

SOLVA NEWS



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Edge Festival

Solva Edge Festival. 29th, 30th and 31st July

By the time you get your Solva News, the Edge Festival will about to start.

Get ready for 3 days of brilliant music. Get ready for U2UK and Honey Fungus headlining Friday night, The Wild Boys with Sorted on Saturday, and Blondied with Slipped Disco on Sunday. We have live music all day Saturday and Sunday from midday with a wider variety of bands and acoustic performers. And at the end of each day, we'll have a silent disco.

We are open at 10am on Saturday and Sunday for inspirational poets, writers, and storytellers in the literature tent on the site.

We have an exceptionally well stocked, Green Scar Bar including craft beers and cider. There will be 14 different food and drink stalls and lots of craft stalls. For families we have the bouncy castle, fairground attractions and face painting and the St Davids Escape Room.

Off-site we have Ian Meopham's famous Bat and Nature Walks. TYF are running 1 hour taster of stand-up paddleboards and kayaks at the Sand Quay. Book all these on our website at <https://www.edgefestival.co.uk/what-else-is-at-the-edge/>.

If you want to know the full line up and approximate timing of everything, please go to our website here <https://www.edgefestival.co.uk/edge-line-up/programme/>

We still need help so come and be a part of your village festival by volunteering. It's a great way to be involved and we will give you Topsy Tokens to get yourself drinks at the bar.

We look forward to seeing you at the Edge.



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County Councillor update

As all will be aware Solva will be having an election for a vacant Community Council seat. Several residents have raised concerns that this comes at a cost of approx £5000 to the community and its residents. I will try and outline the reasoning.

In 2016 Pembrokeshire County Council made a decision that as they were the last county in Wales not recharging Town and Community Councils for their election costs, this would be done following from the 2017 elections. Pembrokeshire County Council would continue to pay for County Council elections.

The first time Solva was charged was the May 2022 election held in conjunction with the election of the County Councillor. The cost to Solva is estimated at £4250 for May 2022. When both County and Community elections take place at the same time, some of the costs, i.e. hall staffing and rental, ballot box transport and some internal costs can be split. However in the upcoming election, this is purely a Community Council election and all costs will be recharged so the best estimate is approx. £5000 cost for August 4th.

Given that there are 4 candidates and 10 or more people that live in the Solva Community have requested an election then a formal election must take place with all the protocols of the May 2022 election.

One thing that residents can be sure of is that the procedure has been followed to the letter of the law and the outcome will be the correct and fair result. If anyone wishes to discuss this or any other matter further, please call me.

Following recent concerns about the condition of the road surface in St Brides View, Fort road and Glan Hafan, I am advised that repair and resurfacing works are scheduled for the autumn. PCC Officers have also said they will try and make repairs to the rear entrance of Bro Dawel, but this is a separate budget.

In terms of the main areas of Bro Dawel road, because its previous surface dressing that has stripped off in places, and hence less than 10mm deep it is not really classed as a defect. PCC will however try and find space within the budget when the main road areas are surface dressed next June. Best regards Mark Carter, 07976 553912

35 Main Street Summer opening times

From Friday 15th July we are opening 10am until 9pm until the end of the school holidays.

Breakfast 10-11.30am // Lunch 12-3pm // Dinner 5-9pm.

Tea, coffee, drinks, cakes, snacks and ice cream served all day.

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Solva WI

**Welcomes new members
and visitors.**

**We meet in Solva
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on the 2nd Thursday
of each month at 2pm**

Contact Jilly

01437 720922

Solva by-election, 4 August 2022

Sandra Young

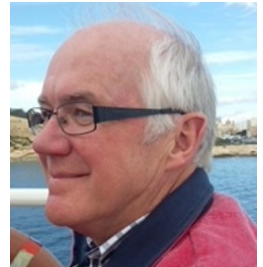
Living in Solva for many years, I have been very involved eg the Edge Festival, working as a teacher, community playgroup leader, sitting on SCC for 20+ year and current trustee & volunteer for Solva Care. I would like to share the feeling of belonging to enhance wellbeing. Listening to the views of villagers is vital to discover support. Taking care of our local community also involves looking after our village green & meeting places, environmental conservation whilst investing in and improving prosperity. I would like the opportunity to serve on Solva Community Council once again.



