

# Community News

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Throughout the year, community members and businesses have rallied to stay safe and look out for one another as we navigate COVID-19. Santos has been proud to play a role in this and assist community groups by providing essential items such as hand sanitiser, toilet paper and protective equipment. We also worked to support schools with the online learning transition and back local businesses by sourcing goods locally. This newsletter includes some great examples of how our community partners have adapted to meet the challenge.

We recently reinforced our position as WA's biggest domestic gas supplier, with a new gas supply agreement with Gold Fields Limited for its three gold mines in the Goldfields. Santos will supply nearly 5.5 petajoules of natural gas from its Varanus Island gas plant over three years, from 1 July 2020.

Santos Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Kevin Gallagher said Santos continued to support Western Australian mining and industry through the delivery of competitively priced domestic gas. "In these challenging economic times, we are focused on ensuring local gas prices remain competitive for Western Australian businesses over the long term."

Santos completed the [acquisition](#) of ConocoPhillips' northern Australia and Timor-Leste assets on 28 May 2020. This aligns with our strategy to build on existing infrastructure positions

around our core assets and gives Santos operatorship of key infrastructure in the region.

On 23 July 2020, Santos released its [Second Quarter Activities Report](#). The report demonstrates how resilient we are as a business through these extremely challenging market conditions. The first half of 2020 has delivered record production volumes and strong free cash flow of US\$431 million, despite significantly lower oil prices and the impacts of COVID-19.

## Local Update

### Local operations

Santos is gearing up for a busy time ahead. Below is a snapshot of some recent activity in WA:

- + Santos now supplies around 50 per cent of Western Australia's domestic gas, following the commencement of a new contract in June 2020.
- + Santos is preparing an Offshore Project Proposal for our Dorado Development for submission to the offshore petroleum regulator, NOPSEMA.
- + Regarding local content, Dorado has published an Australian Industry Participation Plan on the Industry Capability Network. Go to: [www.dorado.icn.org.au](http://www.dorado.icn.org.au)

## Supporting Local Business

Local businesses and suppliers are essential to the safe and successful operations of Santos activities. Here we profile a key business or supplier from the Exmouth / Karratha region.

### Q & A with Fixify Services, Karratha



Myo Latt (Fixify) and Peter Murphy (Santos) at the Devil Creek Gas Plant.

#### Tell us about your business?

Fixify Services is a family business established in 2013. We hire, service and repair forklifts and service and repair cars and heavy lift vehicles in the Pilbara. We offer two mobile services and a repair division with an emphasis on minimum down time providing services twenty-four hours, seven days a week with no penalties incurred by our customers. Our technicians have more than 15 years' experience in forklifts and heavy lift vehicles.

#### What does Santos' business mean to you and your company?

We have been working with Santos for over five years. Santos is valuable customer and over the past five years we have developed a strong working relationship with a good understanding of their business needs. We are really impressed with Santos' focus on safety and the way they look after the people who work for them.

#### What are some of the flow on effects for the community?

For us, it is great that we can run a successful business that enables us to live and work in the community that we call home. We can now help others achieve that same goal. Through our business, we are able create local jobs, which helps keep families in the community, children in the schools, kids participating in sporting clubs – a whole social network. Through our business and the people we employ, we also shop locally and support other local businesses, allowing the flow on benefits continue.

#### What is your commitment to local employment?

Our policy is to employ local people wherever possible, and we have been able to do that successfully since we started the business. We currently have two full time employees and one part time.

For more information on Santos procurement and for local suppliers who wish to work with Santos, please click [here](#).

## Part of the Community

Santos is committed to creating a positive legacy in our WA communities through targeted engagement and support of social initiatives. Here we highlight some recent activity.

### Supporting our community during COVID-19

Santos has played its part in providing additional assistance wherever possible to communities needing support, and importantly we have continued our strong support of existing partners during this difficult time, including Lifeline WA and Ronald McDonald House Charities.



