Condor Hope Winery--complete with wine tasting, wine tour, hiking, dinner, and breakfast
- Turkish cooking class and dinner provided by Laurie Koc for eight people
- One- or two-night stays at the "Hut" on El Sueno Road in SB, generously donated by Kris Mainland White
- Hand-made cotton table runners and tablecloths w/matching napkins from Thailand
- Two short/cropped cotton jackets made in Thailand
- Tea basket and accessories from Judy Blue
- Art/Nature photographs from Betsy Mooney, John O'Brien, and Gary Robinson
- Four passes to the SB Zoo: entrance ticket, train ticket, feed the Giraffe, and climb the Condor Wall
- Gift certificates for Island Packers to the Channel Islands, Chaucer's Book Store, LaFond Winery, Pali Wine and Tasting for four people, Bridlewood Winery, Toma Restaurant, La Playa Azul Mexican Restaurant, Harbor Restaurant, Suzanne's Restaurant in Ojai, and Porch in Carpinteria

We are currently having conversations with Samy's Camera & Digital and Bacara Hotel to receive yet another superb donation! We are also researching Gift Certificates from the Funk Zone, "Girl Friend" Spa Day Certificates, SUP Rental and Classes, more Wine and/or Beer Tastings, Picnic Basket Options and Events.

We are taking items for the Auction from now until October 1. Please contact Marsha Macdonald at (805) 962-7799 if you have donations or questions.

If she happens to miss your call, please leave a message with your name and phone number so she can call you back.

The mission of the Santa Barbara Audubon Society is to help conserve and restore the earth's natural ecosystems and improve its biological diversity, principally in the Santa Barbara area, and to connect people with birds and nature through education, science-based projects, and advocacy.

MEET YOUR AUDUBON BOARD

A series introducing the Directors of our Chapter

Jayne Wamsley came to Santa Barbara in the fall of 1975, after receiving her BA in History at UCLA. Santa Barbara was and still is a paradise for her, her husband, and the daughter and son they raised on the Mesa, and they were able to design and build two houses in Santa Barbara. Though her parents introduced her to birding 25 years ago, she really got involved about 10 years ago when she finally bought good binoculars. She finds that having an interest in birds makes traveling a much richer experience, and she hopes to do as much traveling around the USA as she can in the years ahead.

Jayne retired from the Santa Barbara School District in 2013, where she worked as a library assistant at Santa Barbara Junior High School and San Marcos High School for 21 years. She began to volunteer around SB almost immediately and started working with the EITS birds after seeing an appeal in *El Tecolote*. She has assisted Gabriele with the Meet Your Wild Neighbor curriculum at McKinley School, which she feels is an awesome way to get kids excited about birds and nature. Her goal when retiring was to be outside under the trees and blue sky, so she finds that being a birder and EITS volunteer is a perfect match.

Besides working with the birds at EITS, she helps the Foodbank with food distribution to seniors, volunteers with Santa Barbara Public Library Homework Helpers, and tutors with the Library Literacy program. She enjoys meeting SB residents of all ages and backgrounds through these volunteer experiences. Her other interests are hiking, reading, sewing, and camping with her women friends.



Photo by Betsy Mooney

FLOCK TO YOSEMITE NOVEMBER 4-6

Join Audubon California for the 2016 Audubon Assembly at Tenaya Lodge! Registration now open

Meet with Audubon chapter leaders, members, and partners from all over California to enjoy birding the iconic Sierra, explore conservation opportunities and practices, share stories with leaders from various regions, and establish working partnerships in pursuit of our common goals.

Registration fee: \$100. Please visit the Audubon California website at <http://ca.audubon.org/about/chapters/audubon-california-assembly> to register, reserve lodging, and see the agenda.

If you have any questions, please email the Chapter Network Team at chapternetworkca@audubon.org.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP GET TOGETHER HONORS JULIE KUMMEL

by Betsy Mooney

Under smoky skies, members of the Santa Barbara Audubon Society met on June 18 at Stow Grove Park for their annual summer get-together. This year honored Julie Kummel and the amazing work she's accomplished while serving on the Board and Development and Conservation committees for over 15 years. SBAS presented Julie with a plein air landscape painting by artist Chris Chapman and a lifetime membership in SBAS. Long time friends of Julie's were there to honor her--Tanya Atwater, Ken Owens (Channel Islands Restoration), and Mark Holmgren (San Marcos Foothills Coalition) among others. This year Julie has provided a lead gift for the annual appeal to our membership.

