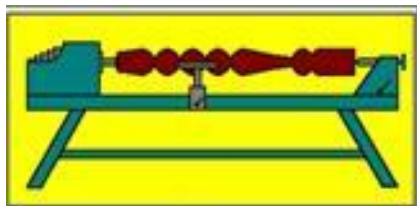


Turning Talk

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Presidential Words *For April 2021*



The following is my report to last month's AGM:

"You don't need me to tell you that 2020 was a difficult and disrupted year due to COVID. The immediate impact on WSQ was the closure of the workshop for nearly three months, cancellation of events and loss of revenue making opportunities. In addition, there was a lot of work required to develop and implement COVID Safe plans for both here at Pine Street and at the Mt Coot-tha auditorium.

It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge that the 2020 Management Committee, led firstly by Brian Creese and then Bob Kennedy did a fantastic job in steering us through these obstacles and getting WSQ back to normal. We should all thank them for their efforts. The financial implications of COVID will be discussed later in the Treasurer's Report.

Due to this hard work, we were able to run a highly successful competition, although later in the year than usual, and to successfully negotiate a COVID plan with BCC for our November exhibition at Mt Coot-tha. We were also fortunate to have been offered two Bunnings BBQ's late in the year; these were put together and run at short notice.

The other big task started last year was the development of a Strategic Plan for WSQ. This commenced with a member survey, face to face interviews, focus discussions at Tuesday smokos, and a workshop last month of a cross section of members. It had been hoped that the

Strategic Plan would be presented to you today, but the sheer amount of work involved was underestimated. The plan should be completed shortly.

These have been a few of the "major" activities from last year. In addition, there have been more mundane, but no less notable things happening, but all of which are required to facilitate the smooth operation of WSQ. The list includes:

- convening of general workshops, Alzheimer's' group, toy group, pyrography group.
- workshop maintenance and repairs (includes a multitude of tasks);
- shop operations;
- library operations;
- providoring for the kitchen;
- demonstrations and forums.

This is a short list which could easily be broken down into much more detail.

Apart from our two presidents last year, I have refrained from mentioning names, as I know I would miss someone. A very hearty thankyou to all who have willingly put their hands up and helped out. As you would have seen from my recent musings in Turning Talk, we still need more members to help out. Even just a few hours every now and then will be an enormous benefit. It's also a great way of getting to know other members.

One less than bright note from 2020, was that our membership declined from 205 to 192. Work is being done on retention of members and you will hear more of this in the coming months."

Life Membership



Prescott. Lyndon has been a member since 2001, a convenor for many years, a committee member in 2004, a demonstrator at Mt Coot-tha for many years and has always been a willing helper.

Congratulations Lyndon – a well deserved award!

Until next time

John Reed
President

Also, at the AGM, the members present voted to award Life Membership to Lyndon

Buy, Swap & Sell Meet



Our Buy, Swap and Sell Meet was held on Saturday 20 March. Whilst the inclement weather probably kept some people away, approximately 30 members and a small number of WSQ supporters and the general public attended.

It was a successful morning with many tools etc. changing owners.

It is planned to make this an annual event.

John Reed
President

Date Claimers

The Competition this year will revert to its traditional June time slot. Key dates are:

1 June	Entry forms due
11 June	Competition pieces due
14 June	Judging
19 June	Presentation day

More details will be provided in the next month's Turning Talk.

The Open Day Weekend will be held over 19 and 20 June. This weekend is an excellent opportunity to showcase WSQ's operations and our craft. We will be using the Check in Qld app to sign in all members and visitors over the weekend. If you haven't already, please download the app from either Google Play or the App Store.

