

CONFEST - MORNING  
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Continuing  
the  
Tradition

# WELCOME TO OUR (YOURS AND MINE) CONFEST

On the back cover of this booklet is your participation ticket, which at other times and places would have been called your entry ticket.

It is called "Your Participation Ticket" because that is what the spirit of a ConFest is all about.

There is no super-charged promoter or entrepreneur turning on the "Dancing Alligators", complete with laser-light show and stuff. There is no McDonald on site, handing out yuck and T-shirts to chunder in.

As was said above: it is OUR ConFest and it is Your Participation Ticket because I (whomever I may be) would like You (whomever you may be) to help to make this a gathering at the end of which we both will say  
"Well, this was one hell of a Good ConFest!"

Inside this booklet are some handy hints to make this ConFest really enjoyable.

I am hoping that your natural curiosity will make you want to read this booklet \_\_\_\_\_ and I thank you if you do.

From each ConFester

## HOW TO GET THERE.

The ConFest site is about 20 km. out of MOAMA via MATHOURA down off the PERRICOOTA ROAD —

Once you're on this Perricoota Road, look for signs which simply show the letters 'DTE'.

When you come by train, you will get off at ECHUCA and there will be a local bus carrier -- i.e. DYSONS BUSLINE as contracted by VicRail -- which will take you from Echuca to the ConFest site for an extra \$2.00 which you have to pay to the busdriver as you enter the bus and show your railticket.

However, treat this last bit of information as being subject to change — and therefore we suggest that you look up the notice boards at both the railway station and the bus terminal in Echuca — just to make sure.

TAKE NOTE : When you come by rail, say from Melbourne or from Sydney, DO mention when booking your ticket to Echuca, that you want VicRail to endorse your ticket and to add to it a special requirement saying : "CONFEST DESTINATION".

[this is a special agreement reached between D.T.E. and Vicrail]

If you come by car from the direction of Melbourne, you would take the Northern Highway (route 75) through Echuca towards N.S.W. till you arrive at MOAMA and once there ask for further directions from the locals.

They're friendly and peaceful bunch now. The last missionary they ate \*) was way back in 1734 or thereabouts. Although they'd like to celebrate that particular piece of history for the Bicentenary on 13th. of October 1994, which happens to be my mother's 93rd. birthday. \*) a vicious rumour.

## ALL ABOUT 'CONFESTS'

Another ConfEst, another handbook. We hadn't one for a while and therefore it may be useful to have this little rave about the original ideas behind Down To Earth and what it is standing for.

Way back in 1973 a number of people from various Universities in Sydney got this idea to have a festival along the lines of Woodstock. But with a slight difference. We wanted to do more than just singing, making beautiful music, smoking dopey-smokies and making-love-not-war.

And that was the result of the Nimbin festival. Lots of people left their jobs, left the cities, they felt drained after their fight against the Vietnam War and its immoral army conscription and senseless murders and they wanted to start new life styles in and around Nimbin and the northern part of New South Wales.

In our naivety and our wild enthusiasm we made many mistakes. We went overboard in many areas and many of our brothers and sisters got badly hurt in the process. But there were amongst us those who also managed to establish some wonderful new forms of lifestyles. When now you go to that northern part of N.S.W. and you look past the dropped out dags still hanging around Nimbin, you'll find some wonderful communities with strong and clear minded people.

