

ANTHONY (TONY) HOPE

Summary CV
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From the early 1960's, Tony was involved as an exploration geologist in Australia, New Zealand, PNG, Indonesia, Cambodia, Philippines, China, Ghana, Ecuador, Peru and Chile and has worked for CRA, BHP, Lepanto, Kennecott, Mount Morgan and Peko Wallsend and held directorships with junior mining companies including consulting roles.

He was also involved with the exploration and early feasibility of the Lihir gold mine in Papua New Guinea, exploration leading to the discovery of the Ginkgo heavy mineral deposit in the Murray Basin and the exploration and development of bentonite mines in the Philippines and Australia.

He is a past Chairman of the Mount Morgan now Central Queensland Branch of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and of the Australian Business Group in the Philippines. He is a Fellow of the AusIMM and the Association of Exploration Geochemists and a Member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers and the Geological Society of Australia.

In 2006, he published his book "A Quarry Speaks" which provides an illustrative history of Sullivans Cove, Salamanca and Battery Point from 1804 to the present. His second book 'The Hope Factor', which took three years in the making, is a highly illustrated and historical account of exploration to mine stories in Australia, PNG and the Philippines.

He was born in Hobart and returned to Tasmania with his wife Susanne in 2001. In 2005, Tony was awarded the Polish Gold Cross of Merit for recording the history of the Polish ex servicemen who came to Tasmania following World War II.

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Book Endorsements

Your book will fill some of the very large void in recording the stories of mineral discoveries and I am sorry I will not be able to attend. I have an ear ailment which can be aggravated by flying and my doctor has grounded me. Had the launch been in Melbourne, I would be waiting outside the door!

I look forward to reading the book. A successful launch, and many print runs! It is vital for Australians to understand that the future of the minerals industry, which is so important to us, depends on continuing success in mineral discoveries, and that we should do all we can to encourage it. My concern is that this simple truth is not really widely understood.

Sir Arvi Parbo
Melbourne, 2011.

In this book Tony Hope has produced an eminently readable account of the projects and personalities encountered during his long career. It is rare to find a volume on mineral exploration and mining that so successfully combines the human side of the business with accurate but very accessible technical background. The book is lavishly illustrated, not with dry historical images, but with interesting photographs of people and scenes which bring the text to life.

This is an important record of activities that contributes to the heritage record of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and of Australia and Papua New Guinea, but will also excite young people looking for a career that offers intellectual challenge, travel and adventure. It will appeal not only to people in the minerals industry but should be on every school library shelf.

Peter McCarthy
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