# Welcoming booklet

Welcome to the spring meetings !! 17-23 april 2024



#### PRESENTATION OF THE WEEK

This week is intended to be a time for anti-nuclear gatherings on antiauthoritarian and anti-capitalist grounds to support our efforts in organizing oppositions and to strengthen resistance.

#### CONTEXT OF THE STRUGGLE

France's nuclear industry is currently advancing by leaps and bounds.

The CIGEO<sup>1</sup> nuclear waste project is accelerating with the recent announcements of archaeological excavations and expropriations from January 2024 (allowed by the validation of the Declaration of Public Utility).

The main purpose of landfilling the nuclear waste is to maintain and increase nuclear production in France. Vote on the "relaunching" plans for the construction of 6 new nuclear reactors, extending the operating life of reactors already at their "end of life", training of nuclear engineers in schools, "European taxonomy", etc...

To this must be added the fact that we have never been so close to a nuclear war since the end of the cold war, and that France is the last country in the European Union to produce and possess the atomic bomb.

In this military-industrial context, the race for productivity does not seem to stop on its own. Bure and its surroundings, rural territory that the CIGEO project wants to destroy, become a strategic place to build our struggles, because by opposing their garbage project, we oppose the nuclear industry as a whole.

# POLICE SURVEILLANCE

The struggle in Bure and anti-nuclear activism is subject to surveillance. There is a police presence in the Meuse region. While daily checks are infrequent, they are expected during this event. You will find the latest info about cops at the reception. You can also contact the reception via the number: 06 02 94 51 19.

Legal briefings specific to the Bure context have been updated in 2024. You will find these briefings printed at various reception points and in the info

<sup>1</sup> Industrial center for geological storage

kiosk. Additionally, regular sessions will be held during the event to address these issues. Look the programmation board up for more information.

It is also possible that there will be requests to telecommunications operators or police 'IMSI Catchers' to identify phones that have connected to the territory. If this is a concern for you, there will be training sessions on digital and phone security. Brochures on the subject are also available in the info kiosk and online.

A legal team will be available during the week. Their role is to monitor and support situations involving arrests, fines, and legal proceedings. If you know of individuals taken to the police station for identity checks or custody, who have received fines related to a check, or if you are released from the police station, contact the legal team number: 07 53 96 62 16.

Lawyers will be active during this event to assist you in case of police custody. Their names will be displayed at the reception.

If you see people being checked on your route, they are likely comrades. Feel free to roll down your window and ask if everything is okay.

#### THE PLACES

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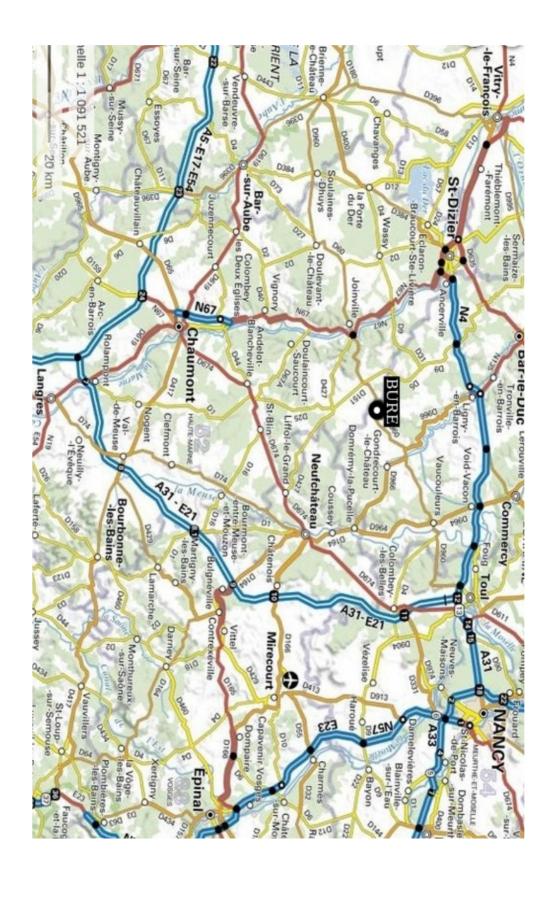
House of resistance – Affranchie: 45min (foot), 20min (bike), 5 min (car)