To the strains of Glendessary Jam's old time music, 60+ Audubon members shared good food and the company of EITS's Barn Owl. A young Great Horned Owl, perched on a high tree branch, sleepily observed activities that included a book sale to benefit the Chapter.



Photo by Bill Pollock

SBAS President Dolores Pollock directed nominations and elections of the SBAS Board members for the coming year.

GOODBYE, SANTA BARBARA AUDUBON BOARD

by Andy Lanes, on leaving the SBAS Board



Photo by Dolores Pollock

Thank you for the amazing experience of serving on the SBAS Board. I learned so much from the experience, from all of the local conservation efforts ongoing to the education opportunities, to what it even means to sit on a board. I hope to have the capacity to participate more someday in the future, and I would like to thank everyone involved with SBAS for their hard work and dedication to protecting birds and our local environment.

BREEDING BIRD STUDY OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

by Adrian O'Loghlen

One of the most informative approaches for assessing how the rapid and extensive development of urban and rural lands affects local bird populations is to monitor the breeding activity of species that have historically bred in an area. Furthermore, collecting this type of information is important more generally because it is widely accepted that birds can be indicators and provide insights into the “health” of habitats and ecosystems used by all local wildlife.

We are very fortunate in SB County that the process of gathering this key information is in progress and a sizable database of local bird breeding records already exists. We have Mark Holmgren to thank for this. Back in the 1980s, when he was working as the Curator of the Vertebrate Museum at UCSB, he recognized the value of this information and decided to create a SB Breeding Bird database using historical records at the Museum and other archived sources. In addition, he recruited a number of local birders to submit evidence of breeding (courtship behaviors, active nests, fledgling birds, etc.) they observed when they were out birding. In this context, Dave Compton deserves special mention as the most prolific contributor to the database with more than a thousand breeding records submitted to date.

More recently, Mark was motivated to find a way to make the data in the SB BBS available to the public online and to provide a way for birders to submit new breeding records electronically. In 2014, I joined Mark as a collaborator to help him achieve these latter objectives. Initially, we investigated the possibility of integrating the SB database with eBird, for example, by having an integrated data entry system so that breeding records submitted to eBird would automatically appear in the SB BBS. However, this proved not to be feasible at this time and so we looked for an alternative way of hosting the database online. The answer we eventually settled on was to use Google Fusion Tables (GFT), an online data visualization application with an impressive capability to generate maps from raw data. Currently, there are almost 3500 records in the SB BBS GFT which can be viewed at (<https://goo.gl/AJQxKj>) using a computer, tablet, or smart phone. To view a map showing all the breeding records for the County, simply click (left mouse button or equivalent) on the “Map of Latitude” tab. Each of the red dots shown on the map represents a breeding record and clicking on a specific dot will display selected details of that record. Furthermore, you can use the “Filter” button to generate subsets of the records. For example, by clicking on the Filter button, selecting the Common Name filter, then checking the box for a species of interest, you will see a map of all the locations of breeding records for that species. For some of the records, the details include a link to a photo showing evidence to support the record. There is also a “Map Only” view (<https://goo.gl/lHneSD>) of the GFT, which is designed to be downloaded for use on a smartphone or tablet. This latter version does not allow manipulation of the records, but will show breeding records in the vicinity of your current location. For security reasons, access to the GFT provided by these links is for viewing only – you need to contact Mark or me if you want to save filtered results or download the entire database.

For complete article go to www.santabarbaraadubon.org

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NEWS FROM EYES IN THE SKY

By Gabriele Drozdowski and Judy Hogan

In late spring, Gabriele, assisted by volunteers Cherie Topper, Karla Shelton, Jayne Wamsley, and Teresa Fanucchi, taught the “Raptor” curriculum to two enthusiastic 2nd grade classrooms at McKinley School. This grant-funded science program is taught one day per week for five weeks and includes live bird visits, colorful curriculum, owl pellet dissection, and a fun field trip to Lake Los Carneros where volunteers help students find the birds on their Bird Checklists and complete birding journals.

Other bird programs were presented at UCSB's Cheadle Center for Biological Diversity, Foothill School, Peabody School, Harding School, Goleta Boys & Girls Club, Salvation Army After-School Youth Camp, Montessori Center School, Discoveries Pre-School, and Lou Grant Parent-Child Workshop in Carpinteria.