John Reed
President

Future Demonstrations

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| 1 May | Andrew Bruce - Spinning Top
Ensure hours of entertainment for the younger children in your life when you learn the tips and tricks that Andrew uses in producing his spinning tops. |
| 6 June | Peter Wyer - Viking Warrior
Watch carefully as Peter demonstrates how he ensures that the model of a fearsome Viking Warrior is produced with absolute precision. |

Binny Willis
Secretary

Diary for April 2021

Date	Day of Month	Session Title	Times
2 Apr.	1 st Friday	Toy Group Closed - Easter Open Workshop	8.00am to 3.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm
3 Apr.	1 st Saturday	Demonstration Closed - Easter	9:00am to 10:30am
6 Apr.	1 st Tuesday	Open Workshop Library Open Workshop Pyrography Workshop Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 6.00 pm to 9.00pm
8 Apr.	2 nd Thursday	Pre-booked Project Tuition with Rob McKee	9.00am to 12.30pm
9 Apr.	2 nd Friday	Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm
10 Apr.	2 nd Saturday	Management Committee Meeting Open Workshop	9:00am to 12:00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm
13 Apr.	2 nd Tuesday	Open Workshop Library Open Workshop Pyrography Workshop Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 6.00 pm to 9.00pm
16 Apr.	3 rd Friday	Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm
17 Apr.	3 rd Saturday	Show & Tell Forum	9:00am to 10:30am
20 Apr.	3 rd Tuesday	Open Workshop Library Open Workshop Pyrography Workshop Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 6.00 pm to 9.00pm
22 Apr.	4 th Thursday	Pre-booked Project Tuition with Rob McKee	9.00am to 12.30pm
23 Apr.	4 th Friday	Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm
24 Apr.	4 th Saturday	Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm
27 Apr.	4 th Tuesday	Open Workshop Library Open Workshop Pyrography Workshop Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 6.00 pm to 9.00pm
Not in April	5 th Tuesday	Open Workshop Library Open Workshop Pyrography Workshop Open Workshop	8.00am to 12.00pm 8.00am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 1.00pm to 3.30pm 6.00 pm to 9.00pm

Geoff Holbeck

Editor – Turning Talk

Future Events

As advised by the Council of Woodwork Clubs

The **Cooroora Woodcraft Show** is planned for **10 - 11 September 2021** at **Cooroy Memorial Hall**. Contact Steve Chapman Mob: 0419611565 or refer to the Cooroora Woodworkers Club website at www.cooroorawoodworkersclub.com

Bribie and District Woodcrafters will be holding their Annual Exhibition and Competition at the Mathew Flinders Gallery, Sunderland Drive, Banksia Beach, Bribie Island in Queensland **24 - 31 October 2021**

Contact Ian Trail on 0401 134 384 for further details

The **Gympie Rotary Ancient Crafts, Rare Trades Expo** which was planned for 31 October & 1 November 2020 has been rescheduled for **30 - 31 October 2021**. Further details are available from www.ancientcrafts.org

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AGM Treasurers Report FY 2020

Despite the challenges experience during 2020, the Club's cash position continued to be positive. A summary of some of the major income and expense items are listed below.

Income & Expense and Balance Sheet Summary

Gross Profit	\$54,967
Total Expenses	\$96,485
Profit/(Loss)	(\$41,518)
Add Back Depreciation	\$47,853
Adjusted Profit/Loss	\$ 6,335
Balance Sheet	
Stock on Hand	\$12,475
Cash	\$48,869
Total Assets	\$61,344

Membership – Our annual membership fees did change in 2020. There are no plans to review membership fees in the coming year.

Club Meetings – Due to the COVID closure, income from workshop was down by \$3,580.

Hall Letting – Most of this income is from Rob McKee's business, R M School of Woodworking. A sub-letting agreement also commenced in September 2019 with the Australian Orchid Council for their Judges' Course and finalised in March 2020.

External Income from Exhibitions and Bunnings Sausage Sizzles.

There were lost opportunities to generate external income from the Open Day and one Mt Coot-tha exhibition. Income was down \$3,856.

The Club had 3 Bunnings Sausage sizzles, 1 January & 2 in November which resulted in a \$2,700 profit.