Dr Iain Roberston-Steel

'Caring, Competent, Experienced'

The Community Council must represent everybody in our Community fairly. Solva needs the Memorial Hall, Sports facilities, Play Areas for children, affordable homes, and care for older people. Communication, planning, and integrity are essential. I offer skills, commitment, integrity, and experience. My children went to school here and I have served SRWC, The Regattas, SHS and Solva Care, and as a caring and competent NHS doctor for 18 years. Solva has been our home since 2006 and I care deeply about the future of our village. Thank you / Diolch



Bethan Stevens

HND in Geography Bsc Hons Architectural Tech Diploma in Commercialization of Football.

I want to protect and improve Solva F.Cs resources I'm drawing up drainage and pitch flattening strategies. Vote for me to Level the Field and enhance my ability to push through solutions for real peoples issues & census data based analysis of our housing needs on the Land Trust Design Team. I will be Selling Rock at The Edge to raise funds for re-establishing cycle/bridle/footpath to rejoin Solva + St Davids safely with a Zebra Crossing at 9 Wells My Dad Meic will be there if you've records to sign.
Peace and Love



Alyssia Fiander-Houlden

Shwmae! I am Alyssia and I moved to Solva 3 years ago and I have been in awe of how welcoming, vibrant and supportive our community is. I run the Solva Care Parent and Carers Group, occasionally help the Lunch Club, Fete, and the local Food Pod. I am also fortunate enough to be a teacher in Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi, and have a young family myself. I believe that this helps me understand the needs of a range of ages of the community- from the youngest, through to our more experienced. If honoured with your vote, I promise to be fair, reliable, and assist with matters in a timely fashion. Diolch yn fawr i chi gyd.



Scarecrow Trail: SEAFARERS 7-8 August

Twenty + characters to be found all around the village for you to guess. A great day out for all the family. A PRIZE for the person or group guessing the most correctly. Buy your Trail map and competition sheet (£4.00) at the Lower Car park or at Bay view stores (Top Shop) from 10.00-1.00 each day.

Solva Community Land Trust

Solva Community Engagement Meeting:

At last things are starting to happen with our community land trust. The first community engagement event will take place on 11 August lasting from 4pm to 8 pm in the Memorial Hall. All are invited. The design team will table a layout as a basis for discussion and then people will be able to input their own comments. Questions we need to consider are

How do we want the scheme to look?

What will the transition to low energy mean for residents?

What should we do about car parking?

Can we fit some allotments onto the layout?

Will the multi-generational footpath start here?

The form of the meeting will be "drop -in" so don't worry if you cannot get there by 4 o'clock or have to leave before 8. Please try and get along to make your voice heard this is a great opportunity for us to get the housing that is best for our community.

Keep Solva Roads Safe

Speeding is one of the largest contributing factors to collisions on our roads. Solva residents have again voiced their concern about vehicles and motorcyclist ignoring the speed limit in Solva.

Residents who fear that speeding traffic in Solva will eventually result in a collision or casualty, please go to the GoSafe Wales website and complete the Community Concern form.

Please report offenders and request enforcement.

You can also phone the Police by dialling the non-emergency number 101.

Solva Care

2022 Questionnaire

Many thanks to all the people who responded to our Questionnaire. We got an 82% response rate which is really good and shows that Solva people care about their community. The responses have been analysed and Solva Care Board and the Community Council will be considering the implications. We will get back to you with more news about this shortly. Thanks again.
Mollie Roach, Project Lead.



Solva Cinema

11 August Encanto (U) – note date due to election

1 September The Duke (12A)

We plan to hold our AGM before our film on 3 Nov, so look out for posters.

Doors open at 7 pm and the film starts at 7.30 pm.

Refreshments available or bring your own bottle.

Price Adults £5, or become a member for £5/year and get 20% off and free use of a cushion! Under 18's £3.50.

We are happy to take suggestions for future films.



