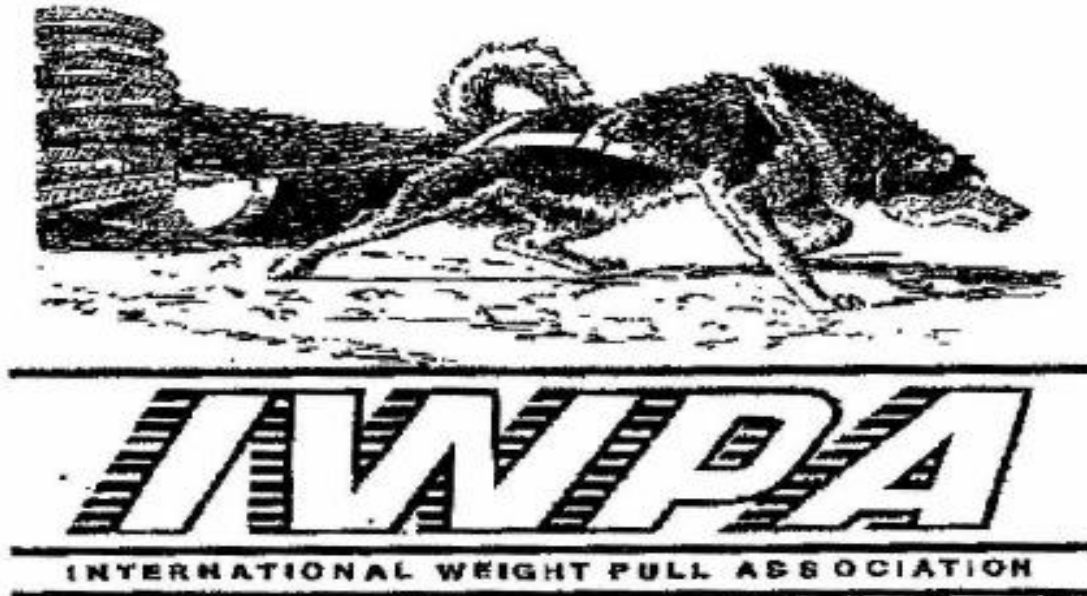


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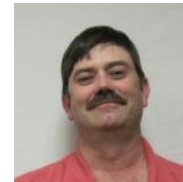
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Terry Reed

Hello IWPA Members,

Well, as I told you last month the Board of Directors was exploring the idea of PayPal. After some discussion it has been approved. IWPA will be giving PayPal a try.

Look for it to be available on the web site soon. When it is all set up you should be able to pay just about all your fees to IWPA through PayPal.

Also IWPA forms are in the works of being made fillable and placed on the web site to complement the addition of PayPal.

There have been progressive changes made for this season so we may need to expect some “growing pains” but together we can make it through. Everyone just has to remember to be patient during this trial period.

Time to get this season rolling and strive to achieve your goals for your dog. Whether that be a personal best weight pulled, working dog title, regional or championship medal.

Have fun and enjoy your IWPA Pulling Season.

Terry Reed

IWPA President

2015-2016



## FROM SANCTIONING AND STATISTICIAN CHAIR

Sue Ferrari

Hello everyone;

Hopefully everyone is ready to start the season off with a bang. Please remember to just call your dog one name and watch your points carefully. If you see any errors, the quicker you can let me know about them, the better for all of us.

We have already had a couple novice pulls that were put on in various states. Please remember how important these are to help us increase our membership. You can do them after a sanctioned pull, or just have a separate novice pull to attract some interest. Is there a pet paw-looza event in your area, or some other dog related event that you put on an exhibition or have a fun pull at? Let's all try to think outside of the box.

During the year I tend to get a lot of extra materials sent to me in the stats packets that are returned. You are more than welcome to pay for the extra postage to do this, but I won't be spending money sending these extra forms on. We have Rodney who loves to get his own personal mail and so does Bob. Please make sure you are sending your paperwork to the right personnel.

Have a great pulling season this year!

She's gone to the dogs.....

Sue Ferrari

## Championship Bids Accepted

IWPA members it is time to think about Championships for the 2015-2016 pulling season. The Mideast regions are up for the first option to host the IWPA championships for next spring. Those regions included are Regions 4, 6, and 8. These regions include the states of Manitoba, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas.

If you are interested in submitting a bid, please contact me at the number below and I will be happy to send you the bid application to return back to me. The postmark deadline for the bid is September 15<sup>th</sup>. If there is no bid submitted from the Mideast regions, the bid will be opened up to the Western Regions which include Regions 1, 2, 10, and 12.

