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NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to The Mother Lode!

After a break, the Chamber is bringing back its newsletter. Each month we will share Chamber news, upcoming events, claims and permitting updates, and exploration news from across the Kootenays and the Boundary.



The Chamber of Mines office, library and mineral museum at 215 Hall St., Nelson. Come in and visit us!

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President's Message

After a long hiatus we are pleased to let you all know the CMEBC Mother Lode newsletter is back. We are looking forward to showcasing local, regional, provincial and national mining news. We will be accepting stories from our readers and will be available to consult with members and the public alike. Please enjoy the Mother Lode and share it with your social networks.

Best regards,
David Johnston
President, CMEBC

Chamber Report

We are pleased to be offering the students and teachers at School District 8, St. Joe's Catholic School, HomeLink's home schoolers and Learning in Retirement field trips to the Chamber of Mines Museum, Library and Research Centre for an introduction to Geology and Local history. We consult with the BC Curriculum web page to ensure we are offering a bespoke presentation that covers the curriculum requirements for each group. We are proud to be serving Southern BC and are looking forward to seeing our students who range in age from 8 to 80.

We will be offering our Introduction to Prospecting course on Sunday, January the 24th from 8:30 to 4:30 at the 2027 AME Round Up. You can register at <https://ameroundup.ca/event/introduction-to-prospecting/> (see the course poster on page 4).

We will confirm the prospector's course for Nelson at the next board meeting.



The ores and metals cabinet, one of the stops on a museum field trip.

Photo: Chris Anderson, October 2026



Part of the Chamber's mineral specimen collection.

Chamber photo archive

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MINERALS SOUTH 2026

Conference & Trade Show, presented by the East Kootenay Chamber of Mines

November 2 – 4, 2026 · Heritage Inn Hotel & Convention Centre, 803 Cranbrook St. N., Cranbrook, BC

Minerals South is the southern Interior’s own exploration and mining conference. Members will remember that the Chamber hosted Minerals South 2018 at the Cominco Arena in Trail. This year’s program includes a short course, technical sessions, a trade show and social events.

Short course (Monday, Nov. 2)	\$80.00
Full conference	\$300.00
Conference, early bird (payments postmarked before October 1, 2026)	\$250.00
One-day conference pass	\$150.00
Banquet (Tuesday, Nov. 3)	\$75.00 each
Trade show booth (includes one conference pass)	\$450.00

The trade show runs November 3 from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm and November 4 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Sponsorship packages are available. To register, contact the EKCM at 250-464-9559 or ekcm2@shaw.ca, or visit www.ekcm.org.

Source: East Kootenay Chamber of Mines event page and Minerals South 2026 registration package.

