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I am 67

I am not attending.

NIMBYism is strong up here with people complaining about everything and anything they can find fault with.

But people forget they were young once. We did worse than these kids and did not have the safety regulations like now and we survived.

Everything is OVER regulated in Australia IN GENERAL as you may be aware so this also included event management which has become more and more stringent over time that's why big backers Like LIVE NATION are needed to put on a proper functioning and well set up event because that's what their business is and they do it professionally.

They get their cut of course because they have paid the most costs. This is big time

Festivals. Despite the bigger numbers its probably safer than smaller homegrown festivals because the Big one has done what it has to, to be legally approved.

Ocean Shores residents complain about kids in cars parked overnight in their street. This would be minor and its short term. People complain about anything. There is too much complaining these days if anyone does not like a neighbour sneezing.

As for the wildlife. I do not think a few days a year will hurt them. We are told they are traumatised. I don't think so. I have seen jets scream low over scrub wallabies in a coastal National Park where training RAAF flights go over all the time. I blocked my ears with the shock wave sound but wallabies went on munching.

As for drugs. Allow the tester teams onto sites at least then the safety issue which is the main problem is covered. If there were 30 culprits caught last time that is small in a crowd of 35,000. Yet media focuses on these numbers inferring they are all on drugs which is NOT the case. There was a death in a Sydney Festival. So do we shut it all down like the NSW premiere said he would at that time, wanting to appear tough on safety, when heaps more die on the roads. We do not ban everyone from driving on the roads because of deaths.

As for the flooding photos. That is a furphy. IF and only IF as it highly likely will never happen, but floodwater drains away fast and any 4WD ambulance can get through. If the kids were inconvenienced at all by tents getting washed out well that's just part of life. Things happen. The sun comes out the next day and you dry things out. We have all been there done that.

As for close by residents/neighbours who complain about noise. Get earplugs. Its only a day or two. Whatever happened to the 70s 80s when we had neighbours have a party. We put up with it and it was usually turned down after 1am. Now its complain if anyone has anything a bit noisy and its call the cops and the poor overworked underpaid cops have to

follow up a vexatious complaint and issue a warning. They have better things to do.

Yes I live in a tourist town that has 22,000 schoolies and I can hear a pin drop. The warnings about keep quiet or get evicted are written large on the walls of their accommodation. Let them have a sing song on the veranda as I heard across the road a few nights back. I do not ring the cops!! They soon went out at about 7pm and came back quietly. And even if they didn't go out why cant they make a bit of noise. Its not hurting anyone.

let the poor kids have a bit of fun in their overly regulated festival in their over regulated lives which they have to go back to

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