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A group of football players in blue jerseys are celebrating a goal. They are huddled together, with some players jumping and others embracing. The player in the foreground has his arms outstretched, and the player behind him has his arms raised in a 'V' shape. The background is a blurred green field.

A soccer player in a yellow jersey is captured in the middle of a kicking motion on a green field. Other players in yellow jerseys are visible in the background, and a soccer ball is on the ground near the player. The scene is set outdoors with trees and a fence in the background.



A soccer player in a yellow jersey is about to kick a ball on a field at night. The player is in the center of the frame, facing the ball. The background shows a stadium with spectators and lights.



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LEAGUE HONOURS

Combined Counties League Premier Division:

Runners-up: 2018–19

Combined Counties League Division One:

Champions 2009–10; Runners-up: 2012–13

CUP HONOURS

Combined Counties League Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup:

Winners: 2018–19

Combined Counties League Division One Cup:

Runners-up: 2008–09

Middlesex County League Premier Division

Cup: Runners-up: 2007–08

Southern Combination Challenge Cup:

Winners: 2016–17; Runners up: 2018–19

Surrey Premier Cup:


Runners-up: 2009–10

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Club officials & management committee are elected annually at the clubs AGM.



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Isthmian League
South Central Division

**Sutton Common
Rovers F.C**

Vs



Pitching In
Isthmian League
South Central Division

**Chertsey
Town FC**

WELCOME, SALUT, HOWDY, WILLKOMEN

Good afternoon ladies and gentleman, welcome to the Whyteleafe Sports Arena for this Isthmian South Central fixture, our first home league game of the season.

We would like to welcome the players, committee and supporters of Chertsey Town FC and hope that they enjoy their stay with us this afternoon.

Additionally we would also like to welcome today's match officials;
Referee Vladyslav Bakulin and his assistants, Ryan Calver & Dane Johnston.

WELCOME, SALUT, HOWDY, WILLKOMEN



We hope they also enjoy their stay with us this afternoon.

First up, another apology and that seems to be the theme with our current programmes, we have limited content this week due to the programme editor being on holiday. Unfortunately it meant this was put together a week in advance

Well, it has been a bit of a frustrating time for us, with no game since the opening league game of the season a fortnight ago today.

Unfortunately our following fixture against Guernsey was postponed due to the inclement weather conditions around the Gatwick area which led to the cancellation of the Guernsey flight, and although a later flight might have got them over to us. Kick off would have been at around the time the lights have to go off, so no joy with that.

The game has now been rescheduled and will take place next weekend, the 3rd September as both sides have free weekends.

On the squad front, we have seen goalkeeper Nathan Boamah; last seasons skipper Ryan Dacres-Smith and striker Ade Gbolohan all move on to pastures new, as they search for regular first team football, whilst young central defender Ollie Creed has joined Guildford City on dual registration.

We have added a couple of exciting new players though, with Wraynell Hercules joining from Brentford B and Melos Ajvayi who was previously with Folkestone Invicta—both players will add a new dynamic to the squad.

We face another stiff test on Monday when we head off to Marlow, it's a 3pm kick off at the Alfred Davis Memorial Ground, SL7 3ED.

The U23's get their season underway on the 5th September—why mention it now you might ask—well the next home programme, against Guernsey, is going to be the original from the postponed Wednesday game. It is a 19:45 ko at the David Weir Leisure Centre against Frimley Green.

The U18's are in action on Wednesday (31st) in FA Youth Cup action, against Southern Combination side Loxwood. It is the Preliminary Round and is a 19:45 ko, here at the Whyteleafe Sports Arena

Enjoy your time with us this afternoon, and have safe journeys home wherever you are going to. If you're an SCR fan, see you at Marlow on Monday.

Briggers

Don't forget to scan the QR codes on the club history pages if you want to see the full version from the clubs website.

TODAY'S OPPONENTS

CHERTSEY TOWN



FORMED: 1890

NICKNAME:
THE CURFEWS

LEAGUE & VASE DOUBLE

Joining the CCL for the 2011/12 season, Guernsey started their campaign against Knaphill, and ending up with just two defeat in 34 games and picking up the Division 1 title.

