

# Game and Fish



BY ARN COULSON

Early reports state that goose production is high throughout southern Ontario.

This information comes from a report sent to members of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters by Rick Morgan, one of the directors. The Federation is holding a goose seminar at the Puslinch Resources Management Area on Sunday, Oct. 15. Top notch speakers and actual demonstrations will be featured. This is a good way to learn more about goose biology, blinds, etc. Admission is free to all Federation members. Non members pay \$2.

From all reports the editor of your paper, The Champion, is following in the footsteps of his late father Emerson "Tubby" Downs who was an avid hunter and fisherman and a lover of our great outdoors.

Roy was out fishing on Lake Ontario with a Ministry of the Environment crew on a charter boat out of Port Credit. Roy landed a beautiful 10 lb. Coho and says he could easily become hooked on salmon fishing.

One of the nice things about being a member of a good organization like the Halton Sportsmen's Association is the chance you get to know most of the members on an individual basis. We are talking about hunting and fishing trips where from five to 20 members get together for a trip. You live, eat and fish together for a few days and it somehow brings you closer together as many subjects are discussed, cussed and practically ironed out.

Such a trip yours truly was on recently with Richard Forchon, Jim Pearson, Ron Marshall, Delmar Coulson, Primo Rigo and Al Crawford. We spent a few days with Jack and Vi Watson at their fishing camp at Rice Lake. We caught a few nice fish and enjoyed the hospitality of Jack and Vi, both former members of the HSA. We enjoyed a steak barbecue Saturday night ably prepared by Ron Marshall. The campfire and singsong that followed was also enjoyed, just a great bunch of fellows.

Salmon fever is at its pitch right now and the salmon are in close to shore, a mile or so. They seem to be hitting on most types of lures. The record to beat so far is a monster of 30.3 lbs., a Chinook. A good fish was also landed off the Bronte Pier weighing 27.6 lbs.—and also a Chinook.

From shore the bait being used are egg bags, small spoons and spinners. Bruce, Delmar Jr. and Jim Coulson of Lowville have been salmon fishing and so far have landed some, with the largest being a 13 lb. Chinook.

Just a reminder to members of the HSA that they haven't much time left to sign up a new member in the OFAH. If you will recall, one of our objectives for the year was for each member to sign up a new one. Have you?

## Milton bowlers top

Milton rinks claimed four of the six prizes awarded last week when Milton Lawn Bowling Club hosted a four-club jitney for over 70 bowlers.

Ladies' high went to Ada Sinclair of Milton, with Jean Sanderson of Oakville second and Blanche Hinton of Milton third.

Jack Elliott of Milton was high for the men and Wally

King came second. George Heywood of Georgetown claimed third high honors.

In regular Monday night play at Milton Lawn Bowling Club, Elizabeth Nyholt was high for the ladies with Clara Price second and Marjorie King third.

Tops for the men was Andy Frank, with Wallace King second and Jack Elliot third.

# Merchants into semis after Oak drub

By Peter McCusker  
Milton Merchants have advanced into semi-final play in Halton County Baseball League action against the Etobicoke Indians after they eliminated Oakville Oaks two games to one with a 19-10 drubbing at Brian Best Park on Saturday afternoon.

Oaks were without their only pitcher Rob Fisher who threw a no hitter against Merchants in Oakville a week earlier. The Oaks bullpen is weak and had to depend on outpitching Merchants to take the series. They didn't.

Milton outslugged Oakville 27-17 running through four Oakville performers who acted like they could hurt.

The locals fell behind 5-0 after the top of the first inning as Wayne Marchand got off to a poor start. Coach John Kelman pulled Marchand in favor of Roger Clements who went the rest of the stretch and claimed the victory.

Marchand told The Champion he lacked concentration and didn't have time to get into the groove of chucking.

Marchand said, "They've got a good team but no depth in the bullpen," referring to Oakville's pitching staff. "They're certainly a different team without Fisher," he said.

Marchand can't wait to get into the action with Etobicoke. The Merchants have gone 2-0 against them this year but was early in the season. Marchand said he realizes a club such as Etobicoke will pull a few strings with players and have done so already. They pulled in two pitchers, Williams from an intercounty team and Phillips, a strong junior.

