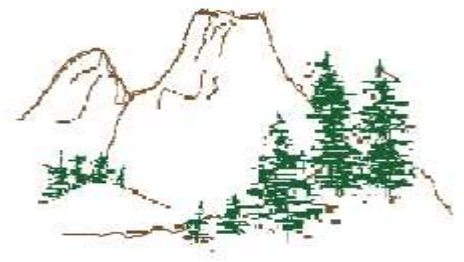


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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, [sarcinewsletter @ sarci.org](mailto:sarcinewsletter@sarci.org)

SARCI Board meetings are held at the SARA House at 19:30 (7:30 pm) on the third Wednesday of January, April, July, and October.

SABINO CANYON PARKING

- With the new electric trams in Sabino, we will NOT be able to leave unattended vehicles at Tram Stop 9. Everyone will need to park at TS-8 and be shuttled to TS-9. The ONLY vehicles at TS-9 will be IC and Ops vehicles attended with drivers so they can move as the tram passes through.
- We are collecting photos for the "My ID" page on the response app (ERM). Photos can be sent to Records and there will be an opportunity to be 'shot' at the SARA general meeting. Guidelines: A head and shoulders shot like a passport. Plain light colored background. Wearing your uniform.

DPS "Screamer Suit" REPLACED

by Mykle Raymond, [Mykle.Raymond @ sarci.org](mailto:Mykle.Raymond@sarci.org)

DPS Air Rescue has replaced the Bauman "Screamer Suit" with the AVED "A-ved", Ambulatory Victim Extrication Device from Priority 1 Air Rescue (<https://priority1airrescue.net>). The Screamer and AVED are very similar. Yates and CMC Pro offer similar devices, with very different prices. All of them are rated for up to 400 lb loads. Ms.Bauman has retired, so has the Screamer.

The AVED uses a Cobra quick-release buckle on the waist strap, rather than a plastic buckle. The middle strap (between the legs) is adjustable. Wearing and connecting the AVED to the short-haul line is very similar, but will normally use two carabiners.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGER HELP

by Brooke Fawcett, [Brooke.Fawcett @ sarci.org](mailto:Brooke.Fawcett@sarci.org)

"If I'm at one area of the trail and my team mate is up trail from me, how far away is she really?"

"Does anyone know the weather up canyon from us right now?"

"When does my CPR expire?"

"How do I get in touch with another member in the group?"

Questions about how to use all these capabilities - and more - in ERM? Please don't hesitate to contact Brooke Fawcett! (Just open your ERM app, click Contacts, and type in her name.)

SARCI CALENDAR HELP

[records @ sarci.org](mailto:records@sarci.org)

SARCI Calendar – Looking for someone (or two) to support the team that maintains the master calendar. Something that can be done at most any time of the day or night. A small amount of training may be needed, after that it is a simple process. Email records.

SARCI MEDICAL TRAINING

by Cory Szach, [cory.szach @ sarci.org](mailto:cory.szach@sarci.org)

Medical classes are available to members of all SARCI component groups. A listing of classes is included in the SARA section below.

NOTE: EFFECTIVE 2020/01/01 AN ANNUAL BBP CLASS IS REQUIRED.



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NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org

CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00

Golder Ranch Fire Station #380

1175 W. Magee Road, Tucson, AZ 85704

The Civil Air Patrol's Neotoma Squadron actively participates in ongoing search and rescue missions and training exercises at the state, local and national levels. We welcome new members to join the more than 70 members of the nationally recognized emergency services Arizona Wing Ground Team.

Membership: Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org

Web site: <http://www.neotomasquadron.org>

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, karen.paquette@sarci.org

SRDI CALENDAR

Mar 04 18:00 Wed

Monthly Meetings

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Mar 07 08:00 Sat

All Disciplines

"Andy's Bowl"

Mar 13-15 Fri-Sun

FACTS Advanced

San Marcos, TX

Mar 22 07:00 Sun

All Disciplines

Wheeler Taft Library

Mar 25 18:00 Wed

Urban Search

Brandi Fenton Park

Apr 01 18:00 Wed

Monthly Meetings

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Congratulations to Jamie/K9 Doc on achieving Air Scent certification. All Mission Qualified teams are up to date on certifications.

Ann's Workshops went amazingly well this year. For the first weekend, we hosted 10 Arizona ASARCA teams. All SRDI members were extremely helpful and all of the participants raved about how well organized and well run the workshop was. Hooray for us!! The second weekend was a private coaching event that focused on historic graves. Many thanks to Dep Steve Chuk for his assistance in finding and securing access for training locations. Ann has graciously offered to come back to Arizona next February.