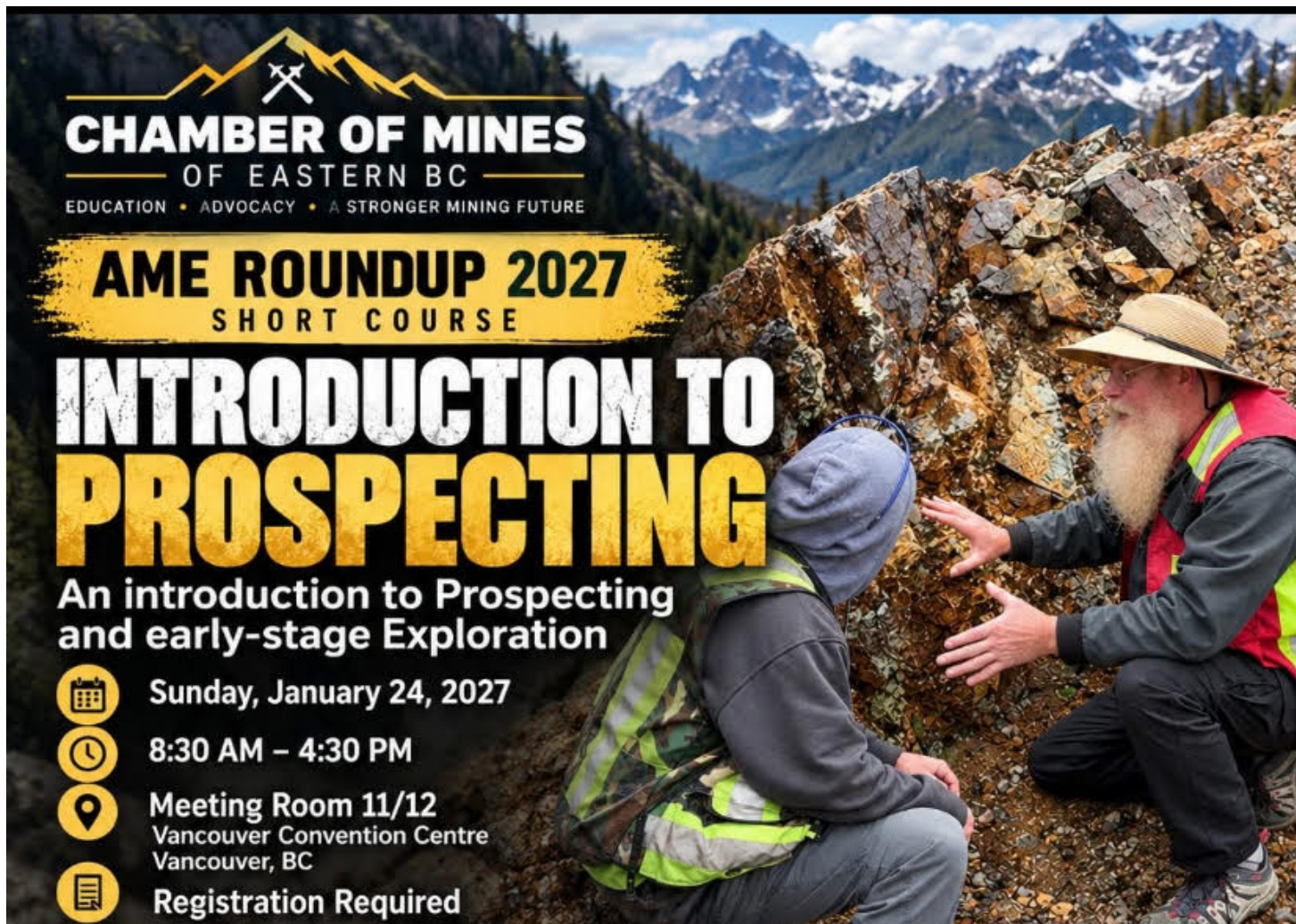
AME ROUNDUP 2027

January 25 – 28, 2027 · Vancouver Convention Centre East

Registration for the Association for Mineral Exploration’s annual Roundup opened on September 15. Early-bird pricing runs until November 27, 2026. AME individual members must renew their 2027 membership when they register to get member pricing. Prospectors will want to look at the short course “*The Future of Mineral Titles Online: Preparing for MTO2 and the Retirement of MTO in 2027*” (see Claims & Tenure Notes, page 8) and the Chamber’s own *Introduction to Prospecting* course on Sunday, January 24 (poster on page 4). Details: roundup.amebc.ca



The Vancouver Convention Centre on Burrard Inlet, home of AME Roundup.
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AME ROUNDUP 2027
SHORT COURSE

INTRODUCTION TO PROSPECTING

An introduction to Prospecting and early-stage Exploration

-  Sunday, January 24, 2027
-  8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
-  Meeting Room 11/12
Vancouver Convention Centre
Vancouver, BC
-  Registration Required

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SUBJECTS COVERED

-  Mineral & Rock Identification / Ore Deposits
-  Strategic/Critical Metals / Industrial Minerals & Mineral Economics
-  Geochemical & Geophysical Surveys
-  Placer Mining Regulations
-  Prospecting Procedures
-  Mineral Titles Online
-  Structural Geology
-  Reclamation
-  Consultation

COURSE INCLUDES:

-  Textbook
-  Mineral ID Tool Kit
-  Course Certificate
-  Chamber of Mines of Eastern BC 1 Year Membership
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BASIC PROSPECTING COURSE

Nelson 2027 course dates to be confirmed at the next board meeting

Every year the Chamber of Mines of Eastern BC offers a Basic Prospecting Course.