Affranchie – Gare: 45 min (foot), 20 min (bike), 5 min (car)

House of resistance – Gare: 1h30 (foot), 40 min (bike), 10 min (car)

#### House of resistance (Bure)

The house of resistance (also known as BZL), situated near the nuclear waste dump, has been in existence since 2004. It serves as a welcoming home, a hub for various struggles, and a collective living space (all areas have been collectively constructed and designed to accommodate as many people as possible). Currently, there are permanent residents along with two kittens.



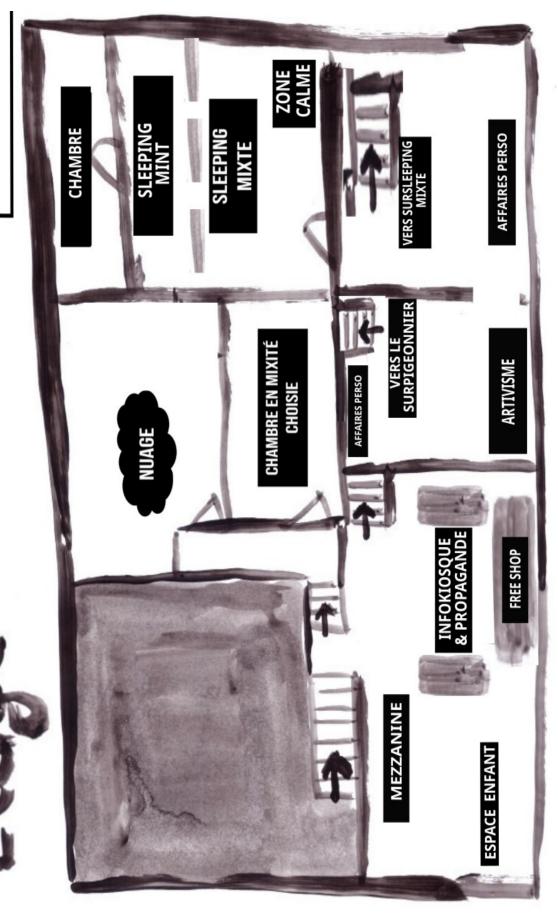
It's crucial for them and for all those arriving throughout the week to remember to take care of the spaces. The idea is for everyone to feel ownership of this house, both during the week and beyond. This place will continue to welcome, inform, and facilitate the organization of new events thanks to all the energies that keep it alive!

The house of resistance will serve as the main reception venue, equipped with various essential tools for the week (programming board, carpooling board, different boxes for daily life, etc.). The reception will be open from 9:30 am to 10:30 pm every day from April 17th to April 23rd. Feel free to come by with any questions. Sleeping arrangements will be distributed among different locations (see paragraph below). There is a shower, electricity, and running water. However, we can heat only a limited amount of water.

Address: 2 rue de l'église, 55290 Bure

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# PLAN DE BZL



# The gare (Luméville-en-Ornois)

The old Luméville-en-Ornois train station<sup>2</sup> is currently private property and a militant site against Cigéo. It is located less than 10 km from the laboratory and is on the route of the future Installation Terminale Embranchée (ITE), the railway line that ANDRA wishes to (re)create and operate to transport future nuclear waste to the center via "CASTOR<sup>3</sup> convoys."

The old station (but here, it's preferred to call it "The Station") is therefore a crucial link in the fight against this mega-nuclear waste dump project but also a thorn in the side for the revival of nuclear power. On March 4, 2024, we received a document at the station preparing the ground for our expropriation. ANDRA wants to take the entire 8 hectares of the station.

During the week, the station will be a workshop space, a sleeping area, a camping area, and a parking space for camper vans, as well as a space where dogs can roam more freely. Two thematic days will take place there on Friday, April 18th, and Sunday, April 21st (see the program).

