

Burners left outside Black Rock City miss dust, are bored

The real world sucked today. It lacks fire as it does Playa dust, sufficiently naked people and eye candy. We go to work, take public transportation or drive, and even our biking is not as adventurous as your riding along on the open Playa, with the wind in your hair and those shreds of

fabric you are trying to use as protection from chafing, wafting in your wake. On our way home, we do not pass curious installations, or orient ourselves using the Man's lasers. Even our entertainment, beamed onto our iPads, does not compare to the classic paper Daily Playa that you hold

in your hands, our media consumption bland with variety. We eat our boring meals with our boring silverware and robot-sterilized plates, while you subsist on jerky and canned peaches, you lucky bastards. We bathe in our plentiful water without even a tinge of vinegar, adjusting

the temperature as it suits us, while you receive a good sand-blasting over that film of sunblock and body paint. Our (relatively) sober, bland and commercialized existence can not compare to the assault on your senses that you find so entertaining, enlightening and enveloping.

We're going to go take a bath now.



HOROSCOPE BY DIVINER STEVE

Aries

This is a golden opportunity to make a business move! Too bad there's no commerce on the playa, sucker!

Taurus

You will be lucky in love on the playa. You will feel very dusty about it afterward.

Gemini

Be wary of shirtcockers offering unidentifiable drugs. That goes for all of you.

Cancer

Remember that really hot, heavily tattooed girl you walked by earlier today? She doesn't remember you.

Leo

Your future involves a lot of pyrotechnics. Avoid highly flammable clothing.

Virgo

All the gadgets you brought will be destroyed by dust. I know it's hard to leave that iPhone, but Christ, this is the middle of the desert!

Libra

You will fucking die. Party hard!

Scorpio

Today your luck turns completely around! So, I hope your luck's been miserable.

Sagittarius

Don't forget to look up. Your sky is full.

Capricorn

Whatever you do, don't think of a purple elephant.

Aquarius

Let go of your fears... they're all bullshit, you paranoid fuck.

Pisces

You will find the best piece of MOOP ever. Well, at least since I found that blowup doll full of heroin last year.

Citizens' anger at 5-hour gate queue

WTF is up with gate?!

After many years of waiting hours at the gate, this year we arrived early and expected a shorter line. We were only about 25 cars back. But it still took fucking forever. So what the fuck?

Workers agreed that search time required per vehicle varies widely. Estimates ranged from 2 to 20 minutes, depending on how large and full the vehicle was. Our stopwatch measurements indicated a 5 minute average. At this rate, 25 vehicles take just over 2 hours.

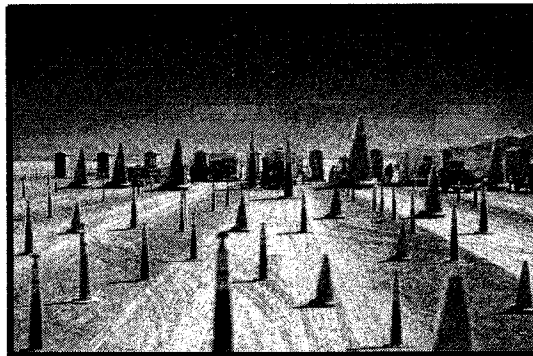
What were they looking for? "Firearms, fireworks, and

stowaways" declared a metal-punkish looking staffer named 'Malice'. Malice explicitly said they were not looking for drugs. "Oh, a crate of cocaine?," he said. "No problem."

Eventually our truck, packed to the gills, was checked perfunctorily by Grape. He spent 5 minutes clambering around our truck, and found nothing of interest. While hardly experts in the art of rifling through other people's things, we find it difficult to believe that anyone could find firearms or fireworks in our gear, if we'd had them. We had enough storage crates

to blow up half the city if we wanted. Sneaking in stowaways would have required a bit more effort, but is by no means beyond the resourcefulness of someone that can build a camp in the middle of the desert.

In any case, we are led to wonder what the real benefit of the gate search is. Can the few firearms, fireworks, and stowaways found possibly justify the time and effort spent? Of the people we queried Sunday and Monday, the average wait time seemed to be 4-5 hours. Multiplied by an early estimate of 25,000 burners, that's upwards of 11 burner-years. We can only guess at the wait later in the week, but it's clearly several more years at least. Surely those years are better spent some other way - perhaps participating in Burning Man. Given the obvious creativity, ingenuity, and ability of burners, it seems a tragic waste of time and talent. Why not eliminate the search entirely?



Did you know?

Black Rock City covers an area of just under 1.5 square miles. That is just for the city proper -- tenting area and streets; it does not include the inner playa or the walk-in camping area. The length of one Esplanade block is 550 feet; the length of the outermost block is more than double that. The total street length of all the streets is over 46 miles. At its peak the population density of Black Rock City is about half as dense as Manhattan.

Nudity regulation

According to new federal legislation H.R. 1169 111-666 beginning on September 1st 2010 it will be illegal to be topless or nude on federal property. Despite Burning Man holding a special land use permit this law will still apply, as we are located on federal land. Washoe County Sheriffs will begin issuing tickets for public indecency. Fines start at \$100. Do not despair! A little known provision exempts

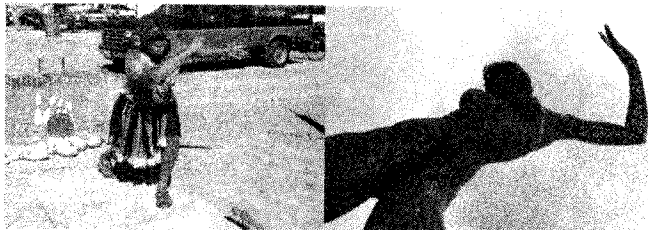
those persons:
• Under 25 years of age,
• Having size D breasts or larger
• Having a 9" penis or larger
If any of these three criteria apply, you are exempt; please continue to disrobe. If all three apply to you, your help is urgently needed at a special summit to combat this legislation. The summit is being conducted at First Camp located behind Center Camp. Ask for Larry. Bring lube.

