



# BUS E-NEWS

## RTBU

QUEENSLAND BRANCH

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Dear Member,

## Vote now for a better deal for Bus Drivers

### Members

Internet voting is now open to approve protected industrial action to gain a better deal for bus drivers in the EBA. Each member has been sent an individual pin number which together with your membership number allows you to access the site and vote in private. This approved method is very secure. Voting remains open till 6am on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July. I urge every member to cast a vote. This is the only way to get better safety, pay and conditions for all drivers and bus assistants. Forgot your membership number? Your Delegate will have it, no worries.

### Spring Hill Knife Attack

Yes it's true one of our drivers was attacked and stabbed last Friday while waiting to give-over his Spring Hill Loop service. Although not seriously injured it could have been much worse. All credit to the police who made a quick arrest but were unsure how long they could keep the accused in custody. They are also monitoring the route very closely now.

Management, however, were not prepared to approve any additional security measures until the RTBU, backed up by the members at Toowong, demanded increased security. A guard is now in place at the give-over point while a review is conducted. We will be monitoring this situation very closely. We need to get concrete measures for driver safety written into our EBA and the only way to achieve this is to **VOTE YES** for protected industrial action.

### Unity is Strength

Tom Brown

**Secretary, Tram & Bus Division,  
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