Grants – We were successful in gaining main grants totalling \$12,585

Brisbane City Council, repairs to the roof
\$10,585

Brisbane City Council, update digital equipment
\$ 2,000

Shop – The shop continued to sell a good range of consumables to members and generated a profit of \$2,700.

Depreciation – The Management Committee made the decision to bring forward and fully depreciate the remaining assets on the balance sheet as at 31/12/2020. Depreciating the assets did not impact the cash position of the Club.

An asset register is still maintained for all our assets, regardless of their value; this is also used for insurance purposes.

Electricity – The installation of the Solar Panel at the end of 2019 resulted in a \$3,285 reduction in electricity expenses for the year.

Insurance – Insurance increased by \$735 which was attribute to the increase in Business Insurance.

Plant & Equipment Purchases <\$5,000 – Purchase totalled \$2,779. Zoom equipment \$1,280, charger \$199 test and tag equipment \$1,300.

Property Expenses – Our main cost was for roof repairs of \$10,585 which was covered by a grant from the Brisbane City Council.

Repairs and Maintenance – There were just the usual ongoing repairs and maintenance with no major repair during the year.

Training – Test and tag training for 2 members conducted at a cost \$648.

Other Expenses – Other expenses, not included above, are generally self-explanatory.

Bank – Bank balance at the beginning of the year was \$50,203 and the balance at the end of the year was \$51,136, reflecting our cash surplus for the year of \$933.

Stock – The shop is now fully stocked with the value of stock at year end being \$12,474. It is anticipated that stock levels will remain around this amount.

Summary – The Management Committee made the decision to fully depreciate the remaining assets on the balance sheet as at 31/12/2020. This did not impact the cash position of the Club but brought forward depreciation of the assets which were being depreciated annually over the life of the asset.

Full depreciation amount was \$47,853. The assets were, Solar Panels, Dust Extractor, Band Saw.

The accounts show a loss for 2020 \$41,518. After adding back depreciation, a non-cash expense, the adjusted position was a profit of \$6,335. Annual repayments of \$5,205, \$433 monthly, on the solar panels. The repayments are not reflected as part of the profit and loss and are applied to the balance sheet to cover the Interest free facility provided by Origin to assist with the purchase.

This is a brief summary of our trading position during the year. Our books have been audited by our auditor, Eamon Lynch of Whitehouse Audit. The audited financial reports are available for inspection by members.

Mike Dunne
Treasurer

Secretary's Jottings

Important news from the Management Committee meeting on 13th March.

1. Reg Weber is completing the final details for the purchase and delivery of the new Vicmarc Lathe with the money from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund. It was also decided to purchase another Vicmarc CBN grinder.
2. In response to Member interest, it was decided to allocate funds so that a box-making group could get underway. Reg Weber and Paul Tierney worked hard to organize the recommendation to the Committee to purchase the Incra LS system. There have now been 3 meetings of Group members and they are hard at work sourcing timber for their first box-making effort.
3. The Draft of the Strategic Plan was made available to Committee Members and it was resolved that, as it is a very extensive document, a special Committee meeting be held to work through the details of the Plan. This meeting was scheduled for the 24th March, commencing after the VIP Morning Tea and presentation of the flagpole to Councillor Fiona Cunningham.
4. After some tweaking by Barry Wilson and the boys downstairs, the Dust catcher for the Drop Saw has been installed and is working very efficiently.
5. Bob Kennedy outlined the preparations for the Buy, Swap and Sell scheduled for Saturday, 20 March. The general public is being invited to attend and the event promoted through our own network and that of our Local, State and Federal members. An advertisement has also been placed in the Courier-Mail.
6. It was resolved that we would request display space in the Brisbane City Library for September/October in the lead up to our November Mt Coot-tha Exhibition.
7. Committee Members were issued with a questionnaire to ascertain expectations for the re-vamped WSQ website.

Binny Willis
Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Profit recorded for February \$7,728. This included the receipt of the Grant of \$6,000 for the purchase of the new VL300 Lathe. The purchase has been budgeted to be expended in March 2021.

