



# RAIL TRAM & BUS UNION

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## Operations EBA Bargaining Update

26 November 2019

Today, the RTBU met with Yarra Trams at the Fair Work Commission for a bargaining meeting.

The RTBU has provided draft clauses to Yarra Trams for our claims in relation to dispute resolution, disciplinary counselling, medical examinations, women's advocates and protections against harassment and violence. We are continuing to make progress on these claims.

Unfortunately, at the meeting, Yarra Trams restated their claim to raise the cap on part-time employment from 4% to 15% and reduce the minimum shifts for part-time drivers to 3 hours. In the last vote, 94% of you rejected Yarra Trams' part-time claim because you know it will reduce your take home pay, destroy job security and devastate our culture. It is well past time for Yarra Trams to listen to its employees and drop their part-time claim.

In order to achieve a better deal we need to remain strong and united. We need to fight as long as it takes to achieve our critical claims and prevent the introduction of a mass-part time workforce.

The first of our upcoming 4-hour stoppages of work is on this **Thursday, 28 November between 10am and 2pm**. We will all meet for a BBQ and speeches at Trades Hall. Buses will be provided.

**The following members will not be taking part in stoppage:** TODs; Starters; OC Controllers; OC Officers; and Depot Trainer and Relief Depot Trainers at the Brunswick, Camberwell, Essendon, Kew, Malvern and Southbank depots. We thank these members. We know that you stand in unity with us.

Authorised Officers represented by the AO representative will be taking part in the same stoppage.

Standing together, we will achieve a fair deal!

**Tarik Koç**  
Secretary

**Mario Mizzi**  
Assistant Secretary