

nimbin's 25th ANNUAL 2017

# MardiGrass

CANNABIS LAW REFORM RALLY & GATHERING

5, 6 & 7 MAY

WELCOME TO NIMBIN & THE MARDIGRASS.

**Welcome to Nimbin,**

a unique village for many reasons... the preponderance of pot users being one of them. It's a great place to live but our favourite herb remaining illegal is driving us crazy. However, the truth about Cannabis is now infiltrating the Australian mainstream. It's a wonderful healing herb that was used in a huge percentage of our medicines less than a century ago, simply because it can make you feel good in the most dire of circumstances.

We don't need any more trials to prove cannabis works. That's a disgusting delay tactic by the giant global pharmaceutical companies, another branch of the corporations who actually run our governments. It seems they'll go to any length to

stop us growing our own medicine. Every week in Australia over a thousand people are still busted for Cannabis. Higher numbers than ever, 75,000 last year! And this is while our governments now say they finally recognise Cannabis has medical properties and why they've changed the laws. However, every day many people come to Nimbin saying, "But it's legal... I saw it on the news. Why can't I access cannabis medicine?" How can that be?

Governments have legalised cannabis for a small segment of people who are either terminally ill, or children with severe epilepsy. They're promising to import it from overseas but it's still not available. You can't grow it your-

self unless you get a licence and there are none issued for plants containing THC. No prizes for guessing who wants to control the supply: the pharmaceutical industry of course. Cannabis is a plant that makes you feel good and it grows anywhere. No wonder they made it illegal. How else can profit be made from it?

Do you need any more reasons to come to MardiGrass and help us draw a line of sanity in the sand for the future of everybody? "People before profit" is the call and in this critical moment on Earth we need all the help we can get from those who understand the importance of that... and what sane person would disagree?



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## CANNABIS LAW REFORM RALLY & GATHERING

Friday 5 May

It begins...

### PROTEST

10.45am  
Gather on footpath  
outside Nimbin Hospital

11.00am  
**MARCH for Cannabis Law Reform**  
from Nimbin Hospital across the road to the Police Station to deliver a request for them to treat us and our choice of medicine and recreation as part of everyday life – not a criminal matter.



### EDUCATE

Nimbin Town Hall

**1.00 pm** : Michael Balderstone & Miss Guidance, Nimbin Hemp Embassy  
**Cannabis Adventures on the Left Coast**  
About: A study tour of the legal recreational cannabis world in North America including a visit to the Nimbin Pot Shop in Seattle.

**2 pm** : Andrew Kavasilas, Australian HEMP Party  
**Interim Measures on Cannabis for medical purposes in Australia**  
About: Options for the development of Interim Measures in relation to the use of Cannabis for medical purposes in Australia.

**2.30 pm** : Ajia Mae Moon, Twelve High Chicks, Vancouver BC, Canada  
**Protecting your family while fighting for your freedom - what you need to know**  
About: While laws governing the use and sale of marijuana are loosening, prohibition remains extremely harmful to families through continued persecution and discrimination

**3 pm** : Arik Reiss, Film maker Druglaved  
**The Pathologisation of Cannabis Use in the Mainstream Media**  
About: Arik will discuss media representations of cannabis and how mainstream perspectives based

on "pathology" or "otherness" frame much of the public discourse. He will suggest ways to rectify these misrepresentations to create a more favourable image and thereby improve the possibilities of changing drug policies.

**4 pm** : Rob Laurie, Ad Lucem Law Canada  
**Considering the Importance of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms to Cannabis Legalization in Canada, Do Australians Need a Charter of their own?**  
About: Robert will discuss the important history of Canadian cannabis legalization efforts with a focus on constitutional litigation in Canada. He will provide an overview of the cannabis case law that has laid the ground work for Canadian legalization and make the argument that Australia adopt their own Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

**5 pm** : David Shoebridge, Greens MLC NSW  
**NSW Police resources wasted on the War on Drugs**  
About: A look at how taxpayer money is spent on drug policing in NSW, including drug dogs, roadside drug testing, and the "dob in a dealer" campaign, and how that money could be spent more effectively.



## MardiGrass

### OPENING CEREMONY

**5 pm : Allsop Park**  
Fire dancers will herald the arrival of Chibo carrying the Hemp Olympix Torch with the Eternal Flame For The Victims Of Prohibition, the Bundjalung Custodians will do a smoking ceremony and welcome to country followed by a minutes silence to remember our Brothers and Sisters, Victims of this senseless War on Drugs.

### Medical Cannabis Healers Circle

**6 pm : Town Hall Garden**  
Considering MardiGrass is a great national and international melting pot, it is a perfect opportunity to have an open meeting for all those currently advocating for medicinal cannabis access. We are doing our community a disservice by not having open and clear communication on the number and variety of cannabis users in Australia. We want this community united like never before and to make ALL voices across Australia be heard: healers, advocates and users.

### MARDIGRASS FILM FESTIVAL

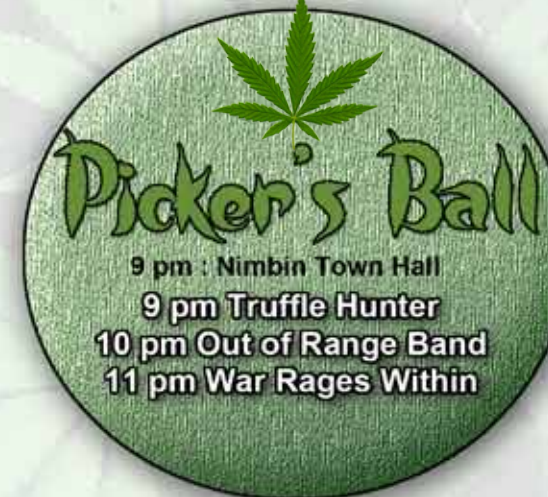
**Marijuana Australiana**  
Film screening and Q&A with film maker, Richard Barron  
**5 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
Marijuana Australiana is a rambunctious, intelligent and timely documentary about the history of cannabis culture in Australia – from its beginnings as a recreational drug among the country's youth to its emergence into the mainstream as an alternative and effective medicine – and the political posturing around it. Mullumbimby-based Richard Barron's informative and often funny film takes us to the nation's cannabis capital, Nimbin, where he captures the sheer anarchic merriment of the legalise-it movement in footage of the MardiGrass.



