



THE MATTY MITCHELL PROSPECTORS RESOURCE ROOM

A public-private sector partnership working for the Newfoundland and Labrador prospecting community

Activities for 2006

The Matty Mitchell Prospectors Resource Room project is currently in its ninth year of operation. The principal objectives of the Room are to provide technical and promotional assistance and mentoring to provincial prospectors. As in previous years, the Resource Room was successful in providing its clientele with on-site consultation

services, rock and mineral identification, help with the interpretation and presentation of data, property promotion and technical advice. Others were assisted by telephone and email consultations and at seminars, workshops, conferences and prospecting courses in Labrador and Newfoundland. The continuing boom in the mining and exploration sector made for another busy year. We are especially proud that in 2006, we were able to significantly increase our networking initiatives with First Nations groups, and ramp up training and mentoring initiatives targeting prospectors from the Labrador coast.

The Resource Room supplied property promotional services and technical and logistical support to local prospectors at the 2006 PDAC (Toronto), Exploration Roundup (Vancouver) and Mineral Resources Review (St. John's). For each conference and trade show, we developed,

displayed and distributed prospector property posters and Properties for Option maps, booklets and CD-ROMs. The Resource Room collaborated with the Geological Survey in developing promotional and regional technical posters for these conferences. The Resource Room also helped prospectors follow up contacts made at these events.

Once again, as part of its public outreach program, the Matty Mitchell Room worked in close collaboration with the Chamber of Mineral Resources and the Mineral Development Division of the Department of Natural Resources to deliver a free prospecting workshop in St. John's. This workshop was very well attended with demand exceeding available spaces.



The Matty Mitchell Room



Spring prospecting workshop, St. John's



Prospectors at training course, Stephenville

The Matty Mitchell Room geologist made presentations to the sixteenth annual Prospectors course in Stephenville and to the first annual Labrador Prospectors course, which was held in Happy Valley-Goose Bay. The Resource Room geologist also made a number of presentations as part of the inaugural community prospecting course held in Port Hope Simpson, Labrador.



Prospectors and their displays, PDAC 2006, Toronto

The Matty Mitchell Resource Room, for the second year in succession, hosted a booth highlighting rocks and minerals, prospecting, rock-hounding and geo-tourism at the Explore NL trade show. We acknowledge the support provided by the public and private sector geologists in this and other initiatives over the course of 2006.

The Resource Room continues to develop outreach initiatives to promote itself and its services to the public. For example, as part of our website development, we have added an "Exploration Highlights" page, focusing on companies active in the province; this page is updated on a monthly basis. We are also presently developing a web page and accompanying database which will contain information on properties available for option. We welcome any suggestions on these and any other of our endeavors.

Our in-house collection of prospecting and exploration-related documents continues to grow, as does our collection of rock and

mineral samples from all parts of the globe. We thank all those who have donated samples over the past year.

Finally, we invite you to drop by the Matty Mitchell Prospectors Resource Room to learn about the many resources available to help you with your prospecting ventures.

*The Management Committee
Matty Mitchell Prospectors Resource Room*



Port Hope Simpson's first prospecting class braving the Labrador winter



Labrador prospectors panning for gold, Goose Bay



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The Matty Mitchell Prospectors Resource Room project was initiated by the Geological Survey of Newfoundland and Labrador in 1998. It is designed to support prospectors by providing them with mentoring, technical support, and promotional assistance, thereby assisting in the creation of wealth and jobs through sustainable mineral development. Through its programs in support of prospectors and others in the provincial exploration industry across Newfoundland and Labrador, the project hopes to achieve its goal of stimulating the provincial mineral industry and attracting new mineral investment to the province.

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