Hope to hear from you soon!

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# PULL CALANDER

September 5 - 6, 2015

## 16th Annual Lake Placid IWPA Weight Pull

Region: 5 Lake Placid, New York (5514 Cascade Rd (Route 73))

Wheels : Sat 9/5/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:30 AM Pull Start: 11:00 AM

Wheels : Sun 9/6/2015 Weigh-in: 8:00 AM -- 9:00 AM Pull Start: 9:30 AM

Fees: \$15 first dog, \$10 ea additional

Contacts: Daniel Plosila, 518-891-4413

Chief Judge: Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941 [WendyL3@comcast.net]

Prizes: Ribbons for 1st-4th, Rosettes & prizes for MWP and MWWP

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors: North Elba Park District

Lodging:

Directions: This pull is located at the North Elba Show Grounds

September 12 - 13, 2015

## 9/11 Memorial Pull

Region: 5 Baldwinsville, New York (8307 Oswego Rd)

Wheels : Sat 9/12/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 9:45 AM Pull Start: 10:15 AM

Wheels : Sun 9/13/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 9:45 AM Pull Start: 10:15 AM

Fees: \$15 first dog, \$10 ea additional for members, \$20 first dog non members, and \$15 ea additional

Contacts: Timothy Goodell, 315-383-0645 [tim.goodell@gmail.com]

Chief Judge: Timothy Goodell, 315-383-0645 [tim.goodell@gmail.com]

Prizes: Ribbons 1st-3rd, Rosettes for MWP & MWPP

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors: Liahona Kennels

September 12 - 13, 2015

## 2015 Season Opener

Region: 6 Petoskey, Michigan (420 N. Ellsworth Rd)

Wheels : Sat 9/12/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:30 AM

Wheels : Sun 9/13/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:30 AM

Fees: \$15 first dog, \$10 ea additional

Contacts: Jean Wilson, 231-881-4094 [jwilson@parishonline.tv]

Chief Judge: Jean Wilson, 231-881-4094 [jwilson@parishonline.tv]

Prizes: Medals, MWP & MWPP - TBD

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors:

September 18 - 19, 2015

## Season Opener

Region: 2 Spokane, Washington (9001 N Indian Trail Rd)

Wheels : Fri 9/18/2015 Weigh-in: 6:00 PM -- Pull Start: 7:00 PM

Wheels : Sat 9/19/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- Pull Start: 10:00 AM

Fees: \$20 per dog

Contacts: Marcia Ezell, 509-724-7108 [malsontherun@yahoo.com]

Chief Judge: Sue Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]

Prizes: Ribbons

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors:

Lodging:

Directions: Pull will be at the dirt lot next to Albertsons, in Sundance Plaza near the corner of Lowell

September 19 - 20, 2015

## Tractor Supply Adoption Fair Pull

Region: 9 Greeley, Colorado (3015 23rd Avenue)

Wheels : Sat 9/19/2015 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:30 AM

Wheels : Sun 9/20/2015 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM

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Fees: Saturday \$20 per dog, Sunday \$10 per dog  
Contacts: Terence Reed, 970-339-9264 [Reedtr9@comcast.net] OR Robbie Reed, 970-339-9264 [Reedtr9@comcast.net]  
Chief Judge: Rodney Martin, 970-339-3635 [m5mkennel@aol.com]  
Prizes: TBD on Saturday, ribbons on Sunday  
Novice Info:  
Comments: Sunday is an amateur pull only. Only Saturday is sanctioned  
Sponsors: Tractor Supply of Greeley

September 20, 2015

## Season Opener part 2

Region: 2 Spokane, Washington (9001 N. Indian Trail Rd)

Wheels : Sun 9/20/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- Pull Start: 10:00 AM

Fees: \$20 per dog  
Contacts: Marcia Ezell, 509-724-7108 [malsontherun@yahoo.com]  
Chief Judge: Sue Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]  
Prizes: Ribbons  
Novice Info:  
Comments: This is day 3 of a three day pull  
Sponsors:  
Lodging:  
Directions: Pull will be in the dirt field next to Albertsons

September 27 - 28, 2015

## September in Baxter

Region: 7 Baxter, Tennessee (1196 Bloomington Rd)

