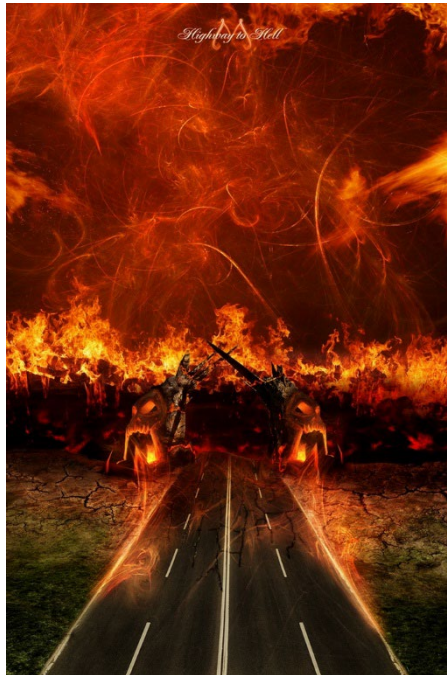


Bogan Motown
or
How to Create a Cooker



Hansonism is sweeping Australia. It threatens to smash the Liberal National conservative consensus and to challenge the Labor party's political rule in Canberra and in every State and region of the country. Make no mistake the revolution is real. The fire is out of control and the thought that a Trump like change cannot happen in Australia needs to be firmly rejected.

Australian cooks make MAGA look enlightened and reasonable people. These are determined, passionate evangelists who whole heartedly believe that unless things change they will die or suffocate, and all that is good about Australia will disappear.

How and why is this seemingly unstoppable movement emerging? It's simple, and it is arguably simple to stop once you understand the dynamics of the group. The problem is that the fire is unwittingly being fueled by those with the most to lose.

Here is the formula for creating a cooker..

- Create a law or regulation based on the principle that it protects everyone. Make it so ethically sealed as to be unchallengeable - so much so, that in reality it cannot pass the pub test and in effect just does not make common sense. It's primary function is to create rebellion. Australians recognise hypocrisy and

nothing is sweeter than to unseat it. Its sort of like the 1950s being overtaken by the 1960s and 1970s.

- Ensure that this law or regulation restricts and even potentially eliminates a cherished Australian freedom or right. The more it interferes with individual freedoms the better.
- Unconsciously target this law so that it particularly hits people living in outer suburban, regional and remote parts of the country.
- Ensure that the law or regulation not only economically cripples individuals, ensure that it can isolate and restrict their freedom of movement and potentially send them to jail. What are these laws? There is a host of them: traffic fines, domestic violence targeting particularly men, anti-vaxers, pensioners with no super, otherwise just focus on people who don't fit in..
- Create an unassailable logic (by those who have no clue that any of this is even happening) that anyone who dares challenge the laws or regulations is an evil troglodyte to the right of Adolf Hitler.
- Ensure that those who are unfairly restricted or targeted by these laws and regulations are quietly burned at the stake far from any forum where the principles of a fair go, let alone justice prevail.
- Quietly celebrate the moral victory of all this, bank the extra revenue generated by the said laws and regulations and, to rub oil into the wound, make speeches and write articles about how all of this is about the greater good.

This, in a nutshell, is how you create a cooker. The term is apt. Such individuals are so 'cooked', mad and so angry that in the right environment they will be violent, anti-social and seemingly irrational. At smokos or clubs or pubs you will find cookers openly talking about how the country has gone to the shit house.

It has happened again and again in our history, Bon Scott marries Barnaby Joyce. Burleigh Street versus Burleigh Heads..

When these individuals get onto social media they will not be stopped. Anything is fair game and it is par to create the most offensive campaigns against political leaders. They, without any clue themselves, come to represent all of the injustices that are so real in cookers lives.

Someone like Albo's worst crime is to have worked the system better than them. It was like being a Builders Labourer in the CBD versus working as a slave with an outer suburban builder. Drinking beer versus living on crack and speed. Listen to Dave Warner's *just a suburban boy..*, gangster suburbs versus Russell Crowe's south Sydney... playing footy in central Vic versus the AFL, regional Aboriginal elder who did not finish high school versus university educated Aboriginal elder..

