



WMWA NEWS – OCTOBER 2016

SAFETY ROADSHOWS

The Department of mines & Petroleum (DMP) are conducting their annual safety roadshows over the next 2 months. The seminars are designed for safety representatives and interested employees.

The sessions are free and always informative. Registrations on the days start at 0700 for a 0800 start. The sessions are fairly relaxed and are finished by 2pm with refreshments provided.

This year they will be focusing on prevention from getting caught, trapped or crushed. Apart from learning about mining safety from the experts, you will also have the chance to chat with other safety focused mining industry employees as well as the DMP mines inspectors.

If you are off swing you don't need to ask your employer to attend. If you are on swing and at site near where a session is being conducted we suggest that you ask your management to release you on paid time to attend.

If you want more details about the [seminars](#), enroll online [here](#). Spots can book out fairly quickly so get in early.

Some upcoming dates that may interest members are

- 13 Oct in Tom Price
- 25 Oct in Bunbury
- 1 Nov in Geraldton
- 4 Nov in Perth

For more information go to the DMP website [here](#).

LEAVE & YOUR RIGHTS

Recently there has been an increase of enquiries from members about their rights to leave.

Workers rights to leave are covered by the Fair Work Act and state legislation.

Company policy can improve on these but not make workers worse off.

If you are not sure about your rights or feel that you may have been denied access to a type of leave, contact your local Organiser to discuss.

Remember knowledge is power!

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