

# Worker Solidarity NSW

OUR FIRST ACTION TO DEFEND WORKERS RIGHTS:

**Blockade Botany Cranes!**  
**Monday, October 16th**  
**6.00am**  
**Botany Cranes Yard**  
**5 Exell St, Banksmeadow**  
***Breakfast Provided***

## Why blockade Botany Cranes:

- The company employs a former Liberal Party staff-member who is leading the attacks on the workers rights and safety conditions.
- The company's union delegate, Barry Hemsworth, has been victimised and sacked using Howard's new anti-worker laws. Barry is on the State Executive of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union. He was sacked for "insubordination"- i.e. standing up for his fellow workers' rights.
- No unfair dismissal means Barry has few remedies for his unfair treatment- this is why we need to act!

**This company is compromising the safety of their staff and undermining their rights at work. If we do not stand up and defend Barry and his workmates, no one will!**

*For more information about the Botany Cranes dispute and how to get involved in Worker Solidarity, email [workersolidaritynsw@gmail.com](mailto:workersolidaritynsw@gmail.com).*



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## What is Worker Solidarity?

Worker Solidarity is a network of people who care about workers' rights and who oppose Howard's anti-union industrial laws. We have seen the impact of these aggressive laws already- hundreds of thousands of workers forced onto unfair AWAs and living standards for Australian worker slashed.

**These laws make union action in defence of workers difficult, and in some cases illegal.** Many unions are now facing huge fines for 'unlawful' industrial action, and **workers are left feeling powerless and disheartened.**

**Worker Solidarity thinks enough is enough!** We are creating a huge network of community members who care about workers and unions, and who will target employers that treat workers unfairly.

If you care about workers rights, if you think Howard's laws have gone too far, if you want to know about action you can take to defend the workers rights then **Worker Solidarity needs you!**

Worker Solidarity is newly established and we need your help to win this important fight! **To get involved or make a contribution email [workersolidaritynsw@gmail.com](mailto:workersolidaritynsw@gmail.com) - together we can win!**

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Worth fighting for. Join in to protect your rights.

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