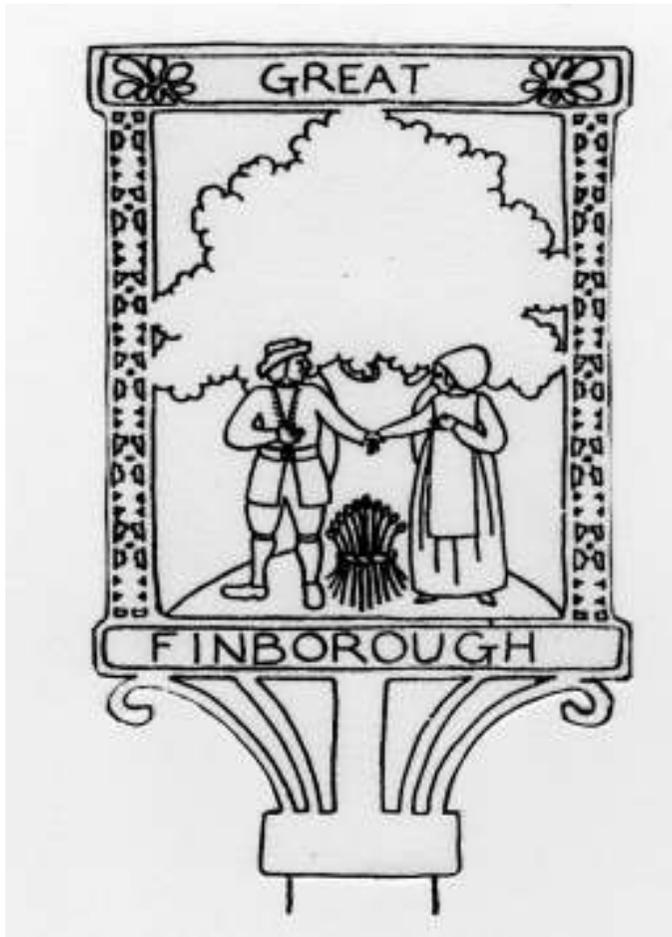


GREAT FINBOROUGH NEWSLETTER



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VILLAGE DIARY – OCTOBER 2011

3	6pm	Brownies, Petteward Hall
6	2pm	Over 60's Bring, Buy, Bingo, Buxhall Village Hall
8	8am	Men's Breakfast, Onehouse Church Room
8	am	Flu Clinic, Stowhealth
8	am	Coffee Morning
9	10am	Spring Bulb Planting, opposite shop
10	6pm	Brownies, Petteward Hall
13	4.30-6pm	Skylarks Children's Club, Onehouse Church Room
13	7.30pm	Garden Club, Petteward Hall
15	am	Flu Clinic, Stowhealth
17	6pm	Brownies, Petteward Hall
19	7pm	Buxhall Women's Institute, Buxhall Village Hall
20	6.30pm	Charity Bingo, Petteward Hall
22	7.30pm	Buxhall Fun Quiz, Village Hall
23	3pm	Onehouse Ramblers, Church Room car park
27	4.30-6pm	Skylarks Children's Club, Church Room, Onehouse
31	6pm	Brownies, Petteward Hall

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5	6pm	Bonfire and Bangers, Tomlinsons
7	7.30pm	Parish Council, Petteward Hall

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Derek Ames (613328)

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Editorial

I would like to run a series of short articles on people living in the village who run their own businesses. If you would like to promote your business in this way please make contact with me. Next year I would like to run a series on the lives and reflections of our oldest residents. Do get in touch if you know someone whose story should be told.

Welcome to Liz and Stuart Law, living in Sunnyside, who have come to us from Rattlesden; and to Hugh and Sarah, and the girls, who are not new to the village but are now settling in to Park Lodge. If you know someone newly arrived and living in the village, or neighbours moving on, please let me know. The village welcome pack for new residents is available from me.

15 October is the copy deadline for material for the November 2011 edition. Please put 'newsletter' in the header if you are emailing. Norman and I welcome visitors so if you need to contact me 'phone, email or call in to Park Cottage any time. The kettle is always on.

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News from the Parish Council

September Council Meeting

The meeting on 5 September 2011 discussed, among other matters:

- The consultation on Suffolk County Council's budget.
- Allotments
- The handover of the Gipping Homes land and funding for maintenance of public areas.
- Removal of the car park barrier.
- Proposed reduction in the frequency of the mobile library service by half.
- Replacement of rotted wooden stakes on the village green.
- Planning matters relating to Town Farm Barn, Mill Hill Farm and the Forge Caravan Site.

