



Kimberley Community Update

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INPEX

Message from our President Director

Tetsu Murayama, President Director INPEX Australia



As the newly appointed President Director for INPEX in Australia, I would like to convey my thanks to the many people and businesses in Broome and across the Kimberley region who provide ongoing support for our business activities.

Following the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic, I am aware it has been another challenging year in the region, with the devastating floods in Fitzroy Crossing and neighbouring communities.

My colleagues in Australia as well as in Tokyo were saddened and moved by this event and, as a business operating in the region, wished to contribute in some meaningful way to the relief and recovery efforts for impacted communities.

We have been pleased to support efforts both directly through financial donations and indirectly through the efforts of our Broome-based business partners.

Our Ichthys LNG business operations and drilling activities have continued smoothly in 2023, with onshore support in the region provided by a number of businesses for drilling supply and workforce accommodation and transportation to support our onshore and offshore business activities. You can learn more about these activities on our website (*refer to the QR code on the back page*).

We sincerely thank all in the region for your support this year and onwards to 2024.

Tetsu Murayama,
President Director INPEX Australia

Support for the 2023 Kimberley floods

At the height of this year's floods, an S-92 advanced search and rescue (SAR) helicopter operated by PHI Aviation was called on to support rescue and recovery activities. Contracted to support INPEX and Shell operations in the region, the SAR aircraft and its crew helped to carry people living in flood-affected Fitzroy Crossing to safety.

This was a great example – and certainly not an isolated case – of where our industry works together with state and federal emergency services to support community members in times of need (*refer to the special PHI feature on page 5*).

INPEX was additionally pleased to make a commitment of more than A\$1 million to support Kimberley flood relief efforts. This included a A\$500,000 donation to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund, as well as matching contributions made by our personnel to the same cause.

During the year, we have engaged with and been kindly assisted by organisations supporting the recovery of the region so we can identify opportunities to allocate the remaining funds, which we hope will benefit the longer-term social and economic resilience of the communities most impacted. We look forward to finalising and announcing those contributions in coming months.



INPEX in the Community

Through our community engagement and investment activities, INPEX strives to build trusted and meaningful relationships and support initiatives to build the social and economic resilience and vibrancy of the communities in which we operate.

Over the past few years, we have worked to establish and expand community partnerships that seek to deliver long-term outcomes in Broome and the broader region, including:

- Broome Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI), funding business capacity building initiatives under the Kimberley Business Network
- The University of Notre Dame Australia, providing support for its Aboriginal Teaching Assistant 'On Country' study program
- Telethon Kids Institute, in support of Aboriginal community researcher capacity building across the Kimberley region (special feature on the next page)
- Stars Foundation, with support for the Broome Senior High School mentoring program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander girls and women.

In addition to our community partnerships, we are proud to sponsor and engage in community events and programs, including the following in 2023 and 2024:

- Sammy the Dragon construction project
- Women's Leadership Forum*
- West Kimberley Career Expo
- Kullarri NAIDOC Festival
- A Taste of Broome Festival
- Kimberley Economic Forum*
- Broome Business Excellence Awards*
- Broome Christmas Party/Artist in Residence Program
- Broome Skate Festival (from 2024)
- Reconciliation Week Markets (from 2024)
- Commercial Growth & Investment Forum* (from 2024).

** BCCI supported events*



INPEX personnel visited Stars Foundation at Broome Senior High School to mark our new community partnership



*2023 Kullarri NAIDOC March
Photo credit: Goolarri Media Enterprises*



*Celebrating the unveiling of the new Sammy the Dragon
Photo credit: Queen Tide Creative*



INPEX stand and virtual reality experience at the 2023 West Kimberley Career Expo



Supporting health outcomes in remote communities

Through the Kimberley platform of its Kulunga Aboriginal Unit, Telethon Kids Institute promotes a community-led approach to child health research in some of the most remote and vulnerable communities in Western Australia by partnering with Aboriginal Elders, families and community organisations.

The success of this approach has been evidenced by the progress made by teams working in the region, alongside the strong relationships they've built, to support research activities to address the specific health challenges for children in the Kimberley.

In recent years, Telethon Kids identified a need for an ongoing presence in regional communities to reinforce health messages, check and monitor health and support broader research activities.

To enable this, a Capacity Building Coordinator was appointed to identify and recruit members of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to support the Institute's research activities. The new recruits are trained in research methodologies and provide ongoing support for the researchers and the research programs being carried out.

INPEX-led Ichthys Joint Venture was pleased to support this initiative as we aim to contribute to improving health and wellbeing outcomes for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the region.

Having reached the end of the first partnership term, the program is already kicking goals, thanks to the efforts of Capacity Building Coordinator, Liam Bedford, who added the responsibility to an existing role he holds with Telethon Kids in Broome.

Liam has been able to leverage the relationships formed through his years with the Institute, and his knowledge of the needs and resources specific to each community, to identify further support for the Telethon Kids' research.