Subjects covered are:

Mineral Identification

Rock Identification

Ore Deposits

Strategic/Critical Metals, Industrial Minerals & Mineral Economics

Geochemical & Geophysical Surveys

Placer Mining

Prospecting Procedures & Mineral Titles

Structural Geology

Local Geology and Placer Field Trips

LOCATION: Chamber Office/Museum, 215 Hall St., Nelson, BC

SCHEDULE: Monday through Friday evenings, 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Saturday field trip (placer), 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Sunday field trip (hard rock), 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

(2025 schedule shown.)

FOR CHAMBER TO SUPPLY: confirm 2027 schedule

COST: The cost is \$550.00 and includes a textbook, a mineral ID tool kit, a course certificate, a one-year Chamber membership and other supplies.

INSTRUCTORS:

The course is taught by experienced local geologists and prospectors who volunteer their time to keep costs down and support the ongoing activities of the Chamber.

To register, contact the Chamber office at 215 Hall Street, Nelson, BC, call (250) 352-5242 or email cmehc1@gmail.com



Evening classes at the Chamber



Hard-rock field trip

Photos: 2017 Basic Prospecting Course (Chamber photo archive).

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July 7, 2026

Ottawa Backs Expansion of Critical-Metals Output at Teck's Trail Operations

Teck Resources, the Canada Growth Fund (CGF) and Natural Resources Canada's new Canada Critical Minerals Accelerator have signed a Strategic Investment Agreement to support more production of germanium, gallium and antimony at Trail Operations. Trail is one of the world's largest fully integrated polymetallic smelting and refining complexes and makes nineteen products.

The agreement sets out the framework for an equity-like investment of up to \$400 million by CGF, as part of up to \$850 million that Teck could invest to sustain and grow critical-minerals processing at Trail. Teck says its Strategic Metals Initiative could double Trail's existing production capacity for germanium and antimony, and could add new gallium production. The Government of Canada would also get offtake rights to part of the future output of those three metals. This is the first transaction under the \$2-billion Accelerator, which Export Development Canada manages. The deal still depends on definitive agreements and approvals. The Province has also named the Trail Strategic Metals Initiative as one of eighteen priority resource projects.

Germanium is used in fibre optics, infrared optics and semiconductors. Antimony goes into flame retardants, batteries and alloys, and gallium goes into high-performance semiconductors.

"Slow and steady" in Trail

Trail general manager Matt Parrilla told Trail city council in July that the expansion will come as 10 to 12 separate projects over five to six years, mostly inside the existing smelter footprint. He said the first projects are expected to start late next year and be in service in 2028, and that a new furnace is planned for sometime between 2030 and 2032. He expects 40 to 80 permanent jobs, with the construction workforce spread out over several years.

Sources: [Teck news release, July 7, 2026](#); [My Kootenay Now, July 21, 2026](#).

Western and Northern Canada Critical Minerals Strategy

On June 25, B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut released *Stronger Together: A Critical Minerals Strategy for Western and Northern Canada*. It rests on three pillars: investment attraction and regulatory certainty, infrastructure corridors and hubs, and regional strengths and development opportunities. The Province noted that B.C. is Canada's largest copper producer, its only molybdenum producer, and home to one of the world's largest fully integrated zinc refining complexes (Trail).

Source: [BC Gov News, June 25, 2026](#).



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Exploration Permits: B.C.’s New Fixed Timelines Are Being Met

Since April 1, 2026, Mines Act Notice of Work (NoW) applications for mineral exploration have been sorted into three tiers, and each tier has a fixed decision target. On September 22 the Ministry of Mining and Critical Minerals reported that its mineral-exploration permits are being approved more quickly under the new process.

Tier	Decision target	Typical work (summary)
Tier 1 Streamlined	40 days	Up to 25 small drill sites, under 1 km of new access, helipads, short-term camps. Needs documented support or non-objection from the most affected First Nation(s).
Tier 2 Standard	90 days	Tier 1 work plus trenching or test pits, camp buildings, fuel storage up to 20,000 L, and bridges and crossings. First Nations have been told about the planned work.
Tier 3 Enhanced	140 days	Blasting, underground exploration, bulk sampling (up to 10,000 t), work in a community watershed, and more than 10 ha of new disturbance. Also used where engagement has not started or significant concerns have been raised.

The timeline is set by the highest tier that applies. Summary only; see the Province’s permitting matrix for full criteria.

