



NEXT MEETING

**Monday 4th
November 2013**

Roseville Memorial Club

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7:30 pm

Dress Requirements

Shoes, Socks and Shirt.

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*Please pass this on to other former members of the NSSCC
and we hope to see you all in February
BE THERE!*

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Welcome to NSSCC's Wheelspin for November.

What a huge month October was for North Shore with the running of our round of the NSW State Championship, the Kumho Rally of the Bay which is really the highlight of our competition year. It was a great event, well run, highly praised and it should even turn the club a small but reasonable profit..

Thanks must go to the organising team with Col Fletcher, Ian Bigg and Howard Grove putting in a huge amount of work to make sure the event ran so well on the day and to bring such favourable comments from the competitors, Batemans Bay locals and the businesses around the Bay region.

The Rally finished up with just on 60 starters which given the track record of events in recent times was very strong indeed and it was a strong drive from Chris Giddins to take victory in the event in his Evo 6 Lancer helping him seal the title. He had a ding dong fight with Mike Harding and Gavin Croker over the early stages but both of those opponents suffered mechanical problems and Chris was cruising to the finish. However it wasn't all smooth sailing and Chris broke a suspension component in the rear end on River Road, it was a nervous few kilometres limping to the finish which he did, helped by a blown turbo in the Galant VR4 of 'Jari'- Matty Martin who also had to the finish to take second place. Richard Knight was third in his Evo 2 Lancer making it an all Mitsubishi podium while Brett Stephens drove brilliantly to take fourth in his Bluebird taking first 2WD at the same time. Congratulations also to Bethany and Matt Cullen did a great job to take fifth outright in their Evo 6, well done !!

Well done to all the competitors and bad luck to all the crews who had problems in a rally where the pace and attrition rate was extremely high. Bad luck particularly to our own John Sparkes who rolled the Silvia and broke a rib in the process. Hope the car and the rib are fixed quickly Sparkesy, at least you picked up the \$150 OEX Hard Luck Award. As far as other club members are concerned apart from the Cullens, Brett Middleton and Andrew Benefield took tenth outright in the Honda Civic after a few issues during the day, Richie Dalton was declared a finisher in 20th despite dropping some stages with a mechanical problem, only to come back to take the \$150 Penrite Power stage prize for fastest on the magnificent River Road and Syd Spakes and Lisa Emmerson were 21st in the mighty old Datto 1600.

Bad luck for Hugh Daly who retired the Daihatsu as did Brett Wright and Rob Edwards in the Gemini who were out after four stages and also for Nigel Waters who was partnering Ed Mulligan in the beautiful BMW which had some fuel pick up problems and in the end ran out of late time. Well done to you all.

The Rally of the Bay is set to be back bigger and better than ever in 2014 with a new date proposed. We will be moving the Rally to the June Long weekend 7-8th June, taking over the date long held by the Bega Rally which will not be run next year. This is a huge opportunity for the club and we need your support behind it. We will keep you posted. The club is also going to run a round of the new Development Rally Series (DRS) in the Hampton area. The DRS is the new name and format for what used to be the Clubman Series, an initiative of the NSW Rally Panel to give people starting in the sport some less daunting and cheaper events to get a handle on the sport. The NSSCC round, the Caves Classic is scheduled for Saturday 5th April and again we will need your help and assistance to make it a big success.

Club member Col Fletcher, is the chairman of the NSW Rally Panel and is doing a great job in that role and has to be congratulated for the huge shake up of NSW rallying that he is heading up. Rallying is a sport we all love and Col has a passion for it and is working damn hard to make sure it returns to the glory days it once enjoyed. Well done Col and keep up the good work.

Someone else who has been doing a tremendous amount of work is Brett Middleton, our VP has been overseeing the overhaul of the www.nsscc.com.au website so go and take a look. Significantly you will be able to now join the club and pay on line in one fuss free transaction. There are a bunch of other changes coming so stay tuned for what will be the best car club website around. Thanks for all your hard work Brett.