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### Vision of the Future

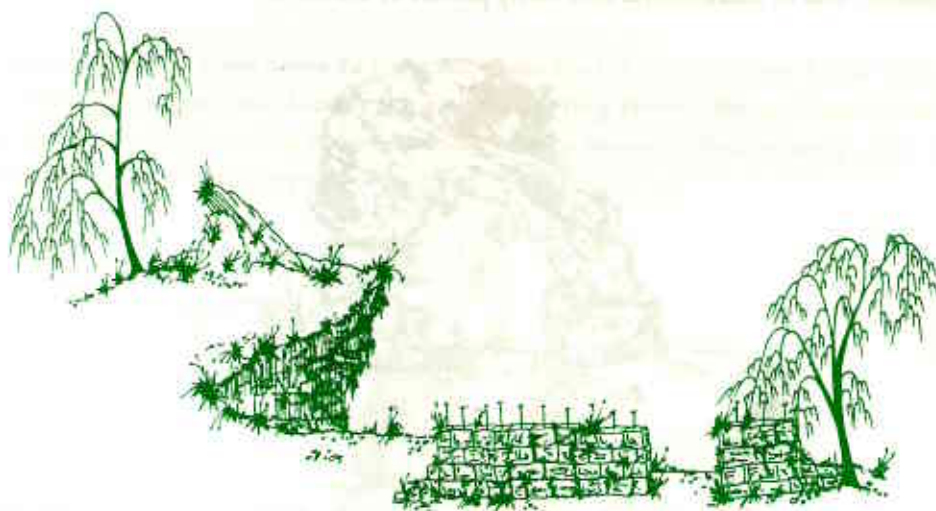
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When you see the "New" children, you will renew your vision for a future which isn't going to be as clapped out as we often think it will. Anyways, after Nimbin had been and many of us returned to our home turfs, we found that a once-off event was not getting us out of the drip we felt we had slithered into.

So, we came together and we formed this idea that we could create a nucleus out of which could spin off many more groups and communities Australia wide, similar as to what happened around Nimbin.

And that is how Down To Earth came into being. With the usual enthusiasm we called for a 'Gathering of the Clans' to be held at the Cotter River in the A.C.T. in 1976. Totally unprepared, we expected maybe a thousand people to turn up, but almost ten thousand came. Despite the schemozzle it was a grand success.

At this gathering we formed the idea that we needed a kind of format where we could learn things which would lead to a better society. Things like learning about ourselves, our emotional needs, our self esteem, our spiritual needs, our place in this world, our attitudes towards our brothers and sisters, equality of the sexes, healing the damage we had done to the Aborigines and many such things.



We were sure these things could be achieved. We saw for instance that one of my brothers initiated the fight for Kakadu - out of which the group Friends Of the Earth Australia was established.

We realised that in this urban society and the enormous distances facing us, it would be difficult for people to travel to northern N.S.W. all the time to learn those things mentioned earlier.

So, the old saying "If Mohammed cannot go to the Mountain, the Mountain will come down to Mohammed" was applied.

We were going to set up a structure which would move around from place to place. A structure where people could be exposed to and maybe even learn if they wish, all those things which we thought would lead to a better society.

And that was how the concept of a ConFest was born. A Conference - read workshops etc. - and a Festival - so as to make it more attractive and to take away the deathly seriousness which often goes with the learning processes.

At Bredbo this concept was tested out and found to be very effective indeed. Then followed Berri and two ConFests in West Australia, and in Deloraine in middle Tasmania, and in Queensland and many places in Victoria.



Slowly, however, the ideal of a ConFest changed. Although some activities remained and some good things happened, they

- \*\* were more and more used as el-cheapo camping holiday and fun places;
- \*\* were used so that you could just mindlessly bang away on drums without relating to other musicians;
- \*\* were used so you could herd together stoned out of your tree without relating to people at all;
- \*\* reverted to the times where people could 'make love' (or would the 'f-' word be more honest?) and still 'make war'.

In other words : a ConFest became in many instances a senseless wank instead of a safe place to learn about things that make our daily life rather difficult and to learn how to overcome or cope with those hassles.

And I think that we are rapidly coming to a time frame in this fast moving and changing society where we really have to move to :

- \*\* learning to relate to people.
- \*\* learn about our place in this society without getting swept away by the speed of it.
- \*\* learn to distinguish between true and false gurus and leaders.
- \*\* how to learn to respect ourselves and to show it in deeds rather than just waffling on about it.
- \*\* and the many things we need to do if we are to survive as individuals while retaining our own sense of value of our self.

It won't be easy. I have come to the conclusion that "Life Is Meant To Be Easy" but that it is sometimes bloody hard work getting there ! Nevertheless, that is no reason to throw in the towel and give in to a sense of despondency. Nor is it a reason to keep on being self indulgent.



