

## February 2013

**[Court action over alleged \\$22,000 underpayment of six foreign cleaners in Perth \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130228-housekeeping-prosecution\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130228-housekeeping-prosecution)**

28 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has launched a prosecution against a Perth cleaning company, alleging it underpaid six foreign cleaners a total of more than \$22,000.

**[Motor vehicle dealerships focus of new campaign across QLD, NSW and ACT \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130227-nsw-act-qld-motor-vehicle-retailing-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130227-nsw-act-qld-motor-vehicle-retailing-campaign)**

27 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is targeting motor vehicle dealerships across New South Wales, Queensland and the ACT over the next five months as part of a new education and compliance campaign to ensure staff are receiving their full entitlements.

**[Court action over alleged disability discrimination \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130226-rocky-holdings-prosecution\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130226-rocky-holdings-prosecution)**

26 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is prosecuting the operators of a medical practice in Sydney, alleging a young vision-impaired receptionist was discriminated against on the grounds of her disability and underpaid more than \$20,000.

**[Fair Work Ombudsman visits Sunshine Coast \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130222-sunshine-coast-nw\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130222-sunshine-coast-nw)**

22 Feb 2013

Fair Work Ombudsman Nicholas Wilson will highlight some common excuses employers use for underpaying staff during a visit to the Sunshine Coast on Friday February 22.

**[\\$136,000 in fines for underpayment of Indian employee in Melbourne \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20120221-shafi-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20120221-shafi-penalty)**

21 Feb 2013

The former operators of a Melbourne kebab shop have been fined a total of \$136,000 and ordered to back-pay an Indian employee more than \$50,000.

**[Sydney restaurants targeted for underpayment of wages \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-)**

**[us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130219-sydney-restaurants](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130219-sydney-restaurants)**

19 Feb 2013

16 Sydney restaurants are facing further investigation for potential underpayment of wages after spot-audits conducted by the Fair Work Ombudsman over the past week.

**[Nowra call centre fined for underpaying workers almost \\$200,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20120218-quincolli-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20120218-quincolli-penalty)**

18 Feb 2013

The operators of a Nowra call centre, on the New South Wales south coast, have been fined a total of \$107,500 and ordered to back-pay almost \$200,000 to staff.

**[Fair Work Ombudsman to take part in O-Week \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130214-o-week-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130214-o-week-media-release)**

14 Feb 2013

Students who are working to help support themselves through uni this year are being encouraged to take advantage of O-Week to find out about their workplace rights.

**[Perth workers receive \\$189,000 in back-pay \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130214-perth-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130214-perth-recoveries)**

14 Feb 2013

Workers at Perth have been back-paid a total of \$189,200 following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

**[Fine imposed for underpayment of foreign workers in Adelaide and Brisbane \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130213-lycamobile-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130213-lycamobile-penalty)**

13 Feb 2013

The Australian arm of a global retail company has been fined \$59,400 for underpaying 13 employees - including many foreign workers - in Adelaide and Brisbane.

**[Pharmacy education and compliance campaign \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130213-nat-pharmacy-joint-release-with-guild\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130213-nat-pharmacy-joint-release-with-guild)**

13 Feb 2013

This month the Fair Work Ombudsman commences a national education and compliance campaign focusing on the pharmacy industry.

**[Retail outlet discriminated against pregnant employee \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130212-shawna-eu\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130212-shawna-eu)**

12 Feb 2013

A Melbourne retail company which breached discrimination laws by reducing a worker's hours after she fell pregnant has agreed to apologise and pay compensation.

**[Unpaid Work Schemes: Exploitation or Experience? \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130207-unpaid-work-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130207-unpaid-work-media-release)**

7 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman today announced a new focus on educating employers and employees about the legitimacy of schemes for unpaid work experience.

**[Fines imposed over \\$60,000 underpayment of Melbourne worker \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130206-top-value-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130206-top-value-penalty)**

6 Feb 2013

The former operators of a Melbourne wholesaler have been fined a total of \$52,800 and ordered to back-pay a worker more than \$60,000.

**[Fines imposed over underpayment of Bendigo transport workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130204-symes-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130204-symes-penalty)**

4 Feb 2013

The operators of a transport business in central Victoria have been fined a total of \$11,880 and ordered to back-pay employees more than \$220,000.

**[Entertainment industry focus of new campaign \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130204-live-entertainment-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130204-live-entertainment-campaign)**

4 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 60 businesses in the live entertainment production industry over the next three months as part of a new education and compliance campaign.

**[Regulator acts to enforce Court orders \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130201-debt-recovery\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130201-debt-recovery)**

1 Feb 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is implementing a new, pro-active strategy aimed at ensuring Court penalties and back-payment orders are upheld.

**[High Court Action - Toyota Material Handling \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130222-toyota-material-handling-high-court-discontinuance\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/february-2013/20130222-toyota-material-handling-high-court-discontinuance)**

22 Feb 2012

The Fair Work Ombudsman confirmed today that Toyota Material Handling (NSW) Pty Ltd (the company) had

filed a Notice of Discontinuance in the High Court of Australia.

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