



Queensland Branch News



17th December 2012

AGM AND FUTURE UNION DUES

The Annual General Meeting of the Union was held at the Wynnum Manly Workers Club on Tuesday 11th December. The National Council Report and Financial Report were unanimously endorsed.

A Special meeting of the membership unanimously endorsed the Rule changes which will see an additional West Australian Branch Assistant Secretary and a full-time Secretary in the Northern Territory Branch as well as an Honorary Branch Secretary.

A component of the National Council Report was the movement in Union Dues, an increase of 6% as at 1st January 2013. In essence, the increase is to allow the Union to remain in a financial sustainable position and allow for the funding adjustment to wages and conditions of Officials and Organisers in line with the policy of the Union and as contained in National Conference resolution 5.2.1:

5.2.1 Branch Officials' wages and conditions

Carried by Plenary

Moved by: Chris Cain 6001867, Seconded Joe Jones 5020165

The 2012 Quadrennial Conference of Members resolves that the National Council of the MUA look at the wages and conditions of all Officials and Organisers and look to an increase in their salary package consistent with the increases in parts of the industry.

The National Council will review any anomalies that exist between categories of pay and conditions, especially with respect to Organisers and organising in remote areas.

At the conclusion of the Meetings as mentioned, the forum was open to General Business and discussion/debate ensued about the operation of the Branch; how the Branch can become more effective, including the possibility of a Branch Conference next year.

A copy of the 2013 Union Dues is contained overleaf.

There will also be a review of the brackets of:

Irregularly Engaged employees
Members engaged at Qube
Both areas of Patrick

This will not occur prior the end of February 2013.

HUNTERLINK NATIONAL HELPLINE SERVICE

Hunterlink Recovery Services National Helpline Service was launched during MUA National Council on Monday 15 October 2012. For the first time in Australia, workers nationwide will now have access to a 24-hour helpline providing assistance with substance abuse, suicide prevention, counselling and early intervention support, from an organisation established on the values of the trade union movement.

Paddy Crumlin reports that the Hunterlink expansion strategy will now be integrated into EBA negotiations, commencing with the offshore EBA, aimed at establishing Hunterlink as the national industry preferred and priority provider of employee assistance scheme support for workers. This will provide a platform to extend it to the Bluewater sector, and discussions have already commenced with ASA to gain its commitment for ASA member backing for Hunterlink.

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CHRISTMAS - NEW YEAR OFFICE HOURS

The Branch and Credit Union will be open over the Christmas-New Year period as follows:

- Monday 24th December - Close at 12 noon
- Christmas and Boxing Day - Closed
- Thursday 27th December - Close at 12 noon
- Friday 28th December - Close at 12 noon

The Branch and Credit Union will not be open on New Year's Eve – Monday 31st December.

Branch Officials can be contacted by Mobiles during this period.

Queensland Branch 2013 Member Rates including Branch Contribution					
Grade	Earnings	Weekly	Fortnightly	Monthly	Yearly
A	\$110,187 +	36.89	73.79	159.88	1,918.50
A40	\$110,187 +	40.89	81.79	177.21	2,126.50
A20	\$110,187 +	38.89	77.79	168.54	2,022.50
B	\$87,927 - \$110,186	33.45	66.89	144.94	1,739.23
B40	\$87,927 - \$110,186	37.45	74.89	162.27	1,947.23
B30	\$87,927 - \$110,186	36.45	72.89	157.94	1,895.23
B20	\$87,927 - \$110,186	35.45	70.89	153.60	1,843.23
C	\$67,893 - \$87,926	26.54	53.08	115.01	1,380.08
C40	\$67,893 - \$87,926	30.54	61.08	132.34	1,588.08
C30	\$67,893 - \$87,926	29.54	59.08	128.01	1,536.08
C20	\$67,893 - \$87,926	28.54	57.08	123.67	1,484.08
D	\$46,746 - \$67,892	19.60	39.20	84.93	1,019.11
D30	\$46,746 - \$67,892	22.60	45.20	97.93	1,175.11
D20	\$46,746 - \$67,892	21.60	43.20	86.39	1,123.11
D10	\$46,746 - \$67,892	20.60	41.20	82.39	1,071.11
E	\$27,825 - \$46,745	14.99	29.99	59.97	779.67
E30	\$27,825 - \$46,745	17.99	35.99	77.97	935.67
E20	\$27,825 - \$46,745	16.99	33.99	73.64	883.67
E10	\$27,825 - \$46,745	15.99	31.99	69.31	831.67
F	\$13,912 - \$27,824	9.23	18.46	40.01	480.08
G	0 - \$13,911	4.27	8.53	18.48	221.81
G20	0 - \$13,911	6.27	12.53	27.15	325.81

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To members and families, we extend our best wishes over the Christmas period and thank you for your support and vigilance throughout the year.

Officials, Organisers and Staff



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