



RUBBER ARMSTRONG

Named in cosmic tribute to humanity's giant leap, Rubber Armstrong honours a crew whose arms need barely twisting to launch spontaneously into journeys of wonder. Like astronauts bound not for the stars, but for adventures wild and whimsical, we eagerly orbit moments that stretch our imaginations. Welcome aboard - you've joined a voyage where every "yes" ignites the engines of unforgettable escapades.

EST. 2015

CHEAT

SHEET

ARRIVAL & KEY DATES:

- Main Arrival: Gate opens 00:01, Sunday, 24 August.
- Mandatory Camp Meeting: Monday at 10:00 AM (Mezcal Margies included!).
- Full date schedule included clearly on the next page.

PACKING ESSENTIALS:

- See full packing list (Forget-me-nots) on page 18.
- Must-brings include sleeping bag, mattress, headlamp, goggles, dust mask, warm clothing, and plenty of alcohol (cans/plastic bottles only—no glass!).

WATER:

- Camp provides filtered drinking water and daily showers.
- Bring your own bottle
- Bring personal water for your journey to playa if not on the RA Express.

TOILETS:

- No toilets provided in camp; communal porta-potties available nearby.

CAR PARKING:

- Limited parking available. Consider carpooling or book the Rubber Armstrong Express (\$250 return from Reno Walmart).
- RA Express departs Reno: 23 August at 21:00 and returns from Playa: 1 September at 11:00.

FOOD & MEALS:

- Dinner provided nightly (vegetarian menu listed on Page 12).
- Bring your own breakfast and lunch.
- Kitchen available outside dinner hours for personal use.

ALCOHOL:

- Communal bar provided; bring beer/seltzers (in cans) or spirits (plastic bottles) to contribute.
- Estimate: Twice your maximum birthday intake per day for the duration of your stay. (includes personal and gifting)

SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS:

- Tents (insulated, spacious), equipped with 120V power.
- Bring your own bedding, sleeping mat/air mattress, lights, USB fans, or battery packs or personal cooler if you have perishable food/drinks.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION:

- Expect to sign up for 1-2 easy shifts (bar, kitchen, recycling etc.) at the Monday meeting.
- Camp runs daily "Radiance Hour" for sharing skills or stories informally.

BIKE ALLOCATION:

- Bikes provided at Monday meeting; BYO lights/decorations.
- Combination bike locks provided with the bike

KEY DATES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
18 AUGUST Final Pre-Build Day Silver Springs	19 AUGUST Load all vehicles / trailers Silver Springs	20 AUGUST Build Crew Personal Shop Reno/Fernley	21 AUGUST Playa Build Black Rock City	22 AUGUST Playa Build continues	23 AUGUST Playa Build continues RA Express departs@21:00	24 AUGUST Main Gate Opens@00:01 Black Rock City
25 AUGUST Burning Man Black Rock City	26 AUGUST Burning Man Black Rock City	27 AUGUST Burning Man Black Rock City	28 AUGUST Burning Man Black Rock City	29 AUGUST Burning Man Black Rock City	30 AUGUST Man Burn Black Rock City	31 AUGUST Temple Burn Black Rock City
1 SEPTEMBER ALL Packdown Camp RA Express departs@11:00	2 SEPTEMBER RA Truckee River Floatilla Tahoe City	3 SEPTEMBER	4 SEPTEMBER Post-Burn Packdown Silver Springs	5 SEPTEMBER Non-Op Camp Vehicles Fallon DMV	6 SEPTEMBER	7 SEPTEMBER KS & SS depart USA

