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Commodores' Report



Rick Arends Phyllis Bain

Well, it's hard to believe another on-water season is just about over and the summer schedule has been replaced with the fall schedule on the fridge.

And it was a very good summer indeed....

After receiving a Trillium grant and other corporate donations, we purchased a new truck, new docks, several new boats and paddles, with more boats still to come. It was indeed a bright year for raising capital funds and many thanks to Matt Gleeson for his leadership in this area.

Our major fundraiser of the year – The 200 Club & Evening of Rockin' N Rollin' – was held on June 7. It took on a different format than in the past with a well known sixties/seventies rock band "Go Freddie Go" supplying the entertainment. We have had nothing but positive feedback and it has been suggested we go with this new format again next year. Thanks to all who purchased tickets, donated silent auction items, helped out and attended

A Glenn Miller Dance was held on June 21, with big band music performed live by The Music Lovers Orchestra. Thanks to everyone who helped with the bar-b-que beforehand. The next dance - "The Harvest Ball" with DJ will be held on Saturday, October 19, starting at 8:00 p.m. (See details further in this newsletter.)

Though it too took on a different format, we revived the North Canoe Challenge this summer. On July 23, Rob Stott and his paddlers played host to Royal Bank employees for a team-building day of north canoe races and a volleyball tournament. It was a great success and Rob and his paddlers are to be congratulated for a job well done. If you are interested in scheduling a corporate team-building day, speak with anyone on the Executive.

Our 97th Annual Regatta was threatened by a City of Toronto outside workers strike and there was great concern it would have to be cancelled. But it was moved in a hurry from Toronto Island to Lake Wilcox in Richmond Hill and we are thankful to RHCC and our members for their assistance. We had numerous compliments on the day and Eleanor McIntyre is to be congratulated on another successful regatta.

Our number of paddlers increased over those of last year; our results at regattas improved significantly; and once again Lynn Roworth had our summer sports day camp filled to capacity only weeks into commencement of the camp. We introduced a new afternoon Atom Program that proved worthwhile. In fact, our Atoms brought home the WOD burgee from their regatta in Mississauga. Peewee Boys won the WOD burgee at qualifying trials and our Midgets won the Ontario's burgee in Ottawa. Many paddlers qualified boats at WOD trials and we had great podium representation at Ontario's. We are proud of our athletes and coaches and congratulate all of them on their achievements.

Pat Fremeau faced many challenges trying to get us all to and from out-of-town regattas but eventually things fell nicely into place and the results received much praise. The hotels we stayed at were first rate, and our paddlers had the comforts of their own private bus to, from and during their stay in Minnedosa. Well done, Pat.

For those of you unable to make the trip to Minnedosa, you missed a great deal of excitement. Midget, Sharon Goldthorpe won gold in her C-1 1000m and 6000m races and with fellow Midgets, Danielle Arends, Bojana Prekic and Alex Potter, won gold in their C-4 1000m and bronze in Open Women's C-4 200m. Though we all shared the disappointment of not being able to field a Midget Women's War Canoe, Ross Bain's Midget Men's War Canoe won bronze, and Rob Stott's Junior and Senior Women's War Canoes finished a close fourth in both races.

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Not to forget our Masters who placed third overall at CANMAS. Congratulations to Mari Bruce Ellery for winning the CANMAS Female C-1 paddler of the Year Award.

Your Executive has worked extremely hard to look after the interests of Club. We thank all of them for their dedication and hard work over this past year.

In closing, we would ask that you mark your calendars for our **Annual Awards Night on Friday, October 4**, starting with dinner at 7:00 p.m. and the awards presentations immediately following. Everyone is welcome. Come out and share the highlights of the summer of 2002. Please also mark your calendars for our **Annual General Meeting on Sunday, October 20, starting at 11:00 a.m.** when the new executive will be elected. It is also an opportunity for you to share any thoughts and input you wish to put forward. You will receive a mailing before the 20th indicating the positions up for election and the nominations being put forward.

Head Coach Report – Rob Stott

As many of you know Beach had excellent results at CCA - a total of 91 points, which is a 26-point increase over last year. Congratulations to all the paddlers who participated!

