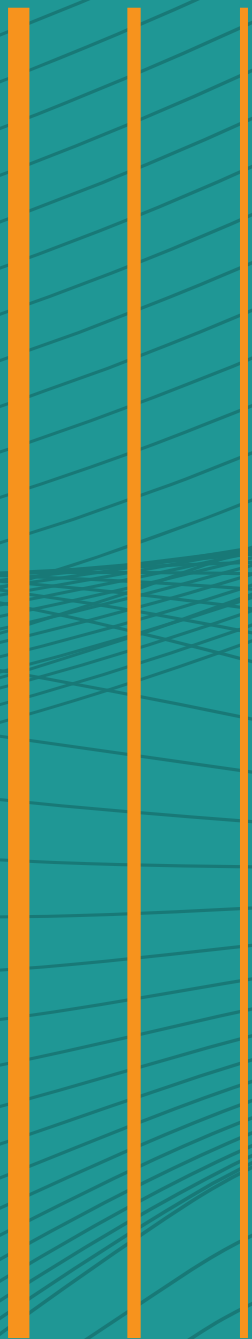


MODIFYARE 2019



SURVIVAL GUIDE

BURN Arts, Inc and the Modifyre Community wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Country upon which Modifyre takes place, the Bigambul and Kambuwal Peoples. We honour their Ancestors and pay our deepest respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

We extend that respect to all First Nations People, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the nation. We honour and respect their continued cultural and spiritual relationship to their Traditional Lands, Seas and Waters and recognise their unique and valuable contribution to society.

Sovereignty was never ceded.

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WHAT IS THIS THING?

A creative campout? A participatory arts event without a centralised program? A showcase of community activities? A choose-your-own-adventure? One massive artwork? A utopia? A dystopia? An experiment in living differently, together? A group exercise in sticking it to the man? A celebration of bugs?

Whatever it is, something in this event prompts our participants to show up year after year, volunteering their

time, skills and energy to create this five-day event in a paddock located in regional Queensland, in which anything can happen.

Our participants are a year-round community of radical thinkers, dreamers and doers. We believe in the power of participation, the outcomes of communal effort and the value of civic engagement. They come from all walks of life and all corners of the globe.

By pooling the collective resources and skills of this diverse group, we hope to grow and support a flourishing community dedicated to the propagation of participatory arts and culture in Brisbane, Regional Queensland and Northern New South Wales.

There are no prerequisites for involvement in this community - we strive to be radically inclusive, regardless of one's background and situation.

This document has everything you need to know about surviving our Burn. Join us for an adventure! Armed with the information herein, all you need is an open mind and a curious soul.

Yours faithfully,
The Bug

FOR THE BURN-CURIOUS...



CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

We value civil society. Community members who organise events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavour to communicate civic responsibilities to participants. They must also assume responsibility for conducting events in accordance with local, state and federal laws.



PARTICIPATION

Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. We believe that transformative change, whether in the individual or in society, can occur only through the medium of deeply personal participation. We achieve being through doing. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play. We make the world real through actions that open the heart.



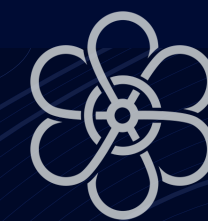
RADICAL SELF-EXPRESSION

Radical self-expression arises from the unique gifts of the individual. No one other than the individual or a collaborating group can determine its content. It is offered as a gift to others. In this spirit, the giver should respect the rights and liberties of the recipient.



RADICAL SELF-RELIANCE

Burning Man encourages the individual to discover, exercise and rely on his or her inner resources.



GIFTING

Modifyre is devoted to acts of gift giving. The value of a gift is unconditional. Gifting does not contemplate a return or an exchange for something of equal value.



DECOMMODIFICATION

In order to preserve the spirit of gifting, our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising. We resist the substitution of consumption for participatory experience.



EACH ONE, TEACH ONE

As a self-reliant community, we believe the responsibility of spreading our culture lies with each and every one of us. All of us are custodians of our culture - when the opportunity presents itself, we pass knowledge on.



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Modifyre's ethos is built on a series of twelve key concepts which act as guidelines for the worldwide Burning Man Regional Network. As such, the event may be understood as a celebration of a way of life lived consistently with these principles.

The twelve principles are intended not as a dictate of how people should be and act, but as a reflection of the community's ethos and culture as it has organically developed since Burning Man's inception.

COMMUNAL EFFORT

Our community values creative cooperation and collaboration. We strive to produce, promote and protect social networks, public spaces, works of art, and methods of communication that support such interaction.



CONSENT

Considered as the "11th Principle" by some, consent respects the autonomy of the individual, who has the right to make their own choice about their own body, property, personal space and privacy.



RADICAL INCLUSION

Anyone may be a part of Modifyre. We welcome and respect the stranger. No prerequisites exist for participation in our community.



IMMEDIACY

Immediate experience is, in many ways, the most important touchstone of value in our culture. We seek to overcome barriers that stand between us and a recognition of our inner selves, the reality of those around us, participation in society, and contact with a natural world exceeding human powers. No idea can substitute for this experience.



LEAVE NO TRACE

Our community respects the environment. We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather. We clean up after ourselves and endeavour, whenever possible, to leave such places in a better state than when we found them.



WE BELIEVE THAT PARTICIPATION HELPS INDIVIDUALS REALISE THEIR OWN POWER.

PARTICIPATION IS THE BACKBONE OF MODIFYRE AND UNDERPINS ALL FUNCTIONS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY.

WE VALUE PROCESS OVER PRODUCT AND BELIEVE THAT CREATION FOR ITS OWN SAKE CAN PROVIDE A POWERFUL MEANS OF FOSTERING HEALTHY MINDS AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES.

PARTICIPATE



This is a new concept for many individuals who have become used to the common festival format where everything is pre-programmed and managed for you.

These are environments where many aspects are commodified and audiences are given little agency over their own experience; where one is simply spectating and passively consuming what's around you.

However, being a spectator is the one thing you don't want to be at a Burn! Instead, you'll want to get involved and participate as this will ensure your best experience in our environment. Although you may feel a bit of a culture shock at first (no money, only the basic services, no clear plan for where to go to see the best stuff), we've found that having collective agency over our own experience is a massively empowering thing!

There is no spectacle if everyone is involved in its creation (though it's still rather spectacular, if we do say so ourselves).

But don't worry, you don't have to be an "artist" to participate at Modifyre. There are loads of ways to share your talents, through; volunteering, building, gifting, interacting, educating, sharing with others, and so much more.

We believe that everyone has the potential to create art. Indeed, Modifyre itself may be

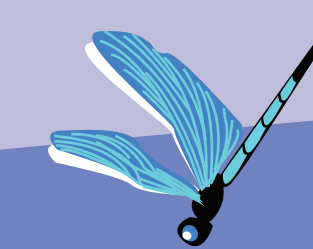
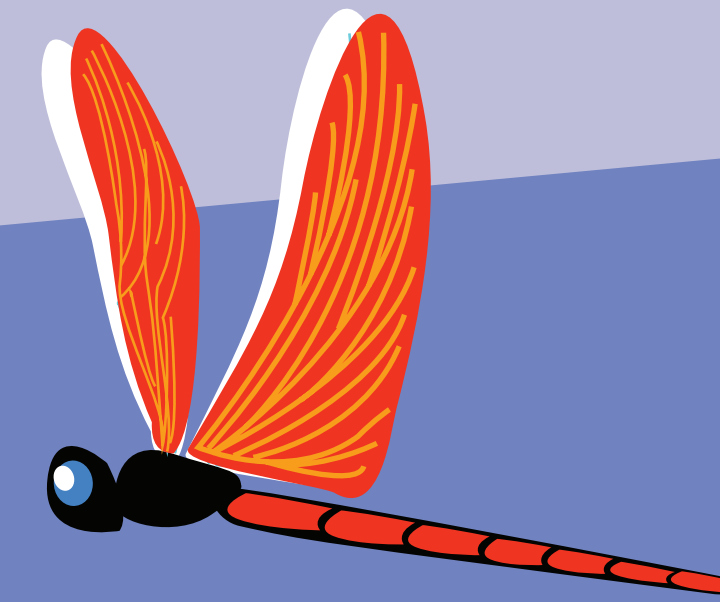
understood as a large-scale immersive artwork manifested through the collective imagination of its citizens.

Every unplanned interaction, theatrical display, or spontaneous act of gifting, forms a part of this artwork and sets the stage upon which the next part might be performed.

It is an expression of our shared desire to indulge the creative and collaborative impulses that define us as humans.

So don't spectate, participate!

PREPARE



ESSENTIALS TO BRING

MODIFYRE IS BUILT AROUND SELF-SUFFICIENCY

You must bring everything you need to survive for six days in an area prone to cold, wet, sun, mud and wind.

This means enough water, food, adequate shelter, and clothing, for you and all your dependents.

There are no vendors at Modifyre - you need to bring all the things. Tickets + photo ID are also pretty important.



MAKE PLANS TO STAY ONSITE FOR THE DURATION OF THE EVENT

Supplies need to be prepared accordingly in advance.

These are conditions of entry and everyone in your vehicle must meet them.

If the Gate crew deems anyone insufficiently prepared, you will be refused entry until you have returned from the nearest town (Inglewood - 20 minutes away), with adequate supplies.

EVERYONE HAS DIFFERENT SCALING NEEDS

It's perfectly Radically Self-Reliant to organise the assistance that you need before the event (in fact- we encourage it!), whether it's camping facilities, accessibility assistance or emotional support - whatever you need to make your burn more comfortable and enjoyable.

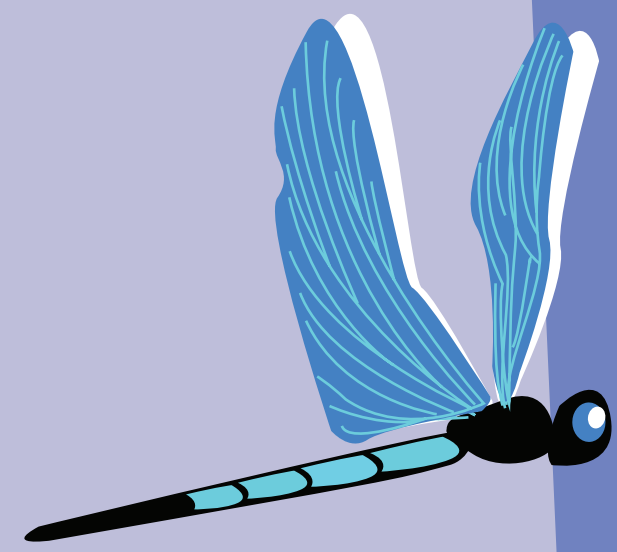
If something comes up unexpectedly on-site, making your needs known is important.