WE ARE HERE

04:00

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Medical Station



Arctica



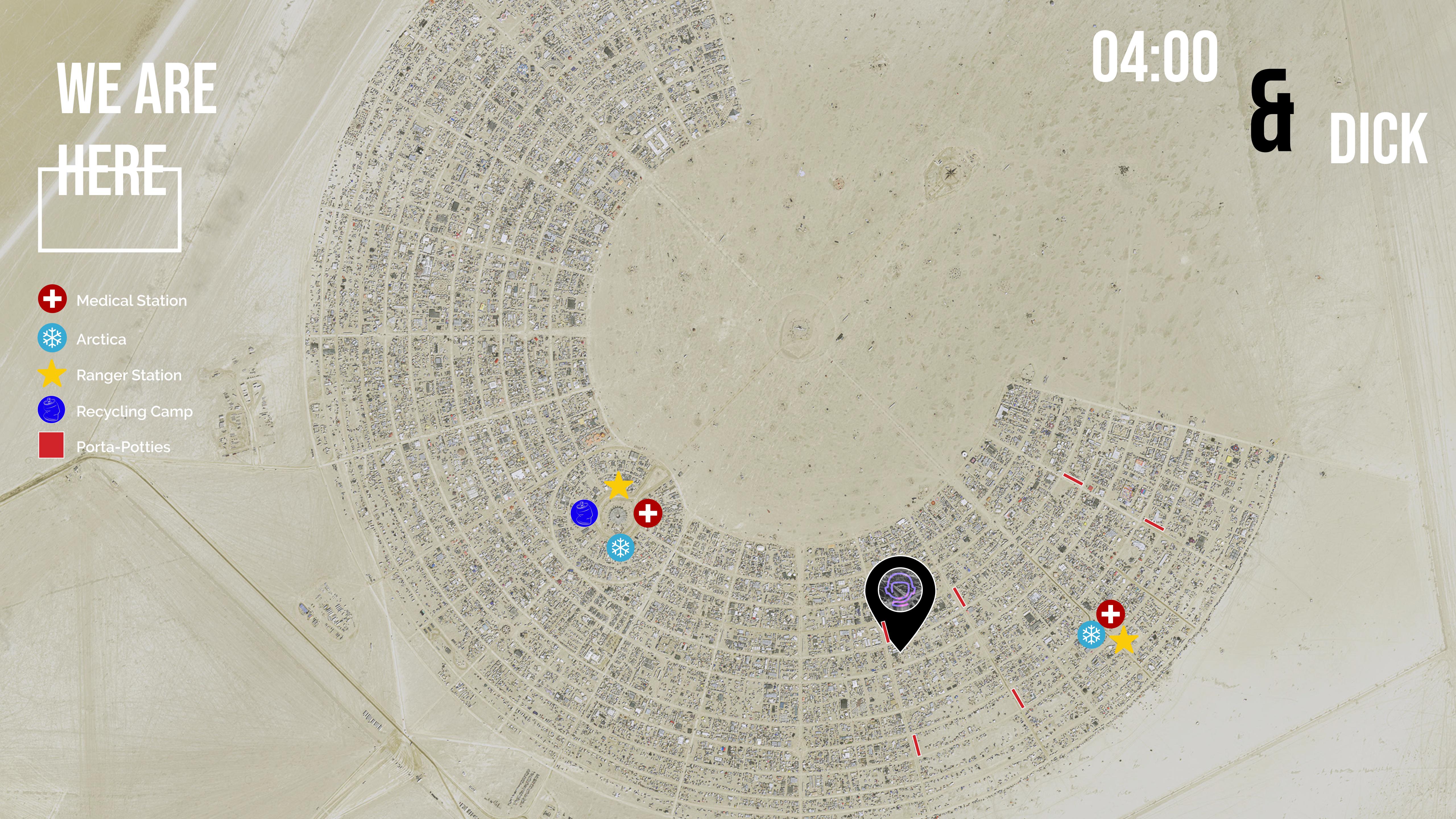
Ranger Station



Recycling Camp

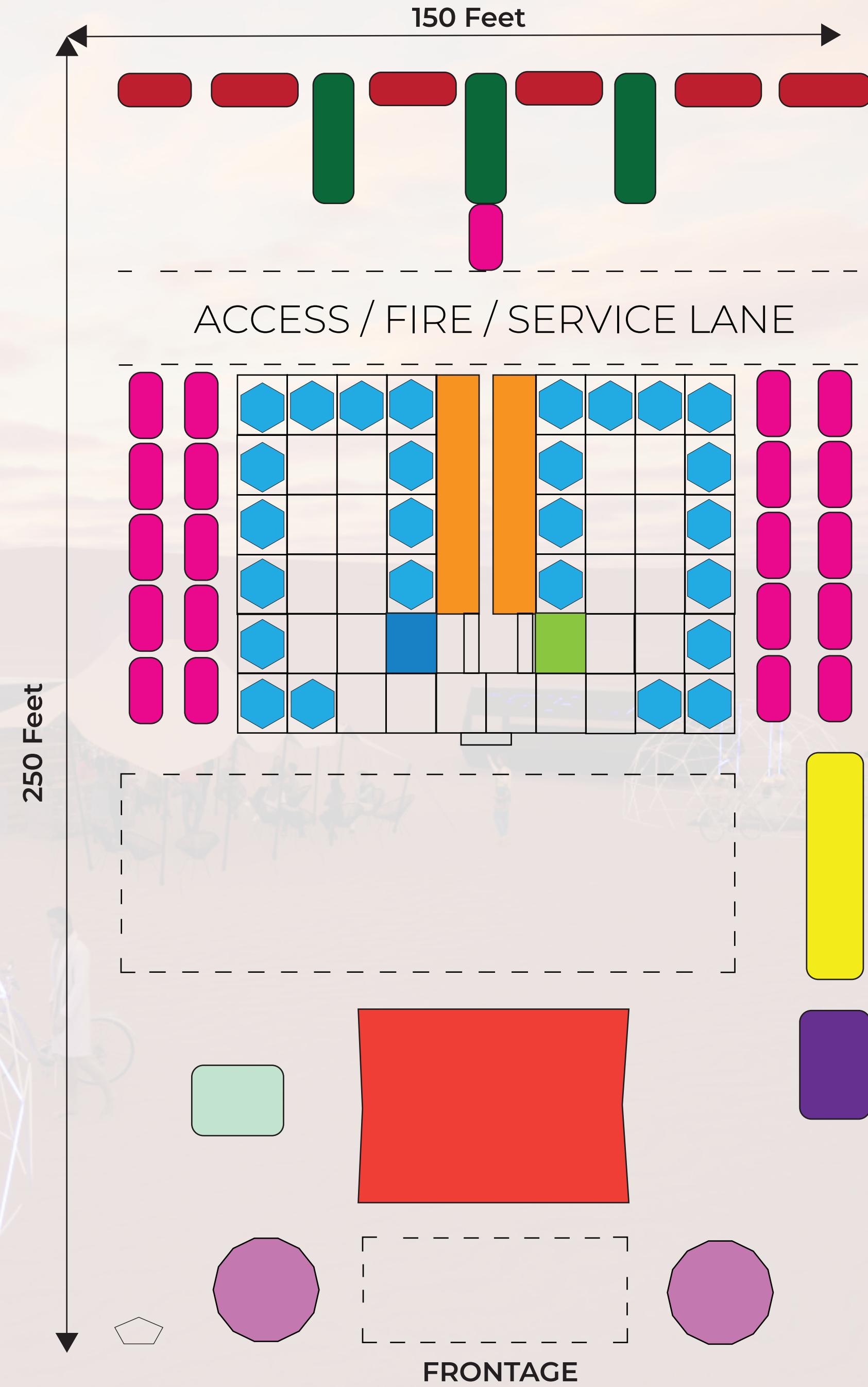


Porta-Potties



CAMP LAYOUT

- Shade Structure
- Bar Bedouin Tent
- Tent
- RV
- Shower
- Art Car
- Campervan
- Car
- Bike Parking
- Semi Trailer
- Recycling Station
- Interactive Dome
- Solar E-Bike Charger
- Camp Sign
- School Bus



