

Navarre Minerals applies for new exploration licence

STAWELL - Stawell-based company Navarre Minerals Limited has reaffirmed its commitment to the search for gold in Western Victoria by applying for an exploration licence at Tatyoon, adjacent to the highly-rated Ararat Goldfield.

"Western Victoria is an undiscovered gem for exploration geologists," Navarre Managing Director, Geoff McDermott said.

"We have a history of gold discovery and production in the region and Ararat is less than 40 kilometres southeast of Navarre's home base of Stawell."

Victoria has historically produced more than 80 million ounces of gold worth AUD\$112 billion in today's currency.

Navarre's geological staff have decades of experience working

and exploring the goldfields of central and western Victoria and believe there is plenty more gold to be found in the region.

"Together with the Victorian government we are going to commit the resources at our disposal to locate new gold deposits to fill a vacuum created by the recently announced closure of the Stawell Gold Mine operation," Mr McDermott said.

"If exploration companies are not out there looking for gold, there is no way the industry can expand or maintain its gold production levels into the future.

"We have the people and prospects, including our highly rated Kingston gold project, just 30 kilometres north-east of Stawell, and we are looking to build our position in the region."

Meanwhile Navarre continues evaluation of its flagship Tandarra gold project, located 40kms north of Bendigo, with the June commencement of a program of bulk testing of drill samples collected over the past 18 months through the company's newly acquired pilot treatment facility.

Following a commercial agreement with Crocodile Gold Corp, Navarre's largest shareholder and leading Victorian gold producer, the treatment facility was relocated recently to the Stawell Gold Mine operation.

"Our first samples will be going through the new testing facility next month and we hope to be in a position to report on these tests in the near future," Mr McDermott said.



Navarre Minerals' new pilot bulk sample testing facility being relocated into Stawell Gold Mine's mill area.



The types of nuggets of gold Navarre is hoping to recover from the pilot bulk sample testing facility.

Great weekend of dance

STAWELL - The Great Western Dance Club has held its annual weekend of old time and Nu Vogue ballroom dancing at the Stawell Entertainment Centre.

Great Western Dance Club President Bill Day said the event was very well attended.

"We had dancers come from all parts of Victoria as well as South Australia, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory," he said.

"On the Friday evening a ball was held with more than 100 people in attendance and dancing to the music of Carmel Phelan's three piece band.

"Interested onlookers also took to the balcony to watch the elegant dancing that was taking place below."

The winner of the star sash was Vesper Hewetson partnered by Allen Templeton and the after five sash was won by Josephine De Blasis partnered by Klaas De Haan.

The judge for the evening was Northern Grampians Shire Councillor Karen Hyslop who sashed and congratulated the winners and everyone who attended on such a wonderful event.

The winners of the lucky partners competitions were Pam Ireland and Kevin Doyle with the door

prize won by Josephine De Blasis and competitions by Trevor King, Carmel Phelan, Elaine Milbourne and Val Badman.

Mr Day said a delicious supper was provided by the Great Western Football and Netball Club ladies.

"On the Saturday a Nu Vogue dance was held from 7.30pm to 11.30pm with music by Carmel and Trevor," Mr Day said.

The lucky partners winners were Trish Whitford and Harold King, while the door prize went to Bill Day and competition to Dianne Robertson of Ballarat.

The Monte Carlo was won by Josephine and Klaas.

Mr Day said a lovely supper was provided by the ladies of the Stawell Golf Bowls Club.

"On the Sunday dancing commenced at 10.30am and all mothers were wished a pleasant Mother's Day of dancing to the music of Carmel Phelan on keyboard," he said.

"During the morning session two new dances were demonstrated to everyone's enjoyment and the lucky partner winners Betty Wilkinson, Barb Tapscott, Colleen and Sandy Twigden were each presented with a flowering chrysanthemum.

"The lucky door entry went to Graeme Cheesman and competitions to Stewart Twigden and Bill Carlyon.

"A scrumptious lunch was provided by the members of the Great Western Dance Club and the tables were waited on by the Stawell Secondary College Chaplaincy Committee members."

In all there were 75 different dances for the weekend. Mr Day said this made for a very successful and enjoyable time for all, with many of the visitors staying over for the club's regular dance practice night on Monday.