Our raptors traveled with volunteers to summer camps, e.g. Museum of Natural History, SB Humane Society, Santa Ynez Chumash Camp Kala-washaq, and Los Flores Canyon Youth Camp in Santa Maria. Without the dedication of the EITS volunteers who give these educational programs, it would be impossible to present over 60 programs to off-campus children and community groups, while continuing our daily bird presentations at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. A very sincere THANK-YOU to our volunteers.

The summer saw maintenance activity underway at the Aviary, as the gravel flooring in each raptor's enclosure was removed and replaced. To accomplish this, Great Horned Owl Max was moved off-site for a few days so one of the other raptors could be moved into his mews during the gravel replacement project. The volunteers remove the old gravel and replace it with pre-washed and dried fresh pea gravel. This maintenance task occurs every few years as a clean and dry gravel flooring helps to ensure a healthful environment inside the Aviary.

You can see our birds (up close) and learn about them at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History during their daily outdoor time between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. The admissions office will tell you where you can find us.

If you know of a school, after-school program, senior center, youth camp, or a community or company that would like to book an EITS raptor visit/program, please call Gabriele at 805-259-1446 to discuss fees and scheduling.

SBAS: PREMIER TRIPS

Santa Barbara Audubon offers PREMIER fundraising trips, led by experienced birders, to special birding areas. Trips are coordinated by Jeff Hanson & Peggy Kearns. Proceeds support the chapter's education and conservation activities in our community. Join us! You will broaden your birding experience, have fun, and contribute to SBAS at the same time.

TO REGISTER: Go to SantaBarbaraAudubon.org and select the event of interest. Please note registration deadlines. These trips can fill up fast.

OSO FLACO LAKE PREMIER TRIP

Friday, November 4, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Trip Leader: Cher Hollingworth

Trip Cost: \$55: Limit: 15 people

Parking Charge: \$5.00 per car

Target Birds: American Bittern, Sora, Virginia Rail, White Pelican, Cinnamon Teal, Osprey, Kingfisher, Terns, Chestnut-backed Chickadee, California Thrasher and many more.

Join North County expert birder Cher Hollingworth, member of the 400 Club, for a day trip to Oso Flaco State Park. Just north of the town of Guadalupe, this unique freshwater lake and surrounding habitat can support over 100 species of birds. At this time of year, we will see large numbers of songbirds, ducks, shorebirds, raptors, marsh birds, gulls, and more.

Our walk will take us down a riparian canopy path and across the lake on a boardwalk. From the lake, we continue across the dunes to the ocean. Birding opportunities abound in all areas! Plan for at least 3 hours of excellent birding.

Weather can be variable. Since we will be away from the cars for quite some time and will walk about 2 miles, we advise bringing plenty of water, snacks, hat, and sturdy shoes. Please bring lunch; picnic site to be determined.



2 POINT MUGU NAVAL AIR STATION PREMIER TRIPS

Friday, September 23 SHOREBIRD MIGRATION & More (registration closed Aug 15)

**Friday, December 2 WINTER WATERFOWL, RAPTORS, & MORE (register by November 4)
8 a.m.-noon**

Trip Leaders: Jeff Hanson, Peggy Kearns, and base naturalist, Martin Ruane

Cost: \$55:

Limit: 14 people

Fourteen lucky SBAS members will be granted access to the base on 2 different dates. This unique opportunity allows us to visit some 2,000 acres bordered by the Pacific Ocean and some of the most bountiful agricultural land in Southern California. Marsh and coastal wetlands provide a stopover for thousands of migrating birds each year and habitat for seven endangered species of birds. The area is so rich in wildlife that our day there typically counts 80 species including egrets, rails, Vermilion Flycatcher, waterfowl, shorebirds, raptors, and more.

This field trip takes us to an active Navy base. All participants must be US citizens and are required to fill out an Access Pass Registration Form. This form requires submitting personal information 30 days before the event. You must be approved before entering the base. Sorry, NO CAMERAS allowed on base.

SBAS: FIELD TRIPS

RANCHO GUADALUPE DUNES “WONDER OF THE DUNES”

Saturday, September 17, 2016 (7 a.m. carpool time) 9 a.m. - 11a.m.