Year to Date

Year to Date	Budget	Actual	Variance
Income	\$12,912	\$12,707	(\$ 205)
Expenses	\$ 8,112	\$ 8,968	(\$ 856)
Profit/(Loss)	\$ 4,800	\$ 3,739	(\$1,061)

The year-to-date shortfall is attributed to the early purchase of 16" spiral cutter for the thickener for \$1,545. The cost is part of an allowance for new equipment purchases budgeted in March 2021.

Mike Dunne
Treasurer

Sick List

Member Mick Pythian is currently on the sick list. He suffered a heart attack on Friday 26 March and was taken to Redlands Hospital in Cleveland. Mick has been cleared of a suspected blood clot on the lung and had further tests on Monday 29 to determine damage and future treatment.

He is receiving visitors and many WSQ members have been in touch via message and phone. Pam, his wife has brought him some

wood turning magazines and he is planning his next project.

By the time you read this Mick will have undergone bypass surgery to rectify his serious medical condition. We wish Mick a speedy recovery.

John Carney & Geoff Holbeck
WSQ Members

The 2021 WSQ Competition

Dear fellow WSQ members,

Welcome to the 2021 WSQ Competition. We are hopefully emerging from the Covid related challenges of 2020 and able to focus more clearly on the things we like doing – woodturning, woodworking and pyrography.

We encourage all members to enter. The Competition is an important opportunity to hone your turning skills, irrespective of your experience, refine your past turning practices and develop new skills and experiences. It is a wonderful opportunity to share ideas.

Important Dates for the 2021 Competition

The key dates for the 2021 Competition are:

- **Entry Forms due Tuesday, 1 June;**
- **Entries to be received by 12 noon on Friday 11 June;**
- **Judging on Monday 14 June;**
- **Presentation of Trophies on Saturday morning 19 June (just prior to the opening of the WSQ Open Day weekend).**

Note your diaries/calendars with these dates and start planning your entries.

Categories for Entry

With the experiences learned over past years including welcome feedback from members,

some small refinements have been made to the definitions for entries to some of the categories to this year's competition.

Forms for the Competition

Entry Forms for the competition will be emailed to members along with a summary showing Rules and Conditions for the competition which includes the judging guidelines and categories for entry. If you have a question on any related matter, please see a member of the Competition Sub-Committee. Copies of the Entry Form, the Rules and Conditions and Categories will shortly be placed on the WSQ website and will also be available from our friendly WSQ Librarian.

The Competition Sub-Committee encourages all WSQ members to enter the 2021 Competition. Remember you can have entries in a number of categories however you may only have three (3) pieces of work entered into any one category.

Completed Entry Forms can be given to our Librarian, Alwyn Clark or one of the Competition Sub-Committee members. They can also be posted to our Pine Street address or handed to our President John Reed.

Good turning, woodworking, and pyrography,

Richard Cooper

On behalf of the Competition Sub-Committee

Membership Matters

Birthdays		New Members
April	May	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jarrod Driscoll • Gerard Fogarty • John McIntosh • Danielle Randall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Benson • Mike Dunne • John Macrae • Loretta Scaini-Clarke • Tai Nguyen • Philip Oostenbroek 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Chris Curtis from Stones Corner 4120 ✓ Jeff Frohlof from Bardon 4065 ✓ Angelo Leonforte from Brisbane City 4000 ✓ Luciano Leonforte from Bris City 4000 ✓ Les Howarth from Hamilton 4007 ✓ Dan Lawrence from Nudgee 4014 ✓ Andrew Rodger from Alderley 4051

Alwyn Clark

Membership Secretary

VIP Morning Tea and Flagpole Presentation

On the 24 March, the Woodturners Society hosted a combined “VIP Morning Tea” and the “Flagpole presentation” to our Local Councillor Fiona Cunningham, at Pine Street.