The location is not connected to running water or electricity. There is a very limited amount of electricity provided by solar panels and drinking water in water tanks.

There will be people to welcome you at the gare every day from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, and these people will remain available afterwards even outside the reception area. You can recognize them by their armband.

Address: between the towns of Luméville-en-Ornois and Mandres-en-Barrois

# The Affranchie (Mandres en Barrois)

The Affranchie is a place that was purchased in 2018 by opponents to the CIGEO project. Shortly after, the Bois Lejuc was evicted. It's a collective space in the struggle that has had and will continue to have various roles. ANDRA, through SAFER, tried to cancel the sale and reclaim the building so that we wouldn't have its use anymore. The judgment was in our favor, so the Affranchie will remain anti-nuclear!

During this week, this place will serve as a sleeping space, a chill space, as well as additional workshop spaces, especially for climbing workshops.

<sup>2</sup> Train station is gare in french

<sup>3</sup> Cask for storage and transport of radioactive material

Please note: there is no running water. For drinking water, there are jerry cans and a water tank available.

There will be people to welcome you at the Affranchie every day from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, and these people will remain available afterwards even outside the reception area. You can recognize them by their armband.

Address: 1 rue de la Croix, 55290 Mandres-en-Barrois

# <u>The Augustine (Mandres en Barrois)</u>

The Augustine is a recently renovated place for activities, welcoming various collectives such as Les Semeuses (market gardening), La Matmouth (equipment lending), Le Bois Le Jus (bar-restaurant), Le Fournil (bakery), and more.

All the bread consumed during the week will be prepared in the bakery of the Augustine. Additionally, the bar-restaurant Bois le Jus is open on Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm to 1:00 am, serving fixed-price meals (4 euros).

On-site amenities include a sauna caravan, a shower, running water, and electricity.

Address: 2 Rue de Vinelle, 55290 Mandres-en-Barrois

# <u>The Poule (Biencourt-sur-Orge)</u>

The Grosse Poule Magique is a house purchased in 2017 by activists in Biencourt-sur-Orges (7 minutes from Bure by car), intended for habitation. Currently, three people live there. Usually, the Poule can serve as a temporary retreat for individuals living in collective spaces. During events, the house can be used for sleeping arrangements, workshops, resting spaces, etc.

# The bar of Tréveray

The bar Les 3 Vallées is a friendly associative bar located a 25-minute drive from Bure. It has its own programming unrelated to the anti-nuclear meetings, including a karaoke night on Friday, the 19th, and a board game afternoon for adults and children on Saturday, the 20th, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Address: 14 rue du Général Leclerc, Tréveray, France

#### THE SPACES

# **Reception**

The reception is located at the Resistance House in the corridor of the Multi room. Feel free to come by for any questions! On-site, you'll find the programming board, the self-management board, a carpooling board, a paywhat-you-can box, welcome booklets, legal briefs, and plenty of other things! To contact reception, call the reception / information traffic number: 06 02 94 51 19.

# **Accommodations and sleeping arrangements**

Dormitories are available at Augustine, Resistance House, the train station, and the Affranchie. We'll try to keep track of the count each day at the reception of the Resistance House. Additionally, there will be blankets available for borrowing throughout the week.

Sleeping areas are quiet zones at all times of the day and night, where you can sleep peacefully or rest if needed. Let's collectively be mindful of our noise levels!

At the Resistance House, the Affranchie, and the gare, there will be dormitories for women, intersex, non-binary, and trans individuals (MINT), meaning without cis men.

We hope the weather will be good and allow people to camp comfortably. There are spots for tents at the Resistance House (though space is limited), in the garden of the Affranchie, and at the gare.

For those without tents, there will be a sleeping barnum (with roof and walls) at the train station where you can lay out your sleeping mats.

We encourage people living in camper vans to set up on the private land of the gare where there is more space.

