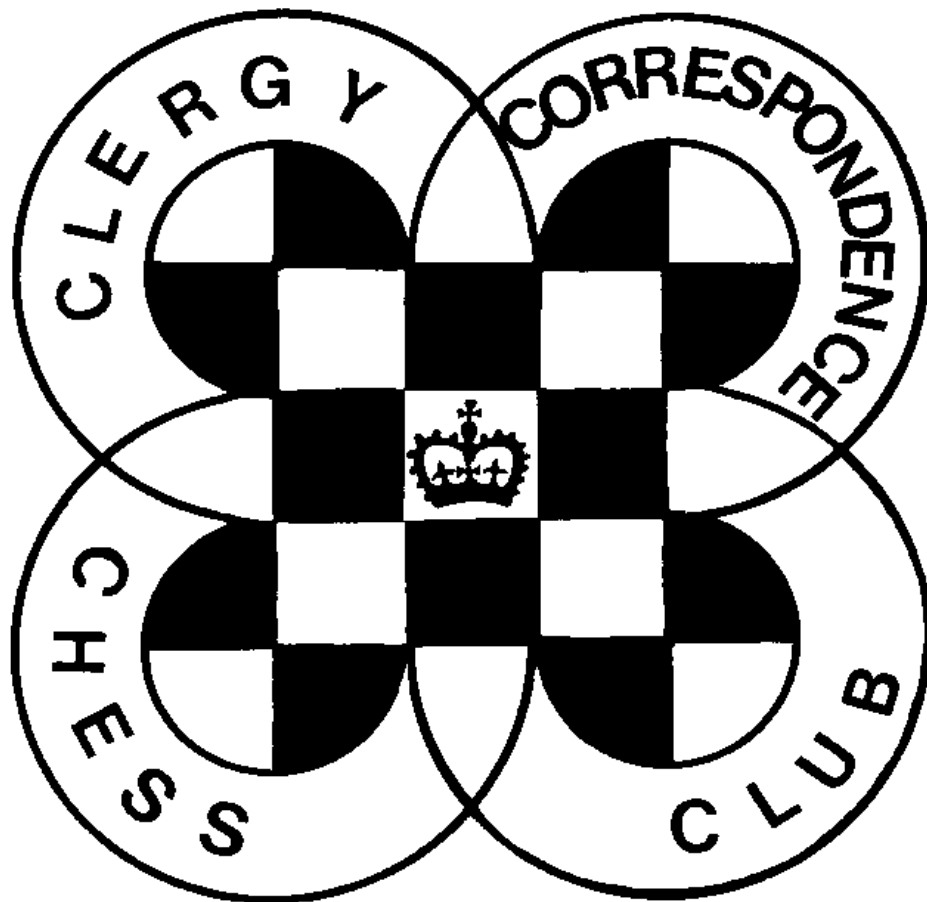


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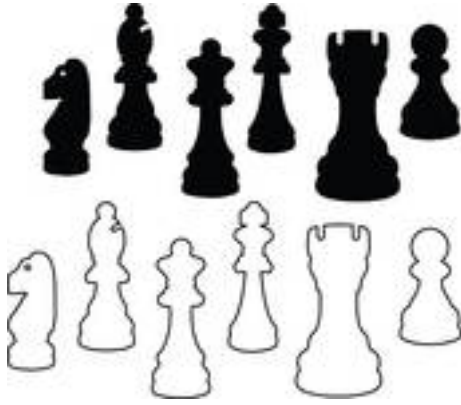
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## October 2016

### NEW SEASON

The new season officially begins on 1<sup>st</sup> October, but you are welcome to start your games as soon as you receive this, or to stagger the starting dates as outlined on the Fixture list page. Under the restructuring explained in the last issue you now have fewer opponents (a maximum of four) but play each opponent twice (once with white pieces, once with black).

See the page with pairings on it for when rounds must start by, but note that whenever you start a game time begins to count straight away to bring all our games into line with those played on Scheming Mind.

