

LOCKOUTS UPDATE: Reviews & Roundtables

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To whom it may concern

The lock out laws have reduced the vibrant community nature of our city and we want our entertainment back.

Ever since the lock out laws have come into play there are more street parties in Bondi than ever. These cause huge issues to the local areas. Noise complaints, garbage and random lost strangers roaming the streets are issues that we seem to face each weekend.

As a partner to a bar owner. I have watched as his weekly takings drop, his clientele retreat and the daily struggle to pay his staff and keep them employed with adequate hours. The NSW local patrols who enforce the rules seem over zealous and combative, determined to make issue's where there are none.

He is a quiet wine bar with brighter lights than my house, adequate food served and no live music - yet gets treated like a night club raging with 300 people. Please look at your lock out laws and the prohibitive way you are treating our young **entrepreneurs** who have the passion to open hospitality venues.

It is a hard enough vocation to choose as it is let alone having an un supportive state compounding your business.

Please at least discuss alternative solutions rather than taking such severe actions.

Regards

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