Exmouth Shire CEO Cameron Woods and Exmouth Shire President Matthew Niikkula.

Santos has provided the following COVID-19 support to date in WA:

- + The delivery of 900 litres of hand sanitiser and 1,500 rolls of toilet paper to the Exmouth Shire to distribute on our behalf throughout the Exmouth community.
- + Funding to the Exmouth District High School to purchase equipment for students learning online. This includes headsets, USBs, and other stationery.
- + Funding to St Luke's College in Karratha for cleaning services.
- + Funding to the Exmouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ECCI) for the Santos Business Improvement Program. This program will help local businesses navigate the Government's COVID-19 support packages and provide access to other business support.

Our focus now is to re-establish engagement with our community partners and check-in with how they are faring during COVID-19. Many have delayed programs or reshaped them to meet COVID-19 restrictions.

## Supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities WA



Great news! Our valued community partner, Ronald McDonald House Charities, re-commenced the Home for Dinner cooking program from 13 July. The program was suspended to comply with COVID-19 requirements and to safeguard the health and wellbeing of the children staying at the home.

Ronald McDonald House provides a home away from home for seriously ill children and their families while they are receiving medical treatment in Perth. Parents often return to the House after a long day by their child’s hospital bed and cooking a meal is the last thing on their minds. This is where we can all help.

This is a great initiative and we encourage all our supporters to contact Ronald McDonald House Charities (WA) to “reconnect over dinner”.



Santos crew supporting RMHC by cooking meals for seriously ill children and their families whilst in Perth for medical treatment.

## Support for artificial reef research



Example of an artificial reef (Source; Recfishwest website).

Santos has recently joined with Recfishwest as a supporting partner of their 2020 Artificial Reef Research program.

Recfishwest CEO Andrew Rowland said Santos’ support will give them additional horsepower to continue exploring new fishing developments and opportunities in the artificial reef space, especially in the northern part of the State. *‘Our artificial reef program is driven by our ongoing commitment to create new exciting new fishing opportunities for the 750,000 West Aussies that go fishing every year.’*

Artificial reefs play a role in enhancing fishing locations along Western Australia’s coastline, with six reefs deployed from Esperance to Exmouth since 2012. Combined, these reefs provide over 140,000m<sup>2</sup> of new fish habitat, which is soon to grow further with two more reefs set for deployment in 2020.

You can stay up to date with artificial reefs developments, footage and photos of catches on the [Artificial Reefs WA Facebook page](#).

## From Mobile Museum to Distant Discoveries



With the cancellation of community events and festivals, online content has become the way to engage and educate audiences. Our partner, the Foundation for the WA Museum, has recently worked with us to deliver something new and exciting:

**Distant Discoveries** – a range of videos, photography and stories to read, watch or listen to from wherever you might be! Proudly supported by Santos.

The *Distant Discoveries* program brings the Museum’s collections and stories to life, temporarily replacing the *Museum in a Container* program which has previously had a strong presence at major public outdoor spaces such as Elizabeth Quay, the Perth Cultural Centre, the Perth Royal Show, the Perth Zoo, the Mandurah Crab Festival and CineFestOZ over the last three years.

COVID-19 restrictions have not dampened the interest or enthusiasm for museum content. Distant Discoveries, reaching over 100,000 viewers on social media alone in its first three posts, is a hit and we encourage you to go to the webpage [Distant Discoveries from the WA Museum’s web page](#) or social channels: Follow @wamuseum on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

## Stakeholder consultation commences on Dorado Development

Stakeholder engagement has begun on Santos’ Dorado Development Offshore Project Proposal (OPP) ahead of its submission to the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) for ‘first stage’ assessment in Q3, 2020. If the regulator is satisfied that the OPP contains enough information, it will be published for

public comment before going back to NOPSEMA for 'second stage'/final assessment.

