



Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby

eNewsletter #445 - 21 April 2020

This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available technology to keep people more connected and up-to-date with local crime and safety issues.

The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the [Ku-ring-gai PAC Facebook page](#) (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a roadwork warning, crime prevention tip(s), an upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Q&As from residents, or an item from an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!").

🚗 Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Please email](#) our NHW in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby volunteers. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

🚗 Please feel free to [share/forward this eNewsletter](#) with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours.

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21 April, from NSW Crime Stoppers: Do you have a question in relation to

COVID-19?

The Police Assistance Line, Crime Stoppers Line and even Triple Zero (000) are being inundated with people calling to ask general questions in relation to COVID-19. Where possible, please keep these lines open for policing matters.

FOR CURRENT COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

Latest NSW Health updates on COVID-19 [here](#).

24/7 NSW COVID-19 HOTLINE (13 77 88) NSW

Workers and businesses are now able to access a range of advice and support on non-health related COVID-19 enquiries via Service NSW's 24/7 hotline on 13 77 88.

NATIONAL COVID-19 HOTLINE (1800 020 080)

If you're concerned you have COVID-19, please call the national Coronavirus Health Information Line for advice on 1800 020 080. If you require translating or interpreting services, call 131 450.

AUS GOV COVID-19 SOCIAL MEDIA APPS:

📱 The Australian Government has released an official app with the latest advice and info you need to know about #coronavirus. To access this, all you need to do is search "Coronavirus Australia" in the Apple App Store or on Google Play and download the app.

📱 A messaging service on WhatsApp has also been introduced for you to use. You can access this by heading to [aus.gov.au/whatsapp](https://www.aus.gov.au/whatsapp) on your phone or downloading WhatsApp, and following the prompts.

REPORTING NON-COMPLIANCE:

You can report anyone who doesn't comply with public health advice to Crime Stoppers online [here](#).



19 April, from NSW Government: Heading out for some essential exercise?

Make sure you stay 1.5m away from others. Together we can stop the spread of COVID-19. Find out more [here](#).



18 April, from NSW Government: Need to make a quick store visit for essential home repair supplies or to set up a home office for work or study?

Make sure you maintain social distancing and hygiene practices. Also check if the store offers online ordering and home delivery.

Find out more at the Australian Government Department of Health [here](#).



17 April, from Ku-ring-gai command: It is part of my role to attend meetings, giving advice to the attendees on various issues, some of which include, safe driving, safety in the home, personal safety, community safety, etc.

At times I get a request to attend a different type of meeting. One for example, was an invitation to present to a kleptomaniacs group meeting. I accepted the invitation of course but unfortunately, upon entering the room, I saw that all the seats had been taken. Have a great weekend and stay safe

17 April, from Ku-ring-gai command: Looking for up-to-date numbers relating to #COVID-19 in NSW?

This interactive tool can help keep you informed about your local area [here](#).



17 April, from NSW Government: Keep yourself and your family safe, and

help keep our nurses and midwives safe.

Together, let's slow the spread.

Watch the video [here](#).

Find the facts via NSW Health [here](#).



16 April, from Defence Australia: How will you be observing #AnzacDay this year?

As you prepare to commemorate #AnzacAtHome, visit the Anzac portal [here](#) for popular resources.

Join us to #StandAtDawn and watch the Australian War Memorial commemorative service. Learn how you can share your photos with us [here](#).

A promotional graphic for ANZAC DAY 2020. The top left features the text "ANZAC DAY 2020" in large white letters, with "Commemorating Anzac at home" below it. A Facebook logo is to the right. The main body is dark with white text. It includes three sections: 1) "Update your Facebook profile photo with our Anzac Day frame and share your #StandAtDawn photos with us by tagging Defence Australia on Facebook" accompanied by a small image of a family. 2) "Download resources from the Anzac Portal online: <https://anzacportal.dva.gov.au/>" with a computer monitor icon. 3) "#StandAtDawn in front of your TV, in your driveway or garden, or even in your balcony to remember all those who have served and sacrificed and those who continue to serve our nation" with a red poppy icon. On the right side, there is a vertical image of a person in a kilt playing a bagpipe on a beach at sunset. The bottom right corner has the Australian Government Department of Defence logo.

15 April, from NSW Government: Working at a construction site?

Keep 1.5m away from your colleagues wherever possible. Together we can stop the spread of COVID-19. Find out more [here](#).



