



AVIATION 2020 WRAP-UP

18th December 2020

It's been the toughest year for aviation on record. What we have seen, though, are members uniting across the industry, holding companies and the Federal Government to account and supporting each other. Because of your hard work, a Senate Inquiry into Aviation will begin next year, and it's important to keep sharing your stories to get the best outcome possible for the industry.

We'll continue to provide frequent updates next year, but until then, we hope you have a wonderful festive season with your families.

SENATE INQUIRY

The success of the inquiry into aviation will depend on hearing the experiences of people like you. We need to make sure we have a strong voice during this process.

Share your story here: bit.ly/AviationInquiryTemplate and send it to media@twu.com.au as soon as possible.

STRONGER TOGETHER

As 2020 draws to a close, it's a great time to look back with pride at the power and unity aviation workers have shown throughout this difficult year. As the industry begins to recover and flights resume, it'll be even more important to stick together.

JETSTAR WORKERS STRIKING

We started 2020 with a bang and a mighty show of force with strikes across Jetstar. This strong action proved that we're strong when we stick together – and even got the public on our side and using our Jetstar Solidarity hashtag despite Christmas disruption.



TOGETHER, WE ARE STRONGER. JOIN NOW FOR A BETTER FUTURE.

VIRGIN WORKERS FIGHT TO MAINTAIN A STRONG AIRLINE

We stood strong and campaigned hard for a two-airline model, with Virgin remaining as a strong competitor to Qantas. Through the administration process we forced Bain Capital to make commitments to workers, such as to keep Virgin work insourced and maintain VARA, and held them to account through a tough bargaining process.



#SAVEQANTASJOBS

Taking The Fight to Alan Joyce's Residence



At the beginning of the pandemic, Qantas' appalling actions began with standing down a cabin cleaner who spoke out about safety concerns. Its shocking disregard for safety then led to a cluster at Adelaide Airport, with over 750 workers forced into quarantine - Qantas is still being investigated over its actions. As if that wasn't enough, Qantas then announced it would be outsourcing all 2500 of its ground staff. Thank you to every single one of you who turned up to actions, showed solidarity on social media, emailed and called MPs and shared your stories. You've gained the support of politicians around the country, which led to motions in both the NSW and Federal Parliaments condemning Qantas. We've now lodged a Federal Court case on Qantas' appalling decision - on the day it was announced, we reached almost 10.000.000 people through media coverage. The public is behind you, and the fight is not over.

Members at Sydney Airport for a fake AGM



Opening our campaign hub in Cronulla for our Qantas campaign, next to Scott Morrison's office



Qantas HQ



CAMPAIGNING FOR GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

Throughout the year dozens of politicians have come forward to support aviation workers. Several trips to Canberra saw workers sharing their stories with members of parliament, who often had family members in aviation themselves. Workers across aviation have united for national days of action throughout the year, and that's been crucial in getting the Senate Inquiry into the industry up. It's been great to see everyone supporting each other no matter which company you work for - we need the Federal Government to step up for ALL aviation workers.

Politicians showing support for aviation workers

Senator Catryna Bilyk



Senator Helen Polley



Josh Wilson MP



Matt Thistlethwaite MP



Senator Janet Rice



Aviation workers in Canberra throughout the year



National days of action



YOUR STORIES

It's thanks to your stories that people around Australia – both the general public and politicians – have got behind the fight for aviation. Congrats to these workers and all others for bravely speaking out, or coming to an action, or signing a petition. It all counts, and Australian has seen that aviation workers are not to be underestimated. Next stop: 2021.



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