SRDI is hosting this year's AZ K9SAR CON. We'll be training in the Cottonwood / Clarkdale / Jerome area. The HRD track is full, the air scent track is almost full, and the tracking/trailing could use more participants. We are so proud of our SRDI Candidates! They have all registered to participate in instruction or as an observer.

Due to the large number of candidate members and in-training dogs, SRDI has temporarily closed membership to allow proper time and attention for human and K9 training.

SARCI members are invited to join us for training at any time. If you are interested in attending one of our trainings, please email us at K9@sarci2.org, or Karen.Paquette@sarci.org, or call Karen Paquette (275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month at the SARA House.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FACTS Advanced Seminar

March 2020

TX

AZK9 SARCON

April 2020

TBD

FIRS K9 Conference

May 2020

CO

FACTS Basic Seminar

October 2020

TX

Ann Christensen Workshop

Feb 2021

Tucson, AZ

SOUTHERN AZ MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, colleen.leon@sarci.org

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Mar 17 18:00 Tue

Board and General Meeting

Forty Niner Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

SAMSAR members moving right along. Proposed training with Tanque Verde Guest Ranch set for April. Still trying to herd the cats for the fire departments training, Rural/AMR, Northwest and Golder Ranch. Can't wait to work with the new SARA candidates.

On the SARA candidate hike one Sycamore SARA team came upon a team of mule riders. SARA team did exactly what they had been instructed. The mule team, however, asked them to continue on as the mule team stopped to allow them to pass. Mules got a lil skittish. Brent and Anjani did a GREAT job in teaching candidates how to work around animals. Even when riders do the wrong thing.

SAMSAR is one member down. Chris would like to say she and hubby Mike got in a fight and she kicked his, well, you know ... but her horse actually got the best of her. Just proves you never know about animals!

PR in full swing ... gearing up Trail and Safety education for riders, Saguaro Horseman's Assoc. and Home Schooled children age group 6th to 12th grades. A VERY nice First Responders mass was held at the Corpus Christie Catholic Youth Ministry. Set up a booth and answered lots of questions. Refreshments and prayer cards were handed out. Thank you Corus Christi Youth Ministry and Stacey Beste of GUSTO's Astoria!

See ya on the trail!

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, divers@sarci.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

Mar 08 09:00 Sun

Surface Support and Line Tender Training LCAC, 2045 W Omar Dr

Apr TBA 09:00 Sun

Black Mountain Reservoir

Black Mountain Reservoir

In February, we worked with new members on Surface Support and Line Tender certification training.

In March, we will continue working with surface support and the Line Tender certification training at the La Cueva Aquatic Center.

In April, we will be at Black Mountain Reservoir.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA@sarci.org

SARA CALENDAR

Mar 06 19:30 Fri

SARA General Meeting

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Mar 07 08:00 Sat

SARA Training: Medical Scenarios

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Mar 07 09:00 Sat

Stop the Bleed Class

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Mar 19 19:00 Thur

SARA Board Meeting

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Apr 03 18:00 Fri

SARA Annual Meeting and Elections

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

SARA BOARD - DUES

by Joe Barr, Secretary, joe.barr@sarci.org

It is that time of year again where we send out reminders regarding SARA dues payments. For 2020, there is a flat fee of \$20. **YOU WILL BE DROPPED BY THE JULY BOARD MEETING IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR DUES!** Below I have provided several different options on how you can make your payment:

A) Cash or check paid at the SARA Store

B) By check mailed to:

Southern Arizona Rescue Association
PO Box 12892
Tucson, AZ 85732-2892

C) Using PayPal online via the SARA donations page

- <http://www.sarci.org/donations/>
- Please note your name and description of payment "2020 Dues" in the memo area
- Please include a \$0.75 convenience fee if paying via PayPal

SARA BOARD – UNIFORM SHIRTS

by Joe Barr, Secretary, joe.barr@sarci.org

SARA Members are reminded that SARA has budgeted to provide uniform shirts. Please check with the SARA Store for details:

1. The blue dress shirt embroidered with your name and the SARA logo is available for members that interface with the public.
2. Recognized field uniform shirts are available to active Rescuer, Candidate and Basic members. You may qualify if you have not had one issued, or yours is showing the wear of many missions. Recognized shirts generally include:
 - T-Shirts stocked in SARA Store
 - Orange button down shirts with embroidered name and SARA logo
 - Orange 'Tru-Spec' military style shirts with Velcro name and SARA logo

SARA BOARD - ELECTIONS

by Brooke Fawcett, Brooke.Fawcett@sarci.org

At this time, nominations for the 2020 Board Slate are still open. Further nominations will be heard at the March General Meeting. As of February 7 the Board slate includes:

Amy McPherson
Brent Olivas
Galen Smith
John DiMiceli
Sean Fawcett
Shelley Littin
Spencer Graves

Online voting will open in Mid-March (more info to come), and paper votes will occur at the Annual Meeting on April 3rd. The term of the nine-member Board of Directors is two years. In even-numbered years, four directors are elected, and five in odd-numbered years. Please contact brooke@fawcetts.us with any questions.