While Radical Self-Reliance is a key principle to make sure we don't take advantage of others' generosity, it works best when used in conjunction with Communal Effort and Inclusivity.

- Your ticket + your photo ID. names must match. No ID = under 18's ticket (no alcohol!)
- 5 litres of water per person per day
- A reusable water bottle
- Food + beverages for your entire stay
- An extensive first-aid kit (more on that to come)
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, hat
- Warm clothing + bedding - it can fall below zero at night!
- MORE WARM THINGS!
- We're serious about the warm things
- Rain gear + a spare set of dry clothes + shoes
- Rope or tie-down straps
- Hand sanitizer
- Garbage and recycling bags, and tools to clean up your camp
- Gaffer tape — you'll find a need for it, guaranteed.

- Torch and spare batteries (headlamps are useful), so you can see and be seen at night. The cool cats wear EL wire and LEDs
- Lights for your camp + guy lines, so others don't run into you during the night
- A good camp tent or other shelter and warm sleeping bags and bedding
- Portable ashtrays if you smoke (e.g. mint tin that closes securely, film cannisters)
- Prescriptions, contact lens supplies (disposables work great), and anything else you need to maintain your health in a remote area with no services
- Fire extinguishers to protect your camp and property, especially if you plan to burn your art
- Common sense, an open mind, a sense of humour and a positive attitude





YOU MIGHT LIKE TO BRING

- Extra gaffer tape
- A bike (with lights for night-riding)
- Baby wipes - so long as they don't go in the potties!
- Ziplock bags for baby wipes
- Gifts for new friends
- Food to share with neighbours
- Hot water bottle
- Sewing kit
- More electrolytes
- Costumes! (beautiful, mad, creative, culturally appropriate...)
- musical instruments, props, decorations, and anything that might make the experience more fun for you and your paddock neighbours

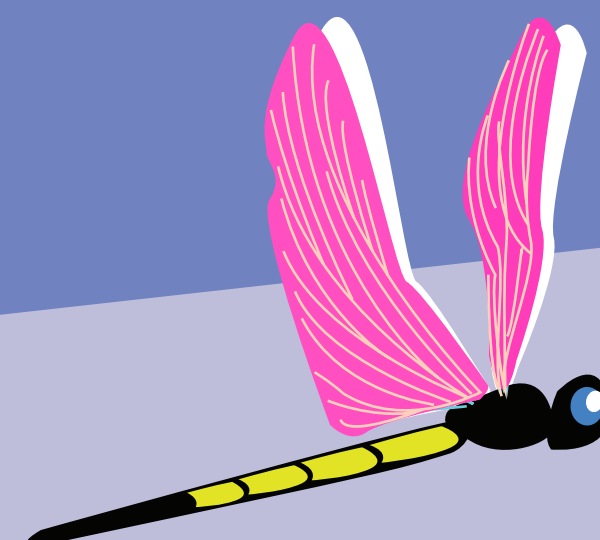


YOU PROBABLY SHOULD BRING

- A cup! How else can you expect to be served an ice cold beverage?
- A carabiner (or twelve) to attach your cup when you're boogying
- Your own plates, bowls + cutlery
- An esky to keep things cool
- A decent pocket knife (like the bushman you are)
- Shade structures, umbrellas, tarps - something to keep you dry in the rain and cool in the sun
- A cooking stove if you expect to heat food or liquid (Not one of those exploding ones! These will be confiscated and disposed of at the Gate)
- Lotion, lip balm, etc
- Earplugs (not everyone will want to sleep when you do!)
- Watertight protective bags (e.g. heavy zip-type) for cameras or electronic gear
- Camp marker (flag, banner, distinctive marking)
- Decent tent stakes or rebar (for soft soil + strong winds)
- Plastic bottles or tennis balls to top and protect dangerous rebar + stakes from wondering victims.
- Extra set of car keys (keys are easily lost)

DO NOT BRING THESE

- Glass containers of any kind, if at all avoidable. Glass bottles carried around the event will be confiscated as per government regulations
- Plant matter - the event is held on State Forest so no plant matter (other than food) can come in or go out.
- Feathers (eg: boas shed, no matter what you do - try marabou or leather instead)
- Excess packaging from foods (ie: remove outer packaging from cereals and just bring inner bag)
- Glitter (also known as herpes of the Paddock) - that's right, not even the biodegradable stuff or the gemstones for your face. Try metallic temporary tattoos or body paint instead
- Anything that will break up and make a mess
- Styrofoam eskies. They don't hold up (and will break up and make a mess)
- Explosives, aerial flares, firearms of any kind - air rifles, paintball guns, etc
- Hand-held lasers (can cause blindness!)
- Dogs or other pets (support animals excepted)



YELARBON STATE FOREST IS THE TRADITIONAL LANDS OF THE BIGAMBUL AND KAMBUWAL PEOPLE.



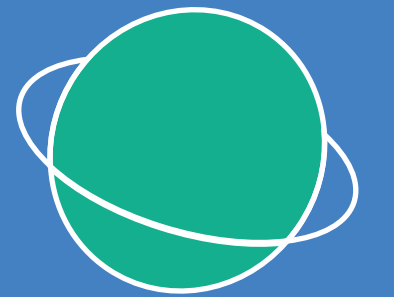
The Yelarbon State Forest has important history for the Bigambul and Kambuwal Peoples and provided much habitat for various flora and fauna that form part of Traditional Lore, Culture and Customs.

It houses many sacred and sensitive sites and supported Ceremonial and Social outcomes. The diverse landscapes were integral to Traditional living and were respected and held in high regard of the people which it supported.

It's current state is far removed from its original beauty and ecological purposes.

WHEN WE REFER TO THE PADDOCK, OUR MODIFYRE SITE, WE LEGITIMATELY MEAN A PADDOCK, SURROUNDED BY STATE FOREST.

THERE'S NOT MUCH HERE BEFORE THE BURN EXCEPT COWS, GRASS AND EMUS.



STATE FOREST RESTRICTIONS

Being that we hold our event on a State Forest, we have various restrictions, same as those for a National Park, as part of our permit obligations in order to protect the local flora and fauna:

- No glass! NO GLASS! Glass containers are allowed at your campsite but should not be carried around the event
- Under NO circumstances should firewood be collected from the event site or surrounding State Forest
- No plant matter is to be brought to site from outside
- All fireworks and pyrotechnics are strictly prohibited

- The "event site" is in the paddock- not the forest
- Please don't wander outside of our boundaries
- Adhere to all speed restrictions (this is not just for safety but also to prevent dust, which messes with the environment)
- Do not dig trenches
- Structures should be assembled as per manufacturer's specifications
- No naked flames in, on or within 6 meters of camps (camp stoves are exempt)

WHAT WE DO HAVE

- Snakes, critters, bugs etc
- Bumps, lumps, rocks, itchy grass and possible mud (slip hazards)
- Bathurst Burr, regularly found at First Aid Tent being removed from bare footed participants
- No shade
- Phone Service on most networks (yay!)

WHAT TO WEAR

- A typical weather pattern:
Cold. Hot. Wet. Muddy. Windy. Very cold. FREEZING! Very cold. Hot. Cold.
- Warm things for night and cool things for day (pack for all occasions)
 - Good closed shoes
 - Hat
 - Costumes- the more creative the better!
 - Burner Belt with cup!



THE PADDOCK



BIOSECURITY

Yelarbon State Forest forms part of the Queensland Protected Areas estate and is on the edge Australia's most easterly Spinifex Desert.

The forests that surrounds our paddock has a high conservation value and is of significant importance to the Traditional Owners. To ensure Modifyre remains a welcomed visitor to this land (and that we don't bring any biologically un-welcome visitors), we ask you to please adhere to the below requests:

- Leave any plant matter, seed or soil at home. Please check and hose down your camping gear before leaving. Tents and vehicles are a great source of seed dispersal in our protected areas.

- Do you think your Corolla is a Landcruiser, or are you are the world's greatest off road driver?

If you answer yes to either of those questions or your vehicle doesn't spend all its time on the bitumen, please wash the underside of your vehicle down before entering Yelarbon State Forest. Vehicles NOT complying will be asked to drive to the nearest car wash, a 2-hour round trip to rectify the issue.

WE'RE DELIGHTED THAT OUR EARTH GUARDIANS TEAM WILL BE PARTNERING WITH THE LOCAL INDIGENOUS RANGER PROGRAM IN 2019 TO SET UP A TEMPORARY VEHICLE WASHING SERVICE IN INGLEWOOD TOWN, FOR CARS COMING INTO SITE.

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON OUR MEDIA CLOSER TO THE EVENT FOR DATES AND TIMES FOR THIS SERVICE!

WE WELCOME PARTICIPANTS WITH DIVERSE ABILITIES.

As with everything at Modifyre you need to bring all your supplies to ensure your own and comfort, safety and health.

Our canvas for the Modifyre event is a blank Paddock, and we build our event in a week each year. Unfortunately this means that there are no graded roads - bumps, mud and spiky things are real limitations. Modifyre is also a highly stimulating environment, with no restrictions on strobe and light effects (of the legal sort), and minimal sound restrictions.

OUR EVENT IS FAIRLY CENTRALISED AND ON A SMALL, RELATIVELY FLAT SITE.

Getting around the "town" (camping and theme camp areas) you can expect about 250m x 100m of travel distance, while the furthest burn site is about 500m.

If you tire easily, there are plenty of places to stop and recoup along the way (if you find yourself in need of transport out to the burn, the rangers will be able to get in touch with our site team beforehand). Paths will be wide enough for large motorised wheelchairs. It is likely the ground will not be fully lit after dark in all areas.

FROM 2019, WE WILL BE PROVIDING FREE TICKETS FOR CARERS THAT HOLD A COMPANION CARD.

If this applies to you, please email us to hear about the booking process. Companion dogs are also welcome, but please let us know in advance if you're bringing yours. If you have thin walled tyres, be sure to bring spare tubes as there are a few burrs. Having a pump handy to deflate and inflate tires as needed would be wise!

THERE WILL BE AT LEAST ONE CENTRALLY LOCATED WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TOILET ON SITE.

THERE ARE NO ACCESSIBLE SHOWERS (OR ANY SHOWERS AT ALL).

If you'd like advice about the best camping spot- quiet (not so loud), close to the event, near the accessible toilet, etc.), please email us so that we can put you in touch with our Town Planner.

THERE IS NO PLANNED AUSLAN INTERPRETATION AVAILABLE NOR BRAILLE SIGNAGE.

Unfortunately, with our limited budget and small size, it's just not currently feasible. Similarly, there are no hearing induction loop/s. While making accessibility a priority has been encouraged to Theme Camps and participants, we can't guarantee the accessibility of individual and group camps.

We strive to be an inclusive and collaborative event. We are happy to work together where possible or put you in touch with others who may be able to help. If you have specific questions or requirements please email info@modifyre.org, we're happy to talk it through.