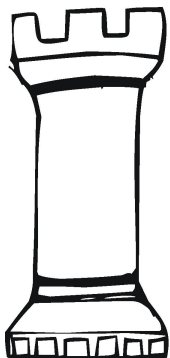
Non-league members should make direct contact with another to arrange a friendly game if required.

### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are again unchanged this year at £6. You can become a Life Member for £75.50 and not have to remember subscriptions any more. Given that you aren't receiving any worthwhile interest on your savings why not use a bit of it to become a Life Member if you are not already one?! Please send subs. direct to our Treasurer as sending them via me increases postage costs.

### GAMES

As always, my thanks to Michael Thistlewood for preparing the games for the magazine, and to those who send them in. Any score sheet sent in will be considered for publication unless you say you do not want this, but please consider sending in your games with annotations, which are more instructive to other members.



### NEWS OF MEMBERS

**Charles Mason** has moved to a House for Duty post in Oxford Diocese. His address is The Parsonage, School Road, Waltham St. Lawrence, READING. RG10 0NU. 0118 934 1054.

Congratulations to **Antony Foster** who was ordained Deacon 50 years ago in June. To mark this anniversary he celebrated the Eucharist on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at St. Jude's Halifax, and I was able to share this Worship with him.

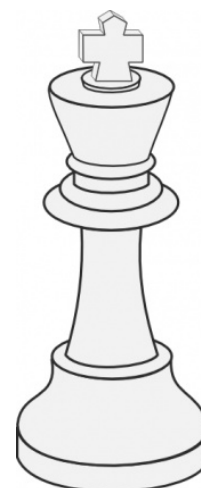
**Matthew Joy** has returned to League play this season.

## LEAGUE STRUCTURE

After initial teething troubles (not everyone immediately realised that we now play two games against each opponent) the new League structure seemed to work well enough. There were some alarmingly late results last season but in the end everyone got them in on time, for which thanks.

Obviously the smaller Divisions are more affected by having to be increased or decreased in size due to membership changes, but on the other hand with two games against each opponent even a Division of 3 players is just about viable as it gives each player 4 games.

But if one of the main aims of the restructuring was to acknowledge that we no longer have seven players worthy of being in Division 1, and thereby avoid no-hopers gaining promotion to a smaller top Division it has clearly failed, witnessed by the fact that I have still managed to gain promotion to Division 1 for next season, from which I will no doubt be immediately relegated with zero points!



## SCHEMING MIND STANDARD CHESS LEAGUE

By the time you read this the new season of the Scheming Mind Chess league will be getting underway. This season rounds are following each other at monthly rather than bi-monthly intervals putting a heavier burden on Team Members, so if anyone else would like to strengthen our Team please let me know. Having more players to chose from means that people can be rested between rounds and not have to play as much. You must have internet access to join this Team.

## PHOTOS

No photos of members have been received for this issue, notably still nothing from the member whose idea it was in the first place! If you can send in a digital photo of yourself, playing chess or otherwise, I will include it in a future issue.

## FACEBOOK GROUP

A reminder of our Facebook Group, which could provide an easy way of reporting results and keeping up to date with anything gong on.

Simply search on Facebook for Clergy Correspondence Chess Club, then select Ask to Join and next time I am on Facebook I will approve it and you are in.



## GOLDEN JUBILEE

So far no one much has suggested anything that we might do to celebrate the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year. There doesn't seem to be any significant support for a residential congress. Time is running short to organise anything, so if anyone has any ideas please put them forward soon.

