

December 2014

Retailer penalised \$75k over underpayment (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20151219-westlink-penalty>)

19 Dec 2014

The operators of a retail business in regional Victoria have been fined a total of \$75,900 for underpaying a casual employee almost \$30,000.

SDA first union to sign MoU (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141218-sda-mou>)

18 Dec 2014

The Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees Association (SDA) is joining forces with the Fair Work Ombudsman to help improve compliance with federal workplace laws.

Don't wait – check holiday pay rates now (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141215-check-holiday-pay-rates>)

15 Dec 2014

The Fair Work Ombudsman today urged employers and employees to check the pay rates and entitlements that apply over Christmas and the New Year.

Textile manufacturer faces Court over unlawful stand-downs, unpaid termination entitlements (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141211-james-nelson-litigation-presser>)

12 Dec 2014

A textile manufacturer in Tasmania will face court for allegedly trying to avoid termination pay-outs to six of its employees.

Cairns tour operator faces court for alleged underpayment of backpackers (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141211-trek-north-tours-presser>)

11 Dec 2014

A Cairns tour operator accused of underpaying five overseas backpackers tens of thousands of dollars allegedly told Fair Work inspectors investigating the matter that “you will not get a cent”.

Restaurant faces Court over underpayments (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141210-sona-peaks2-presser>)

10 Dec 2014

A Bendigo restaurant faces court for allegedly underpaying nine casual and part-time employees more than \$10,000.

[State education department cautioned over lack of corporate governance on transport contracts \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141209-decd-inquiry-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141209-decd-inquiry-presser)

9 Dec 2014

The Fair Work Ombudsman has cautioned a State Government department about a lack of corporate governance over transport services for children with special needs – reminding it of its key role in setting prices in the labour supply chain.

[105,000 back-pay for workers in Melbourne's East \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141208-melbourne-east-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141208-melbourne-east-recoveries)

8 Dec 2014

Dozens of workers in Melbourne's East have been reimbursed more than \$105,000 after inquiries by the Fair Work Ombudsman revealed they had been underpaid at work.

[Workers across regional WA back-paid \\$86,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141205-wa-regional-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141205-wa-regional-recoveries)

5 Dec 2014

Dozens of underpaid workers throughout regional Western Australia have been back-paid more than \$86,000 following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[82,000 back-pay for Queensland workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141204-brisbane-and-south-east\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141204-brisbane-and-south-east)

4 Dec 2014

Workers throughout Brisbane and South-East Queensland have been back-paid more than \$82,000 in wages and entitlements following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Tour bus driver underpaid \\$4000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141203-addictive-entertainment-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141203-addictive-entertainment-eu-presser)

3 Dec 2014

A Victorian tour company has agreed to revamp its workplace practices after an investigation by the Fair Work Ombudsman found it had underpaid an employee almost \$4000.

[Spotlight returns to cherry orchards \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141202-cherry-farm-visits\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141202-cherry-farm-visits)

2 Dec 2014

Fair Work Ombudsman inspectors will return to cherry orchards in NSW, Victoria and South Australia this month to check if seasonal workers are being paid correctly.

Fair Work Ombudsman to visit Hobart (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141202-nw-hobart-visits>)

2 Dec 2014

Fair Work Ombudsman inspectors will visit more than 50 businesses in Hobart this week to assist employers to meet their obligations under workplace laws.

Limestone Coast focus of new SA campaign (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/december-2014/20141201-limestone-coast-audits>)

1 Dec 2014

Fair Work Ombudsman inspectors will doorknock more than 120 businesses on the Limestone Coast in South Australia this week.

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