LEAVE NO TRACE

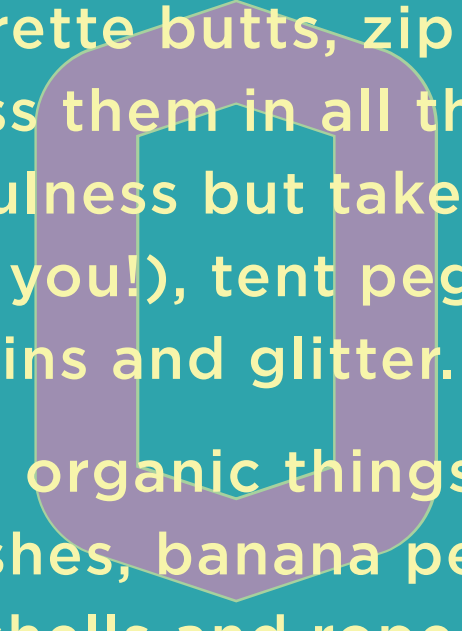
THERE IS NO RUBBISH COLLECTION AT MODIFYRE.
THERE ARE NO BINS.

THAT MEANS WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE FOR TRASH AND
EVERY CAMP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS OWN GARBAGE.

IF YOU BROUGHT IT WITH YOU IT GOES BACK WITH YOU
(APART FROM CANS WHICH CAN BE PLACED IN THE CAN
DEPOSIT UNCRUSHED).




Everything you bring in has the potential to become litter or MOOP (Matter Out Of Place), the usual suspects being cigarette butts, zip ties (bless them in all their usefulness but take them with you!), tent pegs, sequins and glitter.



Even organic things such as ashes, banana peels, nut shells and rope fibers are considered MOOP.

All citizens share the responsibility of making sure our paddock is MOOPless.



If you see some MOOP anywhere in the paddock, pick it up (if you are passionate about it come to Earth Guardians and we will provide you a sexy yet convenient hip MOOP bag).

PRE-EVENT PREPARATIONS

- Remove all excess packaging from everything you buy (food, supplies, tools) before you pack it.
- Don't bring glass containers of any kind — they can shatter. Metal bottles and plates work well.
- Smokers!! Make a portable ashtray (for instance, a mint tin works perfectly), to collect your cigarette butts and ashes.
- Avoid disposable cups! Always have a reusable cup on you by attaching it to your clothes with a carabiner. This way you will always be ready for a friendly gifted drink too.
- Bring extra tarps to put under MOOP-heavy areas like your kitchen, construction areas and work spaces.
- Bring rope or tie-downs to secure everything in your camp and to securely strap down your load on top of your vehicle.
- Leave anything at home that could break up or blow away in the wind.
- Plants are not allowed - as the event is held in a State Forest - use artificial ones instead. Don't bring loose glitter, feather boas, astroturf, styrofoam coolers, plastic bags, disposable drink cups, gravel—they can blow away in the wind or turn into MOOPY messes before you know it.
- At many burns around the world, grey water is also considered MOOP. However at Modifyre, we're burning on a drought-stricken paddock. Your grey water is fine to pour on the ground providing that you use organic soaps and you remove the chunky bits. Putting a piece of pantyhose over your water collection bucket before pouring it out is a good way to filter these out.
- Some foods are naturally more MOOPY than others (we're looking at you, pistachios!)
- Bring a bucket with a lid to dispose of your organic waste.

LEAVE NO TRACE ON-SITE

- Never let it hit the ground and clean as you go. MOOP attracts more MOOP. When you see MOOP on the ground, pick it up and take it with you and shout Mooooop! To set the examples for new burners at the event.
- Weigh it down. Put a weight on it or tie down anything that can blow away.
- Smokers: carry a portable ashtray (such as a mint tin) with you at all times, or put butts in your pocket. Never ever drop butts on the ground or in public areas like porta-loos. Help keep cigarette butts from being one of the top MOOP items!
- If it wasn't made by your body, don't put it in the potty. No tampons, trash, cigarette butts, etc. One ply toilet paper only.
- If you have an RV be sure to bring a five litre bucket to catch any grey or black water leaks from your plumbing.
- Make a MOOP bucket. Cut a 10cm hole in the top of an empty plastic water jug, leaving the handle intact, to use for collecting and containing MOOP. For dust that has glass, wood chips, bark or anything too small to pick up, sweep it into a dust pan and deposit in a bucket for disposal at home.
- Wherever you go, carry a small bag to collect any MOOP you find. Some customise their MOOP bags to make them a part of their paddock wear.
- Make sure everyone does a MOOP sweep of your camp before you leave. Every little bit of MOOP, including nails, cable ties, peanut and eggshells, glitter, cigarette butts, anything that is not part of the natural environment, must be taken away. Remember, the aim of Leave No Trace is to leave your campsite in better condition than when you arrived.



GREEN TAGS

As part of our communal effort to LNT, we require all Modifyre participants to show a Green Tag at the gate to be able to leave the paddock.

To obtain a Green Tag, one of our friendly fluttery Earth Guardians must check your campsite for MOOP. Please make sure that you have swept your site for MOOP before calling for a check.

You can find a member of the League of Earth Guardians (LEG) at LEG camp.

CAN RECYCLING + ORGANIC WASTE

CAN COLLECTION - DON'T CRUSH!

The Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) is finally in Queensland.

This means that we can exchange cans for cash cash money honey.

However, barcodes on cans must be legible, so PLEASE DON'T CRUSH! Look for Peter the Can Eater at The Heart. He's hungry for your cans!

Water and Soft drink PET bottles are also welcome (if they still have label in them).

The funds collected will be used to subsidise ongoing sustainability efforts and support the local community of Inglewood.

GENERAL WASTE AND RECYCLING

Be prepared to haul out everything else that you hauled in - remember, by attending this event you and your camp are personally committing to LEAVE NO TRACE.

- Plan ahead! Whilst camping you can generate a lot more rubbish and recycling than you expect.
- Bring plenty of heavy-duty garbage bags so you can dispose of your general waste and your recycling separately.
- Make an advance plan of how you will 'pack out' when it's time to go. Begin your weekend with a recycling or waste program at your camp.
- Be kind to our neighbours and don't dump your rubbish in neighbouring towns, roadside bins or service stations on your way out. Instead, plan for a rubbish and recycling run to your local tip or dispose of your waste at home.

ORGANIC WASTE

Though it's not a service often provided at Burns, our Earth Guardians have worked extra hard to provide a composting initiative as a gift to the community.

We'd like you to separate your organic waste and bring it to Earth Guardian camp.

We will be collecting organic waste to make yummy compost (off-site of course).

Please avoid meat, dairy, onion and garlic peels and tea bag tags.

If you need a bucket for your organic waste, come to the Earth Guardian camp and we will give you one!



KIDS + FAMILIES

MODIFYRE IS A MAGICAL PLACE FULL OF ACTION AND ADVENTURE FOR EVERYONE, INCLUDING KIDS.

IF YOU'RE THINKING OF BRINGING YOUR KIDS, WE ADMIRE AND ENCOURAGE YOU, AS WE LOVE THE VIBE THAT THEY BRING.

Our event thrives on diversity, participation, playfulness and imagination. This makes it a great environment for kids to experience and engage in the values that make Modifyre so special. Kids help make our community a real community, one which reflects the broader society of which it is a component.

However, although Modifyre is family friendly, it's not a family festival. If you're planning to bring the kids along, there are a few things you'll need to consider to make sure it's a positive experience for everyone.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE

You — yes, you! — are responsible for your children. That means knowing where they are at all times.

Our official T+Cs state that children under the age of 18 must be accompanied to the event by a ticket-holding parent or legal guardian.

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a ticket-holding parent or legal guardian at all times, or the parent or legal guardian must arrange reasonable supervision and care of the child, at the event.

You might think your teenager, or even your toddler, is old enough to seek out their own experi-

ence and that's cool, but remember: radical self-expression manifests in many different ways. It's not up to other Burners to check their behaviour in front of your kids — it's up to you as a parent to decide what's suitable or not, and to give them context.

There's also plenty of forest to go exploring (and get lost) in. Supervision of younger kids is essential.

If you're looking to share the load and meet other Modifyre families, posting in the Burning Man Brisbane (unofficial Modifyre community page) will likely get you in touch with any kids camps that are attending.

RISK + REWARD

Any Burn can be a radical and challenging environment. Modifyre is no exception. You need to be sure you're comfortable exposing your children, whatever age they are, to an adult environment where anything can happen.

For many parents and guardians, the Burn experience can provide a positive catalyst for open and rewarding conversations with their children about some of those things you probably wouldn't bring up over dinner at grandma's place.

SURVIVAL TIPS X2

- If you've ever gone camping with your kids, you're halfway home. Everything in the Survival Guide applies doubly to kids: water, food, shade, sunblock, comfortable clothes, and knowing their (and your) limits are all important to being able to enjoy the experience.
- It's a really good idea to get your kids fed and ready for bed before it gets dark. After dark, everything gets harder. It's much more fun to have everything prepared before dark so the little tykes can hit the hay without a hassle as soon as they're tired.
- Constant hydration: dehydration is not only dangerous but will cause anyone, adults included, to get irritable, angry and difficult to deal with. Always carry a water bottle!
- Whenever you're feeling stressed or your child doesn't seem to be coping, you should H.A.L.T — and assess whether or not the underlying cause of non-coping is because you are Hungry/Angry/Lonely/Tired (this works for adults and children alike). Have a drink, eat something.

GETTING THERE

TICKETING INFO

Ticket numbers for 2019 are capped at 500. We have first, second and third round options. We don't sell tickets at the gate, but online ticket sales remain open for the duration of the event.

To purchase a ticket you will need to;

- Register an account on Quicket
- Complete pre-registration for the event
- Buy your ticket!

ENTRY PROCESS

Every ticket holder must complete this process to purchase a ticket. Every ticket must be registered in the name of the attending participant and match the information on your photo ID that must be presented to the gate crew when you arrive. No ID = under 18 wristband = no one will serve you a drink.

You will be expected to exit your car so that the gate crew can have a look inside and make sure you have all the supplies you need to survive the event, and that you don't have any prohib-

ited items (eg. animals, firearms, flares, etc). We know you've probably travelled a long way and are excited to finally arrive, but this is all part of the process to ensure a good time

Once the gate crew are satisfied you will get a wristband and a program before handing you over to the Greeters, who will welcome and orientate you to site before sending you off to start your adventure!

Any queries relating to tickets can be sent to tickets@modifyre.org

EARLY ENTRY REGO

Anyone who is part of a Theme Camp or wants to volunteer with our build or site crews is welcome to come early and help on-site in the lead up to Modifyre.