Solva Harbour Society

As we approach the busy Summer season, tourists, visitors and Members are reminded that the Trinity Slipway can only be used by Members to launch and recover. Members with car stickers are the only persons permitted to park on Trinity and Sand Quay. Access roads and passing places should be kept clear for Emergency Vehicles.

Members must ensure they display 2022 stickers on boats and cars, clearly visible. CCTV monitoring is in place on the Quay. Also please be aware that Stand up paddle boards and kayaks users should keep the Fairway clear at all times.

Bridge Club

Are there any bridge players out there who might be interested in forming a Duplicate Bridge Club? Basic knowledge necessary but please don't be frightened off - not scary at all!!! Contact: Hilary Davis 07816128950

Shakespeare and tragedy

Is anyone out there interested in learning more about and in discussing the concept of Tragedy? In 1623, seven years after his death, Shakespeare's 37 plays were not just listed, but categorised into 14 Comedies, 11 Histories and 12 Tragedies.

I am preparing a series of sessions using Shakespeare's 12 tragedies to examine what we understand the term to mean and what distinguishes a tragedy from any other type of play? You do not need to know the plays in order to take part! We will probably start in September and will meet weekly in the Hall in Solva.

If you would be interested in this course, please contact me on 721580 or alanmollie@btinternet.com for more details . Mollie Roach

A Glamorous Night with Ivor Novello!

Starring Ellie Jane Moran (Star Soprano with Andre Rieu) & Ian McMillan (from BBC's 'Friday Night is Music Night as Ivor at the piano) in popular songs by Welsh icon, Ivor Novello from his hit romantic musicals, The Dancing Years, Perchance To Dream, King's Rhapsody, & Glamorous Night etc playing Thursday evenings at 7.30pm throughout August - 4th, 11th, (NOT 18th) & 25th plus Tuesday 30th at Ty'r Pererin, St Davids (Cathedral Education & Pilgrim Centre) next to Quickwell Hill Car Park with free parking after 7pm. Tickets (£20 cash on the door) from 7pm & Interval refreshments available

Coast allotment project

We're still looking for volunteers to help complete the project.

We also have a few spaces left if someone wants a plot to grow - £25 per year which covers you for all liability insurances, use of the tools and the facilities on site.

We're also looking for any donations of unwanted garden books or magazines for the lending library and any quality garden tools or implements no longer needed would be appreciated.

Any one who wishes to donate to fund the project is also welcome.

Please email coastsolva@gmail.com for more information and keep an eye on our Facebook page for volunteering sessions,

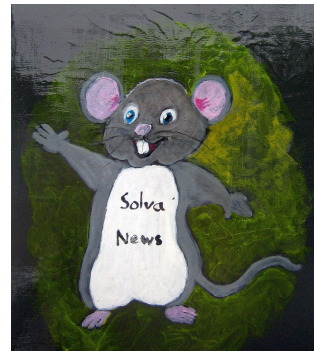
Thanks, Richard & the Coast Allotment Team.

The Mice are all around Solva!

Solva Care have produced a trail map for you to spot our mice as they relax and play around Solva and Whitchurch and is available from Bay view stores and Window on Wales throughout the summer. Make your own crafted or painted mouse and join in - the more the merrier!

Let us know and we'll add it to the trail as we go along:

Chris and Ellie Sherwin 07788 583602 or csdesigns@talktalk.net



Solva & St Davids Macular Society UK support Group

We are pleased to report we had a good meeting on July 4th. Due to having Covid I couldn't attend but our members enjoyed the company and interest of John Holland, trustee of Solva Care who gave valuable advice having worked in the NHS. He informed the group of a link to EYE CARE WALES LOW VISION SERVICE, which we will contact for information on Vision Impairment. At our meeting on 18th July we have an assessor from NHS who will advise on free loans to diagnosed patients for aids of magnification lighting etc.

Our meeting on August 1st will be held at 12 Maes y Mor at the usual time of 2 00 pm Change of venue due to the EDGE FESTIVAL which we have a stand to advertise our group and give information on Macular UK to anyone needing help with vision impairment. Meetings are every two weeks at Solva Community Centre(ie Football club) at 2 00 pm Contact Margaret Hughes 07815729856. We are supported by SOLVA CARE.

