



- Legend: EXPLOITS MAF-AREA**
- STURIAN**
- SB Medium to fine-grained gabbro and diabase sills (intrude Otrellis Cove Group)
 - OROVICIAN AND STURIAN UPPER OROVICIAN (Op)
 - OP FORTUNE HARBOUR FORMATION: volcanic and sedimentary rocks; p. green to red pillow lava and pillow breccia with interstitial chert and limestone; t. coarse to fine-grained pillow lava rocks, some recrystallized; u. thin bedded, silty, argillite, shales, some argillite, some red chert, some argillite, some chert
 - OS1 BONES POINT GROUP: black shaly, blocky, black and grey argillite, pillow lava, airtic volcanic flows, tuff, limestone, conglomerate and chert
 - OS2 EXPLOITS GROUP (Op, Os)
 - OS3 POINT LEAMINGTON FORMATION: medium grey to black thin-bedded argillite and silty argillite
 - OS4 OROVICIAN (OS)
 - OS5 Black carbonaceous argillite and argillaceous siltstone; locally chert at base
 - OS6 LOWER AND MIDDLE OROVICIAN
 - OS7 WILD BIGHT GROUP: black shaly, blocky, black and grey argillite, pillow lava, airtic volcanic flows, tuff, limestone, conglomerate and chert
 - OS8 MORETONS HARBOUR GROUP (Op, Oq, 10q, 10qP)
 - OS9 WESTERN HEAD FORMATION: Pale green to dark green pillow lava with minor layers of pillow breccia, airtic tuff
 - OS10 WESTERN HEAD FORMATION: Pale green to dark green pillow lava with minor layers of pillow breccia, airtic tuff
 - OS11 diabase dikes with minor screens of pillow lava and plagioclase clinopyroxene perthritic lava
 - OS12 CUMBERLAND AND/OR LOWER OROVICIAN
 - OS13 LUSIS BIGHT GROUP: dark to pale green basaltic pillow lavas
- Geological boundary (defined, approximate and assumed)**
- Bedding, tops known (horizontal, inclined, vertical, overturned)
 - Bedding, tops unknown (inclined, vertical)
 - Dike trend (inclined, vertical)
 - Schistosity, gneissosity, cleavage, foliation (horizontal, inclined, vertical)
 - Fault (defined, approximate, assumed)
 - Anticline (upright, overturned)
 - Syncline (upright, overturned)
 - Fossil locality
 - Mineral occurrence
 - Mineral prospect, test pit or trench
 - Shaft or quarry (operation, abandoned production, production, prospecting)
 - Airtic or tumuli
- Mineral Occurrences, Prospects and Mines**
- 01. Long point. Pyrite and hematite in a thin bed of red cherty sediments
 - 02. Western Head Cove. Pyrite and magnetite. Same setting as 1.
 - 03 & 4. Humber Bight. Pyrite. Same setting as 1 and 2.
 - 05. Green Island. Limestone lens 3 to 5 m. wide in Bones Point Complex.
 - 06. Peter Mitchell's Iron Prospect in pillow lavas of the Fortune Harbour Formation.
 - 07. Quarry 10m. block A & B. thick magnesianiferous chert bed in pillow lavas of the Fortune Harbour Formation.
 - 08. Fortune Harbour. Pyrite in acidic volcanics of the Fortune Harbour Formation.
 - 09. Cook Iron Mine. Ferruginous and magnesianiferous chert. In tuffs and pyroclastic rocks at the top of the Fortune Harbour Formation. The contact of a Otrellis Cove Group dyke with pillow lavas and tuffs of the Fortune Harbour Formation.
 - 10. Cook Iron Mine. Ferruginous and magnesianiferous chert. In tuffs and pyroclastic rocks at the top of the Fortune Harbour Formation. The contact of a Otrellis Cove Group dyke with pillow lavas and tuffs of the Fortune Harbour Formation.
- Note: The mineral symbols key and a mineral classification table is contained in the accompanying report.**

Explanatory Notes - Exploits Maf-Area

Stratigraphic relationships of the various rock units listed in the legend are not well exposed in the maf-area but are well known from the point Leamington area (2E/6) to the south and from the Fortune Harbour area (2E/5) to the north. The Lobster Cove-Chanceport fault separates older rocks to the north from a younger, north-facing sequence to the south.

The oldest rocks are pillow lavas of the Lushs Bight Group exposed on Sculpin Island. These rocks are similar to the Lushs Bight Group mylonite by Lower Ordovician sedimentary and volcanic rocks in the Western Arm area (2E/12) (Martin 1971) and similar sedimentary rocks of the Stooks Arm Group from which Arenig gneisses were collected by Smolow, (1931). The pillow lava area (2E/2) has yielded an $40Ar/39Ar$ age of 485 ± 5 m.y. (Stukas and Reynolds, 1974).

The Moretons Harbour Group is best exposed in the Moretons Harbour-Willingate area to the east (2E/10). The basal unit of this group is the Moretons Harbour-Willingate Group. By lithologic similarity with the Western Arm and Chanceport Groups (2E/12) and the Lushs Bight Group, the Moretons Harbour-Willingate Group is considered to be of Ordovician age. Because of its great thickness (8 km) in the Moretons Harbour area (Strom and Payne 1973), it is considered to be a volcanic island arc Group probably represents the core of a volcanic island arc built on oceanic crust.

In the maf-area, the Moretons Harbour Group is well exposed in the Lushs Bight area. The Moretons Harbour-Willingate Group is characterized by numerous diabase dykes which act as feeders to the pillow lavas of the Moretons Harbour-Willingate Group. The Moretons Harbour-Willingate Group units is transitional over 30 m and the lowermost pillow lavas of the Western Head Formation often have thin lenses of red chert and associated sulphide showings.

The oldest rocks south of the Chanceport Fault are the well bedded tuffaceous rocks of the Wild Bight Group (WBG). These rocks represent the uppermost portion of the Wild Bight Group, the Western Arm Group of Island arc assemblages.

The Wild Bight Group is overlain conformably by Exploits Group argillite black argillite of Ordovician age (Op). The black argillite are generally less than 100 m thick and are overlain by gneisses from at least three zones are often found within this thickness (Helwig, 1967). The Point Leamington (OS7) which reach a thickness of 3000 m on the Point Leamington map-area (2E/6) to the south and correspond to the same formation on the Willingate (2E/10) and Moretons Harbour (2E/4) map-areas.

One feature of interest is the Exploits Group sedimentary rocks is the Contrails Cove Group of dominantly volcanic rocks of probably Silurian age. The lowermost unit of this group, the Moretons Harbour Group, is a black shaly matrix. Fossiliferous limestone on Green Island failed to yield any datable material over 30 m and the lowermost pillow lavas of the Western Head Formation to the south (2E/6).

The Moretons Harbour Group (OSM) of tuffaceous sedimentary rocks, lava and chert conformably overlies the Bones Point Complex at the Fortune Harbour area. The Moretons Harbour Group is a basal unit of the Fortune Harbour Group. The Fortune Harbour Formation at the top of the Contrails Cove Group is a basal unit of the Fortune Harbour Group. The Fortune Harbour Formation is a basal unit of the Fortune Harbour Group. The Fortune Harbour Formation is a basal unit of the Fortune Harbour Group.

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