15 April, from Ku-ring-gai command: Are you concerned your symptoms may be coronavirus #COVID19?

Try the Australian Government Department of Health online Coronavirus (COVID-19) Symptom Checker - it will give you fast, quality health information and advice on what to do next [here](#).



15 April, from Ku-ring-gai command: Assistance required please

About 3:15pm on Tuesday the 7th April 2020, the male victim was walking along Kissing Point Road, Turramurra near the intersection of Monteith Street when he was assaulted and robbed by another male. The person of interest is described as

Caucasian, approximately 6 ft tall, thin build, wearing a dark coloured hooded jumper, black tracksuit pants, black shoes and wearing a black face mask. He was last seen running south along Kissing Point Road, Turramurra. Police are appealing for any witnesses, dash cam or CCTV footage covering the street/footpath along Kissing Point Road to The Comenarra Parkway, Turramurra.

Please contact **Hornsby Police Station on 9476 9799** or **Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000** if you have any information



March 2020 crime stats for the suburbs within the Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command (PAC):

Suburb / Compass Category	2020-03
Arcadia	
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Dwelling	1
Asquith	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	4
Stolen Vehicles	1
Berowra	
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	4
Steal From Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Berowra Heights	
Assault (Non-DV)	2
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Dwelling	1
Brooklyn	
Malicious Damage	1
Stolen Vehicles	1
Galston	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	1
Gordon	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	8
Steal From Dwelling	2
Steal From Motor Vehicle	2
Hornsby	
Assault (Non-DV)	7
Break And Enter - Dwelling	4
Malicious Damage	7
Steal From Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	3
Steal From Person	2
Steal From Retail Store	15
Hornsby Heights	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Killara	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	3
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	2
Steal From Dwelling	1

Suburb /	2020-03
Compass Category	
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Middle Dural	
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Mount Colah	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	4
Steal From Dwelling	3
Steal From Motor Vehicle	3
Steal From Retail Store	1
Mount Kuring-Gai	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Malicious Damage	2
Steal From Motor Vehicle	2
Normanhurst	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	3
Stolen Vehicles	1
North Turramurra	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	1
North Wahroonga	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Pymble	
Assault (Non-DV)	3
Break And Enter - Dwelling	5
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Steal From Retail Store	1
South Turramurra	
Assault (Non-DV)	2
Robbery	1
St Ives	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	4
Steal From Dwelling	2
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Thornleigh	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	3
Malicious Damage	2
Steal From Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1

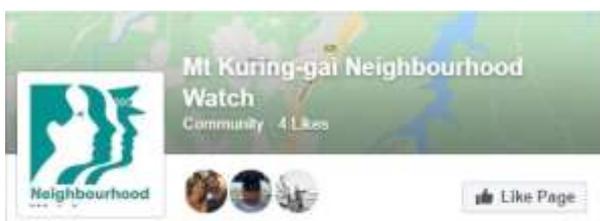
Suburb / Compass Category	2020-03
Steal From Retail Store	3
Turrumurra	
Assault (Non-DV)	1
Break And Enter - Dwelling	4
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	3
Robbery	1
Steal From Dwelling	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Steal From Person	1
Steal From Retail Store	1
Wahroonga	
Assault (Non-DV)	2
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	6
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1
Waitara	
Assault (Non-DV)	2
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	3
Steal From Dwelling	1
Warrawee	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	1
Steal From Dwelling	2
West Pymble	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Dwelling	1
Westleigh	
Break And Enter - Dwelling	2
Break And Enter - Non Dwelling	1
Malicious Damage	1
Steal From Motor Vehicle	1

Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com for your copy.

for Mt Kuring-gai residents and businesses. Thank you to Nina. 🙌🙌🙌

Do you live in Mt Kuring-gai? Have you ten minutes or so to help us out with admin?

Do you have friends who live in Mt Kuring-gai? Please let them know about this new Neighbourhood Watch Facebook page: [Mt Kuring-gai NHW](#).



21 April, from Know Your Drone: Think you know your drone?

Take the quiz and test your knowledge today.

Review the Rules [here](#).



**KNOW
YOUR
DRONE**

TEST YOUR
KNOWLEDGE.

