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CLUNES GOLDFIELD – POSTER 2

This poster has been prepared over a year 1991 photograph. The smoke captured by the photo, rising at the north end of the field, is from burning within the old tip-site, Clunes. This tip-site was allowed develop over one of the most productive and rich gold mines known in Victoria.

In the last 20 years the North End, Clunes Goldfield, has been the focus of numerous drilling programs, attempting to locate extensions to known veins. One hole - MCR 8 - produced quite remarkable assays (excellent, and gold-rich) over an in-hole distance of 40 metres. Those results remain unresolved since 1996. For previous tenure reasons, Mount Rommel has made no attempt to pursue this apparent target, except to "find" the buried collar of hole MCR 8.

A series of holes drilled in the Central Section of Clunes Goldfield by Mount Rommel, in years 2006 / 2007, has been followed by further holes along the same gold-mineralized trend, with continued good results. The data from this entire series of holes is being studied as an entity.

As part of the same program, sensible exploration seeks to investigate at depth of over 200 metres, the gold-bearing structure drilled in February, 2015, and proved at depths of about 150 metres below surface. Council thought otherwise, and formally refused consent to drill. **So far, the State has been unable to cope with this attitude of Council.**

Representatives of the Council, the Shire of Hepburn, and the Company, have met before the State Mining Warden, as recently as 3 March, 2016. The present Mayor, Councillor Newitt in that meeting declared only two Clunes residents had indicated to him a wish to have development proceed, and on that basis he refuses to consider consent to drilling on land for which Councillors are trustees. This point of frustration is just unfortunate.

Also curious is this fact - the other Councillors, **each of whom on title is individually a Trustee for this private land**, at no time asked to speak one-on-one with any Director of the Company.

Directors of Mount Rommel are well aware that quite a number of residents of Clunes, and also non-resident ratepayers with property in the Clunes area, are indeed interested in encouraging the continued development of gold by drilling at Clunes, as those people have made clear to the Company.

The Company has a Work Plan, approved, by which further holes may proceed. At present, hole CD15-07 has been logged, cut and sampled, the samples submitted for analysis.

It can be said that holes CD15-07 and CD15-08, drilled November, 2015, passed through substantial intervals of quartz. Massive quartz zones are not uncommon in the Central Section of Clunes Goldfield. Often these bulk quartz zones carry some gold, but likely not payable to mine. However, evidence (from other holes by Mount Rommel) is that potentially payable gold is likely to be shown present in veining either side of these mass quartz zones. Assay data from hole after hole confirms this fact.

Petrological investigations have revealed a new kind of mineralogical environment. Thus there is a consistent explanation, in a number of holes, for the kind of gold occurrences remaining for so long undetected, in the very heart of this Clunes Goldfield.

All attractive gold intersections are within private land not owned by the Council. These include intersections at the nearer-surface depths of circa 50 metres. Logic is to continue to seek intersections nearer the surface, as those have economic desirability. At the same time, information about deeper sections of ground are required for serious and sensible mine design purposes. For Council to set out to constrain investigation is a "first" for Victoria, and *for what actual reason*???

Poster Two shows the position of numerous holes already drilled under Scenic Road. It is apparent these holes are near the site for which Council support for new drilling was requested, and rejected.

The history of past drilling is recorded by Government. That history can be confirmed by at least one Clunes resident today. The holes of the past were simply too shallow to have reached or tested the gold-bearing major structure found to be over 40 metres wide, in private land at depths of over 100 metres.

As licence holders, we seek to find out why such a rare, prime gold-bearing structure should not be tested below the shallow drill-holes already drilled in the road and under Creswick' Creek.