A few other types of accommodations have been arranged based on prior requests (accessible for people with reduced mobility, staying in a private home, space arrangements, etc.). Please come see us if you did such a request.

We encourage people with vehicles to consider staying in more distant locations.

If during the week the dormitories are overcrowded, we will find other solutions, and sleeping mats will be welcome!

# **Workshop Spaces**

At the Resistance House:

- The multi-purpose room (Multi) (70 m<sup>2</sup>)
- -"Le Nuage" (31 m<sup>2</sup>)
- The surpigeonnier (14 m<sup>2</sup>)
- The barn (120m<sup>2</sup> + "balconies")

At the train station:

- The library
- The lounge

The lounge at the Affranchie is available for self-managed workshops.

Workshops can also take place outdoors, especially at the train station where there is plenty of space on the grounds.

# **Brochure and Propaganda Space (Infokiosk)**

Brochures, newspapers, and books will be available in the hallway of the multi-purpose room and in the middle of the free shop area at the Resistance House.

# **Chill space**

The kitchen of the Resistance House will become a chill-out space during the event.

# **Parking**

There is parking near the community hall in Bure. Parking spaces located in front of the Resistance House are reserved for shuttles, tchouk-tchouk, and organizers. You can also park at the community hall parking lot in Mandres-en-Barrois and on the train station grounds.

#### Calm zone

Some beds will be designated as usable during the day for everyone to take naps in the sleeping area of the Resistance House (you can sleep there at night if available, but these beds will not be reservable for the entire week).

The Affranchie (located halfway between the Resistance House and the train station, accessible by foot) will be intended to be quieter.

# Kids' space (espace enfants en anglais)

A children's space has been set up on the upper floor of the barn at the Resistance House. We do not have the resources to offer activities for children, and we invite those interested in the subject to organize themselves to animate this space and improve its layout. If you wish to propose activities for children or reserve slots in the children's space, there will be more information available at the reception.

# Dogs' space

It seems challenging for us to accommodate many dogs at the Resistance House.

If you are bringing dogs, there is a larger area at the old Luméville train station, 6 km from Bure, where some workshops will take place. We suggest that people bringing their pets organize together so the dogs are not left alone during the day.