Progress to August 31, 2026

- 45 applications accepted under the new framework, with 8 more in intake.
- 5 approved so far (3 Tier 2 and 2 Tier 3) and none rejected.
- Average decision times: 53 days for Tier 2 and 71 days for Tier 3.
- The first permits were issued in June, ahead of target. The ministry met its goal of responding to every new application within 7 days.

Reminder for prospectors: some low-impact work does not need a permit. This includes hand-tool sampling, and small hand-dug pits or trenches (each no more than 3 cubic metres and 1.2 m deep, with no more than five open at a time and none in a stream or riparian setback). Check Information Update 38 and the NoW Application Companion before you head out.

Sources: gov.bc.ca, [Mineral and coal exploration permit applications \(updated Sept. 1, 2026\)](#); [Mineral Exploration Permitting Improvements \(PDF\)](#); [BC Gov News, Sept. 22, 2026](#).

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Claims & Tenure Notes

MTO2 is Coming: Mineral Titles Online to be Replaced

The Province is retiring its 20-year-old Mineral Titles Online (MTO) system and replacing it with **MTO2**. The tentative go-live date is early 2027. The Province says the new system will:

- let users sign in with a Business BCeID or BC Services Card instead of a separate username and password;
- add a good-to-date calculator, dynamic work report submissions, and direct entry of physical and technical work reports;
- show Portable Assessment Credit (PAC) account balances;
- provide a more intuitive map viewer and more self-serve features.

Early designs were shown at Minerals South 2025, including screens for Free Miner Certificate applications and renewals. Until MTO2 launches, keep using MTO to maintain and renew your claims. Questions can go to Mineral.Titles@gov.bc.ca.

Source: [gov.bc.ca, Modernizing Mineral Titles Online \(updated April 20, 2026\)](https://gov.bc.ca/modernizing-mineral-titles-online).

Staking a new claim? Remember the MCCF

Since March 26, 2025, new mineral and placer claims are no longer registered automatically in MTO. Under the Mineral Claims Consultation Framework (MCCF), the Province consults First Nations first. A statutory decision maker then decides whether to register the claim, register it with accommodations, or deny it. Plan for this step when you time your staking.

Source: [BC Gov News, MCCF announcement](#).

Mineral Tenure Act reform: watch this fall

The Province's published roadmap for reforming the Mineral Tenure Act targeted **fall 2026** for new legislation to bring in a new mineral exploration framework. Regulations and system changes would follow, starting in winter 2026. As of early October, no such bill had been introduced in the Legislature, and the Province's latest Declaration Act progress report says the reform is moving more slowly than first planned.

Sources: [engage.gov.bc.ca, MTA Reform engagement approach](https://engage.gov.bc.ca/mta-reform-engagement-approach); [declaration.gov.bc.ca, Action 2.14 progress report](https://declaration.gov.bc.ca/action-2.14-progress-report); [leg.bc.ca, Progress of Bills \(43rd Parl., 2nd Sess.\)](https://leg.bc.ca/progress-of-bills).

Northern claim pause extended

New mineral and placer claim registrations remain paused in parts of northwestern and north-central B.C. until January 31, 2027, while land-use planning with the Tahltan, Taku River Tlingit and Kaska First Nations continues. Existing tenures are not affected, and the pause applies only in those northern regions.

Source: [BC Gov News, June 3, 2026](#).

GRIZZLY DISCOVERIES INC.

September 8, 2026

Grizzly Extends Gold-Silver Mineralization at the Midway Mine Area and Readies Fall Drilling near Greenwood

Grizzly Discoveries Inc. (TSXV: GZD) has reported preliminary results from a Phase 2 sampling program carried out in June 2026 at its Midway and Sappho targets in the Greenwood area. The historic Midway Mine is near the town of Midway in the Kettle River valley.

According to the company's September 8 news release:

- Chip samples from a trench extending the Main Midway Mine trend returned “up to 22.8 grams per tonne (g/t or ppm) gold (Au) and up to 1,120 g/t silver (Ag).”
- Trenches immediately east of the Main Midway Mine returned “up to 1.7 g/t Au,” and trenches to the southwest “up to 2.7 g/t Au.”
- Follow-up sampling near the Sappho chargeability anomaly “yielded 4.73 g/t Au from quartz float at the headwaters of Norwegian Creek.”

