

The Helensville Community News

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Little free libraries flourish in Whenuapai

By Sue McFadden

Out of nowhere, they suddenly popped up like toadstools – beautifully painted boxes which quickly filled with books.

The two little free libraries that have appeared in Whenuapai this year are part of the world's largest book sharing movement.

The tiny book exchanges have been created to build reading communities in our neighbourhood.

In other corners of the world, there's been a mushrooming of these little lending receptacles during the Covid-19 pandemic, with large libraries closed.

You can borrow for free, donate or exchange books. But it's not a dumping ground for old books you no longer want. Instead, you're encouraged to put in a book that you'd enjoy reading – one you'd want to share with others.

Long-time Whenuapai resident Vanessa Johnson is the guardian of the Whenuapai Village little library, situated on the edge of Malcolm Hahn Reserve on Waimarie Road, just a stone's throw from the village hall.

She came up with the idea after first seeing one in New Orleans a few years ago, and approached the Whenuapai R&R.

"I thought it was delightful, and how I'd love to have one in the village. I'm a huge book lover and it seemed like a fun and easy idea to provide books to the community," says Vanessa, who's also a primate keeper at Auckland Zoo.

"It sat on the back burner for a while, but we got there in the end!"

Around the same time, Vinetta Plummer had the same bright idea. She'd worked with establishing a network of little libraries in

Massey, where some are fashioned from revamped household appliances - brightly painted fridges and a pile of microwaves.

"A little library is a great way to get community connection," Vinetta says. "They're becoming more and more popular."

So Vanessa and Vinetta worked together and got funding from Community Waitakere for a new wooden library; Vanessa's neighbour, Matt Jenkinson, offered to build it.

Vanessa then approached local artist Amber Emm to paint it. She brought local fauna and flora into the design (and included a wee fairy for younger readers to discover).

"It was a great team effort," Amber says. "It's something a bit different and unique. And it's nice to be doing something like this for our community."

Meanwhile, at the other end of Whenuapai, Beverly van Vugt decided to put up a little free library for her fast-growing community.

The library on Tamiro Road has been open for exchanging books since January.

Beverly funded the library herself, and also got Matt Jenkinson to build it.

Her friend Michelle Ogilvie Teahan did the artwork. "She has a website which is on the side of the library if people are interested

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Waimarie Road 'Little Free Library' Amber Emm, Matt Jenkinson, Vanessa Johnson and Vinetta

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in her work. She's done a few community projects," Bev says.

"It's going well. The books are moving pretty well and I have some inside my house, which I rotate - but all books are welcome."

To keep it interesting, Beverly has had some book theme weeks.

"We did a kids' weekend, where people shared books, games and puzzles. We also just did neighbours' week where we did swap a plant and used the library as the designated area," she says.

In the near future, Beverly is also planning a Mother's Day weekend theme with cookbooks, patterns and craft books.

There is already one outside Anna's Hair Salon in Kaukapakapa. Maybe we may see more in the future. .Ed



Waimarie Road 'Little Free Library' Beverly van Vugt.



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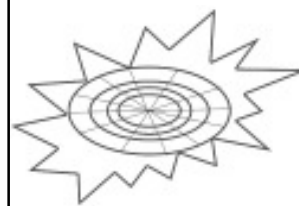
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Sunday 19 September, Kaukapakapa Historic Library, 9am to 1pm, Since the historic Kaukapakapa library reopened the doors seven years ago, there has been a variety of events from authors through to photography, often with an underlying theme of the history of the area. The library began in 1865 when pioneer Morris Henley opened his home and his literary collection to other residents for their enjoyment. The present building came into being in 1911 and has moved around the village four times before coming to rest beside the Village Hall. Opening in 2014 in conjunction with the Kaukapakapa Village Market, the library has been the grateful recipient of much local history and also become a place for some of the newer residents to find out more about the past of the district. Recently received has been a collection of old Kaukapakapa photos courtesy of the late Ina Stevens of Waitoki. While many of these are already incorporated in the Jordan Collection, there are also many I haven't seen before. As always seems to be the way, a number of photos have no details with regard to names or place. Come along to the library and see if you can help us solve some of these mysteries. For more info contact Megan Paterson 021 959017 or threehorses@xtra.co.nz. Kaukapakapa Library open in conjunction with the Kaukapakapa Village Market.