Now to that delayed 60th Anniversary originally proposed for September this year and now rescheduled for 22nd February 2014. In an effort to get the numbers necessary every committee member has vowed to get ten people to come along which will give us the critical mass we need with around 70 people, but we need more, we would love to have around 150 people along.

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I was really frustrated and annoyed that only after the original event in September couldn't go ahead, due to lack of numbers, that I heard second hand that some older members did not like the location or format and that they were worried about drink driving. In an age of tremendous communications and accessibility none of these people had enough nouse, interest in their old club or plain old courtesy to get back to us before the date to inform us of these feelings. Secondly I am annoyed that none of them truly took the time to look at the actual format for the night and if so they would have realised that in the cost there was some great entertainment with a live band, tremendous food, great wine and a backdrop of old cars that would make the night so much more interesting than a boring function room in a hotel, where the hotel proprietors would be taking all the profit and charging a fortune for it. With the St Ives location we had a way for the club to make some money at a much lower cost than a hotel and in a great and interesting venue that has relevance to North Shore.

Putting a shuttle bus on for those who felt they would drink too much would not be a problem and we will do this but quite frankly I find this a moot point, I go to a lot of functions in all sorts of locations and I either go with a designated driver or I am the designated driver and watch what I consume. Apart from anything else getting over the limit is not a big priority for me these days as it leaves me with a headache and nothing much more, as president I would like to see a night like this being an example of responsible drinking.

So I ask you please speak to your friends, old members, mates, girlfriends any one you know remotely interested in cars and motor sport and come along to the NSSCC 60th on Saturday 22 February 2014. Be there!

Lastly I want to wish Howie Groves and his partner Janice all the best in what has been a tough time for them. Howie worked like a bloody Trojan at the Rally of the Bay, setting up stages, running radio stuff and then helping pack up after the rally not to mention hours on the phone recruiting helpers for the event. All of this he did on one leg having had major corrective surgery on his ankle with the prospect of six weeks in plaster. Howie has been doing it tough also trying to renovate his Mum's house while incapacitated. If all that wasn't enough Janice had an accident at their Hawkesbury River property last weekend and broke her leg and now both of them are on crutches and doing it tough. Guys we hope you are both back properly on two feet real soon and that the whole chain of events doesn't cause you too much pain. You're both tremendously hard workers for the club and if there is anything we can do then please let us know, all the best and get on your feet real soon!

See you all at the Roseville Club on Monday night for our monthly club night we will have some rally video from Rally d'Espana and some interesting info on Rally of the Bay and other rally matters. Join us for a great meal before hand with the meeting getting under way around 8pm in the Rose Room. Look forward to seeing then.



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NEWCASTLE DRIVER TAKES OUT TORRID KUMHO TYRES RALLY OF THE BAY

Newcastle driver Chris Giddins has sealed the 2013 NSW Rally Championship with his win in the Kumho Rally of the Bay over the weekend, despite having a last minute scare on the final stage of the event.

Giddins driving a Mitsubishi Evo 6 had a tough struggle over the opening stages swapping times with South Coast driver and pre-event favourite Gavin Croker as well as reigning NSW Champ Canberra's Michael Harding, until first Croker and then Harding were forced out of the rally with mechanical problems in a rally that featured an amazing attrition rate.



Croker led the first two stages before he broke the front suspension on his Lancer while Michael Harding went out with a broken gearbox while leading the rally on the fifth stage.

With Croker and Harding out of the rally Giddins went into the final nine kilometre special stage with a lead of just over two minutes only to have a component snap in his car's rear suspension part way through the River Road stage, causing he and co-driver Damien Grahame some anxious moments as they nursed the car to the finish.

In the end Giddins triumphed by 3mins 40 seconds over Gold Coast husband and wife team Matt and Karen Martin in a Mitsubishi VR4 who also had to nurse their machine to the finish with a blown turbocharger.

The fast pace, hot temperatures and strong competition took its toll on the field with just 34 of the 54 starters in the event making it to the finish, while all six starters in the Rally of the Bay Meander, a shorter novices event staged within the Rally of the Bay, made it to the chequered flag.

Richard Knight made it an all Mitsubishi podium bringing his Lancer Evo 3 home in third just 37 seconds behind Matt Martin.