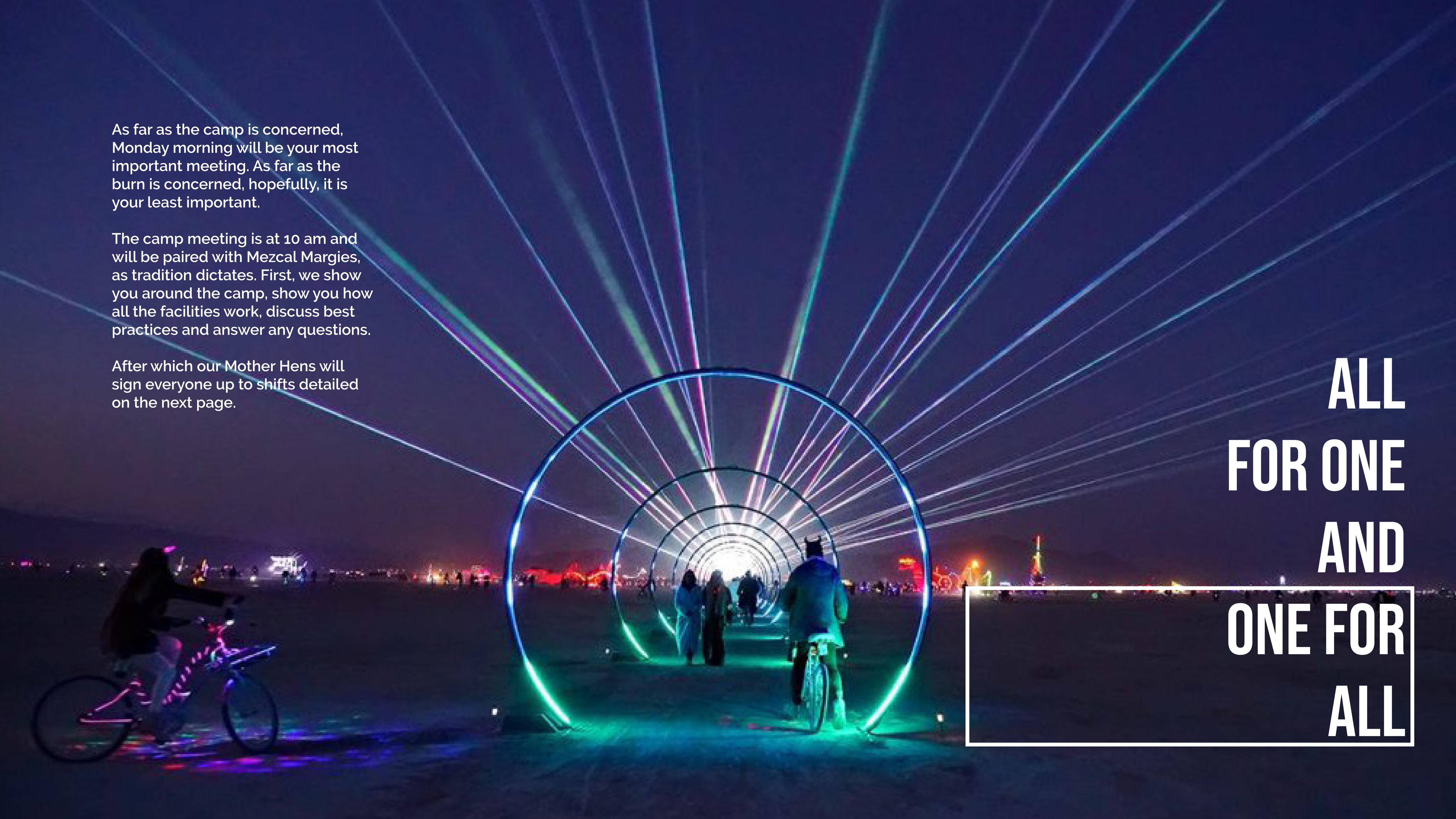
WE ARE A WEIRD AND WONDERFUL FAMILY



We support each other, we are not a burden, we respect each other and work together to co-exist harmoniously.

Consent means asking first and respecting the answer; every time, no exceptions. A 'maybe' is a 'no,' and silence isn't a 'yes.'

Respect means treating people, art, and space like they matter; because they do. Leave no trace, take no liberty, and honour the effort behind every creation and every connection.



As far as the camp is concerned,
Monday morning will be your most
important meeting. As far as the
burn is concerned, hopefully, it is
your least important.

The camp meeting is at 10 am and
will be paired with Mezcal Margies,
as tradition dictates. First, we show
you around the camp, show you how
all the facilities work, discuss best
practices and answer any questions.

After which our Mother Hens will
sign everyone up to shifts detailed
on the next page.