Visit knowyourdrone.gov.au

 Australian Government
Civil Aviation Safety Authority

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Review The Rules

4,048 Views

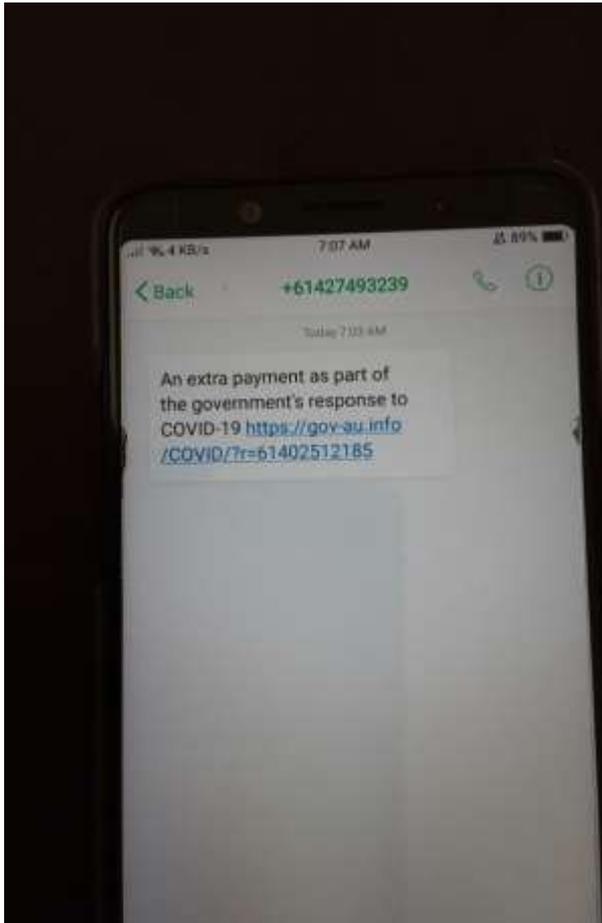
20 April, shared with us by Michael: About 4.10am yesterday (Sunday 19 April 2020), officers from Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command were patrolling the St Ives area, when they came across a group of youths congregating on Bedford Avenue.

One of the boys, aged 16, was allegedly in breach of his bail conditions. The youths then ran from police before the 16-year-old boy was arrested. He was taken to Hornsby Police Station, where he was charged with breach of bail and not comply with noticed direction re s 7/8/9 - COVID-19. He was granted strict conditional bail and is due to appear a Children's Court on Tuesday 16 June 2020.

19 April, shared from Scam Watchdog Australia: Careful Aussies got this SMS this morning looks like a scam to me...

To report a spam SMS mobile message: Forward the SMS to the **Australian**

Communications and Media Authority at: 0429 999 888.



18 April, shared from Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst Community Group: Some thieving person in a white UTE - didn't get rego - STOLE chainsaw from fencing contractor doing work on Quarter Sessions Road. He (the thief) would have known it wasn't out for council collection as it was hot from being used and nowhere near the stuff out for collection...

Dates for the Diary:

Saturday 25 April: 6am on your driveway, remembrance of ANZACs

Wednesday 29 April: **Note - CANCELLED due to Covid19 pandemic

** Gordon Area 3/4 (Turramurra) NHW meeting.

Saturday 30 May: **Note - CANCELLED due to Covid19 pandemic ** Self Defence Workshop for Women. Info. Note: NHW cannot endorse a product or service. You must do your own research.

Sunday 19 July: **Note - CANCELLED due to Covid19 pandemic ** - new date tbc NHW NSW Inc Inaugural AGM 1-5pm @ Ryde/Eastwood Leagues Club**

Wednesday 14 October: Gordon Area 3/4 (Turramurra) NHW meeting tbc.

Tuesday 24 November: Gordon/Killara/East Killara/some St Ives Neighbourhood
Watch AGM 7-9pm @ Gordon Library meeting room #2.

17 April, Shared with permission from the Wahroonga Community group: Hi all, Is this anyone's bag or does anyone know who it may belong to?

Found in the car park next to the train station on Warwilla ave, Wahroonga.



17 April, from the Australian Federal Police (AFP): Here's another Scam Alert.

Since 9 April, the ACSC has received more than 1,900 reports of an alarming new 'sextortion' scam. This is what's doing the rounds.

