



# A VIEW FROM THE SUMMIT

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## DESERT RAT RALLY IV - QUARTZSITE

By Larry and Beverly Grams



On January 21, 2005, a total of 136 coaches including 23 SOB's (some other brands) came together at Quartzsite, AZ., for DRR IV. This was our first Desert Rat Rally. We are originally from the Midwest and did not know what to expect. We thought the sand would be difficult to drive on, although we soon realized this "high desert" consisted of more rocks than sand. We were pleasantly surprised.



We enjoyed making new acquaintances, seeing old friends and time spent relaxing during social hours, dinners, and huge bonfires. Our meals, catered by Laurie Moses of Paradise Catering, were great. An evening's entertainment was Bob Gulley who once played with Alabama. He was named the 1995 newcomer in Branson, MO.

We want to thank the following dealers for providing financial assistance: Guaranty RV, Holiday Motorhomes, and Saddleback RV. Guaranty RV, represented by Randy Wellette and Lindsey Hargett, sponsored a wine and cheese party. Holiday Motorhomes displayed five 2005 Alpine coaches.

Danny Gayhart prearranged an off-road excursion that attracted 30 vehicles. This may become an annual event. A thank you also goes to Carl Nichol森 for organizing a golf event at a local course that provided a day of relaxation to many.

The weather was pleasant for those who ventured into Quartzsite to visit other RV displays and the Swap-A-Rama/Fleamarkets. Vendors sold anything and everything you might possibly want to purchase.

We want to thank our rally directors Gale and Joan Johnson, the ACA board, the many volunteers who efficiently parked our coaches, the members who served our meals and the delicious heavy hors d' oeuvres.

Hope to see you all again next year at Quartzsite.



## How Do They Do That?

*From the...*

*Fun and Games Department*

Gale Johnson



Greetings from the road. As this article is being written we are on Hilton Head Island, SC working on the FMCA Pre-Rally...then, to Perry, GA for the FMCA.

This promises to be a busy Rally year. With two events nearly in the "completed" column...we are still looking forward to Rallies at the Cheyenne Frontier Days Rodeo...a Pre-Rally and FMCA Convention at Minot, ND...and a "windup" Homecoming Rally at Toppenish, WA in October. "Busy" is the operative word as we continue to plan and schedule events more than two years in the future.

I thought it might be interesting for you to see an accounting of what your Rally Director has "been up to" in managing the daily business of the Rally program. On the way to Hilton Head we spent four days in Nashville scouting locations and attractions for Homecoming 2006 and three days in Charlotte, NC doing the same for the 2006 Summer FMCA. We've "previewed" campgrounds, talked with Convention and Visitor's Bureau representatives, caterers and entertainment agents as we've begun to prepare for future total Rally "experiences" for our members.

As an example of how I've been spending "some" of my time...I've calculated that I've made or received more than 6000 cell phone calls in the past fourteen months. That's an average of more than 428 calls per month and represents nearly 500 hours on the phone. We conservatively estimate that at least 80% of those calls are directly related to club business and the statistics don't include calls to and from our office phone during the 4-5 months per year that we're not on the road. Additionally, by the time we return to the Northwest in May, we will have "racked up" more than 20,000 miles...mostly Rally-related...since July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2004.

It's a pretty full and yes...expensive schedule and that's just Rally planning and preparation time. It doesn't include preparing and mailing up to six flier/mailers each year...creating databases and preparing "confirmation" mailers for each rally and creating a multi-page Daily Program for each event...usually while we're traveling.

The good news is that the club reimburses our fuel expense for Rally-related travel, a percentage of our cell phone expense, and most of our Rally-related office expenses. Additionally, we have been able to negotiate a mutually beneficial lease arrangement with WRV for our Alpine Coach. This takes away the depreciation "sting" and always keeps us in an active warranty position.

