



AVIATION NEWSLETTER

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In the last fortnight, we've ramped up the pressure all across the country for the Federal Government to implement a national aviation plan. Congratulations to all workers for telling their stories and making their voices heard.

A NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION FOR A NATIONAL PLAN

Congratulations to the hundreds of aviation workers that turned out in Australia's capitals to demand the Federal Government urgently implement a national aviation plan, including JobKeeper for all and assistance for Virgin. Sign the petition and share it widely among members and non-members: bit.ly/AviationPlanAus

We made our message loud and clear and gained wide media coverage of our actions. Well done to all the workers that bravely shared their stories and messages for the Federal Government. If you missed it, check your branch's Facebook for the day's coverage.

[Click here for a 10 News clip](#)

[Click here to see Dnata worker Donna share her story on ABC.](#)

Well done to all of the workers who turned out – here are some of the highlights from the day.





CONTINUING THE FIGHT FOR JOBKEEPER

Next Wednesday the 10th of June, the Senate will vote on a motion to give Dnata workers access to JobKeeper. Over the last few weeks you've shared your stories and brought the issue front and centre in politician's minds and in the media. We now have a few more days to keep up that pressure.

Keep up the calls to politicians, and post your stories on social media tagging One Nation's Pauline Hanson and Malcolm Roberts and using the hashtags **#DnataWorkers** **#NoWorkerLeftBehind**

DIGITAL RALLY!

TUESDAY 9 MAY 11AM EST

This is a really important meeting for our final collective push ahead of the JobKeeper vote in parliament. All aviation workers are welcome. If you work at Dnata or Cabin Services Australia we strongly encourage you to join. Registration is essential.

bit.ly/JobKeeperRally

DELEGATION OF WORKERS TO VISIT CANBERRA

Next Wednesday a mini bus of workers will go to Canberra to meet key politicians ahead of the motion vote. Watch for updates on Facebook: @TWUAus.

VIRGIN UPDATES: TWO BIDDERS REMAIN

Firstly, congratulations to all delegates and members for all your hard work to make sure Virgin returns to the skies. We've all been fighting hard to ensure Virgin survives in a way that maximises jobs and protects workers' entitlements. TWU National Secretary Michael Kaine has held talks with both bidders, ensuring they understand what matters most to you and what they need to consider to ensure Virgin's strong workforce can continue to deliver a world-class service. Both short-listed bidders are committing serious capital with the goal of returning to a full-service airline. Binding bids will be cast ahead of a decision at the end of June, and we'll continue to consult with you to ensure your voices are heard.

The fight ramps up now to pressure the Federal Government to break its silence and ensure Virgin Australia and the aviation industry return to full health. Keep up the calls and emails to politicians, and keep sharing your stories online.

VIRGIN HSR MEETING

HSRs and the TWU have called for an urgent meeting with management which will take place on Tuesday. We'll be discussing the proposed new cabin crew cleaning procedures to ensure safety of crew is the number one priority.

QANTAS & JETSTAR SAFETY ALERT

As COVID-19 restrictions ease, Qantas and Jetstar are looking to triple domestic flights towards the end of June. With several safety issues having already come to light throughout this period, we encourage workers to stay vigilant, report any safety breaches, and consult your HSRs if you have any concerns.

The case concerning Qantas' abuse of JobKeeper continues, and we will continue to share updates on its progress. We will also continue to update on our appeal of the court decision allowing Qantas to appallingly keep stood-down workers from accessing their accrued sick leave. Stay tuned.

POLITICIANS SHARE THEIR SUPPORT

It's through the hard work of hundreds of workers that politicians have come on-board to support the industry. Here are some of the politicians using their platforms to stand with workers.



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