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A 3G pitch is a god send when the fixtures come thick and fast



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*“Our biggest challenge, starting today, is about falling on the right side of the small margins...”*

# Ben Franks

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to everyone joining us for today's game. We come into this match after a turbulent Bank Holiday weekend that offered the best and worst of us across the two games. Saturday's first away game at Sheppey United is one we would all like to move on from quickly, and we were largely successful in that on Monday, aside from a mad six minutes. A steady start of four points from our first three games - whilst under our target - leaves us in relatively good health at this early stage before a busy September and the start of the Velocity and FA Trophy competitions. Four points could easily have been six following the home fixture against East Grinstead. We looked good value for large periods of the game but the short spells when we let opposition teams score form a troubling trend, albeit one that's not all that unexpected when building a new group. We've challenged the group this week to be more assertive at stunting our opponents' momentum. Given the low scoring nature of football, the swing of momentum can be a significant indicator on the outcome of a game. As we've seen recently, we have been able to ride out large spells of pressure, but have not been successful at grabbing the game round the neck and pulling it back in our favour. Our biggest challenge, starting today, will be about falling on the right side of the small margins, and turning some of the performances we've had in spells into a more consistent outcome. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all those connected with Beckenham Town. They've had a strong start to the campaign, and have certainly taken some teams by surprise with their early performances. Hopefully we'll be on the right side of an entertaining spectacle this afternoon.

**Ben Franks**

# The Paul Lansdale column

Good afternoon to you all - and welcome to everyone connected with Beckenham Town for this Pitching In Isthmian South East fixture. We offer the same to the three match officials appointed. The game has been brought forward from its original date in early November after both clubs exited the FA Cup a fortnight ago. In fact this is the first of three meetings between us in the next month - with the league return due in a couple of weeks, ahead of the Kent Senior Cup tie here 15 days later. The schedule is relentless and with the Velocity Trophy tie against Phoenix Sports to come next Wednesday, followed by the FA

Trophy tie against Harrow Borough, it's an opportunity to reflect on the benefits of our 3G pitch. Others have followed, with our league rivals Three Bridges the latest to invest. They are ground-sharing at Chatham, until it's ready. Ours passed the annual FIFA check in the summer with flying colours, and with the care and attention afforded to it, it looks as good now as it did on day one. It took a real soaking from the rain last weekend but is ready for a busy week ahead as we head into September. Enjoy the game - and I wish everybody a safe journey home later  
**Paul**



***“The schedule is relentless and it’s an opportunity to reflect on the benefits of our 3G pitch ... ours looks as good as it did on day one.”***

# Oaks on the Radio

West Kent Radio are featuring Sevenoaks Town on their Saturday afternoon sports programme. The show runs from 2pm to 6pm and includes three reports - preview, half-time and full time on all the club's matches, as well as midweek matches in breakfast sports bulletins the following morning. The station is broadcast on 95.5, 106.7 and 107.2 and is available on online, on smart speakers and app, which has been launched recently.



**Good luck to all the teams this season!**

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# Isthmian Round-up

## Saturday 24th August 2024

<b>Beckenham Town</b> Brissett 15, 49, 77, Theophanous 62	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hythe Town</b> Chapman 5, 58, Munday	<b>299</b>
<b>Broadbridge Heath</b> Hay 82 45	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Deal Town</b> Chapman 5, 58, Munday	<b>89</b>
<b>Merstham</b> Lewis 26	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Eastbourne Town</b> Ding 14, 42, Greig 23	<b>333</b>
<b>Phoenix Sports</b> Thomas 73, 77	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Three Bridges</b> Romain 30, 43	<b>71</b>
<b>Ramsgate</b> Bioletti 2, Carlse 47, Taylor 49, Jadama 74	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Sittingbourne</b> Howard 6, May 14	<b>671</b>
<b>Sheppey United</b> Lambert 22, Diallo 39, Itauma 88	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Sevenoaks Town</b> Mfula 90+3	<b>352</b>