Etobicoke enjoyed a strong late season and may have the momentum to topple Milton. Marchand knows they'll be tough this time around.

On the other hand Merchant coach Kelman thinks Milton is having their difficulties in player performance and attitude.

"What Milton lacks is the fundamentals. We've got plenty of raw talent on the team and we're all from Milton," he said. "What we need is someone who really knows a lot about ball to bring the team up."

Coach Kelman questioned how Oakville expected to win with only one pitcher on their roster.

"If Fisher would have pitched the last game things would have been different. We wouldn't have gotten 19 runs off him," said Merchants coach.

In the bottom of the first inning Merchants managed two runs off Rick Wilkinson

who has only tossed six innings this year. Brad Dutot

Mark Campbell came in for two-thirds of an inning and Bill Reynolds was left to finish the stretch.

Top hitters for the Merchants had Wade Bekar driving in five runs with a single and a two bagger while ex-Oak Andy Hull brought in three trips to home with a two run homer and sacrifice fly. Second baseman Don Hearn and Lorin Faggion both

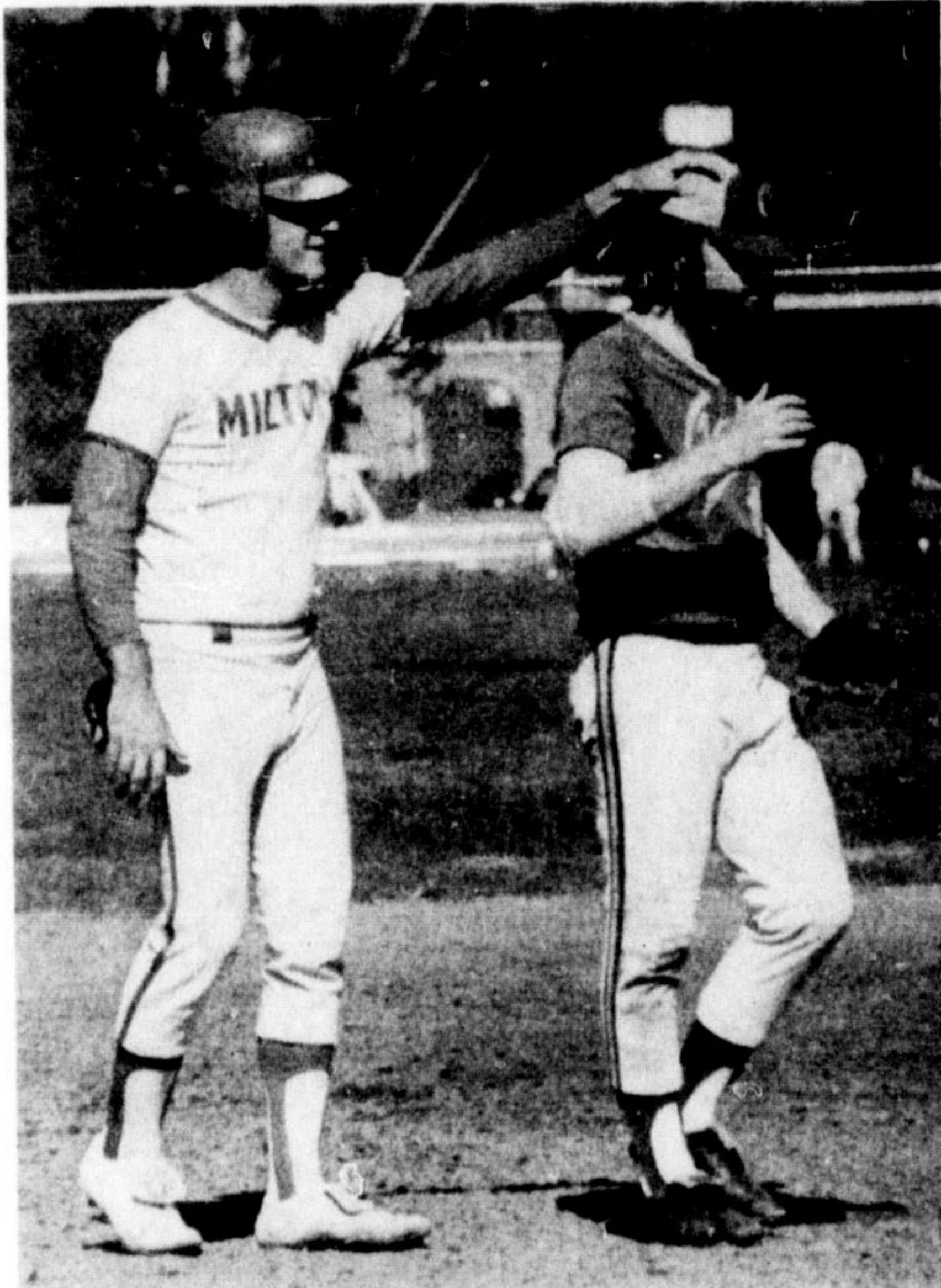
took over and was thrown to the mercy of Milton batsmen in the second and fifth innings when they scored six runs in each frame.

