



Creating Trade Union Network and Strengthening Solidarity

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Naval Shipbuilding – Australia

Current ship construction:

- ▶ LHD x 2 Hybrid build with Navantia Spain, only super structure build in Australia. 1 LHD completed and just delivered to Navy.
- ▶ AWD x 3 Hybrid build with Navantia Spain majority built in Australia.
- ▶ Block construction AWD work at: BAE Victoria, Forgacs New South Wales & ASC South Australia.

Future Ships & Submarine construction:

- ▶ 12 Submarines
- ▶ 36 Naval vessels

Further detail:

http://www.amwu.org.au/content/upload/files/Ships_Campaign_13/AA_AUST_NAVAL_SHIPBUILDING.pdf

AMWU National Campaign

The key objectives have been:

Industrial

- ▶ To build educate, mobilise and grow our union

Political

- ▶ Fighting to ensure work is brought forward to secure jobs & a rolling build
- ▶ Lobbying Politician's – public mobilisation
- ▶ Visits and demonstrations at electoral offices and the Parliament

Social Media



WHO BUILDS AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE SHIPS?



**BLOKES LIKE LEIGH & SHANE,
BUT FOR HOW LONG?**



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Social Media

MR ABBOTT, WILL TODAY'S
TRAINEES HAVE A FUTURE?



1982 - WILLIAMSTOWN
SHIPBUILDING APPRENTICES



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TONY ABBOTT
HAS OUR SUBMARINES



IN HIS SIGHTS

Don't let Tony Abbott destroy ship building jobs
like and **share** if you care about our ship building industry



2 GENERATIONS
OF SHIP BUILDING...



COULD BE 3 IF
THE GOVERNMENT ACTS NOW!

Campaign Mile Stones

- ▶ Build Union power across the industry
- ▶ Won work for BAE to secure 1100 jobs in the short term.
- ▶ Have put the issue industrially and politically on the agenda.
- ▶ Secured a Senate inquire to the future of the shipbuilding industry – plenary recommendations for the tender process to be open to Australian builder for 2 supply ships.
- ▶ Secured strong political support from: Opposition, independents and Government Senators
- ▶ Achieved a complete tender process for Submarines.





SHIPBUILDING MEMBERS

TELEPHONE

MASS MEETING

27 AUG 14
6pm AEST

DESIGN, BUILD & MAINTAIN OUR SHIPS
The Shipbuilders' Union

BAE Global Network

- ▶ Network convener / coordinator
- ▶ Identify country contacts / convenors.
- ▶ Develop effective communicate across the network.

BAE Global Network

Should developing mechanisms to:

- 1.) Exchange information & experience on working conditions, CBA, OHS, organizing strategy, etc,
- 2.) Building cross-border union solidarity
- 3.) Implementing an effective communication strategy.