The company says the East and West faults of the Toroda Graben likely helped control gold-silver mineralization in the area, including the Buckhorn skarn to the southwest and the Motherlode/Greyhound copper-gold-silver skarns near Greenwood. Chip, trench and float samples are selective and may not represent average grades.

Fall program and financing

Grizzly paused field work in July and August because of fire season. It has now restarted prospecting and sampling at Motherlode, Rock Creek, Midway, Copper Mountain, Overlander-Attwood and Sappho, and is planning IP, magnetic and EM surveys. The company is permitting drill pads and plans drilling from October to December, including a first drill test of the Sappho anomaly and holes at the historic Midway Mine.

The Boundary Sentinel reported on September 17 that Grizzly is looking to raise up to \$2 million in a private placement of ordinary, flow-through and critical-mineral flow-through units. The placement is expected to close in mid-October and is subject to TSX Venture Exchange acceptance.

The company's technical disclosure was reviewed and approved by Michael B. Dufresne, M.Sc., P.Geol., P.Geo., a non-independent Qualified Person.

Sources: [Grizzly Discoveries news release, Sept. 8, 2026](#); [The Boundary Sentinel, Sept. 17, 2026](#).
www.grizzlydiscoveries.com



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TARANIS RESOURCES INC.

September 15, 2026

Taranis Begins Drilling at the New Borr Zone near the Thor Deposit

Taranis Resources (TSXV: TRO) has started drilling the newly found Borr Zone, 1.3 km southeast of the Broadview Zone, which is the southernmost part of its Thor deposit. A multi-frequency VLF and magnetic survey outlined several anomalies that appear related to the discovery hole, Thor-256. One of them is a conductive target that runs parallel to the main deposit, within 20 m of the Thor access road.

Taranis interprets Borr as the down-dip extension of the main Thor deposit, cut in half by a later lamprophyre dyke. The first holes are meant to define the strike, dip and continuity of the zone before any definition drilling is considered. A thin layer of rockslide material had hidden the zone despite more than 100 years of access along the road. The work was overseen by John Gardiner, P.Geo., Qualified Person and President and CEO of Taranis.

Source: [Taranis Resources news release, Sept. 15, 2026](#) · www.taranisresources.com

ROKMASTER RESOURCES CORP.

August 25, 2026

Rokmaster Crews Find New Showings at Duncan Lake

Rokmaster Resources (TSXV: RKR), a familiar name to Mother Lode readers, released a summer field update covering its B.C. projects, including two in our region:

- **Duncan Lake (north of Kaslo):** In July, crews prospected and mapped across the project, which hosts lead, zinc and silver mineralization along the Duncan Anticline. A 2024 wildfire burned the south part of the property and exposed more outcrop. Crews found many historical workings and new zinc and lead showings. Analyses are under way to see whether the sphalerite carries elevated germanium and indium. The property holds two active exploration drill permits.
- **Downie (north of Revelstoke):** Crews sampled the FIM tungsten skarn. The company notes that “Previous work by Rokmaster sampled up to 0.36% W from the FIM skarn which has a mapped strike length of 2.0 km.”

Rokmaster also planned its first helicopter-supported drilling in late September at the Mystery property in west-central B.C. The technical information was reviewed and approved by Linda Caron, P.Eng., who is independent of Rokmaster.

Source: [Rokmaster Resources news release, Aug. 25, 2026](#) · www.rokmaster.com

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Kenville Gold Mines Limited payroll cheque No. 544, January 16, 1948. Private collection.

FROM THE KENVILLE ARCHIVES

Pay Day at Kenville, 1948

The miner on cheque No. 544

On January 16, 1948, Kenville Gold Mines Limited made out payroll cheque No. 544 to employee No. 50, D. H. Norcross: \$131.39 "in full payment for wages" for the two weeks from December 29, 1947, to January 11, 1948. It was signed by mine manager W. B. Montgomery and the company accountant.

That is about \$65 a week. Across all of B.C.'s mines in 1948, wages and salaries averaged about \$2,370 a person, or about \$91 a fortnight, according to the Minister of Mines. Kenville's mill feed averaged \$9.80 a ton that year, so the cheque was worth about 13 tons of ore. About 135 men worked at the mine that winter.