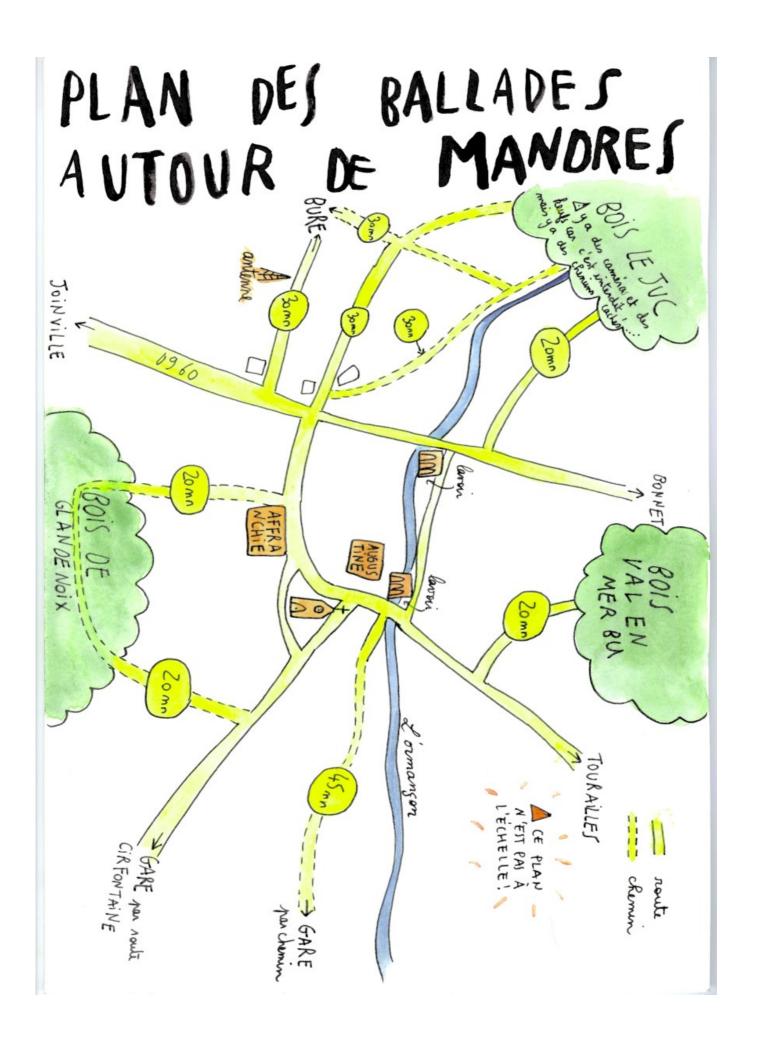
#### **PROGRAMMATION**

A large programming board is available at the reception of the Resistance House, with a pre-program that can be completed on-site by self-managed programming. Feel free to add your suggestions to the large board! While there are many activities, the idea is that if there are more workshops happening simultaneously, they will be on a more human scale. The time slot at 1:30 pm has intentionally been left relatively open in the pre-program to allow for spontaneous on-site proposals.

We will also print a few paper copies of the program, but since the program is subject to changes, please refer to the reception board for the most up-to-date programming.

# Hiking

Almost daily walks will be organized throughout the week. Feel free to go on your own walks as well!



#### **TIMETABLE**

**8h – 10h** : Breakfast **10h00 - 12h00** : Workshop

**12h00-13h30** : Meal

**13h30-15h30** : Workshop

**15h30-16h00** : Pause

**16h00-18h00** : Workshop

18h15 - 19h : Free time (little group talk & Criée)

**19h-20h30** : Meal

21h+ : Evening programmation

These schedules are approximate and may be adapted according to the days and workshops (for example, on Wednesday the 17th, the day will be different to allow for the welcome plenary).

#### **KITCHEN**

All meals offered during the week will be vegan, and the Resistance House is a place free from animal products. Indeed, many people who are or have been involved in the struggle at Bure are sensitive to anti-speciesist causes, which has led to collective decisions not to participate in animal exploitation, even though individual opinions on this matter vary.

Cooking for a hundred people is not something that can be improvised! Therefore, there will be a team from Freiburg cooking at the Resistance House during the meetings, and time slots will be available on the self-management board for assistance (as well as for bringing food to other locations).

Meals will be served at lunchtime and in the evenings at the Resistance House and the gare, the Affranchie, and La Poule (no evening delivery to La Poule). People at each location will be responsible for keeping track of how many meals are needed. If you leave at the last minute or are out and about, please remember to notify in advance if you won't be eating at the Resistance House. Breakfasts will be prepared and served at the Resistance House. In other locations, there will be self-service breakfast options.

If you have any dietary restrictions (allergies or others), please inform the kitchen as soon as possible so that they can note it down and accommodate it for meals (and specify how long you'll be staying / when you leave !).

# SELF-MANAGEMENT OF DAILY TASKS

We would like the week to unfold smoothly for everyone, ensuring that certain individuals do not become exhausted and that we do not fall into patterns of domination (particularly patriarchal and exploitative ones). We believe that self-management is an organizational model that can avoid these patterns.

While part of the week has been prepared in advance, we propose formalizing the various daily tasks for a better distribution of responsibilities: cooking, dishwashing, serving, reception, cleanliness, animation, shuttles, etc. In total, there are about 60 tasks to be filled each day. It's important to sign up for one or more tasks on the board located at the reception. Signage details what each task entails.

#### TRANSLATION - INTERPRETATION

There will be interpreters available in the following languages: English, German, and some others.

All conferences/workshops held in the Multi-purpose room at the Resistance House will be translated into English using radios and headphones to allow for instant translation.

Special days at the train station (Friday 19th and Sunday 21st) will also be translated into English.