The downside is that we generate no equity in the process and we spend a lot of "shakedown" and "debugging" time each year. And...what about the rest of the expenses? For the past five years, we have personally underwritten all other Rally travel expenses including camping, food, and incidentals...going to places and doing things that we might not otherwise do in the pursuit of our personal "retirement" goal. Not complainin'...just thought you might like to have a better understanding of what the Rally job is all about.

In order to fully represent ACA members we strive to always run the Rally Program in a

businesslike manner. And, the Rally program is indeed a *business*. In 2004 the combined Rally income was slightly more than \$108,000 and expenses were a little more than \$101,000 with \$33,000 of Rally income coming from dealer and vendor support and sponsorship fees. The "difference" goes into an operating fund that allows us to make campground and catering deposits in a manner that let's us negotiate the most favorable rates.

In other words...your Rally Fees paid only about 70% of the actual Rally costs with the rest coming from our sponsors. Sponsorship money is generally allocated to the "special" portions of each Rally such as cruises, wine tours, musical entertainment, excursions to various historic points of interest, ice cream socials, and much more. Simply put...the Rally program as it now exists...would not be possible without the incredible support from our industry sponsors.

Obviously, many of the phone calls mentioned earlier are to dealers and vendors negotiating their support. We also attempt to visit as many Alpine Coach Dealers as possible during our travels as we continue to build long-term supportive relationships with them. I'm sure you can see why we always encourage you to support the dealers who support the ACA as you consider a new Alpine Coach or require service.

Why do we put in the time and spend the money? That's an easy one...because **you** come to the events, indicate you appreciate the Rally opportunities, and express support by setting attendance records at each succeeding Rally. Also, needless to say...it wouldn't happen without the constant assistance of *the lovely and always helpful* Mrs. Johnson. Thanks Joan!

Finally, always let us know if you have ideas on how to make the Rallies bigger and better. And...thanks for your encouragement and continuing support...it's great to work for you. It **is your** Rally program



## TRAVEL TIPS

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### Air Freshener

Sandy Potvin

We all know that commercial air fresheners mask or cover up one odor with another. I recommend pure vanilla extract used on a cotton ball to eliminate most all odors. I have tried it even in the refrigerator where we have so little space to put a box of baking soda.

## Is It A Stroke?

Joan Johnson

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. The stroke victim may suffer brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

1. Ask the individual to smile.
2. Ask him or her to raise both arms.
3. Ask the person to speak a simple sentence.

If he or she has trouble with any of these tasks, call **911** immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher. Widespread use of this test could result in prompt diagnosis and treatment of the stroke and prevent brain damage.



## BOARD MESSAGES

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE MOBILE OFFICE

Claudia Gayhart



Your new Board of Directors took office on October 3, 2004 at the Branson, MO Homecoming Rally. They are a dedicated, hard working group of people who have a common goal – “To make this a great club for the members so that everyone has a good time in their Alpine Coach”. Names and contact information can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Your Directors put in many hours behind the scenes so that the operation of the ACA is transparent to all of you. For instance, our Newsletter Editor – **Dawnell Greene** solicits articles from members then puts them in an attractive newsletter for your reading enjoyment. She also started the Owner Focus Group along with Ron Doyle – President of WRV to provide input to the factory about our wonderful coaches. **Gale Johnson** – Rally Director spends his time searching out new and exciting places to hold our rallies. He works at least 2 years out so that you have the utmost experience at each one. His PR and promotional skills have been invaluable to our organization and he plans a great party as many of you have experienced, keeping the costs very low. Membership Director – **Kay Watts** has the job of processing your applications and dues renewals and keeping the membership roster up

to date. **Carol Reimer** – Secretary keeps accurate notes of all meetings held by the Board and 2 annual General Membership meetings. She is the “Sunshine Lady” of the group who sends wishes to members who are ill or have lost a loved one. **Ron Dodge** – Chapter Director along with the help of **Earlene Bloomquist** manages the organization and maintenance of our Chapters around the country. We currently have 3 official chapters and another 3+ in the works. Our Director at Large – **Mac Diller** has picked up the slack in several areas. He is securing advertising for the newsletter, putting together a set of Policies and Procedures and serves as our Sergeant at Arms. Our Treasurer – **Kathy Nicholson**, has every dime this club makes and spends accurately accounted for, prepares all the tax forms and keeps the Directors on their toes when it comes to club expenses. I thoroughly enjoy working with this great group of people you elected and hope you appreciate the tremendous job they do for your organization.

