

2015-16 CEO's Report

Petroleum Club has grown quickly in the first year of operation and I am very proud to see such a positive response from industry through membership and event participation. Our emphasis has been on internal networking and the promotion of professional development for our members and the NT industry. The Club has provided the opportunity for companies to profile their organisations capability and introduced some great initiatives for engagement and building stronger business relationships for the long term.



Australia is on the way to becoming a major player globally in the LNG market with 14 trains operating and 7 nearing production. The Northern Territory holds significant industry opportunity. The completion of the INPEX Ichthys project, the existing Darwin LNG plant, the launch of the Shell Prelude shore base operations, and the construction of the Northern Gas Pipeline herald a future of gas development, processing, supply operations and liquefaction. These major projects will run for many decades, with an opportunity for expansion, creating scope to build a diverse range of sustainable businesses locally to support the service and supply chain.

Our Industry networking dinners have seen various high profile speakers visiting Darwin to share project updates, industry analysis and company strategies for operating in the low-oil price environment over the last 12 months or so. With speakers representing both onshore and offshore interests, this has been a unique chance to invite speakers on the national circuit to Darwin to share their significant industry experience and insights into the challenges and market outlook for the oil and gas industry across Australia and globally.

Industry showcases such as the NACOG Introduction to Industry and PTTEP and AIMS North West Atlas have given the Club a chance to positively promote the industry and share initiatives the industry has created to encourage education, community engagement and information sharing.

We have also hosted several social events throughout the year providing further relationship building opportunity with events such as the Annual Christmas Cocktail event, Sunset Jazz and PCNT Fishing Tournament. Congratulations to the Enermech team taking home the perpetual Bluewater Classic Cup for the first time in 2016. These events have been very popular inviting both industry and the wider business community to participate and enjoy networking in an informal environment.

Another exciting opportunity PCNT are currently working on with the Department of Education is the development of the MentorME program for NT high school students. The aim of the program will be to provide mentors and industry speakers to high schools and positively promote the industry career pathways within the sector. We will be asking for contributions from the industry through provision of volunteer mentors to work with students; and collaboration to provide an opportunity for the students to participate in learning about the industry through interactive means. I will be sharing the progress of the development of MentorME over the coming months and look forward to working with our members to create a valuable opportunity to give back to the community by working with teachers and students.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise our volunteers who help us to deliver events for our members and guests. A special mention to Sally Dunn, Trifena Bangun and Carmel Butler for their consistent enthusiasm and giving up their time to ensure our events are a success.

Finally, I would also like to thank all our members and supporters again for your support and the PCNT Board members for their guidance and contribution to enable such a successful foundation year for the Club. I look forward to continuing to develop new initiatives and opportunities for engagement and professional development across our diverse membership.

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