## Monday 26th August 2024

<b>AFC Croydon Athletic</b> Savage 90+6	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Beckenham Town</b> Holland 69	<b>205</b>
<b>Deal Town</b> Chapman 23, Chapman 56	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Ramsgate</b> Taylor 45+3 pen, 70, 90+2, Jadama 51	<b>1,985</b>
<b>Eastbourne Town</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Burgess Hill Town</b> Perry 13, 57, Brewer 85	<b>304</b>
<b>Erith Town</b> Taylor 33, Milton 63	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Phoenix Sports</b>	<b>270</b>
<b>Hythe Town</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Sheppey United</b> Carvalho 21, Carr 35, 75, Moumi Goueth 89	<b>402</b>
<b>Margate</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Herne Bay</b>	<b>787</b>
<b>Sevenoaks Town</b> Mfula 30, Eruotor 57	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>East Grinstead Town</b> Harris 70, Daniel 76	<b>107</b>
<b>Sittingbourne</b> Howard 62, May 74, Beckford 86	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Ashford United</b> Collins 19	<b>433</b>
<b>Three Bridges</b> Hallard 10	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Merstham</b> King 13, Greenwood 47, Henry 57	<b>91</b>

## Tuesday 27th August

<b>Steyning Town</b> Rogers 53	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Broadbridge Heath</b> Aubrey 23, Doughy 81	<b>110</b>
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# Isthmian Round-up

## Isthmian South East Division

Sheppey United	3	3	0	0	9	2	+7	9
Ramsgate	3	3	0	0	9	4	+5	9
<b>Beckenham T</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>+6</b>	<b>7</b>
Sittingbourne	3	2	0	1	10	5	+5	6
Deal Town	3	2	0	1	8	6	+2	6
Merstham	3	2	0	1	5	4	+1	6
East Grinstead	3	1	2	0	4	3	+1	5
Erith Town	2	1	1	0	5	3	+2	4
Herne Bay	2	1	1	0	3	2	+1	4
<b>Sevenoaks T</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
Burgess Hill T	2	1	0	1	4	3	+1	3
Margate	3	0	3	0	2	2	0	3
Eastbourne T	3	1	0	2	4	7	-3	3
Broadbridge H	3	1	0	2	3	9	-6	3
Hythe Town	3	1	0	2	2	9	-7	3
Ashford United	3	0	2	1	6	8	-2	2
Croydon Ath	3	0	1	2	2	4	-2	1
Three Bridges	3	0	1	2	4	7	-3	1
Phoenix Sports	3	0	1	2	3	6	-3	1
Littlehampton	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
Lancing	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
Steyning TC	2	0	0	2	1	3	-2	0

Table includes Tuesday's result

## Fixtures

### Saturday 31st August 2024

Ashford United v Littlehampton Town  
 Sevenoaks Town v Beckenham Town  
 Burgess Hill Town v Sittingbourne  
 East Grinstead Town v Deal Town  
 Herne Bay v Three Bridges  
 Lancing v AFC Croydon Athletic  
 Merstham v Erith Town  
 Phoenix Sports v Eastbourne Town  
 Ramsgate v Hythe Town  
 Sheppey United v Steyning Town Community

# Sevenoaks Town

## Fixtures & Results 2024-25

**KEY:**  
 1 = Goal Scored  
 \* Player subbed

■ = Red Card  
 + = Own goal  
 ISE = Isthmian SE

FAC = FA Cup  
 FAT = FA Trophy  
 KSC = Kent Senior Cup  
 TBC = To be confirmed