**CLERGY CORRESPONDENCE CHESS CLUB  
RESULTS 2015 / 2016**

<b>Division 1</b>	Hu		Sm		St		Ya		Wi		Points	%
Hulme			1	1*	½	1*	1*	½	1*	1	7	88
Smith	0	0			1	1*	1	1*	½*	1	5½	69
Stevenson	½*	0	0	0			½	½*	1	1*	3 ½	44
Yates	0	0	0	½	0	0			1	0	2½	31
Williamson	0	½*	0	0	½	½*	0	1			1½	19
<b>Division 2A</b>	Ca		Ha		Ny		Lx		Th		Points	%
Carlin			1	0	0	1	1*	1	1	0	5	63
Hall	0	1			½*	½	1*	0	1*	1	5	63
Nye	1	0	½	½*			1*	0	1*	1	5	63
Loxton	0	0	0	1*	0	1*			1*	1	4	50
Thistlewood	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0			1	13
<b>Division 2B</b>	Lw		Ba		Cl		Pr		Pa		Points	%
Lowe			1	1*	½*	1	1	1*	1	1*	7 ½	94
Battye	0	0			1	1*	1	1*	1	1*	6	75
Cleaves	½	0	0	0			1	½*	1*	1	4	50
Procter	0	0	0	0	0	½			1	0	1 ½	19
Partridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0			1	13

\* indicates a game won or drawn with the Black pieces.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVID HULME. CHAMPION 2015 / 2016**

David Hulme is once again champion with an unbeaten season. Mike Smith is runner up ahead of Brian Stevenson, while Andrew Yates & Michael Williamson are relegated from the top Division.

In Division 2A a three way tie is resolved in favour of Bruce Carlin on the first criteria of tie break - the Baumbach system - that he won more games than the other two. Stanley Hall and David Nye cannot be split on any of our criteria except the final one of drawing lots and since there is no promotion or relegation involved I have left them equal and listed them alphabetically. John Loxton was only a point behind these three with Michael Thistlewood bringing up the rear, though he did gain his only win against the Division winner!

In Division 2A David Lowe was unbeaten and earns promotion, with Lisa Battye second from Richard Cleaves, and Nick Procter and Tim Partridge following behind.

## THE CURRENT SEASON : 2016 / 2017

Officially our season runs from October to July, but you can start your games as soon as you receive this, or by the dates given for each round on the Fixtures page. This allows those playing by phone or email to delay some of their games until November, and for those playing on the Scheming Mind webserver to delay some even until January next year as the time limit is strictly applied.

Whichever method you choose it is your responsibility to make sure that all games are completed by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017 and results reported to me.

The Divisions for the season are on the next page. These contain up to five players, some fewer to even out numbers. Each player plays each other in their Division 2 games, once with White pieces, once with Black. The player to the left of the 'v' on the fixtures list should normally begin game 1 as White. If you haven't heard from an opponent by the due date please chase them up first, and contact the Secretary if you still fail to make contact.

At the end of the season two players are relegated from Division 1 to be replaced by the winners of 2A and 2B. If there are sufficient players then the bottom placed player of 2A and 2B will be relegated to Division 3 to be replaced by the top two in that Division. Adjustments may be made at the Secretary's discretion to take account of withdrawals or returns to league play.

Algebraic notation must be used unless both players agree to use another.

Ties are decided initially by the Baumbach Tie Break, then the Sonneborn-Berger Tie Break in accordance with ICCF procedures. These have been explained before but if you are not clear what these systems are then email the Secretary or send him a stamped envelope for enlightenment...

The time columns on the score sheet are: 'R' is the date that you *received* your opponent's move; 'S' is the date you *send* your reply; 'T' is the *total time* used to date. This way you and your opponent can immediately see where you stand in relation to the time limit.

You may play your games on Scheming Mind, or communicate your moves by post, telephone, fax, or e-mail, but with the recent increases in postage costs I suspect that will now be the least popular method, though if you are playing by phone an occasional exchange of the score card can help to make sure a mistake in notation has not been made. If using the phone please try not to keep your opponent waiting while you find pen and paper and be clear in your notation, perhaps using the phonetic alphabet when reading moves.