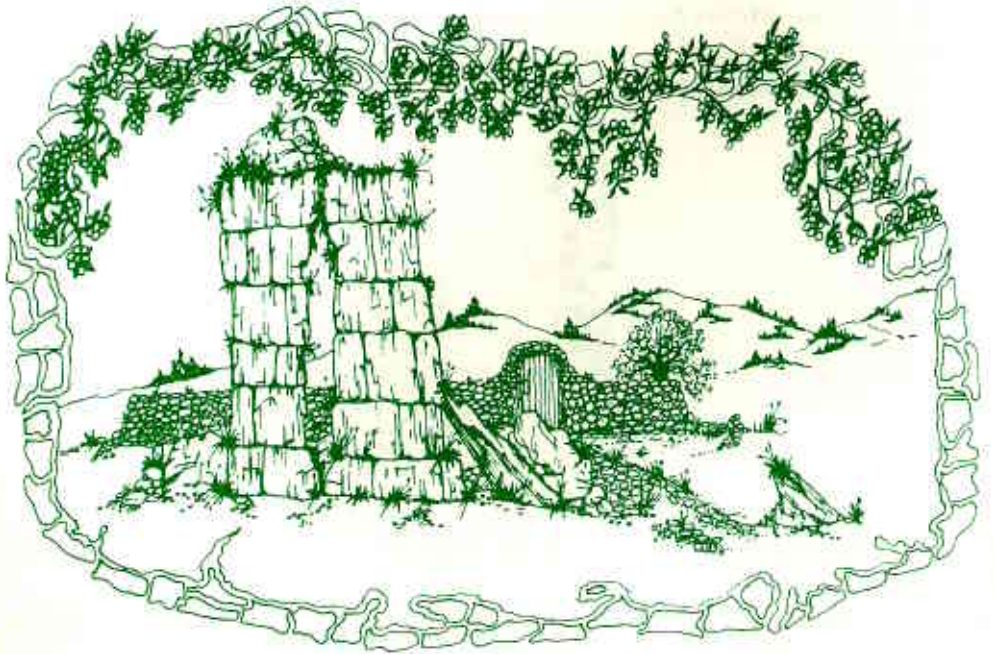
One way to bring some of the old magic back into a ConfEst could be for each 'ConfEster'

- \*\* to think about these things and then to communicate your feelings and ideas with fellow 'ConfEsters':
- \*\* try out being self supportive rather than waiting and depending on 'the Organisers' or, for that matter, depending on anything outside oneself to feed your needs:
- \*\* to learn to take responsibility for your own needs and feelings instead of escaping in a state of feeling incapable or worthless or useless or feeling guilty all the time.

*Collectively and co-operatively and individually we are capable of creating a different. and – maybe even a better society.*

*And I still think that a ConFest is one of the best methods to learn about how to achieve a better society.*

*George Schmidt. 'ConFester' since '76.*





## SOME HINTS .

**DO** wear head cover of some sort. It isn't fun to stew your brains and get sun stroke.

**DO** wear reasonably effective sun block cream. Sunburn really **CAN** cause skin cancer. And that ain't funny either.

**DO** bring a torch to see at night and some citronella oil against the mossies, if you get this advise in time. of course.

**DO** use **DRINKING** water for drinking or cooking food **ONLY**. Pretty please! .

**DO** worry about open fires. It **IS** bad karma to leave a fire un-attended. There will be 'official' fire pits, please use those only.

**DO** bring a plate and a cup along when you go and buy food or refreshments.

**DO** look after little people, they often do move away from their parents and may get lost or hurt. There is a Childrens Village where you'll probably find their dad or mum, looking for them.

**DO** go easy on the banging of drums and screaming in the early hours of the morning. It truly does deprive some people of their sleep.

**DO** keep the toilet seats clean, please. Pretty Please! Only flies are interested in your shit, and even that is debatable.

**DO** put used & empty drinking cans or bottles or plastic bags or food scraps in the bins marked as such. Better still, how about you take it with you when you leave? Empty stuff cannot be that heavy.

**DO** go easy on drinking alcohol and smoking dopey smokies or the like.

**DO NOT** use soap near the river. I bet you've never seen a fish or a water plant which needed soap to get clean. It's also poisonous for them.

