NAPLES Orchid SOCIETY since 1962

OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Our October monthly meeting
HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Cover Worthy!
Mary Jo Shively's
Ground Orchids

Check out gorgeous
Large Vandas
in this issue!

UPCOMING NOS EVENTS

Next Monthly Meeting
Our monthly meetings have been cancelled for the remainder of 2020.

NOS BOD and Show Committee Meeting
To be announced

Scam Email--UPDATE

*A **scam email** has been received by a number of NOS members.* ***There has been no reported consequences from this scam email.***

*It appears to be **from DICK PIPPEN**, with the **Subject NOS REQUEST**.*

PLEASE DELETE THAT EMAIL.

Do not click REPLY or FORWARD that email.

Contact Veronica Catrombon NaplesOrchidSociety@gmail.com if you have any questions.

President: Richard Pippen
rpippen@comcast.net

Submit articles for the Newsletter by the 15th of each month to: NaplesOrchidSociety@gmail.com

***Newsletter Editors**: Kris Morton, Marilyn Moser, Veronica Catrombon*

The Naples Orchid Society is a non-profit organization, devoted to the promotion of, interest in, and the appreciation of orchids and the preservation of our native orchids. It is also our aim to disseminate information pertaining to their culture and hybridization.
www.NaplesOrchidSociety.org

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dick Pippen
Rpippen@comcast.net

Greetings Orchid Lovers—these are indeed strange times when we are called to use our ingenuity to adapt to new or different ways of doing things instead of face-to-face (or should I say mask-to-mask) meetings. While your Board of Directors has not yet resorted to "Zooming" or other virtual means of communication we have been "meeting by email" and now have some things to report to you.

Dues for 2021—the Board has agreed to reduce the membership fees by 50% for 2021 due to the lack of meetings and other events that cost money. So, an individual member dues will be $20 and a family membership $25. We hope that all of you will stay with us and think positive about the future.

Holiday "Free" Orchid Plant—details are still being worked out but we hope that either around early December or early January we will be able to provide each of our members with the traditional holiday orchid plant. Stay tuned for details.

Election of Officers and Directors for 2021—now bear with me because this gets a little complicated. The Nominating Committee (the three Directors who are not Officers) has prepared a slate of Officers and Directors for 2021 that has been presented to and approved by the Board of Directors. This slate appears elsewhere in this newsletter. Our custom has been to present the slate of officers and directors to the membership at the October meeting and have the official vote at the November meeting. Normally at the November meeting there would also be a call for nominations from the floor. This year the Nominating Committee sent an email "blast" calling for volunteers to serve on the Board. I am interpreting this as a "call for nominations" and since this resulted in no more than one candidate for each position, the slate of officers and directors recommended by the Nominating Committee will constitute the official slate of officers to be voted upon. The slate will appear again in the November Newsletter and afterward an email ballot will be sent to each of the members (and a snail mail ballot for those who do not receive email) for your vote.

Fundamentals of Growing Orchids Class—alas, due to the COVID-19 situation (always we can blame things on that) and other logistical matters there will be no "Culture Class" for 2021. Hopefully in another year we will be able to resume this popular activity.

Events at Naples Botanical Gardens—talks are underway to determine what and how joint events with NOS and NBG will occur in 2021. Stay tuned for more information.

I guess that is about all for now. Nothing "spectacular" in my orchid collection to mention this month, hopefully more next time and in the meantime—stay safe and healthy and keep your orchids happy.

Dick

CARE AND CONCERN:

A get well card was sent to NOS member Lanelle Bishop after her hand surgery.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by Sheila Demkovich

Regions bank checking account balance is $18220.00 as of August 31.

NOS Governance for 2021

The following members have been nominated as the NOS Governing Board for 2021.

This slate will appear again in the November 2020 newsletter (published the last week in October), and an eblast (or paper ballot for those without email) will be sent so that each member can vote in November.

Please direct any questions to Dick Pippen, President, rpippen@comcast.net.

