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In this issue of *Earth First!* Allison Slater reflects on the diversity of people within the *Earth First!* movement. This issue also features a section on *Earth First!* Australia. In addition, Rod Coronado sheds light on the anarchy of fur farms and “Stella C. Lyons” reports about the decreasing population of Steller sea lions.

Like many people, I suppose, the social anarchic tribe vision of *Earth First!* drew me to it as much as the nature defense stance. I had enough of huge organizations proclaiming their desire to make change and yet mirroring society, accepting much of the dominant paradigm; hierarchies that put words into the mouths of their mostly passive, dues-paying membership. *Earth First!*ers, so I believed, are not members, but activists, drawn together in the belief that the destruction of nature has to end now. Everything else, I assumed, is up for debate. We don’t have to agree with each other. We don’t even have to like each other.

—Allison Slater

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