## SOME HINTS EXPLAINED.

**DRINKING WATER.** From an ecological point of view, we would do well to teach ourselves to be more careful with precious water. Even us city people. If you do get this booklet before leaving home for the ConFest, how about bringing a 2 litre container drinking water with you. That way we'll save already many hundreds of litres of drinking water that otherwise has to be carted in. Sure, 2 litres add to the weight of your pack, but that is only a one-way burden.

**FIRE PLACES AND OPEN FIRES.** If you feel that your group needs a fire place, contact the one of the co-ordinators with your request. You'll find them either at the Information Tent or at the Front Gate. But don't be disappointed if they cannot help you. D.T.E. has a special agreement with the local fire authority and D.T.E. will have to stick to that agreement.

And concerning any open fire outside fire pits: I know you are a true blue bushy who knows what you are doing, so why not set an example and douse open fires if you see one un-attended. Water or sand will cover it, even piss on it if necessary, though be careful here.

**KEEP THIS IN YOUR BRAIN: one little fire can light one little nylon tent -- AND WITHIN MINUTES THE WHOLE SITE IS AT GRAVE RISK !!**

If there were acres between tents, maybe we could get away with a small open fire, but here we are just about camping on top of each other and one small accident can get out of hand very easily and quickly.

**BRING PLATE AND CUP ALONG WHEN BUYING FOOD OR DRINKS.** D.T.E. is rightly proud of its policy to refuse throw away articles on its ConFest site. The food vendors have been informed and they will co-operate accordingly with D.T.E. Therefore make sure you carry your own utensils with you. It may be a long way between your tent and the food market, and you'll get even more hungry and thirsty walking a couple of times to and from your tent 'cause you forgot to carry these things in the first place.

**USE OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO OR DOPE.**

D.T.E. does discourage the excess use of any of these indulgences. We know you won't grow hair on the palms of your hands if you do smoke or drink (or did this cover some other activity?) - but you cannot deny that it contributes to an 'altered state of reality' to put it kindly and mildly.

And you'd be a bloody idiot to travel this far just so you can get drunk or stoned. Get the point?

**GARBAGE.**

Please do watch out for the various garbage bins. There will be the normal marked bins - i.e. glass; plastic; compost etc. And for the first time there will be a new kind of bin marked **PIATIDC BIN** (= Put It All Together I Don't Care) These bins are for those of us who have red lacquered porcelain finger nails and cannot risk chipping them just for the sake of sorting out rubbish.

Then again, you could perhaps take your own rubbish home when you go, no?

## THE FRONT GATE TENT.

If you've **FOUND** something or have **LOST** something, please go and check it out at the **GATE TENT**. It is the first tent you came to when you arrived. This seems obvious, but you may have been so tired when you arrived that you've forgotten.

**ALSO** ... considering the **Confest Spirit** of co-operation ... could you maybe consider spending some time there to relieve the other people who are there volunteering their energy? It truly is not difficult at all this "Working At The Gate". Being at the 'Gate' can be quite fascinating. You'll meet many people there and you may even get to make some friends there.

The person who probably will coordinate the gate this year is a person by the name of **CASSANDRA** or **CASS** or some call her **MAMA CASS**. You don't need a more detailed description, believe me. As long as you don't try to bullshit her, **Mama Cass** is one real O.K. sort of a person to know.

Go and meet her and tell her you would like to do a stint at the gate and feel her warm arms gratefully embracing you, ... well ... figuratively speaking at least.



*Frank*

## VOLUNTEERS AT LARGE.

There really is a lot to be done to keep a ConFest going. Like showers to be put up, toilets to be shifted and filled and cleaned and a few other things. When you're through watching the grass grow, or whatever you do with grass, maybe you could make this ConFest also YOUR ConFest as well and offer to help out.

You probably will have to see DAVID. He is relatively easy to find: grey hair on top and not much of that and nothing else below. (We're talking about clothing here, of course. We're not THAT unkind.) He also sports a walkie talkie or mobile phone type of thing.

David has many grand ideas for improving our creature comforts at a ConFest, but you will have to lend him a hand to get things going. He really tries, but even he cannot do every thing singlehandedly. So, how about you pitch in and not only assist in getting things done, but also help him out by reminding him that certain things are still on the drawing board and need to be done at some early stage, like right now.