Wednesday fixtures at  
 7.30pm unless otherwise  
 stated

All Saturday home fixtures  
 kick off at 3pm

	DATE	V OPPONENT	COMP	RES	ATT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub 1	Sub 2	Sub 3	Sub 4	Sub 5
AUG	Sat 3	H Whitstable Town	FAC	2-1	253	Perrin	Sawyer	JHM	Bath	Futa	AM	McLeod	Eruotor 1*	Martin 1*	Efambe*	WHM	Kileba	JA	Divine		
	Sat 10	H Burgess Hill Town	ISE	3-1	129	Perrin	Divine*	Futa	Bath	JHM	AM	McLeod*	Eruotor	Martin	Adesite*	Mfula*	Hagan	Mahoney	JA	Kileba	
	Sat 17	H Leatherhead	FAC	0-2	319	Perrin	Divine*	Gray	JHM	Futa	DD	McLeod	Eruotor*	Martin*	Adesite*	Mfula	Kileba	Hagan	Sarpong	Albangbee	
	Sat 24	A Sheppey United	ISE	1-3	352	Perrin	Divine*	Futa	Bath	JHM ■	McLeod	JA	AM*	WHM	Eruotor 1	Martin*	Sawyer	Efambe	DD		
Mon 26	H East Grinstead	ISE	2-2	107	Perrin	Divine	Sawyer	Bath	JHM	McLeod	JA*	AM*	Eruotor 1*	Adesite	WHM1	DD	Mahoney	Kileba	Gray		
Sat 31	H Beckenham Town	ISE																			
SEPT	Wed 4	H Phoenix Sports	VT																		
	Sat 7	H Harrow Borough	FAT																		
	Tue 10	A Beckenham Town	ISE																		
	Sat 14	H Hythe Town	ISE																		
Sat 21	A Ramsgate	ISE																			
Wed 25	H Beckenham	KSC																			
Sat 28	H Sittingbourne	ISE																			
OCT	Sat 5	H Three Bridges	ISE																		
	Sat 12	A Herne Bay	ISE																		
	Sat 19	H Erith Town	ISE																		
	Sat 26	A Steyning Town	ISE																		
NOV	Sat 2	H Littlehampton T	ISE																		
	Sat 9	A Hythe Town	ISE																		
	Sat 16	H Ramsgate	ISE																		
	Sat 23	A Sittingbourne	ISE																		
Sat 30	H Deal Town	ISE																			
DEC	Sat 7	A Croydon Athletic	ISE																		
	Sat 14	H Eastbourne Town	ISE																		
	Sat 21	A Lancing	ISE																		
	Thu 26	H Merstham	ISE																		
Sat 28	A Burgess Hill Town	ISE																			
JAN	Wed 1	A East Grinstead	ISE																		
	Sat 4	H Phoenix Sports	ISE																		
	Sat 11	A Margate	ISE																		
	Sat 18	H Ashford United	ISE																		
Sat 25	A Deal Town	ISE																			
FEB	Sat 1	H Croydon Athletic	ISE																		
	Sat 8	A Three Bridges	ISE																		
	Sat 15	H Herne Bay	ISE																		
	Sat 22nd	A Erith Town	ISE																		
MAR	Sat 1	H Steyning Town	ISE																		
	Sat 8	A Littlehampton T	ISE																		
	Sat 15	A Eastbourne Town	ISE																		
	Sat 22	H Lancing	ISE																		
Sat 29	A Ashford United	ISE																			
APR	Sat 5	H Margate	ISE																		
	Sat 12	A Phoenix Sports	ISE																		
	Sat 19	H Broadbridge Hth	ISE																		
	Mon 21	A Merstham	ISE																		
Sat 26	H Sheppey United	ISE																			

# The Oaks Report

A disappointing afternoon for Oaks as they slipped to a 3-1 Pitching In Isthmian League South East defeat at Sheppey United.

Trailing 2-0 at half-time at wet and windy Holm Park, they were reduced to 10-men early in the second half when Jahmal Howlett-Mundle was sent off.

They conceded a third late on, before Warren Mfula pulled one back in stoppage-time.

The hosts included two ex-Oaks on the bench - Jordy Ndozid and Dan Carr - the latter having completed a four-match ban, following his sending off against Littlehampton in the final home game of last season.

Oaks made an anxious start - and could have been 2-0 down inside the opening four minutes, Dan Bradshaw miscued wide from six yards, before another home effort was blocked.