The submission is the culmination of 12 months of multi-discipline work requiring the gathering of information and assessment of the region's environment. Once published, it provides stakeholders with an opportunity to comment on our development plans, and it represents the first step in achieving the development's environmental approval.

Below are some photos from the habitat survey that was undertaken last December, as part of the information gathering process for the OPP.



Horned sea snake (*Acalyptophis peronii*) in demersal, soft sediment habitat, 130m water depth.

### Santos Exmouth Business Improvement Program

Santos has partnered with Exmouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ECCI) to deliver the Santos Business Improvement Program to assist local Exmouth businesses adversely affected by COVID-19.

The program allows for businesses to apply for funding for professional business services.

A wide variety of businesses have benefitted from the program including Blue Media Exmouth. Owner, Violeta Brosig utilised the program to redesign her business website and was most grateful for Santos' assistance.



Violeta Brosig, owner of Blue Media Exmouth, snorkelling with a Whale Shark near Exmouth. Image by Violeta Brosig.

### Santos helps local diver

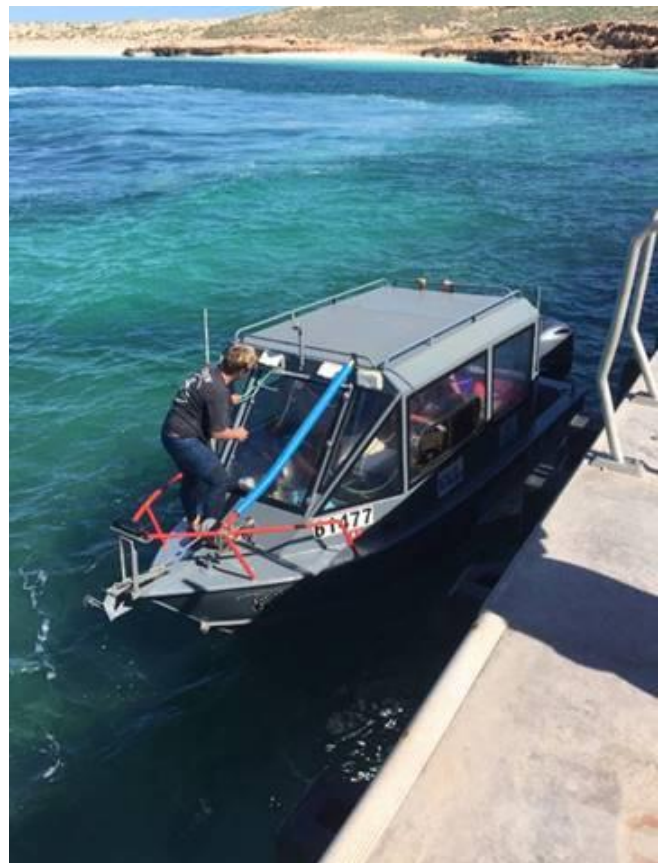
Santos' response capability was put to the test recently when the team on Varanus Island was called upon to assist a member of the public spiked by a Lionfish (or Butterfly Cod) whilst diving.

The call for help came in at 11:20am on 13 June, when Santos' field support vessel *Asari* answered a call from the boat *Trigger Happy*. The boat advised they had an injured patient on board with a Lionfish sting to the finger and the patient was in pain. After relaying the message onshore, the *Asari* advised the boat to head to Varanus Island for medical treatment, about an hour away. The Island is home to Santos' Varanus Island Gas Plant.

While the boat was in transit, Varanus Island Medic James Walker had the Incident Response Team on standby, ready to meet the patient for transfer to the Island's Medical Room.

*Trigger Happy* was in constant contact with *Asari* and arrived at the island with the patient at 12:09pm. In compliance with all COVID-19 checks, the patient was transferred to the VI Medical Centre for treatment and observation.

The skipper of *Trigger Happy* was most grateful for Santos' help and the patient is understood to have recovered, although now very wary of Lionfish.



Santos' Varanus Island field support vessel *Asari*.