SLATE of OFFICERS for 2021
as recommended by the Nominating Committee

President: Richard Davenport
1st Vice-President: Jim Rawson
2nd Vice-President: Lanelle Bishop (with Carolyn Booker assisting)
Treasurer: Sheila Demkovich
Secretary: Cynthia Bock
Publicity: MaryJo Shively
Newsletter: Kris Morton (& Veronica Catrombon non voting)
Membership Chair: Diana Genotti
1 year Director: Rae Jean Walker
2 year Director: Nancy Kier
3 year Director: Carolyn Booker
AOS Representative: Marilyn Moser
Webmaster: Susan Roehl

Past President: Richard Pippen (non voting)
Education Chairman: Kit Kitchen Maran (non voting)
2021 Orchid Show Chairman: Jim Rawson (non-voting in this position)

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT
Submitted by Veronica Catrombon

Current Members: 185 **New Members for 2020: 41**

Membership dues will be accepted beginning November 1, 2020 for the year 2021. Our Membership year runs from January 1 through December 31.

You may pay by **check** mailed to Naples Orchids Society, PO Box 7998, Naples, FL 34101,
or by **credit card** at https://naplesorchidsociety.org/join-us/

NEW RATES for 2021:Single membership $20, Family membership $25

Question about Membership? Email Veronica at **naplesorchidsociety@gmail.com**

Upcoming Events

AOS PLANT JUDGING

Judging has been suspended until further notice.

Please contact Sandi Block-Brezner for future information.

sblockfl@bellsouth.net Sandi Block-Brezner, Secretary, WPBJC.

Flamingo Gardens
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330
https://www.wpbjc.org/

AOS PLANT JUDGING

October 17, 2020: **(Check with Clair beforehand)**

Florida - Caribbean Judging Center will hold monthly judging on the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Fairchild Tropical Garden, Corbin Bldg., Room A, 10901 Old Cutler Rd., Coral Gables, FL at 12:00 PM.
Send cut flowers to: Woji Klikunas, 11025 SW 154 Ter., Miami, FL 33157
Contact: Claire Sidron, 305-238-8762, cbsidran@bellsouth.net

Visit our Facebook page for more information:
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Mark Your Calendars!

The American Orchid Society's Virtual Silent Auction is coming

Bidding will be open between October 16, 8:00AM EDT - October 22, at 6:00PM EDT
You are invited to attend and participate!

The virtual auction is a new event, part of our upcoming (Virtual) Fall Members meeting that promises to be exciting and fun!

We'll have a multitude of orchids and orchid-themed gifts along with other great items to bid on, just for you!

Proceeds will benefit our key projects that support our education, conservation, and research endeavors.

Details and instructions will be posted at www.AOS.org, our social media, and also included with the upcoming Fall Members meeting information.

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10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Dave & Judy White
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YOUR AOS REP
Marilyn Moser
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AOS WEBINARS – COMING ATTRACTIONS

(registration required: www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx - webinars are available to view at your leisure from the same page if you are not available at that time.*)*

October 06, 2020: ***When***: 8:30 pm EST, Thursday. ***Topic***: Greenhouse Chat (Orchid Q & A) *Send in your questions!* Presenter: Ron McHatton, Chief Education & Science Officer.

October 20, 2020: ***When***: 8:30 pm EST, Thursday. ***Topic***: Understanding How to Care for your *Paphiopedilums.* Presenter: Dave Sorokowsky, Owner Paph Paradise, Awarded grower & AOS judge.

Recorded Webinars at your convenience:
Culture, Judging, Pests & Diseases, Greenhouse Chats indexed by topic. AOS Members, Judges, Concerned Conservationists, Scientists & more.

Webinar announcements pre-posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your affiliated society's newsletter. Send your Greenhouse Chat questions and photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org.

Fall 2020 Virtual Members Meeting Announcement

The AOS 2020 Fall Members Meeting is Going Virtual!

The health and safety of our Members Meeting attendees is our number one priority. After careful consideration, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic's current trajectory, we've made the decision to transition the 2020 Fall Members Meeting to a fully virtual event to be held on October 24th, 2020.

