

NWT Mining Heritage Society

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New Board Elected for NWT Mining Heritage Society

(YELLOWKNIFE) September 27, 2002 – A formal board of directors was voted in at the first annual general meeting of the NWT Mining Heritage Society on September 25 in Yellowknife. The group has been operating on an ad hoc basis for the last two years and has now become a registered society. The new nine member Board of Directors is:

President	Walt Humphries
Vice President	Mike Vaydik
Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Bryant
Directors	Chuck Arnold
	Diane Baldwin
	Mike Beauregard
	Mike Byrne
	Denie Olmstead
	Yana Preston

The mandate of the society is to preserve mining heritage in the Northwest Territories and to promote the development of facilities, sites and exhibits that will further an understanding and appreciation of mining, mineral exploration and geology in the NWT, while contributing to the tourism and economic potential of the North.

“We’ve achieved a lot as an ad hoc group,” says new President, Walt Humphries. “We decided to formalize the group, primarily for fundraising purposes. If we’re going to develop a museum in Yellowknife, we’ll need a lot of money. Yellowknife was built on mining and it’s still a mainstay of the economy. It’s time that the City showed some public presence of this history.”

The Society has a web page at www.nwtminingheritage.com. Anyone interested in further information on the group, becoming a member or volunteering can contact any of the board members, as well as the Coordinator, Lynda Comerford.

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