SARA BOARD – POLICY CHANGE

From the SARA Board, by Chris Yamanaka, chris.yamanaka@sarci.org

After much discussion and deliberation, and many meetings, the SARA Board of Directors has accepted the recommendation of the Medical Training and Standards Committee and approved the membership policy change indicated below as it pertains to medical qualifications for field-qualified Rescuers, namely, requirement of the Wilderness EMR certification or higher for field-qualified Rescuers. This decision has been endorsed by and enjoys the full support of PCSD and our Medical Director, and was not arrived at lightly by the Board. The Board acknowledges the significant operational value that the OEC certification and curriculum have contributed to SARA over many years. Nevertheless, we believe that the WEMR certification will best serve SARA for the long term.

To summarize the changes, effective July 1, 2020:

- WFA will no longer be the minimum medical training required for Rescuer.
- Wilderness EMR will be the minimum medical training required for Rescuer, to include completion of the EMR course (with a wilderness component) taught by SARA and passage of the National Registry EMR exam.
- Those currently holding the Outdoor Emergency Care certification will be offered a 24-hour bridge course to prepare for the NREMR exam and transition to WEMR. There will be several opportunities to participate in this course before July 2020.
- After attainment of the WEMR certification, Rescuers will be required to recertify through the National Registry every two years through the completion of 16 hours of continuing education credits (the national standard), to include an 8-hour wilderness refresher taught by SARA.

Scope of practice will remain unchanged for OECs, in that SARA WEMRs operate within the national scope of practice as defined for EMRs, plus additional protocols approved by our Medical Director.

Please let me or the MTSC chairs know if you have any questions. Although this has at times been a contentious issue, I believe we as an organization can work through this transitional period successfully.

New Policy

I. Membership

F. Qualifications. Each qualification category is defined by the required certifications.

4. Requirements for Rescuer Qualification (“Rescuer”)

a. Meet Candidate requirements.

b. Have one of the following valid medical qualifications:

i. Minimum medical training of SARA Wilderness Emergency Medical Responder resulting in the attainment and retention of a National Registry Emergency Medical Responder (NR EMR) certification.

ii. Or an Arizona state-certified MD, DO, PA, NP, RN, Paramedic, or EMT, as approved by the SARA Medical Training and Standards Committee (MTSC)²

iii. Or an equivalent medical certification, as approved by the MTSC.

c. SARA Supplemental Medical Training Card (Blue Card).

5. Outdoor Emergency Care (OEC) will be accepted as a medical training for field qualification for Candidates and Rescuers until July 1, 2020.

Current Policy

I. Membership

F. Qualifications. Each qualification category is defined by the required certifications.

4. Requirements for Rescuer Qualification (“Rescuer”)

a. Meet Candidate requirements.

b. Have one of the following valid medical qualifications:

i. Minimum medical training of SARA Wilderness First Aid (WFA);

ii. Or advanced medical training of SARA Wilderness Emergency Medical Responder (WEMR)¹, which must result in a National Registry Emergency Medical Responder (NR EMR) qualification;

iii. Or an Arizona state-certified MD, DO, PA, NP, RN, Paramedic, or EMT, as approved by the SARA Medical Training and Standards Committee (MTSC)²

iv. Or an equivalent medical certification, as approved by the MTSC.

c. SARA Supplemental Medical Training Card (Blue Card).

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¹ SARA WEMR is an Arizona state-recognized course for NR EMR

SARA TRAINING

by Dale Mann, dale.mann@sarci.org

The monthly training for March is tentatively scheduled for medical scenarios, since we haven't done training like this for some time. The training will be on Saturday, March 7; location and time will be announced by email to the membership.

In April, we will have a technical training, involving artificial high directionals (AHD).

