Our Story

Cortona Resources is an Australian gold company that listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) in March 2006. The company maintains project in New South Wales, including the Dargues Reef project, located 13km from Braidwood and approximately 60km east of Canberra.

Cortona purchased Dargues Reef in July 2007, situated in NSW’s largest historic alluvial goldfield (approximately 1.25Moz). Following a successful three year exploration program, the site has grown to become a flagship project for the company. The current focus is a Definitive Feasibility Study, due to be completed in late 2010.

Our Commitment

Cortona recognises the history and lifestyle of the communities in which it operates and has developed a policy of proactive community engagement, employing local people where possible, and providing financial and in-kind support to local community projects and events.

Cortona is a publicly listed company on the Australian Stock Exchange and prides itself on its culture of excellence in safety and environmental standards.

Our People

Cortona has a highly experienced management team, acutely focused on resource growth and sustainable project development. The Cortona Board of Directors consists of four members – three of whom are qualified geologists and a fourth with an established background in corporate accounting. The board is supported by a strong management team with vast experience in underground mining. This range of technical and corporate skills, combined with sound experience in gold exploration, means the Cortona team is well equipped to work with the community to restore the region’s golden heritage through development of its Dargues Reef project.

- Managing Director Peter van der Borgh has worked in the Australian exploration and mining sectors for over 20 years, initially as a prospector in Victoria and Western Australia (gold), and Queensland (precious gemstones).

- Non-Executive Chairman Clive Jones has been involved in mineral exploration for over 23 years and has worked on the exploration of a range of commodities including gold, base metals, mineral sands, diamonds and industrial minerals both in Australia and overseas.

- Non-Executive Director Dr Derek Fisher is a geologist with over 40 years worldwide experience in the resource industry and more than 20 years experience as a manager of publicly listed resource companies. He has served as a director of mining companies that developed mines in Australia, Mongolia, Armenia and the DRC.

- Non-Executive Director George Lazarou is a qualified Chartered Accountant who has nearly 20 years experience, including five years as a Partner with mid tier accounting firm Bentleys, specialising in the areas of Audit, Advisory and Corporate Services.

- Operations Manager, Ajanth (‘AJ’) Saverimutto is a mining engineer with 15 years international experience in surface and underground mining, working in both management and operational roles across gold projects.

- Project Manager, Greg Cozens, is a geologist with 25 years experience in near mine and regional exploration projects across Australia.

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