Kenville was the old Granite-Poorman mine on Eagle Creek, west of Nelson, then controlled by Quebec Gold Mining Corporation and Noranda Mines. Its new 125-ton cyanide mill was finished in 1947, and the first gold brick was poured on December 17, less than two weeks before this pay period began.

The miner. David Henry "Dave" Norcross was born on July 1, 1901, at Granite Siding, below the mine, and lived most of his life on Granite Road. In the 1930s he and his brother Albert worked the Venango claims next to the Granite-Poorman. By 1939 Dave was president and mine manager of Venango Gold Mines Ltd., and his five-man crew shipped 512 tons of ore to Trail that year. In 1945 Kenville took over the Venango, and both brothers were soon working for Kenville.

The first gold brick. Albert G. Norcross was Kenville's mill superintendent. The *Nelson Daily News* reported that the first brick was poured "under the watchful eye of A. G. Norcross, mill superintendent."

The manager. William B. Montgomery studied mining engineering at McGill and came to B.C. in 1920. He was mine engineer at the Hedley Mascot and became Kenville's manager in July 1946. From 1951 to 1958 he managed Pioneer Gold Mines at Bridge River.

Later years. Kenville stopped mining in 1949, but Dave stayed close to it. In 1953 he and two partners leased the Kenville mill, and in 1956 he was running it again. In 1960, at 59, he leased Kenville's White claims and sank a 48-foot shaft. The Minister of Mines noted that "all work was done by Mr. Norcross," except for three weeks when he hired one man.

Dave sat on the Chamber of Mines executive in 1949. In 1977 he and Fritz Farenholtz rescued the Chamber of Mines of Eastern BC and found its present home at 215 Hall Street. He wrote about Granite Road history for the *Daily News* in 1979 and contributed to *Granite Road Memories* (1985). He died in 1980.

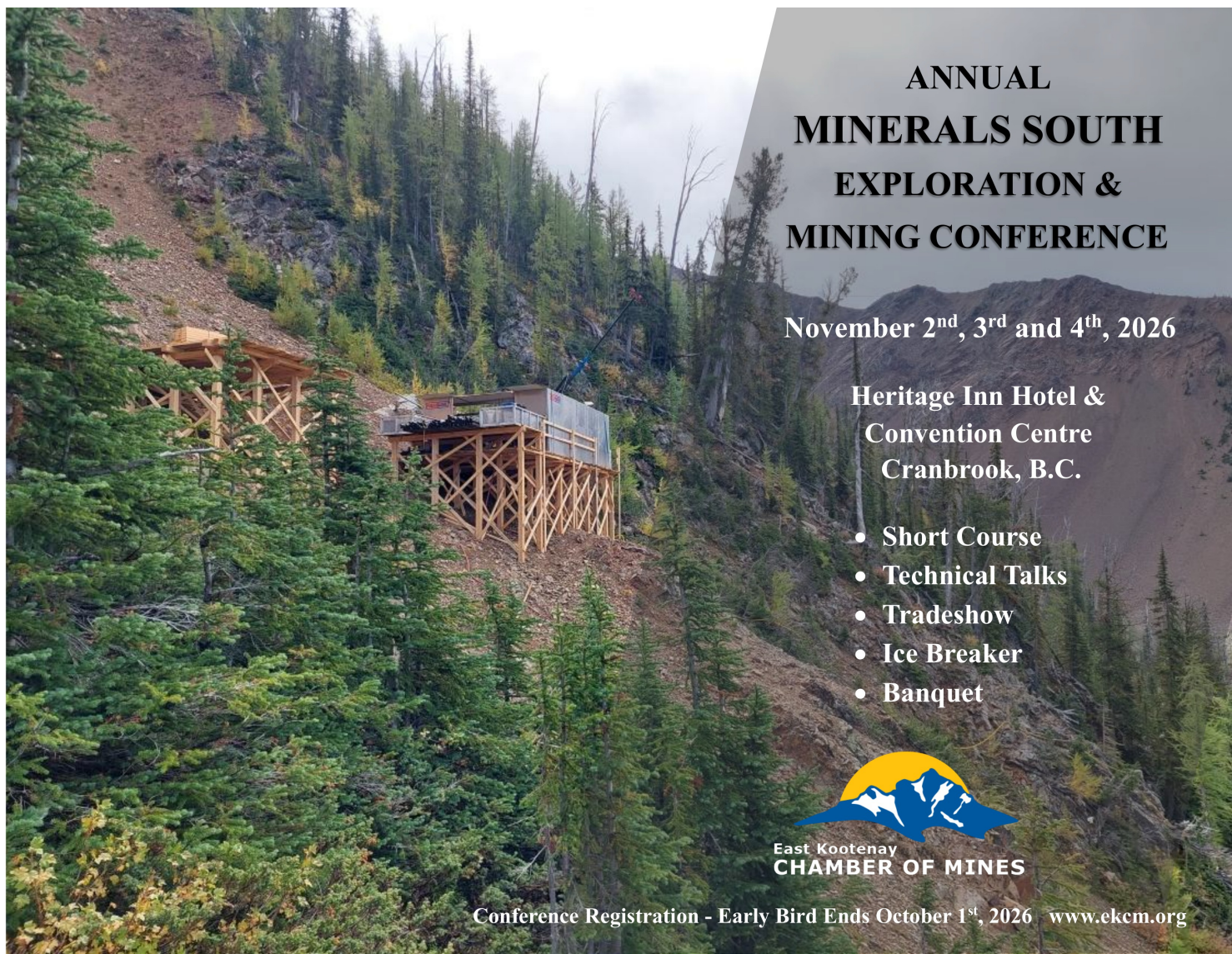
Today the Kenville mine is owned by Ximen Mining Corp., which is working to bring it back to life.