Dutot was tossed from the game in the fifth inning when he left the mound for the second time in the same inning. Halton County rules a pitcher must be pulled from the game at this time so Oakville had to go with what was available and that wasn't much.

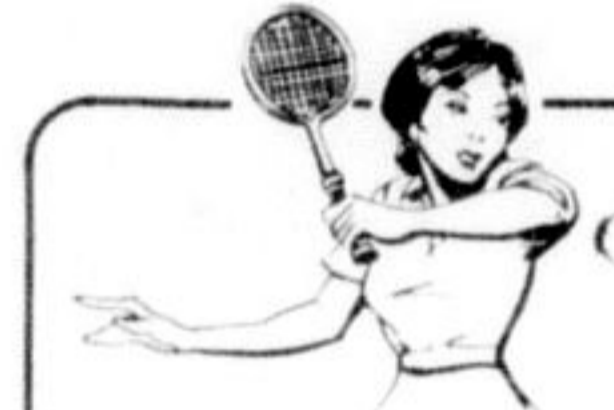
cracked two run homers.

Oakville's Doug Savin clubbed in four runs for the Oaks while teammate Tony Carlson snatched four singles.

Merchants travelled to Etobicoke's Centennial Park Tuesday evening and will host the Indians Saturday at Brian Best Park.



CLOWNING AROUND. Andy Hull, Milton Merchants' first baseman had a party running bases Saturday afternoon as he teased his teammates on the Oakville Oaks. Here Hull tipped the shortstop's cap.



## Milton Tennis Club

The season's junior activities culminate in a tournament to be held Saturday and those members wishing to enter should sign up down at the courts by Sept. 15.

The junior members have had a busy season playing inter-club matches against Bronte, Georgetown, Acton, Wallace Park and Campbellville.

Several local juniors were active in Provincial Junior play as Paul Judkins won the South West Region elimination tournament at Hamilton, and reached the semi-finals at both Hamilton, Rosedale and Toronto Leaside.