### CELEBRATE

## GREAT GREEN CABARET

**7.30 pm:**  
**Nimbin Town Hall/School of Arts**  
This year's amazing Great Green Cabaret will feature singers **Willie McElroy, Andrea Soler, Amulet and Sadie & Jay**, plus the **Pitts Family Circus** featuring trapeze artiste **Bronte Webster** and Byron Polecat **Candice Leigh**, together with dancers the **Veil of Dreams** and **Byron Tango**, stand up comic **Jonathan Atherton** and MC/poet **David Hallett**.  
Doors open 7pm. Show is 90 minutes no interval. Verandah cafe open  
**Entry MardiGrass wristband or \$10 / kids gold coin.**



**9 pm : Nimbin Town Hall**  
**9 pm Truffle Hunter**  
**10 pm Out of Range Band**  
**11 pm War Rages Within**

## DJANBUNG GARDENS

**74 Cecil Street**  
Funky tunes • chilled atmosphere • great food  
Brekkly, lunch & munchies in the gardens – come and chill out in our beautiful permaculture gardens, just a short walk from the Showground. The ideal spot if you want a little break to relax from the bustle of town. Abundance Cafe serving delicious meals and snacks—the ultimate local food experience. Try our 5km coffee and homemade organic cordials with carbonated rainwater. Blackboard menu includes local grass-fed meat, vegan & gluten-free options. Funky tunes and chill sounds by Nimbin DJ Club with awesome local DJs.

- Free filtered rainwater to refill your water bottle
- Free wifi for cafe customers
- Free recharge sockets for phones, laptops
- Lots of undercover space and outdoor garden settings
- Kidz Area (please supervise your children)
- Explore our lush permaculture paradise and gardens

**2.30 pm Workshop :**  
**Organic Growing Masterclass—**  
**the Magic of Biochar and Compost Tea**  
*(free with armband, others by donation)*

Something deep & meaningful & profound about weed & freedom & stuff...



Friday 5 May

### HEMP BAR

Nimbin Hemp Embassy, 51 Cullen Street

This is the home of **POT ART** though there will be more next door in the Embassy also. Meet old hippies here and long time cannabis law reform activists. Coffees, teas, healers and archival MardiGrass footage. The Bar hosts **Ghosts of MardiGrass Past!** Join the HEMP Party here. And if you live in Victoria or NSW, please sign up and help us register state HEMP Parties. Armband entry only!

**4.20 pm** Web Cam Broadcast begins at HEMP Party Bar and includes **Church of the Holy Smoke MardiGrass Blessing** with the sacrificial \$US100 note lighting the joint on the very moment of 4:20. NimbinHempBar.com. Please join our church over the weekend!

**6 pm GREY POWER** outside the HEMP BAR. Annual gathering of grandparents, parents and children for the **POLITE SERVICE** to capture evidence in images to record the proof that pot is anti-aging!

Get out your fabrics, banners paintbrushes and sewing machine to get ready for the annual

## MARDIGRASS PARADE FLOAT AWARDS

Have a go at creating a float, costume, banner paper mache or sculpture about pot prohibition. Floats can be a vehicle for a powerful message about pot celebration and/or protest. We welcome floats that reflect our area, our people, our pride, our fun and festive spirit, and desire for a peaceful future. Law reform is the focus of MardiGrass and we encourage all to have a say!

Prizes are sponsored by the **Happy Herb Company** and will be presented to the winning float in Sativa Stadium after the Sunday Parade and Rally.



## NIMBIN STREET DRUMMERS

**7 pm : Outside Daizy's, Cullen Street**  
On Friday nights Cullen street comes alive with drumming – Aboriginal – African- Caribbean- Latin American  
The percussion circle right on Nimbin's own 'Blister' attracts local musicians, dancers and revellers every Friday night until late.  
Please leave the street open for traffic!

## Imaginerium

**SPontaneous Art Event #imaginerium**  
**7 Sibley Street Friday & Saturday:**  
**Prop And Costume Making**  
**For Sunday Parade**  
(On the way to the skate park)  
DRop in and get creative with local makers of sculpture, puppets and fun. **#imaginerium** is building some fabulous props for this years protest parade on Sunday. Ever wanted to be a more colourful part of protest? Get your creative skates on to paint, sew, cut and bedazzle!!

## Comedy WEED LAUGHS

**7 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
Hosted by Laugh Mob.  
Weed love to make you laugh with our comedy!  
And we sure need it to handle these ridiculous, discriminatory, inhuman, archaic, ludicrous and laughable cannabis laws.

## Green Lights DISCO

**9 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
Nimbin DJ Club presents  
Open DJ Sets / Fire Dancers / Lights / Videos / Fx...  
dance in the largest rainproof tent!  
Featuring:  
**Vicious System**  
**Salubrious Somethings**  
**and Video DJ Disco Sista**

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Saturday 6 May

The unbelievably unreal,  
freakin' farout & fantastic

### KOMBI KONVOY



## PROTEST

### STONER BLAZE & GLOBAL MARIJUANA MARCH

4:20

Welcome to the Earth's longest running "Four Twenty" Demonstration in Nimbin! Come on everybody! It's time to take control of the street! OCCUPY!! Stand shoulder-to-shoulder with your fellow cannabis lovers and light whatever you have in your hand, and let's appreciate that all around the world millions of people are smoking pot at Four Twenty.

Meet for a world record attempt at the most joints ever lit at once in the one place! Everyone is encouraged to roll a joint so that when the Konvoy has passed, at the call of the Nimbin time 4:20, we can light up simultaneously and please blow as much smoke as possible for the cameras. Well over 1 million cannabis law reform activists in nearly 300 cities around the globe will be protesting. In Nimbin we will once again aim to break our record for the most joints ever lit at once in the same place at the same time. This is a big call these days because weed is now legal - for those who enjoy it - in 8 American states. Be smart and bring a "joint"! After the last Kombi has passed, wait for the call and we will light up, and produce as much smoke as possible!

At Four Twenty everyone ought to be thinking pot for peace and peace for pot and ways to achieve it! Thank each other for bravery in the face of what can seem at times to be overwhelming opposition, and for standing strong against those who think cannabis is a problem. Thank each other for spreading the word that cannabis is part of the solution. Now take this vibe out into the world and tell everyone you meet that there is a tribal wave of change coming. Tell them everything you learned at Nimbin MardiGrass!!  
**Viva la Fume!**

## EDUCATE



**Legal Advice with Steve Bolt**  
10.30 am Hash Bowl Stage, Sativa Stadium  
Cannabis is a "prohibited drug" under NSW law. Any activity involving cannabis is illegal - possession, use, supply or cultivation. It is also an offence to drive with THC present in your saliva. Local solicitor, Steve Bolt, will present general advice and guidance regarding cannabis laws.