In Business

News

In business news today, the PBAI (Playa Blood Alcohol Index) has remained steady at 0.12 despite heavy trading and consumption. PBR has hit an all time low - seems you cannot give that stuff away. Brand name hard alcohol, always a blue-chip holding, is up 23 points. Cured pork bellies (aka bacon) are up! This shows once again that despite strong competition from the vegetarian sector you just cannot keep a good pig down. Our analysts predict that as the week progresses some pork based assets will begin to sour, dampening demand. Despite heavy government regulation, today's big winner is MDMA. The average playa-wide demand has remained steady while the supply side seems to produce diminishing output. That fact combined with exponentially growing demand from sectors E 2:00 and E 10:00 is thought to be responsible. Our analysts advise diversification into liquid assets, with auxiliary stock in sugar cubes.

The stock price of Hornsby Enterprises, BRC's premier food products company, shot up nearly 300% after executives reported record profits in the past two days. Sources close to food magnate Sheldon Hornsby would not disclose the company's strategy. However, this news comes on the tail of alarming rumors that Hornsby has hired the Deus Ex Detective Agency (4:30 & Florence) to disrupt attempts to improve working conditions and union strikes.



Playa Sport

Tarwater: Post-Apocalyptic Rooftop Arcade
3:48 Tarwater (6:00 near Florence)

Late afternoon activity had picked up at the Post Apocalyptic Rooftop Arcade. Shandor, Lorelai and Mr. Wizard could be seen trying to decide the rules of the croquet course they were playing. Shandor explained, "you have to make your own rules" and "you cannot be too strict." They were training for a tournament on Wednesday. Laurelai said the course had some bumps, but these were helpful in navigating life - where conditions can also be

"Ball Size Matters"

- Mr. Wizard

"You Shall Not Pass"

- Croquet hoop

sometimes bumpy. Mr. Wizard noted that "ball size matters" as he knocked the ball flawlessly through the colorful hoop. His teammates seemed to agree.

A short while later, Nazzo had just bowled a perfect strike on Bill's Famous Bowling Alley. Nazzo, beaming with joy had also mentioned that he had earlier learned to juggle and hula hoop for the first time. "Thrust upwards" was the sage advice he received for the handling the hoop.

The Post Apocalyptic Rooftop Arcade is actually located above the ruins of an ancient city according to manager Royalty. Royalty had recently assumed responsibility from its founder Bill who started the arcade in 2001. You will find croquet, bowling and bocce ball at Tarwater (on 6:00 near Florence).



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

This place sucks. I needed to get away from the wife and spend some quality time with my girlfriend. The whole motel thing was getting boring so I figure why not get an RV. Its got a bed and its on wheels, we could go anywhere.

Well, the guy at the rental place asks "You folks going to Black Rock Desert? This time of year it's the best camping around."

everybody in that this is camp. We had and hours campground, they don't and a leg. All know charge here they charging place sucks!

After money some nice nothing up for the RV, not even a grill a fucking of

psychos, weirdoes and deviants. Can you believe the guy in the next RV over came out this morning wearing pink fur chaps and nothing else?!

There is fucking dust everywhere, and its clogging the AC. If that AC goes we are going to die. We crank it up all the way during the day, and we have to keep the engine running at night to keep warm. I wonder where I can get some gas?

My girl has wondered away from the RV a few times, but I am staying inside where its nice, cool and clean. I would

have left days ago, but I want to get my money's worth, though there is nothing here. At least the RV has satellite TV and a microwave.

Fuck, fuck, FUCK. My girlfriend

left me for some old portly guy in a Stetson hat. That bitch! That's it, I am leaving this god forsaken wasteland tonight, right after I watch this TV special.

That TV special was all about something called Burning Man. Apparently it's a place somewhere right around here somewhere full of naked girls, booze, and all night parties. Fuck, I should have gone there and not listen to that stupid rental clerk. Well, maybe next year.

To the editor:

The Daily Playa has been not only an excellent source of news in Metropolis, but also a positive influence on the community. So why haven't you done anything about all this fucking chute dome withstand and my carpets wet.

I expected hot, dry days, and instead I'm stuck with cold rain. The overnight rains on Saturday night were bad enough, but they

stopped by morning, so stuff had all day to dry. But Monday afternoon's rain was pushing my limit - there was no time for my gear to dry before night, so we were wet all night! And that double rainbow? So gay. If you don't put a stop to all this rain, I'm going to cancel my subscription.

Sincerely,
Wet burnerette



ROCON Index

The ROCON Index measures the rate of change of nakednes in Black Rock City. It is computed using a sophisticated computer algorithm based on data painstakingly collected by our crack team of statisticians. A higher number means an increase in visible asses, tits, cocks and pussies. A lower number means y'all need to lose those threads and let it all hang out.

The ROCON index for 6:00 and D from 10 AM to 4 PM was measured at -500 MNP/s (Millinakedpeople per second)

The Daily Playa is an interactive project. We encourage submission of stories and photos and are looking for people to distribute the paper. Please come see us at 6 and D. Also, we need a teakettle.

Public Warning

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The summit is being conducted at First Camp located behind Center Larry. Oh, and bring lube.



STELT CAMP IS CAUGHT UNAWARES ON THEIR WAY TO A BLACK TIE AFFAIR