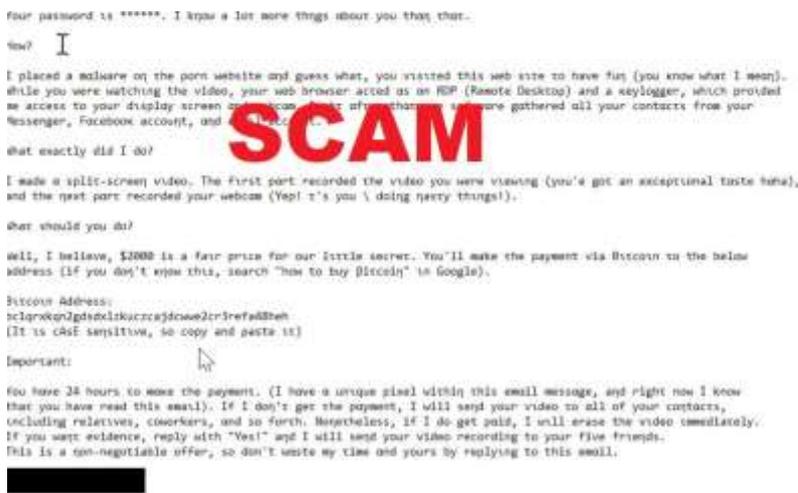
The scam:

- - Uses a tactic known as 'sextortion' – a form of online blackmail
- -Threatens to reveal intimate images online, often to friends and family, unless a ransom is quickly paid (often in cryptocurrency)
- - Typically they don't actually have the intimate images
- - Claims to have compromised a computer, or other electronic device, and include either a password or partial password the recipient has used in the past.

What to do:

- - If you receive one of these emails, DO NOT give the perpetrator any money or images
- - Delete the email and DO NOT respond
- - If a blackmailer is threatening to reveal intimate images of you online, DO NOT give in to their demands. Report it to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner
- - If you have concerns about your physical safety, call Triple Zero (000) or contact your local police
- - And we want you to read this next bit carefully...DO NOT use this post as a platform for victim blaming. Please think of others before you comment.

If you have experienced image-based abuse, you can also contact the **Office of the eSafety Commissioner** to report and seek support, including links to counselling support services [here](#).



17 April, received from Ku-ring-gai Council: Good morning All,

I am sending this to all organisations on our community list, as there may be seniors known to your group who may be having difficulties due to the current social distancing requirements. We're trying to let all those who may need some support in staying home, know that there are organisations that can provide services such as deliveries of meals (and toilet paper), shopping-by-list, pharmacy and spectacles prescriptions pick-up, emergency food and essentials, and library books to your front door.

Contact details are on Council's Useful information for Seniors webpage [here](#).

Over-65s can receive tasty, freshly cooked meals from Meals on Wheels during this time without the need to register with My Aged Care. Could you please forward this information, below and attached, to anyone in your groups who might need assistance? See Council webpages for additional resources such as exercise-at-home videos, on-line Resilience workshops and on-line relaxation workshops – Useful information for Seniors and Life Online/ Activities at Home. Kind regards,
Robin

Shopping help for the over 65s



Ku-ring-gai Council and local community organisations are teaming up to help you in these uncertain times.

If you are over 65, these services can take your shopping list, shop for you and deliver groceries to your front door.