Thursday 23 September, Citizens Advice Bureau Helensville visit to Gibbs Farm along the Kaipara Harbour. The event costs \$60 and includes transport and lunch. Since New Zealand-born businessman and entrepreneur Alan Gibbs bought the property in 1991, he has developed his international art collection attracting gob-smacking interest from all visiting the rural retreat. The artworks with an abstract minimalism genre simply mould to the environment as the emu stride and the buffalo play. The day involves plenty of walking and spectacular views- so bring your walking shoes, clothes for any change of weather, a camera and a big smile! Registration forms are available from the bureau at 27 Commercial Rd from Monday to Friday, 10am to 1pm. Email helensville@cab.org.nz or phone 09 420 7162.

Thursday, 23rd September, Kaukapakapa Scouts fundraiser. Join Kaukapakapa Scouts for an unforgettable day out at Gibbs Farm to raise money for our group. See detail page 7.

Saturday, 25 September, Waitoki Hall Get together to Meet Your Neighbours - Don't Wait for a Crisis. Waitoki Hall is hosting another get together, meet and mingle over a shared meal. The last one was a very happy successful affair. No charge just the old fashioned bring a plate of something tasty to share, plus a plate and cutlery to use. Tea and coffee provided and the ubiquitous sausage sizzle will be on to fill any gaps. Waitoki Hall, 1095 Kahikatea Flat Rd. 5.30pm till 8ish. Contact Gill 420 3301 or email waitokihall@gmail.com.

Friday, 1 October, Term 3 ends

Friday, 1 October, Helensville Aglow, 7.30pm at the Helensville Community Church, 40 Mill Road Helensville (behind the Hospice shop). All welcome. Our guest speaker at the August meeting will be Len Buttner from Eagle Ascend Ministries. Contact Bridget at helensvilleaglow@outlook.com for more information.



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Kia ora

As I write this, we're all back in Level 4.

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For many of us, this means accessing services and information in an online environment.

We know there are many out there for whom this is difficult. Your library and service centre team would like to help, as much as they can.

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If you need help with any of these services, please ask one of the team.

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From Penk's Pen

CHRIS PENK – MP

Second toll averted

In this column I'd like to focus on some positive news recently received for our electorate. It's all too easy to be consumed by bad news, particularly in what's proven to be a pretty long, hard winter for many.



As a local MP and therefore last resort for many facing problems, my electorate office and I hear stories of uncertainty and difficulty day-in-day-out. Currently there's plenty of anxiety about supply lines for various goods, stubbornly high house prices and the threat of rising interest rates and inflation.

I do think it's important, however, to shine a light on the positive where we can find it. In my case, as opposition MP, it's important to give credit where it's due when the government makes a good call.

On that note, I was pleased to hear news of a decision recently made by the Transport Minister that no further toll would be imposed on the stretch of new motorway in the vicinity of Puhoi heading north. This was being considered as part of a standard procedure and it was open to the government to make a call either way.

I had lobbied the government on this matter, emphasising that it would be unfair to have two tolls on the same route. There is already a toll in operation adjacent to Orewa.

This argument about fairness ultimately prevailed in the mind of the Transport Minister, he confirmed to me when I took the opportunity to discuss this situation with him recently.

Perhaps the biggest lesson to be taken from all this is that a community that rallies together to lobby government can sometimes achieve a win. I give credit to the "One Mahurangi" transport forum attended regularly by various community groups, local government representatives and transport agencies, along with MPs (including me as co-chair, having inherited that role from Mark Mitchell MP).

It probably goes without saying that we still have many other infrastructure needs – transport and other – in our area and I'll keep pushing the government hard on those too. For now, though, I want to take this chance to record that a win has been achieved on the motorway toll proposal. Well done all concerned!