Do you know the Norcross family of Granite Road, or have photos or stories from Kenville? Contact the Chamber of Mines of Eastern BC: 215 Hall Street, Nelson • 250-352-5242 • cmebc1@gmail.com

Sources: BC Archives vital statistics (genealogy); B.C. Minister of Mines Annual Reports, 1939–1960; *Nelson Daily News*, 1946–1956 (UBC Open Collections); G. Nesteroff, *Kutne Reader*, 2021.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

Kootenay Mining Then

How a silver strike on Toad Mountain built the Queen City

In August 1886 a party led by brothers Osner and Winslow Hall left Colville, Washington, to look for placer gold. They ended up on Toad Mountain, southwest of present-day Nelson, with no luck. Then, while fetching the horses for the trip home, the young men of the party found a copper-silver deposit. The claims they staked became the Silver King mine, and the rush that followed gave us Nelson.

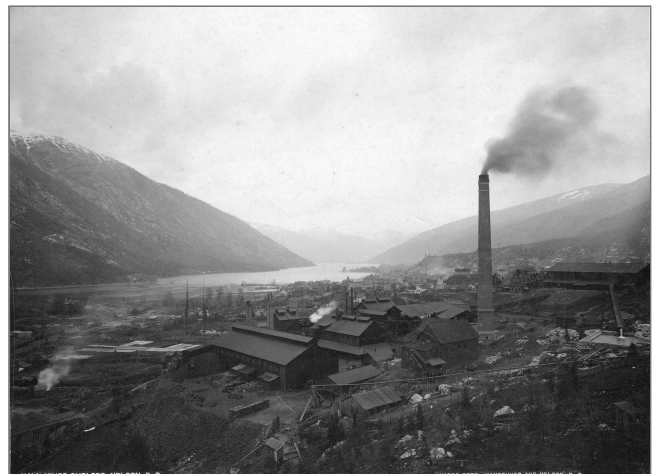
Hall Mines, Limited, of London, England, bought the property in 1893. In 1895 it built a four-and-a-half-mile gravity aerial tramway from the mine down to a smelter site in Nelson's Rosemont area, and the smelter was "blown in" in January 1896. By 1902 the mine was in decline. Both mine and smelter closed in 1907, and the smelter buildings were destroyed by fire in 1911. Across the West Kootenay the same story played out in camps like Rossland, Sandon and Kaslo, and many of the old workings are still marked on today's claim maps.

Sources: City of Nelson, "A Brief History of Nelson" (nelson.ca); BC MINFILE 082F 5 Ag1, Silver King property file; Touchstones Nelson, "The Silver King: From Discovery to Community."



"Towers on ropeway at Hall Mines, Nelson, B.C." The aerial tramway carried Silver King ore down to the smelter.