Vacancy on the Parish Council

Georgie Ross, our only woman councillor, has had to step down. Please would all those with an interest in serving their village community make contact with me, or another Councillor, as soon as possible. Please note the meetings take place in the evenings but there are also some day time commitments from time to time. Previous applicants are welcome to apply.

Vacancy for Parish Clerk

Bryony Allen has, regrettably, resigned as Clerk and so the Parish Council is seeking an enthusiastic person, with an interest in the local community to become the new Parish Clerk. The role involves implementing the decisions of the Parish Council, administering meetings, and basic financial administration. This is a part-time post with a salary in accordance with the NJC scale, taking into account experience and qualifications. Training can be provided. If you are interested in the post, please contact me - see Who's Who. Closing date: 15 October 2011. Previous applicants are welcome to apply.

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News From your County Councillor

Schools

The Stowmarket primary and high schools are seeking to progress the move from three tiers to two tiers, whereas the Middle Schools are seeking approval to become an academy. Meetings are taking place.

Footpaths

Changes are proposed for a small number of footpaths in Buxhall and Hitcham, and there is a new footpath in Buxhall.

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Penny Otton

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Onehouse Ramblers

The next walk will be on Sunday 23 October. Meet at the Church Room car park at 3pm, for a walk of 4-5 miles. **Derek Ames**

News from your District Councillor

Air sourced heat pumps

Over recent months Mid Suffolk District Council has been installing air sourced heat pumps in its Council houses, replacing old oil-fired central heating boilers. Almost 200 of these have now been installed, and the first locally will soon be going into houses in Buxhall. The brand chosen, Mitsubishi, was selected because it is the most efficient currently available and is also the quietest. Working similarly to a refrigerator except in reverse, it converts 1 kilowatt of electricity into between 3 and 4 kilowatts of heat. This brings benefits to tenants in the form of less expensive heating bills, to the council through lower maintenance costs, and to the planet which suffers less carbon emissions. Tenants in other parts of the district seem to have been satisfied with the results. Funding is being sought to continue this programme of replacement, as part of the Council's measures to tackle fuel poverty and climate change. I hope to see more installations locally.

The Forge Caravan Site

As you have probably read in the newspapers, the owner approached residents of the Dale Farm travellers' site with a view to selling The Forge. The Council is continuing to pursue compulsory purchase as the best way of ensuring proper management of the site.

Citizen of the Year

I welcome the award to Richard Brice who has done so much for Great Finborough, and will be there to see the presentation and celebrate his achievements.

To get in touch with me see Who's Who. **John Matthissen**

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Great Finborough & District Garden Club

Following a somewhat mixed Summer, we are in Autumn and the Garden Club's Winter programme of evening meetings has started. We were pleased welcome five new Members.

For our first speaker we had the welcome return of Barry Gayton who gave an interesting talk on Winter colour in the garden. Now this is not just about the few plants that flower in Winter but the effects that can be achieved by the choice of bark colours and berries. As well there are the plants that carry seed heads or keep their leaves until late Winter when the new foliage starts to appear.

Our next speaker, at 7.30pm on 13 October, will be Mike Perry of Thompson and Morgans. He will be talking about their new year plant selection and introducing some new developments to their range and variations to their existing stock.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is £12.50 per household per year. Non-members can attend meetings for £2 per person. For further information contact me or John Davey - see Who's Who.

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Please visit our website at: <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/WeAreListening> and fill in our survey. Copies are also available through libraries or you can answer the survey questions over the phone on 0845 6031842 (Monday - Friday 8.30am - 5pm).

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All Souls Day

The feast of All Souls dates back to the 10th century AD when the Church recognised a need for us to celebrate and remember not only those heroes of the faith we call saints, but also our brothers, wives, children; all those whom we loved but who have died. On the feast of All Souls, now called the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, we allow ourselves room to remember with thanksgiving those who were dear to us - however briefly and however long ago; and to comfort one another in our grief.

We have advertised the service we are holding using the ancient name of 'All Souls' rather than its official title of 'Commemoration of the Faithful Departed' because we do not only remember those whose commitment to God was public, but *all souls* whether their faith was public, known only to a few or even known to God alone.

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The junction of Valley Lane and the B1115 is being monitored as inappropriate parking has been reported there.