Decisions within the Board are thoroughly discussed before any action is taken. Since we are a Chapter of the FMCA International, we have access to a great resource in their officers and experience. I personally invite you to contact any of us with questions, concerns, kudos and complaints. When we know and understand your wishes we can better adapt to the needs of our growing membership.

### SPECIAL PROJECT'S UPDATE Mac Diller



For now my main focus for the membership and newsletter is to solicit advertisers to help offset the cost of printing and mailing the quarterly newsletter. Also I am keeper of the club By-Laws. Anybody wanting a copy can receive it via E-mail. My E-mail address is at the end of the newsletter.

### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK Carol Reimer



A message from the Secretary's Laptop. I am sitting here in Moab, Utah after spending a great week in our motorhome and enjoying another beautiful part of the U.S. It has been a nice winter and we have

enjoyed some great times in our motorhome and it never lets us down.

Not much news has come my way about our members which is good news. I did get an e-mail from John and Suzanne Tripp and they had a blowout and did some damage to their motorhome but thankfully they were not hurt and have not lost their motorhome spirit. The coach is being worked on now and they will soon be back on the road in it again. I believe they did attend the pre-rally in Hilton Head but stayed in a motel. I would say they are real ACA supporters.

On that note, I will be leaving office in October and would like to encourage all of you to consider running for office. We as a board work very hard for the club and need more willing members to serve at least one term. I have been quite active since 1999 when we were at WRV and spent a week with about 7 couples that thought an Alpine Coach Club would be a good idea. We got to work and now here we are 6 years later and going good. It takes willing members to make a good organization and hope some of you will consider running on the board in the future.

I look forward to seeing you in Washington in October. Please keep me informed of any illnesses, etc. The board is interested and we need to keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

## MEMBERSHIP MEMOS

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Kay Watts



As I write this we are attending the Pre-rally to the Perry, GA FMCA on Hilton Head Island, SC. What a beautiful spot. There are lots of first time attendees here who we are getting to know, and they us.

Our membership is continuing to grow and we would like you to be our ambassadors and assist us to continuously grow the membership. We hope you will invite fellow Alpine owners you meet in your travels that are not members of our Association, to join. There is a printable copy of the application on the WRV Web site, [www.wrv.com](http://www.wrv.com). We also will have applications available at rallies and will send out copies in selected member mailings. Our current member count is 450 and Western RV tells me that there are over 1180 coaches sold so we do have plenty of growth potential.

Dues renewal time is quickly approaching. Please send your dues renewals, still only \$35 to our Yakima, WA address, found on this newsletter, before June 30, 2005. I will be sending out renewal reminders in May and you can help me reduce the postage and printing costs associated with this notification by sending in your dues early. It is also a huge help if you include your ACA# on your check.

If you have moved, bought a new coach, have a new cell number or email, there is also a Change-of-Address Form in the newsletter that can be used to notify us of these changes. We use this information to update our database so we can keep you informed about club activities and to notify WRV of our members who qualify for discounts on parts and service at the factory. We will miss you if you sell your Alpine; let us know if you do. If you know the buyer and think they might enjoy joining us please advise us.

Hope to see you on the road, in July at the Bison Ranch, or later at the FMCA Rally in Minot, ND. Safe travels where ever you go.

## Reinstatement of Members

If you know of an ACA member that has dropped their club membership but would like to reinstate it, all they have to do is pay the current year fees and possibly the \$12.00 to have new signs and badges made.