SARA MEDICAL TRAINING

by Cory Szach, cory.szach@sarci.org

Below are the medical training currently being offered by the SARA Medical Committee. These training are open to members of all SARCI component groups plus the Caver SMEs. Advanced registration via Whoozin is required for all classes to ensure sufficient instructors / materials. If sufficient registrations are not received by one week prior to the class, it may be subject to cancellation. All training will be held at the SARA House. Medical Training offerings will be limited during the Spring due to SALT / WEMR / OEC transition.

Stop The Bleed Class: Stop the Bleed is a nationally recognized course, similar to AHAs CPR. Stop the Bleed is the property of the US DOD and is used by the American College of Surgeons. We will also be practicing spine boarding, and splinting.

Bring your full rescue pack and plenty of water. We will be practicing outside and in the environment where we work. There will be a 45 min lunch break, so please plan accordingly.

March 07 (Sat, 09:00-14:00) Registration is not required for this class.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR): AHA Basic Life Support for Healthcare Professionals with QCPR Biofeedback Manikins. A minimum of 4 participants is necessary to host the class. Participants are required to bring their own face masks / face shields. \$5 fee to cover AHA fees for issuing CPR card. Payment by check only, made out to Southern Arizona Rescue Association.

March 26 (Thurs, 18:00 - 20:00): SALT CPR session. Seats extremely limited. Contact cory.szach@sarci.org

Wilderness First Aid (WFA): For those needing WFA, the following sessions are scheduled. Minimum 4 students needed to host the class. There are no fees or required materials for this course. Weekday sessions will be held from 18:00 - 22:00 and Weekend sessions from 08:00 - 17:00.

April 7, 9, 11 (Tue, Thu, Sat): SALT WFA session. Seats extremely limited. Contact cory.szach@sarci.org

Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP): It is an AZ state requirement that all search and rescue volunteers take an OSHA BBP class once per year. Eventually members will be able to take this online on the SARA website, but until this system is available we will continue offering in-person classes.

No BBP classes currently scheduled

Naloxone Administration: Due to the nation-wide opioid crisis, the State of Arizona recommends all first responders be trained in the administration of Naloxone. SARA offers this optional training to all SARCI members free of charge. To remain current it is recommended rescuers re-take this training once every two years.

No Naloxone classes currently scheduled

Wilderness Emergency Medical Responder (WEMR): Dates for the upcoming WEMR class are TBD and will be announced in March. Classes will be on Tuesday / Thursday evenings from 18:00-22:00 every week with three all-day Saturday classes. Registration will be open once the dates are finalized.

If you have any questions or concerns please send them to the Medical Committee at saramedical@sarci.org

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, john.gorski@sarci.org

The upcoming OEC refreshers will be held on Sunday July 19th and Saturday August 15th, 2020. We will also be using the hybrid format for the OEC refreshers. This includes: 1) OEC workbook; 2) on-line portion; and 3) hands-on portion.

SARA MOVIE NIGHT

by Nic Jones, nic.jones@sarci.org

There will be a SAR movie night in March held at the SARA House. Popcorn and carbonated beverages will be provided. Multiple rescue videos, new and old, as well as a TV Rescue series is planned for viewing. Time and Date are TBD and will be sent out to the membership as far ahead of time as possible. It is expected to be scheduled for the second half of March.

Date	Vol/Hrs/ Problem	Location	Resources
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Mission Hrs now show total portal-to-portal times (not Rdvs). Mission times now show Field IN/OUT times (not Rdvs).

Sun Feb 02 10/ 24/ 64yf hiker exhausted Cardiac Gap, Catalinas Sheriff1 RMFD

13:15 – 14:25 A hiker with a cardiac history near Cardiac Gap was exhausted. Sheriff1 hoisted her to Sabino.

Sat Feb 08 4/ 11/ 4 hikers disoriented TV Canyon, Rincons

18:50 – 19:30 Hikers attempting to hike up canyon past the Main Falls finally turned around, then were unsure how to find the base of the SARA Trail. The Hasty Team showed them the way.

Sat Feb 08 9/ 48/ 26ym 24yf hikers disoriented Romero Canyon, Catalinas Survey2

19:05 – 22:40 While the previous call was starting, we were requested to locate a couple of hikers in Romero Canyon. Survey2 watched them return upstream from their cellphone coordinates, and the Hasty Team was directed to meet them. After receiving warmies and refreshments, they joined Team 2 and all hiked out without problems.

Thur Feb 13 9/ 75/ Evidence Search Picture Rocks area NPS USBP

10:50 – 15:10 Human bones were found by a hiker below Panther Peak. Detectives searched the immediate area. The next morning we were asked to assist detectives covering a larger area of several segments. Additional remains were found and documented.