If playing by post, phone or email the time limit is 20 days for each 10 moves, time saved is carried forward, same day reply counts as nil, but *every* day counts including Sundays and Bank Holidays. Each player can have 14 days off during a game after notifying their opponent, additional time off for special need can be granted by the Secretary on request. If your opponent exceeds the time limit you can claim the game but you must do this as soon as the time control is broken or you lose the right to claim unless a later one is also broken. In order to avoid anyone exploiting technology to make same day replies impossible (e.g. by emailing or faxing at 2359 hours) the convention is that a move by email or phone is considered to be received the day after it was sent, as if it were a perfect first class letter (I believe there still are such things).

If you are playing on Scheming Mind webserver then the time limit is 30 days plus 1 day per move made, and this is maintained by the web server along with holiday leave etc. and it doesn't allow any leeway so if you break the time limit you lose!

Please try to complete your games by 31<sup>st</sup> July as it does ease our administration. It will help me in the event of tie breaks being needed if you tell me whether you were playing White or Black along with each result. If you cannot then a game may be submitted for adjudication but there is a charge for this for us to have access to the BFCC adjudication panel.

# CCCC DIVISIONS 2016 / 2017

Titles are omitted in this list to ensure that everyone fits on one line (everyone is at least The Rev'd.). If the POST TOWN is in upper case and the postcode is used there is no need to state the County. That is if anyone addresses letters anymore!

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David Lowe, 21 Firebrass Lane, Sutton Heath, WOODBRIDGE. IP12 3TS. 01394 421722

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Stanley Hall, 43 Glen Grove, ROYTON. OL2 5SY. 0161 628 6103  
Richard Cleaves, Highbury Manse, 17 Carlton Street, CHELTENHAM. GL52 6AG. 01242 522050  
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David Nye, 3, Blackberry Field, Prestbury, CHELTENHAM. GL52 5LT. 01242 268964  
Nick Procter, 23 Regents Way, Euxton, CHORLEY. PR7 6PG. 01257 241927

## DIVISION 3

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Michael Thistlewood, 44 Blackhall Croft, Blackhall Road, KENDAL. LA9 4UU. 01539 739677  
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# CCCC Fixture List 2016 / 2017

Players are free to start their games as soon as they receive this magazine, and there is nothing to stop you playing all your games simultaneously as has traditionally been done. However the quality of play may be improved if games are staggered so that we are not playing 8 games at once (in addition to any others we might be playing).

If you are playing by post you must start all games as soon as possible and at least by October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are transmitting your moves by phone or email you can stagger the start of your games according to the table below, and if you are playing on the Scheming Mind webserver where the time limit is strictly enforced you can stagger them even further. Since playing time on Scheming Mind starts as soon as you begin a game, this must now apply to all our games.

In the list the player to the left of the 'v' plays White in Game 1 and is responsible for starting the games. When reporting results please let me know whether you were white or black in case of tie breaks later on.

Divisions 2 & 3 have only 3 Rounds, but they are designated Rounds 1,3,5 so that starting dates can be staggered.

<u>Rounds</u>	<u>Scheming Mind</u>	<u>Phone or email</u>	<u>Post</u>
1 & 2	October 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>
3	November 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>
4	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	November 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>
5	January 1 <sup>st</sup>	November 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1 <sup>st</sup>

## Division 1

Round 1	Stevenson	v	Hulme	Smith	v	Lowe
Round 2	Carlin	v	Smith	Lowe	v	Stevenson
Round 3	Lowe	v	Hulme	Carlin	v	Stevenson
Round 4	Stevenson	v	Smith	Hulme	v	Carlin
Round 5	Carlin	v	Lowe	Smith	v	Hulme

## Division 2A

Round 1	Hall	v	Yates	Cleaves	v	Loxton
Round 3	Hall	v	Loxton	Cleaves	v	Yates
Round 5	Loxton	v	Yates	Hall	v	Cleaves

## Division 2B

Round 1	Williamson	v	Batty	Nye	v	Procter
Round 3	Batty	v	Procter	Nye	v	Williamson
Round 5	Procter	v	Williamson	Batty	v	Nye

## Division 3

Round 1	Partridge	v	Thistlewood
Round 3	Joy	v	Partridge
Round 5	Thistlewood	v	Joy

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## e-mail addresses & Scheming Mind aliases

This list has the email addresses of all members who have advised me of them. Please do make sure you inform me if you change your email address.

