

## November 2015

**[Blueberry farm workers get \\$46k back-pay \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151130-benning-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151130-benning-eu-presser)**

30 Nov 2015

The operators of blueberry farms at Sandy Beach in NSW underpaid their workers tens of thousands of dollars, an investigation by the Fair Work Ombudsman has revealed.

**[Falls Creek bus service signs workplace pact after second audit finds ongoing wage issues \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151127-falls-creek-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151127-falls-creek-eu-presser)**

27 Nov 2015

A Victorian snowfields bus company faces enforcement action from the Fair Work Ombudsman after being caught short-changing its staff for the second time in a year.

**[\\$30k back-pay for staff at go-kart tracks \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151126-go-kart-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151126-go-kart-eu-presser)**

26 Nov 2015

Twenty-five workers at three go-kart tracks in NSW are to be reimbursed a total of more than \$30,000 after a Fair Work Ombudsman investigation found they were being underpaid.

**[\\$10 an hour doesn't cut it at beauty salon \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151125-jisu-design-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151125-jisu-design-eu-presser)**

25 Nov 2015

A Melbourne hair and beauty salon paid a South Korean visa-holder just \$10 an hour, a Fair Work Ombudsman investigation has found.

**[\\$15,000 fine for Darwin businessman who paid French backpackers less than \\$5 an hour \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151124-scotts-painting-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151124-scotts-painting-penalty)**

24 Nov 2015

The operator of a Darwin painting business has been fined \$15,000 for deliberately exploiting four young overseas workers and refusing to back-pay them thousands of dollars in unpaid wages.

**[Spot checks for western Sydney businesses \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151123-western-sydney-campaign-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151123-western-sydney-campaign-media-release)**

23 Nov 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 200 businesses throughout western Sydney as part of a new campaign.

**[Childcare centre fined over underpayments \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151120-rainbow-childcare-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151120-rainbow-childcare-penalty)**

20 Nov 2015

The operators of a Sydney childcare centre have been fined a total of \$14,083 after underpaying three teenage employees.

**[Security company fined over \\$60,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151120-sis\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151120-sis)**

20 Nov 2015

A national security company has been fined tens of thousands of dollars for underpaying one of its own employees and turning a blind eye to a sub-contractor doing the same thing.

**[Female barristers get lion's share of legal work \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151119-legal-spend-gender-equality\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151119-legal-spend-gender-equality)**

19 Nov 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman now allocates more than half of its legal work to female barristers.

**[Cleaners underpaid almost \\$12,000 in just 6 weeks \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151118-mq-property-group-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151118-mq-property-group-eu-presser)**

18 Nov 2015

Four cleaners at several Myer sites in Melbourne will have larger pay packets in future after the Fair Work Ombudsman found they had been collectively short-changed almost \$12,000 in just six weeks.

**[Spot checks in Canberra and Queanbeyan \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151117-canberra-campaign-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151117-canberra-campaign-media-release)**

17 Nov 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman is auditing up to 50 businesses in Canberra and Queanbeyan as part of a new campaign.

**[Fair Work Ombudsman joins Feast to raise awareness of unlawful discrimination \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151116-feast-festival\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151116-feast-festival)**

16 Nov 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman will participate in Adelaide's Feast Festival to raise awareness about the workplace rights of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersex people.

**[Almost \\$28,000 back-pay for High School students \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-)**

**[and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151113-  
qld-student-recoveries](#)**

13 Nov 2015

A group of teenage high school students in Queensland has been short-changed thousands of dollars for work they undertook as part of school-based traineeships.

**[Media company faces Court over unpaid internship \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151112-  
aimg-bq-litigation\)](#)**

12 Nov 2015

A Sydney-based media company is facing Court for allegedly running an unlawful unpaid internship program and underpaying two workers more than \$18,000.

**[Court imposes hefty penalty to deter employers from exploiting overseas backpackers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-  
media-releases/november-2015/20151111-java-spice-penalty\)](#)**

11 Nov 2015

A Federal Circuit Court judge has fined the former operators of a Darwin café tens of thousands of dollars for underpaying two Taiwanese backpackers, and issued a strong warning to other rogue employers who seek to exploit vulnerable workers and tarnish Australia's reputation overseas.

**[Malaysian husband-and-wife chef, kitchen hand, allegedly short-changed more than \\$63,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-  
media-releases/november-2015/20151110-yenida-litigation\)](#)**

10 Nov 2015

The former operators of a Tasmanian resort will face Court for allegedly underpaying two Malaysian visa-holders more than \$63,000.

**[Restaurants short-changed workers \\$25,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-  
and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151104-  
alice-springs-restaurants\)](#)**

5 Nov 2015

Dozens of workers at two Alice Springs restaurants have been back-paid almost \$25,000 in wages and entitlements following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

**[Mansfield, Rutherglen workers share back-pay \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-  
and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-2015/20151104-  
rutherglen-mansfield-recoveries\)](#)**

4 Nov 2015

Workers at two regional Victorian accommodation businesses have been back-paid more than \$15,000 following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

**[417 visa-holders allegedly short-changed thousands \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-  
us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/november-  
2015/20151102-acc-services-litigation\)](#)**

2 Nov 2015

A packing services company in Melbourne is facing Court for allegedly underpaying three employees, including two 417 working holiday visa-holders.

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