Half chances fell at both ends before Jacob Lambert put Sheppey ahead after 22 minutes with a deflected finish. Bradshaw missed out again three minutes later heading in Gil Carvalho's cross from the left only to be flagged offside. Jefferson Albangbee inspired Oaks's two best moments in the space of a minute. He ended a good four-man move shooting just wide of the far post, before his low cross eluded Mfula's run.

Mamadou Diallo doubled Sheppey's lead six minutes before half-time, his corner seeming to bounce off an Oaks player into the net.

Oaks made a double change at half time but their problems increased seven minutes after the break when Howlett-Mundle saw red for a challenge on James Taylor.

Adesite went close just before the hour seeing his shot tipped around the post, and substitute Jack Mahoney's free kick was held by keeper Aiden Prall.

Carr, off the bench, saw his set-up find no team-mate in the box. before Hanson Itauma headed in the third with two minutes left.

Dan Duncanson put another Oaks chance wide before Adesite crossed for Mfula to

score off the far post in almost the last action of the game.

**Sevenoaks Town:** Jordan Perrin, Danny Devine, Salim Futa, Jack Bath, **Jahmal Howlett-Mundle 52**, Sammie McCleod, Jefferson Albangbee, Ayo Majekodunmi, Warren Mfula. Rodney Eruotor, Kiye Martin.

**Substitutes:** Ryan Sawyer (Danny Devine 46 mins, Anthony Adesite (Rodney Eruotor 46 mins), Dan Duncanson (Kiye Martin 56 mins), Will Efembe, (Jefferson Albangbee 70 mins)

**Sheppey United:** Aiden Prall, Joe Ganwa, Lekan Majoyegbe, Hanson Itauma, James Taylor, Danny Leonard, Dan Bradshaw, Jacob Lambert, Gil Carvalho, Eitel Goueth.

**Substitutes:** Jordy Ndozid (James Taylor 55 mins), Dan Carr (Dan Bradshaw 70 mins), Victor Aiyelabola, (Gil Carvalho 70 mins), Josh Wisson (Jacob Lambert 88 mins)

**Referee:** Lee Markwick (Essex)

**HT:** 2-0 (45:17)

**FT:** 3-1 (49:30)

**Attendance:** 352



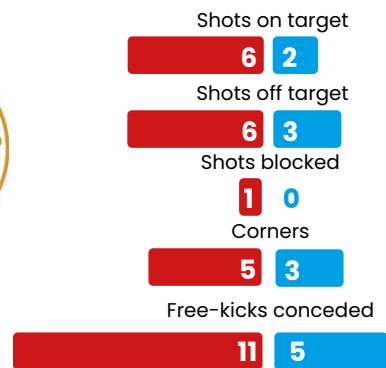
# Sheppey United



## REACTION: MARCEL NIMANI

"It was a tough afternoon for us against one of my old clubs. There was still plenty to take from it. I felt we started very nervy, struggling to make our passes, and they created a couple of early chances based on our mistakes. The two first half goals were disappointing - the first took a deflection and then the second one for a corner - both cheap. No complaints about the result - they deserved to win." On the red card: "No complaints about it - either. it was a red unfortunately, Jahmal won the first tackle, as the ball had rebounded, he has followed it in - there was no intention to harm the Sheppey player."

## Match Stats





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# MAN OF THE MATCH



## West Kent SPORT & WELLBEING

# Man-of-the match



*Sammie McLeod receives the West Kent Sport & Wellbeing man-of-the-match award for his performance against East Grinstead from David White.  
Profile p22*

# The Oaks Report



Visiting keeper Matte Pierson was the difference between an Oaks win and a share of the spoils.

Not for the first time in recent meetings between the two clubs, the East Grinstead stopper starred in the 2-2 Pitching In Isthmian League South East draw on Bank Holiday Monday.

Grinstead included two former Oaks in their starting line up – defenders Matt Weaire and Ricardo Thompson.

Warren Mfula and Rodney Eruotor put Oaks 2-0 up just before the hour, only for Oaks to concede two in five minutes – before home substitutes Dan Duncanson and Gail Kileba had chances to snatch a stoppage-time winner.