As a matter of fact, look at the page where your ticket is, and you'll see some coloured ticks and things. Please read it again. As I said at the beginning: this is OUR ConFest. Your helping out or pitching in sure will make this a better festival.

Try it out, you'll be surprised what you can do with very little effort. And it is satisfying to be part of the building of a ConFest. Truly.

Let our motto be: PITCH IN and HELP OUT. !!!



Not? No dogs?!



## NOTICE BOARD.

Now, the **NOTICE BOARD** is a very special **ConFest thingmayiggy**. It is an exclusive **ConFest Non Verbal Communication Exercise**. It carries all sorts of **Written Notices**. From friends who want to meet each other again, bods who want lifts back home, people who have lost their **Bank Card** (you wouldn't dream of carrying an **American Express** card, would you?) and whatever people do write to each other or insist that you should know about.

(Hey, try and keep your notice on a piece not much larger than your own hand, that way more notices can fit on the board and you won't get hassled by some dickhead covering your notice. )

And... on this **NOTICE BOARD** are also shown the **WORKSHOPS**, their **PLACES** and **TIMES**, and maybe the name of the person who holds the workshop and maybe even a short description of the contents thereof.

Do have a look because you may otherwise miss out on some very interesting stuff.

Then again, maintain your own sense of reality and discernment. **DTE** is not responsible for any of these workshops. **DTE** simply gives people the space to hold the workshop and you must take from it what you feel is positive or constructive to you, whether it is dinky-di stuff or just plain bulldust.



## WORKSHOPS.

This booklet was written some time prior to the ConFest and it was therefore impossible to give any specific details.

However, based on past experience, you can be assured that there will be a number of most interesting workshops on all sorts of topics. Find out, talk with people who have been to one or simply sit in on any workshop you see happening. **ALL WORKSHOPS ARE FREE !!!!**

If you cannot find a workshop you're looking for, have a chat with the **WORKSHOP CO-ORDINATOR**. This time it probably will be a chap by the name of **DANIEL** and you will most likely find him conducting the **Morning Gathering**. He is of average height, long brown hair and bushy beard - if that is any help in this place. Well, compared to Tattsлото, your chances are now better than 1 in 3,000.

If you would want to hold your own workshop and need a tent or marquee for that, than go and ask **DANIEL** how to get one. Otherwise, just designate a beautiful tree or something as your spot and advertise your workshop on the notice board. You may need a notice paper slightly larger than your hand, but I'm sure people will understand that! Just don't cover someone else's notice.



## MESSAGE AREA.

Highly recommended that you find the location of the Massage Area or Massage Village. We would like to share with you - if you are a newcomer or First ConfFester' - that it is here where the main spirit of any ConfFest blossoms.

For obvious reasons we **SERIOUSLY REQUEST** that you **DO NOT** take photographs here - unless it is of a specific person **AND** with their specific consent. Please do not compete with certain newspapers or magazines whose interest is limited to sleazy "tit-and-bum" stuff.

If you're not quite sure how to massage or want to know more about it, or want to know where the oils are or whatever, go and see the co-ordinator. This year it probably will be a chap by the name of **BARRY**. He sports a lot of wavy grey hair, very dignified sort of, but he is most approachable and helpful and a good masseur in his own right as well.

Oh, we also **STRONGLY REQUEST** that you keep smoking and alcohol **OUT OF THIS AREA !!**

And one other thing : please try to take responsibility for your own feelings and sensitivities. Meaning : If you feel that the person who is massaging you is doing something which causes you discomfort in any way, please tell that person to cease and desist instantly. **DO NOT** be impressed by stories about their qualifications, knowledge or accreditations. None of these justify causing you discomfort. And you have a right to feel uncomfortable -even if no one else understands why you should feel uncomfortable in the first place. It is your bloody right nevertheless and you do not have to justify yourself either ! [This is one of the things I meant earlier, when I talked about ConfFests slacking off and people " .....make 'F..' and still make war" . ]



## PHYSICALLY DISABLED PEOPLE

*Those of us who are physically disabled, please speak up and voice your needs and wants. Even though you are in the minority, that's no reason to remain silent and you DO count and you ARE important.*

