

BRANCH REPORTS TO STATE COUNCIL - June

ACACIA

- Industrial Agreement has gone to a ballot.
- Body scanner issue still the subject of discussions between the parties.
- Private prison providers have been holding site visits of Acacia recently as part of tender process.
- Discussion regarding recent death in custody (natural causes).

ACADEMY

- Discussion regarding the issue of closed-door reassessments of trainee prison officers.
- Discussion regarding recent issue around meal ordering process for residential trainees.

ALBANY

- Delegates currently dealing with multiple HR issues.
- Discussion regarding inconsistency in interpretation of matters at the local level.
- Discussion around issues arising from the new COPP on searches and the SOG involvement in searches.
- Superintendent has returned following a brief secondment to Perth.

BANDYUP

- Discussion regarding recent incident involving a prisoner that attracted high levels of media interest.
- Impending disputes regarding purchased leave and prisoner to staff ratios in workshops.

BORONIA

- Travelling well.
- Leave swap dispute appears to be resolved from a local perspective.
- The relationship between officer and local HR appears to be improving.

BROOME

- No delegate present.

BUNBURY

- Leave swap dispute remains active.
- Superintendent has introduced caps on overtime.

CASUARINA

- Delegates thanked Andy Smith, Ken Brown and Gerald Upham for their involvement with the glass issue in the new units.
- Noted that the membership numbers have reached the stage where a fifth delegate position is required.

DDU

- No delegate present.

EASTERN GOLDFIELDS

- Staffing issues ongoing.
- Discussion regarding the recent mass exodus of staff.
- No current disputes.

- Units 3 and 5 remain closed.

GREENOUGH

- Unit 4 being used as an isolation unit, but will soon be decommissioned ahead of construction.
- Discussion around the status of the Sallyport.
- Two active disputes relating to annual leave.

HAKEA

- A couple of active disputes.
- Reintroduction of social visits has been discussed with Superintendent. Issues identified in relation to communications to prisoners.
- Discussion regarding appropriate staffing of prisoner exercise yards.
- Temperature Testing process still in dispute.
- Discussion regarding ongoing matter involving members which has attracted media interest.

KARNET

- No active disputes.
- New roster being developed.
- Asbestos disposal issue still ongoing.

MELALEUCA

- Multiple issues.
- Numerous vacancies in the Principal and Senior Officer ranks causing countless issues.
- Three active disputes.
- Roster non-compliant.
- Plenty of work for the new delegate and committee.

PARDELUP

- Discussion regarding construction issues.
- Discussion regarding a recent prisoner escort to Perth where officers were forced to drive back to Pardelup after a 19-hour shift.

ROEBOURNE

- Travelling well.
- Some members are currently facing serious allegations.
- Discussion regarding current issue relating to purchased leave.

SOG

- Seven active disputes.
- Discussion regarding current issue relating to purchased leave.
- Discussion regarding OHS issues.

WANDOO

- Travelling well.
- Capital works funding has been approved for staffing areas, with some work already completed.

- Good levels of consultation with Superintendent in relation to COVID plan.

WKRP

- Discussion regarding recent announcement around GROH rent furniture.
- Recent exodus of staff and inward transfer list looks dire.
- Recently identified VSO leave issue being worked through.
- One active dispute in relation to afternoon coverage.

WOOROLOO

- SLA near finalisation. With Workforce planning.
- Safety issues identified in relation to double bunks.
- Ongoing issue with Superintendent looking to change SO Security to an SO Specific position.
- Issues with asbestos identified.

WORK CAMPS

- No delegate present.