Cheers, Chris Penk MP

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Two artists taking advantage of lockdown time are sculptor Jeff Thomson and Marmalade Hats milliner Myra Lloyd, who have teamed up for a special exhibition of Fashionable Beasts, with Jeff's critters wearing Myra's hats.



Weta in a hat

The idea for a collaboration came from a casual comment sparked by the 'Wood and Wool' exhibition held at the Art Centre and featuring wood artist Ray Scott and textile artist Fiona McBride, both of whom will exhibit during Arts in the Ville 2021. Jeff has selected some previously made sculptures and made some new ones. "Myra saw my creatures as each having personality, their own attitudes, some quirky, others serene, and she wanted to create hats to imbue these qualities for each individual," says Jeff. "In fashion terms, this could be seen as our Spring Collection being launched in Helensville."

As they work on the project Myra and Jeff are enjoying combining not-so-compatible materials to create their novel sculptural hat stands, with Myra having to work with new materials, such as thin aluminium. "The exhibition will be a quirky, whimsical collaboration telling a story about each beast," says Myra. She's enjoying the challenge. "Working with an animal in mind has stretched my creativity, made me look harder." Jeff agrees "I think the unusualness in the combination will be a memorable experience and have a positive impact viewers will hopefully remember for a long time."

Also featuring in Arts in the Ville, the popular treasure hunt will return. This year's theme is 'red' and Jeff Thomson will again donate one of his artworks as the prize.

Like and follow ARTS in the VILLE on Facebook and Instagram to see the artist profiles and keep updated with the news.

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Long before the days of virtual reality there were actual families and communities connected by organised recreation. In a time when travelling any great distance was difficult, there was a need to make your own fun closer to home, and make fun they did. Gatherings took place which were as much about socialising as exercising and competing - a way to keep up with the news of village life.

In 1885 the Kaukapakapa Jockey Club was formed and the first race meeting held which was attended by over 300 people. School swimming was a 'boys only' affair, which involved stripping off behind a hawthorn hedge, swimming naked and then running up and down the paddock to dry off. That's until the girls wanted in..... Next came a tennis club with courts marked out at the school, the Kaukapakapa Rifle Club in 1914, the Bowling Green in 1929 and the school pool in 1953. Add to this rugby, croquet, horse riding, hockey and cricket to name a few, and you can conjure up an image of a thriving active community.

Come along to the library and view old photos and more from Kaukapakapa's sporting past. If you have any old photos or trophies bring them along, we love to take copies to add to the Library's archives. For more info contact Megan, 021 959017, threehorses@xtra.co.nz. Library open in conjunction with the Kaukapakapa Village Market.



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Kaipara College basketball booming

by Gemma Bayly, Head Student, Kaipara College

In August, Kaipara College's under 19 basketball team won the Harbour Basketball League 2 division to secure Kaipara College their first basketball Championship. This came after an excellent season, in which they won 9 out of 10 of their games.

The team was comprised of Jacob Smith, Sam Nobilo, Jaden Kok, Tej Chawla, Tamati Birch, Riley Southern-Vasey, Jimmy Cheng and Andre De'Beer, and was coached by Matt Rhodes. From the team, Sam Nobilo has also played for the Harbour Basketball National Team.

The basketball program at Kaipara College has grown in leaps and bounds from when the under 19 team's coach, Matt Rhodes attended Kaipara College himself. As a year 9, Matt had to play for the under 19 basketball team because that was the only option. Now there are seven teams, including the first girls' basketball team at Kaipara College in many years.

This year, Kaipara College's first ever 1stV Basketball team was formed. One of the coaches, Lee Taylor, was a driving force behind the 1stV team. This team means that the best basketball players in the school can play in the same team, ranging from year 11-13. This is a step forward for basketball at Kaipara College. Matt Rhodes said, 'This is the first step towards creating a clear direction of where you can go with basketball in the college if you choose to, similar to the direction of Rugby with the 1st XV in the college.'