*Those of us who are not disabled: Could you maybe assist the site co-ordinator of D.T.E. in making the ConfEst site more comfortable and accessible for our sisters and brothers who have to move around in wheelchairs. ?*

*Maybe flattening out bumps in the road or improving access to the showers or drinking water taps or easier dunny facilities or whatever it is that people in wheelchairs cannot physically do themselves.*

*Of course you will be sensitive and you will try not to offer assistance when not asked for. And, what's more, you will of course be aware that those sisters and brothers can do a lot more than often given credit for.*





## VILLAGES.

*This is another one of those typical -- and by now even traditional -- ConFest ideas.*

*Like so many village anywhere in this world, a ConFest Village is a group of people who live in close proximity and who have something in common. A being together of kindred spirits so to speak. Like for instance, the Childrens Village where parents with their children can have their spot which is usually further away from some noisier spots onsite. And where the gear used for the children's entertainment and play is usually kept.*

*Then you have the Healing Village, where people who are into any form of healing can be together. The spiritual Village; Wimmins Village; Night Owls Village -- or whatever serious or funny or even crazy name a group of people wish to call their place around a (approved) fire place.*

*This idea of 'Village' may also contribute to people gathering together at any time during the day, have a yarn and make their own music (non amplified, of course), cook and maybe even share meals together, look after the safety of their own fire place.*

*Talk with the people around you. When you come to an agreement as to what to name your 'village', go and mark it on one of the Boards on site for that purpose.*



# MONEY AND D.T.E.

To have or not to have - to love or to hate - dammed if you have it and dammed if you don't. Multinationals versus the masses. Marx revisited. What a bummer of a dilemma.

Without spending 74 hours talking and waffling about it, allow me to bring this dilemma to your attention in point form, with the arguments in favour and against.

Maybe, just maybe, it may trigger off some worthwhile discussion on the subject and maybe even bring forth a sensible suggestion or two.

Assuming D.T.E. makes lots of money from a ConFest -  
"What Should D.T.E Do With It?"

## 1.- Buy a block of land to hold ConFests on.

In favour : It would save enormous amounts of time, material and money setting up a ConFest. People would become more familiar with the lay-out. People could benefit from cultivating that land. The permanency will give a sense of security.

Against : ConFests would become stale and sterile events and people would lose interest after a few years because of the same-ness. The number of fence-jumpers would increase considerably. Who would pay for the rates and other overhead costs, the people on the land or the absentee (D.T.E.) landlord in the city? A few people could make a lot of money out of this property. Who will look after the land and would those people make space for a ConFest?

## 2.- Buy a warehouse or similar in the city.

In favour : All D.T.E. gear could be stored, looked after, repaired and accounted for, with very considerable savings to D.T.E. D.T.E. could expand and create a coffee house or something like that for the people to use, to hold workshops and so on for their material.

physical, intellectual, emotional and spiritual benefit.

There will then be a steady, dependable base for people to contact each other.

D.T.E. could set up its communications-of-ideas program.

Against: D.T.E. will get locked into mainstream's hassles of bank loans, insurances, and property ownership and so on.

It doesn't contribute to the ecology of the land.

Would ownership of property change our attitude - becoming more possessive?

### 3.- D.T.E. should act as an umbrella group and support other active organisations.

In favour: Support could then be given to the Aborigines through "Pay The Rent" Scheme. F.O.E., Green Peace, World Vision, Amnesty International and many more would benefit.

Against: Hard to keep those organisations accountable - even to the minimum of making sure that the contribution does not get ripped off or maybe even stolen.

(Has happened, a \$7,000 contribution by D.T.E. got totally wasted because of incompetence. Imagine a \$10 per confest ticket contribution, that would mean that at least 700 people would have had their contribution ripped off.)

Do we make a distinction between middle of the road (conservative?) organisations such as Conservation Foundation or only 'New Age' groups such as R.A.G.?

These are just three suggestions out of many others.