Local Police Priorities

Over the next quarter our Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) has three priorities. One is to reduce levels of theft from farms. You can put forward suggestions for our next quarter's targeted priorities at a meeting on Monday 17 October at 7pm: Parish Room, Old School House, Ship Lane, Bramford, Ipswich, IP8 4AN. **PC 421 Annelly Miles & PCSO 3155 Sian Uttley**



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For our August meeting we were entertained by Martyn Harrison who reminded us of the Music and Mirth of Harry Secombe. To open he accompanied us for Jerusalem. It had never sounded so good. Perhaps we should consider a backing track to sing along to as it sounded so much better. Martyn had been responsible for Harry Secombe's voice for the Spitting Images TV show and spent an hour reminding us of the highlights of Harry Secombe's career with songs, recordings and stories.

Meetings are usually held in Buxhall Village Hall on the third Wednesday of the month. Our October speaker will be Rosemary Roe with her talk entitled 'Harvest Time'. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Helen Matthews

Brick Lane Music Hall Trip

A few seats are available for this Christmas-show-with-a-difference on Friday 9 December at London's Brick Lane Music Hall. Traditional home-cooked 2-course Christmas lunch followed by their seasonal show 'Vincent's Christmas Cottage'. Approximate cost £50 per person depending on final numbers. For more information go to www.bricklanemusichall.co.uk Coach will depart Buxhall Village Hall at approximately 10am, picking up at Great Finborough Post Office and Combs Surgery. To book your seat contact me on 737113 no later than 10 October. Limited availability!

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Spring Bulb Planting

The Garden Club, with the support and co-operation of the Parish Council, is going ahead with the planting scheme to bring some Spring colour to the Village. The areas for planting are on the grass either side of the entrance to Middlefield Drive and Oak Close, along the front of the Village Car Park, and up to the entrance to the Village School. We will also plant on the triangle in front of the school building and on the grass areas at the entrances to The Chestnuts and Pear Tree Place.

The Bulbs have been purchased and now we need is some help in planting them. This will take place on Sunday 9 October. Meet at the village car park at 10am. Do come along, with some tools if you have them, and help us bring some Spring cheer to the Village. We have quite a lot of bulbs to plant and more hands make light work. Children will be welcome as we have selected some areas of planting well away from the road. If you require more information please contact me. See Who's Who.

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What most of us do not know is that the rules governing what can, and what cannot be done in a churchyard are strict. Local parishes have very little discretion. We are obliged to follow the rules published by the diocesan authorities. Each church has a copy of the rules on display. If you need further information, or are thinking of making any changes to your family's graves, please talk to me or to one of the Churchwardens first to ensure that what you would like to do can be accommodated within the rules. **Rev Chris Childs**

Skylarks Children's Club

Skylarks is a Club for 4-8 year old children living or attending church in Buxhall, Great Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland. The next session is on 13 October 2011 and is a visit to Onehouse Church and activities. Sessions are held on Thursdays between 4.30pm and 6pm in the Church Room, Onehouse. For enquiries about joining Skylarks, please contact Derek Ames (613328) or Christine Hagger (736487).

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News from 1st Great Finborough and Buxhall Brownies

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- Tried out archery
- Made bee hives with the Mid Suffolk District Ranger
- Made friends with a very small hedgehog, brought in by Roz from the Hedgehog Protection League.
- Created a bird diary, robins, blue tits and pigeon's were the most popular visitors in Great Finborough and Buxhall gardens!!
- Celebrated Mother's day by making cards.
- Played parachute games.
- As well as all this, Brownies were awarded badges like Season's and Hostess badge.

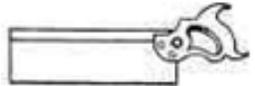
Last term Brownies also went away on pack holiday. This involved two nights away at Felixstowe residential centre. Girls enjoyed visiting the beach, playing circus games, singing songs, more parachute games, lots of craft, games and plenty of food including a BBQ. New Brownies are always welcome. Call Gail Jarrett to find out more. See Who's Who for her details.

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News from the Village School

A warm welcome to the parents and carers of our new children in Green Class! The children have made an excellent start and are already settling in well to the school. It is great to see them around school with smiles on their faces, and already setting a high standard of behaviour. We also like to extend a warm welcome to Mr Smith, who has started his first term at our school with our youngest children.

Each term I hold Pupil Progress Meetings with every class teacher to discuss the individual progress of each child. This is part of our monitoring process to ensure that every child is making the most progress possible for them as individuals. Parent/Carer evenings have been set for Tuesday 11 October and Wednesday 12 October.