I have always held Beach parents in high regard but watching them at CCA this year I am convinced that Beach parents are the most committed and enthusiastic parents compared to any other club in the country. Our parents don't just stick around for their own kid's races, they stick around for every race! Many thanks for the rides back and forth to the race course, the endless supply of water for the kids, food and the Tim Horton's COFFEE!!! On a personal note, thanks to all who helped Kim and me with Willow at practices, regattas and CCA. We couldn't have done it without you. So after a couple of weeks off, we are back down at the Bay and on the water. It was difficult to go down to the Bay and see the weeds clogging up the water. Weeds surrounded the docks, weeds, weeds everywhere. How were we going to practice in this water? How realistic would it be to go to the Humber every weekend for nice long water? I was feeling a bit discouraged.

Then the regulars started to arrive: Kev Mac, Boj, Potter, Carty, Danielle, Sharon, Mac Bain, Julia, Liz and Henderson. A good-sized group for the first week feeling better already! Pat Casey, former Beach / Rouge paddler, Rideau coach, came down, paddled and has been helping out, Leigh was down, Ross and about 20 - 25 Comp / Development / Bantams.

Nothing discouraging about that - suddenly the club is buzzing with energy - I look out from the motor boat and there are kids paddling everywhere. What a great start to the Fall / Winter training session! We are in for an exciting, busy and intense winter of training - we will have a record number of athletes training this winter.

We are busy making plans for Florida and intend to take 10 - 12 paddlers. We will likely be finalizing and collecting funds in the next few weeks. The Winter schedule will be finalized during the next few weeks as well.

I look forward to seeing all of you cleaned up and spiffy at the **Awards Banquet on October 4th**.

BBCC 2002 Awards Night

To All Paddlers And Family Members:

You are invited to attend the Balmy Beach Canoe Club's 2002 AWARDS NIGHT to be held at the Main Club at the foot of Beech Avenue, **on Friday, October 4, 2002, starting at 7:00 p.m.**

A buffet dinner will be served – lasagna is on the menu! (\$7.00 per person; \$20.00 for a family of 3 or more)

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Awards will be presented to paddlers (Atoms to Masters) and to volunteers recognizing their contribution to a highly successful 2002 season

Hope to see you there.

NOTE: A phone committee will be in place to make inquiries as to how many will attend so that ample food will be available. Donations of salads and desserts will be appreciated. Call Phyllis at (416) 763-7302 to help.

Summer Sports Camp – Lynn Roworth

2002 has been a successful year for camp. More than 230 children paddled, swam, biked, participated in scavenger hunts, gladiators, Harry Potter and survived! We sold Jumbo Freezies after camp and made \$600 for the club to use to help purchase equipment!

Many thanks to all of our paddling coaches: Lauren, Danielle, Alex P., Boyana, Brandon, Nick and Dylan. Paddling continues to be a favourite activity among campers.

Results At WOD Trials

Congratulations to all of the BBCC athletes who performed so well at the WOD Trials. Some results...

- MIDGET WOMEN C-4 1000 1st Prekic/Goldtorpe/Arends/Potter 5:32.610
- JUVENILE MEN K-4 1000 2nd K.McIntyre/McAndrews/Bain/Mead 4:04.12
- MIDGET MEN C-4 1000 3rd
 D.McIntyre/Mead/Morrison/Quinn 5:14.96
- MIDGET WOMEN K-2 1000 2nd Prekic/Potter 4:29.90
- JUNIOR WOMEN K-1 500 1st C. Bain 2:23.50
- JUVENILE WOMEN K-1 500 3rd Carty 2:15.95
- MIDGET MEN K2 1000 3rd Mead/Quinn 4:20.90
- MIDGET WOMEN C-1 1000 1st Goldthorpe 5:41:18
- JUNIOR WOMEN K-1 200 1st C. Bain 0:48.86
- JUVENILE WOMEN K-1 200 1st Carty 0:46:75