We recognize many members of our community may be reluctant or unable to travel due to institutional mandates and other external factors and this year's virtual event ensures you won't miss out. The event agenda will be posted on our website and will include meeting times for our various committees as well as the virtual auction. You will also receive an email notification of the Meeting of the Members, aka Virtual Town Hall, that will be held at 2:00 PM on October 24th. Keep an eye out for it! Registration will be complimentary.

MORE ORCHID TERMS

From " Orchids" AOS Magazine

- *circumscription* – limit of grouping
- *coriaceous* – leathery
- *hysteranthous* – having leaves emerge after flowers are open
- *phylogeny* – evolutionary history of group of species

OCTOBER--FROM AOS "GROWING ORCHIDS' MONTH-BY-MONTH CHECKLIST

by Robert M. Scully Jr.

Observe the rate at which your plants dry after each watering. With cooler and shorter days, expect a longer term between watering. Watch those plants that have been in the brightest of light through the summer because they are probably going to need some extra watering when first brought in from the outdoors (if necessary.)

FROM MARTIN MOTES SEPTEMBER MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

August started out decidedly on the wet side which was particularly unfortunate in the wake of a very wet July. Thankfully, August has ended on a dry note and overall was drier than normal. This has proved especially beneficial in an overly rainy year.

Our sympodial plants have now come closer to maturing their growths, free from disease before the onset of September's rains. In general disease pressure should be substantially less as the dry conclusion of August has forced the fungi to retreat to spore stages which will need to be reawakened by a period of extended rain.

Although weather patterns have been unusual this year and not nearly so predictable, one can be fairly certain that extensive periods of wet weather will doubtless occur before mid-October. The leg up on disease which we have been given this August needs to be maintained with careful watering practices. It is still very much advised to error on the dry side. Better to lose a little growth than lose a plant to disease. The vigor and frequency of the tropical weather systems developing this year may well be the result of global warming which could extend the reach of the rainy season by an extra week or more, so we need to be especially vigilant. Now is a good time to also cast an eye on any trees or shrubs proximate to the growing area that could be trimmed to increase light and air movement to our plants. This time of year, we can use all the help we can get drying our plants.

Interestingly, the unusually dry weather of the last few weeks has created an opportunity for mites. Mite damage shows up as a silvery, sandblasted appearance usually on the lower side of the leaves. Of the several methods of control outlined in Florida Orchid Growing, soap is best this time of year as it also has some anti-fungal properties. Two applications spaced 7-10 days apart should carry one safely through till November.

Snails have not failed to take advantage of the opportunity that the heavy rains early in August afforded The longer nights of September allow the air to cool delightfully. Enjoy the cool mornings.

SPIDER MITES

From Kris Morton (THEY'RE BACK)

Use white tissue to wipe bottom of leave to check for mites. If present soak clean cotton ball in either horticultural oil mixed with water, mild soap & water or miticide. Some products, such as Neem advertise that it treats mites.
Keep plants moist. Mites are attracted to plants during dry weather.

FEATURED ORCHID TYPE FOR OUR OCTOBER 2020 NOS ISSUE:

LARGE VANDAS

HERE ARE SOME CULTURE TIPS FOR YOUR LARGE VANDAS:

LIGHT

Very bright light.

TEMPERATURE

55 degrees – 95 degrees F. Plants can tolerate higher temperatures in summer.

WATERING & HUMIDITY

Water frequently. 3-4 times weekly. Mist daily as needed.

POTTING

Teak baskets are best with no media in the basket.

FERTILIZER

Extremely heavy feeders. Use 20-20-

20 fertilizer with every watering in the summer.

Blooms at various times of the year. Flowers will last 6-8 weeks.

It's Large Vanda Time!

