

Swan Hill Bus Lines News Letter

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Welcome

Welcome to the Second edition of the Staff Newsletter. There has been some time pass since our last newsletter and after many requests it is back. We are hoping that we will be able to get this out regularly, to do this we invite contributions and feedback from all staff. Give the office a call or email admin@shbl.com.au to let us know what you would like to see in the next newsletter!

New Road Rules

The Victorian State Government has announced as of the 1st July all road users need to slow to 40 km/h when driving past stationary or slow-moving emergency or enforcement vehicles with flashing red, blue or magenta lights, or sounding an alarm.

The only time this rule does not apply is when the road has a median strip and the vehicle is on the other side of the median strip.

Please keep this in mind when approaching emergency or enforcement vehicles

Log Book Pages & Task Force

As previously mentioned in the last edition of the newsletter, Swan Hill Buss Lines were audited by the Heavy Vehicle Regulation Police. From this we saw the implementation of a program that reviews the log book pages and alerts us to any faults or non-compliance.

As many of you may be aware, non-compliance will result in a non-disciplinary warning or "infringement notice" this is not only to help the company in its goal to be 100% compliant but also yourselves.

Excessive infringement notices and failure to comply may lead to further action at managements discretion.

Please take these notices as they are intended; as an educational tool.

As always if you have any questions relating to log books or the Heavy Vehicle National Law please call

Emma Pickering or Leigh

Makepeace in the Swan Hill office who will be more than happy to assist.

Staff Profile

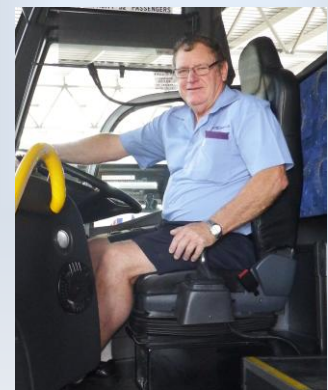
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Geoff O'Meara

On the 13th July 1987 Swan Hill Bus Lines welcomed Geoff O'Meara to our driving team. This year marks his 30 years of service with our company.

Geoff started his employment as the Lalbert School Bus driver/Yardman at Pickering Transport Group before further venturing into positions such as V/Line Service Driver, Charter/Tour Coach Captain, Coach Detailer and he has since returned to his roots as a School Bus Driver. The only role that has alluded him all these years has been the Town Bus.

We are very lucky to have such a versatile team member and look forward too many more years.



Compliments and Congratulations

To Charlie Dixon, a Mildura based V/Line Service Operator. Charlie received a customer compliment through V/Line for always being pleasant, having good receptive skills towards ill passengers and for going above and beyond to make their day and deliver quality and assurance to all of his passengers.

To Peter Bell, a Wycheproof based School Bus Driver, Charter Coach Captain and V/Line Service Operator. Peter received a compliment through V/Line for the wonderful journey ex Mildura to Swan Hill and wished to compliment Peter on how precise he was.

To Rodd Watson, a Swan Hill based V/Line Service Operator and Charter Coach Captain. Rodd received a compliment through V/Line for being "absolutely lovely"

and assisting the customer in their journey.

To Ron Hook, a Dubbo based Trainlink Services Operator. Ron received a compliment from a customer via Trainlink for his very professional and excellent manner on her journey.

Congratulations to **Jan and Brian Mansbridge**. Jan is a chaperone on one of our Special School Bus services and Brian is our Fleet Maintenance Manager. Jan and Brian are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their first grandchild! A special shout out to Brian who after weeks of nagging has finally gone and gotten his Whooping Cough injection! A small win for the Swan Hill Office Girls.

Thank you to all of the above and to any others we have not mentioned.

Moose's Jokes

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How do you tell which end of the worm is the head?

Bury it in floor and wait for it to fart....

Why is an anniversary like a toilet seat?

Men miss both



"It's supposed to be inspirational, but most employees see it as permission to take a nap."

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With School Holidays upon us, we wish anyone taking advantage of the break safe travels and we look forward to seeing you all upon your return.

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