



Who We Heard From

8 consultation sessions across NSW, Victoria, ACT and online over 8 weeks. Theme camp leads, Team Leads / Crew, SBA membership, and interstate burners representing 40+ theme camps.

The Big Picture

SITE	DATES
<p>✓ Capertee: Strong support</p> <p>Beautiful, welcoming, better logistics, more economical</p> <p>Cyclical National Event</p> <p>Desire to design a unified burn event (every 3-4 years), bringing all orgs to the table to co-create. Conversations ongoing with further outreach to all interstate communities</p>	<p>✓ April/May: Strong preference</p> <p>Least event clashes, good weather, from 2027+</p> <p>⚡ 2026: Community eager</p> <p>Strong desire for event this year; May 2026 option emerging</p>

5 Key Messages

1. "We're ready for 2026"

Community energy is building. People want to channel momentum into action – even a smaller, simpler event would strengthen connection.

2. "April/May feels right"

Timing that's uniquely ours – fewer clashes with other events, comfortable weather, and space to grow into something special.

3. "We're stronger together, coast to coast"

Interstate burners want to stay connected. Creative solutions emerging: logistical mapping, transport grants, "burn surfers" buddy system, and growing excitement about designing cyclical national gatherings together.

#### 4. "We're hopeful and ready to rebuild"

The community feels heard. There's real enthusiasm for co-creating what comes next, with fresh energy for a new chapter.

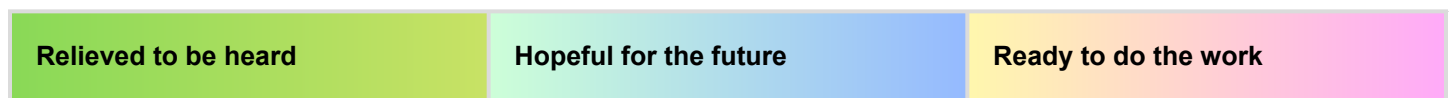
#### 5. "Lead, but take us with you"

Trust in transparent leadership that listens then decides. "We elected you to lead" – make the calls, but keep us informed along the way.

### What the Community Wants

- **Poll on dates** – specifically in context of Capertee
- **Interim events in 2026** – fundraisers, campouts, working bees and training events to stay connected
- **Clear roles & governance** – who does what, how decisions are made
- **Working bees at Matong** – shared responsibility for land and community restoration
- **Realistic expectations** – start at 500–1,000 capacity, grow from there
- **Separate name/identity consultation** – after site & dates decided

### How People Feel



*"The group feels like a family that has been through something hard and is finally ready to talk about it."* — Canberra Consultation

### What Happens Next

The Board will consider all feedback alongside operational requirements, financial constraints, and regulatory considerations. Announcements expected by end of December 2025. *Full synthesis document: Available on the [SBA website](#)*

### Introducing Tyan Peak Retreat, Capertee Valley



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