



Southern Queensland Branch News

15th December 2010

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Branch Executive and staff would like to wish all members and their families a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. We would like to pass on our gratitude to Rank and File Delegates who have continued to assist the Branch throughout the year.

During this time of the year whilst many enjoy a short break, a lot of our members have to keep up the workload that they have applied on a consistent level throughout the year.

It is therefore important that members continue to work in a safe manner to ensure that they arrive home to their loved ones.

The Branch Office and Credit Union will operate during the following hours:

Friday 17 th December	closes 12 noon	Branch Committee and Staff function
Friday 24 th December	“ “	Christmas Eve
Monday 27 th December	closed	
Tuesday 28 th December	closed	
Wednesday 29 th through to Friday 31 st December	Open from 0830am to 12noon.	
Monday 3 rd January	closed	

Normal office hours will re-commence for both the Credit Union and the Branch Office from Tuesday 4th January 2011.

Deputy Branch Secretary T. Munday will commence leave on Tuesday 21st December and return on Monday 10th January 2011.

During the period between Christmas and New Year, all officials will be available on their mobiles.

BRANCH MONTHLY MEETING

The Branch monthly meeting that normally occurs on the last Tuesday of the month will be brought forward to - **Tuesday 21st December 9am at the Union rooms, commencing at 9am.**

There will be refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting.

BASE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

POAGS

Nominations are called for the formation of a newly elected Base Committee for the POAGS enterprise.

Nominations are called for the following positions:

Foreman	1
Operations/Clerical	2
Irregularly engaged (VSE/GWE and Supplementary)	2
Nominations close on Friday 15th January 2011	

UNION DUES AS FROM 01 JANUARY 2011

Bracket	Salary	Weekly *	Fortnightly *	Monthly *	Yearly *
A	\$99,000 +	33.15	66.30	143.64	1723.72
B	\$79,000 - \$98,999	30.05	60.10	130.22	1562.65
C	\$61,000 - \$78,999	23.8	47.69	103.33	1239.97
D	\$42,000 - \$60,999	17.61	35.22	76.30	915.64
E	\$25,000 - \$41,999	13.47	26.94	58.38	700.52
F	\$12,500 - \$24,999	8.30	16.59	35.95	431.34
G	\$0 - \$12,499	3.83	7.67	16.61	199.29

* Denotes the Branch Fund levy applicable to Stevedores is shown in the individual salary bracket.

DP WORLD BRANCH ELECTIONS

Nominations are required for both the ECC and Safety Committees for Fisherman Islands Container Terminal and **will close Friday 15th January 2011.**

ECC - as follows:

Foreman	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Operational	x	2	plus 2 proxies
Irregularly Engaged	x	2	plus 2 proxies
Workshop	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Clerical	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Women's Representative	x	1	plus 1 proxy

Safety Committee - as follows:

Foreman	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Casual	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Operational	x	1	plus 1 proxy
\Workshop	x	1	plus 1 proxy
Clerical	x	1	plus 1 proxy

There will also be a requirement for a Returning Officer and a Deputy Returning Officer to run a ballot, if nominations exceed the number of positions.