ALL
FOR ONE
AND
ONE FOR
ALL

TEAMWORK

MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Our family of like minded individuals cannot be run by a couple of people, a community like this requires everyone to play their own part in the success of the camp. We will each need to sign up to 1-2 shifts to cover the roster. This will be managed by the Hen House at the camp meeting.

THE HEN HOUSE

Masters of camp logistics & morale

Lords of everything camp related
Allocation of tents
Rostering changes
Allocation of bikes
Gentle prodding of general camp maintenance tasks
General point of call for most camp questions
Good knowledge of nearby services
Good knowledge of nearby camps
Facilitating Radiance Hour

COOK CREWS

Fuelling dusty souls

Put daily allocation out to defrost
Warm cooking water totes
Clear and setup family dinner tables
Prepare serving stations
Boil water and cook freezer bags
Switch gas off when finished cooking
Cooking water returned to totes
Clean kitchen - wash and dry

PLANETEERS

Leave no trace warriors

Sweep the camping area, trailers, bedouin tent and art car for empties
Drain and crush all cans
Empty bins, move to under trailer and refresh bin bags
MOOP sweep all areas
Take cardboard to burn barrel camp

BARBIES

Lubricating dusty throats

Get ice for the camp
Take recycling to Recycling Camp
Clean bar completely
Prepare margie mix and Coolers
Bar shift from 3pm to sunset
Clean bar equipment
BYO camp DJ or share the time

ART CAR DRIVERS

Stalwarts of the deep

Must be sober
Must hold a driving license
Shifts from 2 - 6 hours day/night
5 MPH Speed Limit
Drive direct route to playa
Responsible for state of charge
Responsible for spotters
Must be sober...

WATER

IS THE DRIVING FORCE OF ALL NATURE



Our fresh water totes arrive topped to the brim with 5,000L of filtered drinking water which is more than enough to cover the burner guidelines of 4L litres per day with plenty of contingency for heat-wave refills or those inevitable "forgot-my-electrolytes" chug-offs.

The remaining water allows for a daily disciplined one-minute "playa" shower. This is basically a wet your self, lather up, wash it off and rinse. We will provide burner-friendly Dr Bronner's soap and eco-friendly shampoo and conditioner.

Just remember to bring enough of your own water for the journey in and out if you aren't getting the Rubber Armstrong Express.

RADIANCE

GROWS WHEN SHARED

This year as part of our gift to the playa we will have a daily Radiance Hour.

Radiance Hour is a pocket-sized show-and-tell where any campmate can beam out a skill, story, or hack. Think yoga flows, sound healing, architecture insights, bike-pimping secrets, turning playa tricks into “default-world” magic, or even the fine art of silly noises. Unless a session needs extra elbow-room in the Bedouin tent, it will commence at the same time as the bar shift. Bring your own props; we’ll supply cheers, cushions, and an absurdly supportive vibe.

Why step up? Because Burning Man is a city of once-strangers who become family, and every gift you share makes our camp burn a little brighter. One quick demo can spark unlikely collaborations and give you that warm post-gift glow before the night even starts. No sign-up sheets, QR codes, or microphones; just a free-flow audience in a super-casual setting. Whether your wisdom is profound or playful, Radiance Hour is your chance to stamp a bit of you onto the playa and help our community shine.



ART CAR SS MEZCAL



Welcome aboard the SS Mezcal, flagship of rubber-fueled revelry and questionable navigational choices. To ride this vessel is to enter a sacred covenant: respect the art, respect the dust, and respect the captain. Drivers must be sober enough to explain the Ten Principles backwards, should that arise, and it will. A spotter is required anytime you're navigating the open Playa during a dust storm, in busy areas or creeping through the streets of Black Rock City. In a whiteout? Double the spotters or drop anchor. Visibility is not optional.

When you return the beast to camp, it should not look like it just crawled out of a Mad Max blooper reel. Wipe her down, recycle the cans, refresh the cooler/esky and grab your USBs, coats, bottles, goggles and everything else you stuffed behind the seats. SS Mezcal runs on solar power, good vibes and mutual care. Nothing says Rubber Armstrong family like returning the art car better than you found it. So climb aboard, dance like you mean it, spot like a hawk, and drive like you're part of something that only works because we all give a damn.