Translations into German will be provided as needed and depending on the availability of interpreters.

We are searching for individuals who can translate into English or German. If you would like to help, inquire at the reception: there will be interpreter meetings every day (at 1 pm and/or 7 pm).

If you need translation, don't hesitate to come see the interpretation team.

# **SHOWERS AND TOILETS**

The availability of showers in the collective spaces around Bure is very limited. In the main area, the Resistance House, there is running water and electricity, but only one shower and limited hot water, so you will need to plan ahead for when you want to shower. There will also be a hot shower available at the Augustine and at La Poule. Additionally, for those who don't mind, there will be camping showers available at the gare and the Resistance House (a bucket, a water reservoir, a curtain, and the possibility to heat water). We primarily use dry toilets, so remember to bring a headlamp for nighttime trips.

# SHUTTLES - TCHOUK TCHOUK

We have devised a shuttle system for transportation, as it will be complex given the distance between the various locations.

If you can provide your car or if you have a driver's license (or both) and can assist with transportation, there are several tasks available on the selfmanagement board:

- People to shuttle individuals arriving by train or hitchhiking. These individuals can contact the shuttle phone at: 07 55 28 59 88.
- People to operate shuttles (tchouk-tchouk) between the different meeting locations (the gare, the Affranchie, the Resistance House, La Poule), following a bus schedule system displayed at various bus stops (Affranchie, train station, Resistance House, La Poule).
- Transportation of meals during meal times.

If you are making a spontaneous trip, don't hesitate to make yourself visible to fill up the car. For workshops taking place outdoors, collective departures will need to be organized.

For the return journey, there will be a carpooling board at the reception where you can list your needs or offer carpooling services.

#### **AUTOMEDIA & JOURNALISTS**

We have decided that during the antinuclear week, there will be no cameras, photos, or audio recordings allowed indoors or on the premises of the train station, due to the surveillance of antinuclear opponents.

It is also possible that a few journalists may visit the Resistance House during the week. If so, they will be few in number and only individuals with whom a prior connection has been established and whom we trust. Preparation will be done in advance for these visits. They will be accompanied by designated individuals and will have a visible sign to identify them.

#### **HEALTH TEAM**

There is a space with pharmacy supplies available in the hallway of the multipurpose room, accessible to all, as well as at the gare. For any questions or needs, you can call a designated person for medical care or advice. Phone: 06 05 72 97 63

#### THE LISTENING TEAM

The listening team offers attentive, caring, confidential, and non-judgmental support. Currently, the team consists of four (4) white MINT individuals (without cisgender men). The listening group is not here to heal, advise, find solutions, or fix anything; instead, we offer emotional support, a quiet place to take a break, to unload, to express how you're feeling... whether good or bad! You can contact the group if you feel like sharing or simply if it would be beneficial for you to talk to someone who will be there for you.

There is a caravan at the Resistance House dedicated to listening where there will be sessions between 10 am and 7 pm (to be confirmed). Depending on the sessions and the listeners present, energetic care without touch and massages with contact (sitting or on the ground) may be offered. Some members of the group speak English.

If you can't find the listening group or if it's more comfortable for you, there is a board to make appointments with a listener.

The listening group has a telephone number, different from the conflict and aggression management team (see below). You can use it at any time and leave written messages; we will get back to you at the beginning of the morning sessions, around 10 am. The listening team does not have evening or night sessions. The listening team is not trained for mediations or conflict management.

Listening team phone number: 07 45 40 70 88

SMALL GROUP TALK - CRIÉE - REVIEWS

We've scheduled small group times (in french « temps des rochers » or « rock times »), which will be replaced twice a day by criée at 6:15 PM. During small group time, we invite everyone to gather in small groups of 3 to 7 people (rock groups) to share their emotions (of the moment, of the past few days/weeks) or to talk about their day's experiences. The idea is to include unknown individuals in your rock group to meet new people. Rock times (or small group times) are meant to be a moment of co-listening. For those seeking a rock group, there will be a meeting point in the barn of the Resistance House, but it will also be possible to form groups in other locations.