They followed that with a 2-0 win over Colliers Wood Utd in the Premier Challenge Cup to secure a historic double.

The following season saw more success as the side reached the semi final of the FA Vase before bowing out to Spennymoor Town.

They also finished runners up in the Premier Division earning themselves promotion to the Isthmian League.

A remarkable achievement considering they play 16 games in 30 days, including four in four over the May Bank Holiday weekend.

LAST TEN YEARS

The last decade has seen Chertsey's fortunes slump and then come back with a massive bang. For three consecutive years from 2011/12 the side finished in the lower reaches of the Southern League Division 1 Central finishing in 17th, 20th and 21st positions, and eventually being relegated to the Combined Counties league.

The first season in the Combined Counties Premier division saw a second bottom finish and a reprieve from relegation, with the next two seasons 18th and 19th placed finishes. 2017/18 was something of a breakthrough season though - struggling for much of the season a new manager in Dave Anderson took the reins late on and a strong finish saw them finish 17th, and gave an idea of what was to come.

2018/19 as said in the previous column was a historic season, before two abandoned seasons in their return to step 4 and the Isthmian South Central division. Last season saw a runners up finish in the division but an agonising play off final defeat against Hanwell Town stopped a promotion.

THE GROUND

Chertsey Town play their home games at Alwyns Lane, Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 9DW.

The club played at various locations within the parish before settling down at their present home in 1929. The ground was donated by Sir Edward Stern to the 'premier club in the parish', with adjacent facilities also provided for Chertsey Cricket Club. The main stand at Alwyns Lane was constructed in the mid-1950s, with covered enclosures added behind the goals in 1994 and 2010. The original clubhouse was added in 1960 and rebuilt with additions in 1976.[36] In 2020, the clubhouse was developed and redesigned in celebration of their FA Vase win.

DID YOU KNOW:

Chertsey Town's nickname, the 'Curfews' is derived from a locally famous bell that hangs in the nearby St. Peters Church. The bell has rung out the evening curfew, now ceremoniously of course, for over five hundred years.

The King of Spain, Ashley Giles, former England test cricketer was born in Chertsey.

Mike Rutherford, co-founder of rock band Genesis was also born in Chertsey.



ONE TO WATCH

NICK JUPP...

It was undeniable back in the CCL and Vase winning days that Chertsey were red hot going forward but they were just as good defensively.

One reason for that was their excellent goalkeeper Nick Jupp. When we visited Chertsey in that classic 2-2 draw, we were denied victory by a stunning save from a Matt Farrell header, and then a block from an Adam Allen block.

Whilst the forwards took the plaudits, Jupp was an immense figure between the sticks. Great shot stopper and handling, with excellent distribution, the 33 year old is a reassuring presence at the back.



SPOT THE BALL



Action from our opening league game at Chipstead, we have a corner and Chipstead keeper Matt Kerbey comes to clear, but where is it...

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FROM THE GAFFER



Good afternoon Darren, and thanks for taking the time to talk to me.

GB: After the opening day win away at Chipstead, how frustrating has it been for you to have to wait two weeks until your next fixture?

DS: Hi Gary, yes of course it is a frustration not just for Lee and I but also the players who in the main have grafted through pre-season and now just want a run of games to get going.

The challenge of building a new group is, there is never time however well planned pre-season has been, so the first few games are vital to iron out the creases.

Hopefully now todays visit from Chertsey will spark a run of games where we can finalise the areas that we'll no doubt continue to identify.

GB: On the flip side, I guess you have had time for some of the injured players to come back to fitness?

DS: Honestly Gary the couple of injuries that we've already picked up look like being longer ones so I've little doubt that the players concerned will be happier with the delay than Lee and I are currently, obviously this would look very different had we not opened this seasons account with 3 points which it seems few people gave us much hope of!

GB: Today will prove to be a tough test, Chertsey were one of the stand-out sides last season, and although they have lost a couple of players and are under new management they will be a tough nut to crack.