- JUNIOR WOMEN K-2 500 1st C.Bain/Carty 2:10:63
- JUVENILE WOMEN C-2 200 1st Arends/Goldthorpe (no race)
- MIDGET WOMEN C-2 1000 1st Arends/Goldthorpe 5:23:05
- MIDGET WOMEN K-1 1000 1st Prekic 4:30:93
- JUVENILE MEN K-2 500 3rd K.Mcintyre/McAndrews 1:54.07
- JUVENILE WOMEN K-2 200 1st Carty/Prekic 0:43.50
- JUVENILE WOMEN C-1 200 1st Goldthorpe 0:59.30
- MIDGET WOMEN K-4 1000 2nd Mckeever/Potter/Prekic/Arends 4:02:60
- JUVENILE WOMEN C-1 500 **1**st Goldthorpe 2:48:39
- JUVENILE WOMEN K-2 200 1st C. Bain/Carty 0:43.03
- MIDGET MEN K-4 1000 2nd Quinn/Henderson/Mead/Benson 3:48.82
- JUVENILE MEN C-15 500 2nd R. Bain Crew 2:00.47
- MIDGET MEN C-15 500 **1**st R. Bain Crew 2:00.30
- JUVENILE WOMEN C-15 500 2nd Rob Stott's Crew 2:13:09

CCA Results

The club had a great showing at the Canadian Championships in Minnedosa. Congratulations to all of the BBCC athletes who made the finals:

- MIDGET WOMEN C-4 1000 **1st** B. Prekic/S. Goldthorpe/D. Arends/A. Potter 5:09.
- MIDGET WOMEN C-1 1000 1st Sharon Goldthorpe 5:21.391
- MIDGET WOMEN C-1 6000 1st Sharon Goldthorpe 40:54.43
- OPEN WOMEN C-4 200 **3rd** A. Potter/D. Arends/B Prekic /S Goldthorpe 0:57.793
- MIDGET MEN C-15 500 3rd Ross Bain 2:03.217
- JUNIOR WOMEN C-15 500 **4th** Robert Stott 2:11.974 (.06 seconds from bronze!)
- SENIOR WOMEN C-15 500 4th Robert Stott 2:09.801



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- MIDGET WOMEN K-1 6000 5th Bojana Prekic 30:11.66
- MIDGET WOMEN C-2 1000 5th Sharon Goldthorpe Danielle Arends 5:12.277
- MIDGET WOMEN K-4 1000 **5th** E. McKeever/A. Potter/B. Prekic/D. Arends 3:59.994
- JUVENILE MEN C-15 500 7th Ross Bain 2:02.087
- JUNIOR WOMEN K-2 500 8th Christine Bain/ Emily Carty 2:04.169
- JUNIOR WOMEN K-2 200 9th Christine Bain/ Emily Carty 0:48.451
- SENIOR MEN K-1 500 9th Kevin McIntyre 2:05.418
- MIDGET WOMEN K-2 1000 9th Bojana Prekic/ Alexandra Potter 4:24.595
- JUVENILE WOMEN C-2 200 **9th** Sharon Goldthorpe Danielle Arends 1:05.483
- MIDGET MEN K-1 6000 22nd Brandon Quinn 31:20.59

New Fundraising Program

The Club is pleased to announce that we are participating in a new fundraising initiative that provides our friends, supporters, paddlers' families and members with the opportunity to consider investing in a timeshare property (ninety-nine year ownership) in the Phoenix, Arizona area. The timeshare weeks are available through Arizona Lifestyles Inc., a Canadian company, at very competitive rates.

Program Summary

The timeshare property, Villas of Mesa, is located in Mesa, Arizona. The one-time cost for a timeshare week is only \$5,500.00 CDN. The annual maintenance fee per unit is \$299.00 USD.

Each fully furnished timeshare unit has two bedrooms, two four-piece bathrooms, plus a fully equipped kitchen, living room, dining area, private laundry facility and central air conditioning.

Property amenities include a pool, hot tub and private covered parking. The property is a lushly landscaped, two level complex located only 20 kilometres from Sky Harbor International Airport. The term of use of each purchased timeshare unit is ninety-nine consecutive years and is fully transferable to heirs. The type of ownership is right-to-use.

Purchased weeks may be exchanged through membership in Resorts Condominiums International (RCI) for vacations in RCI's 3,700 plus resorts located throughout the world.

