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Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron

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Upcoming Events:

Monday, January 6, 1900
CLSPS ExComm Mtg
Christ Episcopal Church Library in the
Parish Hall Bldg
Pre-Dinner: Morgans, 1730

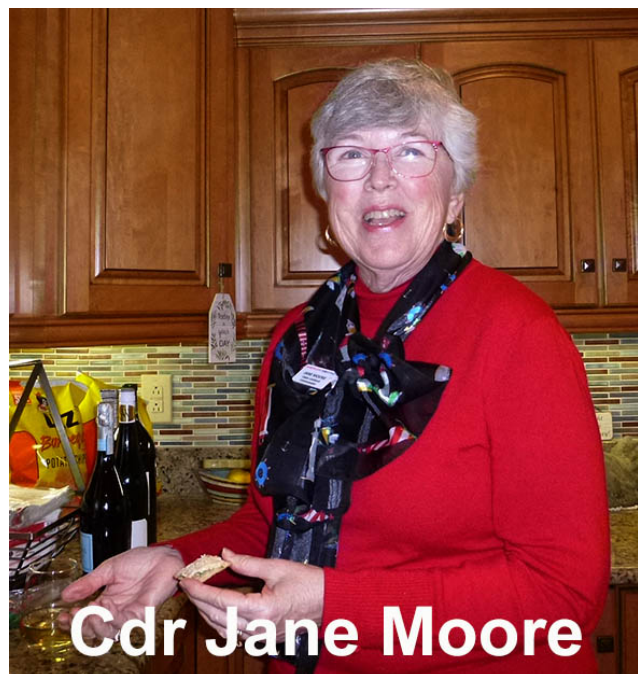
Saturday, January 11
D27 Winter Training
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Cary, NC

Monday, January 20
CLSPS Annual Dinner Meeting
The Chelsea Restaurant
1700 — Social Hour, 1800 — Dinner,
1900 — Meeting

Sunday-Sunday, February 9-16
**USPS/America's Boating Club
Annual Meeting,**
Sawgrass Marriott
Ponte Vedra, FL

Saturday, February 29
CLSPS Change of Watch
New Bern Country Club

CDR Jane Moore at the Holiday Pot Luck Party at Ray and Linda Whitley's Home



Cdr Jane Moore

All Pot Luck photos in this issue are courtesy of June Reasons

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Our Holiday potluck at Linda and Ray Whitley's was a fun-filled evening with a delicious dinner, desserts, fun and games. We watched the full moon rise over the Neuse River, a beautiful sight. Thank you, Linda and Ray, for hosting and welcoming the squadron members to your home.

As we wrap up another Squadron year, we are thankful for the members who have volunteered their time and expertise to further the mission of Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons®, America's Boating Club®. Those members who earned a merit mark for 2019 are: Lydia Ash, William Ash, Daniel Cashman, James Dugan, Glover Ellis Jr., Richard Ewan, Wayne Fretwell, Kyle Hale, Tandy Hale, Elaine Lechner, Larry Lovvorn, Paul Manganaro, Michael McCulley, Jane Moore, Lloyd Moore, Donald Oltz, June Reasons, Van Allen Rice, Owen Smith, Robert Stammerjohn, Jim Starr, Sherrie Starr, Dianna Thompson, Robert Thompson, Richard Tobacco, Marty Warner, Linda Whitley, Raymond Whitley. Thank you for all you do.

Looking ahead to 2020, at our annual meeting on 20 January 2020, Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron will celebrate our 60th anniversary. Eleven men were instrumental in forming the Squadron on January 16, 1960. Cape Lookout was sponsored by the Cape Fear Power Squadron. Our Squadron pennant was designed by one of the original eleven men, W.E. Larson. The alternate blue and white stripes in our pennant are taken from the USPS Ensign. The black diamond is the symbol for Cape Lookout Lighthouse, from which we derive our name. The star represents the North Star, which seamen have used for centuries to steer a straight course by. The red surrounding the star represents courage to always do the right thing. The white field around the black diamond stands for

honor. The eleven color variations in the pennant represent the eleven men in the original group who founded Cape Lookout Power Squadron. In 1998, approval was granted by National to change our name to Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron. During the past two years with the approval of the Executive Committee and recommendation from National, we have been transitioning to America's Boating Club® New Bern, Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron, District 27.