California Mines and Minerals (1899). No known copyright restrictions, via Internet Archive / Wikimedia Commons



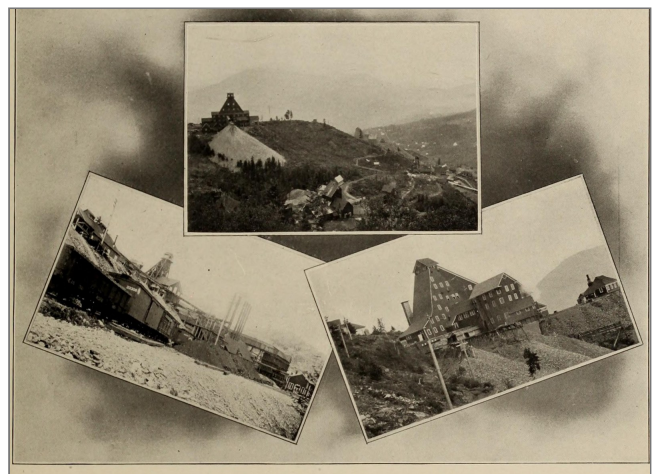
The Hall Mines smelter at Nelson, about 1905.

Photograph c. 1905, David Wadds collection. Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons



"Packing scene, showing prospectors starting out from camp with packs on their backs."

Mining Camps of British Columbia (1900). Public domain, via Internet Archive / Wikimedia Commons



Rossland's gold-copper mines: the Centre Star, War Eagle, Le Roi and Josie, about 1900.

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Mining artifacts, specimens and past issues of The Mother Lode.
Chamber photo archive



The silicates cabinet.
Photo: Chris Anderson, October 2026

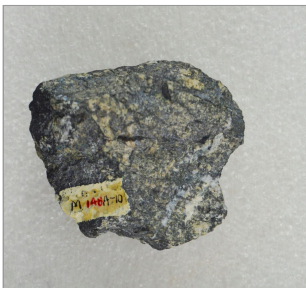
At the Chamber you can

- see mineral and ore specimens and mining artifacts
- use our library and maps
- get help identifying rocks and minerals
- get help with MTO, MINFILE and MapPlace
- book a school or group field trip (see the Chamber Report, page 2)
- sign up for prospecting courses

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Kootenay minerals to look for



*Tetrahedrite, Toad Mountain,
Nelson Mining Division*



*Galena, Slocan Star mine,
Sandon*



*Gold in quartz, Arlington mine,
Slocan*



*Pyrrhotite with chalcopyrite and
pyrite, Le Roi mine, Rossland*

Specimens in the Pacific Museum of Earth, UBC, Vancouver. Photos: Pacific Museum of Earth, CC BY-SA 2.0, via Wikimedia Commons (cropped).

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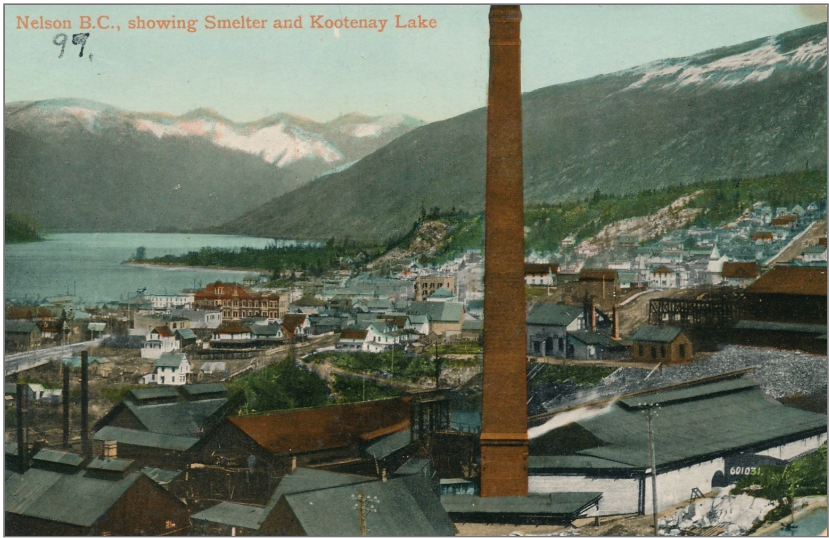
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