Unfortunately, the tournament the 1stV was supposed to compete in this year has been cancelled due to the Covid lockdown. The team will have to wait until next year to showcase their talents. The 1st V was fortunate to be sponsored by Harcourt's Helensville alongside Auckland Towbars.

Many other sports teams from Kaipara College were also poised to play their final games before the Level 4 lockdown hit. The girls' football team was due to play in the final for 1st or 2nd place

in the North Harbour Senior A2 grade on the first day of lockdown. On the same night, the boys' hockey team was going to play for 3rd/4th place in the North Harbour grade 2A. On the 19th of August, the girls' hockey team should have played for 1st/2nd place in the North Harbour grade 5A.

Basketball in our area is booming! In 2017, the local basketball club (Rodney Basketball) was formed. This club has children playing basketball in the Kaipara College gym on a Sunday through the school term. They aim to provide a fun environment which allows skill development. Children from all over the area participate in this program. This means that basketball players at Kaipara College can enter with more skills. It is really cool to see how basketball is growing in our community through the Rodney Basketball club. To get involved yourself you can contact Matt Rhodes through their website www.rodneymbasketball.co.nz or on Instagram or Facebook.



The Kaipara College U19 basketball team.

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Craigweil House commemorates late 'Helensvillian' artist, Chris Bailey

Craigweil House is having plaques made to commemorate the life and art of Helensville artist, Chris Bailey. A creative and kind man, Chris used to read his poetry to residents living at Craigweil House in Memory Care. Chris was born on the 16th of July 1941 in England and lived a full and interesting life. After Chris passed away in 2018, his wife Barbara Bailey contacted Craigweil House to ask if they would like to obtain a selection of his oil paintings, then hanging in her and Chris's Helensville home. Craigweil House's facility manager, David Halewood, met with Barbara and chose four of the paintings chronicling Chris's life story. She explained to David that each painting represents a unique period of Chris's life. Plaques detailing these periods are being made to be placed under each painting displayed at Craigweil House, located on Parkhurst Road, opposite the Parakai pools.

Landlady

At Durham University Chris read Modern Languages - French and Spanish. His first lodgings were with Mrs Jolly, a small Durham



woman who Chris said he could never see when she entered his room as the bed was so high and she was so short.

Mrs Jolly's terraced house was under the Viaduct and it continually rumbled with trains puffing through on the main London/Edinburgh line.

Chris said that he could never understand what Mrs. Jolly said as her accent was a thick Durham one.

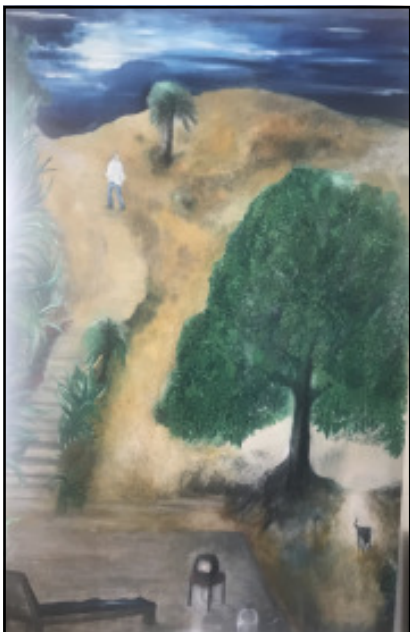
Moon Landing

In Los Angeles Chris lived on Cove Avenue in a house that was full of character, wooden beams, open fire and views that overlooked the city. The house was on a hill-side. It was a climb down to the road and up to the back where the old V-dub was parked.

The house had an enormous rubber tree growing through its back deck.

On the night of the Moon Landing Chris and his wife, Barbara hooked the TV up under the tree and watched the news from their loungers.

The picture shows Chris walking away from the house, up the hill towards the car park.