Target Birds: Shorebirds

Trip Leader: Jack Sanford

Cost: \$8.00 gas money to carpool drivers

We will enjoy a leisurely stroll at Rancho Guadalupe Dunes Preserve, viewing both migratory and resident shorebirds along the ocean and the Santa Maria River Estuary. Meet at Sears upper parking lot (the corner near the Tire Shop) at 7 a.m. Directions to Guadalupe Dunes: Hwy 101 north to Hwy 166 (Main Street exit in Santa Maria). Cross Hwy 1 and continue 7 more miles to the parking lot. As an added attraction we may stop at the Dunes Center and view their latest display of the Sphinx used in the film *The Ten Commandments*.

SBAS: FIELD TRIPS

DEVEREUX SLOUGH UCSB WEST CAMPUS, GOLETA

Saturday, October 8, 2016 (7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)

Target Birds: Shorebirds, waterbirds, wintering songbirds

Trip Leader: Rob Lindsay

Directions: Take Hwy 101 to Glen Annie/Storke Road exit. Proceed south (towards the ocean) on Storke Road, then turn left on El Colegio Road, right on Camino Corto Lane, and right on Del Playa Drive. Park and meet at the end of Del Playa. We will bird a loop trail, walking the beach past the Snowy Plover reserve and follow a trail around the far side of the slough. We will then bird the other side of the slough and return to the parking area.

LAS CRUZITAS RANCH NEAR SANTA YNEZ

Saturday, November 19, 2016 (7:45 a.m. carpool time); return between 1:00- 2:00 p.m.

Target Birds: Goldfinches, Rufous-crowned Sparrows, Phainopeplas, Yellow-billed Magpies, Prairie Falcons, buntings, nuthatches, hummingbirds, and maybe a Golden Eagle

Trip Leader: Cruz Phillips, 688-8233, cruzitas@aol.com

Cost: \$8.00 gas money to carpool drivers

Directions: Carpooling is recommended as parking is limited. Meet at the Sears upper parking lot (the corner near the Tire Shop) at 7:45 a.m. To meet us at the ranch, take Hwy 154 to Armour Ranch Road, which is 3.3 miles west of Bradbury Dam (Lake Cachuma). Go north on Armour Ranch Road 1.4 miles and turn right on Happy Canyon Road. At 2.4 miles, turn right on Alisos Avenue. At 0.7 miles the pavement ends at a cattle guard. Continue 2.6 miles straight past 2 more cattle guards to the barn and ranch. We will arrive around 9:00 a.m. and explore the bird habitat and feeders near the ranch house for about 2 hours. Then we will take an easy walk around the general area and perhaps include a tour of a canyon. Bring water and a snack and/or lunch.

SBAS: FRIDAY BIRD WALKS

TORO CANYON PARK

September 9, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Songbirds, raptors

Directions: From Hwy 101 take exit #90 (Padaro Lane off-ramp coming from the north and Summerland off-ramp from the south). Turn towards the mountains and turn right on Via Real. Turn left on Toro Canyon Road (2nd road on your left). Proceed on Toro Canyon Road until you reach the park sign on your right. Turn right and follow the road to the park. Enter the park and follow the park road to the end parking lot. We will meet there to bird the loop trail (1 mile slightly uphill) and then the park.

HONDA VALLEY OPEN SPACE

September 23, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Woodpeckers, towhees, jays, mockingbirds, raptors

Directions: From Hwy 101 take the Carrillo Street exit. Turn toward the south (away from downtown). Turn left onto Miramonte Drive. We will park on Miramonte Drive and meet just a short distance from the first driveway on your right. From there we will bird a loop trail around the open space.

HIDDEN VALLEY PARK

October 14, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Black-headed Grosbeaks, towhees, mockingbirds, and woodpeckers

Directions: From Hwy 101 from either direction take the Las Positas Road off-ramp and proceed towards the ocean. Turn right on Modoc Road and turn left on Calle De Los Amigos. The park is on the corner of Calle De Los Amigos and Torino Drive. We will park on the street.

ROCKY NOOK PARK

October 28, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Bushtits, blackbirds, woodpeckers, phoebes, vireos, warblers, and wrens

Directions: From Hwy 101, take Mission Street past the Mission. The road becomes Mission Canyon Road. Rocky Nook Park is on the right as you head towards the mountains. We will meet and park in the first parking area on your right as you enter the park.