But the Liberal National Party made an even worse mistake. Peter Dutton and David Littleproud, in effect the political aristocracy, opposed the Voice without really meaning it. Pauline Hansen, fresh from fish and chips suburbia, Gina Rheinheart's sister and girl friend, really meant it. The bogun in every regional cooker recognised it. Ditch the fakes and take on the real racist ethic. Why should 40,000 years of history be better than 40 years of lucky boom years wealth and prosperity? Noone is better than me. I am doing it tough why should I be responsible for your shit. Vietnam protesters versus Vietnam vets. Smokers who pay \$60 for a packet of cigarettes versus anti-cancer public health advocates. Flower power versus metal. Renters versus Airbnb owners.

Please be careful not to dismiss cookers as nut jobs. For an increasing number of Australians these messages and campaigns ring true. On a highway to hell in the regions and suburbia it is the momentum not the meaning that matters. Of course there is a small but persuasive element of truth to these campaigns particularly because politicians, journalists, even right wing commentators have no clue about the injustices and wrongs that are in fact being committed, day after day.

So a bitter divide opens up between those whose lives are on the brink and those who are firmly sure of their own moral and ethical integrity. The debate in parliament carries on without having a clue about the stakes or the problems. But the shock mainly lies with the political classes threatened by the new revolution. They live in such rarified bubbles that they are easy targets for the cookers.. who even when they are off their heads, have to live with the rules and rhetoric of the political status quo.

Similarly gentrified Australians in the bush or the city never really encounter the injustices of every day life that are the bane of cookers lives.

The cookers understand the politicians and journalists much better than the politicians and journalists understand the cookers. Cookers smell the hypocrisy and ignorance and have absolutely no mercy for those with a politically correct and sealed viewpoint.

Pauline Hanson is of course the great martyr for those who are mad, beyond reason. She, like them, went to jail unjustly, she understands cookers grievances and she talks their language. She fights for them and for an Australia that is diminishing and lost and on edge.

Let us leave this article here with the general recipe of how to create a cooker. Let us not yet delve too deep into the sound reasons why there is so much discontent in suburban. regional and remote Australia. Let things cook a little. Let Labor stalwarts blame the inevitable consequences of a declining economic situation and rest on their moral rectitude. Let the opinion polls sink in for the Liberal National Party.

However have no doubt that when even one Aboriginal person follows the logic of Jacinta Price or Noel Pearson on welfare, there are profound problems, not in the easily fixed empty rhetoric of politics, but in the minute interstices of our national daily life.

Our analysis needs to go to traffic fines and laws, health departments and officials, neglected children, the disputes that never even make it to a magistrate court but result in someone unjustly going to jail. We must go to the reports that teachers write about their students filled with what Don Watson once called “weasel words” and which carefully avoid calling a spade a bloody shovel even when it is about to be raised in anger as a weapon.

The fact we have cooks in the first place means all of these problems are not easily fixed. Most of the issues are boring and unedifying. The fact that cooks can be our friends, neighbours, former hippies, our work colleagues, and even our former comrades, is a deep warning. Let us reflect on these facts however challenging and unpalatable they may be. To understand how to stop all this we have to delve into the micro problems and issues that are the source of so much discontent in Australia. For now, let us just understand that all this is white hot.. and not going away.

Finally let us understand that even when the Bogun Motown revolution is understood the problem is that those who profit from the injustices have no comprehension nor any incentive to shut the whole process down. Australians are over governed and each tier of government wants to screw out every revenue source possible. In tough times this is a recipe for Australian rebellion. This is not a rebellion to take over the government, it is a rebellion to take over the benefits and to go back to the halcyon Ted Mulry era.. when cheap petrol and holden cars were every man and woman’s expectation.

All this may well be about the decline of the West and the rise of East. Chairman X’s world car versus the easy status quo of the protected and spoiled industrial countries of the post war period. Or maybe it is about AI versus humans. Hold on to your hats..