There will be two criées replacing rock times on Friday 19th and Monday 22nd at 6:15 PM at the Resistance House. During these criée, individuals will read aloud the words placed (anonymously or not) in the criée box (which will be at the reception of the Resistance House). Feel free to participate in the criée by putting words in the box or volunteering to read them!

If you have any feedback (positive or critical) for the organization or if you want to contact us, there's a specific box at the reception where you can leave us notes. A "bulletin board" will also be available at the reception if you want to convey written information to everyone.

#### STRUGGLE AGAINST OPPRESSIONS

We want to collectively pay attention to avoiding the reproduction of oppressions in our words or behaviors, whether it's regarding sexism, racism, ableism, classism, ageism, psychophobia, or toxicophobia...

Some spaces and activities are designed in chosen queer mixity and in questioning or without cis men. Throughout this week, we find it important to be mindful of our gender-related behaviors (such as interrupting, heavy flirting, monopolizing the conversation, and taking up space...). Also, some people do not identify with the gender assigned to them at birth, such as trans, non-binary, intersex individuals... Be careful not to presume someone's gender. For this, we can introduce ourselves by stating our pronouns, for example.

If you're interested, there are resources in the infokiosk to explore some concepts from this brief guide.

Lastly, a conflict and aggression management team will be active during the week. Call the emergency number if there's a problem at any time: 07 73 56 16 11.

# **PSYCHOACTIVES SUBSTANCES**

For various reasons, we wish that alcohol and psychoactive substances do not take a central place in the event. We will not serve alcohol except during the following moments:

- Augustine's bar on Thursday evening (from 6:00 PM to 1:00 AM),
- Boom party at the Resistance House on Saturday evening (from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM),
- Boom boom party at the train station on Tuesday, the 23rd evening (from 7:00 PM to 3:30 AM).

Harm reduction materials will also be available during the evenings and at the reception. Feel free to use them! In any case, we wish that substances are as discreet as possible to avoid encouraging consumption or to help people who may have difficulties with the subject. That's why we ask that alcohol at the Resistance House be in opaque containers (we will use opaque ecocups during the event). Feel free to come and talk to us if you wish!

It is also requested not to smoke in indoor spaces.

# **SHOPS**

If you need to buy things in town, the nearest stores are in Gondrecourt (grocery store) and Houdelaincourt (tobacco shop). Please note that the owners of nearby stores, do not hesitate to call the police if they suspect theft. Larger supermarkets are available in Joinville and Ligny en Barrois.

The nearest ATM is in Gondrecourt. The closest gas stations are in Montiers-sur-Saulx and Houdelaincourt, but they are expensive. We prefer to fill up in Joinville or Ligny-en-Barrois for better prices. There are also garages (Darcemont) in Mandres-en-Barrois, in Gondrecourt (Collin SARL), and in Joinville (RM auto).

Technically, there are also services available at the Andra premises, but for political reasons, we rarely use them.

# DONATIONS - MUTUAL AID FUND

On average, the estimated cost per person per day, excluding donations, is around 7 euros (for meals, food, beverages, bread, insulation work, reimbursement for certain speakers, vehicle expenses, self-managed insurance fund - in case of accidents during the week, etc.). You give what you can, what you want, without pressure. If there are profits, they will benefit other events in the anti-nuclear struggle or anti-repression efforts related to the Bure struggle. If we don't meet our goals, we'll use funds from anti-nuclear collectives subsidies.

Also, if you lend your vehicle and incur expenses for fuel or in case of an accident, it's possible to get reimbursement. Please come see us in this case.

# **CONTACTS**

#### **Phones**

Cop watch: 06 02 94 51 19 Legal team: 07 53 96 62 16 Health team: 06 05 72 97 63

Listening team: 07 45 40 70 68

Conflicts and agressions teams: 07 73 56 16 11

Shuttles: 07 55 28 59 88

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