Clwb Solfach/Solva Luncheon Club

Luncheon Club Teams are now taking a summer break until Wednesday 7th September. The end-of-term lunch on July 6th was held in the Cross Hotel & much enjoyed by all. We look forward to welcoming present members back in September & would be very pleased for new members to join. Contact Jane Pascoe 01437 721544 for details.

Bathing Water 2022 Sampling

The first sample of the Bathing Water 2022 season at Solva Quay took place on Monday 4/7/22 and produced the following results:

- E.coli - 7 cfu/100 ml
- Enterococci - 8 cfu/100ml

These results are classed as Excellent.

Solva Shop

We have lots of items for sales at very reasonable prices. Come and see for yourself at the Memorial Hall Coffee morning (14 August, 10.30-12.00) or the Pop-up shop , Solva Clubhouse (24 August, 2.00-4.00). Look out for items on the web also. Proceeds to Solva Care and Memorial Hall.

Just come in: Hoolah Hoop, 2 floor rugs (as new), a carpet sweeper. Still available: Eddie Stobart Lorry model. Fridge Trailer Emma Jade H4663 (As new in original packaging), tableware from the Retreat Group.

West Wales Walking for Well-being

We are holding walks every Monday. Minibus shuttle from football club at 14:15 stopping at both lay-bys on route downhill to lower Solva. For a short well-being walk. Walks are paced to suit those who are not used to being active. To book onto a walk, either use our website www.westwaleswalkingforwellbeing or if wanting to be picked up, please phone Sam on 07796526166 or email same@pembrokeshire.co.uk

Components of our Community

We are blessed with a thriving community but it takes different components to make it work. We have a thriving WI, a trail blazing Solva Care, the Four Wards Project is collecting vital evidence as to what assets we need to encourage and nurture, the Community Council is the most active in Pembrokeshire - but sometimes it is just one person who needs credit for going out of their way to make this village a better place. Martin Phillips undertook a labour of love when he set about renovating the benches in Parc a Capel, and now one is complete. It is a true beauty to behold, the concrete legs were cleaned and painted and then the wooden slats fixed and treated with Danish oil. The workmanship is immaculate, the fixings are stainless steel and now we have a bench that will give us many more years of service. It fits with our green agenda to renew and reuse. Go along, sit on it and be reminded that we are lucky to have amongst our residents some people who care about the village and will work hard to make it a better place.

Solva and St Davids Art Group

The St Davids & Solva Art Group are delighted to tell you that their Summer Exhibition in St Davids City Hall is back!! From Monday 2nd August through to Friday 12th August the show is open from 10.30 to 5.30pm every day.

All original art work is for sale and we have a special announcement. In conjunction with Solva Care we have prepared a calendar featuring members art work and raising funds for our local charity Solva Care. A win-win situation! Come and see the original art work featured in the calendar as well as get a march on your Christmas present buying!!

NHS ANNIVERSARY

On the 7th of July 2022, the 74th anniversary of the forming of the National Health Service, the Memorial Hall coffee morning, with the help of the craft club, a small raffle and a display by the Solva Heritage Society, raised £64 for NHS Charities Together. THANK YOU to all who contributed. The charity supports over 400 projects including helplines, counselling and psychological support for post traumatic stress disorder. The pandemic is not over and the NHS is busier than ever treating a backlog of patients whose care has been affected and delayed by Covid. Staff are working long and intense hours, adding to the burnout and trauma they have already experienced. They really do need our support. For further information <https://nhscharitiestogether.givesafely.org/springnews>

TWO DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

We have two shows from the Night Out scheme at the Memorial Hall in the coming months. On Saturday 8th October Farnham Maltings the company who gave us 'The Iranian Feast ' are presenting their new production 'The Syrian Baker '. A long-awaited return of this popular company.....and on Saturday 10th December we are welcoming back The Mellstock Band with their depiction of an old style Christmas ' Frosty Lanes and Fireside Cheer ', playing songs , carols and dances from original sources on village band instruments of the time - fiddle, clarinet, concertina and serpent. Both productions will start at 7.30 - doors open at 7.00pm

MEMORIAL HALL COFFEE MORNING AND MINI LIBRARY

We have recently celebrated two BIG birthdays at our Thursday morning get togethers. Pam Lane was 99 and David Smith was 95. Both are regular attenders and have been for many years. In fact David and his wife Mary were part of the original team when we started 17 years ago.