In Green Class, the theme for our first topic of the year is 'People who help us'. We aim to invite into the classroom as many people from the various professions as possible, and as a class we will develop questions that we would like to ask them. A big thank you to Stuart Wade who has very kindly commissioned and donated a beautiful woodworking bench to Green class. We hope to utilise this to further develop the various skills that each child will learn at Forest school on Tuesday's, and plan to offer woodcraft as an activity that all children can access during their self-initiated independent play should they wish.

Our news in Blue Class is that, over the Summer, we have had a blue makeover in the classroom. It is bright and clean and to a new paint a carpet we have added a new teaching team and a new cohort of pupils. Our first topic is 'underground'. We're going to be finding out about the world beneath our feet and what we can learn from the past by delving down deep. We have a real archaeologist in the classroom and will be getting our hands dirty in search of clues from the past. We plan to dig some test pits in the school grounds!



In Red Class we are learning more about sea creatures and are going on a class trip to the Sea-life Centre in Great Yarmouth. We welcome

any seaside artefacts in the classroom and especially any unwanted shells we could use for collage.

This half term Purple Class will be learning through their investigations into World War 2, in particular how people lived in England during this time. Lots of exciting trips and activities are planned and the children are contributing their ideas for what they want to learn about this topic to the plan. Flute lessons continue this term with a flute provided for each child so they can take them home to practice. Swimming lessons are also underway for all Year 3 and 4 children. Maths and spellings homework are set every week.



Governors

Through the newsletter we wish to thank Nigel Brown, Elder of this Parish, for his service to the School as Chair of Governors. He has stepped down, as has his wife Bernice, and we wish them well in retirement. Until a new Chair is appointed, Sally Gooch will act into the role. We also welcome onto the Governing Body Jane Nunn and Jamie Warner as Parent Governors and Rev. Chris Childs, our Priest in Charge. We are currently holding elections for two more Parent Governors.

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There is a health clinic in Mbale, a town in south-east Uganda, which lacks basic equipment, such as beds, laboratory apparatus, and wheelchairs. Aid for Hospitals Worldwide is a Christian charity based in Bury St Edmunds which supplies medical equipment to hospitals in the developing world free of charge. There is a charge for the equipment to be checked, serviced, and packed prior to transport. A list of medical equipment has been agreed to go to the health clinic in Mbale.

Tools with a Mission (TWAM) is a Christian Charity based near Ipswich involved in the repair and servicing of a variety of tools and equipment and their transport by shipping container to a number of countries, particularly in Africa. The medical equipment will be part of a container load being sent by TWAM from UK to Uganda, for which there will be a shipping charge. Transport has to be arranged and paid for, to get the medical equipment from the dock to the health clinic in Mbale. Total funds needed are estimated at £5,000.

Cheques made payable to RSVP Trust should be sent to: RSVP Trust, PO Box 55, Stowmarket, IP14 1UG, clearly marked 'Uganda Medical'. You can find out more information and the background to this project by clicking on the link <http://www.rsvptrust.co.uk/container> where you can also make a secure online card donation and do Gift Aid. I have been working on this project for over a year and I hope that together we can raise the money needed to send this vital medical equipment to Uganda. **Derek Ames**

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Our next meeting will be a Bring, Buy and Bingo on Thursday 6 October 2011 at Buxhall Village Hall at 2pm. It is one of the few times the club gets a chance to do some fundraising. Please come along for a couple of hours to help the club. The Christmas lunch date has changed to Thursday 8 December 2011 at 12 noon for 12.30pm. If anyone needs a lift to these meetings, please contact me.

Keith Proctor

News from the Great Finborough and Buxhall Under 5's

We said a sad farewell to some of our children in July who were leaving us for school. Good luck to them and a big thank you for the lovely gifts they gave to us. A welcome back or a new welcome to the rest of the children. Over the next few months we will be helping the children find out about Autumn; different animals - from mini beasts to dinosaurs; and, of course, their favourite topic of Christmas. It is a lovely time of year when our younger children become our older ones, and we get to meet and find out all about our new ones. We also get to know some more wonderful parents. We look forward to spending the next year with you all.

From all the staff

If you wish to book a place for your child, or would like to speak to someone about our Pre-School, see Who's Who.

It is with regret that, after much deliberation and soul searching, Jane Nunn has decided to step down as Chairperson of our committee this year. We will be very sad to lose such a valuable team member. On behalf of all the staff and committee we would like to give Jane a very warm thank you (which does not seem anywhere near enough) for all the help, support, time and hard work she has put into and given the preschool over the years. All the very best to Jane in all her future ventures, to which we know she will also give 100%. Be assured our strong committee and staff will continue the good work for the Pre School's continued success.

