



Southern Queensland Branch News

28th April 2010

MAY DAY ~ 3 May 2010

"Australian Unions Working for a Better Life"

MARCH ROUTE

The MUA contingent will assemble in Section 3 of the Transport group. The MUA will lead the transport group of Unions, accompanied by the City of Brisbane Pipe Band.

The area for the MUA to assemble is Area B at 203 Wharf Street, the Federal Police Building

Those members and families wishing to march will need to be assembled in the designated area by 9am. Floats must be assembled by 8.30am. All floats must enter at the rear of the set-up area via Upper Edward Street or Leichhardt Street.

At the RNA Showgrounds, the location of the MUA tent will be No 11, between the RTBU and CFMEU tents.

Note: The conditions regarding consumption of alcohol in the designated areas will be the same as last year. Hereunder are the conditions:

- The required number of marshals will be available for the March and other duties at the venue as necessary.
- We will adhere to the published and endorsed order of the March and will publicise our position and assembly meeting point to our members.
- We will ensure that all liquor licence requirements for the day will be adhered to by our contingent.
- We will ensure that no unauthorised alcohol is brought into the celebrations area by any member of our contingent.

MUA Contact person – Mick Carr. Marshals – Tony Austin and Brett Membrey

As with May Day each year, without the assistance of volunteers not only on the day itself, but the preceding Sunday morning at the QCU office (16 Peel Street, South Brisbane) to set up the float and banners, it would not be the great success that we have come to expect from the international workers day.

If you can assist, please contact the Branch – phone 3395 7215.

MAY DAY T-SHIRTS

AVAILABLE IN UNION OFFICE

SIZES LARGE – XL – XXL AND SOME LARGER SIZES - \$20.00 EACH

SHIPPING CAMPAIGN - ROLLOUT OF LOBBYING CAMPAIGN

The campaign around lobbying politicians for the implementation of new shipping laws from the Federal Government has begun with Branches setting up committees and the campaign kit being available for the meetings with MPs to begin.

At this stage Branch Committees should be forming; and the job of reaching every Federal Labor MP and Senator is underway. The Branch will advise for updates in terms of the times and dates and various activity schedules.

INDUSTRIAL ROUNDS

Branch Secretary M. Carr

Tues	27	April	Branch monthly meeting
Wed	28	"	Rank & File Committee meeting re: Shipping Campaign
Thur	29	"	Maritime Super meeting, Melbourne
Fri	30	"	Special QCU Executive meeting re: Workers Compensation
"	"	"	Labour Day preparations
Sun	2	May	Preparation of Float/banners for Labour Day
Mon	3	"	Set up of MUA at RNA grounds prior to march.
Tue	4	"	(a.m.) - Meeting with DP World Committee
"	"	"	(p.m.)- DP World presentation on mode change
"	"	"	Brisbane – Townsville
Wed	5	May	(a.m.) – Meeting with NSS Committee re: Organising plan
"	"	"	(p.m.) – Meeting with Svitzer members
Thu	6	May	(a.m.) – Meeting with NSS, then to workplace re: report back
"	"	"	(p.m.) - Meeting with Bowen Tug members

WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY 28 APRIL 2010



A monument honouring the thousands of Queenslanders who have been killed or injured at work was unveiled this morning by State Attorney-General and Industrial Relations Minister, Cameron Dick.

QCU Assistant General Secretary Amanda Richards said it was pleasing to see the monument come to fruition after much lobbying.

“We welcome the active involvement of the State Government in making this monument a reality and a fitting tribute to the thousands of Queenslanders who have lost their lives just by going to work.”

The Workers Memorial Day service saw 153 flowers laid before the monument – one flower for each compensated injury during the 2008/09 financial year.

73 yellow gerberas were laid to represent each worker who had died at work and 80 white gerberas represented the workers who had been compensated for asbestos-related cancers.

MUA relieving Official Brett Membrey attended the workers Memorial Day. Approximately 2000 people were also present.