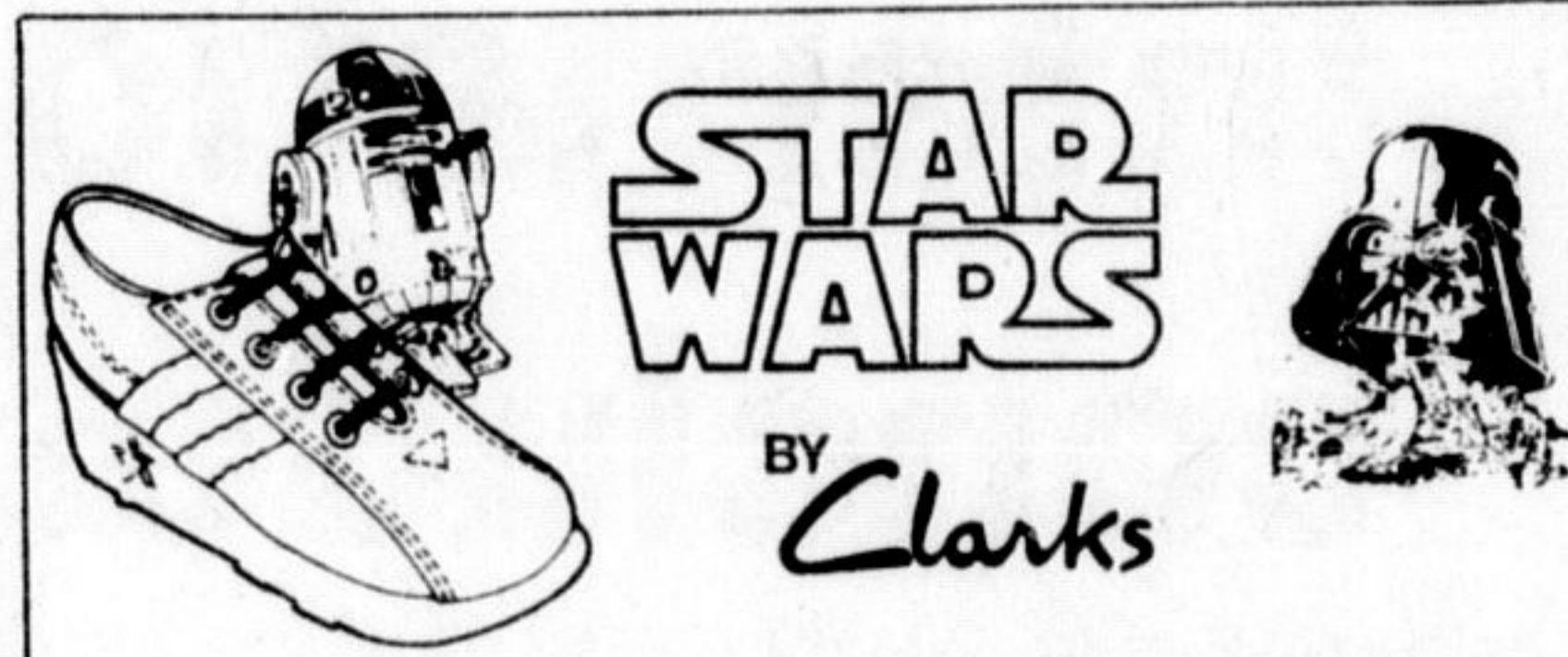
Mitch Bauer won the Etobicoke Provincial Consolation Tournament. Vinelands Regional (under 14 years) Tournament and Burlington International Games against Burlington Vermont.

Presently right here in Milton Elimination Rounds of the club open Tournament have been proceeding during the past week with the finals expected Sept 16 and 17.

The level of play has been excellent and anyone wishing to watch good, exciting tennis is invited to the courts at Rotary Park each evening and this coming weekend.



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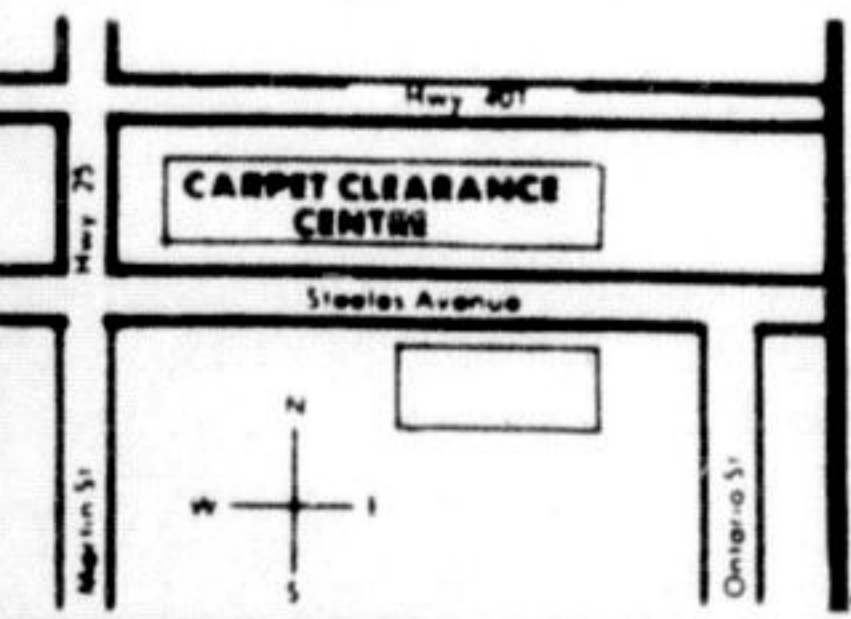


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