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Cathro Weekly to 9/17/99

HIGHLIGHTS:

Big Kidd (Christopher James Gold Corp.) - drilling of 4 holes (1000 m) is currently underway on this alkalic porphyry gold-copper prospect located on the Okanagan Connector near Aspen Grove. The 1999 drill holes are designed to step out from a 1997 hole which hit 19.46 m grading 3.09 g/t Au and 0.113% Cu. The company also just completed drilling 3 holes on the Brassie Creek Cu-Zn-Ag-Au skarn property located west of Savona. Trenching on their Silver Lake property northwest of Little Fort is scheduled to begin in the next few weeks.

Aumax (Gary Polischuk, PAP) - sent rock slabs and maps down to Gerry Ray, GSB who will be doing a small mapping and mineralogy propject on this interesting new silver prospect located SW of Lillooet.

Prospectors Assistance Program field visits - visited Warner Gruenwald (9/10) and Denis Delisle (9/16) in their respective field areas. Reports filed separately. Also discussed program progress by phone with Rob Montgomery, Robin Whiteaker, Gary Polischuk, Leo Lindinger and Paul Watt.

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HIGHLIGHTS:

Gold price at \$305 today, up about \$50 per ounce from last week. Should help exploration if it holds or keeps heading higher.

Goldstrike-Bizar (Cassidy Gold Corp) - Notice of work received for an 8 drill hole program on this gold property located near Blue River. This prospect was discovered in Sept/98 by Leo Lindinger whiel working on the PAP grant.

Ladybug (Cross Lake Minerals Ltd.) - 3 holes totalling about 330 metres will be drilled shortly on this property near Shuswap Lake. The target is stratabound Zn-Pb-Ag mineralization in metasedimentary rocks. Field work this summer has defined several strong, coincident soil geochem, I.P. and mag anomalies. This is another Leo Lindinger property from the 1998 PAP.

Big Kidd (Christopher James Gold Corp) - This alkalic Cu-Au porphyry prospect is located near Aspen Grove on the Okanagan Connector. Tom Schroeter and I visited the drill site on Sept. 27 with consultant Ron Wells and property vendor Ab Ablett. Drilling was underway on hole 99-2 which is designed to test the North Breccia target, an area of Au-Cu mineralization hosted by intense potassic altered breccia. Two additional holes (total of four) are planned in this area. Previous drill holes in this area have intersected the following grades at depths of about 180 m below surface:

Hole#	length (m)	Au g/t	Cu %
92-01	70.45	0.75	0.20
97-04	59.56	0.927	0.178
incl.	18.00	1.970	0.284
97-05	116.00	0.801	0.124
incl.	19.46	3.090	0.113

Northwest Copper (International Jaguar Equities Ltd.) - Jaguar announced that they have drilled 3 holes totalling 667 m on this copper-silver "porphyry" prospect located SW of Williams Lake. Results are poor (best intersection was only 4.4 m grading 0.18% Cu) and drilling is finished for the year. A huge volume of shares traded last week (tops on the VSE), with lots of hype about expected "40% copper grades" and "visits from major companies" on internet chat groups. Disappointing.

B.C. Business Summit - Panel on Securing BC's Future - attended this Kamloops discussion forum on 9/30. Several presentations by geologists and prospectors regarding the low level of exploration, with suggestions for changes, mainly in the areas of land use policy, native land claims settlement, and taxation. Lots of statements from labour and social activists too.

Chinese Delegation - Hosted 5 officials from the Chinese Ministry of Geology and Mineral Resources, and the Ministry of Land and Resources, who are own a tour led by Dr. Rui Feng, President of Global Pacific Minerals. They were most interested in hearing about promotion of mineral opportunities here, permitting and royalty collection, and our nearly free distribution of BC gov't data. By comparison in China, the Provincial and County geological offices will not easily release to the public the results of geochemical surveys conducted at government expense, but try to keep it for their own use! In addition, they were surprised to find out that our regional offices do NOT get to keep royalties, taxes, administrative penalties, and fines. Just imagine the possibilities if we switched to that system.....

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Semi-Weekly Report to 10/17/03

EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Afton (DRC Resources) - "Pre-feasibility study" released showing >20% internal rate of return, 3.7 year payback and 17.5 year mine life based on an underground block cave operation at 9000 tonnes per day, with a \$150 million initial capital cost and \$191 million in on-going capital. The company clarified the study as a "scoping study" shortly aftewards, at the request of provincial regulators, because it does not meet the requirements of NI 43-101. The main problem was the inclusion of inferred resources in the mine plan. Company has been drilling 800 m long holes beneath the Pothook pit, using 2 drills with rumours of good results. Company is still considering a winter underground program, and is rumoured to be completing a \$20 million financing.

Bralorne (Bralorne-Pioneer Gold Mines) - construction of tailings pond (approved in 1996) is underway. Cost is \$500,000 according to previous estimates. Mining of 6000 tonne bulk sample planned for this winter to feed mill start-up.

J&L - prominent engineering/environmental company called to scope out permitting issues to explore and develop this polymetallic deposit north of Revelstoke. Client is unknown.

Elk (Almaden Minerals) - 4000 m drill program well underway with two drills. Expected to be complete by Oct 31. Company consultant is scoping out permitting issues for a 150 tpd gravity-flotation mill and underground mine.

Big Kidd (Christopher James Gold) - 5 ddh completed on alkalic porphyry Au-Cu prospect located east of Merritt.

Lodestone Mountain (Sargold Resources) - 15 holes planned on magnetite deposit south of Tulameen.

Rainbow (Abacus Mining) - located next to Afton, SW of Kamloops. A 3D IP survey is underway and will be followed by about 2500 m of drilling (Nov) in 800 m long holes to test beneath the Rainbow Cu-Au deposit. Project and company are benefitting from renewed interest in alkalic porphyry deposits due to Afton, Red Chris and Mt. Polley results.

Panorama Ridge (Goldcliff Resources) - drilling underway on gold skarn near the Nickel Plate mine.

Wood (Green Valley) - drilling to test IP anomalies on property south of Afton.

Bonaparte (North American Gem) - trenching and drilling to begin shortly on vein gold prospect north of Kamloops.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Horsefly-Mt. Polley airborne geophysical survey. Fugro survey completed on Sept. 29th. Bob Lane and I have spent 4 days following up anomalies in the field, in preparation for upcoming publications. Timing was excellent given the discovery of the NE zone at Mt. Polley, which is covered by the Imperial Metals partnership survey. Radio interview about the survey was replayed several times on Cariboo Radio. Data release planned for March 31, 2003, however, we have asked the GSC to look into expediting the publication for Round-up (unlikely), to take advantage of excitement around Mt. Polley.

CIM South-Central Branch Conference (Sept 20th) - presented talk on exploration highlights to a crowd of about 70 people.

MX tour (Oct 16th) - led an "exploration and mining 101" educational tour to the Elk property for four Kamloops-based MSRM land use planners. I believe they have gained a better appreciation of mining and exploration practices, and hopefully it will allow them to better incorporate minerals issues into their plans.

Lillooet LRMP - rumours of cabinet briefing notes being prepared, and behind the scenes discussions. Upcoming decision?