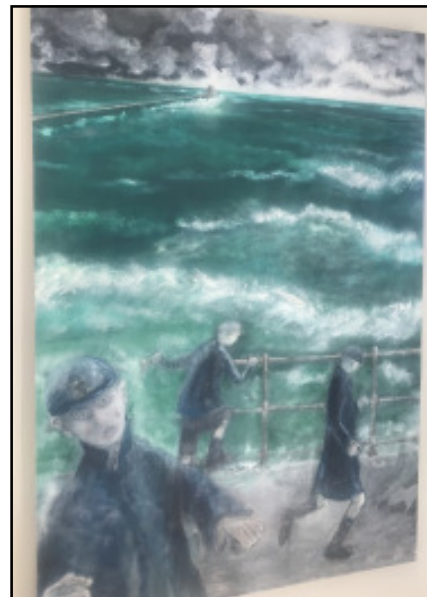


Boys By The Sea

Chris Bailey was born in Surbiton, Surrey, England and spent his childhood in Bognor Regis.

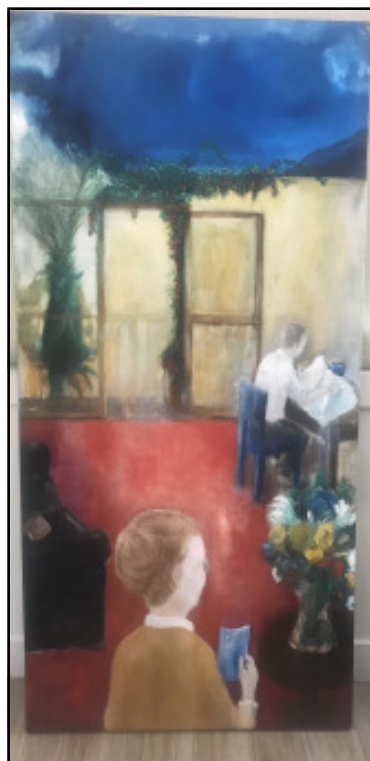
He had happy memories of his time in Bognor, of hours spent playing on the beach.

Chris went to prep-school in Bognor and this painting shows him with his two school friends, Ellis Korn and Harris doing what they were told not to do - running under the waves breaking on the promenade and getting soaking wet.



South of France

As part of The Modern Languages Course at Durham University, Chris Bailey lived for a year in Draguignan, France.



During that time he taught English at the local high school.

This painting shows his apartment, with its red carpet, black settee, flowers, the door to the balcony and the sea beyond. Chris is sitting at his desk reading a newspaper. There is a small radio on the desk. An open book is on the settee where he has been lying and reading.

Mademoiselle Cat, his landlady, is entering his room with a letter from England in her hand.

During that time, Barbara, his future wife and Chris, wrote letters to each other every day.



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Al-Anon Family Groups can help. Free lunchtime meeting every Wednesday, 12 midday in small office at rear of carpark Magnify, 118 Main Road, www.al-anon.org.nz.

Circle of Friends: Meet every Wednesday morning 9.30am - 12.30pm River Valley Church, Fordyce Road, Parakai. Membership \$4 per week, \$10 membership annually. Please bring a plate for lunch. Occasional trips out which are paid for by the club. We also play friendly Bingo games. For more information contact Joan 021 029 51753.

Combustion Youth: Friday, 7.00-9pm, Meet at Magnify, 118 Commercial Rd, Helensville. For 13-18yrs. Ph 420-8911.

Community Dinner – Whether you are new to the area or have been here for a long time you are invited to the fortnightly community dinner at Magnify, 118 Commercial Rd, Helensville. Starts 6:30pm Contact Niki Greendale 0272-059-573.

Core Hit - Tuesday 5.30. Bonnie Casey, War Memorial Hall, Helensville. Deep core and pelvic floor strengthening, plus cardio workout for ladies of all ages.

Diabetes & Arthritis Group - First Monday in the month unless it's a public holiday. Held at the Council meeting room in the Council and library building on the corner of Porter Ave and Commercial Road, from 10am to 12pm. We have also amalgamated with the Arthritis Group. Morning tea provided. Speaker and fun times. Contact Shirley on 420-6501 or Glennis on 420-2801.

