

# RAIL TRAM & BUS UNION



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## No Backwards Step

30 August 2019

Today was a huge display of our strength.

We stopped work. We rallied in huge numbers. We stood together for our rights.

Yarra Trams has seen our strength. Today you showed them how important you are to their business and that you won't be intimidated by their sneaky tactics.

We want to congratulate all the members that participated in the stoppage today and showed solidarity by rallying at Trades Hall. To see so many members standing side by side was an inspiring display of our dedication and power.

But, this is only the beginning. Yarra Trams needs to get serious about bargaining. They need to drop their plans for a mass part-time work force; they need to offer you a decent wage; and they need to agree to improvements in job security and safety. Together, we will continue the fight. We won't take a backwards step!

Today we wrote to Yarra Trams informing them that members who will be covered by the Operations EBA will take further overtime bans set out below.

**A ban on members (other than AOs, Starters and TODs) working voluntary overtime (VOT) and on cancelled days off (DOCs).**

This will commence at the first tram service on **Monday, 9 September 2019** timetable and finish when the last tram service scheduled on **Thursday, 12 September 2019** ends on **Friday, 13 September 2019**.

The bargaining representative for Authorised Officers tells us that **AOs will be imposing the same bans at the same time.**

We thank you for all for your strength and solidarity. We will keep fighting to get a better deal!

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Secretary

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