Bob and Binny Working in the Kitchen

The concept of the special event for our VIP members was born out of discussions last year. The result was a resounding success, with many retired and long serving members, and their partners, attending. It was also open to current members and those from the Gordon Park Respite Centre. All in all about 38 attended and enjoyed the refreshments lovingly prepared by Sue for the big day.



Some VIP's Discuss one of Norm's Bowls



John & Bob Welcome Ian & Fiona



Some of the VIP Guests

The Flagpole presentation to BCC Cr Fiona Cunningham, was simply WSQs way of saying “Thank You” to the Brisbane City Council, for their ongoing support of the Woodturners Society since its inception in 1988. Also present was our Patron Ian McKenzie, whom Fiona replaced as the Councillor when Ian retired, some years ago.



John Reed Presents the Flagpole to Fiona

The event was hosted by our President, John Reed, and we look forward to more celebrations of this nature, in the future.

Bob Kennedy
Management Committee Member

Demonstration – Making a Bowl in a Bowl

On the morning of Saturday 6 May, 21 members assembled in the Phil Harris Auditorium to see Charlie Edwards demonstrate his Bowl in a Bowl project. They were joined by 5 members on Zoom.

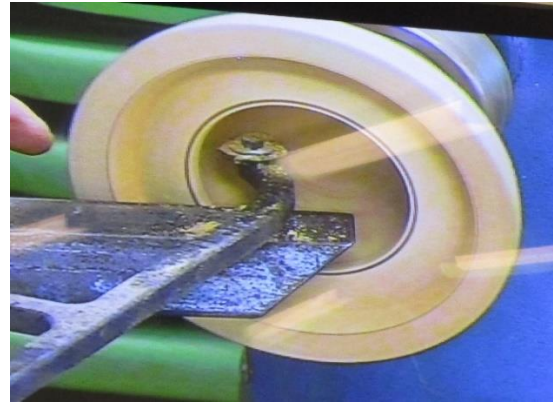
Charlie said that he had found a YouTube video of a similar project and decided to try it out. He has made a number of these items, and he has developed his own techniques that work for him.



Some of Charlie's Previous Projects

The critical point of the design is centred around the hemisphere, i.e. a 3D geometric figure that is half of a sphere. If you don't have access to a suitable sphere jig you need to create a template to assist in accurately turning your blank to an exact hemisphere. Charlie made some comments about the size of blanks that this project required e.g. a 180 mm diameter bowl has to be 90 mm deep plus the size of the spigot used which requires a largish sized blank.

At the start of the demo Charlie had a pre-prepared blank of a hemispherical shape with a spigot at the curved base mounted in a scroll chuck. He marked a line 15 mm inside the top rim with pencil on the flat surface of the blank. Next he used a parting tool to make a 15 mm deep groove inside the line. Charlie removed waste from inside the line, to a depth of 15 mm using a bowl gouge straight across the blank. He took great care refining the inside lip of the rim created. He measured out another line approximately 40 mm in radius from the centre. This was to be where the inner bowl was to be created. He removed waste from this area using a bowl gouge. He carefully measured the depth to ensure the bottom of the inner bowl didn't get too thin ... or worse. He used a deep hollowing tool with a selection of cutters to hollow out and remove waste to produce a surprisingly large inner bowl. Charlie used a skew chisel with a special grind on the top edge to square up edge of the lip. He used 240g sandpaper on a homemade ply sanding jig to refine the inside of the inner bowl.



Hollowing the Inner Bowl

Charlie had prepared a lid to fit the opening of the inner bowl earlier. He tested the fit and made the necessary adjustments to achieve a firm fit. Charlie reverse chucked the blank into a chuck fitted with Cole Jaws using the compression technique onto the outside rim of the outer bowl. He used a bowl gouge to carefully remove the spigot with regular checks with the template. He sanded the bowl and removed it from the Cole Jaws. He removed the chuck.