## Possible ways of making the discussion work.

What I am hoping to achieve by putting this article in, is to start a general discussion WITH SOME FORM OF SENSE AND SENSIBILITY. Meaning: It's great to say "Yeah, let's support that group'. It may make us feel good, it may even make us feel virtuous. But if that group is being run by a person as mentioned above, then the energy of \$7,000 has been wasted and ripped off.

To expect people on a property to allow Confests to take place, is placing a great burden on those very people we pretend to help. See what happened at Mt.Oak in Bredbo.

Are you willing to tell some of your 'brothers and sisters' that their particular project cannot have any financial contribution or is not considered to be worthwhile enough? Because if you aren't game to do that, the support scheme is already on a wonky & insecure base.

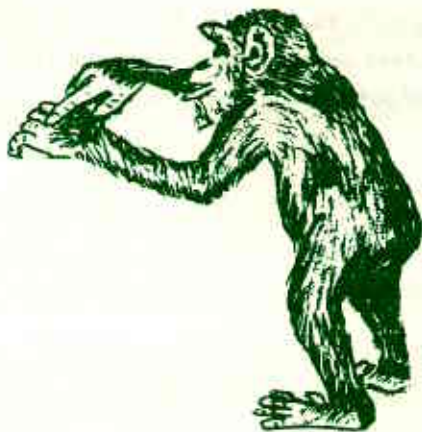
And WHO decides what to do with the money? All of us here at a Confest site or those active D.T.E -ers who attend regularly the meetings in the City - are those city based meeting goers "Our Lackeys" or what?

May I suggest that before putting a proposal to the meeting, we use the "Devil's Advocate System".

Explanation: You form an idea in detail, then honestly try to rip that idea to pieces with counter arguments, and then at the end, rebuild that idea anew and with the things you learned from your own Devil's Advocate and only then present it to the meeting. You are clearer in your mind about what you are trying to say and what you really mean to say. Your presentation or proposal will most likely make more sense to others because it is trimmed down, well thought out and certainly not too verbose. We may even come to a win-win situation.

A excellent example was a proposal by one of my closest 'brothers'. He proposed D.T.E. buys a property, sells it at non-profit to a community group, puts a number of covenants on it preventing any one person or persons making a profit out of selling or buying into the community or altering the status of the community.

And then, D.T.E. repeats this over and over again, constantly seeding new communities with the same amount of money. Here, in a few lines, is a summary of an excellent, clear cut proposal - still to be discussed on a wider basis.



A few things which I learned the hard way, is never to say "WE should do this ...." and most certainly never to say: "YES, BUT WHAT IF .....".

This word 'WE' is invariably used by people who wish to show off how brilliant their 'brain-monkeys' are working. Then again, this may have been said simply as a manner of speech. In that case I'll try to be gentle and understanding.

And then we have this often used saying: 'YES, but what if \_'. This saying is by far THE most effective way to completely kill off any constructive proposal. This saying is also known as "THE PERFECT SQUELCH". Any kind of initiative or effective or positive action is killed by it.

Watch it and you will notice over a short period that this saying is used almost always by people whose little egos cannot cope with someone else's ideas and therefore they have to squash it without putting a fair counter proposal up.

I counter this kind of negativeness by raising my left eyebrow, look such a person straight in the eye, shrug my shoulder and say: "Yeah, but what if the sky falls in one day?" and then proceed while further ignoring at least their comment.

And then you have the airy fairy, woolly minded, sweet souls whose main function in live is to dream about the future. I am not being critical here, because I know of many people and tribes who use dreams as a tool to map out the future.

It is beautiful to be wild and woolly, to dream and love the Dolphins and the Deva's. I would die if my younger sisters and brothers cannot dream with me anymore. Keep your dreams, but try and put them in a practical framework. And money and dreams seldom mix.

It shouldn't, however, be beyond the reach of our combined intelligences and our combined sense of goodwill to be able to find a 'Win-Win' solution to the needs of all the groups involved in a discussion about 'D.T.E. & MONEY'.

It is my wish and hope that this little essay will contribute to my younger sisters and brothers succeeding where till now their 'older siblings' (read: predecessors) and the 'wrinklies' have failed.

an essay by George S.



## BE REALLY HERE !!

ConFest is an environment where you can feel free. That freedom is obviously one with normal practical constraints, but maybe while you're here you can actually relax a bit. It can be more rewarding than you might imagine.