DS: Let's be honest Gary Chertsey are a staple at this level, season in season out they are there or there about so there is little reason to think even with changes in personnel things will be different this season.

In fact I believe Darryl Coleman who had departed to Steve McKimm's Carshalton is already back and despite a slip up from them last Saturday at Hanworth (another tough place to go) they have already shown great character in turning round a narrow deficit at Binfield to record a good away draw last week midweek

GB: It's a quick turnaround as we head off to Marlow on Monday—maybe you can say Hi to the fan who said you were getting sacked in the morning.

DS: :-) I wont hold it against him G, on our showing that day at Marlow in April, also my 50th birthday he probably made a fair point, but those who know me best that I have never let the lows rock me to hard for too long and this season will be no different.

All Lee and I want to be is competitive week in week out and hopefully build some rapport with the locals in the manor to enhance our stay in CR3 for however long that is - Cheers G catch up soon pal



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LEAGUE TABLE (as at 20.8)



#	Team	Pl	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1.	Westfield	2	2	0	0	8	0	8	6
2.	Northwood	2	2	0	0	4	2	2	6
3.	South Park (Reigate)	3	2	0	1	2	4	-2	6
4.	Chertsey Town	2	1	1	0	5	1	4	4
5.	Marlow	2	1	1	0	5	4	1	4
6.	Uxbridge	2	1	1	0	3	2	1	4
7.	Binfield	2	1	1	0	2	1	1	4
8.	Walton & Hersham	2	1	0	1	6	5	1	3
9.	Sutton Common Rovers	1	1	0	0	4	3	1	3
10.	Southall	2	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
11.	Hanworth Villa	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
12.	Thatcham Town	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	2
13.	Guernsey	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
14.	Tooting & Mitcham United	2	0	1	1	2	3	-1	1
15.	Ashford Town (Middx)	2	0	1	1	1	2	-1	1
16.	Merstham	2	0	1	1	1	2	-1	1
17.	Bedfont Sports	2	0	1	1	0	1	-1	1
18.	Basingstoke Town	2	0	1	1	0	4	-4	1
19.	Chipstead	3	0	0	3	4	8	-4	0
20.	Leatherhead	2	0	0	2	0	5	-5	0

TODAY'S FIXTURES

- Bedfont Sports v Chipstead
- Binfield v Merstham
- Hanworth Villa v Basingstoke Town
- Southall v Guernsey
- Thatcham Town v Leatherhead
- Tooting & Mitcham United v Marlow
- Walton & Hersham v Uxbridge
- Westfield v Northwood

GUEST ARTICLE:

The Birth of Brazil

When we look at the history of football, one nation stands out above every other. Brazil have won the World Cup five times, a record, and have produced not just some of the best players of all time, but arguably the greatest of them all.

But they are more than just a successful side; they have defined the sport in the imaginations of generations of children across the globe. O Jogo Bonito – the beautiful game – the phrase that most emphatically defines football, was popularised by Pelé himself. When people think of the way the game should be played, they think of Brazil. So it may be surprising to learn that this journey began, just over one hundred years ago, in Devon. And it wasn't supposed to happen at all.

In the summer of 1914, following the example of several more successful European sides, Exeter City accepted the invitation of a nascent Argentinian FA to tour the country. These tours were lucrative for all involved, and despite being in the Southern League at the time, Exeter were chosen as a “truly representative” example of English football.

Fifteen players set off for Argentina, but almost didn't make it at all. Their ship stopped off in Santos, where the entire squad was arrested, having not realised that public swimming was illegal. Fortunately for the history of football, they were released and went on their way to a successful tour of Argentina. Despite not having initially been invited to Brazil, their popularity prompted a few games to be organised as the Grecians stopped off on their way home, the first time an English professional team had played in the country.

The first game was against a group of English expats, a simple 3-0 win for the Southern League side, and the second was a more competitive 5-3 victory against a side representing the clubs of Rio de Janeiro. For the third, Rio and Sao Paulo joined forces, something of a surprise given the rivalry between the two cities, to present a side made up of their best players. This side is now recognised as the very first Brazilian national team. The Estádio das Laranjeiras – Fluminense's home to this day – was chosen for the auspicious occasion.

