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FIELD VISITS:

*Dot (Alhambra Resources) porphyry Cu core was viewed on Oct 24 in Merritt with L. Ovington, G. Stewart, E. Stewart, B. McMillan and T. Schroeter. 1997 holes hit native copper in oxidized and unoxidized porphyry and assays are awaited. Previous drilling has defined a southeast-striking, linear zone with grades in the 0.3-0.6% Cu range over true widths of 30-100 metres. Cu mainly occurs in bornite/chalcopyrite associated with specular hematite in sericitized and K-spar (?) altered, locally porphyritic Guichon/Chataway phases and Bethlehem phase dykes (?). Spotty high gold and moly values are also present.

*Kami 5 (Arnold Savjord - PAP grantee). Assays received today from three samples I collected at his property 2 weeks ago. A 25 cm wide chip of a quartz sulphide vein ran 39.59 g/t Au, 1000 g/t Ag, 5.08% Pb, 7.6% Zn, 0.164% Cd, 504 ppm As and 33 ppm Sb. This material has a gross value of about \$600 per tonne and would be worth direct-shipping to Trail.

EXPLORATION NEWS:

*Getty North (Getty Copper Corp.) - drilling will probably finish today for the season (company would like to conserve remaining funds).

*Newmac (Double Creek Mining) - this \$335K drilling program will not be completed this year.

*Bralorne Mine - will be put on care and maintenance for the winter. Not a surprise with gold at \$311.

*Our Eagle Bay promotional work finally appears to be paying off as Mt. Armour Cu-Zn prospect has apparently been staked, and Equity Engineering are taking a second, closer look at the Samatosum mine controlled by Bob Friesen/Inmet.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

*UCC/KEG/MEI prospecting class had a half day in the field last Sunday learning about staking with Don Smith, myself, and Bruce Madu.

*Watson Bar paper (with Durfeld and Ray) for Geological Fieldwork. 2nd draft of text nearly ready but I need to spend a few more days on the figures. Deadline is Friday Nov 7th.

*Preparing some geological text for a Fieldwork paper with Lett on Honeymoon Bay gold discovery.

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Distribution:

*Samatsum: Teck is considering making a deal with Inmet to explore the deep untested potential for precious metal-rich massive sulfides (CONFIDENTIAL). ~~X~~

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*Eagle Bay Till release: The Honeymoon Bay gold anomaly (215 ppb Au) has been staked by Gordon Guttrath (ex Chairman of Queenstake) and prospector Camille Berube. Potential for Sec. 35 challenges here (advised Don Smith). I will not bother to run my quartz vein and skarn samples which were collected last week.

*Watson Bar (Stirrup Creek Gold Ltd.): Additional promising results released for hole 6 (5 m @ 6.484 g/t Au) from a newly developing shoot in Zone V. In addition, anomalous gold was hit in Zone 1, some 500 m south of Zone V. Only 3 holes have ever been drilled in Zone 1 so there is still good potential here.

*Goldcliff: Goldcliff Resources reported gold values from the Something Good vein structure on this Ollala area property. A road is planned. (from Tom Schroeter)

*Miner Mountain: Big I has started drilling. (also from Tom S.)

OTHER:

*Yana working with Jim and Bruce on LRMP compilations.

*Repairs to winch, rear window and rear latch on MP 09966 (\$440).

UPCOMING:

*MSC on vacation from May 28-June 2.

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