Chris Giddins said the rally was a real test of speed and reliability and a win in both the Rally of the Bay and the NSW State Championship was reward for the preparation and effort he and his team put into leading up to the rally.

"The event was fantastic with superb roads that allowed us to attack the stages and they provided a great place to really enjoy a challenging rally," said Chris Giddins.

"It was bad luck for Gavin Croker and Mike Harding but that is the nature of the sport, you have to be there at the end to get a result," he added.

For Matt and Karen Martin second place was a reward for many years of persistence and effort and is the first time they have finished on the podium after many years of rallying.

Victorian brothers Justyn and Steuart Snooks took out the three round Webstor East Coast Classic Rally Challenge in their classic Datsun Stanza despite finishing second in the Classic category to rapid Canberra Datsun Bluebird driver Brett Stephens who not only won the classic category but also was the first two wheel drive car home and took fourth outright.

Rally organiser Col Fletcher said the high attrition rate was amazing but thankfully there were only a few crashes with most of the retirements coming as a result of mechanical failures.

"We had a couple of roll overs and crashes but none of the crews were badly injured thankfully, the worst being one driver who suffered a broken rib after rolling his Nissan Silvia," said Col Fletcher.

"The competitors had nothing but praise for the rally particularly the roads we used and we are already planning the 2014 Rally of the Bay," he said.

"We are aiming for the June Long weekend on 7-8th June and we hope that it will be a round of the Victorian Rally Championship as well as the NSW series which will mean a big influx of interstate competitors which we hope will give us a field of around 100 cars," Col added.



MOLLY TAYLOR ENJOYS R3T SUCCESS IN RONDE DELLA VAL D'ORCIA – ITALY

It was a successful weekend for Molly Taylor with Citroen Ds3 R3 at the Ronde della Val d'Orcia, an Italian gravel rally in the heart of Tuscany.

The event featured one 11-km stage repeated 4 times, and attracted a field of 114 cars including WRC, S2000 and S1600 in action on the former WRC Sanremo rally stage.

With Molly's usual co-driver Seb Marshall absent, Italian co-driver Giacomo Ciucci stepped in alongside the strong Australian lady driver and had his first experience with pacenotes in English.

With 44 4WD cars starting, Molly & Giacomo showed impressive pace and set the fastest 2WD time on the first stage.



Molly said "The first part of the stage was foggy and conditions were tricky so we were pleasantly surprised to set the fastest time straight up. Giacomo did a fantastic job adapting to the conditions and calling English notes for the very first time. For the second loop we didn't anticipate the temperature rising as quickly as it did and we chose the wrong tyres, which were completely destroyed by the end of the stage. At that point we were disappointed to drop some time, but we really enjoyed the battle to get back up in the last two stages. It was a terrific weekend, and a good preparation for Rally GB; the car feels great. The guys at the team did a fantastic job as always and I owe this rally to them for making this possible. I

would also like to thank Giacomo Ciucci who did a top job. It was such an enjoyable weekend, the Italian rally community are so friendly and welcoming, it was nice to be a part of it all".

The United Business driver finished the Rally first in the R3T class, second in 2WD and 12th overall. After this remarkable performance, Molly Taylor will now tackle Wales Rally GB in fashion attempting to end her season on a high, after winning the first ERC Ladies' Trophy in the 2013 FIA European Rally Championship, in an event where she did very well in 2012.

WHO IS THE WORLD'S BEST RALLY DRIVER ?

Who is the strongest rally driver in the world right now? The answer is simple : the one that is getting the best results: no "if", "and" or "but", and moreover no excuses. Certainly any criteria which translates results into numerical values is open to criticism , but the numbers and statistics normally photograph the real situation although they cannot cover all the possible variables which contribute to the results albeit marginal and often imponderable (climatic conditions, physical state of the driver, qualitative level of opposition).

The IRDA (International Rally Drivers Association) to answer this question has established the World Rally Ranking which intends to be an impartial ranking open to the smallest possible criticism also in relation to the rankings of other sports (tennis - golf - cycling etc etc) .

