

## Enterprise bargaining to commence

The current enterprise bargaining agreement for nurses between the QNU/ANF and St Andrew's Hospital Toowoomba is due to expire on 30 September 2008. Before we begin negotiating a new agreement, we need to know what you would like in that agreement. We will also need workplace representatives to assist in the negotiations.

Members are encouraged to meet with their QNU representative at the workplace to discuss the development of a log of claims and to show their support for a good outcome.

Members may want to consider the following in their discussions:

- Wages and parity with the public sector
- Outstanding claims from the previous round of negotiations.
- The preservation of existing conditions and any proposals the employer might make to change those existing conditions.
- Workload management
- Professional development
- Workplace aggression
- Other issues needing improvement in your workplace

### Negotiations set to commence

The first negotiating meeting between St Andrew's management and the QNU is scheduled to be held on 5 September 2008. QNU members will be represented in these negotiations by an industrial officer, organiser, local workplace representatives and the combined resources of the QNU in terms of research, comparative information and resources.

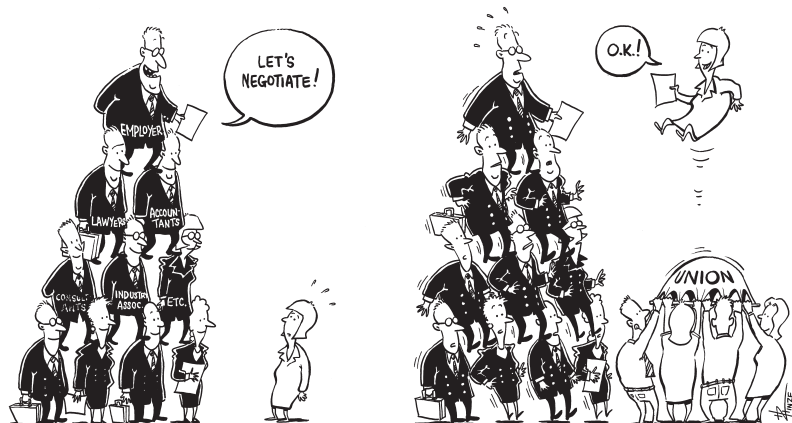
During these negotiations the QNU will keep members informed of progress and seek advice from members about various issues. Support at the local level will come from QNU members who are activists in the hospital.

### MEETING TO DISCUSS EB NEGOTIATIONS

**When?—Thursday 21 August  
at 2.30pm**

**Where?—St Andrew's  
conference room 2**

## All nurses welcome!



## Nurses. Worth listening to.

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