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**ONLINE SUBMISSION - Inquiry into alcohol-related violence**

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**Best practice harm minimisation measures:**

I am a local sunshine coast resident who runs sportng events. Recently we ran a 24hr event held out of Mooloolaba. The event involved a HQ are being open for all of Saturday night. I was exposed to a side of our community that I had not seen. Drunken groups of young men assaulted out competitors and menaced our staff. It was outrageous that this "sub culture" exists in what during day light hours is a faviourite haunt of myself with my young children. Please look into closing clubs earlier. Claims that people will suffer as jobs will be lost are outrageous - the cost of this is nothing in comparison to the cost of what is currently happening on our streets. Please be tough - and listen to the emergency services submission. It is important.

**The impact of late opening hours:**

I agree with submissions put in by emergency services. Clubs and pubs should be forced to close earlier. The violence on the street is unacceptable in a community such as ours. Something must be done quickly.

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