V Dr Anek x V Gulwadee Fragrance
Karen Davenport

V Adisak x V Katsuulea
Karen Davenport

V Dr Anek x V Nancy Brown
Karen Davenport

Vanda NOID
Marilyn Moser

V Josephine Van Brero x V Khaoyai Fantasy
Karen Davenport

V Josephine Van Brero x V Pats Delight
Karen Davenport

V Tamiami Blue
Karen Davenport

V Varuth Leopard x V Nopporn Golden Dream
Karen Davenport

V Yano Blue
Karen Davenport

April, 2020

Dear Orchid Friends,

Our Gala Centennial Celebration is just a year away! Our campaign to raise funds for conservation is well underway, we want to thank everyone who has contributed so far. Remember, the profits for this event go directly to our permanent Conservation Fund endowment, to help preserve threatened orchid habitat around the world. Protecting the habitat protects more than the orchids, too – all of the other plants and all of the critters will benefit!

There's still time to participate. Please review the sponsor opportunities flyer and send your contribution today!

The Gala is scheduled for April 10, 2021, at the fabulous, historic Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida. Individual tickets to the banquet can be reserved, see the flyer for details.

That weekend will also include our Spring Members' and Trustees Meeting, with many activities and a fantastic auction as well. Proceeds from the auction also benefit the Conservation Fund endowment. The Biltmore Hotel has given us a very special room rate for this event. Use booking ID code 321 when you make your reservation. You can contact the hotel by phone, toll-free number (855) 311-6903 or on their website: https://www.biltmorehotel.com/

On behalf of the entire Centennial Committee, we want to thank you in advance for your support of the American Orchid Society. With your help our organization will continue to grow. Enclosed please find an information page about donor and sponsor opportunities. Please don't hesitate to contact me for additional information.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert Fuchs
Vice President
American Orchid Society
Centennial Committee Chair

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AOS Centennial Celebration is coming! April 7th - 10th, 2021

Our 100th anniversary is just 9 months away. It will be held at the historic Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida. The celebration will also include our 2021 Spring Members Meeting which will include fabulous activities, renowned speakers, and a great auction, with its proceeds earmarked for the Conservation Endowment fund. You can become a sponsor of this momentous event by making your contribution at www.aos.org/donate and selecting "Centennial Celebration Fund" from the Distribution drop-down list.

Check out the Biltmore's website here and view this gorgeous venue: https://www.biltmorehotel.com/

We have contracted a special room rate for this event. Use booking/contract rate code 321 when you make your reservations directly with the hotel at (855) 311-6903.

On behalf of the Centennial Committee, we want to thank you in advance for your support of the American Orchid Society. With your help, our organization will continue to grow and fulfill our mission of orchid education, conservation, and research.

Education Update

Kit Kitchen-Maran
Education Chair and Past President

Bloom Where You Are Planted: Musings of an Education Chair

When we found ourselves in Fairbanks, Alaska in March this year, seeking an apartment for the summer, we got caught by Covid-19 and decided to stay awhile. Yes, it's cold here in the winter, but we can dress for it. The spring and summer have passed rapidly. And they have been interesting. Thomas Miranda has a great article in the September, 2020, Orchids magazine, "September: The Month of Indigenuity". If you can, read it; it fits right in with what I have to say.

The growing season up here in the Arctic region is about five months, from "Break-up" in April --when the snow melts and the ice in the rivers breaks, to May's "Green-up" when the hills turn green with leafy Aspen and Birch. The sunlight increases more and more until by June 20, summer Solstice, we had the midnight sun – almost 24 hours of light and the temps are in the 70s. July and August are prime plant growing months. Now, Equinox, 2020, is tomorrow. The deciduous trees have turned golden and lost their leaves and we had the first hard frost this morning. There's only one farmer's market left. It's time for "Freeze-up". Plants have had to hurry and grow, but the long photoperiod has helped.

We've spent a lot of time walking and are blessed to have cool temps, a wildlife sanctuary and a state waterfowl refuge just out the back door. The sanctuary has a small gravel pit that was turned into a better habitat for wildlife by adding wetlands, but more importantly, for my interests, it has an area of spruce/hardwood on a spongy, mossy muskeg with a nice trail through it. And that is where we discovered two species of orchids, both terrestrial. I imagine the whole area as a nice pot of sphagnum moss. Next Spring, we hope to see more orchids there by going more often.