### Medical Cannabis Information

10 am - 4 pm : Town Hall Garden  
Open all weekend:  
Medical Cannabis meeting place, advice and education from local and visiting experts, as well as herbal extraction and cooking demonstrations.

Please drop in any time to share with local and visiting experts.  
Advisors: Dave, Francis, Gary, Heather, Kendra, Zane, Dr Andrew Katelaris

10 am - 12 pm : Extraction demonstration - Radic AI  
12 - 2 pm : Cooking demonstration - Nick the Hippy  
2 - 4 pm : Extraction demonstration - Radic AI



rolls up in Nimbin at 4:00pm having wended its way from Byron Bay. Line the street to welcome up to 100 kombis!

Special thanks to Rvbyesque

4:20



## EDUCATE

Saturday 6 May



### Nimbin Town Hall

11 am : Stories from the Medical Cannabis Community  
About: Medicinal cannabis families tell their stories about treating illnesses including epilepsy, cancer and post-traumatic stress disorder. Hosted by Tony Barry  
Speakers include: Lyn & Malcolm Amundsen, Jenny Hallam, Rebecca Houghton [Weeded Warrior], Carol Ireland [Epilepsy Action Australia], Michael Lambert, Steve Strong

12.30 pm : Arik Reiss, Film maker Druglawed  
Screening of "Druglawed 2: Scientist" and Q&A with film maker.  
About: "Druglawed 2: Scientist" details the life and work of pioneering Israeli chemist Professor Raphael Mechoulam who discovered the molecular structure of cannabis in 1964. He has been at the forefront of cannabis research for over half a century and has blazed a trail for Israel to have the largest state-sponsored medical cannabis program in the world.

1 pm : Sita von Windheim, CannaMed Canada  
Roots - Extraction Process, Use And Cautions  
About: Extraction demonstration, and discussion of the variety of uses and health benefits of cannabis roots.

2 pm : Carl Martel, Canada  
Hemp Biomass as Activated Material for Electricity Storage  
About: The mining of minerals for metals used for making storage devices are a finite resource, energy intensive and polluting. Carl will explore the alternative potential of hemp biomass to create a more environmentally friendly electricity storage device.

2.30 pm : Dr David Bearman, Physician, Expert Witness & Author, California USA  
Cannabis and Cancer  
About: Here's the Cannabis Kills Cancer Cells Story  
Followed by book signing session

6 pm : How do we get politicians to

take cannabis law reform seriously?  
About: Panel discussion  
Hosted by Steve Bolt  
Speakers include: Damon Adams [Weeded Warrior], Glenn Druey [Political Strategist], Derryn Hinch [Justice Party Senator Victoria], Andrew Kavasilas [HEMP Party], Fiona Patten [Sex Party MLC Victoria], David Shoebridge [Greens MLC NSW]

Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena  
12 pm : Dr David Bearman, Physician, Expert Witness & Author, California USA  
Cannabinoids PTSD, ADHD and Beyond: A Clinicians Effort to Understand the Brain  
About: Some thoughts on why cannabinoids work for PTSD, ADHD, and Endocannabinoid Deficiency conditions.

1 pm : Michael Harding & Brooke Vogler, Weeded Warrior  
Cannabis, PTSD and Veterans with Purpose  
About: Michael, Brooke and other Weeded Warriors will share their experiences of what cannabis has done in managing their service related injuries. There is far more to the story than just getting "high"!

2 pm : Damon Adams, Weeded Warrior  
Veterans, emergency service personnel, and PTSD. What needs to happen  
About: Veterans and emergency service personnel are subjected to the highest rate of suicides in the workforce. This session will discuss what can be done to make cannabis accessible for those that need it, from both grassroots and political directions.

2.30 - 4 pm : Medicin Q&A with healers and experts  
About: Information exchange, networking and sharing space for medican families and community. Hosted by Dr Deb Waldron  
Speakers include: Lyn & Malcolm Amundsen, Tony Bower [Mullaways]

Medical Cannabis], Bec Bridson, Nikki Freeburn, Jenny Hallam, Gail Hester [Medical Cannabis Users Association], Rebecca Houghton [Weeded Warrior], Carol Ireland [Epilepsy Action Australia], Dr Andrew Katelaris, Michael Lambert, Michelle Whitelaw, Sita von Windheim [CannaMed, Canada]

Hemp IMF Tent  
This years MardiGrass Hemp (IMF) Tent will promote global & local hemp solutions for (IMF) Industry, Medical and Food use. Our highly experienced Hempies have had many years of experience in developing all things HEMP!

10 am - 4 pm : Martin Ernegg, Hemp Fibre Fusion Workshop: Hemp Bead Molding  
About: Come and create your own pieces of art and jewellery and experience the world of nanotechnology with inventor Martin Ernegg. \$20 per person all materials and tuition!

10.30 am Radha Rene, Love Hemp  
Developing Small Hemp Businesses In Australia  
About: Radha will talk of her experience in developing a small ethical hemp business that promotes Australian grown and processed hemp.

11am Binnah Pownall  
Hemp Building in Australia  
About: Binnah will present an exposé of hemp building, past and present. If you want to build a house of Hemp don't miss this talk!

11-30am Dolph Cook, Charmaster  
Hemp Biochar, Hemp Farming & Hemp University  
About: Dolph will share his experience of developing hemp farming and the importance of Biochar for happy health hemp plants, as well as talk about his vision for a Hemp University.

12 pm Martin Ernegg, Hemp Fibre Fusion  
Super Strong Hemp Products;;;

Just add water!  
About: Martin will talk on developing his materials for a wide range of industrial uses for carbon neutral global friendly consumer goods that even help to reverse Greenhouse!

12-30 pm Carl Martel  
Hemp Farming and the Development of Industrial Hemp Products  
About: Carl has had many years of experience in the hemp industry and has developed hemp vanishes, paints, plastics and is currently working on Hemp masonry and building products. Carl is also working on Hemp based Graphene, the next revolution in renewable materials, which is 100s of times stronger than steel, flexible and can carry electrical current very efficiently.

1 pm Dr Deb  
Medical Cannabis  
About: Dr Deb will talk on the many uses for Medical Cannabis. Dr Deb is a survivor of Cancer and has studied medical cannabis extensively.

1.30 pm Paul Taylor, Trust Nature & Ben Grose, Levi Foundation  
Healthy Soils Healthy Plants Healthy People  
About: A discussion on how to cultivate healthy soil.