Wheels : Sun 9/27/2015 Weigh-in: 8:00 AM -- Pull Start: 9:00 AM

Wheels : Sun 9/27/2015 Weigh-in: 12:00 AM -- Pull Start: 1:00 AM

Fees: \$12 member, \$17 provisional, \$5 novice  
Contacts: Sheryl Franklin, 610-792-4597 [sheryl@sheryl.org]  
Chief Judge: Sheryl Franklin, 610-792-4597 [sheryl@sheryl.org]  
Prizes: Certificates for 1st-4th place. Plaques for MWP, MWPP  
Novice Info:  
Comments: \*\*Please note - this is two separate pulls on the same day. The second pull will start 1 hour after the first pull is done.  
Sponsors:  
Lodging: Motel 6, I-40 exit 287 (913-528-1040), Red Roof Inn, I-40 exit 287 (913-528-2020)  
Directions: Exit 280 on I-40, North on Rt 56, after 1st light 1 mile to 4 way flashing light, go straight, 2 miles to 4way flashing light, go straight, 2 miles to Rt 291, turn right, 1 mile to pull site on the right

October 3 - 4, 2015

**TENTATIVE**

## Todd's Fall Pull

Region: 5 Stafford, Connecticut (367 Buckley Hwy)

Fees:  
Contacts: Todd Sheehan, 860-684-7442 [tjssmalamutes@hotmail.com]  
Chief Judge: Todd Sheehan, 860-684-7442 [tjssmalamutes@hotmail.com]  
Prizes: TBD  
Novice Info:  
Comments: Lots more details to follow, please mark your calendars  
Sponsors: PBG Alaskan Malamutes

October 10 - 11, 2015

## Howl-o-ween Pull

Region: 5 Bayshore, New York (1515 D 5th Industrial Court)

Wheels : Sat 10/10/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:15 AM

Wheels : Sun 10/11/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:15 AM

Fees: \$20 member, \$25 non member  
Contacts: Merrilee Dantonio, 516-680-2041 [diamondsamoyeds@gmail.com]  
Chief Judge: Merrilee Dantonio, 516-680-2041  
Prizes: Rosettes for MWP & MPP, Flat ribbons 1st-4th  
Novice Info:  
Comments:  
Sponsors: Strong Island Pullers  
Lodging: La Quinta Inn & Suites, Bohemia NY. No pet fee  
Directions: Doggie U K9 Academy, a heated indoor facility

October 18 - 19, 2015

## October in Baxter

Region: 7 Baxter, Tennessee (1196 Bloomington Rd)

Wheels : Sun 10/18/2015 Weigh-in: 8:00 AM -- Pull Start: 9:00 AM  
Wheels : Sun 10/18/2015 Weigh-in: 12:00 AM -- Pull Start: 1:00 AM

Fees: \$12 member, \$17 provisional, \$6 novice

Contacts: Sheryl Franklin, 610-792-4597 [sheryl@sheryl.org]

Chief Judge: Sheryl Franklin, 610-792-4597 [sheryl@sheryl.org]

Prizes: Certificates 1st-4th, plaques for MWP, MWPP

Novice Info:

Comments: \*\*Please note, this is a two day pull on the same day. The second pull will start 1 hour after the first pull is complete

Sponsors:

Lodging: Motel 6, I40 exit 287 (913-528-1040), Red Roof Inn, I-40 exit 287 (913-528-2020)

Directions: Exit 280 on I-40, North on Rt 56, after 1st light 1 mile to 4 way flashing light, go straight, 2 miles to 4 way flashing light, go straight, 2 miles to Rt 291, turn right, 1 mile to pull site on the right

October 24 - 25, 2015

## Epps Farm Supply

Region: 11 Suffolk, Virginia (2170 Joshua Lane)

Wheels : Sat 10/24/2015 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM Pull Start: 9:30 AM  
Wheels : Sun 10/25/2015 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM Pull Start: 9:30 AM

Fees: \$15 for first dog, \$10 ea additional

Contacts: Debbie Lee, 252-357-0942 [Dreamweaver1@wildblue.net]

Chief Judge: Brenda Lemon, 302-366-8660 [bogie.bogiebus@verizon.net]

Prizes: Rosettes for 1st-3rd, certificates for everyone

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors: MAWP, Harnesses by Carol, Epps Farm Supply, Chris & Debbie Hockaday

October 31, 2015 -- November 1, 2015

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## 14th Annual J&T Benefit Pull

Region: 9 TBD, Colorado (TBD)

Wheels : Sat 10/31/2015 Weigh-in: -- Pull Start:  
Wheels : Sun 11/1/2015 Weigh-in: -- Pull Start:

Fees: \$20 per dog

Contacts: Terence Reed, 970-339-9264 [Reedtr9@comcast.net] OR Robbie Reed, 970-339-9264 [Reedtr9@comcast.net]

Chief Judge: Rodney Martin, 970-339-3635 [m5mkennel@aol.com]