Additionally, Telethon Kids collaborated with the University of Notre Dame Australia in Broome and the Lowitja Research Institute to develop a suite of training courses to equip the Aboriginal Community Researcher candidates with the skills and knowledge required for the role.

Through these coordinated efforts, the Kulunga team has worked closely with Yuri Yungi Aboriginal Medical Services in Halls Creek to identify one of their Health Services employees to fulfil a joint role as an Aboriginal Community Researcher and Health Promotion Officer.

Prof. Andre Schultz, Program Head Respiratory Health at Telethon Kids Institute, advised that their Building Respiratory Equity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (BREATH) program wouldn't have the same impact without the involvement of Yuri Yungi.

"This partnership will lead to not only better lung health in the community, but also the ongoing sustainability of Telethon Kids research in the East Kimberley," Prof. Schultz commented.

To ensure sustainable employment, Telethon Kids has cleverly engaged with community medical services for existing health worker personnel to spend dedicated time working with research teams.

Capacity Building and Community Engagement Coordinator, Liam Bedford, believes the program will ensure that Telethon Kids continues to build capacity across the Kimberley.

"It will also ensure research knowledge stays on Country so that communities continue to benefit both now and into the future," said Liam.

The second term of the community partnership will see the expansion of the capacity building program into other communities across the region over the next three years.

INPEX-led Ichthys Joint Venture is delighted to continue support for the program as it enters this exciting new phase of the program.

Our people and partners

Caleb McDonald, INPEX Production Technician

For Production Technician, Caleb McDonald, working at INPEX has enabled him to pursue a fulfilling career as well as a vibrant lifestyle in picturesque Broome.

A Wajarri Nhanda Yamatji man, Caleb joined INPEX in early 2022 working on the Ichthys Explorer central processing facility. Prior to INPEX, Caleb successfully completed the four-year National Energy Technician Training Scheme (NETTS) through Programmed.

A self-confessed "rural boy", Caleb's upbringing in Geraldton and early Broome experiences shaped his preference for smaller coastal communities over busy cities. After residing in Perth during high school, NETTS, and initial INPEX work, Caleb and his partner relocated to Broome.

"Broome is a close-knit community, surrounded by natural beauty with a laid-back atmosphere. We love living here and feel grateful to now call Broome home," Caleb said.

Off swing, you'll find Caleb relishing in all Broome has to offer – fishing, diving, mud crabbing, camping with his mates and being an active member of the community.

Recently, Caleb volunteered his time to a school during NAIDOC Week teaching kids how to fish and prepare food, as well as representing INPEX at the Kullarri NAIDOC Awards.



Caleb says it's the people at INPEX who have the biggest impact.

"I find it really rewarding to collaborate with different departments, people of various cultures, personalities and background – it helps me learn new perspectives and ways to approach tasks," Caleb said.

For those aspiring to a career like Caleb's, his advice is simple: it's all about the attitude.

"Attitude is everything. When you show you're willing to learn and be proactive, people will invest more of their time to support your development," Caleb said.

For more information on opportunities at INPEX, visit inpex.com.au/careers. You can read more about Caleb's journey on our website (*refer QR code on back page*).

PHI Aviation

A trusted business partner since 2017, PHI Aviation (PHI) and its staff have been providing the charter helicopter services essential to transporting INPEX and contractor personnel from Broome to the offshore Ichthys LNG production facilities, drill rigs and key support vessels.

Additionally, in partnership with the Royal Flying Doctor Service, PHI supports INPEX's search and rescue (SAR) and medical evacuation requirements, with dedicated SAR crew and helicopters. This contract is held jointly by INPEX and Shell.

PHI Broome Base and Contract Manager, Ric Collins, noted during regular operations, the company supports around 30 flights per week for INPEX offshore personnel, with each helicopter carrying about 15 passengers.



PHI Aviation Broome Base

"Since 2017, PHI crews have flown more than 24,000 flights for INPEX, carrying more than 125,000 passengers!" Ric said.

These amazing numbers have been supported by the 155-strong workforce PHI employs at the Broome base – including 35 who live locally.

In recent years, PHI has implemented a cadet program aimed at attracting individuals without prior aviation or SAR experience, but who possess the physical capability and mindset to become a SAR technical crewperson.

"Successful recruits have prevailed through a rigorous recruitment process and subsequent 12-month in-class practical training program, to become experienced crewpeople," Ric said.

Kimberley locals may be familiar with PHI's state-of-the-art SAR helicopter and experienced crew, who have been called on to support community search and rescue activities on many occasions, recovering people in extreme circumstances both on land and offshore.

Find out more about PHI and their support for our business and the broader community in an interview with Ric Collins on our website (*refer QR code on back page*).



Further information

Read more about our business and community engagement activities in the Kimberley region by scanning the QR code.

Community enquiries

Please contact us with any enquiries or questions on **1800 705 010** or enquiries@inpe.com.au

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