2 pm Wadzy (Wayne Wadsworth), Health Farms International, & Glen Ossy-Orley, Hemp Farmer Western Australia  
Cannabis Co-op's, Health Farms Reversing Greenhouse!  
About: Wadzy & Glen will present their experience of Hemp farming and the need for Cooperation in developing all things hemp in Australia. I particular, they will talk about the need for a National Cannabis Co-op "CC" to help develop (IMF) Industrial Medical and Food businesses from hemp.

2-30 pm : Melting POT Q&A  
Join the presenters in an hour-long melting POT Q&A on all things HEMP. Hemp, Cannabis, marijuana, Pot call it what you like, is the most demonised plant on our little space ship, planet Earth. 80 + years of conspiracy lies and propaganda are rapidly coming to an end! Join the melting POT Q&A.

All Day Gardeners Breakfast  
10 am - 4 pm :  
Mullaway's Camp, Indica Arena  
All day Gardener's Breakfast with Mullaway and friends.

All wanna-be green thumbs welcome!  
Get a flying start to the day. MULLAWAY MEDICAL CANNABIS meet up. Tony Bower was arrested and imprisoned for growing medical cannabis. A few months and expensive legal fees later, Tony was freed by a higher court. He has since been focusing on genetic child epilepsy patients where some outstanding results have been seen and publicised by the media.  
"My culture prohibits me from not helping someone if I can."

Druglawed  
Film screening and Q&A with film maker, Arik Reiss  
7 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena

DRUGLAWED is the explosive documentary exposing how New Zealand has been co-opted by the US into fighting the failed War On Drugs. Over the last 100 years the US government has forced its drug control policies on almost every country on earth. 40 years since Richard Nixon declared the War On Drugs in 1972, 22 million Americans have been arrested for marijuana. Only one country in the world has higher arrest and conviction rates: New Zealand. DRUGLAWED examines how New Zealand fell in lockstep with US policies, and shows how smaller countries can break out.

HEMP [Party] Bar  
Nimbin Hemp Embassy, 51 Cullen Street  
6 pm : HEMP Party members meet here every evening. Join the HEMP Party here. And if you live in Victoria or NSW, please sign up and help us register state HEMP Parties.

8.30 pm till late The HEMP Bar and Polite Bureau on the Embassy verandah will be hosting a W.A.N party. Bring your laptop, mobile phone and camera.

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### CELEBRATE



**Sativa Stadium**  
11:30 am  
Register at Sativa Stadium for the **2017 Hemp Olympix!**  
\$2 Entry into all HEMP Olympix Events.  
12 pm : **Tug O' Drug Peace Recreational Vs Medical Pot Users** with the **Big Hemp Rope!**  
Sadly, in 2017 police don't want to compete in this famous event. Well, it is a bit embarrassing to keep losing to the stoners! Maybe they'll change their mind, but if not, we'll do the Hillsong Skip to celebrate outlasting the recently retired NSW Police Commissioner. He did his best to make out life difficult!



Last man, or woman standing wins gold!

The tug is followed by the Hemp Olympix **First Heats of the Bong Throw and Yell** and then the **Growers Ironperson Event**. Hosted by **S Sorrensen and Alan Glover**.

Events **Growers Ironperson** – Involves lugging a sack of fertiliser and buckets of water around the simulated growing area obstacle course with a tick and leech infested lantana tunnel. The men's event is a 40kg sack while the women contend with an 18kg sack. The top 5 crawl into the final on Sunday.  
**Bong Throw & Yell** – Entrants throw a bong full of stinking water as far as possible whilst yelling "free the Weed" or something similar.

### Fringe Hemp Olympix

**Sativa Stadium**  
Followed by the **Fringe Hemp Olympix** with **Nic the Hippy, Bigbong, Gary the Plumber, Dr Smooth, and Baldenstoned** all assisting in this fast growing event. This begins with the **Beard and Dread Stash**. How much can you hide in your hair anywhere? Who can hide the most the best? Followed by **Correct Weight** where contestants attempt to fill a baggie with as close to an ounce as possible, 28.349 grams. You've got vegetable matter, a baggie and no scales. Closest to the correct weight wins!  
**Seed Sorting**, and the **Wheelchair Obstacle** Course where contestants will attempt to score a **Licence To Care** which is extremely rare and impossible to get in Australia.

### Hemp Olympix Joint Rolling Heats

**5 pm Nimbin Town Hall**  
Must burn from one end to another! The 4 Categories:  
**Speed Roll** – Roll a standard 3-paper joint as fast as you can. Joints must include a cardboard filter or will be judged incomplete.  
**Artistic Roll** – Roll the most beautiful joint within 10 minutes with as many papers as you like.  
**Roll in the Dark** – Athletes are blindfolded.  
**Adverse Conditions Roll** – Dependent on weather conditions on the day and the judges' creativity.

HEMP Olympix prizes are sponsored by **Off Ya Tree**.



## Saturday 6 May

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### Comedy

**Stand Up Comedy Show**  
7.30 pm : **Nimbin Town Hall**  
MardiGrass comedy in the Town Hall Saturday night at 7.30.  
Hosted by **SSorrensen and Alan Glover**, with special guests **Steady Eddy and Jonathan Atherton**.

**Comedy at the Laugh Grass Tent**  
5 pm : **Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
Hosted by the **Laugh Mob**.

**Hemp Fashion Show**  
7 pm **Nimbin Town Hall**  
Industrial hemp textiles are growing in acceptance with a new following among designers and consumers in Australia. Hemp fibre fell out of mainstream use by the 1950s, replaced by more 'modern' fabrics like polyester and nylon. Manufacturers of today's hemp garments claim the fibres are strong and wear better than other natural or synthetic fibres.