Due to limited space and environmental targets we have limited car parking space for you. Please endeavour to carpool where possible and also consider the Rubber Armstrong Express which is a much cheaper way to get to the camp and you can bring more stuff (shopping/bikes) with you.

Rubber Armstrong Express tickets are USD 250 return from a Reno Walmart to Playa.

Departs Reno at 21:00 on Saturday 23 August
Returns from playa at 11:00 on Monday 1 September

We will touch base in the Whatsapp group closer to the date to discuss the bus and assist with carpooling.

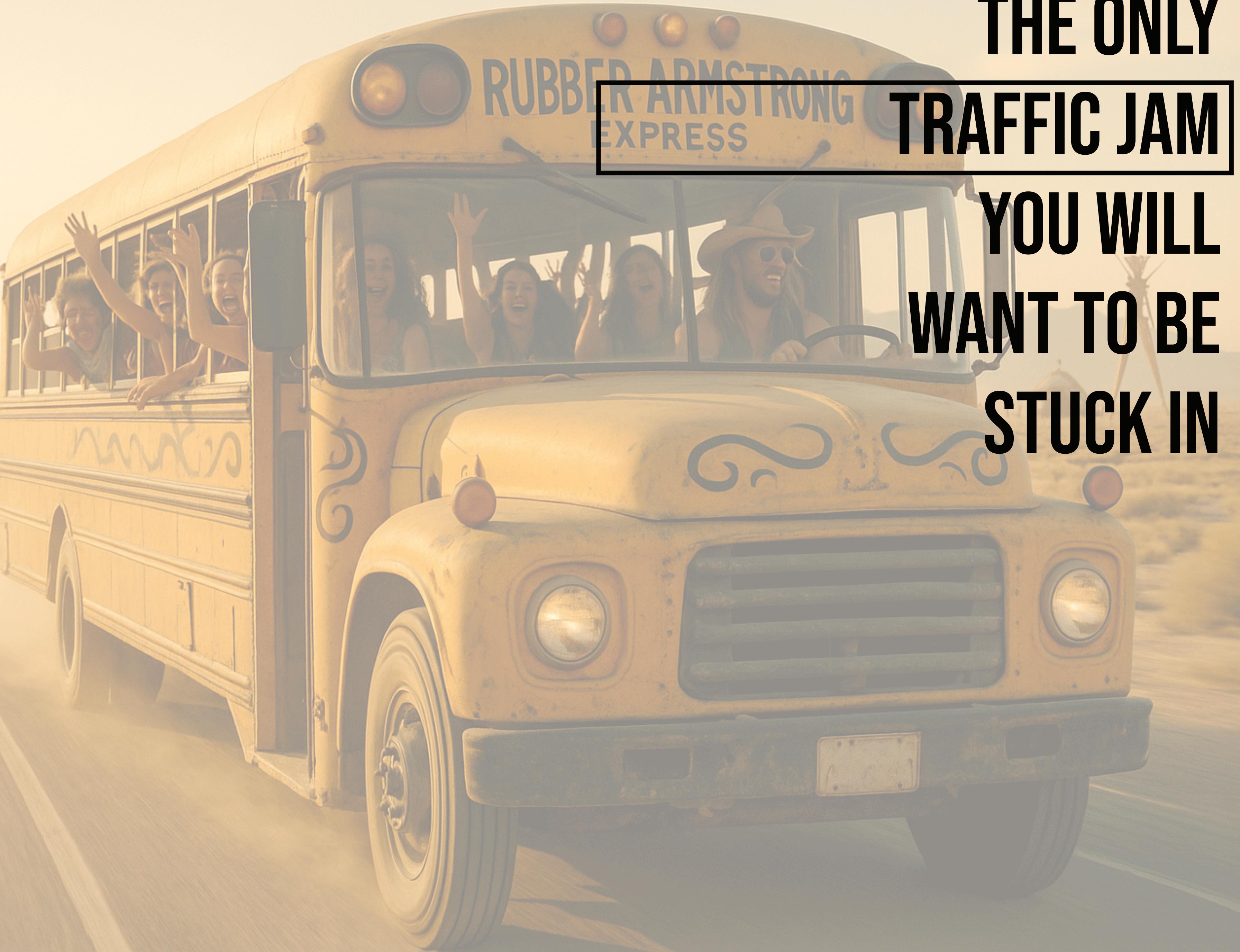
Solo mission?