Fri Feb 14 8/ 13/ ??yf hiker lost Canada del Oro, Catalinas

No field times Cellphone coordinates from a lost hiker placed her northwest of Mt.Lemmon, although verbally she said she was returning from Chivo Falls and unsure how to find her Jeep in the Three Feathers parking lot along Redington Road. While teams were heading up the mountain with Phoenix Ranger, the subject was located at her residence. (This is not the first time that coordinates NW of Lemmon have been received, when the subject was miles away. Hmmm)

Sun Feb 16 10/ 30/ 2 male hikers without light Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas

20:20 – 22:00 Two hikers were met by the Hasty Team near Crossing 7. All hiked out without problems.

Tue Feb 18 12/ 24/ 80ym hiker arm injury Ventana Canyon Trail, Catalinas

17:10 – 18:00 A hiker injured his arm near the forest boundary. A head laceration was minor. He hiked out with a sling on his arm.

Wed Feb 19 17/ 139/ Evidence Search Picture Rocks area

10:50 – 14:55 Continuation of search from last week for human remains. Additional finds were made, allowing the Sheriff's Department to identify the subject as Sarah Galloway, missing from almost a year ago. Evidence during the original search suggested that she was last seen to the south and east of her residence, and not in Saguaro Park to the east. A few segments were covered in the park, but not the area where remains were recently found by a hiker, or in the areas to the east where additional remains were found.

2020 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	16	175	779	4.5	109
Trainings	22	230	1201	5.2	208
Meetings	11	117	287	2.5	75
Public Relations	0	0	0	0	15
Special Events	3	42	567	13.5	12
Activities	15	88	495	5.6	100
TOTALS	67	652	3329	5.1	519

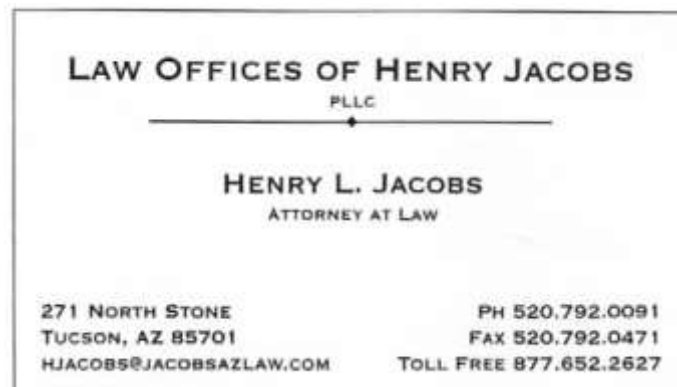
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SARCI Calendar–2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Feb 24	Feb 25	Feb 26	Feb 27 SARA Medical CE	Feb 28	Feb 29 Leap Day SALT AZbasic (08:00)	Mar 01
Mar 02	Mar 03 SALT (18:00)	Mar 04 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Mar 05 SALT Tech (18:00)	Mar 06 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Mar 07 SARA Training Medical Scenarios Stop the Bleed class	Mar 08 Diver's Training
Mar 09	Mar 10 SALT Tech (18:00)	Mar 11	Mar 12 SALT Tech (18:00)	Mar 13	Mar 14 SALT Tech (08:00)	Mar 15
Mar 16	Mar 17 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Mar 18	Mar 19 SARA Board (19:00)	Mar 20	Mar 21 SALT Trucks (08:00)	Mar 22
Mar 23	Mar 24 SALT DPS Static (18:00)	Mar 25	Mar 26 SALT CPR (18:00)	Mar 27	Mar 28 SALT Night Search	Mar 29 SALT Night Search
Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 01 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Apr 02	Apr 03 SARA Annual Meeting (19:30)	Apr 04 SARA Training Technical Training	Apr 05
Apr 06	Apr 07 SALT WFA (18:00)	Apr 08	Apr 09 SALT WFA (18:00)	Apr 10	Apr 11 SALT WFA (08:00)	Apr 12 Diver's Training
Apr 13	Apr 14 SALT Practice (18:00)	Apr 15 SARCI Board (19:30)	Apr 16 SALT Practice (18:00) SARA Board (19:00)	Apr 17	Apr 18 SALT Skills (08:00)	Apr 19 SALT Graduation (12:00)
Apr 20	Apr 21 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25	Apr 26
Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 01 SARA Meeting (19:30)	May 02	May 03



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8540 N. Wanda Road, Tucson AZ 85704

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PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732-3961

Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

Details inside.

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Meet 1st Fri 19:30, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd.

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Meet 2nd Wed 19:00, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd.

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