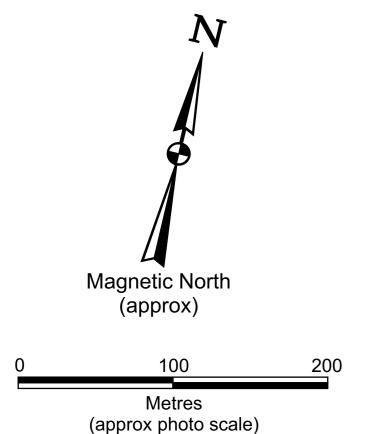
F.L.Hunt, On behalf of Directors, Mount Rommel Mining Ltd. Extract Ballarat "Star" 3 May 1879

.—The manager of the Port Phillip Company, at Clunes, has furnished the press with information showing that the total yield of gold from the company's claim has been up to the end of April, 1879, 451,285 oz.—

Clunes - history worth appreciation Extract - Ballarat :Star" 17 May 1879

CLUNES. (FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Clunes has lost an old identity in Mr Joseph Robson, who departed this life yesterday morning, at the advanced age of eighty-one. He had been connected with the Port Phillip Company from almost the commencement of its operations, and from a long connection with mining in South America, was enabled to render good service to quartz mining in this country, by designing and building the first battery of stamps in the colony. This was shifted to the Port Phillip mine and was worked successfully for years, Mr Robson having charge of the machinery from the time crushing was commenced there till 1870, when failing health compelled him to relinquish his position. Previously to coming to this colony he was in the employ of the St. John del Rey Mining Company, in Brazil, and from the chairman of the company he brought an introduction to Mr R. H. Bland, who from 1852 to the present date has held the management of the Port Phillip Company's mine. By that gentleman Mr Robson's services were engaged, and that the connection thus formed was appreciated on either side his length of service testifies. He was a native of Durham, England, Durham, England,



CD48 pre-collar 0-72m, October 1987

Logged Jan-March 1988

Fault Zone 204.2, ends abruptly at 222m Recommences 233m, through to 263.7m

Auger holes along flat -EL 3262 Work Plan Registered 29/03/2000

CENTRE CLUNES GOLDFIELD

CP116 drilled 22/07/1985

CD39 drilled 14/11/1974 - 06/12/74 141.9m TD

0-70m roller cone (no core)

74m Dip 63° Az n.a.

107m 64° 140m 65°

This hole thought to have terminated in workings - the footwall of Robinson's West Vein.

Results below from cored intersection in hanging wall several metres above workings at end of hole [EOH].

Assays of sludge samples confirm gold, 135 to 138 metres down hole

Down-hole depth Interval Au(ppm) As (ppm) 134.44 - 134.77 0.33 0.32 4.40 2260 134.77 - 134.92 0.15 2220 134.92 - 135.17 0.25 15.90 135.17 - 135.65 0.48 0.28 680

141.70 - 143.27 EOH, old workings

CD42 - Azimuth 96°m 2450 115.85 - 123 4.05 1.14 [168.22 - 169.94 black pug zone] 178.41 EOH

CD41 - at EOH, "drilling down succession"..??



NORTH END CLUNES GOLDFIELD

∽ мск-8 - collar "found" 26/08/2015 (a rich intersection, still unresolved)

New North Clunes gold mine area

In the years from 1868 to 4 July 1876 the miners here obtained 313,415 tons of quartz, which yielded 191,576 oz of gold, and the average yield per ton of quartz was 12 dwt 4.1 grains gold (or over 18g/t)

Total gold yield said to be 253,373 oz

Vacant land (2016)

CP128 drilled 11/12 March 1986 **CP127** drilled 06/07 March 1986 **CP126** drilled 24/25 Feb 1986 (As rich at EOH)

MCR11 collar "found" - 06/11/2015 The gold-enriched zone first discovered by hole CD06-05 has a (north-end) lower-grade gold halo. This halo was intersected in Year 1996 firstly by MIM hole MCR4 (near EOH) and later by MIM hole MCR11, between 132 & 140 metres



Photo looking south - Feb 2016 Prospective drill site - rejected by Council

CP109 drilled 5/6 July 1985 (after construction of Scenic Road)

CD38 drilled 30/09/1974 - 07/11/74 (200m TD) roller cone top 7 metres continued roller cone to 88m $(3^7/_8$ " dia-roller cone) HQ casing inserted at 90m Core drilling from 90.97m 106m Dip 57° Az 290 285 54° 136m 53° 284 166m



198m

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MIM approved WP regd 3/11/1995

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