

## Fender-SMEDG Young Geo Support Day



Thanks to Andrew Sloat, Tony Hope, Jess Askew, Mike Smith, Mark Gordon, Murray Hutton, Russell Meares, Rod Elvish, John Haggman and Steve Collins



From Andrew:

I don't have everyone's emails who attended the BBQ on Friday, I just wanted to thank everyone for attending and hopefully you found the occasion of benefit as people consider or commence a career in the earth sciences... especially the exciting pursuit of minerals exploration.

Thanks to Jess Askew for constantly working at bridging the gap between students and the industry. Thanks to Mike Smith for his passionate promotion and presentation of the Rock Garden in Canberra (please don't hesitate to support Mike in any way you can) and Murray Hutton from Geos Mining for providing a walk through his career, discoveries and passion for geology and minerals exploration. Also Aaron Colleran for his insights into what had influenced his decisions in forming a successful career in the industry.

Future catch ups intend to include some workshops on various technical aspects of geophysics, geology and exploration as well as an opportunity to discuss what the future may hold or look like for future geologists and geophysicists. I would be grateful to receive any feedback or advice on how we can optimise these engagements to ensure that everyone gains as much as possible from the

events. When we stood as one group and chatted and posed questions seemed to be when most the most valuable information was shared amongst everyone. It has been suggested that panel discussion with some prominent and experienced industry professionals would be good.

Please stay in touch and reach out whenever you please.

Also.... Join the SMEDG Mailing list. It's free and a great source of information and means of networking.

And from Mike Smith to Tony Hope who donated copies of his book, The Hope Factor:

Dear Tony,

I'm delighted to report there was a lot of enthusiasm today for careers in the geoscience profession, especially stimulated for some of our younger attendees by the gift of [The Hope Factor](#).

The attached images clearly show keen interest in your stimulating publication – I am sure you will agree this is most encouraging interest from those young people.

May I add my personal thanks for your achievement of this book, and for making it available to the many young geoscientists attending our lunch today.

Best regards to you,

Mike Smith