## TREASURER'S CHEST

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Kathy NicholSEN



An audit of the 2004 ACA General Account and the Rally Account was held at DRR IV in Quartzsite, AZ by Chet McIntosh and John Tripp, members, along with Dawnell Greene, past Treasurer and Kathy NicholSEN, new Treasurer. The 2003 audit recommendations were reviewed and found that all recommendations had been implemented. Accounting practices and documentation were reviewed and found to be in order. The audit committee reviewed the proposed ACA budget for 2005 and found the budget process to be in order. A report was prepared which was signed by Chet McIntosh and John Tripp.

The 2004 financial reports for the ACA General Account and ACA Rally Account are complete and available to any member of ACA. If a copy of the audit report or the 2004 financial reports is desired, please contact me directly at [knicholsen@comcast.net](mailto:knicholsen@comcast.net).

## CHAPTER TALK

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Ron Dodge



### Southern California

Pam Johnson

The first meeting of the year was marked by the best attended rally ever with twenty-seven coaches converging at Pahrump, NV the last week-end of January. We enjoyed a catered dinner Friday night at the on-site casino, swapped tips about which slots to avoid, and welcomed six more new So Cal members. Much speculation was made about the correlation of high rally attendance and the main event of the week-end: a tour of Sherry's, a working brothel just down the road a few miles.

What to share about our group outing the next morning? The buffet breakfast was tasty; the tour was interesting, the menu of services surprising, and, jokes aside, the experience left more than a few of us sad. A Nevada county slice of life outside the norm, to be sure.

The rest of the week-end was marked by cold, crisp weather, spectacular views of snow-capped mountains, frustrated attempts to get through to Death Valley (rain closed roads), and a lively evening of potluck and standing room only meeting Saturday night. We got to know each other a little better and concluded our week-end with reminders to meet again at Emerald Desert in April.

### Northern California

Stan and Pat Abernathy are organizing the Northern California chapter. If you are interested please contact them .

### Southwest

The Southwest Chapter is up and going. If you are interested in joining the chapter contact Mac or Sandy Diller.

### Eastern Chapter (ACE)

Sandy Munsil

On January 23rd nine Alpine Coaches met at Encore East RV Park in Dover, Florida. We gathered at three o'clock for orientation. Jesse Rumberger passed out the agenda for the next few days and we visited with old friends and met new ones. We were to meet back at the club house for dinner. We each brought a covered dish. Dinner was great as usual!!

On Monday, January 24th we boarded a bus and headed for the St. Pete Times Forum, where Tampa's hockey team and Arena football team play. After our tour, we had lunch at the Sweet Tomato in Tampa. If you don't have a Sweet Tomatoes in your area, they have super salads, soup, bread and sweets. The club gathered in the club house for games at 6:30 P.M.

We were on the road again Tuesday for a tour of the Shiners Hospital in Tampa. There are twenty-two Shiners Hospitals in North America, twenty hospitals in the United States, one in Canada and one in Mexico. The Tampa hospital specializes in orthopedic medicine. Children are treated at Shiners Hospitals free of charge. A great lunch was served in the cafeteria before our tour. The group met in the club house for games after dinner on our own.

We were up early Wednesday to board the bus for a trip to tour the Manatee County Correction Facility. We were shown through the educational part of this facility. Inmates grow a good deal of their own food, sew their own uniforms, make the mattresses for the facility, raise fish for food and cook for the employees among other things. The inmates understand that being in this program is a privilege. According to our guide the MCSO is having success in educating inmates and reducing the cost of running this facility. After our tour, we were served lunch in the employee cafeteria. The group ended our day at the new La Mesa RV Center in Tampa. We were shown around the updated facility and treated to barbecue and entertainment.

We met at the club house for a Continental breakfast Thursday before we headed for our next destinations.

Don't forget to visit our web site at [www.ace-rv.com](http://www.ace-rv.com). Our next rally will be April 28 thru May 2 at Oakwood Plantation RV Park in Charleston,

SC. We will also meet October 19 thru the 23rd in Hiawasse, GA. Please join us if you can.