The footballing authorities saw the game as a good test before an upcoming international tournament in Argentina, but it was more than practice to the fans. 10,000 packed into the 6,000-capacity stadium – and onto it, with no room even on the roof – to see their side in brilliant white shirts with a blue stripe on the arm; Brazil wouldn't adopt their famous yellow shirts until after their defeat in the 1950 World Cup final.



When Oswaldo Gomes opened the scoring for the hosts, the thousands went wild, "waving hats and walking sticks, and in the stands ladies and young girls waved handkerchiefs, shouting hurrahs" according to local newspapers.

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Exeter responded, displaying all the cynicism that would hamstring English football for nearly half a century, by

making the game for physical, reportedly causing facial injuries to star Brazilian striker Arthur Friedenreich (pictured left), costing him two teeth. His suffering, however exaggerated, has become a touchstone for Brazilian football, standing up against the imperial injustices of the Europeans. He responded by finding Osman for Brazil's second, after which (according to the Brazilian story), Exeter descended into violence, but to no avail.

The final whistle saw the players carried off on the shoulders of the crowd and praised for the "mastery" of their style in undoing the English professionals. They were proclaimed national heroes.

And in most nations, that would be that. A victorious introduction to international football, part of a sporting history but not a part of the national ideology. But Brazil was different. It had only been truly independent for 25 years in 1914, and because of its size it was unwieldy and difficult to unite. Travel was a challenge, with the most reliable method of going from north to south still being by steamer along the coast, and the different regions acting, in some ways, as autonomous states. Brazil was desperate for an outlet, an identity on which they could pin their nationhood. And in these national heroes, they found just that. Which is why in Brazil, more than any other nation, football reigns.

Enjoy the game.

Martyn Green, *The Untold Game* (Find more at TheUntoldGame.co.uk and on social media, @TheUntoldGame)



Brazil c.1914

Exeter City c.1914

Rovers Round-Up (Fixtures & Results)

DATE	COMP	H/A	OPPONENTS	H/T			F/T	SCORER(S)	ATT
2022									
6th Aug	FAC EP	A	Fisher	0	0	0	0		168
10th Aug	FAC EP Rep	H	FISHER	0	0	0	1		114
13th Aug	ILSC	A	Chipstead	3	2	4	3	Lyle 2 (1p), Lloyd, Richards	115
27th AUG	ILSC	H	CHERTSEY TOWN						
29th Aug	ILSC	A	Marlow						
3rd Sep	ILSC	H	GUERNSEY						
10th Sep	FAT	A	East Thurrock Utd						
17th Sep	ILSC	A	Binfield						
21st Sep	ILSC	H	BEDFONT SPORTS						
1st Oct	ILSC	H	SOUTHALL						
8th Oct	ILSC	A	South Park (Reigate)						
15th Oct	ILSC	A	Thatcham Town						
22nd Oct	ILSC	H	TOOTING & MITCHAM UTD						
29th Oct	ILSC	H	UXBRIDGE						
5th Nov	ILSC	A	Basingstoke Town						
12th Nov	ILSC	H	WALTON & HERSHAM						
19th Nov	ILSC	A	Hanworth Villa						
26th Nov	ILSC	A	Ashford Town (Middx)						
3rd Dec	ILSC	H	WESTFIELD						
10th Dec	ILSC	H	NORTHWOOD						
17th Dec	ILSC	A	Merstham						
26th Dec	ILSC	H	MARLOW						
2023									
2nd Jan	ILSC	A	Leatherhead						
7th Jan	ILSC	H	CHIPSTEAD						
14th Jan	ILSC	A	Guernsey						
21st Jan	ILSC	H	BASINGSTOKE TOWN						
28th Jan	ILSC	A	Walton & Hersham						
4th Feb	ILSC	A	Hanworth Villa						
11th Feb	ILSC	A	Uxbridge						
15th Feb	ILSC	A	Bedfont Sports						
18th Feb	ILSC	H	SOUTH PARK (REIGATE)						
25th Feb	ILSC	A	Southall						
4th Mar	ILSC	H	BINFIELD						
11th Mar	ILSC	H	THATCHAM TOWN						
18th Mar	ILSC	A	Tooting & Mitcham Utd						
25th Mar	ILSC	A	Chertsey Town						
1st Apr	ILSC	H	MERSTHAM						
8th Apr	ILSC	A	Northwood						
10th Apr	ILSC	H	LEATHERHEAD						
15th Apr	ILSC	A	Westfield						
22nd Apr	ILSC	H	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)						