- Rubber Armstrong Express at \$250.
- Burner Express at \$298 (but no cold beers on board).
- Hiring a car costs 4-6 times as much once you factor in dust penalties and the \$150 vehicle pass.

Travelling as a duo?

- Rubber Armstrong Express at \$250 pp.
- Burner Express at \$298 pp.
- Rental car - splitting the rental, \$567-\$711 pp – and one of you has to do the driving, queue for a carwash, and pray the inspector doesn't spot the beige talc in the vents.

Jumping aboard the Rubber Armstrong Express keeps the whole crew together and trims roughly a quarter of the trip's carbon compared with a swarm of rentals; fewer tailpipes, less dust, lighter footprint, bigger shared adventure.



THE ONLY
TRAFFIC JAM
YOU WILL
WANT TO BE
STUCK IN

**HOWEVER
SMALL YOUR
CONTRIBUTION
MAY SEEM;
IT IS FELT...**



We, as burners, are not individually critiqued but rather as a whole. Together we can improve our participation in Black Rock City, justify our placement, and honour those who have tirelessly worked before us to make our nine days of madness an achievable and desirable goal, year after year.

Everyone's small but meaningful contributions achieve this combined success. Whether it be helping a fellow camp member clean the solar panels, providing excellent banter on your bar shift, or cooking up a storm with a smile. Everyone contributes in their ways, and we are measured as a collective.

Every member follows the ethos Leave No Trace, which is one of 10 Principles of Burning Man. Burners refer to anything that is not originally a part of the land as MOOP (Matter Out Of Place), which includes everything from cans to cigarette ash.

As a camp, we make a conscious effort to clean up, not just after ourselves but everyone around us. There will be constant reminders on this. Don't be offended, be informed.



HOME COOKED MEALS SERVED DAILY

All dinners are vegetarian for health, safety, and environmental reasons. We are not a turn-key camp, however, we do offer an evening meal to make sure you power your burn

Breakfast	BYO (Bring Your Own)
Lunch	BYO (Bring Your Own)
Dinner	Served at sunset (around 8 pm)
Sunday	Light snacks and refreshments
Monday	Burritos
Tuesday	Pasta Ragu
Wednesday	Coconut Dahl
Thursday	Chickpea and Cauliflower Korma curry
Friday	Tofu stir fry with noodles
Saturday	Moroccan Tagine
Sunday	Delicious leftovers

All meals are pre-cooked and frozen. This way, we can maintain hygiene and minimize waste and effort on playa.

The kitchen trailer is outfitted with a double burner and a multitude of cooking utensils & essentials (oil, pepper, salt, spices) that you are free to use outside of dinner hours. It's to share food at Black Rock City, so feel free to cook up a storm for anyone that is also awake. Please respect your campmates and clean up after yourself.

We will live in temporary homes designed by Rubber Armstrong. The tent's spacious design is inspired and improved upon the successful playa startup "Shiftpod," and is built using triple-layered thermal material.

In addition to your tent, we supply a playa-proven, agriculturally designed, aluminium shade cloth that blocks the sun's UV rays while allowing the hot air to escape.

If you have opted for an AC unit this will be setup in your tent when you arrive.

All tents will have 120v power.

The interior is entirely up to you.



We recommend you bring:

- Inflatable mattress or sleeping mat
- Pillows & sheets
- Warm sleeping bag (some yrs are cold!)
- Light or lamp to hang from central frame
- Battery Packs
- USB Powered Fans (if you don't have AC)

You may want to bring:

- Storage tubs
- Clothing rack
- Floor rug
- Decorations to make your pad cosy
- Personal Esky / Cooler / Chilly Bin if you have perishable food or drinks that you don't want to share.