District 27 will be hosting a winter training session from 0830 to 1430 on 11 January 2020 at the Resurrection Lutheran Church School in Cary, NC. Sessions will include: Presentations, Wow!, Commanders, Executive officers, Administrative officers, Educational officers, Coop-Charting-Nautical and Geodetic, Secretaries, Treasurers, Marketing your Squadron; Learn, Engage, Connect with Social Media. All Squadron members are welcome to attend. The registration is on District 27 website - <https://uspsd27.org/>. Please register prior to 3 January 2020 if you would like to attend.

Lloyd and I extend our best wishes for the holiday season and good health and happiness in the New Year.

Executive Officer

Lt/C Wayne Fretwell, P



Holiday Greetings to all and best wishes for a New Year full of Joy.

There is nothing upcoming on the external agenda so I am looking forward to the future of CLSPS. Our January 20 meeting is our annual meeting when officers for the new year will be elected and they will be installed February 29 at our Change of Watch. At the current time, these may be non-events as the nominating committee has yet been able to get a slate of officers.

I was hoping to be able to fill a position for the coming year based on my stimulator trial which essentially eliminated my back pain. However, when the permanent stimulator was implanted not only did I not get any relief but at the current time my pain level is worse than before which means that I cannot stand or walk much more than a minute. I am working with the manufacture to get the stimulator programed for better results. My adjustment was hampered by the fact that during the implant surgery my left eye (the only one in which I have good vision) was seriously abraded and I

picked up a C Diff infection, so for over a month I was recovering from those so I could not seriously test the stimulator.

For those of you who are able and have not served as an officer, I am asking that you volunteer for a position on the board or executive committee by contacting any current officer or the Nominating Committee chairman, Bill Ash at:

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Administrative Officer

Lt/C Lloyd Moore, JN



A big thank you to Ray and Linda Whitley for hosting the wonderful Holiday pot-luck party. The food and fellowship was wonderful.

Our Annual meeting will be at the Chelsea Restaurant on January 20, 2020. The menu has not been determined as I write this, so the reservation form will be included in the January Outlook, or sent out as soon as I receive it.

The District 27 Winter Training session will be held on January 11, 2020 in Resurrection Church/School in Cary, NC. You can find the reservation form and agenda in the Calendar section of the D/27 web site, uspsd27.org.

I hope everyone has a healthy and happy holiday season and a Happy New Year.

The Outlook and other great information are available at the CLSPS website:

<http://www.clsps.org>

Vessel Safety Check program



The season for VSE has closed for this year in so far as reporting our vessel examinations are concerned. The new stickers should be available soon after the first of the year, so please keep that in mind and let one of our examiners know when you would like to have your vessel checked.

For 2019, our examiners set a new record for our squadron by completing 463 vessel safety checks. That is 22 more than we did last year and something the squadron should be proud of, especially considering we only have 8 certified examiners. It is my understanding that the Cape Fear Squadron beat us out for having the most examinations completed by just a few, and they have 25 examiners. We would like to have more examiners,

not to beat Cape Fear, but to provide better safety service to our boating community.

Being an examiner does not take much time, and I personally enjoy going aboard boats I have never seen before and talking with the skippers. Always hear some interesting sea stories. If you have an interest in becoming a Vessel Safety Examiner, let me know and we will arrange for a training session. It only takes a day, and we have an open book exam.

Hope you all have a safe and joyous holiday season. The new boating season is just around the corner.

Owen Smith

Happy Birthday to the
Following Members



December

Moore, Lloyd A. — 1 Dec
Daugherty, Mary A. — 6 Dec
Skrotsky, Christine — 6 Dec
Starr, Sherrie — 6 Dec
Rice, Van Allen — 22 Dec
Hale, Tandy L. — 29 Dec

Booster Club

Only a small portion (about \$17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. Money collected from our members helps defray the cost of our Dinner Meeting speakers. We need help keeping our books in the Black. Please contribute to the Booster Club. Any amount is helpful, but \$10 per person is a suggested amount.