Prizes: TBD

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors: J&T Country Feeds, Royal Kennel, Awards & Etc

Lodging:

Directions: Pull be at either 1453 Colorado Hwy 392 in Greeley or 3456 11th Avenue in Evans

December 19 - 20, 2015

TENTATIVE

## Holiday pull

Region: 5 Bayshore, New York (1515 D 5th Industrial Court)

Wheels : Sat 12/19/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM  
Wheels : Sun 12/20/2015 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM

Fees: \$20 per member dogs, \$25 per non-member

Contacts: Merrilee Dantonio, 516-680-2041 [diamondsamoyeds@gmail.com]

Chief Judge: Merrilee Dantonio, 516-680-2041 [diamondsamoyeds@gmail.com]

Prizes: Rosettes for MWP & MWPP, flat ribbons for 1st-4th

Novice Info:

Comments:

Sponsors: Strong Island Pullers

Lodging: La Quinta Inn & Suites - no pet fee

Directions: Doggie U KP Academy - this is as indoor heated facility

January 23, 2016

## Gateway Sled Dog Pull 29th Annual Winter Fest Weight Pull

Region: 4 St. Louis, Missouri (1721 S. Mason Rd)



Wheels : Sat 1/23/2016 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM  
 Fees: \$20 per dog  
 Contacts: Samantha Jackson,  
 Chief Judge: Eileen Barnes, 636-931-0950 [ebarnes611@sbcglobal.net]  
 Prizes: Awards for 1st to 3rd place in each wt class, MWP, MWPP, Highest % pulled by a rookie, highest % pulled by a veteran  
 Novice Info:  
 Comments: A complimentary lunch will be provided for all participants and guests.  
 A raffle will follow the weight pull.  
 Sponsors: Gateway Sled Dog Club  
 Lodging:  
 Directions: This is at the AKC Museum of the Dog - this is an indoor event

February 6 - 7, 2016

## Annual Tug Hill Challenge

Region: 5 Lorraine, New York (C.C.C. Winona State Forest)

Snow : Sat 2/6/2016 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- Pull Start: 10:30 AM  
 Snow : Sun 2/7/2016 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- Pull Start: 9:30 AM  
 Fees: \$15 for first dog, \$10 ea additional  
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 Chief Judge: Steve Jackson, 717-487-2941 [WendyL3@comcast.net]  
 Prizes: Rosettes, ribbons, dog treats, cash  
 Novice Info:  
 Comments:  
 Sponsors:



February 6 - 7, 2016

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## St. Valentine's Pull

Region: 5 Bayshore, New York (1515 D. 5th Industrial Court)

Wheels : Sat 2/6/2016 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM  
 Wheels : Sun 2/7/2016 Weigh-in: 9:00 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM  
 Fees: \$20 per member dog, \$25 per non-member dog  
 Contacts: Merrilee Dantonio, 516-680-2041 [diamondsamoyeds@gmail.com]  
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 Prizes: Rosettes for MWP & MWPP, flat ribbons for 1st-4th  
 Novice Info:  
 Comments:  
 Sponsors: Strong Island Pullers  
 Lodging: La Quinta Inn & Suites, Bohemia NY - there is no pet fee  
 Directions: Doggie U K9 Academy - this is an indoor heated facility

February 20 - 21, 2016

**TENTATIVE**

## Sportsman Show

Region: 2 Yakima, Washington (Fair Avenue)

Wheels : Sat 2/20/2016 Weigh-in: -- Pull Start:  
 Wheels : Sun 2/21/2016 Weigh-in: -- Pull Start:  
 Fees: \$20 per dog  
 Contacts: Sue Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]  
 Chief Judge: George Ferrari, 509-966-1133 [ferrari1133@msn.com]  
 Prizes: Ribbons  
 Novice Info:  
 Comments:  
 Sponsors: Central WA Weight Pullers

March 5 - 6, 2016

## Missouri "Show Me" Weight Pull

Region: 4 Eureka, Missouri (333 Bald Hill Rd)

Wheels : Sat 3/5/2016 Weigh-in: 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM Pull Start: 10:00 AM  
 Wheels : Sun 3/6/2016 Weigh-in: 9:30 AM -- 10:00 AM Pull Start: 10:30 AM  
 Fees:  
 Contacts: John Podolak, 573-915-5132 [johnpodolak@sbcglobal.net]  
 Chief Judge: Eileen Barnes, 636-931-0950 [ebarnes611@sbcglobal.net]  
 Prizes: Awards for 1st-3rd in each wt class, MWP, MWPP, highest % by a rookie, highest % by a veteran  
 Novice Info:  
 Comments: Eileen will judge on the 5th, and John Podolak will judge on the 6th  
 Sponsors: Gateway Sled Dog Club  
 Lodging:

## Some Newer Peanut Butters Dangerous to Dogs

by Sheryl Franklin

Many of us use peanut butter to hide meds in, or just as treats. That's fine as long as it's not in excess.