The library will remain open every Tuesday during August and on a Wednesday when Luncheon Club reopens and of course during Thursday coffee which remains open each week.

SOLVA WI

Our meeting on Thursday 14th July was a little disjointed due to interruptions but was completed fairly quickly & with humour! We welcomed 2 prospective members. The quiz evening organised by Mathry WI in June, was enjoyed by 3 teams from Solva. Our entry for the Scarecrow Competition to be held in August, is progressing slowly. The Book Group are hoping to meet on 19th August & the Walking Group on 16th September - venues to be decided.

A wonderful & delicious selection of sandwiches & cakes was then enjoyed by all. There will not be a meeting in August. However, the meeting on Thursday 8th September at 2pm in Solva Memorial Hall, will be a Recruitment Drive when we hope to encourage more ladies to join us. Look out for the posters & flyers - please, ladies come along for a chat, see what we do & enjoy tea, cake & Kurling!

Car-y-Mor

In March, we received confirmation of our marine licence for our 3ha farm. We have now deployed the first stage of the farm, which will be able to produce seaweed and shellfish on a commercially viable scale.

Ground chain and anchors were deployed on the 31st of May, and we deployed the new seeded seaweed lines on the week of June 6th.

If all goes to plan, by 2025 the farm will be growing upwards of 80tonnes of seaweed a year and 50 tonnes of shellfish! All without the need for inputs such as feed, fertilisers, agrochemicals, antibiotics or even fresh water! We just hope everyone likes welsh seafood!

Câr-Y-Môr continues to develop and expand, and as a result we are rapidly needing more space! Luckily, we have secured a retail unit on Glasfryn Road Business Park!

We have now got our keys, and are beginning to decide on how to configure the space. Within the units, we are planning to have a kitchen area, shop, educational space and a small restaurant / bistro area.

If you believe your skills could help us configure the space, source equipment, or would generally like to get involved, please email dan@carymor.wales to express your interest! We are now in St David's market in the Cross Square!

Thursdays from 9:30 - 1pm you can find us at St Davids market (subject to weather conditions!). At our stall, you can find all things seaweed, crab, lobster and shellfish!

Tara has been making some amazing baked goods, including white chocolate, lemon and sea lettuce squares; Tahini, dark chocolate and cherry jam slice with dulce; and goats cheese, dulce and chive muffins! And these are just our favourites.

Items on the market are available at other times during the week but are not always guaranteed, so call us if you would like to order some! 07773 846560

We are currently in search of a sales manager!

You will need to have a clear understanding of how our community benefit society and the engagement of its members.

The successful candidate will become part of Câr-Y-Môr, owning an equal share with the other 160 members.

Please click the link below to view the full application.

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SIMPLY CHURCH

No frills church, just an opportunity for Christians from all backgrounds to simply meet together to worship God; pray for our world and walk life's journey together. Come and join us at 10.30am on alternate Sunday mornings at the Football Club House in Upper Solva. Bring your Bible and a mug for a hot drink.

The dates for August are 7th and 21st

We would love to see you. Further details from Nadia on 07890 598686

Shalom House

Shalom House Day Centre:

In addition to offering the day centre, we have been able to support individuals and their loved ones to have their care and needs met within their local communities and own homes. Without this service individuals may have had to be admitted into hospital and in the current climate that was a scary thought for many.

This home service has been a lifeline for everyone and their loved ones, and as our support continues after the passing, we also have been supporting families and friends with their bereavement needs

Counselling:

As always, Shalom House Bereavement Counsellor services are open to anyone who is struggling, not only with Bereavement but also with any concerns that have been exacerbated by Covid 19. This is a free service being offered to again support our local community during these challenging times. It is an easy and straightforward referral process, which can come from your GP, Nurse, any concerned party (with your consent) or directly from yourself.

If you wish to access this free service, please email info@shalomstdavids.org or telephone within office hours on 01437 721344 all we need is a very brief outline of your details and we will be in touch very soon after.

