



MONTHLY INDUSTRIAL NEWSLETTER

Official MUA WA Branch Members Update

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**WA Branch
Stop Work Meeting
Tuesday, 27th July 2021**



Comrades,

The monthly newsletter that is produced in the same month as the Branch Magazine, "Maritime Workers First" will be a shortened version to provide a brief update on issues that have arisen since the magazine went to print. The Magazine will be sent out as an electronic flipping book tomorrow, along with a hardcopy mailed out to all WA Branch members.

OFFSHORE

The Offshore EBA campaign continues against both single 3-union agreements put out by DOF and Go Offshore.

The legitimacy of the new Go Offshore agreement is looking at being challenged in Fair Work by the MUA and we will update as we move through that process.

The vote on the DOF agreement closed yesterday Sunday August 29th and the results have come in with the agreement being voted down by the majority of MUA members and officers and engineers. A great result through a well-disciplined and structured campaign around the vote which sends DOF back to the negotiating table.

TEEKAY

The Ocean Protector agreement for Teekay has now been formally registered in Fair Work. Congratulations again to the great work by MUA delegates and officials to land this agreement after a long set of negotiations

SVITZER

The national towage negotiations continue to occur with action being taken in various ports across the country. Here in WA, we are keeping a close eye on a number of contracts being tendered in Bunbury and Garden Island. Local negotiations for the lines and launches in Kwinana commence shortly where the union has prevented the introduction of redundancies.

FREMANTLE PORTS

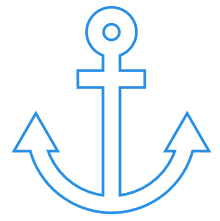
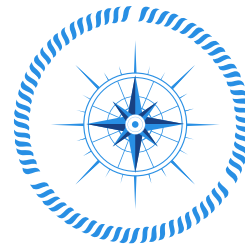
The Fremantle Port Authority negotiations have ground to a halt, as we wait for the FPA to put out their non-union agreement to the workforce for a vote as they indicated they intend to do. The FPA are more than aware of the workforce's view on the new agreement the FPA has produced because it has been roundly condemned at direct site meetings between the workforce and management. Nonetheless it looks like only the voting down of the agreement will inject some common sense into the FPA on this.

PATRICK TERMINAL

Patrick have decided it would be in their interests to attack their own workforce again by issuing a 'Notification of Change Notice' that introduces increased flexibility into the roster and removes longstanding commitments around training and skills for PGE's. Allocation of labour to work across the terminal is to be fundamentally changed and it appears to be an attempt to unwind years of consensus agreement making in Fremantle. Meetings with members continue to occur across the terminal as this goes to print.

BAE

The BAE agreement was voted up by 98% of members across the MUA, ETU and AMWU and has now been submitted to Fair Work for formal registration.



QUBE FREMANTLE

QUBE are now halfway through their 5th week of strike action and the support of the entire MUA membership across the country and the broader trade union movement has been overwhelming. As has the willingness of the international trade union family in the maritime sector to begin to weigh in to support the campaign of the MUA members at QUBE Fremantle.

Included in this month's newsletter is a copy of the flyer to indicate where financial support for the QUBE Fremantle workers can be directed. All and any financial support and otherwise, is greatly appreciated by our QUBE Fremantle members who are doing hard after 4 and a half weeks out the gate.



**Out the Gate
As Long as
It Takes**

**SUPPORT THE
MUA QUBE FREO
WORKERS**

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