After you've bought a ticket, email gate@modifyre.org to register for early entry, specifying which day you'd like to arrive and which team you're volunteering with.

Our crews will be on site from Tuesday June 25th.

Theme Camps are welcome to come from June 30th.

No registration = no entry (it's part of our permit and insurance obligations).

GATE TIMES

Wed, July 3rd: 12:00 - 20:00

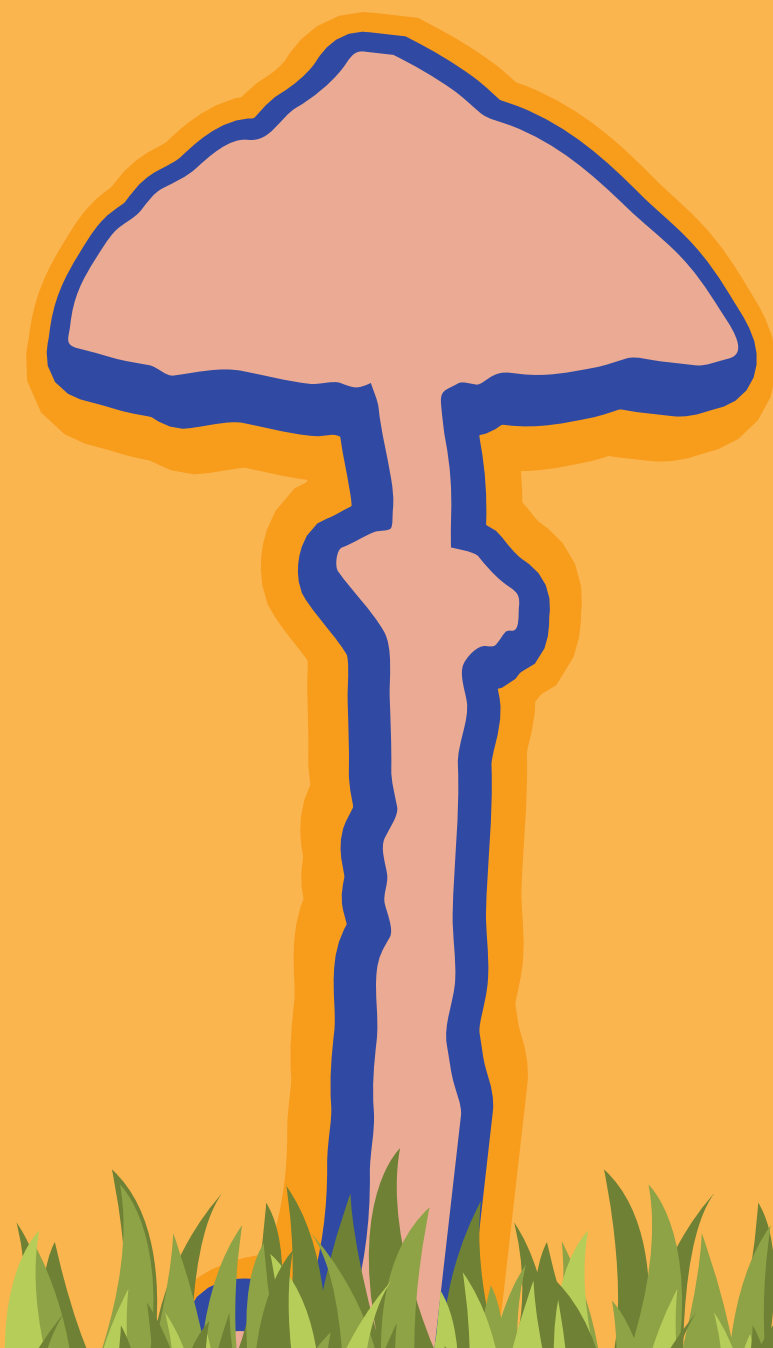
Thurs, July 4th: 10:00 - 22:00

Fri, July 5th: 10:00 - 00:00 (midnight)

Sat, July 5th: 10:00 - 18:00

Sun: GATES CLOSED

These are strict times, as in previous events our volunteer gate crew have been overburdened waiting for late arrivals. If you arrive outside of these gate times, you won't get in!





PUBLIC TRANSPORT + RIDESHARES

A coach service runs coaches daily from Brisbane to Inglewood. More information can be found here.

You can arrange a lift from Inglewood out to site on the Modifyre Rideshare Forum.



FINDING THE SITE

From Inglewood, follow State Route 89 (Inglewood-Texas Road) south for 13.9km. Keep an eye out on your left side for the Modifyre sign, when spotted turn right onto an unnamed forestry track. Follow the signs for 7km through the state forest until you come to a large clearing. You will be directed to the event site from there.

Entry to the event via roads other than those clearly marked will result in you becoming lost, bogged or both, and probably without phone service to be rescued. No Mapping app or GPS device can be relied upon within the State Forest. Be sure to follow the signs carefully.

DRIVING THE FORESTRY ROAD

On entering the State Forest, there's a long and winding forest road to the paddock. The forest road can often become quite muddy, with many potholes and cattle grids. There is a possibility of local police on the road, so please practice caution and respect when driving.

Forest road speed limit is maximum of 20km by law, but you'll also see signs for 10km at various parts of the road which our site team recommends (they've driven this road a few times!). Driving slowly also prevents excess dust that can harm the local farming land.

We have a strict 5km speed limit once you've passed the gate and are on-site. Once you are through the gate, our Traffic team will be on-hand to help you find a spot to camp.



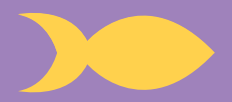
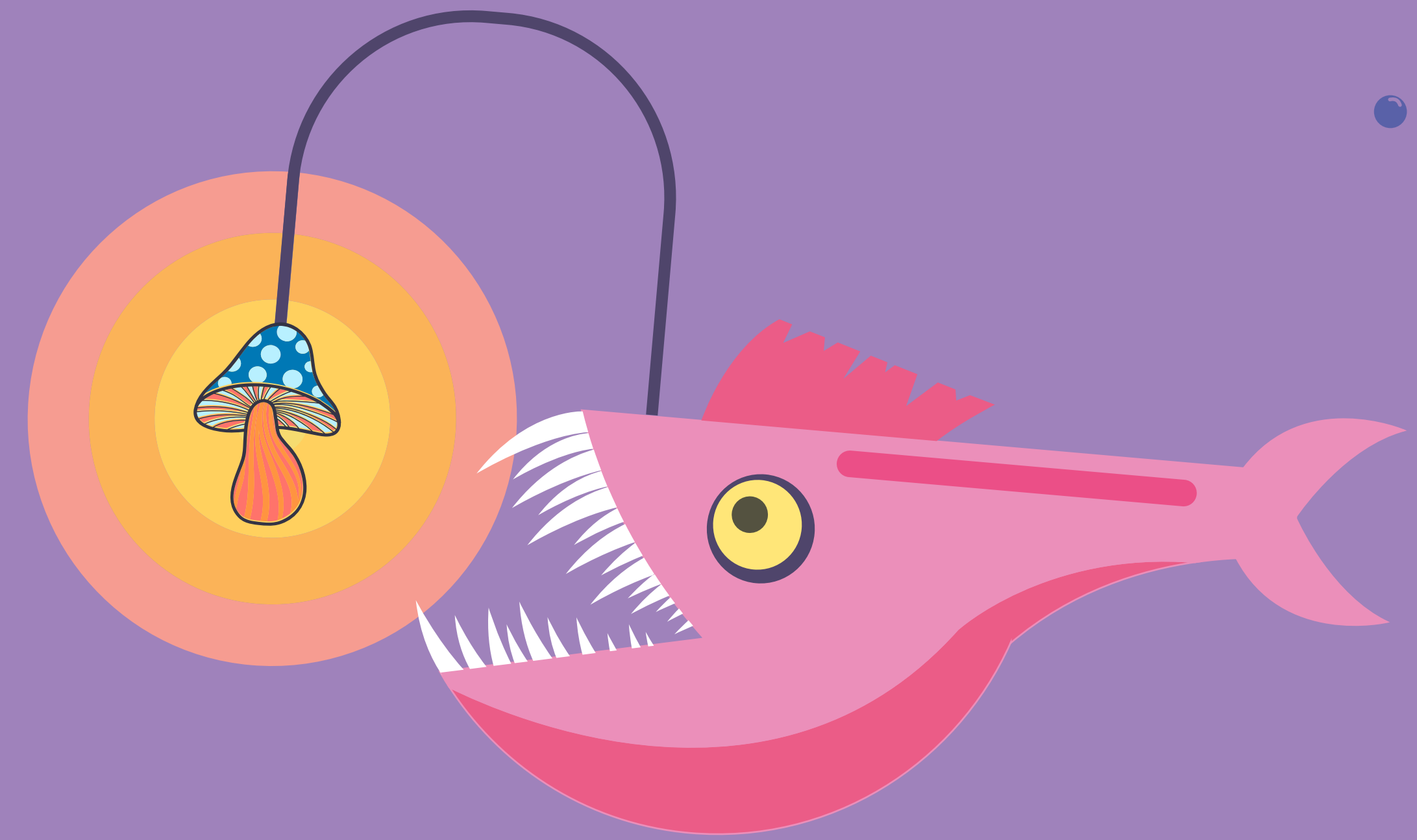
INGLEWOOD

We are delighted to be hosted by this wonderful rural community and we look forward to welcoming them home at Modifyre.

We are particularly grateful to the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, Goondiwindi Shire Council, the Inglewood Community Advisory Network, local Emergency Services, and representatives of the Bigambul and Kambuwal Peoples for their ongoing support in bringing to life our vision for the event.



DURING THE EVENT



CULTIVATING THE PRINCIPLES

The principles are not rules- they exist to guide our decision making and exemplify our shared goals, which work together to complement and complete each other.

The principles are also not finite concepts. When deciding how to conduct yourself at any one moment, the idea is not to pit the principles against each other, but use burner creativity to cultivate them all (more of everything! abundance!). In doing so, we can navigate all manner of tricky situations together.

VEHICLE PARKING + MOVEMENT

Even though we burn big things, vehicles are by far the most dangerous thing that we have on site. Please plan as if you won't be driving anywhere once you've entered site and found a campsite. Driving is strictly prohibited unless leaving site (registered Ar Cars exempted). During periods of rain all vehicle movement will be restricted. Rain = no movement.

Please park in a way that doesn't block other people camping around you and orientate your vehicle appropriately, in the case of emergency evacuation.

RESPECT THE ART

Some Paddock art is "good", some Paddock art is "bad", and though most of this is completely subjective, some of it is definitely questionable. However, someone's put their time, effort and resources into creating this "thing", so don't touch, adapt, climb, meddle, sticker or graffiti it if not explicitly invited to. It's not cool and definitely non-consensual. If you're found wilfully destroying someone's artwork, it's grounds for eviction.