**Djanbung Gardens**  
74 Cecil Street  
8 am - 4 pm : Cafe & DJ Lounge  
11 am Special guided tour of our permaculture gardens with the designer to celebrate International Permaculture Day.  
Free with armband (others: \$10)

**Yoga**  
**Birth & Beyond, Cullen Street**  
(next to the Apothecary)  
Mardigrass will be alive with harmonious Yogic vibrations. Please join us for one of our scheduled classes or pop in to soak up the energy.  
8 - 9.30 am Stoned Yoga  
**CONFRONTING STEREOTYPES- YOGA IN ACTION:**  
Inhale .... hold .... exhale.....relax.  
Stoners, hippies, yogis....it's time to confront tired stereotypes. All stoners aren't lazy and dirty; all hippies don't wear rainbows and dreadlocks and all yogis aren't super athletes in tight lycra... All you need to be able to do is breathe. Yoga and cannabis are ancient tools to enlightenment or simply put a more peaceful joyful experience of your life. Stoned Yoga will provide a quietmorning space amidst the chaos to breath, stretch and re-connect. Some mats supplied but please bring your own!!!!  
10 - 11.30 am Sativa Salutations  
2 - 3.30 pm Yoga on the Grass  
**Meditation**  
4:20 am to Dawn, Sativa Stadium  
Mahawana Sunrise Meditation



**Mingle Park**  
Solar powered **DRY CAMP** in the middle of the village, includes chilled chai tent, hemp education and demonstrations on using hemp seed for nutrition. music, workshops, Stoned Chess, and movies after dark

12 pm **Freestyle Mafia Workshop**  
Featuring: Jesta MC, Ruckus & the Beanstalk & more!  
5 pm Fortay  
5 30 pm Kelly Gang  
6 pm Eph n Treats  
6 30 pm Teddy Lewis King  
7 pm Rates  
7.30 pm Native Bonez  
8 pm Master Wolf  
8 30 pm Jacquie Lomas  
9 pm Ty Mason  
9.30 Freestyle Mafia

**Chess Competition**  
Old Museum site  
11 am: Register for the **MWSCC** (MardiGrass World Stoned Chess Championship)  
12 pm: World Stoned Chess Championship  
Winner decided by sunset.  
Drug testing will be compulsory, but not after every move.  
After Sunset :  
Moving pictures showing 25 years of MardiGrass  
Projectionists: Doug and Old Steve



**MardiGrass 2017 Skateboard Competition**  
**Nimbin Sk8 Park, 9 Sibley Street**  
Skate competition hosted by Slapweh Skate Co. Best Trick and Best Run with giveaways and raffles to be won. Open skate between heats. Cash prizes and prize packs. Live art and music will be on during the day. Slapweh Skate Co store will be open all day selling Australian skate brands with D.I.Y tie dying available.

**Green Light Party**  
9 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena  
Nimbin DJ Club presents  
Open DJ Sets / Spin,  
Fire & Flow Fire Dancers / Lights / Videos / Fx.  
11 pm Funmaker Silent Disco

**Bush Theatre**  
Old Butter Factory, 2 Blue Knob Road  
Enjoy a superb chill zone in a beautiful settin by Mulgum Creek at the Phoenix Rising Café. Delicious food daily with many of the menu's ingredients grown on-site or provided by local producers. Pot movies screening all weekend.  
9 am - 8 pm Saturday & Sunday :  
Live music all weekend!  
3 pm Saturday :  
A Dead Set presented by the Grateful Dead Appreciation Society

Special Thanks to **Tony L. Partridge** for the use of his photos. [tonypartridge.com](http://tonypartridge.com)

**Aboriginal Arts & Culture Centre**  
Sibley Street on the way to the Skatepark  
The Nimbin Aboriginal Arts and Culture Centre will be open throughout the MardiGrass weekend with Bush Tucker, an Art Exhibition and a chance to talk with Local Elders to discuss the impact of prohibition on their culture and people.

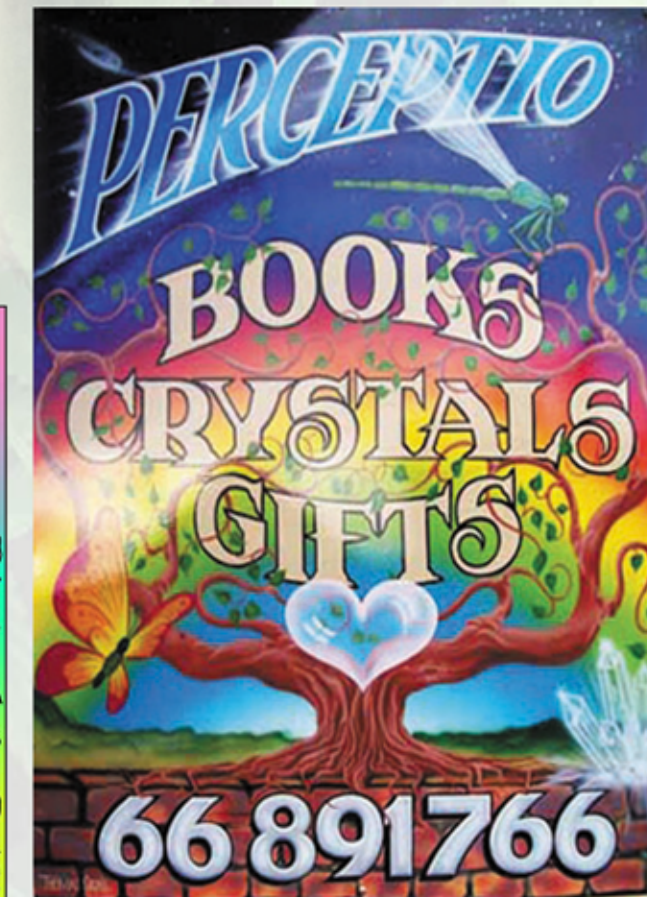
**GreenBank**  
39 Cullen Street  
**Chill zone:**  
Herbal teas, organic foods, therapists and relaxing massage all weekend.

### Music

**Hash Bowl Stage**  
Sativa Stadium  
5 pm David Spry  
6 pm Guthrie  
7 pm Senivoda  
8 pm The Bent Bullets  
9 pm All Strings Attached  
10 pm Monster Zoku Onsbomb

**Nimbin Town Hall**  
10 pm Wandering Eyes  
11 pm Loey Howell  
11 30pm Funkatu

**Community Market Stage**  
Family Friendly space featuring a chill-out chai tent, markets, and the best of music from the Rainbow region all weekend.  
10 am Joel Sweetman  
11 am Josh Halverson  
12 pm Will Massey  
1 pm Brommers  
2 pm Rob Cass  
3 pm Johnny Ganja  
5 pm Drift  
6 pm Missus Hippy & the Love Handles  
7 pm Mecca Mecca  
8 pm The Pagan Love Cult  
9 pm Matt Stillert & Matt Turner



Sunday 7 May

# MardiGrass 2017

## CANNABIS LAW REFORM RALLY & GATHERING



### PROTEST

#### Cannabis Law Reform Rally & Parade

2 pm, Commences in the Western Carpark, along Cullen Street to Hashbowl Stage, Sativa Stadium – Just follow the Big Joint!!  
\* Prohibition is an incitement, not a control! \*  
The MARDIGRASS Parade is not a spectator sport. Please feel free to join the parade and show your support for pot law reform. We're all in this together!

Gather and get ready for the MardiGrass Parade!!

Meet at the exit of the western car park, across the road from the Community Centre Market.