I did two workshops at the '93 Autumn Gathering, one concerning American Football (of all things) and the other a discussion of Robert Bly's "Iron John". I had no previous experience doing workshops, nor did I have a clear idea of what I would do within these. I just felt it was worth finding out what would happen.

Well, both groups were wonderfully enjoyable, due 100 % to the ideas and inspirations of the interesting men and women like yourselves who came along with the spirit of ConFest in their hearts. We were all guarded at first, which is normal with any group of 'strangers'. But once the first tentative hurdle was passed everyone was rewarded for their trust with a chance, even just for one day, to ask aloud their questions on life, love, masculinity, femininity, sex and sport in a relaxed, constructive, supportive and generous 'instant' community.

Maybe YOU have something you want to discuss, an insight or a question or just a feeling you want to share with some like-minded people. This is, as always, your chance. Inspire others with your passion for the wonderful things of this world. Put yourself into this ConFest, you'll be delighted with the joy that comes flooding out.

- Mark Dickenson.



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### MEMORABILIA.

If you have any pictures, photos, videos, slides or posters or similar from previous ConFests, could you consider to bring them along to this or the next ConFest, please ? We would like to show them (very carefully) and discuss with you the possibility of donating them to the RAINBOW ARCHIVES of the MACQUARIE LIBRARY in Sydney for professional care and safe keeping and display.

You and I and WE  
WE are SOCIETY  
we MADE it  
we MAINTAIN it  
we CAN CHANGE it

Let's Have A Happy ConFest !!!



**This page is for the notes you would have written if you had remembered them.**

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## HELPING YOU TO HELP ALL OF US.

Earlier on there was this talk about that this is 'OUR' ConFest. And somewhat further down you may have read about maybe helping out at the Gate with Moma Cass or helping David to set up the showers and things like that.

Well, maybe you also read the last newsletter and therein was this notion by a pretty smart person who thought that to give each day its own colour code may make things easier, in that you will then have a fair idea what kind of jobs ought to be done if and when you want to pitch in. So we took that a step further and here is the low down:

"The jobs listed below marked with one of these colours will be the job the purchaser of this ticket will be expected to perform on the respective day. One hour on each job should be sufficient. Please see the roster and job description at INFORMATION (tent) to mark in the time suitable for you. Any of these tasks may be exchanged for specialised jobs in the First Aid tent."

*Cass Clarke and Venetia*

### COLOUR OF THE DAY.

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Wednesday = Pink  
Thursday = Blue  
Friday = Yellow  
Saturday = Green  
Sunday = Orange

### JOB YOU ARE ASKED TO FILL ON THE SAME COLOUR OF DAY.

Front Gate.....   
Garbage.....   
Dunnies.....   
Staffing Information.....   
Odd Job Person.....   
Car Park Attendant.....   
Fire/Security.....   
Childrens Village Helper....

We are inviting you to consider becoming a member of the D.T.E. Co-Operative Society. You'll benefit by it through early bird discounts on future tickets. If you are a member already please tick the appropriate box. Thank you.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

FULL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

POST CODE \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member ?

Do you wish to become a member ?

**This is Your Participation Ticket.  
DO NOT LOOSE IT !!!**

The person at the Entrance Gate will have to charge you again if you cannot produce it - and than when you have found your ticket at a later date , you will have the hassle to mail it to us for a refund.

NO DOGS allowed on site or in the car park !!! They're great animals but with so many people having their food and utensils on the ground and their tents open, we just cannot allow dogs to roam around. And you would be a real mongrel if you tied your dog down for 5 days on end. So , again : NO DOGS. !!!!!

NO DISPOSABLES PLEASE !



Please look at the back of your ticket before you tear it off  
and hand it to the ticket collector.



NOTICE.

The Gate Price of \$40.-- is the rock bottom/  
recession dole level. We truly regret but there  
is no way we can give further concessions.

**DOWN TO EARTH CONFEST ENTRANCE TICKET.**  
ConFest at Moama from 29-12-'93 till 2-1-'94  
people under 16 years, free.  
Price at the Gate : \$ 40

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