Mfula missed out twice – either side of giving Oaks the lead on the hour, converting Jefferson Albangbee's low cross. He fired over the bar, and then drilled another effort from a tight angle just wide of the far post

Eruotor who started the move for the opener added the second himself with a close range finish, before Charlie Harris and sub Matt Daniel levelled things up. Harris rifled home to pull one back with 20 minutes left, before substitute Matthew Daniel made an immediate impact, scoring into an empty net, to set-up a tense finale to an entertaining contest.

Harris crashed another effort against the

crossbar five minutes later, but it was Pierson who frustrated Mfula, denying him twice – one-on-one – early and late in the second half.

He saved from Duncanson as the clock ticked into overtime, before Kileba's strong run into the box ended with his effort deflected for a corner.

#### Sevenoaks Town:

Jordan Perrin, Ryan Sawyer, Danny Divine, Jack Bath, Jahmal Howlett-Mundle, **Sammie McCleod 13**, **Jefferson Albangbee 53**, Ayo Majekodunmi, Warren Mfula, **Rodney Eruotor 17**, Anthony Adesite

#### Substitutes:

Dan Duncanson (Jefferson Albangbee 60 mins), **Jack Mahoney 88** (Rodney Eruotor 71 mins), Oliver Gray (Ayominde Majekodunmi 81 mins, Gael Kileba (Anthony Adesite 80 mins)

#### East Grinstead:

Matte Pierson, Tom Cadman, Alex Andrade-Filipe, **Michael Wilson 77**, Matthew Weaire, Glen Wilson, Ricardo Thompson. Charlie Harris, Camron Lawson, Connor Tighe, Terlochan Singh.

#### Substitutes:

Matthew Daniel (Connor Tighe 62 mins), Oliver Spinks (Terlochan Singh (63 mins), Oluremi Onabanjo (Ricardo Williams 71 mins).

**Referee:** Malcolm Rowling (Essex)

**HT:** 1-0 (46:12)

**FT:** 2-2 (49:18)

**Attendance:** 107

# East Grinstead



#### Reaction: Marcel Nimani:

"It could and should have been so much better, but I think at this stage of the season to focus on what has been positive and productive, rather than the things we need to improve on.

"We need to celebrate the fact there was a bump in the performance from Saturday at Sheppey

"The reason why we didn't win was because we missed four one-on-ones, and three or four other chances.

"The positives were that we so productive, and ultimately it is a solid point against a side who are on a high and unbeaten."

## Match Stats

Shots on target

5 10

Shots off target

4 4

Shots blocked

1 0

Corners

4 5

Free-kicks conceded

15 10



# Beckenham Town: History

The original Beckenham Town were established in the late 19th century, affiliating to the Kent County Football Association in **1887**.

In **1923** the club joined Division One of the London League.

They won Division One in **1927–28** and were promoted to the Premier Division. However, after finishing second-from-bottom in their first season in the Premier Division, they ended the **1929–30** season in last place, and were relegated back to Division One.

The following season saw them finish second in Division One, earning promotion back to the Premier Division. Despite finishing bottom of the Premier Division in **1931–32** they remained in the division, but after repeating the feat in **1932–33**, they were relegated back to Division One.

After finishing bottom of Division One in **1934–35** the club left the league. They had also entered a team into the Kent County Amateur League a few seasons before, and continued playing in the Premier Division of the Western Section until rejoining the London League in **1951**, where they were placed in the Premier Division.

They remained in the London League's Premier Division until joining the Aetolian League in **1961**.

This merged with the London League in **1964** to form the Greater London League, with Beckenham placed in Section B.

A fifth-place finish in the league's inaugural season saw them win a place in the Premier Division for the **1965–66** season. However, after

finishing second-from-bottom of the division that season, they were relegated to Division One. They folded in **1969**.

In **1971** the club was reformed based on the Stanhope Rovers junior team.