Fitness League – Friday 9.45am – War Memorial Hall, Helensville. Exercise to music (posture + balance). \$6 if you are a member, non members \$8. Membership \$20 per annum. Come and check us out. Christine Ph. 425-7108

Groovy Line Dancing Tuesday 9.30am – War Memorial Hall, Helensville. \$6 – Levia Aukino-Uruamo. Ph 022-626-7030

Helensville Aglow, First Friday of the Month at the Helensville Community Church, 40 Mill Road Helensville (behind Hospice Shop) All welcome. Contact yvonne@hello.net.nz for more information.

Helensville Floral Art Club, Third Thursday of the month at Helensville Masonic Lodge, 9 Kowhai Street. All welcome. Contact Cushla 420-8905 cushanddez80@gmail.com for more information.

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Helensville River Valley Country Music Club Held 3rd Sunday of the month at Helensville War Memorial Hall. 1pm start. All Welcome Contact Marion 420-8867.

Hot Pool Stretching and Exercise Class: Every Tuesday 8-30-9.30am. Suitable for arthritis sufferers or those wanting to warm up these muscles and stay flexible. Lots of fun; pool noodles available and fully instructed. At Parakai Springs Hot Pools. For more information contact Chrissy on 027-258-2010

Icenz 4 Boys 8-18 yrs, Adventure, life skills, leadership and fun – every Tuesday of the school term, 6pm-7.45pm. Held at Magnify, 118 Commercial Road. Contact Adrian Low 021-999-449

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Kaipara Memorial RSA. - Quiz night every Wednesday at 7.00pm. 20 easy questions, free to enter, different quizmaster each week.

Meals available from 6.00pm. All welcome at the RSA, 49 Commercial Road, Helensville. Any queries, give me a call, Rex Keane, 027 293 2768

Kumeu Friendship Club. Friendship New Zealand Inc. is a welcoming social organisation for people living in New Zealand who are retired or semi-retired. Come along and join us on the fourth Thursday of the month at 10am at St. Chad's Church, 7 Matua Rd, Huapai.

Noah's Ark Playgroup - Helping parents and caregivers enjoy the preschool years, every Wednesday of the school term, 9.30am-12pm at Magnify, 118 Commercial Road. Contact Kim Duncan 027-444-3492

Peggy squares knitting group, Wednesdays 10am - 11:30am Join us for a coffee and a chat while knitting your Peggy Squares and assist us in creating community blankets for children in your community. Glenys 09-411-5151

Poems After Dark, bi-monthly in the Community Church, 40 Mill Rd. Story-telling and Poetry Performance 6-8pm on the second Saturday of the second month. Pauline Denton paulinekiwidenton@gmail.com

SeniorNet Kumeu Inc., Have you ever thought about joining SeniorNet? The Kumeu branch meets in St Chads Church, Huapai, with a Helensville outpost in a private home in Garfield Rd. The cost of entry is \$3. Why not come along and find out what we have to offer. Contact details: Brian Lacey brian@lacey.nz, 0221-831-811, Beverley Meredith, meredithpb@xtra.co.nz, 09-411-5201.

South Kaipara Rotary: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7 - 8pm at Parakai School. All welcome, young or old.

Tai Chi – Thursday 9.30am – 10.30am. – War Memorial Hall, Helensville. Contact Brian 021-747-947

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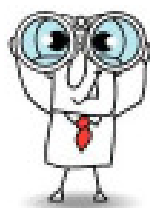
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The way I see things

by Brian Hale



I think I must be 'Old School' and therefore fundamentally honest, except when my wife asks an awkward question, and I assure her she still look beautiful. But being honest I expect others to be the same. Sadly I have now come to the conclusion that a significant number of people are, in fact, fundamentally dishonest. They cheat, lie and deceive as though it was normal. This has the effect of leaving the rest of us in constant doubt, resulting in us trusting nobody even the honest ones.

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