The principles of WWR are few, simple and clear:

- it only takes into account the results of the last 12 months, because in sport the results of the past cannot be determined in order to assess an athlete at a given time: there are the personal palmares to judge the value of his career and single championships standings to explain . Otherwise, the ranking would not be dynamic and the first places in the rankings would remain unchanged for decades
- it is based on the overall rankings of the sole (but all of them) races entered in the FIA International Sporting Calendar : this is to have equal rules for everyone and everywhere. In fact, to consider the rallyes not entered in the FIA International Sporting Calendar which very often have rules and categories of vehicles other than the FIA ones, would make it impossible to consider objectively and impartially all the variations that each country provides
- The scoring system provides a fixed ladder based on the overall position and a multiplying factor which varies depending on the level of the race and of the FIA championship for which it counts: therefore overly simple, but exactly for this understandable by anyone. These parameters of the World Rally Ranking were studied by the IRDA (International Rally Drivers Association) with the aim of recognizing the sports difficulty of the results obtained by drivers around the world who participate in the rally included in the FIA International Sporting Calendar but it does not enter into the merits the value of the vehicle which the crew uses.

The WRR therefore stands as the current objective and " non-partisan " ranking (the ranking is updated weekly based on the results obtained and published) in which the rally drivers of all the nations of the world see their value recognized in general, something that the championship classification systems obviously do not allow.

On similar lines next to the overall Ranking for the drivers there is also one for the co-drivers , and other partial rankings are also offered (by country , by type of vehicle, by manufacturer , by category , by type of road surface).

In detail, the scoring system of the World Rally Ranking is based on the overall ranking of each FIA race, with the following placement / points table for the top 30 :

- 1st place 40 points	- 11th place 20 points	- 21st place 10 points
- 2nd place 36 points	- 12th place 19 points	- 22nd place 9 points
- 3rd place 33 points	- 13th place 18 points	- 23rd place 8 points
- 4th place 31 points	- 14th place 17 points	- 24th place 7 points
- 5th place 29 points	- 15th place 16 points	- 25th place 6 points
- 6th place 27 points	- 16th place 15 points	- 26th place 5 points
- 7th place 24 points	- 17th place 14 points	- 27th place 4 points
- 8th place 23 points	- 18th place 13 points	- 28th place 3 points
- 9th place 22 points	- 19th place 12 points	- 29th place 2 points
- 10th place 21 points	- 20th place 11 points	- 30th place 1 point

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This score is then corrected through a coefficient system of to reflect the validity, the importance , the difficulty and length of each rally and therefore the importance of the result.

The coefficients are the following :

- Rallies valid for the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) =	coeff. 15
- Rallies valid for the FIA European Championship (ERC) =	coeff. 14
- Rallies valid for the FIA Asia-Pacific Championship (APRC) =	coeff. 10
- Rallies valid for the Middle East FIA Championship (MERC) =	coeff. 9
- Rallies valid for the African Championship Rally Championship (ARC) =	coeff. 8
- Rallies valid for the FIA Central America Championship (NACAM) =	coeff. 8
- Rallies valid for the FIA South America Championship (CODASUR) =	coeff. 9
- Rallies valid for the FIA European Cup (ERCUP) =	coeff. 8
- FIA Events not valid for the FIA championships (NCE) =	coeff. 4
- FIA Zone events (ZE) =	coeff. 3
- Restricted FIA events (RE) =	coeff. 2

On the [www . worldrallyranking . com](http://www.worldrallyranking.com) website and immediately available for all are the top 40 positions for each main type of ranking. By registering on the site - with the form that simply requests to insert surname, name and e-mail address – it is possible to access the complete rankings and to have the possibility to create customized rankings , In fact a real revolution for all insiders in the world of rallying, drivers, teams , journalists and enthusiasts. The IRDA database contains all the results from January 1st, 2010 to date of all the drivers and co-drivers of all nations, of all the races in the world included in the FIA International Sporting Calendar. So who are the best World rally drivers in business today?

