

MEPAU in the Mid West

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Mitsui E&P Australia (MEPAU) is a WA-based energy provider with two facilities in the Mid West. MEPAU is a significant contributor to the development of a sustainable supply of energy for the nation and in addition to maintaining its energy resource portfolio, is pursuing new low carbon energy and carbon abatement opportunities.



Schedule of activities

MEPAU maintains an online Schedule of Activities that is regularly updated with planned activity information and timing – go to mepau.com.au

Decommissioning milestone achieved

Ensuring the long-term safety and protection of the environment in our operational areas is a key priority for MEPAU.

During April, MEPAU Drilling & Completions team mobilised Silvercity Drilling's Rig 24 from Dalby, Queensland, to Western Australia. After completing the required rig acceptance activities, the team began a major Plug and Abandonment (P&A) and Workover campaign across the Mid West. This work represents another important step in the responsible decommissioning of MEPAU's legacy wells.

This latest stage of decommissioning began inland from Dongara in our L1/L2 operated licence area. The P&A team successfully completed the permanent decommissioning of two wells, Corybas-01 and Xyris South-01.

After safely and effectively abandoning these wells, the team moved Rig 24 approximately 95 kilometres south to the Woodada Gas Field. There, the focus shifts to the permanent decommissioning of the final seven historical, non-producing gas wells within a section of the legacy Woodada Gas Field.

Completing this P&A work is a huge step forward towards future land restoration activities, returning the wellsites to their natural condition

As the campaign continues through the winter months and challenging weather conditions, MEPAU recognises and thanks the dedicated Silvercity Drilling crew, our trusted P&A service partners, and all local suppliers for their ongoing support and commitment.



Image: Silvercity Drilling crew and MEPAU D&C Wellsite Managers, in front of SCD Rig 24.



Image: Clontarf Academy students participating in the Clontarf Mid West Cup.

Clontarf Mid West Cup

The 2026 Clontarf Mid West Cup was held in June at Eden Clark Oval in Geraldton, bringing together students from Clontarf Academies across Western Australia, including Geraldton Senior High School and Champion Bay Senior High School.

MEPAU representatives Kevin Nel, Operator/Maintainer, and Gareth Spencer, General Operator, attended the Cup, assisting with scoring and goal umpiring throughout the day.

Waitsia Gas Project joint venturers MEPAU and Beach Energy are proud partners of the Clontarf Foundation, supporting two Mid West Academies that benefit approximately 130 students.

Port Denison Skate Precinct upgrade complete

The Port Denison Skate Precinct has been transformed into a welcoming and accessible community space.

Led by the Dongara Denison Lions Club, with support from the Shire of Irwin, Dongara Men's Shed and local business contributions, the upgrade delivered a permanent shade shelter, wheelchair-accessible picnic seating and barbecue facilities, a water fountain and paved pathways.

MEPAU and Beach Energy contributed \$75,000 through the Waitsia Joint Venture to help bring the community's vision to life. Representatives from the Dongara Denison Lions Club, the Shire of Irwin, MEPAU, Dongara Men's Shed, and local community groups recently gathered to celebrate the project's completion and recognise the collective effort behind the precinct upgrade.



Image: Upgraded Port Denison Skate Precinct.

Dongara Oil & Gas Weekend

The event brought together the local community and Mid West oil and gas industry for a weekend of connection and competition at Dongara Golf Club.

MEPAU was pleased to sponsor the event once again, bringing together the local community and industry for two days of competition. Around 140 players took part in the Ambrose competition, with 80 returning for the Stableford event on day two. MEPAU representatives Simon Elliott, Lead Process Engineer, and Alex Mata, Senior Project Manager, joined participants across both days. The annual event continues to strengthen industry connections and remains a highlight of the local sporting calendar.



Image: MEPAU's Simon Elliott and Alex Mata at the 2026 Dongara Oil & Gas Weekend.



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