

Educating the next generation of geoscientists is a constant discussion in many forums around Australia. However, formal education as part of a degree program is only a partial aspect of career development. Education generally happens under an instructor's guidance and may involve both theory and practice often within a school or university. Whereas training is usually more focused on practical skills and can be provided either in an educational setting or on the job. Mentoring also provides a significant role in career development and is also seen as crucial for bridging generational differences in the workplace.

Next week's talk is going to focus on the importance of community, mentorship, and career development. Or more specifically, the importance of mentorship and how that builds a strong sense of community. To support this vision, we will have some early career geoscience professionals from a range of backgrounds provide insights into why they started careers in the industry and give their feedback on the community as it is now, how they would like to see it in the future, and some of their thoughts on how to reach that goal.

As a special highlight of the evening, we will be presenting the Lindsay Ingall Memorial Award to the family of the late Bob White in recognition of his outstanding

contributions to the field of exploration geophysics. Pizza and a bar tab will be provided on the night, as usual!

Upcoming events (may be changed or extra events may arise - keep an eye on the website, as well as emails):

- Regular meetings (4th Thursday of the month, may be changed if necessary) -May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28
  note that the March and April meetings will be held on the 3rd Thursdays due to Easter and Anzac Day respectively
- Winter Harbour Cruise Friday June 28
- David Timms Christmas Harbour Cruise Friday December 15
- Mines and Wines, Albury Thursday September 5 to Friday September 6, with optional field visits and wine tour before and after. Details on the Mines and Wines <u>website</u>
- Mineral Industry Group North Sydney (MIGNS, a SMEDG subsidiary) Friday lunches, generally on the first Friday of the month at Arrin Thai in Milsons Point if you wish to be included in the WhatsApp group for lunch notifications please contact Murray Hutton at Geos Mining

## SMEDG website

• A treasure trove of current and historic information, including updated events schedules - well worth exploring!

**Club York and Regular Meetings** 

- Regular SMEDG meetings are held in the Club York Function Centre, located on Level 2 of the Club, 95-99 York Street, just north of the Market Street intersection.
- These are also broadcast through Zoom, for which registration is required, with details on the notice of meeting email
- Entry is usually through the lifts located in the building foyer immediately to the left (south) of the Club entrance, however if for some reason the lifts are locked, entry can be gained through the Club just let the concierge know that you are attending a function, and you will be let through. After meeting