LIGHT YOURSELF UP

LED Lights, head torches and EL-Wire are essential for lighting yourself up at night. This helps your friends find you amongst the crowd, and keeps you visible for those driving site vehicles, bikes and Art Cars. If you've got prams and kid-wagons you might want to light these up too. A good ol' Doof Stick with a light on top also works a treat.

DECOMMODIFICATION

Modifyre is a decommodified zone. Our community thrives on Gifting- this is different to trading, selling, swapping favours and I.O.U's. A Gift is giving without thought of return. Experiencing Gifting is part of the transformational nature of a Burn, and they are one of the only places to experience it in our current neoliberal existence run by lizard overlords.

As part of striving to decommodify our environment, our community appreciates it when corporate logos are covered up or removed from clothes, camping gear, etc. No one will pull you up on this, but you'll help to preserve the unique experience that Burns can offer.

[You can read more about why Modifyre and Burns are brand-free spaces here.](#)

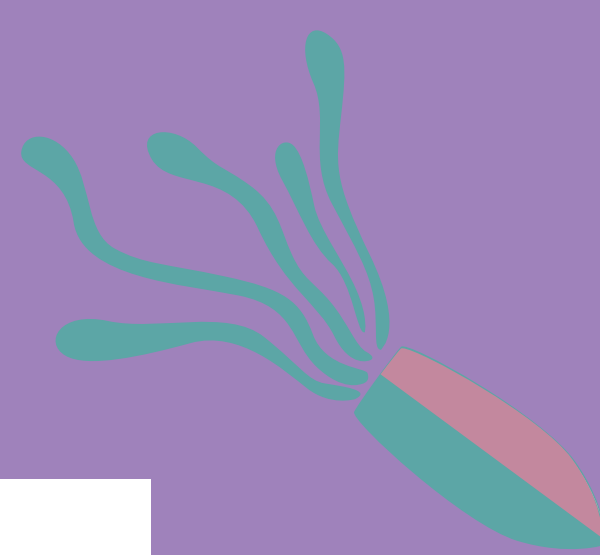




SOUND CAMPS VS QUIET CAMPING

Burns are noisy places- there's impromptu karaoke sessions, questionable performance art, large sound systems, and that guy walking around with the bugle at 3am. There are no (time-based) noise restrictions at Modifyre, and though we can do our best to orientate the large sound camps away from certain camping areas, there is technically no "quiet camping" either. We strongly recommend you bring earplugs, as your sleep hours might not be the same as your neighbours.

Striking up a conversation at the beginning of the Burn is a great way to get your neighbours on the same page. However, it's also good to question whether your right to self-express with loud music in that moment is more important than your neighbours wellbeing (Civic Responsibility); we love a party but ruining someone else's experience is simply not cool. We encourage participants to come to an agreement with each other, but if this doesn't seem possible, it will likely become a concern for the Rangers.



CONSENT: A KILT IS NOT AN INVITATION

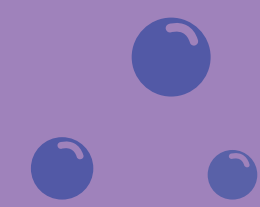
We take consent VERY seriously at Modifyre- so seriously, we made it a principle!

Consent is a clear verbal (or signed or via communication aids where used) affirmative - a "Yes" - in response to a request for permission. It is not "Nahhh thanks", or "Maybe later", or a shrug of the shoulders. If it's not a clear "YES", then it's a no.

Consent is not just important in a sexual context - it's good practice to ask for consent before hugging people, touching their hair, costume, wheelchair, or taking a photo of them. Respect people's physical and emotional boundaries.

Don't be afraid to ask someone if they're doing alright if they look unsure or uncomfortable.

Have an open heart and mind! The only way to know someone's gender/ sexuality/ pronouns/ ability/ availability/ boundaries is to ask.



CONSENT GUIDE



What Is Consent?

- When someone gives consent, they're giving permission for something to happen or agreeing to do something right now (or in the future if explicitly stated).

- This means they need to know exactly what they're agreeing to - so make sure what you're asking is clear and specific.
- Consent must be informed (on situation, safety and risk), freely given (not coerced or begged for), un-intoxicated (sober enough). Consent is temporary, must be continually reaffirmed, and can be withdrawn at any time.

For example, "Do you want to mess around for a while? Like cuddling and making out, but not having sex?"

When and How to Ask for Consent

- Always ask for consent before you begin any sexual activity, including kissing, cuddling, and any kind of sex - even if your partner consented in the past. Consent is not just sexual

- it's good practice to ask consent before hugging, touching someone's hair or clothes, and other touch.

- Ask in a way that makes it clear it would be okay if they said "no" - otherwise you might be pressuring them to do something they don't want to do.

For example, "Do you want to go back to the bedroom or hang out here and watch movies?"

What Is Not Consent?

- Your partner may not tell you "no," but that doesn't mean they're saying "yes."
- If someone says nothing, "um... I guess," or an unsure "yes," they're likely communicating that they don't really want to do the thing you're asking about.
- In these cases, you don't have clear consent. Check in with your partner about how they're feeling - or suggest another activity.

For example, "You seem unsure, so why don't we just watch TV tonight?"

Non-Verbal Cues

- Pay attention to your partner's body language.

- If they pull away, tense up, look uncomfortable, laugh nervously, or are quiet or not responding, you should check in.

For example, "You don't seem too into this. Do you want to stop or take a break?"

Dealing with the "No"

- Sometimes your partner will say "no," and that's okay.
- Reassure them that you're glad they can be honest with you.

For example, "That's okay; maybe we could do that some other time."

Why Consent Matters

- Talking about what your partner wants to do ensures sex is consensual and makes it more enjoyable.

- You'll feel more confident about what you're doing, and your partner will feel comfortable getting close to you.

- Caring about others is cool!

[Sourced from the NSVRC](#)



DOCUMENTARIANS

Storytellers and documentarians are an integral part of Burning Man culture and Modifyre is no exception. Together, we share the story of our community and as we grow, we will compile a cultural and historical archive.

While we welcome image-makers as storytellers and artists, we encourage you to read about our community and culture before you arrive, and invite you to portray the event as magically and truthfully as possible. We're more than just a party; we're a participatory arts community.

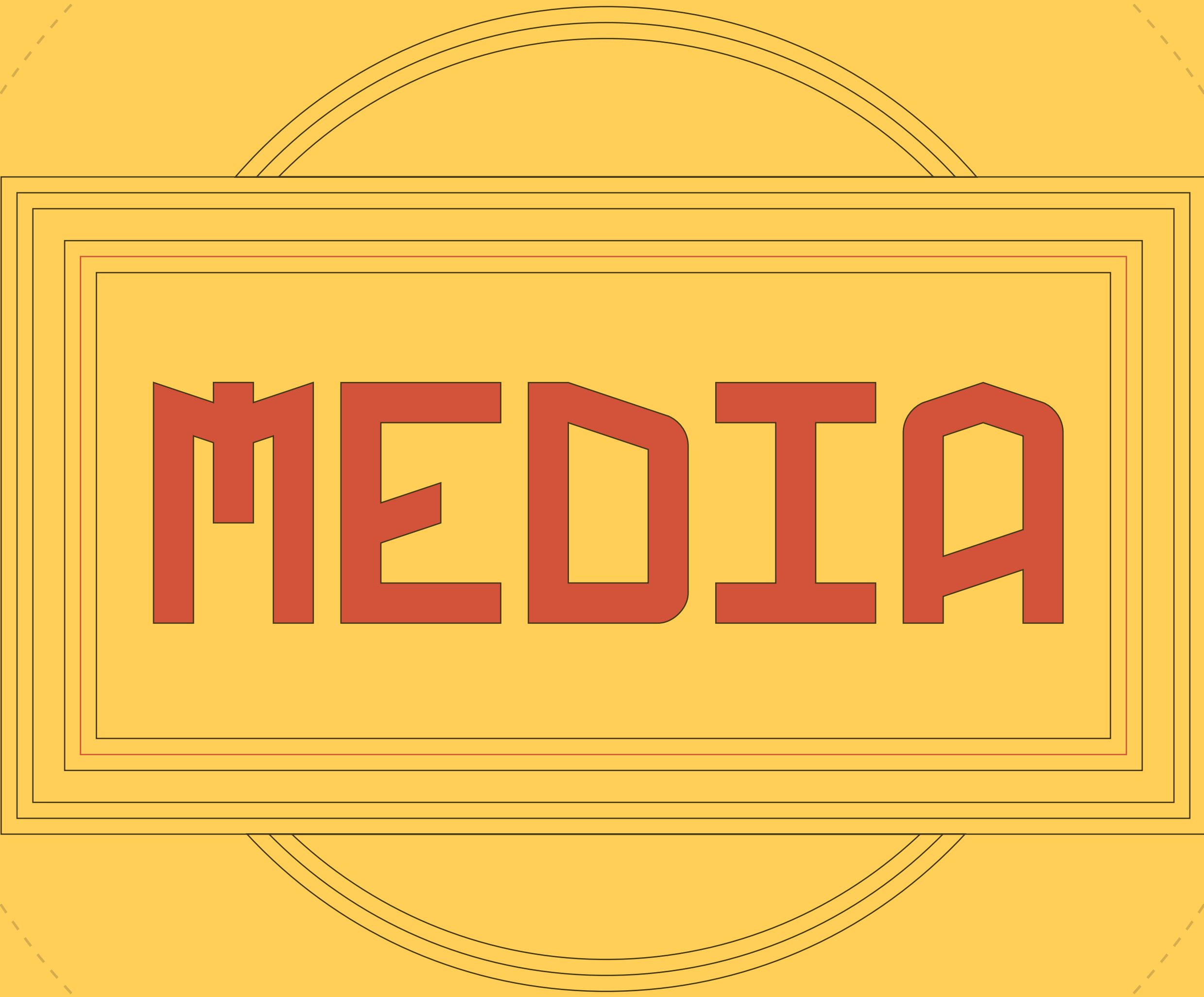
For the ins and outs of personal vs professional media and whether you should register for a media pass, read our [Media and Photography Policy](#) or get in touch at media@modifyre.org.

PHOTOGRAPHY

If, like most folks, you love taking photos, you'll find it hard not to happy snap all week long at Modifyre, and who could blame you? There's so much awesome stuff to see.

But we have three words for you: **consent, consent, consent.**

So, before you click that button, ask! — especially if the person is naked, intoxicated, in the middle of an intimate, vulnerable or private moment, or if they are children. If asking first is not possible (but it almost always is), make sure to check in with the person once the photo has been taken.



MEDIA

If someone asks you to delete your photo of them, please do so without comment or question.

Whether you're a newcomer or not, you might not know what is acceptable until you ask. By asking, you'll eliminate confusion and foster a tighter, safer community where people know their boundaries are protected and respected.