### **Full-Timers Chapter**

If you travel/live in your Alpine Coach for 6 months or more a year and would like to join the Full-Timers Chapter and Yahoo Group, please contact Mary Whitfield at [alpine36fddswhit@starband.net](mailto:alpine36fddswhit@starband.net).

### **Northwest**

Kathy Nichol森 has volunteered to see if there is interest in starting a Pacific Northwest Chapter of ACA. If you live in Washington, Oregon or Idaho and have interest in a local chapter, please contact by e-mail or at her home phone number of 541-741-2878.

### **Contact list for existing or planned chapters:**

So. Cal	David & Donna Fernandez <a href="mailto:D2dfermand@verizon.net">D2dfermand@verizon.net</a> 909-923-2400
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For information sharing on the Web go to:

[www.IRV2.com](http://www.IRV2.com)

and click on Alpine Coach Owners Forum.

## **TECH TIPS**

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Lowell Potvin

### **Diesel Generators**

This is just for those who have not read their Onan Operations Manual lately. Oil change should be done after the first 50 hours and then every 150 hours or once a year if there is not 150 hours of use on clock. Use same oil you use in your Cummins engine, 15W40.

Coolant system should be drained and flushed every 2 years or every 1000 hours. Replace coolant with a 50/50 mixture of Ethylene Glycol antifreeze. This will give a -34 degrees protection.

A quick look at your operator's manual will also show you where the air filter is and should be replaced every 500 hours or once a year depending on use.

## **WRV NEWS**

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### **RV Shipments Reach Highest Level in Decades**

Factory-to-dealer deliveries of recreation vehicles (RVs) surged by double digits in 2004, reaching their highest level since 1978. Strong RV sales are expected to continue during the decade ahead.

Consumers purchased RVs at a record pace last year, despite record-high gasoline prices. University of Michigan researcher Dr. Richard Curtin, who produces quarterly forecasts for the RV industry, announced that 2004 will set a new quarter-century record of 364,900 RV shipments, shattering 1999's peak of 321,200. This represents an almost 14 percent gain over the 320,800 units shipped in 2003.

Reflecting the hot RV demand, online auction website eBay reported that 'RV' was the most popular search term in 2004 among its 125 million users. As a barometer of societal trends, eBay's search rankings show the growing preference for comfortable leisure travel among families and retirees, observers say.

"There are many factors behind the surge in RV sales. Among them are the rising popularity of

driving vacations, a favorable economic climate, product innovation and demographics,” explained Recreation Vehicle Industry Association (RVIA) President David Humphreys. “Families want to spend quality time together and prefer the greater freedom, flexibility, control and comfort RVs provide. Younger consumers and empty-nesters are both driving up sales - realizing the advantages of RVing over other forms of travel.”

## **First Owner’s Focus Group Held**

Dawnell Greene

I am happy to report that in October at the Homecoming rally in Branson we held our first Owner’s Focus Group. Over the summer I had been working with Ron Doyle, CEO and President of WRV in forming this group. My criterion for the group was that we had a small representative group of current model owners that would make recommendation for changes or additional features to the Alpine Coaches. As part of the recommendations the owners would prioritize the items as a High, Medium or Low priority. When selecting the members I selected owners of 2004 or 2005 coaches, all with different models and tried to select some owners that had owned more than one Alpine Coach. The owners that volunteered for the October meeting were Louis & Linda Burch - 40 FDQS, Bill & Judy Biladeau – 38 FDTs, Bill & Suzi Kukar - 34 FDDS and John & Gail Stacy - 40 FDTs and I represented the 40 MDTS.

The Focus Group met for over 8 hours over two days brainstorming and compiling our requests. WRV representatives; Ron Doyle, Burk Morgan, Mike Glazier, and Harry Collier joined the group and listened to each and every one of our recommendations. We grouped our items by Quality Assurance, Safety, Chassis, Body Construction/Exterior, Bath, Galley, Interior Comforts, Driving Comforts, and Entertainment Systems. When we were all done there were 75 items to submit to WRV, each with a priority set by the Focus Group.

