

Navarre Minerals commences drilling at Blake Range project

REGION - Stawell based Navarre Minerals Limited has commenced drilling at its one hundred percent owned Eclipse copper-gold prospect, part of the Black Range project.

Navarre has planned a 1000 metre air-core drilling campaign to test its concept of potential large tonnage porphyry-style copper-gold targets at Eclipse.

Drilling is expected to assist in characterising the hydrothermal alteration assemblages typically present in a porphyry system and to use this information to vector towards high grade mineralisation in future drill testing.

Navarre's compilation of previous exploration data has resulted in the development of a new geological concept for Eclipse based on similarities with the porphyry system at the

giant Cadia copper-gold deposit in central New South Wales.

"Our initial 2010 diamond drill hit at the Eclipse prospect has intrigued us for the past three years. It is not every day you encounter a 276m intersection which ends in mineralisation," Navarre Managing Director, Mr Geoff McDermott said.

"We have completed a lot of work since then, including background research with experts out of the Centre of Excellence in Ore Deposits (CODES) in Tasmania and with the Geological Survey of Victoria (GSV).

"We also recognised that zinc is a common accessory mineral in the margins of porphyry copper-gold deposits.

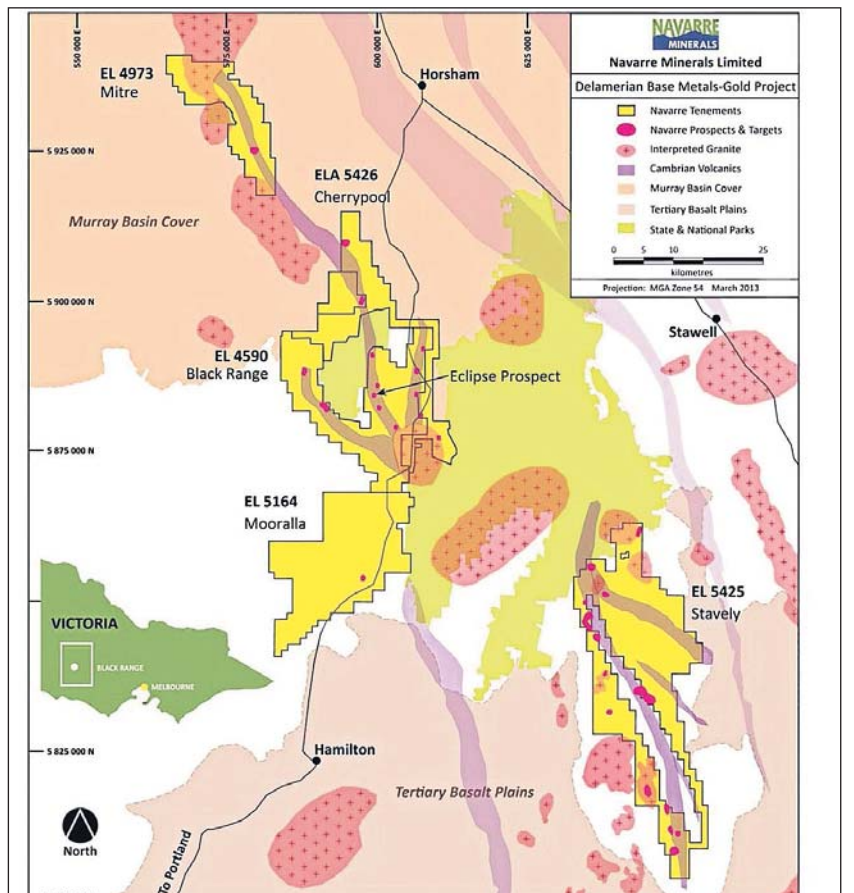
"What has become apparent is that the geological information we have assembled at Eclipse

supports a porphyry-style copper-gold model.

"A recent program of soil geochemistry completed over a large (2900m by 700m) demagnetized feature co-incident with a gravity low is providing further evidence to support our thesis that Eclipse may represent a large porphyry system," Mr McDermott said.

Navarre holds several exploration tenements as part of its Delamerian base metals and gold project in western Victoria, which includes the Black Range Project.

These tenements contain extensive under-explored volcanics with several known occurrences of base metals and gold mineralisation of which the Eclipse prospect is the most advanced.



Black Range project location, interpreted basement geology and targets

Economic profiles for Grampians made public

REGION - Free public access to detailed economic information for the Grampians region is now available online.

The tool, powered by REMPLAN and made available by the Grampians Regional Development Australia Committee is an interactive program providing economic information of the Grampians region relevant to individual needs. Available from any internet enabled computer in any location at www.economicprofile/grampiansregion, the Grampians economic profile can provide accurate and up to date data to inform potential investors,

prospective residents, researchers, students and media organisations.

Chair of the Grampians RDA Committee, Stuart Benjamin today said that the release of this online tool will provide essential economic data to assist in planning for economic growth and investment for the region.

"Grampians RDA is focused on increasing regional investment, jobs and promoting the liveability of the Grampians region" Mr Benjamin said.

Mr Benjamin said the economic profile keeps it simple and presents an overview of workforce characteristics, industry contributions, the role of tourism and trends in the local economy.

"Data is displayed via graphs, tables and interactive maps together with easy to understand explanations and commentary" he said.

"All maps, graphs, charts and text can be easily shared via social media and email or exported as images, spreadsheets and PDFs," Mr Benjamin said.

Discover the Grampians Economic Profile: www.economicprofile.com.au/grampiansregion

Nature volunteer opportunities

REGION - Wimmera Catchment Management Authority has partnered with Conservation Volunteers Australia (CVA) to create a new Partnerships Project Officer role to increase opportunities for volunteers to become involved in local conservation and environmental projects.

Conservation Volunteers teams provided strong support for flood recovery efforts led by Wimmera CMA across our region following the January 2011 floods, and the two organisations were keen to extend the association and continue to help volunteers looking to work with local landholders and community groups.

Newly appointed Project Officer, Jody Taberner said this is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to get out for some hands on, practical conservation experience and sample Landcare.

"Along with the hands on aspect, we can also offer people the opportunity to receive some recognised qualifications while they are doing environmental volunteer work.

"The projects that volunteers can participate in range from tree planting and seed collecting to wildlife surveys, all in some amazing locations."

Wimmera CMA CEO, Dave Brennan is pleased with the joint venture.

"We have a terrific Wimmera Landcare team working out in the community these days and Jody's position provides a great opportunity for local groups to access extra support to make a difference to the success of their projects," he said.

"It will increase the manpower available for some very important work going on in the Wimmera community."

To volunteer or find out more call Jody Taberner, Partnerships Project Officer with Conservation Volunteers and Wimmera CMA on 0417 852 043 or you can get more information from www.conservationvolunteers.com.au.

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End of an era for Gray's Bridge Cemetery Trust

REGION - The annual general meeting of the Gray's Bridge Cemetery Trust brought an era to an end when long serving trust member, Charles Newall, resigned as secretary/treasurer.

Charles has held the position of secretary/treasurer of the trust for an amazing 47 years. During this period he has overseen the general running of the cemetery and has been the point of contact for anyone researching their family history.

Charles has also been instrumental in the establishment of the two

major plantations of trees at the cemetery.

The Department of Health (Cemeteries and Crematoria) acknowledged Charles' exceptional service with a Certificate of Appreciation which was presented on behalf of the Trust by Mr Keith McPherson.

This recognised Charles' 47 years as secretary/treasurer and 61 years to date as Trust member.

Following the presentation, trust members and their families enjoyed morning tea.

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