After playing in the South East London Amateur League, they joined Division Two of the new London Spartan League in **1975**. After being runners-up in **1977–78**, they were promoted to the Premier Division. In 1982 they transferred to Division One of the Kent League, which became the Premier Division in **1998**.

They finished as runners-up in **2005–06**. The league was subsequently renamed the Southern Counties East League in 2013. The club won both the Kent Senior Trophy and the League Cup in 2013–14, and went on to win the Roy Vinter Shield at the start of the **2014–15** season. In **2019–20** the club were top of the league when the season was abandoned due to the COVID-19 pandemic; this would have been the club's highest finish since reforming in **1971**.

At the end of the **2020–21** season they were transferred to the Premier Division South of the Combined Counties League.

During their first season in the Combined Counties League, Beckenham were Premier Division South champions, earning promotion to the Isthmian League.

In their first season in the Isthmian League the club finished fourth, qualifying for the promotion play-offs. They went on to lose 1–0 to Whitehawk in the semi-finals.



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# Sammie McCleod profile

By Andrew Gidley

**Sammie McCleod hopes playing for Sevenoaks may be a stepping stone back to the Football League.**

**Having missed all of last season because of injury - he is happy to be fit, following his latest long lay-off, back playing and reunited with Marcel Nimani.**

The 24-year-old Tunbridge Wells born midfielder was at Leicester City as a youngster before making his professional debut for Colchester United.

A spell with Portadown in Northern Ireland followed before he headed to Iceland playing for Por Akureri in the north of the country.

He started out in the youth ranks at Maidstone United - and also had spells with Maldon and Tiptree, Concord Rangers, Lewes, Worthing and Bognor Regis where an ACL injury sidelined him for the whole of last season.

The move to Sevenoaks has reunited him with boss Marcel Nimani.

McCleod, MOM in the 2-2 draw against East Grinstead on Bank Holiday Monday said: "Marcel coached me when I was at Tunbridge Wells aged 15/16 and dipping in and out of the first team there.

"I had just got back from the injury, so I contacted him, it all came to fruition, and I am glad to be here.

"I have had my fair share of bad luck with injuries, but I am feeling as good as ever, confident, with nothing to lose, so I am going to throw myself at it, and see where I land up."

He added: "Playing in Portadown was fantastic - it came from a call from an agent who contacted me - and after they looked at clips of me playing for Leicester and Colchester.

"It was a different challenge, away from home, and amazing, I had a great time.

"Then I had an opportunity to go to Iceland, and played a few games out there.

When I came back, I said my goal was to get back into the Football League

"I really want to kick on now and do well for myself -taking it one step at a time though."



# Sevenoaks Town

# Beckenham Town

Jordan Perrin

Sam Freeman

Ryan Sawyer

Freddie Nyhus

Jack Bath

Akheem Belford

Jahmal Howlett-Mundle

Jack Holland

Salim Futa

Thomas Hever

Sammie Mcleod

Robert Carter

Rodney Eruotor

Tyler Anderson

Kiye Martin

Dominic Morgan-Griffiths

William Efambe

Jamarie Brissett

Warren-Hughes Mfula

Isaac Thompson

Ayomide Majekodunmi

Henry Griffin

Danny Divine

Mudiaga Wanogho

Michael Hagan

Bradley Pritchard

Oliver Gray

Lucas Gnekri

Gael Kileba

Nic Taylor

Anthony Adesite

Folarin Awoleke

Emmanuel Oloyede

Steve Townsend

Jefferson Aibangbee

Louie Theophanous

Junior Sarpong

Harry Gamble

England Kurti

Donnell Anderson

Jack Mahoney

Gideon Acheampong

Manager: Marcel Nimani

Manager: Darren Anslow

Colours: Black/blue shirts, black shorts, black socks

Colours: All red



Match Officials:

Referee: Joe Wright

Assistants: Andreas Anastasiou, Adam Shimmin

Next home match:

Velocity Trophy

Sevenoaks Town v Phoenix Sports

Wednesday September 4th, kick-off 7.30pm



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