

# BIOGRAPHY

## **Dan Johnson**

**Exploration Manager at Aeon Metals Limited**

**Qualifications – B.Sc. (Honours) in Geology, MAIG, MSEG**

Dan Johnson is a Geologist with over 35 years' experience in exploration and development in the resources sector with 25 years direct experience in Queensland Exploration. He has worked for a number of mining and exploration companies during his extensive career. His current role is as Exploration Manager for Aeon Metals Limited with a focus on advancing the exciting Walford Creek Base Metals Project in NW Queensland. Prior to that he was CEO of Aston Metals Limited and in that position, drove the exploration program at Walford since 2010. He has also held positions as Executive Director of Sovereign Metals Limited from May 2007 to February 2009 and between 2000 and 2007 he worked as a Consultant Geologist to MIM/Xstrata Copper Exploration where he was involved in a number of projects in the Cloncurry – Mount Isa region, including the Mount Isa Copper-Lead-Zinc system and at Ernest Henry.

His early career saw him get a start with ASARCO at Wiluna in WA with direct involvement in exploration finds in the Wiluna area and also in the emerging Jundee Belt in the late 1980's. ASARCO became Wiluna Mines and in 1987 it was taken over by Great Central Mines. There focus was on WA and in particular the Jundee Greenstone belt. At that time, Dan had moved to Townsville to run the Queensland tenement portfolio held by Wiluna.

Dan has gained significant experience in precious and base metals exploration in both Australia and overseas. He has been responsible for team building, project management, exploration program planning, implementation, interpretation and the assessment of new projects. Through his career, he has overseen several projects from grass roots exploration through to prefeasibility of mining operations. He is a graduate of Exeter University in the United Kingdom and is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and the Society of Economic Geologists.

Dan calls Townsville home having lived in the balmy capital of North Queensland for 25 years with his wife Clare. When not thinking about geology and finding new deposits, he dabbles with oils on canvas, likes a good red and loves to travel and explore.