It also includes aliases for those who have joined the Scheming Mind web site. If you wish to play your games using the Scheming Mind webserver then the player who is white should challenge the player who is black. If your opponent has restricted the number of games he is willing to play you may initially be refused, but the best solution is for each of us to create a 'buddy list' and add the other CCCC members to this and then allow challenges from anyone on your buddy list.

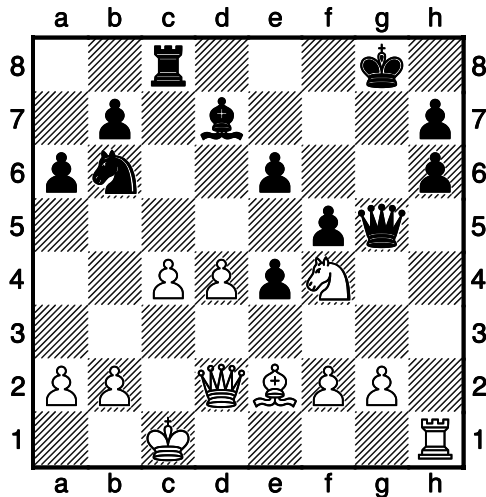
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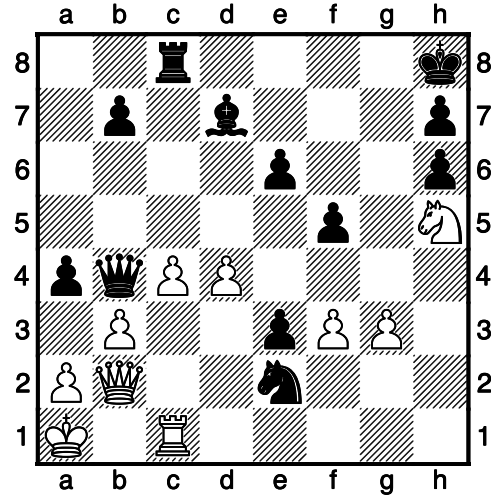
## Andrew Yates – David Lowe [D00]

Division 2 – 2014-2015

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6  
 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 Ne4 6.Bxe7  
 Qxe7 7.Nxe4 dxe4 8.Qc2 0-0  
 9.0-0-0 f5 10.h4 Nd7 11.Ne2  
 c5 12.Nf4 a6 13.h5 cxd4  
 14.exd4 Qg5 15.Qd2 Rf6  
 16.Rh3 Nb6 17.Be2 Bd7  
 18.Rdh1 Rc8 19.h6 Rxh6  
 20.Rxh6 gxh6



21.b3 a5 22.Rh3 Kh8 23.g3  
 Qg7 24.f3 Nd5 25.Nh5 e3  
 26.Qb2 Qe7 27.Kb1 Qb4  
 28.Rh1 Nc3+ 29.Ka1 a4  
 30.Rc1 Nxe2



31.d5+ Nc3 32.dxe6 Bxe6  
 33.Qxc3+ Qxc3+ 34.Rxc3 e2  
 35.Re3 Rd8 36.Rxe2 a3  
 37.Kb1 Bf7 38.g4 ffg4  
 39.fgg4 Re8 40.Rf2 Bxh5  
 41.gxh5 Kg7 42.Kc2 Rf8  
 43.Rxf8 Kxf8 44.Kd3 Ke7  
 45.Ke4 Ke6 46.b4 b5  
 47.cxb5 Kd7 48.Kd3 Kc7  
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 51.Kxa3 Kb6 52.Kb3 Kxb5  
 53.a4+ Ka6 54.Kc4