The march is the main event, so please walk with us for cannabis law reform!

This is our 25th consecutive annual Rally for Cannabis Law Reform. We vowed to Rally every year on the first Sunday in May until we are no longer criminals for using this herb. Prohibition is an incitement, not a control! MardiGrass will become a Festival when we can celebrate the herb without fear of prosecution and persecution. When the Police have a float in the street parade behind the Ganja Faeries, Big Joint & POLITE, then we really will have a proper festival and celebration. In the meantime, this annual event is a POLITICAL PROTEST RALLY.

Led by the Widjibal Elders of the Bunjalung Nation, with children holding the Koori flag, the parade this year will make its way south along Cullen street to the Police Station where it will turn left and head down past the Greenbank into to Sativa Stadium or the Cannabis Law Reform Rally, speeches and MardiGrass Float Prize presentations. Just follow the GANJA FAERIES and the BIG JOINT!!

The Ganja Faeries celebrate the spirit of MardiGrass. They dance behind the Bundjalung people who traditionally welcome the protesters to their country each year. Their dance has itself become a tradition simply because the laws remain unacceptable to all self respecting ganja users, be they Bundjalung, faeries or otherwise.

The parade will end in Sativa Stadium with rally speeches from Bundjalung Elders, Bob Hopkins, Michael Balderstone, Ganja Faeries and cannabis activists and law reformists from around the globe.

### CELEBRATE

**Yoga**  
*Birth & Beyond, Cullen Street*  
8 - 9.30 am Stoned Yoga  
12 - 1.30 pm  
Yoga Nidra / Deep Relaxation

**Meditation**  
*4:20 am to Dawn, Sativa Stadium*  
Mahawana Sunrise Meditation

**Pot Tattoo**  
*1 pm Hash Bowl Stage, Sativa Stadium*  
BRING YOUR SKIN

**Comedy – Weed Laughs!**  
*7 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena*  
Hosted by Laugh Mob.



#### Pot Poet's Breakfast

10 am Sativa Stadium

Hosted by award-winning Nimbin poet olympian David Hallett, this poetic wake-up call will be a pot-pourri of Nimbin & other worldly poetic tales. Visiting pot poets are very welcome!

**Meeting:**  
**Australian HEMP Party**  
6 pm Nimbin Town Hall  
**JOIN THE PARTY!!**  
All members welcome  
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**Frances is Marrying Mary Jane**  
1.30 pm Hash Bowl Stage, Sativa Stadium  
"We truly belong together forever, so this will be a marriage of equality also (same sex)." And we are extending the invitation to include anyone else who would like to marry Mary Jane, because she is not possessive.  
All are welcome to join in the ceremony. Come watch Frances Moonshadow take Mary Jane's hand in a beautiful ceremony with Bryce Big Bud as best man.



### CELEBRATE

Sunday 7 May

## 2017 HEMP OLYMPIX

12 - 2 pm, Sativa Stadium  
11:30 am Register at Sativa Stadium for the 2017 Hemp Olympix!  
\$2 Entry into all HEMP Olympix Events.  
Hemp Olympix Last Heats & Finals of the *Bong Throw and Yell* and then the *Growers Ironperson Event*.  
Hosted by S Sorrensen and Alan Glover.

**Hemp Olympix Joint Rolling Finals**  
5 pm Nimbin Town Hall  
Hosted by SSorensen and Alan Glover. Followed by the *Plantathlon Award* for the best *Hemp Olympix All-rounder*, in memory of *Chicken George*, the legendary Planter of previous MardiGrass, and the special *25th MardiGrass Plantem Look-a-like Competition*.  
Great green prizes!

### Music

**Community Market Stage**  
10 am Kiara Jack  
11 am Selki  
12 pm Avi Misra  
1 pm Chikara  
4 pm Shirley Cresent  
5 pm Mystery Band  
6 pm Satisfives

**Mingle Park**  
12 pm ArtWomb  
4 pm Fractured  
5 pm Oblivious Gestures  
6 pm Kombat Collection

**Hash Bowl Stage, Sativa Stadium**  
After Rally & Parade:  
3.30 pm Essie Thomas  
4 pm Loey Howell  
5 pm Shem  
6 pm Guthrie  
7 pm Diana Anaid  
8 pm Sol Tradas

**SEEDY DISCO**  
7 pm, Outside Daizy's, Cullen Street  
Vibrate into the closing hours of MardiGrass.

**Djanbung Gardens**  
8 am - 12 pm Cafe & DJ Lounge for Brekky 'n Brunch

**Bush Theatre**  
Enjoy a superb chill zone in a beautiful setting by Mulgum Creek, featuring Phoenix Rising Café.  
9 am - 8 pm Saturday & Sunday : Live music all weekend!



### EDUCATE

## 2017 HEMPOSIUM

**Nimbin Town Hall**  
10.30 am : Steve Bolt, Solicitor and Author  
About: Legal Advice including Roadside Drug Testing and Medicinal Cannabis

**12 pm : Is it time for an Australian Charter of Rights?**  
About: Panel discussion hosted by Steve Bolt  
Speakers include: Derryn Hinch [Justice Party Senator Victoria], Rob Laurie [Ad Lucem Law, Canada], David Leyonhjelm [Liberal Democrats Senator], Fiona Patten [Sex Party MLC Victoria], David Shoebridge [Greens MLC NSW]

**1 pm : David Shoebridge, Greens MLC NSW**  
**Your rights with police – how to stay out of trouble and hold them to account**  
About: A workshop canvassing police powers, advice on how to deal with them in different situations such as a personal search or roadside drug testing, and how to make a complaint.

**Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
12 pm : Kog's Grower's Circle  
About: Kog shares the Truth about Cannabis. Author of "Marijuana: A Grower's Lot"

**1 pm : Sita von Windheim, CannaMed Canada**  
**Benefits and Use of Cannabis Infused Suppositories**  
About: This presentation aims to educate about the advantages associated with cannabis infused suppositories, and provide a simple set of guidelines for their effective use.

**Hemp IMF Tent**  
10 am - 2 pm : Martin Ernegg, Hemp Fibre Fusion  
**Workshop: Hemp Bead Molding**  
About: Come and create your own pieces of art and experience the world of nanotechnology with inventor Martin Ernegg. \$20 per person all materials included.