The first orchid was a splashy pink Fairy Slipper or Calypso bulbosa. We caught its bloom on May 30th. It was not in bloom long and then disappeared without a trace. We could not see any leaves. It is said to have leaves overwinter and gets a jump on growing that way. Its pollinator is a bee, but we saw no seed capsules, so I guess it wasn't visited.

The next orchids we spotted were clusters of Goodyera repens also called Dwarf Rattlesnake Plantain. Dr. Larry Zettler helped us identify this species. When I sent photos to him and Dr. Dennis Whigham at the North American Orchid Conservation Center, Dr. Whigham asked us to please send a stem of the seed capsules and a section of a leaf to him and some roots to Dr. Zettler (to identify the fungus that the orchid uses in the reproductive process.) Conservation of native orchids depends on identification of the locations where they exist. I will try to keep us all updated on this.

We've watched the Sandhill cranes and Canada geese; many ducks and Trumpeter swans migrate through. We are feeding chickadees and a Red Squirrel, along with woodpeckers. But our orchid watching will have to wait through the long winter until "Green-up" starts again. Stay safe and healthy and enjoy orchids no matter where you are!

-Kit-

May 30, 2020
Calypso bulbosa
Fairy Slipper

July 27, 2020
Goodyera repens
Dwarf Rattlesnake Plantain

Sept 3, 2020
Seed capsules on
Goodyera repens

Sept 7, 2020
Seed capsules on
Goodyera repens

Subject: Calypso orchid reproductive strategy
Submitted by LaRaw Maran

The Calypso bulbosa, or fairy slipper, has a reproductive strategy that embodies iffy moves. First, it does not offer nectar to the pollinator, hence no reward for visits. Its strategy rests entirely on the brilliant color of the presentation. In the taiga forest floor it rises only 6 or 7 inches above the moss ground cover as a single stem. It is not a robust plant. Now add the fact that the primary pollinator is an arctic bumblebee which is not small, and it gathers pollen by sitting on a petal and shaking the whole flower to make the pollen fly. Its very hairy body collects pollen this way.

We saw two places where the calypso has sprouted up but never more than 2 or 3 plants. The highly noted ecological physiologist Bernd Heinrich calls this reproductive survival strategy risky and at the very edge.

Check out both the Calypso Orchid and Dwarf Rattlesnake Plantain Orchid on Wikipedia. They are interesting.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calypso_bulbosa
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Goodyera_repens

--LaRaw

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For the period April 1 – June 30, 2020

It's Ghost Orchid Time!

In the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge!!

Photos by Adam Herdman

From left: Adam Herdman, Jack Lu, Michael LaRusso

Adam reports that it's a very successful year and new ghosts have been discovered. See the interns' final report on NOS website. https://naplesorchidsociety.org/the-final-interns-report-from-kit-kitchen-maran-and-michael-larusso/

At Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary!!

Corskcrew is currently closed to visitors, but they are keeping us up to date with the Ghost Orchid activity. Check out this year's Super Ghost Orchid, as well as information about pollination and past years blooms.

https://corkscrew.audubon.org/visit/corkscrews-ghost-orchid

Naples Botanical GARDEN

Check out the article "Orchid Whisperer" about Nick Ewy, Director of Collections at Naples Botanical Garden. Nick has presented at our monthly meetings multiple times about his work with orchids at NBG.

https://www.naplesgarden.org/visit/plan-your-visit/plan-your-visit/

Navigate using this link, and scroll down to see the latest version of NBG's magazine. The article is on page 13. If you are a Member of NBG, you will have received the hard copy in your mail.

An Orchid Vignette—Alice's Orchids

(first published in October 2012 Newsletter; updated for October 2020 Newsletter)

Contributed by Dick Pippen

There once was an Alice who had a restaurant, but another Alice had orchids! *Aliceara* is a nothogenus (manmade genus) in the *Oncidium* Alliance. It is a combination of species from *Brassia, Miltonia* and *Oncidium*. Whenever a hybrid is composed of three or more genera, the genus is typically the name of a notable person with 'ara' added to the person's name. *Aliceara* is in honor of Alice Iwanaga who was a well-known and excellent orchid breeder in Hawaii, and wife of Ernest Iwanaga, also a well-known and excellent orchid breeder. She passed away in 1991.