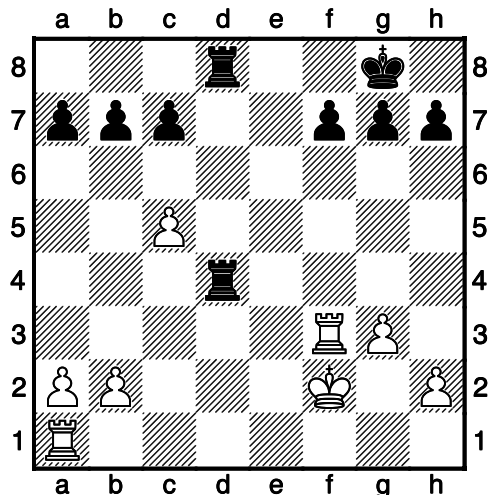
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Andrew said that he had to be careful to avoid a stalemate. He enjoyed the game very much because of the cut and thrust of the middle game, which gave him a lot to think about. He thanked David for the intellectual challenge.

**Tim Partridge – David  
Lowe [D30]**

Division 2b – 2015-2016

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6  
4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 Ne4 6.Bxe7  
Qxe7 7.Nxe4 dxe4 8.c5 0-0  
9.Ne2 e5 10.g3 exd4 11.exd4  
Nc6 12.Bg2 Bg4 13.0-0 Rad8  
14.f3 exf3 15.Bxf3 Qe3+  
16.Kg2 Bxf3+ 17.Rxf3 Qe4  
18.Qd3 Rfe8 19.Kf2 Nxd4  
20.Qxe4 Rxe4 21.Nxd4  
Rexd4



22.Rb1 Rd1 23.Rxd1 Rxd1  
24.Rb3 b6 25.cxb6 axb6  
26.Rc3 Rd2+ 27.Kg1 Rd7  
28.b3 Kf8 29.Rc2 Ke7  
30.Kg2 Kd6 31.Kf3 c5 32.a4  
Kc6 33.Ke4 Rd5 34.b4 Rd4+  
35.Ke5 Rxb4 36.a5 bxa5  
37.Rd2 Rd4 38.Rf2 Rd5+  
39.Ke4 f5+ 40.Kf4 c4 41.h4  
Kc5 42.Ra2 Kb4 43.Re2 c3

44.g4 Rc5 45.Re1 c2 46.Rc1  
Kb3 47.gxf5 Kb2

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**Nick Procter – David  
Lowe [A06]**

Division 2b – 2015-2016

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 c5 3.Bg2 Nc6  
4.d3 e6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.Nc3 Be7  
7.d4 0-0 8.Qd3 c4 9.Qd2 Qa5  
10.a3 Bb4 11.Ra2 Ne4  
12.Qe3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Bxc3  
14.Bd2 Bxd2 15.Nxd2 b5  
16.c3 Re8 17.Nf3 f6 18.h4  
Qc7 19.Rb1 a6 20.Qf4 e5  
21.Qd2 e4 22.Qe3 Bf5  
23.Nh2 Qa5 24.Qd2 Kh8  
25.e3 Qc7 26.Qd1 Rab8  
27.Rab2 Qa5 28.Rc2 Rb6  
29.Ra1 Reb8 30.g4 Bd7  
31.g5 Ne7 32.gxf6 Rxf6 33.f4  
Qa4 34.Bf1 Rh6 35.h5 Rxh5  
36.Raa2 Rh4 37.Be2 Bh3  
38.Bg4 Bxg4 39.Nxg4 Nf5  
40.Qe2 Ng3 41.Qf2 Rxc4  
42.Kh2 Rb6 43.f5 Rh6+  
44.Kg2 Nh1+ 45.Kf1 Nxf2  
46.Rc1 Rh1+

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## Subscriptions

Life membership £ 75.50  
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Current Membership Year : October 2016 to September 2017

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