**11 am - 1 pm : Make your own herbal medicines**  
Mystery Guests POT luck!

**1 pm : Dolph Cook, Charmaster**  
**Hemp Farming, Biochar, Hemp University**

**1.30 pm : Carl Martel**  
**Industrial Hemp Products: Plastics, Paints, Building products, Graphene**

**Town Hall Garden**  
10 am - 2 pm : **Medical Cannabis Information**  
Open all weekend: Medical Cannabis meeting place, advice and education from local and visiting experts, as well as herbal extraction and cooking demonstrations. Please drop in any time.  
Advisors: Dave, Francis, Gary, Heather, Kendra, Radic AI, Zane  
**11 am - 1 pm : Dr David Bearman, USA, Ajia Mae Moon, Canada, Dr Andrew Katelaris, Weeded Warriors, and other speakers will be available for advice and information exchange.**

**1 - 2 pm : Dabs and vapors display and demo - Brooke**  
**Gardeners Breakfast**  
10 am - 2 pm : Mullaway's Camp, Indica Arena  
Gardener's Breakfast with Mullaway and friends. All gardeners and wanna-be green thumbs welcome!

**Vaxxed**  
Film screening and Q&A with Dr Andrew Katelaris  
**5 pm : Disco Sista's Tent, Indica Arena**  
A documentary about the alleged link between the MMR vaccine and autism.



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Cannabis is a "prohibited drug" under NSW law. Any activity involving cannabis is illegal – possession, use, supply or cultivation. It is also an offence to possess implements for the use of cannabis.

POSSESSION

To prove possession, the police must prove beyond reasonable doubt that you knew that you had the cannabis in your custody or under your legal control.

CULTIVATION

Cultivation means some activity to assist growing or harvesting the plant. Cultivating cannabis can include planting or watering or fertilising.

HYDROPONIC PLANTS

There is a separate offence under NSW law of cultivation of hydroponic plants. The maximum penalties are a lot higher



than for cultivating the same number of outdoor plants. But for this charge the police must also prove that the indoor cultivation was "for a commercial purpose".

SUPPLY

"Supply" includes: selling, giving away, and agreeing to supply. Sharing cannabis is supply. Any supply is treated as a serious offence and the penalties get quite severe for supply on a large commercial scale.

Police Are Testing Drivers for Traces of Cannabis Not Impairment!



A system of legalised medical marijuana is slowly being established in Australia. In October last year, federal government legislation came into effect, allowing for the cultivation, manufacture and distribution of the medicine – albeit with a lot of cumbersome red tape.

But as states begin cultivating the plant, and doctors start prescribing it. People who use the medication are going to find themselves in a predicament when it comes to driving, as all states and territories run roadside drug testing programs that test for traces of THC.

Roadside drug testing is carried out on the pretext that police are trying to prevent road accidents caused by people driving under the influence of drugs. But in reality, this testing has more to do with a zero tolerance ap-

proach to the use of certain illicit substances.

When police carry out random breath testing for alcohol, they're testing for driver impairment. This is an approach based on research that's shown certain levels of alcohol in a driver's blood leads to increased danger when they're behind the wheel of a car.

Instead, what they actually test for is minute traces of these drugs in a driver's system. This means a driver might have smoked a joint a week prior to testing, but the device may still pick up traces of THC.

The Northern Rivers region has been

MEDICINAL CANNABIS

Despite the new federal medical cannabis laws, in NSW it is still currently an offence to use, possess, cultivate or supply cannabis for medicinal purposes. The NSW Government has announced it will conduct trials on the effectiveness of medicinal cannabis, but there has been no change in the law.

COOKIES

Possessing or supplying cannabis cookies, or other kinds of cannabis edibles, is illegal. Bizarrely, the drug law treats cookies as if they were pure cannabis. So, because weight determines the nature of the criminal charge, you could theoretically be charged with "deemed supply" if you possess more than 300 grams of cookies, even though you are mostly possessing chocolate, flour and butter etc.

CANNABIS CAUTIONS

The police have discretion to issue a caution if you are found in possession of less than 15 grams of cannabis, and you have no prior convictions, and you admit the cannabis is yours.

INTERACTING WITH POLICE

You do not have to answer police questions or make a statement, whether they arrest you or not. It is usually better to say something like, "I do not wish to say anything until I get legal advice."

SEARCHES

Police are legally entitled to enter and search private property if they have a

the flashpoint of the NSW police blitz on roadside drug testing for years now. And it's been having an adverse effect on the community, as well as the local court system.



Australia is the only country in the world to have implemented large-scale roadside drug testing programs of this kind. In NSW, it began in 2007. When Victoria became the first jurisdiction in the nation to introduce the program in 2004, the world-renowned National Institute for Road Safety Research in the Netherlands was recommending against this type of testing.

An Australia 21 report on drug decriminalisation released in March this year, recommended that the program

search warrant or if they are invited in by one of the occupiers. A search warrant gives police the power to search anybody found on the premises.



SNIFFER DOGS

Police can only use sniffer dogs without a warrant, in certain places: on trains and buses, and on or near railway stations and bus terminals, in licensed premises, at dance parties and music festivals.



The best advice? DON'T GET BUSTED! If ya do, keep your trap shut.



be reviewed, as "the purpose of such testing should be to ascertain whether the driver is unsafe or unfit" to drive, not to see whether they'd consumed illicit drugs.

Until there's conclusive evidence that the use of cannabis is detrimental to road safety, and a program that actually tests for driver impairment is introduced, marijuana should be removed from the roadside drug testing regime.

