

Santos began with the pioneering spirit and shared vision of two men.

In 1954, in an era when many said it could never be done, John Bonython and Bob Bristowe discovered oil in northern South Australia.

Today their spirit lives on at Santos – for over 60 years we have provided Australians with energy, and helped our country grow and prosper.

In the Northern Territory there have been many important discoveries that have helped shape our future.

In 1956, we began petroleum exploration in the Northern Territory. Our operator, Mereenie Joint Venture, started supplying gas to the Power and Water Authority.

We began our long-running sponsorship of the Darwin Festival.

We discovered the Bayu Undun gas field.

We signed the new land rights agreement with the Central Lands Council and completed a major development program targeting hydrocarbons in Mereenie.

While our focus is on the future, we're committed to caring and collaboration. We always try and "do the right thing" – through responsible environmental practices to limit our footprint, a commitment to our people and making a positive difference to communities.

We share, listen and respond to the community – the people who *really* know the land. Communities like Tanumbirini, south-east of Darwin.

Tanumbirini is home to Australia's deepest onshore shale well. It's here that our project is providing a sustainable supply of gas to power Darwin and Australia for years to come. But it's not just the country that benefits; it's the local community too.

The Tanumbirini project has created employment for local company *Rusca Services* who employ Indigenous workers.

The project is built on transparency and active relationships with local landholders. We source our water from a potable bore, so community collaboration is priority.

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Super: David Connolly, Tanumbirini Station

David: "If some of this process had caused our water table to drop so much that we couldn't pump water, we would be upset about that. But there's an agreement in place to cover those sorts of issues."

The journey to grow Indigenous Australian engagement involves collaborating with companies with similar values.

The Toll Group has painted two tankers transporting oil for us with indigenous inspired art, representing priority to the communities in which we operate.

Toll Energy Managing Director Glenn Benson had this to offer on their commitment to local communities.

*"For many years Toll has been engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities throughout Australia in relation to training and employment opportunities, procurement of business and providing in-kind support."*

We respect Indigenous Australians have a deep connection with the land. As a result, we won't step foot on property without consent and when we do, we leave the land in the same condition as we found it.

From the Yalari scholarship program for Indigenous children in remote communities to the annual multicultural Darwin Festival, we support the communities in which we operate so they continue to grow, long after we've left.