We decided to participate in this initiative for a number of reasons, primarily:

- Our supporters have the opportunity to consider purchasing very favourably priced timeshare units in the Valley of the Sun, Arizona for their personal use.
- A \$500.00 cash donation comes to BBCC for each timeshare unit sold to our supporters courtesy of Arizona Lifestyles and the timeshare salesperson.

We invite you to request information or personal assistance by taking any of the following steps:

- Call for an information package at 905-762-9285.
- Visit the Arizona Lifestyles web site at www.arizonalifestylesinc.com
- Visit the Balmy Beach web site at
 www.members.tripod.com/balmybeach/contents.htm

We hope that our friends and supporters will want to take advantage of this program for their personal lifestyle purposes and, at the same time, help BBCC raise additional donated funds.

Notice of BBCC AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Balmy Beach Canoe Club will be held on **Sunday, October 20, at 11 a.m.** at the main club. Everyone is welcome!

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The Balmy Beach Canoe Club was the recipient of a one-year \$75,000 Trillium Foundation grant to be used to increase the quality and safety of paddling programs by replacing old and outdated equipment.

The Balmy Beach Canoe Club gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation, an agency of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Recreation, which receives annually \$100 million in government funding generated through Ontario's charity casino initiative.

Registration

The Fall/Winter Season begins on November 1 and runs to April 30. Registration will be accepted immediately following **the AGM on October 20**.

If you are not able to attend the AGM, please ensure that you/your child gets signed up ASAP. Forms will be available in the boathouse. Once completed, forms and payment may be handed over to Rob Stott. As always, postdated cheques are accepted.

A word to the wise... A reminder to adult members to renew their Main Club memberships as they become due. A month before your membership is due for renewal, you will receive a new registration form from the Main Club in the mail with the date of renewal stamped on it. The Main Club is now imposing a late registration fee of \$60 if memberships are not renewed on time, but are renewed within 30 days of the due date. A late fee of \$100 is being imposed if memberships are renewed 30+ days after the due date.

WANTED!

Someone to coordinate **Pancake Breakfasts** for our athletes one Saturday morning a month. If you can help feed our hungry athletes, or for more information, please contact Phyllis Bain at (416) 763-7302

Used Boats for Sale

LOOKING FOR A BOAT FOR THE COTTAGE? With the purchase of many new boats this year and storage space in the boathouse being at a premium, we will be disposing of some of our older boats. If interested, please give Mike Gregory a call at (416) 694-6433.

Best Wishes!

Best wishes to Russ Dunn who had emergency surgery recently. Russ is fine now and eagerly awaiting his return home. If you want to wish Russ a speedy recovery, you can send him a card at his home at 309 Victoria Park Avenue, Toronto M4E 3S7.

Mike Gregory and Heather Hogarth celebrated the last long weekend of the summer by getting married on Saturday August 31st. A wonderful ceremony in Rosetta McClain Park was followed by the reception at the Balmy Beach Club. The happy couple are now settling into their new home (they took possession the day before the wedding!).



Glenn Miller Night

OCTOBER 19: GLENN MILLER NIGHT at the Balmy Beach Club, 8:00 p.m. Enjoy dancing to big band music. DJ. Admission \$12 per person. Proceeds to BBCC paddlers. For information or to reserve a table, call Russ at (416) 698-2288.

BBCC Web Site

Did you know we have a great website at: <u>http://members.tripod.com/balmybeach/contents.htm</u> Thanks to our web master Liz Krivonosov. Liz is looking for pictures for posting on the site. If you have great shots from the past season, please get them to Liz (416-405-8059).

Dinn's report: CANMAS 2002



Hot! Hot! Hot! ...not just the weather....

Another excellent performance from all those Master Blasters competing at the 2002 CANMAS in Minnedosa, Manitoba! The weather was sunny and hot and our guys were smokin'. Here's a list of 1st place finishes:

- Sizzlin' Sue Stuart Women's' K-1,
- Crusty Ray K-1, also mixing it up in the C-4 (Ray/ Barb/ Marg and mystery man),
- 2nd year in a row ladies War Canoe 40+ (way to go you masters!),
- Dynamic duo Marg & Barb K-2,
- Mari 'the killer' Bruce C-1,
- First time together mixed C-2 Dinn & Mari, and
- The lovely ladies K-4 Liz/Eve/Beth/Colleen.