SBAS: FRIDAY BIRD WALKS

STEVENS' PARK

November 11, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Raptors, woodpeckers, warblers, phoebes, wrens, kinglets, and towhees

Directions: Hwy 101 to Las Positas Road off-ramp. Turn towards the mountains. Follow Las Positas Road until it becomes San Roque Road. Follow San Roque Road and turn left on Calle Fresno, then right on Canon Drive. The entrance to Stevens' Park is on your right. We will park and meet on the left as you enter the park.

WINCHESTER CANYON

November 25, 2016 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Pine Siskins, kingbirds, kinglets, raptors, woodpeckers, titmice, towhees

Directions: Take Hwy 101 to Winchester Canyon Road exit. Take Winchester Canyon Road and cross Cathedral Oaks Road. Turn right on Winchester Drive and left on Rio Vista Drive. We will park near the open space area on your left.

SBAS: PROGRAMS

ARROYO SIMI: LIFE ON THE EDGE OF THE URBAN INTERFACE

presented by Don Klabunde

Wednesday, September 28, 7:30 p.m. (Doors open 7:00 p.m.)

Location: Farrand Hall, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

For the past few years Don Klabunde has been studying the behavior and reproductive success of species that live along the Arroyo Simi, a 19-mile-long creek that runs from the city of Simi Valley into Moorpark. Join Don for a photographic journey where we discover the secret lives of birds hidden away in plain sight within our urban habitat.

Don Klabunde is a retired physicist, life-long photographer, and Chapter Photographer for Conejo Valley Audubon Society (CVAS). Some of his interests include nature and astrophotography, animal behavior and evolution, California native gardening, and observing the local wildlife.

CONSERVING AUSSIE OUTBACK BIRDS

presented by Claire Runge

Wednesday, October 26, 7:30 p.m. (Doors open 7:00 p.m.)

Location: Farrand Hall, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

Characterized by baking drought and raging floods, the Australian outback is one of the most unpredictable environments in the world. The birds that live in this boom-bust landscape have developed incredible and surprising adaptations to these harsh conditions. Many birds are nomadic, moving around the landscape. For years, the patterns of these movements were unknown. In this talk, Claire tells how we are beginning to unlock the mysteries of these desert nomads and the implications for conservation of these unique birds. This talk will include superfluous tales and photos of Australian birds.

Claire Runge is a postdoctoral researcher at the National Center for Ecological Analysis & Synthesis in downtown Santa Barbara. She completed her PhD thesis in 2015 at the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia. For the past year she has been working in partnership with The Nature Conservancy and the Sage Grouse Initiative to find ways to conserve Sage Grouse habitat while improving the livelihoods of ranchers. Find out more about the project here <http://snappartnership.net/groups/better-land-use-decisions/>.



WINGED WONDERS OF THE SALTON SEA

presented by Kurt Leuschner

Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 p.m. (Doors open 7:00 p.m.)

Location: Farrand Hall, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

The Salton Sea is one of the world's most important stops for birds traveling the Pacific Flyway - and visiting the Salton Sea at any time of year is a birdwatcher's delight. Tens of thousands of birds begin arriving in late September, sometimes forming living clouds across crystal clear skies. Birds that overwinter at the sea will depart by May, traveling as far north as Alaska. Some will remain to brave the hot summer and nest at the sea - so there are always exciting birds to be found at any time of the year.

Kurt Leuschner is a Professor of Natural Resources at College of the Desert and also on the Board of Directors of Western Field Ornithologists. In addition to earning his Bachelor's in Zoology from U.C. Santa Barbara and Master's in Wildlife Ecology from the University of Florida, Kurt spent 2 years in the Peace Corps working in Tanzania's Wildlife Division. If you would like to read a little more about Kurt, please go to our Programs page on our website.



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Attention!

The Fall 2016 Birdathon is effectively CANCELLED!

A big thank you goes to Rebecca Coulter who graciously volunteered to be our "Rare Bird Judge", David Levasheff who generously gave of his time to put the Birdathon blog onto the website along with his beautiful bird photos, and John O'Brien, who supported me in this endeavor.

If you are someone who was considering participating in the Fall 2016 Birdathon, I am truly sorry not to be able to accommodate your energy and efforts. Hopefully, this event will be re-scheduled.

*Thank you for your consideration and support for SBAS.
Marsha Macdonald*



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- Renewal notices are sent from the local Santa Barbara Chapter
- Note, we do not share personal information with other organizations
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