CLSPS 2019 Booster Club Members

Lloyd & Jane Moore
Marty & Tiki Warner
Ray & Linda Whitley
Owen & Carolyn Smith
Jim & Sherrie Starr
Bud & Beverly Ellis
Dick & Catherine Ewan
June Reasons
Wayne Fretwell & Elaine
Lechner
Bill Ash

**BITTS is the newsletter for District 27 The BITTS is usually published quarterly,
and is loaded with information about our District**

<http://www.uspsd27.org/newsletter.htm>

Slate of Officers for 2020

Commander	Jane Moore
Executive Officer	Lloyd Moore
Admin Officer	TBD
Secretary	Linda Whitley
Ass't Secretary	Marty Warner
Treasurer	Ray Whitley
Ass't Treasurer	Richard Ewan
Education Officer	Bud Ellis

Executive Committee

John Kwak
Bob Burget
June Reasons
Marty Warner
Elaine Lechner
Jim Starr

As you can see we're still looking for an Administrative Officer. Please let June Reasons or Bill Ash know if you are interested. It's a great way to get to know and work with other members of the squadron!

Merit Marks for 2019

June Reasons

I am pleased to announce that 28 of our members received a Merit Mark for 2019. A merit mark is the only "pay" our members receive for keeping our organization alive. By going the extra mile doing things for the benefit of our Squadron and our community. A big THANK YOU to all of you.

Of these 28 there are two of very special note. Newly transferred Robert Stammerjohn received his 25th mark making him a life member. And Captain Horatio Hornblower himself (AKA William J.-Bill-Ash) has attained 50 marks and is now a MEMBER EMITERIUS! Good Work, fellow members!

William Ash	Lydia Ash
Daniel Cashman	James Dugan
Glover Ellis	Richard Ewan
Wayne Fretwell	Kyle Hale
Tandy Hale	Elaine Lechner
Larry Lovvorn	Paul Manganaro
Michael McCulley	Jane Moore
Lloyd Moore	Donald Oltz
June Reasons	Van Allen Rice
Owen Smith	Sherrie Starr
Robert Stammerjohn	Jim Starr
Diana Thompson	Robert Thompson
Richard Tobacco	Roger Warner
Linda Whitley	Raymond Whitley

Sunshine Lady

Lt/C Linda Whitley



Sympathy card to the
Stammerjohn Family (death of
Robert's wife, Joan)