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First place finishes are nice but having a great race is awesome! Some notables:

Eve 'the crusher' Giguere powered her way to second place in novice k-1, passing some unsuspecting competitors near the finish.

Jimmy Parsons and Colleen Didur had the best race I've seen since they started paddling together, 2nd place only 0.3 seconds behind first place.

The final race of the day: Mixed A War Canoe, Dinn's Crew. I think the worst start ever (not us, the starter), but what a ride. Everyone is going except us we're still waiting for 10 sec. to start command.

Left at the line dazed and confused the crew went into automatic pilot mode. Instead of sit-up, Ready! Ready! It was Go! Go! It was awesome everyone just dug in.

Already a half boat length behind, 'IT' was there, I caught a whiff, the sweet bouquet of the forbidden wash! Immediately I moved in and we were on it baby, ohh yaa. Riding high only a foot or two from the other crew we began to surge.

This provided us the opportunity to get back in the race and we did. Finishing 0.467 sec. behind 2nd. It was the best wash riding experience I ever had and everyone did a superb job keeping us there (even in the new war canoe, the one we're not supposed to use).

Later that evening was the CANMAS Dinner and Awards banquet, after loading the boats we were starving. A feast was had, and beverages were consumed another successful CANMAS, BBCC 3rd place overall out of 16 clubs. A special mention goes to Mari Bruce Ellery for her recognition as Masters women's C-1 paddler of the year. Way to go Mari!

Post CANMAS report: 'Beach rules the Rivi'

Its a laid back fun race about 4 kms long where competitors complain: of hangovers from partying; I suck; I'm new; I'm injured; I'd like to row in this race,

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...whatever it takes to get the best handicap! This is not always a guaranteed win, but it helps.

This years winners were, K-1er Brian 'good looks' Watson and, also with good looks, C-1er Grudy 'the mayor' Deligrudev. Good job boys!

CCA and CANMAS 2003 August 20 – 24 Welland/Port Colborne

As hosts for 2003, our Western Ontario Division is pleased to have been given the opportunity to welcome paddlers from across Canada to our area. The 2003 Committee has been meeting for over a year, with each Club taking on various responsibilities for the event (more from your Executive on this). We hope all member families will rise to the volunteer call to actively participate in ensuring our success!

As a member of the 2003 Marketing/Sponsorship Committee charged with raising funds, I am asking for your assistance, along with every Club member in WOD. Our efforts so far have not attracted major corporations as our Nationals seem to be too small a marketing audience or not the right fit for sponsorship donations. WE NEED YOUR HELP. If appropriate, would you ask your businesses if they would be willing to contribute to the 2003 Nationals. Ideally we are looking for cash donations in any amount. However, in kind contributions would be most welcome. I would be delighted to share with any of you details of our approach and contacts made to date.

PLEASE CALL. Thank you. Sue Stuart 416 691-6869 E-mail: <u>susanIstuart@yahoo.ca</u>

BBCC Paddlers in Dragon Boat!

Thanks to the BBCC paddlers who helped Mari Bruce Ellery



ensure that Variety Village would have a dragon boat crew in the recent Great White North Dragon Boat Challenge. For many, this was their first time in a dragon boat, but their paddling ability was still very evident. Variety Village was the charity to receive the benefits from this fundraising regatta, and it was great that they could enter a crew.

Double Silver for Brunet at World Canoe and Kayak Championships

SEVILLE, Spain- Caroline Brunet of Lac-Beauport, Que., showed she's still a big player on international waters with a double silver medal performance at the world canoe and kayak championships.

In the women's K-1 500-metres, the Olympic event for the women kayakers, Katalin Kovacs of Hungary was the winner clocking 1:52.116. She edged Brunet, a two-time Olympic silver medallist and nine-time world champion, who placed second in 1:52.483. Olympic champion Josefa Idem of Italy was third in 1:53.069.