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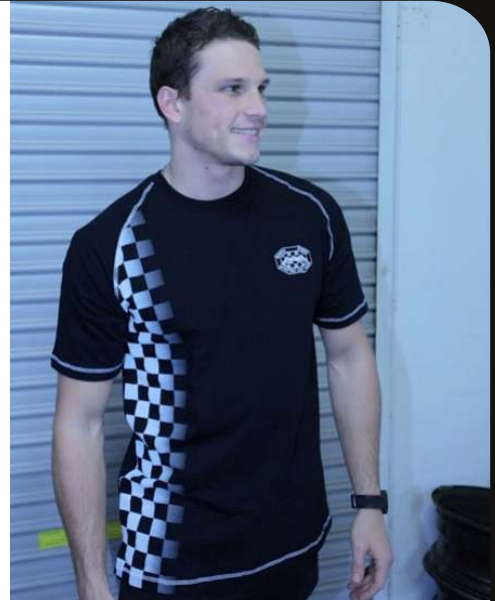


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We are exploring the potential for some polo shirts so stay tuned.



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HYUNDAI ACCELERATES DEVELOPMENT OF THE i20 WRC

- Hyundai Motorsport continued the development of the i20 WRC with a total of 15 days of testing on gravel and tarmac during October
- Aussie Chris Atkinson, Juho Hänninen and Bryan Bouffier alternated behind the wheel of the i20 WRC at tests in Spain and Germany
- Homologation process started for i20 WRC

31 October, 2013 - As the start of the 2014 FIA World Rally Championship season rapidly approaches, Hyundai Motorsport continued to prepare for its upcoming challenge during October, testing the i20 WRC for a total of 15 days and driving more than 1,000km on both gravel and tarmac.

Hyundai Motorsport Team Principal Michel Nandan said: "This month was exceptionally busy for us: we were out testing the i20 WRC on both surfaces for more than half of the month, with our three test drivers swapping the seat on four separate test sessions. We now have two latest-spec i20 WRC, which allows us to further intensify the development schedule by alternating between the two chassis. Overall, it was a positive month as we managed to test new parts, try different set-up solutions and cover some good mileage with the car."

October's testing kicked off with a four-day gravel test in the south of Spain where the team continued to assess the behaviour of the i20 WRC in warm weather conditions with both Juho Hänninen and Chris Atkinson on duty. Nandan: "During this test we took the opportunity to continue the development of the car on gravel conditions, similar to the ones we will find in Portugal and Sardinia next year. We tried several configurations for these kinds of terrains and evaluated some new components which we hadn't tested before."

The Hyundai Motorsport team then moved from the south of Spain up to the Catalonia region for a five-day gravel test. This was followed by a tarmac test in Baumholder, Germany, home of the iconic Arena Panzerplatte, which forms part of Rallye Deutschland's itinerary.

"After concentrating on loose surfaces in the first part of October, we took the i20 WRC to tarmac for a test on the same conditions of Rallye Deutschland. We had some new suspension parts to try as we hadn't tested on tarmac since August," said Nandan.

In the final week of October, the team continues tarmac development in Catalonia on the roads of Rally de España, the penultimate round of the WRC, which was held last week. "Testing on the same roads as the rally allows us to start to have some references on the stages we will tackle next year," concluded Nandan.

This month also marked the beginning of another important process for the Hyundai Motorsport team. The dossier for the homologation of the i20 WRC needs to be compiled and lodged by the FIA by the end of October.

About Hyundai Motorsport GmbH

Established on 19 December 2012, Hyundai Motorsport GmbH is responsible for Hyundai's global motorsport activities and primarily for its recently announced World Rally Championship programme. Based in Alzenau on the outskirts of Frankfurt in Germany, the company is in the process of establishing Hyundai's return to WRC with a bespoke team of skilled staff developing a WRC-specification i20.



MAXCREST RALLYSPORT

With a State 2WD Championship under their belt, a new car and the Australian leg of the World Rally Championship happening on their favoured Coffs Coast roads, Maxcrest Rallysport are gearing up for a huge September. We'd love to extend the opportunity for the support of the team, so we can take on the world's best.