Remember: photographs might seem like a good idea at the time, but radical self-expression can look quite different out of its natural habitat and splashed all round the socials for employers, family members and others to see. Burners often lead many different lives outside these events.

If you are just sharing your photos with friends and families, then this is all you need to know. If you're taking images for wider public distribution, please email media@modifyre.org to register and read our [Media and Photography Policy](#)

"NO PHOTOS"

RED WRISTBANDS

This year we've added another layer into photography-related consent. All participants will be handed a red wristband at the gate, and if at any time during the event you decide you don't want your photo taken, you can put on this on as a non-verbal indicator for no photos. So:

Red wristband = no photos. If you later find someone in the background of an image wearing a band, blur them out.

No wristband = consent still needed. Don't assume consent.

BURNER HEALTH + SAFETY

Modifyre is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all participants at the event.

Our Medics, Rangers, and Fire Safety teams are participants just like you, and they're trained to make sure everyone has a great time.

However, you're also responsible for your own wellbeing. Included below are some tips to making the Burn more comfortable.

MEDICS

Whilst out on the paddock at Modifyre, we all value our civic responsibilities in keeping ourselves and each other out of harm's way. Things don't always go to plan of course. Accidents happen and sometimes we hurt ourselves.

The Medics tent will be situated in The Town Square and will be there to assist with any first aid issues that may arise. Your fearless team of aid providing angels will be on hand at any stage should you need them and will be more than happy to get you on the mend.

RANGERS

The ModSquad Rangers are Modifyre volunteers who can help you find solutions to problems that you can't immediately resolve yourself. Rangers help preserve community welfare, the safety and quality of experience, and uphold the 12 Principles of Modifyre.

Empathic surfers on the edge of chaos, Rangers rise out of the dust when needed and recede when things can be left on their own.

Available 24/7 to support our community, Ranger HQ is with the Medics in our Town Square and is clearly

marked on the map.

Rangers are your first point of call if you require assistance. This can include:

- Observing/experiencing creepy behaviour + consent violations
- Issues resolving disputes with your neighbours
- Medical emergencies
- Feelin' low
- General information

Remember, our Rangers are not security and are not police; they are volunteer community members. If you're going to gift anyone an extra hug on the Paddock this year- make it one of our Ranger champions!

SECURITY + POLICE

As an event, we strive to practice Civic Responsibility by maintaining a healthy relationship with local police and emergency services.

Please remember that Modifyre is subject to the same rules and regulations as the Default World, and that local police visit the event to check-in from time to time (especially during the night of the burn). There may also be alcohol and other drug testing on the way out. It is therefore especially important to practice common sense in Modifyre's public spaces, as you would in the Default World.

Wherever possible, Modifyre will strive to solve issues internally through our Ranger and Site Operations team, and our own (minimal) licenced security in the case of evictions or participants putting others in danger. However, in some circumstances we are obligated to refer cases to the police.

DRUGS + ALCOHOL

Modifyre is a BYO alcohol event, but please don't bring glass! Tinnies and plastic bottles are your friend. We are also a BYOC event (Bring Your Own Cup). Don't expect camps to serve you if you don't have a vessel to carry it in!

Modifyre, like any event, is subject to the laws of the land- State and Federal laws apply. We do not condone the unlawful use, sale, purchase, possession, manufacture, distribution, or dispensation of any prescribed or un-prescribed controlled substance at the event (please refer to our official [Drugs + Alcohol Policy](#) for more information).

We are committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all of our participants. If you or a community member are having a tough time, our Rangers can lend a helping hand (with no questions asked). Please remember to call a Ranger immediately if you see anyone in need of medical assistance or if you think they may need assistance later.

SELL

SOUTH-EASTERN QLD SUN

Remember that, even though Modifyre is held in winter, dehydration can be a sneaky devil. Just because it's cloudy, doesn't mean you're not getting any UV!

If you're not careful, before you know it, you can end up on a potent cocktail of a hard day's sweaty work, a few too many beers, and a delectable sunburn to match.

Remember to keep your urine clear, replace your electrolytes regularly, and wear your sexy sun protection.

COMMON ISSUES

- Insect bites and sun/wind burn, chapped lips
- Cuts, scratches
- Sprains and strains
- Small superficial burns + allergic reactions
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
- UTI's, thrush
- Menstrual pain, headaches, hangovers

ADEQUATE SLEEP

One of the fastest ways to put your brain through a grinder? Not sleeping.

Get a good sleep and bring your earbuds as an aid.

FIRST AID KIT CHECKLIST

As a Self-Reliant individual, you should have the following in your First Aid Kit:

- Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Panadol
- Plasters + band-aids of assorted sizes
- Bandages and dressings
- Tape Microspore/Transpore 2.5cm
- Sunscreen + Insect repellent
- Savlon ointment (or similar)
- Aloe vera or Paw Paw ointment
- Tea Tree oil
- Antacid
- Tweezers, scissors, safety pins
- Eye wash solution
- Hand sanitiser
- Silicone or Latex gloves
- Tampons or sanitary pads
- Condoms/Lubricant
- Antihistamine – insect bites/dust/smoke etc
- All of your regular medications/inhalers/epipen

PADDOCK CAMPING

Your campsite is your home for a week, so making it safe and comfortable is really helpful to enhance your Burn experience. These are some simple tricks to creating a safe campsite:

- Don't pitch your camp in the way of someone's vehicle exit route or park others in (this is very important!)
- Colourful markers on guy-wires, tent ropes and anything sticking out of the ground to avoid injury #SAVEOURSHINS
- Securing your tent and tarp structures against strong rain and wind.
- Tape hand sanitiser somewhere near the food prep area (food poisoning at a burn is the worst!).
- Ample shade over both your tent and kitchen/chill area helps prevent heat stroke and keeps your food cooler
- Cover trip hazards with carpet or hang them along the shade structure above you
- If possible, don't bring a canister stove at all)
- Have a Fire blanket or fire extinguisher somewhere clear in your camp (pro-tip: fire blankets are less MOOPY!)
- Golden rule: bring more water than you think you need.

BUDDY SYSTEM

Your friends are your comrades, partners in crime, and emotional support network. Consider formalising your buddy system with friends and camp members when heading out on an adventure- this ensures that you all know who is the responsible adult in the situation, is able to be called-upon if you need a hand later, and who'll fry everyone some bacon/teriyaki tofu at 3am.

H.A.L.T.

Feeling out of control or like the world is closing in? Take a minute to H.A.L.T. and assess whether you're Hungry/Angry/Lonely/Tired.

From there, try to work out the root cause. Remember that dehydration, food and sleep deprivation can often present in unexpected ways, including mood swings, stress + anxiety- it's something we all go through, sometimes it just takes a second to sort out where your feelings are coming from.

UNWANTED FOMO

FOMO is the enemy of self-care. We believe that part of a burn is about finding yourself!

Let's face it, you're never going to see everything because you have to rest at some point. You might as well make sure that when you're out and about, you're having a good time (and learning something about yourself in the process).

If you need to rest go somewhere calm and quiet for a few hours (or even a day) before taking the reigns again. Do what you need to do to look after yourselves!

NOURISHING FOOD

Please don't expect to rely on two-minute noodles and nutritionally-deficient easy-meals for the entire event!

P.s. Did you know that the microbes in your gut actually affect your mood, sleep + stress levels?

CARE



We love playing with fire, all kinds of fire - effigies, flame effects, torches, spinners - you name it. Heck, we don't call it a **Burn for nothing!** But we also take fire safety very seriously. **FLAME**, our fire safety team, works closely with the local fire authorities and experienced fire artists to ensure the safety of our participants and our home.

Any fire, no matter how big, small or indifferent needs approval from our Fire Safety Team.

Please contact flame@modifyre.org for advice on our policies, restrictions and safety guides (we can even put you in touch with experienced folks who can help!)

CAMP FIRES + BURN BARRELS

The site is surrounded by dense bushland, so bush fires are a real concern for our hosts and our neighbours regardless of the season. Personal fire pits or burn barrels are not permitted.

There will be a number of community fire pits as well as burn barrels that are pre-approved through the Theme Camp registration process.

These barrels need to be constantly monitored by a sober and responsible individual. If you like a good yarn by the fire and would like to volunteer as a fire guardian, please contact volunteer@modifyre.org

FIRE PERFORMANCE

If you'd like to spin at Modifyre, please get in touch with **FLAME** at flame@modifyre.org and let them know you're coming.

You'll get all the lowdown on burning safely at the event and they'll get you involved with the official fire celebrations - the opening ceremony, the Bug burn, and the Temple burn.

FLAME EFFECTS

If you are incorporating flame effects (liquid or gas) into your theme camp, artwork or performance, you **MUST** register with **FLAME** to ensure you comply with the relevant requirements.

Please contact us at flame@modifyre.org for our flame effects guidelines.

FIREWORKS + PYROTECHNICS

As we burn in a State Forest, personal fireworks, flares and pyrotechnics are strictly prohibited.

Possession of these items violates the stipulations of our hosts and offenders will be evicted from the event.

RESPECT THE PERIMETER

It's a safety practice at Burns around the world to have a tight perimeter of crew surrounding the burns. They are there to keep you safe so please follow their instructions. We take this **EXTREMELY** seriously.

Breaking this perimeter or teasing the Rangers holding the perimeter is akin to shouting "bomb!" in an airport and is grounds for immediate eviction.

FIRE SAFETY

OTHER RESOURCES

ICE

Ice is the only thing that we sell on site. Look for the Ice King/Queen or a sign on our ice fridge with sale times. It'll cost \$5 per bag, so please bring a small amount of cash for this.

We do not make money from this service, it's a gift from the Modifyre Production Team!

LOST + FOUND

Like everything at Modifyre, Lost + Found is a volunteer initiative. Find them at The Heart if you've lost something special.

PORTA-LOOS

Used by absolutely everyone and kept beautiful by the champion volunteer team - The Royal Flushers - we love and respect our Loos! We ask that you don't put anything that's not meant to be in the toilet down them. This includes baby/wet wipes, tampons, and watch out for your beautiful costume and jewellery too!

Please do not use the accessible toilet if you do not need to. If it gets filled up, it becomes unavailable for those that rely on it!

Hand sanitiser and toilet paper are provided. Please practice good toilet hygiene! Nothing worse than a gastro outbreak at a Burn!

Also (we can't believe we need to say this), but never, ever, ever poop in the bush. It's outside of the scope of our site and the ULTIMATE MOOP!

THE HEART

(CIVIC CENTRE)

The Heart is Modifyre's town hall. It is a space for participants to meet, share ideas, and to find information about what's going on. A small stage is provided, x for acoustic music, spoken word, discussion and presentations.