Get well card to Sherrie Starr

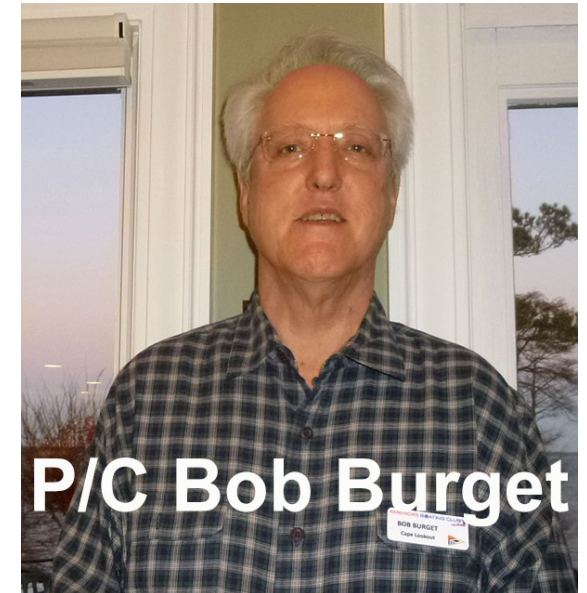
Get well card to John Kwak



SPV Star Flyer in Las Palmas de
Grand Canaria, Canary Islands

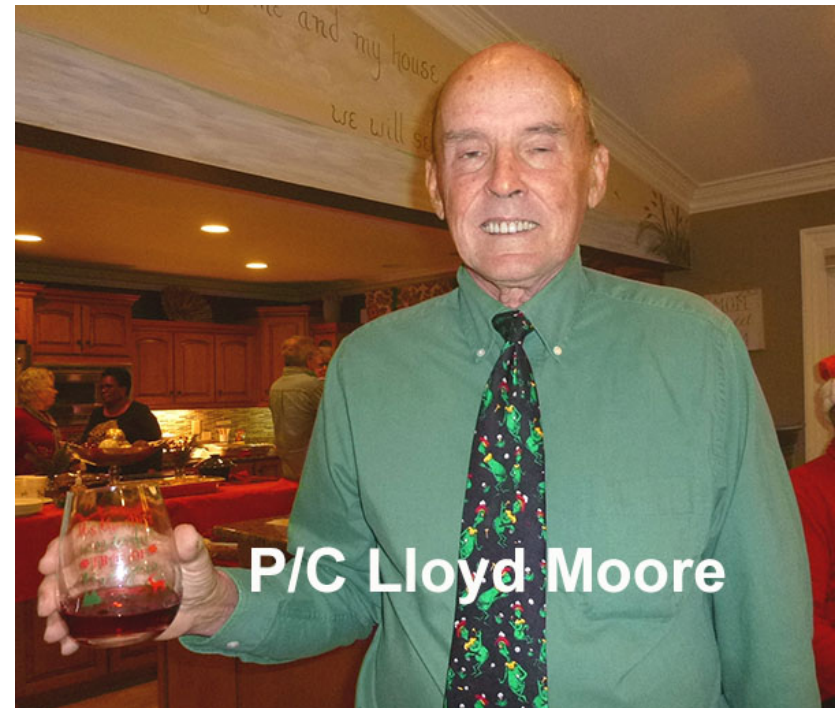
Photo: Marty Warner

Holiday Pot Luck Party at Ray and Linda Whitley's Home
Photos by June Reasons





**Bill Gewain &
Owen Smith**



P/C Lloyd Moore



Marty & Tiki Warner



**Bill Gewain,
Carolyn Smith
Linda Tobacco**

**P/C William J. Ash,
SN, H**



CAN WE LEARN FROM THE ELVES?

**P/C WILLIAM J. ASH, ANNALEE
M. ASH, LYDIA A, ASH**

After one quarter of a century, as a resident of Trent Woods, I believe I am qualified, and to be allowed to make judgments regarding southern factors of life, including the weather. I want you to know it takes courage for a northern man to speak about things southern when his early years were spent living and working in the Empire State, West Virginia, Germany, India, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. I chose to live my final years in the land of southern men and southern Belles and I've seen a lot of weather. So the other day, with Horatio having to spend full time administrating aboard H.M.S. Lydia and having my experienced and highly educated daughters living with me on Canterbury, I decided we three take a breather from the hectic pace we were experiencing and do very little after the Thanksgiving celebration. What a joke!

Lydia has not stopped to rest from her position with the Literacy Council and Annalee is a blur of activity, going every which way, while I plot my next

move which includes two recliner chairs, one upstairs and one down. So, the other day I decided to take the local newspaper with me into my command post, upstairs, to read the politics of the week. With me was Poppy, Lydia's faithful dog and Muenchen a very loveable cat who outran Poppy for a spot on my lap. The other cat, Heidi, remains outside or in the garage because of problems associated with kidneys, urethras, bladder and ureter, etc. You get the picture.

It wasn't long before it began to rain. The wind picked up, the temperature began dropping and I figured we were in for a winter storm. Thunder clapped, the sky got darker and I'd had enough of the political scene. Slowly I began to feel sleepy; I closed my eyes and eventually drifted off to the world of dreams and perhaps messages that mean something. 'Poof,' there I was, up in a cloud, an enormous cumulonimbus beauty. Thunder surprised me, it's December and thunder is very unusual at this time of the year. Ah, but it is the South. I took care to stay out of harms (thunder) way by taking cover in an alpine-like cottage in which there seemed to be a bit of activity. "What are you doing in here?" sounded a voice, off to my port quarter. Startled, I turned to see what looked to be an elf, a small individual and I knew not whether it be a man, woman or child.

