



Media release

Beach supports Neil Porter Legacy

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Dozens of local high school children have learnt more about potential career pathways by touring Beach Energy's Otway Gas Plant as part of the work of local charitable organisation Neil Porter Legacy.

Throughout his teaching career Mr Porter had a passion for helping students enter careers that matched their interests, and the Neil Porter Legacy was formed after his death in June 2018.

On Friday 16 August, students from Derrinallum College, Cobden Tech, Timboon P-12, Camperdown College, and Hampden Specialist attended workshops hosted by the industry and toured several local energy producer sites including Beach's Otway Gas Plant near Port Campbell.

Senior Community Relations Manager Victoria, Sharon Donovan, said Beach had formed a substantial three-year partnership with Neil Porter Legacy to ensure young people were aware of the various pathways to secure jobs in their region.

"Beach is proud to partner with Neil Porter Legacy to provide information about our industry that may generate interest from students in an exciting career in their local community," Ms Donovan said.

"At Beach, our community investment program identifies locally led initiatives that are aligned with our focus on helping to build sustainable and resilient communities and the Neil Porter Legacy certainly delivers in that respect. The team at Otway Gas Plant is proud to showcase the work our local workforce does to safely deliver energy for Victoria."

The Neil Porter Legacy Energy Industry Day is also supported by other local industry operators including Cooper Energy and Lochard Energy who, along with Beach, also have operations in the Otway Basin.

Neil Porter Legacy co-founder, Matt Porter, said: "Beach Energy's support is amazing. We facilitate students visiting businesses to enable them to make informed career-based decisions and having enthusiastic partners like Beach open their doors and give so much time to our programs is incredible.

"Beach is also generously supporting our work in Corangamite Shire for three years and that enables us to offer considerably more programs to local schools across a vast array of industries."

The Otway Gas Plant processes natural gas which is used in homes, businesses and industry in Victoria for heating, power generation and manufacturing processes.

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