Like most oncidiums and brassias, these plants have fairly large ovoid pseudobulbs with long multi-flowered spike arising from within leaf-like bracts at the base of the pseudobulb rather than from the top. Two strap-shaped leaves emerge at the top. The pseudobulbs and leaves together are a little over a foot long. The leaves are thinner than those of the *Cattleya* group, so these plants prefer a little more shade and a little more moisture. I grow my plants in a bark mix (sometimes with a little Sphagnum mixed in) in plastic pots and keep them in a west-facing pool cage. The stellate flowers with a flared tongue-like lip are usually 4-5 inches across.

The most well-known *Aliceara*, at least to me, is *Alcra*. Sunday Best (Photo 1). It is a cross between *Brassidium* Gilded Urchin and *Miltonia spectabilis*, and was registered by Rod McLellan in 1981. It has received six HCC awards from AOS including 'Muffin' the best known (surprisingly no award above an HCC).

As a result of the "name shuffling" in the orchid world and the transfer of odontoglossums and some miltonias to *Oncidium*, several genera have been absorbed into *Aliceara*, notably most of *Degarmoara* and *Beallara*. Now *Aliceara* has 277 registered hybrids!!

Aliceara (formerly *Beallara*) Tahoma Glacier (Photo 2), a cross between *Bratonia* Cartagena and *Onc*. Alaskan Sunset, was created and registered in 1970 by W.W.G. Moir of Hawaii. It has garnered 18 AOS awards and been used as a parent in 42 crosses.

Aliceara (formerly *Beallara*) Peggy Ruth Carpenter (Photo 3) (*Alcra*. Tahoma Glacier X *Milt*. Purple Queen), was created and registered by Milton Carpenter of Everglades Orchids in 1980. It has earned two AOS awards. Photo 3 is of the cultivar 'J.E.M. which earned one HCC. Photo 4 is the cultivar 'Morning Joy' which earned an AM. The two are quite different. Peggy Ruth Carpenter has been used as a parent in two crosses. *(continues next page)*

Aliceara (formerly *Beallara*) Tropic Tom (Photo 5) is another of my favorites with a fascinating combination of colors. The flowers are basically white-purple with the sepals and petals heavily and irregularly blotched brown. The lip is purple, blotched dark purple toward the tip, but yellow near the base. This grex was created by Mauna Kea Orchids of Hawaii and registered in 2004. It has earned one HCC/AOS but has not been used as a parent in any cross.

The traditional genus *Degarmoara*, honors Lloyd DeGarmo, a very long-time active member of the American Orchid Society, AOS judge, and recipient of the American Orchid Society's Achievement Award in 2005

There are two delightful hybrids in this genus worth mentioning: *Degarmoara* Flying High (Photo 6) has yellow flowers heavily overlain with mahogany "blotches." This grex is a cross between *Bratonia* Jet Setter X *Odontoglossum* McNabianum. It was registered by Stewart Orchids in 1987 and has received seven AOS awards. 'Stars 'n Bars,' my cultivar, has earned most of the awards. Flying High has been used as a parent in six crosses.

Degarmoara Winter Wonderland (Photo 7) (*Miltassia* Cartagena x *Odontoglosum* Gledhow) was created by Bee Lian Orchid Nursery in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and registered in 1989. But it was 2008 before this grex earned an award from the AOS, an HCC to the cultivar 'White Fairy.' The star-shaped flowers with their broad lip are quite distinctive. I read in some advertisement that when the plant is in bloom "you can spot the flowers a mile away!"

Alicearas are fascinating, rewarding and easy to grow orchids. Try some and I hope you will agree.

TASKS FOR OCTOBER

From Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month by Martin Motes, PhD

- Space plants to increase air circulation.
- Water as early as possible in the day.
- Move Himalayan dendrobiums, catasetums, calanthes and other seasonally dormant plants to dry bright locations.
- Reduce general fertilizer.
- Apply extra magnesium and potassium.

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