In the women's K-1 200, Teresa Portela of Spain took the gold in 40.693 with Brunet second in 41.426 and Elzbieta Urbanczyk of Poland third at 41.713.

"I was hoping for gold but I'm extremely pleased with my performances," said Brunet, 33, who sat out last season. "Everyone was expecting me to do well again and I feel the pressure is now off."

Graham Barton, the high performance director for the Canadian Canoe Association says the comeback has been an adjustment for Brunet.

"It really takes awhile after you've been out that long to get your training legs and competing legs back," said Barton. "There's been some changes in the sport in terms of competition and equipment. She's happy where she's at right now knowing she has two years to prepare for the next Olympics."

Other Canadian finalists were:

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- The women's K-4 with Kamini Jain of Vancouver, Sara Hopkins of Halifax, Karen Furneaux of Waverley, N.S., and Carrie Lightbound of Mississauga, Ont., fourth in the K-4 200 and ninth in the K-4 500.
- Richard Dalton of Halifax fifth in the men's C-1 500 and eighth in the C-1 200.
- The men's C-4 500 with Mike Scarola of Waverley, N.S., Attila and Tamas Buday of Mississauga, Ont., and Mark Oldershaw of Burlington, Ont., which placed fifth.
- The men's C-4 200 with the Budays, Steve Giles of Lake Echo, N.S., and Mark Oldershaw of Burlington, Ont., which placed eighth.

In the overall medal standings, Hungary was first with six gold, four silver and a bronze, Germany second at 3-5-3 and Poland third at 3-3-4. Canada placed 13th at 0-3-2 a marked improvement over last year in which they earned one medal, a gold for Furneaux in the K-1 200.

Canada's medallists on Saturday were Dimitri Joukovski of Halifax, Maxime Boilard of Lac-Beauport, Que., and the Buday brothers with silver in the C-4 1,000, while bronze went to Giles in the C-1 1,000 and Dalton and Scarola in the C-2 1,000.

"It's one of our better world championships in recent years," said Barton. "We've established ourselves among the top-three countries in the world in canoe and we have a lot of depth in that event. We're also pleased with the improvement in men's kayak."

Canadian Paddlers Earn 10 Medals at World University Canoe and Kayak Championships

BARI, Italy- Richard Dalton of Halifax, Mike Scarola of Waverley, N.S., and Mark Oldershaw of Burlington, Ont., each won four medals Sunday as Canada negotiated rough water conditions to step on the podium in 10 of 15 races at the 2nd world university canoe and kayak championships. Dalton, representing St. Mary's University, took gold in the C-1 500-metres, teamed with Scarola, Oldershaw and Ian Mortimer of Ottawa for silver in the C-4 500 and C-4 1,000, and notched a third silver with Scarola in the C-2 1,000.

"We went out hard and paid for it in the second half," said Mortimer, who studies at Carleton University. "But it was great to go for it and get on the podium."

Scarola, representing Dalhousie University, added a bronze in the C-2 500 while Oldershaw, currently at Carleton University, was third in the C-1 1,000. Scarola's father Rocco grew up in Bari and about 25 local members of the Scarola clan were on hand to cheer the Canadian paddler.

"My grandfather won't be happy with our silver in the C-2 1,000," said Scarola. "I thought we had the race in hand at 200-metres but we slowly let it slip away."

In the men's K-2 500, Jean-Christophe Pothier of l'École polytechnique de Montréal and Dominic Sauvé of l'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) were second in the K-2 500.

On the women's side, Dalhousie's Karen Furneaux of Waverley won three medals including gold in the K-1 500. She added bronze in the K-2 500 with St. Mary's Sarah Hopkins of Waverley and another third in the K-4 500 with Hopkins, Carrie Lightbound of the University of Toronto at Mississauga and Carleton's Victoria Tuttle of Carleton Place, Ont.

"It was gratifying to see all the hard work pay off,"" said Furneaux. "I was surprised we were this successful under these conditions."

Thank you...

To our Editor, **Chris Helyar**, for putting this newsletter together. If you have anything you would like included in a future newsletter, just e-mail Chris at helyarc@pathcom.com.



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