The Heart Guardians manage the community information board, facilitate performers / presenters, and generally provide a warm and welcoming space. It is also home to our Info Booth, Lost + Found, + Central TC notice board.

CENTRAL NOTICE BOARD

This year we're putting a TC notice board in The Heart. Here you'll find the daily happenings of each Theme Camp. (You can also find these out front of each TC).

ON-SITE CREW

MAD

Our Modifyre (visual) Arts + Decor team. A new team responsible for beautifying our event and populating the Paddock with interactive art.

RAD

The Rapid Art Deployment team. An unusually excitable group of mayhem-makers who bring us the Opening Ceremony and other performances around the Burn. Previously responsible for the legendary battle between the Social Butterflies and the Mantis Militia, and the competition to win the heart of the Bug Princess, they've always got some weird and wonderful participatory activities in store...

Lanterneers

The team that keeps our streets LIT with homemade lanterns to help you find your way home at night.

FLAME

Our FLAME lead is that person who'll monitor responsible fire behaviour and make sure the Burns are safe, effective and epic.

Burner Safety + Health

Working closely with the Theme Camp Liaisons, these individuals will make sure the Theme Camps are keeping a risk-free environment.

Heart Guardians

These folks program The Heart, the centre of our event and a place to participate in talks, live music and workshops.

Earth Guardians

Our most international team, these folks are responsible for educating the population on Leave No Trace.

Crew Kitchen

Professional feeders operating during set-up and pack down to keep crew bellies full and their energy at peak levels.

DIC

The Department of Infrastructure and Construction, led by the almighty DIChead, this crew builds our Burn from the ground up. Volunteer for early entry or pack down crew if you'd like to join in!

Traffic

Helpful people waving hi-vis instruments to safely guide you to and from the camping areas when entering and exiting the event.

Gate

All-things ticket related, they're the first people you see on entering the Paddock.

Royal Flushers

Keeping the toilets sparkly!

Greeters

A professional (or not so professional) crew of enthusiastic folks to initiate you into the Burn. You'll encounter them at the Gate after you've received your wristband.

Theme Camp Liaisons

Our vibrant Theme Camp coordinating team, who've spent time pre-burn ensuring best placement and practice of our Theme Camps. They'll be checking in on the Theme Camps, working closely with our Burner Safety + Health team on-site.

Site Ops

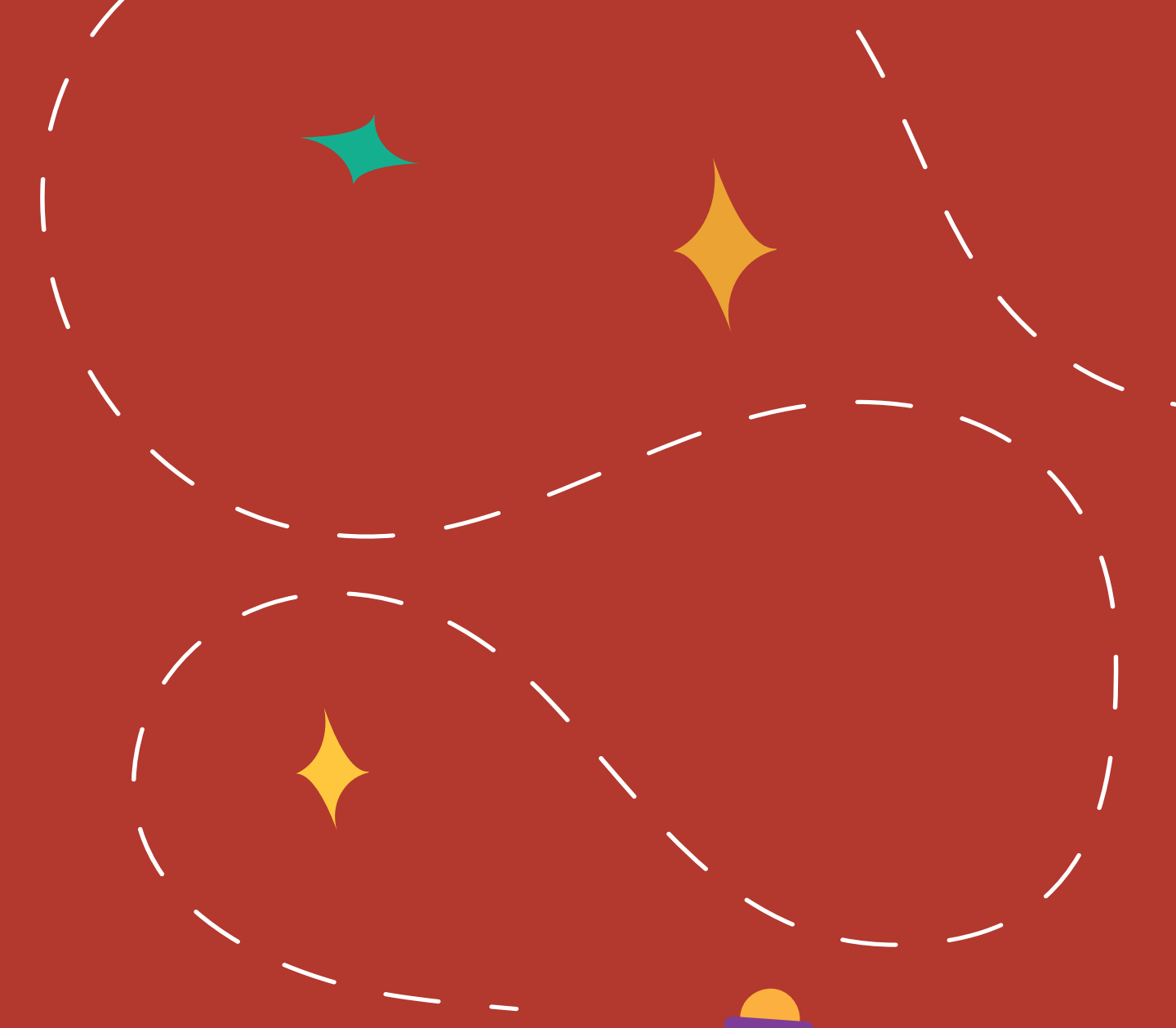
A small but highly effective team of "Reliable People" who manage the operational aspect of the event in its entirety.

Monkey Wranglers

Our Volunteer Coordinators in the lead-up to and during the event.

Traditional Custodians

Not technically production-team members, but the Traditional Custodians, the Bigambul and Kambuwal people, are valued collaborators and happy to answer any of your questions on site.



EXIT PLANS

All regular attendees need to leave by Monday July 8th.

Before leaving, you'll need to do a thorough MOOP Sweep of your campsite, and get a Green Tag from the Earth Guardians after a quick inspection. On presenting this at the Gate, you're out!

Please don't drive if you're still fatigued. There is also a likelihood of alcohol and other drug testing on the road out.

DECOMP

A Decompression party is held soon after the Burn to reconnect with your community one last time and help with that pesky post-Burn comedown. Decompressions aren't Modifyre official events, so keep an eye out on the [Burning Man Brisbane - Modifyre Community Page \(unofficial\)](#) for parties held by our participants.

EXODUS

GIFTING YOUR LEFTOVERS

By the end of the week, the Modifyre crew are an (even more) tired and cranky bunch, but a small contingent of legends stick around afterwards to help us pack it up and pack it out.

If you've got anything left over, such as long-life milk, packaged food, tobacco, dry rolling papers (rare at the end) and other supplies, we would be ever so grateful if you left them here for us to... err... look after!

WASTE DISPOSAL

As we've said, everything you bring in, you've got to take out! Absolutely, please do not, ever, dump your rubbish on the side of the road on the way home. Additionally, do not discard your waste at local service stations etc either. The Texas Dump is approximately 12km from the site turnoff onto Inglewood-Texas Rd towards Inglewood.

Please take your recycling home, otherwise it'll make our Earth Guardians cry.

THE COMEDOWN

Being at a Burn can be a drain on one's physical and mental energy. You'll likely come home with depleted resources and may experience a bit of a culture-shock being back in the Default World.

This is a prime time to practice that Burner self-care we were talking about earlier. It's a good idea to plan space post-burn to do what you need to do.