However, there are some newer peanut and other nut butter products that are NOT safe to give. They replace sugar with a sweetener called xylitol.

Xylitol is a sweetener gaining in popularity because of its dental benefits for people as well as its suitability as a sugar substitute for people with diabetes. Because of its ability to help prevent cavities and tooth decay and its low glycemic index, xylitol is proving to have some good dental and other health benefits for people. Unfortunately, while xylitol appears to be perfectly safe for people, *it is extremely dangerous for dogs even in small quantities.*

Ingestion of as little as 0.1 gram (g) of xylitol per kilogram (kg) of body weight (0.1 g/kg) can cause a rapid and dangerous drop in a dog's blood sugar (a condition called hypoglycemia). Hypoglycemia can show as staggering, appearing disoriented, collapse, weakness, and seizures.

Just slightly more than that, approx. 0.5 g/kg xylitol ingestion, can lead to debilitating, and sadly often deadly, destruction of a dog's liver cells.

The above are from reported cases to animal-specific poison control hotlines. To highlight that these are reported cases is important, because not every case of toxicity makes it to the vet, and not everyone that does go to the vet is called into the animal poison control hotlines. So the actual toxic doses could be even lower, and dogs with certain pre-existing medical conditions (such as diabetes, hepatitis, and others) are likely to be even more sensitive to the toxic effects of xylitol.

### Five brands that contain Xylitol :

[Nuts 'N More](http://www.nuts-n-more.com/) - <http://www.nuts-n-more.com/>

[Krush Nutrition](http://www.krushnutrition.com/) - <http://www.krushnutrition.com/>

Go Nuts, Co.,

Hank's Protein Plus Peanut Butter

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**Under no conditions should the above  
be given to dogs!!!**



# The World's Most Important Words And Their Definitions, As Told By Your Dog.

**LEASH:** A strap which attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your person where you want him or her to go.

**DOG BED:** any soft, clean surface, such as the white bedspread in the guest room or the newly upholstered couch in the living room.

**DROOL:** Is what you do when your persons have food and you don't. To do this properly you must sit as close as you can and look sad and let the drool fall to the floor, or better yet, on their laps.

**SNIFF:** A social custom to use when you greet other dogs. Place your nose as close as you can to the other dog and inhale deeply, repeat several times, or until your person makes you stop.

**GARBAGE CAN:** A container which your neighbors put out once a week to test your ingenuity. You must stand on your hind legs and try to push the lid off with your nose. If you do it right you are rewarded with margarine wrappers to shred, beef bones to consume and moldy crusts of bread.

**BICYCLES:** Two-wheeled exercise machines, invented for dogs to control body fat. To get maximum aerobic benefit, you must hide behind a bush and dash out, bark loudly and run alongside for a few yards; the person then swerves and falls into the bushes, and you prance away.

**DEAFNESS:** This is a malady which affects dogs when their person want them in and they want to stay out. Symptoms include staring blankly at the person, then running in the opposite direction, or lying down.

**THUNDER:** This is a signal that the world is coming to an end. Humans remain amazingly calm during thunderstorms, so it is necessary to warn them of the danger by trembling uncontrollably, panting, rolling your eyes wildly, and following at their heels.

**WASTEBASKET:** This is a dog toy filled with paper, envelopes, and old candy wrapper. When you get bored, turn over the basket and strew the papers all over the house until your person comes home.

**SOFAS:** Are to dogs like napkins are to people. After eating it is polite to run up and down the front of the sofa and wipe your whiskers clean.

**BATH:** This is a process by which the humans drench the floor, walls and themselves. You can help by shaking vigorously and frequently.

**LEAN:** Every good dog's response to the command "sit!", especially if your person is dressed for an evening out. Incredibly effective before black-tie events.

**BUMP:** The best way to get your human's attention when they are drinking a fresh cup of coffee or tea.

**GOOSE BUMP:** A maneuver to use as a last resort when the Regular Bump doesn't get the attention you require.....especially effective when combined with The Sniff. See above.

**LOVE:** Is a feeling of intense affection, given freely and without restriction. The best way you can show your love is to wag your tail. If you're lucky, a human will love you in return.



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