



Southern Queensland Branch News

12 February 2010

QUEENSLAND NOT FOR SALE

Members are reminded that a major Public Rally has been planned for Tuesday 9th March 2010, 10:30am at Roma Street Forum.

MAXIMUM MUA ATTENDANCE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

Remember, Comrades that members livelihood is being tampered with, whoever is the successful Tender for a 99% lease will seek a return on their investment, by upping charges potentially having Brisbane bypassed or leaseholders seeking more "feasible" labour arrangements to protect their profit margins.

PUT THE DATE AND TIME IN YOUR DIARY NOW.

BRANCH PLANNING DAYS

The Branch is undertaking Branch Planning days on Monday 15, Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 February 2010.

These days have been set aside to enable the Branch officers and staff to be appraised of the most efficient manner that we can operate in a fundamental way to serve the best interests of the membership.

All Southern Queensland Branch Officers and staff will be involved along with the North Queensland Hon. Branch Secretary, Laurie Horgan, North Queensland Organiser, Jamie Midson and North Queensland staff members.

There may be some minor disruptions on these days mentioned.

THE BULLY BOSS

The tired old wharfie stands by the winch
A bully boss on the deck below
Yells get that cargo out and don't be slow
I'll make sure if you're not fast
Bugger safety this job will be your last
Oh memories of bad old days
New and modern times are here
Still the use of bullying threats and sackings to create fear
Those misguided middle management fools
Who allow the bosses to use them as their tools
Will find when he has used them up
He will stamp on them like an unwanted mongrel pup
We retired members and general public unite
With working comrades to continue the fight.



Working class poem by Barney Sanders.

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

Assistant Branch Secretary Tony Austin is in the process of organising:

- Footy Tipping Competition to run in conjunction with the Maritime Mining Power Credit Union
- 10 – Over Cricket Competition

Further information will be posted in future *Branch News*.

BRANCH NEWS MUA WEBSITE

Members quite often make comment that they have missed an article in the *Branch News* because they were on leave or there was no work at the time that the *Branch News* was distributed.

Members can easily view all *Branch News* by going to our website www.mua.org.au then clicking on Queensland at the bottom on the Home page. As an example – Financiality through the January editions to assisting in reminding members to update records and ensure they are financial.

ENDEAVOUR FOUNDATION

We have been contacted by our close neighbours with the following request:

How would you like to play a key role in an exciting Brisbane cycling event and at the same time help the Endeavour Foundation support people with a disability?

Endeavour is the charity partner for the BDO Brisbane Coot-tha Challenge on Sunday 12 March 2010. So, we need your help to make this even the most successful yet!

We need volunteers (16yrs & over) for as little as two hours to help with a range of roles including information officer, marshal, rest-stop staff, cheer leaders and general assistants at the locations around Brisbane. The BDO Brisbane Coot-tha Challenge is one of Brisbane's largest bike rides, attracting thousands of participants.

The more you participate, the more Endeavour benefits. So can you lend us a hand for just one day?

We will supply everything you need – a volunteer T-shirt, lunch and drinks, insurance coverage, certificate of appreciation and, of course, plenty of fun.

If you would like to help us out by volunteering, just call Laura Magan on (07) 3908 7243 or Kim Savas on (07) 3908 7162 or email lmagan@endeavour.com.au or email volunteer@endeavour.com.au.

CRICKET AT THE GABBA

Union Shopper Inc. in conjunction with Queensland Cricket proudly presents a **FREE Family Fun Day** at the Gabba!

Saturday 20th February 2010

Enjoy the fun of a day at the cricket for free at the **Ford Ranger Cup**

XXXX Gold Queensland Bulls

vs

Victoria Bushrangers.

Available to all affiliate union members and their families.

Find the latest information and **register your interest for this event online** at www.unionshopper.com.au/funday



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