GET TOUCH IN

Volunteer: volunteer@modifyre.org

Tickets: tickets@modifyre.org

Art + Grants: art@modifyre.org

DIC: dic@modifyre.org

General: info@modifyre.org

Rangers: rangers@modifyre.org

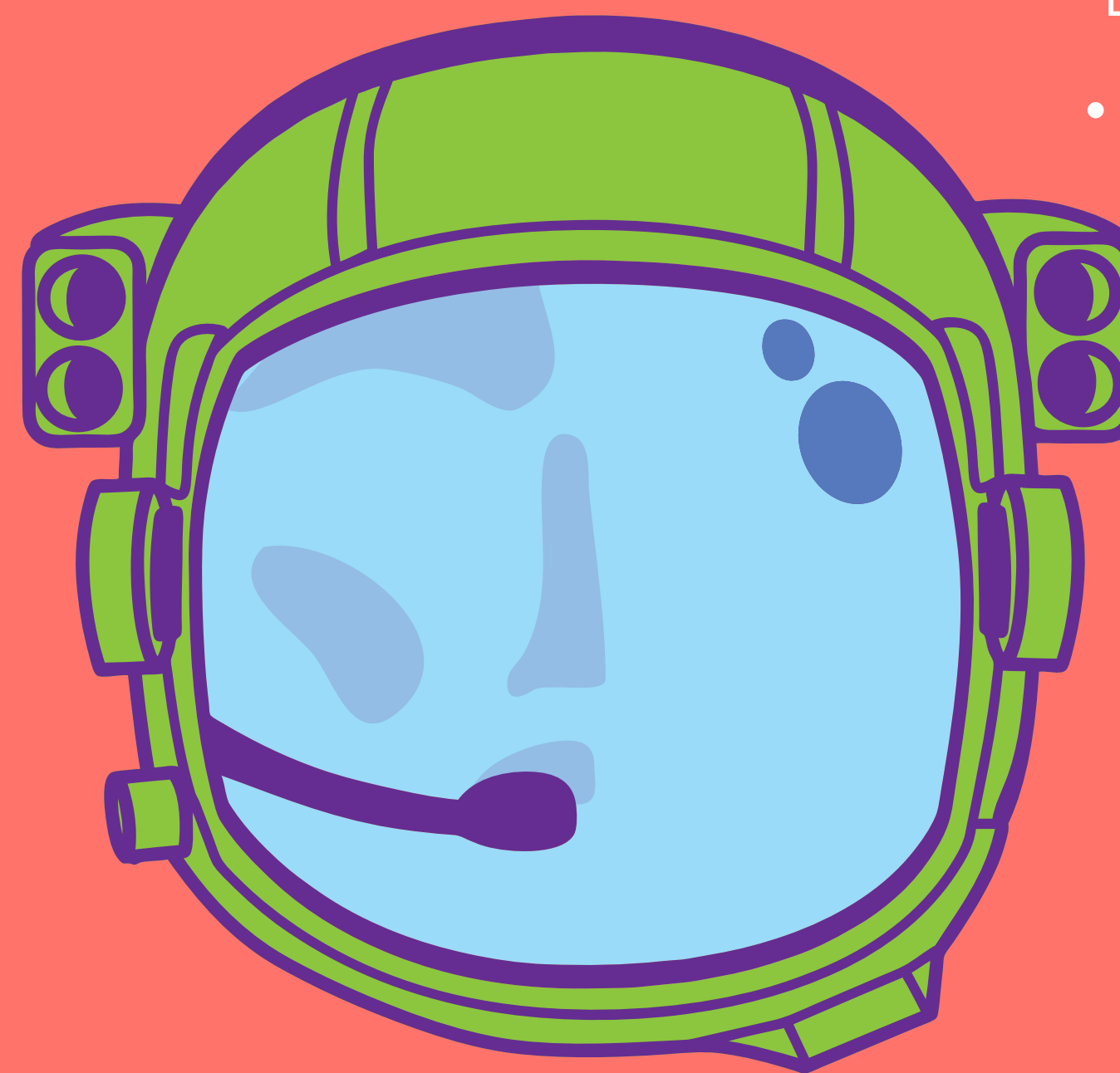
Theme Camps: themecamps@modifyre.org

Gate + Early Entry Rego: gate@modifyre.org

The Heart (programming): heart@modifyre.org

Feedback + Complaints: feedback@modifyre.org

There are questions the community can probably answer better than us. Join the [Burning Man Brisbane \(unofficial Modifyre community page\)](#) to get your advice direct from the Groupthink.



STAY IN THE LOOP

If you'd like to stay in touch, you can:

- Subscribe to our quarterly-ish newsletter [Bug Spray](#), our ongoing mission to cover all things flammable around Brisbane, southeast Queensland and northern NSW
- Subscribe to updates on our [website](#) (particularly useful if you don't like Facebook or want updates straight to your inbox)
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MODIFYRE CENSUS

In 2019, for the first time, we'll be conducting the Modifyre Census after our event. This helps us improve in the future, gain funding, and find out more about our community. The census link will be sent to all ticket holders after the burn, and will help us gather data and feedback about the collective experience that was Modifyre 2019! All information will be de-identified before sharing. PLEASE fill it out. The more responses the better we can be.

MODIFYRE GLOSSARY

If you come to Modifyre, you're going to see some things, but you're also going to hear some things. Here's a glossary of Modifyre/Burn colloquialisms that our crew compiled to keep you in on the joke:

Art Car/Mutant Vehicle

These are vehicles radically and unrecognisably transformed into art that drive around the Paddock.

Bug, The

Our effigy, the Modifyre version of The Man from Burning Man, which we burn on Saturday night.

Bug Spray

Our Modifyre newsletter (subscribe here)

Burjin

Someone who hasn't been to a burn before (and forgot to read the Survival Guide), often identified by an attempt on the first day to buy a drink at a Theme Camp.

Burn Arts (inc)

Burn Arts (the Brisbane Urban and Regional Network for the Arts) is the legal entity that provides the interface between Modifyre and the Default World.

Burn-curious

Someone who has never attended a burn before, but is curious to dip their toe in...

Burning Man

Our parent event in the Nevada Desert which started this whole damn burning thing.

Burner

Someone whose been to a Burn before, and gets it! Livin' their life by the Principles on and off the Paddock.

Burner Name

Don't be surprised if someone introduces themselves as Paddock Wolf, Angel Face, Snuggle Wizard or Pixie Scout. Many of our community have had Burner names either created to use

the radios or gifted to them during the festivities. If you're lucky, you might get one too!

Burner Time

Normal time plus or whenever we get around it. Everything at a Burn runs on Burner Time.

"Burnier than Thou"

A phrase heard on the Paddock to describe when a participant is patronisingly explaining how to be a good burner (in their opinion). Watch out though, sometimes those accusing another of being "burnier than thou" are the ones themselves being "burnier than thou"!

Burn, The

Refers to both the event as a whole, and the effigy burn on the Saturday night (sorry 'bout the confusion).

Burn, The Big

See: Burning Man

BYOC

Bring Your Own Cup

Consent Fairy/Consent Bug

A real-life actual fairy, educating the masses on all things Consent related, and making sure we all have maximum fun!

Crusty Old Burners

Old-skool burners who'll tell you in no uncertain terms how much better Burning Man was a decade ago, who isn't burning "properly", and who "ruined" it.

Cuddle Puddle

A situation that occurs when everyone loves everyone else soooooooooo much (in a non-sexual way) that they spend an extended amount of time in a warm, fuzzy people-heap with their extremities all tangled up. May cause anxiety or joy, depending on your disposition.

Cranky Bastards

Overworked, exhausted Modifyre crew members who just want to discuss the finer elements of an extremely fine whisky they're drinking at

the end of a hard day's work. Often spotted at The Ducks (see below). Warning: Offer a Cranky Bastard a Bundy + coke at your own risk.

Decompression or Decomp

Refers to both the experience of "coming down" on entering the Default World after the burn, and the subsequent Decompression Party to help smooth the process along.

Deep Paddock

The large areas of blank Paddock on the events' peripheries, in which it's easy to get lost and stumble upon an unexpected artwork or a cow (or three).

Default World

The world outside of the Burn. Works better than "real world", because for Burners, the Burn IS the real world.

DIC (plural = DICs)

Department of Infrastructure and Construction, the legends that build our entire event on-site.

DIChead

The all-powerful head of the DICs.

"Don't Tell Me How To Burn"

A phrase heard both seriously and ironically on the Paddock... and sometimes it's hard to tell the difference.

Do-ocracy

An organizational structure in which individuals choose roles and tasks for themselves and execute them. Responsibilities attach to people who do the work, rather than elected or selected individuals. It's also the way things run 'round here- if you see something that needs to be done, do it! If you feel the need to criticise the way it's being done, do it better!

Doof

A musical celebration identified by a recurring "Doof" sound, sometimes for upwards of 5 days straight. You can have a Doof inside a Burn but a Doof is not a Burn and a Burn is not a Doof.

Doof Stick

A large stick with any variety of customisable elements. Often used for leaning on, letting others find you in a crowd, making a political statement, keeping yourself visible at night, enhancing your aesthetic, and banging on the ground to the beat.

Drainbow

A term used to describe moochers who drain resources while not producing any, all the while talking rainbows. When it comes time to volunteer they just want to party. Work makes them tired and bored very quickly, but they can talk about community until the sun comes up.

Ducks, The

Refers to the Sunset Ducks, a fine Whisky Bar that doubles as the Modifyre Crew Theme Camp, and their home during set-up and pack-down. Often populated by Cranky Bastards (see above).

Earth Guardians

This is the team that will cry if you MOOP, and potentially subject you to a highly-disorganised but enthusiastic drum circle of inebriated latinos if you're a repeat offender.

Emu Bob

An act often done while MOOP Sweeping, but encour-

aged at any point during the burn, where one bends over while walking to pick up the MOOP they just spotted!

Greeters

Those enthusiastic folks who are stationed at the gate to welcome you home and initiate you into the Paddock.

Heart, The

Modifyre's central point; a place to relax, participate in some talks, discussions, workshops and live music, drink tea, and kip on the couch. This is also where to find the lost and found and the info booth.

Herpes

How Burners see Glitter.

Hippies

You can tease them all you want, but they helped birth the Burners.

Lanterneers

Our crew that keeps the streets LIT to help you navigate home at night.

Leave No Trace (LNT)

Our philosophy on protecting the environment on which we hold burner events, where all we leave is footprints and good vibrations.

Locals

Residents of Inglewood and surrounds.. Be good to 'em!

M.A.D

Modifyre (visual) Arts + Decor team, making the burn pretty circa 2019.

Man, The

Can either refer to the lizard overlords that run our neoliberal world, or the effigy from Burning Man.

MOOP

Matter Out Of Place, this refers to anything left on the Paddock that shouldn't be there. MOOP is both a verb and a noun, and in its adjective form is MOOPy. Essentially, you can MOOP MOOPy MOOP. Everytime someone does this, an Earth Guardian dies a little inside.

Mudifyre

Modifyre 2017: The Year of the Mud. May we never see such volumes again.

Perfect

The dictionary defines perfect as having all the required or desirable elements, qualities, or characteristics; as good as it is possible to be. Therefore, everything at Modifyre is perfect.

Paddock, The

The Modifyre site in Yelarbon State Forest.

Participant

That's you! And everyone else

Pickleback

A legendary drink that originated at Burning Man involving whisky and pickle juice- you may get lucky enough to sample this concoction.

R.A.D

The Rapid Art Deployment team, hell-bent on getting you involved in immersive, performative mischief.

Radical Self-Entitlement

Often referred to as "the 13th Principle", this is an ironic/derisive retort often heard in response to one complaining about un-burnerley behaviour. "Man, that person is just expecting everyone to take up their slack, what a Drainbow!", "Haven't you heard about the 13th Principle?"

Ranger

Our volunteer community welfare team, your first point of call if you need assistance or help.

Rangers, Mod Squad

The Modifyre Rangers.

The Royal Flushers

The people willing to do what everyone else wants to get out of - clean the portaloos.

"Safety Third"

Impossible to define in writing without opening ourselves up to a potential lawsuit.

Schwag

Stickers, patches, pendants, collected from volunteering with burner crews around the world. If you're lucky, you may have a seasoned burner proudly present their cup to you with peeling stickers and regale you with tales of the globe.

Spare German

Always handy to have around.

Sparkle Pony

A term reserved, derisively, for those who are hoping to rely on being attractive instead of preparing properly. Typical signs include not bringing enough water, being surprised that it gets cold at night, and sidling up to other people hoping to get fed.

Spectator

The one thing you don't want to be at a Burn- someone whose gawking instead of participating.

Temple

A structure on which we write our hopes, dream and memories that we want to set free during our silent burn on Sunday night.

Town Hall

Our yearly meeting that takes place in The Heart, which is a chance for the community to give feedback to the Modifyre crew and BURN Arts

Management Committee.

Temporary Autonomous Zone

Originally a book by anarchist writer Achim Bey, it outlines a concept put into practice by The Cacophony Society and Burning Man founders. It suggests that the best way to create a non-hierarchical system of social relationships is to concentrate on the present and on releasing one's own mind from the controlling mechanisms that have been imposed on it.

Tree Wizard

Not to be confused with actual tree wizards (who we love and welcome), this colloquially refers to an older bloke continuously seen convincing multiple young beautiful women of their apparent "soul connection".

Weird

Normal

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AND SEE YOU ON THE PADDOCK!