Removing the Spigot

Charlie fitted a large homemade timber push chuck mounted on a large chuck into the headstock. It was large enough to fit the majority of the bowl inside it. In the tailstock he put a metal rod fitted with a bearing and a cushioned round head about the size of a tennis ball. He positioned the bowl at an angle to the push chuck exposing $\frac{1}{2}$ of the outer circumference and brought the tail stock up to hold the bowl firmly in place. He marked the

area to be removed with a pencil. Next, he used a bowl gouge, making push cuts, to remove the section identified for removal. He sanded the top of the bowl.



Removing a Section of the Outer Rim

The Bowl at the End of the Demo follows:



There was insufficient time to do take the bowl through the finishing processes. Charlie undertook to finish the bowl in his own workshop.



The Finished Bowl in a Bowl

The members gave Charlie a well deserved round of applause, and bombarded him with questions and ideas for a good while after the end of the demo. Thanks very much Charlie for showing us some of the tricks and techniques you use to create your always interesting and innovative items.

Geoff Holbeck
Editor – Turning Talk

Council Library Displays



Wynnum Library Display

John Byrne and I would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to those members who have loaned us some of their wonderful, turned items to use in our library displays for another year. Thank you very much. The library staff we deal with all comment about how much their customers like and comment favourably about our displays.

Month	Northside	Southside
March	Toowong	Wynnum
April	Hamilton	Carindale
May	Nundah	Garden City

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Letters to the Editor

From: Matt Kelly >
Sent: Thursday, 18 March 2021 6:47 AM
To: library@wsqld.org.au;
president@wsqld.org.au
Subject: Woodturners Society of QLD Inc.

Good afternoon,

As an assistant troop leader for my son's Boy Scout troop, I wanted to send the Woodturners Society of QLD a thank you note for putting together your links page. Our troop is currently working on our Woodworking Merit Badge and your page helped a bunch!

Due to COVID-19, our troop has continued to cancel all in person meetings. (I can't believe we're going on a year of this now!) We're hoping to resume our regular schedule sometime in late Spring. Fingers crossed - the troop really misses each other! However, we still encouraged parents to work with the kids at home to ensure we don't fall too far behind!

I've been putting together a list of activities and projects that the kids can do for the Woodworking Merit Badge. Your page led us to some great websites to check out so we wanted to thank you for putting it all together!

And if it's not too much trouble, I was hoping you could add another link to your page? I asked the troop to email me any websites they thought were noteworthy. One of the boys, Sean, found this guide which I really liked. It has a ton of woodworking projects the kids can

do from home, which is so important these days...

Family Woodworking Projects for Your Workbench

<https://apac01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdragonfiretools.com%2Ffamily-woodworking-projects-for-your-workbench%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C8e2bbcc19e644c7a074608d8ef4b9014%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637522455110379427%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAilCJQljoilV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCIl6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sd=Lf7677mfrL8D5qzxe2mMHiFq9YgaP%2FeMWQ1rOa3cl0E%3D&reserved=0>

Can you add a link to it on your page, under Other Woodworking Sites? I'd love to show Sean! It's always nice to get some recognition for a job well done, especially during this difficult year. We have a Zoom call Saturday afternoon if you get a free moment to include it by then! I'd really appreciate it!

Thanks again,
Matt Kelly

[Editor's Note: Yes, this site contains many easy and worthwhile projects and has been added to the "Other Woodworking Sites" links section of our website.]

Geoff Holbeck
Editor – Turning Talk

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gholbeck@hotmail.com

Library News

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Any items taken out of the library must be booked out.

Alwyn Clark
Membership Secretary

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Jest a Moment

This happened yesterday and is important information for our age group.

A friend had his 2nd dose of the vaccine at the **Vaccination Centre** after which he began to have blurred vision on the way home.

When he got home, he called the **Vaccination Centre** for advice and to ask if he should go see a doctor, or be hospitalized.

He was told NOT to go to a doctor or a hospital, but just return to the **Vaccination Centre** immediately and pick up his glasses.



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