"I guess you may say I am lost. I thought I'd fallen asleep and woke to

find me just outside your cottage. With the impending storm I took the chance of finding shelter within. I suppose I should have knocked. Who are you? You look to be a very busy person, seemingly doing seven things at once. And, where am I?"

"I'll try to answer your questions, not in the order in which they were asked, which I hope won't rattle you. Where are you? Well, I can state, without any qualifications, you are in an elf lodge owned by my boss, that fellow you can see just inside the door over there. I'll introduce you to him in a moment. Next, who am I? I, good Sir, am the Exec to the fellow to whom you are about to be introduced. He is extremely busy, so don't plan on a lengthy discussion with him; in fact, let's go in and try to see him now."

As we approached the opening to the adjacent room I noticed it was filled to the ceiling with wrapping paper and numerous work benches stacked with toys of too many types to describe. I braked my heels into the timbered floor when I saw the boss. He was the man about whom the Night Before Christmas was all about. It was Santa Claus or Saint Nicholas. "Santa," I exclaimed, "I recognize you, bowl full of jelly and all that. You seem to be quite busy. Is there some way I might be of assistance?"

"My heavens, and I recognize you. You are Past Commander W. J. Ash SN of the Peconic Bay Sail and Power

Squadron. I remember you as an infant when I brought you your first Christmas gifts, a 'Mickey Mouse' doll and another doll named 'Jocko,' a monkey. You were almost two months of age. I've often thought about them. Too bad they wear out and get pitched, but that is the way life is in this world." I was flabbergasted. He remembered me from when I was a bitty thing, and when I became a Past Commander in 1988. Our conversation was extremely pleasant. I brought him up to date on my transfer to Cape Lookout and a tear came to his eye when I told him Mickey and Jocko stand, today, on a chest in my bedroom. He apologized for not bringing his books up to date but related that help is hard to find.

Santa went on to explain that he may have to end his travels and gift giving if he fails to find help. He admitted young elves are hard to find and many of those already on board may not have had sufficient opportunity to gain experience to move upward in Elfland. Yes, he definitely needs more elves. Perhaps better advertising, for interested elves, in the Cumulonimbus Gazette would help. Moreover, he would have to select, from the legions of those who would wish to work with him, those elves who truly want to work to benefit Elfland. It

will not be easy and will take a bit of time, but unless he makes the right move now he may have to walk away from his cottage, and that's not good.

Ooof, a loud ringing in my ear brought me to my senses with a start. Oh my, it's the house phone ringing. "Hello, this is Bill Ash..... No, I don't wish to give to the United Assembly of Zipper Designers. Nope....Nope....I said I do not wish to contribute to this organization . NO, NO, THAT'S IT." When will they stop? Well, I was awake now and reflecting on the dream I'd just experienced. I wondered where it originated. And, why did I dream as such? Oh, I think I know. It may have its origin in a real life situation I experienced just recently. Cape Lookout needs more elves digging into what USPS is all about. It is an educational organization, the largest of its kind in the world. Elves may study classroom style or they may study by themselves. The subject matter is nautical; golly, who would have thought? They must choose to engage in serious study. Passing a course will give much satisfaction and, in some cases, lead to a higher rank in USPS. I happen to be an elf who has taken and passed every subject given by the organization. I'm proud to have staggered through JN and

N; they were my graduate courses; believe me when I say they required lots of study, but I came out of this with the grade of SN, Senior Navigator. I earned this and nobody can take it away from me. I'm a proud little elf, believe me. I dream the Squadron members will follow through and show more 'spizzerinctum' with the learning part of USPS. And, at the same time recognize it takes a bunch of elves to run the organization. Give it a try! Crimey, I've gone far enough with all of this here in our little Elfland and now, Annalee and Lydia join me in wishing 'Yawl' a "Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed New Year, 2020."

For tons of information about what's going on in our own District 27, take a look at their website.

District 27 of the United States Power Squadrons: <http://www.uspsd27.org/>

Ships Store

Lt Tandy Hale, P



I NEED YOUR HELP: I have been authorized by the Executive Committee to slash prices on some of our older inventory, those items with the “old” USPS logo must go in order to make room for merchandise with the new logo.