Gail Aldous – Committee Secretary

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Keeping the Church open

The welcome that the community gives is important for all sorts of reasons. Visitors can be assured of a friendly word from Alan and Angela in the Chestnut Horse, and also from Jeanette and Nigel in the shop. Many end up at St Andrews, either out of interest in what is attached to the striking spire, to remember their past or seek family graves. The building is also a touchstone for the community in times of stress as much as in times of joy whilst the pub and shop provide for its more immediate needs.

It is right that the church is kept open and we are indebted to a very small band of volunteers. Would you be able to offer to unlock and lock one day a week? Holidays can always be managed by a swap.....Some of you do live near the church... If you can help please speak to me or Lesley Cass. See Who's Who.

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If you would like to place an order please let me have your requirements together with a cheque and your 'phone number, to 'Great Finborough Garden Club' by 12 October. Please note there is still a problem with peanuts. Please order as usual and if I cannot supply all or part of your requirement a cash refund will be made. The next seed orders will be December.

John Davey

Product	Weight	Price
Wild Bird Mix	20 kg	£9.00
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Mixed Corn	20 kg	£8.00
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Black Sunflower Seed	15 kg	£11.00
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Sunflower Kernels (half sack)	10kg approx	£13.50
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From the Team: A Notable Anniversary

October 23 is Bible Sunday. There will be a service of Choral Evensong for the Stowmarket Deanery at St Mary's Buxhall at 6.30pm, with an address by the Archdeacon of Sudbury. This year sees the 400th anniversary of the issue of the King James Bible in English. This version of the Scriptures has been a major influence on English language and literature and far beyond its purely religious value.

It was not the first complete translation, since Miles Coverdale had made one by stealth back in 1535, but none had previously been had Royal authority or been appointed to be read in churches. There have been various translations since, with the benefit of advances in scholarly research. The modern linear descendent of the King James Bible can be said to be the New Revised Standard Version; an American work, of which the Anglicised edition is officially set by the Church of England for use with Common Worship services in modern language.

The Bible is best seen as being not a single book, or even a work of two parts - the Old and New Testaments - but rather a collection of various sorts of writing. From ancient myth and legend, through chronicled historic events, ancient codes of Law, prophecies, and poetry, to the unique set of portraits of the life and teaching of Jesus comprised in the Four Gospels, with letters and visionary writing by his first followers. Benefit can be had from straightforward reading and listening, but even more may be gained from study of the background and context. So let us give thanks, and use the Word well.

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Maddison Maria Smith



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At St Andrew's, Great Finborough

6th August Adam Robert Tuson and Rachel Ann Flack

19th August Adam Justin Villiers and Mary Catherine Fitzgerald

6th September Katie Joanna Bargewell and Simon James Robinson

Marriage Blessing

At St John the Baptist, Onehouse

27th August Chris and Karina White

At St Augustine, Harleston

27th August Kim and Stephen Barnes

Funerals

Our love, sympathy and prayers to the families of those who have recently died

At West Suffolk Crematorium

Doreen Mary Rivers, age 87 years, of Harleston

**CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE
FOR OCTOBER 2011**

Sunday	2 October	Trinity 15	
Sung Eucharist		Buxhall	9.30am
Reflective Morning Prayer		Shelland	9.30am
Parish Communion		Finborough	11.00am
Harvest Festival		Harleston	6.30pm
Sunday	9 October	Trinity 16	
Matins		Buxhall	9.30am
Parish Communion		Shelland	9.30am
Parish Communion		Harleston	11.00am
Harvest Festival		Onehouse Church	11.00am
Sunday	16 October	Trinity 17	
Holy Communion		Buxhall	9.30am
Matins		Shelland	9.30am
Parish Communion		Finborough	11.00am
Sunday	23 October	Last after Trinity, Bible Sunday	
Parish Communion		Harleston	9.30am
Family Service		Finborough Primary School	11.00am
Parish Communion		Onehouse Church	11.00am
Choral Evensong		Buxhall	6.30pm
Sunday	30 October	All Saints	
Benefice Eucharist and Baptism		Shelland	10.30am
Family Communion		Onehouse Church	11.00am
Wednesday	2 November	All Souls	
Benefice Commemoration		Buxhall	7.30pm

*Whether you are a regular worshipper or visiting this Sunday
you will find a warm welcome at any of our services.*

*Holy Communion/Eucharists at Finborough and Onehouse follow the modern
order, those at Harleston, Buxhall and Shelland follow the traditional, except
any midweek services which follow the modern order.*

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