**HOME IS
WHERE THE HEART IS**

PARA TODO MAL, MEZCAL, Y PARA TODO BIEN, TAMBIÉN

Rubber Armstrong provides a Mezcal Bar as part of our gift to the playa. Due to our placement this year in one of the city's busiest areas, most of the booze allowance will go towards stocking the bar; our main gift to the playa. We are all welcome and expected to attend the bar, both working shifts and holding down chairs of course.

The way it usually works at our camp, and Burning Man as a whole, is that members throw in a communal case of beer every couple of days, share everything they have, and what goes around comes around. The easiest way to estimate how many cases to bring is to multiply your standard maximum number of beers in one night by two, and that should cover yourself and your contribution to your campmates. Any surplus will be gifted via the bar.

Please, please, please, no glass bottles! Cans for beers and plastic for spirits. If that is not possible, please make sure you take the glass out with you. i.e. we will not be taking it back in camp vehicles.



IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW SLOW YOU GO

AS LONG AS YOU DON'T STOP

We service and repair recycled bikes from previous years, but it's up to you to style them with lights, flowers, toys, flags, spokey dokies etc., to make them your own.

Your bike will have a dog tag with a number assigned to your name. Once a bike is allocated & signed out to you, it's your responsibility for the week until it's signed back into the camp stock.

We will provide you with a lock, as bikes do go missing. The playa can be confusing, and bikes are often one of the main casualties.

You will be allocated a bike at the Monday morning meeting.



Rubber Armstrong provides a clearly labelled recycling system. Everything we consume as a camp is taken out with us when we leave and recycled.

With this in mind, please remove all unnecessary packaging from everything you purchase and recycle it before entering Black Rock City.

This is extremely important as we have limited space in the camp vehicles, so please limit everything from cardboard boxes to plastic bags. What you bring in, you take out so please make sure you have your own personal trash bag and take it with you on the way out.

Sparks Recycling Center
1455 E Greg St, Sparks, NV 89431 is a convenient pitstop on your way out so you can recycle too.



**THIS IS NOT
A GIANT TOILET
FOR ALL YOUR
CRAP**



The camp does not provide toilets because, frankly, we don't shit where we sleep.

WHEN YOU HAVE TO GO YOU HAVE TO GO

Banks of porta-potties can be found throughout the city on radial streets on the blocks between C & D and G & H. The exceptions to this are 3:00/9:00, which have banks on D, and 3:00/6:00/9:00 with banks between H & I. There are also banks on the open playa on either side of the Man along 3:00 and 9:00, and out by the Temple. There are some potty banks in deep playa as well. To help you find potties in your time of need, they are marked by solar-powered blue lights above the banks.

FORGET ME NOTS



ESSENTIALS

- Burning Man ticket
- Vehicle pass (one per vehicle)
- Cup (with photocopy of ID stuck to it)
- Sleeping bag or sheets
- Pillows
- Air mattress
- Headlamp/flashlight
- Goggles
- Water bottle or CamelBak
- Wax Ear plugs
- Sunglasses
- AA batteries
- Lip balm
- Towel
- Boots (comfortable)
- Socks (10+)
- Underwear (10+)
- Warm jacket
- Hat
- Alcohol (metric fuckload)

NICE TO HAVE

- Personal Cooler
- Dust mask/bandana
- Blankets
- Work clothes
- Babywipes
- Multivitamins
- Eye drops
- Moisturiser
- Vaseline
- Hangover cures / Hydralytes
- Gifts for playa
- Photocopy of your ID (spare)
- Dry Feet cream

VERY NICE TO HAVE

- Clean "drive-home" clothes
- AAA batteries
- Muesli / Energy bars
- Dried fruit & nuts
- Trail mix
- Beef jerky
- Pickles
- Crisps
- Sweets
- Cookies
- Soft drinks
- Energy drink of choice

SOME INSPO FROM PREVIOUS YEARS



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ARMSTRONG**

THANK YOU

We honestly couldn't do this without you.

Rubber Armstrong is a volunteer family made up of people we're lucky enough to call friends. Without your amazing presence, Rubber Armstrong simply wouldn't be a family.

We love you, you weird and wonderful beings, and we can't wait to see you all on the playa!

Dusty hugs!