Both of our charity shops are open so please come along and support us, all donations are gratefully received as always but with this last year – every penny counts! We hope that you think of your local cancer charity – we need your kind donations to keep helping those who need our support. To keep fully up to date with the shops please follow our Facebook pages; Shalom House Charity Shop – St Davids and Shalom Charity Shop - Fishguard.

St Davids surgery

We expect to receive our first supply of this year's flu vaccines during the first week of October 2022.

Please note – we do not book patients in for flu vaccination until we have actually received our supply of vaccines, in case of any last-minute delays or disruption to the vaccine delivery schedule.

We would therefore kindly ask patients to wait for us to contact them about their flu jab appointment – please be assured that as soon as we receive our first delivery in early October, we will immediately begin contacting patients to book them in.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Please check our website for further updates: <https://stdavids.gpsurgery.net/>

Open art competition

Basalt & Dune is collaborating with Trefin Museum to hold an open art competition for artists to draw inside and outside the Chapel in Trefin (opposite The Ship Inn). It will be judged by Solva's Mark Raggett, who is Vice President of The Royal Watercolour Society and there are great prizes to be won. The competition launches Monday 1st August 2022. Children are invited to take part too - great for a rainy day! Visitors are invited to come to the chapel and vote on entries to the competition. Please visit <https://www.basaltdune.co.uk/basalt-x-trefin> for details.



Solva Defibrillator Locations

Please note Solva has 4 defibrillators at the following locations:

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2. Solva Memorial Hall

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1. Harbour Inn
2. Trinity Quay

August Calendar

01/08 - Solva & St Davids Macular Society UK support Group // Walking for Well-being // Basalt & Dune Open Art Exhibition

02/08 - Solva and St Davids Art Group Summer Exhibition Opening // Mini Library // Dewisland People's Shed, St Davids Scout hut, 10 -12

04/08 - Solva By-Election // A Glamorous Night // Memorial hall Coffee Morning

05/08 - Friday Club 2-4 Solva Club House

07/08 - Scarecrow trail // Simply Church // Sunday Barry's fun quiz, The Royal George 8.30pm

08/08 - Scarecrow Trail // Walking for Well-being

09/08 - Mini Library // Dewisland People's Shed, St Davids Scout hut, 10 -12

11/08 - Community Engagement Meeting – Solva Community Land Trust // Encanto (U) – Solva Cinema // A Glamorous Night // Memorial hall Coffee Morning

12/08 - Solva and St Davids Art Group Summer Exhibition Closes // Friday Club 2-4 Solva Club House

14/08 - Solva Shop/Siop Solfach, Solva Memorial Hall // Sunday Barry's fun quiz, The Royal George 8.30pm

15/08 - Solva & St Davids Macular Society UK support Group meeting // Walking for Well-being

16/08 - Mini Library // Dewisland People's Shed, St Davids Scout hut, 10 -12

18/08 - Memorial hall Coffee Morning

19/08 - Friday Club 2-4 Solva Club House

21/08 - Simply Church // Sunday Barry's fun quiz, The Royal George 8.30pm

22/08 - Walking for Well-being

23/08 - Mini Library // Dewisland People's Shed, St Davids Scout hut, 10 -12

24/08 - Solva Shop/Siop Solfach, Solva Clubhouse

25/08 - A Glamorous Night // Memorial hall Coffee Morning

26/08 - Friday Club 2-4 Solva Club House

28/08 - Sunday Barry's fun quiz, The Royal George 8.30pm

29/08 - Solva & St Davids Macular Society UK support Group meeting // Walking for Well-being

30/08 - A Glamorous Night // Mini Library // Dewisland People's Shed, St Davids Scout hut, 10 -12

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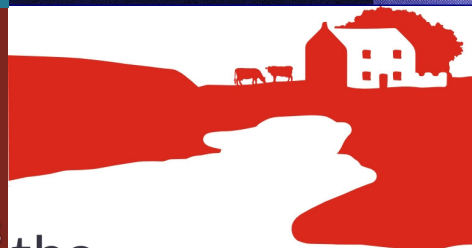


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