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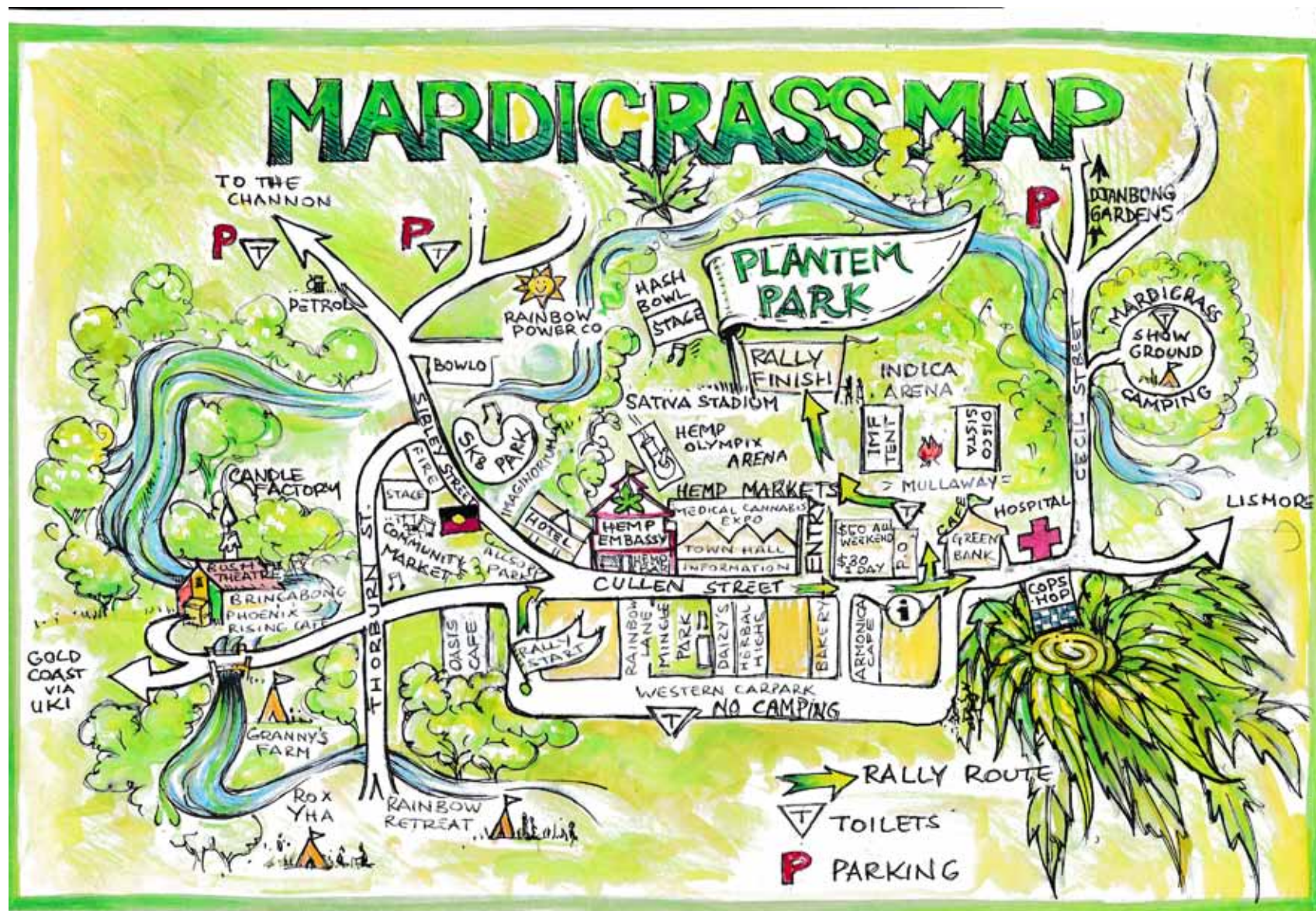
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### TICKETS

Entry into MardiGrass events costs \$55 for a 3-day pass [Friday to Sunday], or \$30 for a 1-day pass. Buy event-only tickets at the Plantem Park entrance or at the Town Hall information booth. Or buy online now at: [www.nimbinmardigrass.com](http://www.nimbinmardigrass.com). There is a special local's price of \$20 for a 3-day pass [Friday to Sunday] available from the Hemp Embassy in the week before MardiGrass.

### CAMPING

**SHOWGROUNDS:** The Golden Bud pass for \$150 includes 3-nights camping at the Showgrounds plus entry to all MardiGrass events. No generators! No loud drumming after midnight and no dogs please! Firewood supplied. Hot showers. Three designated areas set aside: quiet, noisy, and family. Nifty Nev's Eatery open all weekend. Camping is also available at the Showgrounds, before and after MardiGrass, for \$10 per person per night. Camping sites and passes can be booked online now at: [www.nimbinmardigrass.com](http://www.nimbinmardigrass.com) or bought at the Showgrounds when you arrive, until sold out.

**OTHER CAMPING:** Please camp in des-

ignated camping areas only, not beside the road. Random roadside camping is not permitted. NO camping in the western LCC car park. NO camping in parking-only areas. Jungle Patrol will redirect to the Showgrounds or other camping sites. You may sleep in your car but in no way light fires or set up tents or disrupt traffic flow.

### RUBBISH

Be super careful with all rubbish. MardiGrass are recycling so help them make MardiGrass clean and green. If you can't take your rubbish away with you, please use the correct rubbish and recycling bins, and respect our unique village where we try to think...

**EARTH FIRST.**

### PARKING

Please park as directed and keep driveways clear. This is important. **BE AWARE OF THE NO PARKING ZONES.** Visitor parking will be appropriately sign posted on the entrances to the village. Lismore City Council Rangers will book you if you park incorrectly. Last year there were way more parking tickets than pot busts! **NO PARKING** will be in place in the centre

of the village from 12 noon Friday May 5 to 11pm Sunday May 7.

Cecil Street will have NO parking from Cullen Street to the Showgrounds and also NO PARKING in Thorburn Street between Cullen and Sibley Streets. Thorburn Street from Silky Oak Drive will have a road closure managed by the Backpackers to ensure clear access to and from the campsites and their parking.

### ROAD CLOSURES

There will be road closures in Cullen and Cecil Streets on Sunday for the Parade, from 2.30 to 3.30pm approximately.

### SUNDAY RALLY

The main MardiGrass event begins at 2.30pm Sunday 7 May at the Western LCC Carpark exit, and the protest parade proceeds South along Cullen Street to the Police Station, where we will do our thing, and then head to Plantem Park for the speeches.

### WARNING!

Be careful with your drug consumption. Especially cookies! They can be stronger than you expect. It is wise to eat half then wait an hour or so before you eat anymore.

better to start small and work your way up. Don't mix with alcohol. If you feel woozy or have an injury, or need help, ask **JUNGLE PATROL** or go to the Nimbin Hall Information Booth or Town Hall Garden. Driving a point home. If you think it's safe to smoke in your parked car be aware police may hone in on the flick of lighters and glowing joints in cars at night.

### ALCOHOL-FREE ZONE

Nimbin streets are glass and alcohol-free zones during MardiGrass. Remember it's a Cannabis harvest festival not a beer fest.

### JUNGLE PATROL

Jungle Patrol grew from the volunteer groups of early MardiGrass gatherings. Jungle Patrol roams the streets, encourages people to keep the peace, and bears witness when they do not. Jungle Patrol provides visitor information, crowd safety, primary first aid, event communications and police liaison, operating from Friday 8am through to 8am Monday morning.

### APPRECIATION

Thanks to everyone who helped manifest MardiGrass 2017! The dedication from the HEMP Embassy & MardiGrass volunteers, and strong support from the wider community, is the magic recipe. And thanks for the funding from the advertisers in this program. Please support them!

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