

# MANITOBA PROSPECTORS AND DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION INC.

# NEWSLETTER

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Your **Manitoba Prospectors and Developers Association Inc. (MPDA)** was quite active this past year with meetings held on the 1st Wednesday of every month at the **Howard Johnson Inn**, 1740 Ellice Avenue held at noon hour lunch immediately following the **Winnipeg Mineral Exploration Discussion Group** meetings. All are welcome to attend the luncheons.

**MPDA** sponsors the monthly **Winnipeg Mineral Exploration Discussion Group, (WMEDG)**. These meetings provide opportunities for discussion and networking with the community interested in mineral exploration. This year the following **eight talks** were presented at these informal luncheons:

- **Thompson Nickel Belt Geology**
- **Industry Trade and Mines Update**
- **Manigotogan River Protected Status**
- **Resource Road Management**
- **Annual Mines Minister Conference 2002**
- **Mining Association of Manitoba Current Issues**
- **Discovery of Hunt Gold zone using MMI**
- **Bissett Area Gold Deposits**

Members also receive updates from Directors and raised a number of issues at three **Open Forums**. Members are requested to forward suggested topics to the **MPDA**.

The **Mineral Exploration Liason Committee (MELC)** is comprised of representatives from the Mining Industry, Provincial Government departments, University and Environmental Organizations. **PDAC** recently commended the **MELC** Protected Areas review Process by presenting a **National Claim Tag Award** to the Minister of Industry, Trade and Mines. **MPDA** was represented at all committee meetings by Doug Fogwill and/or John Lee. **MPDA** concerns were presented and considered while reviewing, amending and/or rejecting proposed Protected Areas throughout the Province. A favourable result of the **MELC** process is the ongoing careful review, (without implementation) of candidate

Protected Area in the Knee Lake - Hayes River active **Diamond Exploration** area. The **MPDA** has expressed concerns regarding the apparently "open ended" ongoing proposal of Protected Areas, given the fact that the original Endangered Spaces proposal was that 12% of the Province be protected.



*The 2002 - 2003 Directors of MPDA increased to 15. From Left to Right: Hugh Wynne, Bill Ferreira, Pat Holden, Doug Fogwill, Marjorie Reynolds, Jim Brown, Jim Campbell, Dave Meek, Steve LeSavage, John Lee, Dave Busch, Ryan Cooke, Horst Petak. Missing from picture Don Anderson and Kevin Murphy.*

The **East Side Round Table Land Use Group** met this year with discussions pertaining to the land use in the area on the east side of **Lake Winnipeg**. **MPDA** member Ryan Cooke represented the Association.

**MPDA** was also represented by Dave Busch, Hugh Wynne, Bill Ferreira, and Jim Campbell (the pilot) at the **Manigotogan Park Reserve Open Forums**. On going talks are being held about the possibilities of the Manigotogan River becoming a protected area in an active exploration region.

Dave Busch, Doug Fogwill and Bill Ferreira were members of the **Mines Act Sub-Committee** which was responsible for proposing amendments to the Manitoba Mines and Mineral Act. These amendments were implemented this month.



*MPDA's Jim Brown (wearing Tilley hat) supervises gold panning at the Forks, Winnipeg during Mining Week in May.*

**Gold Panning Excursions** were set up for the **Rock and Minerals Society** at Oakhammock Marsh and during **Mining Week** at the Forks in May. Attendance is high at these displays and members are encouraged to participate.

Marjorie Reynold continued the **Education Committee** activities making presentations of rocks and minerals at **16 schools**. Students were educated on how and where to locate rock samples, plate tectonics, geological structures, genesis and physical properties of rocks and minerals. A **Video** was made of her presentation and is available from the **MPDA**.

As MPDA Inc.'s financial situation is fairly sound, we have reduced our membership fees significantly to:

Regular Member	\$10
Junior Corporation	\$20
Senior Corporation	\$30
Student Member	\$ 5

## 2002/2003 DIRECTORS / OFFICERS / COMMITTEES

<b><u>DIRECTORS:</u></b>	Don Anderson	Jim Brown
	Dave Busch	Jim Campbell
	Bill Ferreira	Ryan Cooke
	John Lee	Doug Fogwill
	Pat Holden	Dave Meek
	Marjorie Reynolds	Steve LeSavage
	Hugh Wynne	Kevin Murphy
	Horst Petak	

<b><u>OFFICERS :</u></b>	Pat Holden:	President
	Don Anderson:	Vice-President
	Jim Brown:	Secretary
	Horst Petak:	Treasurer
	Hugh Wynne	Past President

**MELC Representatives:** D. Fogwill, J. Lee (Alt: R. Cooke)

**Sustainable Development Rep:** R. Cooke

**Aboriginal/Mining:** D. Fogwill

**Mines Act Sub-Com:** D. Busch , W. Ferreira,

**Education Committee:** M. Reynolds, D. Anderson,

**Membership Committee:** J. Brown, P. Holden

**Newsletter Editor:** D. Meek

**WMEDG Sub-Com:** J. Brown, J. Lee, D. Busch,  
D. Anderson, J. Campbell

**SE Manitoba Community Liason:** J. Campbell