This means that **any shirt in** stock that says 50th Anniversary or has the old logo will sell for half price. That’s 50% off the regular prices as shown below **for knit shirts and denim shirts**. Get them while they last!

Knit Shirts: Ladies and men's short sleeve knit shirts were \$30.00 - **NOW** \$15. Sizes 2X and 3X sell for \$33.00 - **NOW** \$16.50

They are available in red, white, navy, and other colors by request.

Sizes: Ladies: S, M, L, XL, 2X, and 3X.
Men's: S, M, L, XL, 2X and 3X.

Denim Shirts: Denim cloth shirts come in both short and long sleeves.

They are all priced at \$25.00 – **NOW** 1/2 off = \$12.50 each. Available sizes--same as above.

Squadron Burgee sells for \$25.00.

Pennant magnets are priced at \$5. They can be placed on your vehicle, refrigerator, or potentially anywhere!

Hats and Visors are **ONLY** \$10.

Fleece jackets: Men and Women—sizes: S, M, L, and XL sell for \$42.00 - **NOW** \$21.00; XXL = \$45.00 - **NOW** \$22.50.

Fleece Vest: We have navy, but other colors can be ordered.

Sizes: S, M, L, and XL (Ladies and Men's) sell for \$36.00 - **NOW** \$18. XXL = \$40.00 - **NOW** \$20.

You can contact me at 252-259-0468 (please leave a message if no answer), or email me at tandy.l.hale@gmail.com.



Ed Gagnon with Tiki Warner on our Atlantic Crossing. *Marty Warner*

June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



If you've ever worked for a boss who reacts before getting the facts and thinking things through, you will love this.

Arcelor-Mittal Steel, feeling it was time for a shakeup, hired a new CEO. The new boss was determined to rid the company of all slackers.

On a tour of the facilities, the CEO noticed a guy leaning against a wall. The room was full of workers and he wanted to let them know that he meant business.

He asked the guy, "How much money do you make a week?"

A little surprised, the young man looked at him and said, "I make \$400 a week. Why?"

The CEO said, "Wait right here." He walked back to his office, came back in two minutes, and handed the guy \$1,600 in cash and said, "Here's four weeks' pay. Now GET OUT and don't come back."

Feeling pretty good about himself, the CEO looked around the room and asked, "Does anyone know what that goof-ball did here?"

From across the room a voice said, "Pizza delivery guy from Domino's."

BOAT GEAR FOR SALE

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1. 10' West Marine RIB. Comes with chaps, oars, pump, anchor, and additional weather cover with frame. Photos available on request.
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2. Evinrude 15hp 2 stroke engine. 2 fuel tanks, fresh water flush muffers
\$600
Both RIB and engine: \$1200
3. Natures Head. Like new with spare urine bottle, several blocks of composting material. Two new ventilating fans, ventilating hose, SS deck vent
New: \$1,100 \$600
4. Super Max 15 Anchor (33lbs) with 40' chain. Anchor alone new is \$489 New condition
\$350
5. Coleman DC refrigerator/freezer. Like new condition. New: \$489
\$300
6. Cobra HH350 floating/submersible Handheld VHF radio w/charger. New condition. New: \$115
\$75
7. Gaff hook, stainless \$25
8. Marinco Pigtail adapter, 50a 110v male to 30a 110v female. New condition \$125
9. Marinco Pigtail adapter, 30a 110v male to 110v female,
New condition 50

10. West Marine 50' 30a shore power cord Used, but good cond.
\$50
11. Jack Lines (2) for 36' boat \$25
12. Tether for sailing inflatable PFD
New: \$125 \$75
13. Manual bilge pump \$15
14. Several hatch screens including companionway all in cases
\$50
15. Oil change system, used, excellent condition \$20
16. Several PFDs (3 vest like new) several horse collar type, 2 child
\$50
17. Jabsco service kit for macerator model # 18598-1000 (new)
\$40

Contact: Owen Smith
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The only other vessel we saw on our West-Bound Atlantic Crossing was this oil rig being towed by a tug headed for Africa



photo by Marty Warner

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