I’m very happy to say that a second Owner’s Focus Group was just held at the Perry GA FMCA Pre-Rally in Hilton Head, SC. Bill and Suzi Kukar were not present and the group was joined by Ken & Cindy Lorenz with a new 36 foot coach. In this meeting Burk Mrgan brought the October list with WRV’s response or action on each item and the group formulated another 20 items to submit to WRV for review. I am very pleased to report that of the 75 items submitted in October, WRV has ‘Done’ or has ‘In Process’ 41% of the items and has another 40% that they are currently reviewing and researching. WRV

has only responded ‘No’ to 2 items and has recommended that 3 items be added as ‘after market’ products.

I am really proud of the Focus Group and their commitment to improving the Alpine Coaches for all owners and equally proud of WRV for listening and responding to the requests. We all should feel good that WRV is committed to this process and plans to continue it. As we continue with the meetings, current members will be replaced with owners of newer coaches, keeping with the criteria that the members own a current year or one year old coach.

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## **ALPINE COACH MART**

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Ads are \$10.00 for a 2.5 inch by 3 inch ad (business card size). Additional space is \$10.00 for another 2.5 inches by 3 inches. Ads may be for Alpine Coaches, and related furniture or equipment. To run place ad contact Dawnell Greene at [dkgreene@gte.net](mailto:dkgreene@gte.net) or 512-633-7254.

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Contact Rick Kratz 406-257-3818

Email: [kratzy@montanasky.biz](mailto:kratzy@montanasky.biz)

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## **NEWSLETTER DELIVERY**

Did you know that there are three options on how you may receive your newsletter each quarter?

You may have it sent using the US postal service to the address of record on your membership.

You may have it sent to you in Email as an attachment. This requires that you have Adobe’s Acrobat Reader which is free from the Adobe web site or may be downloaded from WRV’s web site. In this case the newsletter attachment is fairly large, over 2.0 MB.

Or you may have the link sent to you in an E-mail that will access WRV’s web site that has the newsletter on it. If you travel a lot and do not have access to fast phone lines this is a great option, you can read the newsletter when you

know you have a fast connection. This option requires you to have Adobe's Acrobat Reader.

If you would like the newsletter delivered to you by one of the two E-mail options just let me know which option you would like. E-mail me at [dkgreene@gte.net](mailto:dkgreene@gte.net)

## READERSHIP INPUT

I would like to encourage all of you to provide input to the ACA Newsletter. There are various services; products or campgrounds that we all experience that are worth sharing with our fellow Alpine Coach owners. Anytime you find something that you would like to share with the membership, send the article on to me and I will try to use as much of the material that is sent to me as possible. I can be contacted by e-mail at: [dkgreene@gte.net](mailto:dkgreene@gte.net) or phone 512-633-7254.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please mail the following form for any address changes to:

**ACA Memberships**  
**5808A Summitview, #337**  
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## Rally Calendar

DATES		LOCATION	HOST CHAPTER	CONTACT
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<b>April</b>	28 – May 2	SC Charleston "ACE Spring Rally" Oakwood Plantation	Eastern	Jesse & Shirley Rumberger <a href="mailto:jrumberger@aol.com">jrumberger@aol.com</a> or 941-792-1218
<b>July</b>	28 – August 1	WY "Cheyenne Frontier Days" Terry Bison Ranch	National	ACA Rallies <a href="mailto:alpinerallies@aol.com">alpinerallies@aol.com</a> or P.O. Box 53486 Bellevue, WA 98015-3486
<b>August</b>	9-14	ND "FMCA Minot Pre-Rally" Ft Stevenson State Park	National	ACA Rallies <a href="mailto:alpinerallies@aol.com">alpinerallies@aol.com</a> or P.O. Box 53486 Bellevue, WA 98015-3486
<b>September</b>	16-18	CA Buellton "So Cal Chapter Rally Solvang Days" Flying Flags	So Cal	Dave & Donna Fernandez <a href="mailto:D2dfernand@verizon.net">D2dfernand@verizon.net</a> or 909-923-2400
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