Ku-ring-gai Neighbourhood Centre

● 9988 4966 ● info@knc.org.au

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Community Transport

● 9983 1611 ● info@communitytransport.org.au

Meals on Wheels

can deliver prepared meals and toilet paper

● 9144 2044 ● meals@kmow.org.au

Lifeline Community Aid

can deliver emergency food packages

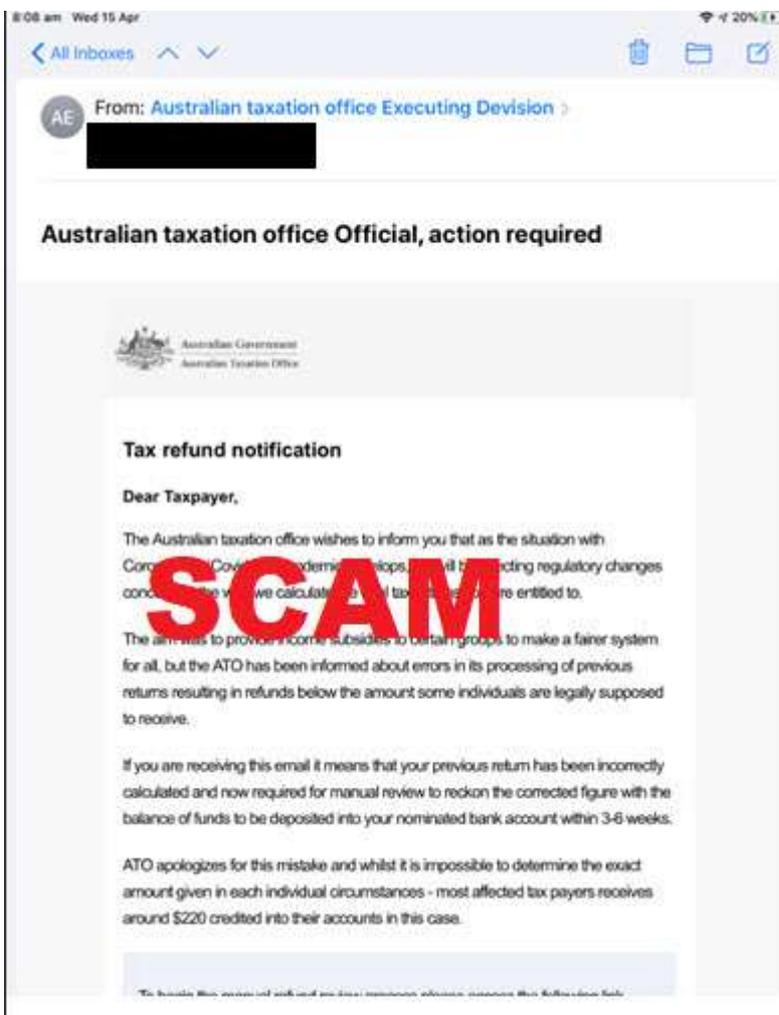
● 9498 5882 ● comaid@lifelineh2h.org.au

For enquiries contact the Council's Aged Services Team on 9424 0000



16 April, shared from the NSW Police: SCAM ALERT!

Government impersonation scams are rife during the COVID-19 pandemic, including this fake ATO email claiming to offer a tax credit due to COVID-19. Don't click on any links or provide personal or financial information. Info via Scamwatch.



16 April, from NSW Road Safety: Today is the 1st annual National Low Speed Vehicle Run Over Prevention Awareness Day launched by the Georgina Josephine Foundation in memory of Georgina who was 15 months old when fatally injured in the driveway of her family's home in 2011.

With more children and families now at home, it's really important to remember that driveways and footpaths aren't safe places for children to play. Take care when reversing out of driveways and always check your blind spots. They're counting on you.

Shared from Aussies & Kiwis for ANZACs: Let's get everyone to get out and support our ANZACs.

Get the kids up for this one day and let them know why and keep the history of our Nation remembered. We are one, We are together. (in keeping social distancing.)



ANZAC DAY 2020

Saturday 25th April

PLANNED DRIVEWAY SERVICE

Many ANZAC Day gatherings will not go ahead in 2020. What we have proposed is everyone step outside (*social distancing rules to apply*), Light a candle for our veterans then go to the end of your driveway or stand on your balcony at 5.55am, ready to listen to the Last Post at 6am and share a minute silence.

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."*

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14 April, shared with permission from Thornleigh, Westleigh and Normanhurst group: I live near Pennant Hills HS and we have a council clean up this week.

Yesterday, someone unloaded a whole heap of junk onto my nature strip and drove off. It includes some rusty reo and a lot of green waste, none of which will be taken by council. If anyone saw a neighbour load up their car with broken roller blinds, rusty reo, and boxes full of hundreds of half dead palm leaves, let me know! I'd love to return it.....

Neighbourhood Watch's comment: The easiest way to report illegal dumping is using the **Snap Send Solve App**. It takes your photo and attaches it to a pre-formatted email. Then sends it to the appropriate council.

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL): 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

NSW Police Community Portal

Online reporting of non-emergency minor crime: lost property, intentional damage, graffiti or theft.

Interpreting & Translating Services: 131 450

NSW Police - website for crime prevention advice

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

Neighbourhood Watch within Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby:



Website NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au



WatchOut! WatchOut.org.au - our one-stop-shop for crime prevention



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Email NHWKuringgaiHornsby@gmail.com

Local Facebook pages:



WatchOut! Our Crime Prevention [WatchOut! Facebook page](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Berowra](#) (technical issues)



[Neighbourhood Watch - East Killara](#)



[Neighbourhood Watch - Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia, Dural \(Rural Areas\)](#)



[NHW Galston, Glenorie, Arcadia & Dural \(Rural Areas\) Facebook Group](#)



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Our mailing address is:

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