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THE **NON-LEAGUE** PAPER



ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

By Jon Couch

IT'S fair to say the 2020s has not been too kind a decade of football clubs thus far.

First, of course, there was the curse of the Covid pandemic, which kicked in within three months of the decade starting and ended up curtailing back-to-back seasons from Step 2 and below, right up until the start of the 2021-22 campaign.

Just when we thought all was well with the world again, we then get hit with the next crisis to engulf society and put our Non-League clubs at threat once again.

As energy and fuel bills soar to unprecedented levels, clubs, fans and the game as a whole have been left feeling the pinch. The question is 'what can we do about it'?

In his column in this week's NLP, Northern Premier League chairman Mark Harris acknowledged the extent of the problem and the lengths that league chiefs have gone to cut down costs.

Harris told us that a recent report revealed that around 2,600 grass roots football clubs folded as a result of Covid with a further 6,000 across the UK in grave danger of following suit if we do not address the situation swiftly.

Household energy bills increased by a record 54 per cent in April and are likely to rise substantially again in October. One NPL club, previously paying 15p per kWh, now has to pay over 65p, taking their annual spend up to £100,000.

With that in mind, fellow Pitching In Trident league member, the Isthmian League, issued a statement earlier this month offering its 82 member clubs at Steps 3 and 4 the opportunity of bringing forward Saturday kick-off times from 3pm to 12.30pm in order to save on costs.

Chairman Nick Robinson explained: "In March, I went to a ground when things were just starting to go up and the clubs said to me 'our energy bills have gone up this amount - can you help us, can we kick off early?'

"I said not this season but we will work it for next season. I haven't forgotten it and everything has got worse since then.



"We've done some work as to how much floodlights actually cost, and we know in cup competitions we allow £75 to £85 for floodlights, but is that enough? It used to be.

"What it's going to be on the new energy costings, we don't know - but certainly for league matches if clubs can go to a 12:30 kick-off or even if they just come forward an hour or so, they can save themselves some money."

But it's not just energy costs which are hitting clubs in the pocket. Travel costs have also sky-rocketed to the point where coach travel is now a thing of the past for Non-League clubs. That leaves players having to pay for their own fuel and between 10-15 extra cars on the road for each away journey. Hardly ideal when it comes to protecting our environment, is it?

To combat this, Harris revealed that coach travel expenses that clubs can claim for the FA Cup, FA Trophy and FA Vase have been increased by 20 per cent this year to ensure all fixtures are fulfilled.

While slight tweaks such as changing kick-off times and increasing travelling expenses will make a difference in balancing the books, clubs and volunteers can also play their part. Creating a safe and comfortable environment amid the parameters of your stadium goes a long way and helps to enhance community engagement which in turn has an effect on your club's ability to generate secondary income from clubhouse/refreshments and merchandise etc.

But let's not start to panic just yet, however. Average attendance figures across Non-League remain as healthy as ever and there are no indications as yet that the cost of living crisis is preventing the average fan from clicking through the turnstiles.

It's the actions of the loyal supporter which are keeping Non-League club self-sustainable in comparison to their EFL counterparts and that's what makes football at this level unique.

We've united before and beaten off the effects of Covid, now we can do it again.