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Pyrenees Shire Council Public Notices

EVENTS

Lino-cutting demonstration

Award winning local artist Lyn Heenan is conducting a Lino-cutting Workshop.

When: Saturday June 8, 2013

Time: 1pm-4pm

Where: Beaufort Community Resource Centre

Cost: \$30 per person

Places are limited so please register by calling 5349 1180 or by emailing norman.prueter@pyrenees.vic.gov.au

Understanding Children's Behaviour

Avoca Playgroup in conjunction with Pyrenees Shire Council wish to invite all parents of preschool children to a presentation given by Helen Diamond from Centacare on Understanding Children's Behaviour.

When: Wednesday June 12, 2013

Time: 9:45am - 11:45am

Where: Anglican Church Hall, Barnett St, Avoca

For further information please call Donna Wardlaw from Avoca Playgroup on 5465 3404 or 0408 569 056.

OTHER

Culvert cleaning and repair

Works will be conducted throughout the Shire on culverts and table drains. These works will clear debris from the drainage system and repair infrastructure to allow effective flow of storm water.

Vegetation removal and tree reduction

Contractors are continuing with limb reduction on trees throughout the Shire. These works may cause disruption to the roadway with partial lane closures. Please be aware of traffic signs and drive accordingly to changed conditions.

Bridgeworks on Lexton-Ararat Road

Works on the bridge on Lexton-Ararat Road near the Amphitheatre intersection will commence shortly. These works will cause road closures for duration of works. More information will be available over the next few weeks. For further information please contact Project Manager, Adam Sewell on 0422 765 384.

Bridgeworks on Browns Road

Bridgeworks on Browns Road, Burnbank will commence over the next few months which will impact on through traffic. For further information please contact Project Manager, Adam Sewell on 0422 765 384.

Amphitheatre Road bridge repair

Works have commenced on the bridge repair at Chute on Amphitheatre Road. A detour will be in place during these works. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Racecourse Road culvert repair

Works will commence shortly on the bridge repair on Racecourse Road, near Trawalla-Waterloo Road. A detour will be in place during these works. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Amphitheatre Road culvert repair

Works have commenced on the culverts on the northern section of Amphitheatre Road, Amphitheatre. More information will be available over the next few weeks. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Duke Street bridge replacement, Avoca

Works have commenced on the construction of a new bridge over the Avoca River. More information will be available over the next few weeks. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Vavdrey on 0419 389 439.

Fords Road, Avoca culvert repair

Work will commence from Monday June 11, 2013 on Ford Road, Avoca. Road closures will be in place during this time with detours marked. Works are due to be completed by end of June. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Leichardt Street, Beaufort pavement repair

Works will commence shortly on the pavement repair on Leichardt Street, Beaufort. These works are scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2013. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Moores Road, Glenpatrick guardrail installation

Installation will commence shortly on a new guard rail at the bridge on Moores Road. These works are scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2013. Detours may be in place during this time. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Elmhurst-Glenpatrick Road, Glenpatrick bridge repair

Works will commence shortly on the bridge on Elmhurst-Glenpatrick Road. Detours will be in place during these works with works to be completed by June 30, 2013. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Lions Park Rest Area, Avoca

Construction works on the retaining wall and drainage systems along the Pyrenees Highway at Lions Park will commence shortly. These works will have an impact on the playground and BBQ area within the Lions Park, Avoca. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Vavdrey on 0419 389 439.

Eurambreen-Streatham Road bridge repair

Bridge repair works will commence shortly on the Eurambreen-Streatham Road near the Western Highway. Motorists are asked to take note of changed traffic conditions and reduced speed limits during this time. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Eurambreen-Raglan Road culvert repair

Works will commence shortly on the culvert repair on Eurambreen-Raglan Road. Detours will be in place during this time with works to be completed by the June 30, 2013. For further information please contact Project Manager, Philip Diprose on 0438 345 993.

Weight restriction on bridges

Inspections are being undertaken by Council's engineers to assess any structural damage caused as a result of recent storm events. Some of these structures that have been affected may require future works. In the interim some speed and weight restrictions may be in place. Current roads with restrictions are:

1. Mt Lonarch Road, Mt Lonarch.
2. Amphitheatre Road Mt Lonarch.
3. Lexton Ararat Road, Mt Lonarch

Other roads may be restricted by speed or weight so please comply with the signage.