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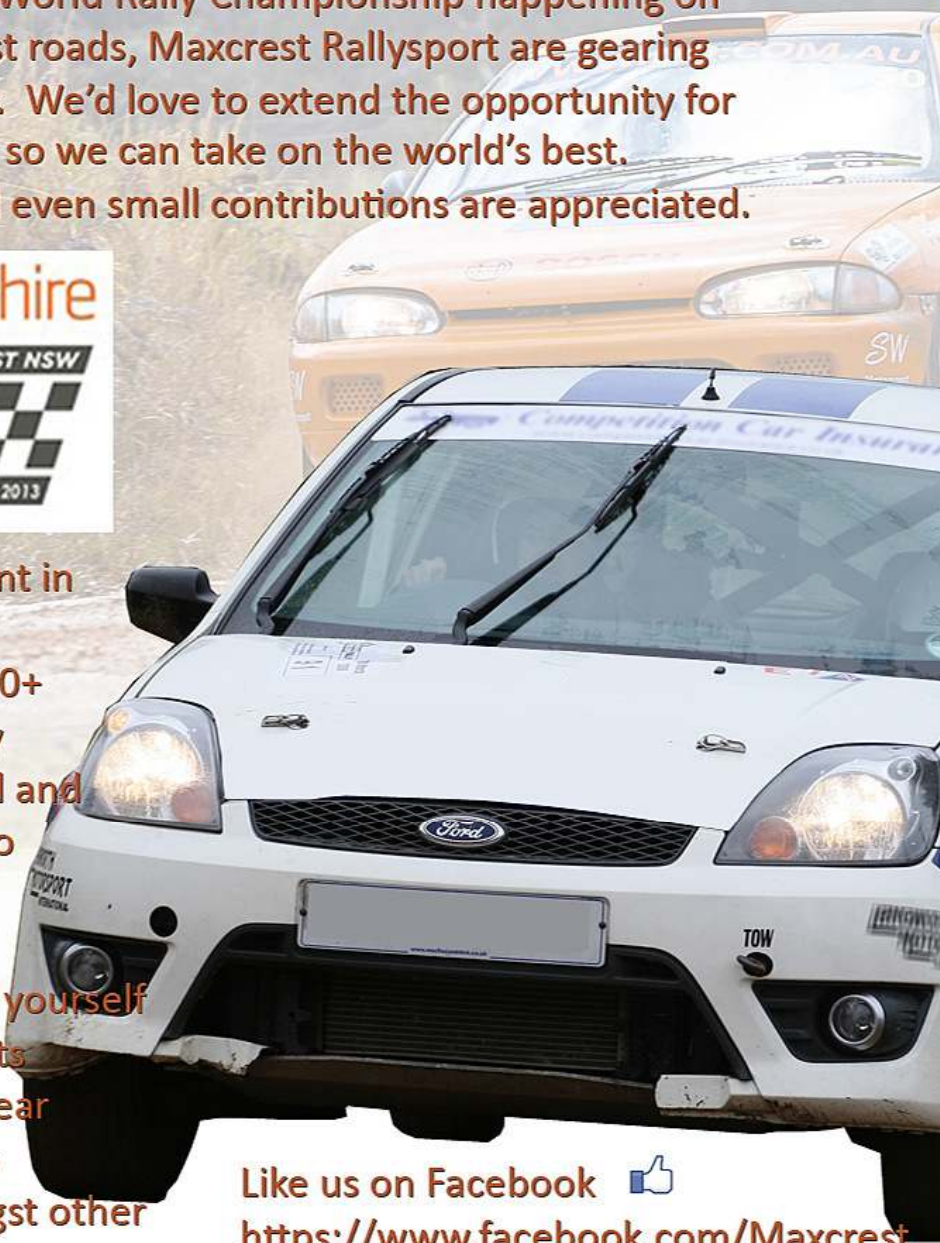
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NOTICE

Due to Howie still on crutches, and not having had the best run.

We will not be running the khanacross at Hampton on the 10th of November.

We all wish Howie the best with his recovery as well as his wife Janice, who is now also on crutches.

Thanks Howie and Janice.

 molly taylor

RACING FORWARD

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17th DECEMBER 2013

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