The Isthmian Football League strongly supports the FA statement that there should be a zero-tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination. Accordingly, any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be by reason of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion and belief, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, sex and sexual orientation or any other form of abuse will be reported to The Football Association for action by that Association." (The FA 0800 085 0508 / Kick it Out 020 7253 0162). The Isthmian League and all Member Clubs in the League are committed to promoting equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and providing access and opportunities for all members of the community.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF:

SUTTON COMMON ROVERS

FORMED: 1978

NICKNAME:
THE COMMONERS

JUST A S...T SUNDAY SIDE

Ah, the cry from the Eastbourne Town fans back in the day as they romped to a 2-0 lead in the Vase, before we struck back to win 3-2.

Well, truth be told that's where it all started back in 1978, when INRAD FC took to the field, the club being founded by current Chairman Alan Salmon. Not long after Centre 21 came about following a sponsorship deal with a local youth centre.

Once players left having reached 21, a new name came about: Sutton Common Rovers FC, which quickly abbreviated to SCR followed by whichever public house sponsored the team.

Seasons followed in the Leatherhead & District, Mitcham & District, and Croydon & District Sunday league, with varying degrees of success before Darren Salmon took the plunge and moved the team into Saturday football.

SATURDAY SUCCESS

The 2004/5 season saw that Saturday move. After a couple of seasons in the Surrey South East Combination and the Middlesex County League we took our place in the Combined Counties League for the 2008/09 season.

Darren made the bold statement that he wanted to be an Isthmian side within five seasons. Well, it took a bit longer but we eventually got there.

Our time in the CCL was full of ups and downs. Missing out on promotion in our opening season on goal difference, by 1 goal (as it turned out a missed penalty against Dorking in our penultimate game was key as it meant they had a 1 goal better goal difference than us).

Promotion followed the next season, and two seasons in the Premier culminated with relegation back to Division 1 in 2011/12. We bounced back up immediately, but then spent three seasons struggling in the Premier division before a change in fortunes in 2016/17 saw a mid-table finish.

It was all upwards after that, missing out on promotion with 3rd and 2nd finishes by one place in consecutive seasons. However, we finished top on PPG after two abandoned seasons to finally move to the Isthmian League.

IT'S A FAMILY THING

As said, chairman Alan Salmon founded the side back in 1978, and his boys, Darren and Justin, both played for the club once they were old enough.

Darren progressed to First Team manager, in around 2000 while we were still a Sunday side, something he has continued to the present day.

Justin has since been co-manager of the First team with Darren and reserve team manager, all alongside managing the Sunday sides. He is now the club secretary.

We were also ahead of the game in terms of getting ladies involved in the club. Alan's daughter Tracy joined the fun when the SCR Colts were formed and quickly established herself behind the tea bar counter.

For good measure her other half Mark became youth secretary, a role that he held until the start of this season.

Throw into that that all Alan's grandchildren (Sam: #forever7, forever missed; Tyler, Reece and Blake, and Ethan) all played for the club, with Blake and Reece now involved on matchdays. As you see, we are truly a family club.



CUP GLORY (ish)

We have a proud cup-fighting tradition, often getting the better of higher ranked sides.

It's not all been glory though as we suffered heartbreak twice in finals, losing 1-0 to Staines Lammas in the CCL Division 1 final in the 2008/09 season, and the following year we lost to Sutton Utd Reserves in the Surrey Premier Cup Final, 8-7 on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

The 2016/17 season saw the club secure it's first Saturday trophy with a 4-1 win over Camberley Town in the Southern Combination Challenge Cup.

Semi final defeats followed the next season in the Southern Combination Cup and the EL Records Premier Challenge Cup, which saw a heart-breaking 97th minute goal against Worcester Park to lose 3-2.

In 2018/19 we reached two cup finals, with defeat after extra time against Walton Casuals 4-2 in the Southern Combination Cup. The club finally secured the EL Records Premier Challenge Cup. An 84th minute strike by Matt Farrell securing a 1-0 win over CB Hounslow Utd.

There has been some success in the FA Vase, with the 5th Round reached in the 2019/20 season, but it ended in disappointment away at Western League Bitton AFC when we lost 2-1.

The FA Cup has been hit and miss with exits in the Extra-Preliminary Round before the 2021/22 season saw us reach the 2nd Qualifying Round for the first time.

SPOT THE BALL ANSWER



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