

NAME OF PROPERTY

GOLDEN BELLE

OBJECT LOCATED - Upper adit.

UNCERTAINTY IN METRES 300. Lat. 49°09'35" Long. 117°07'15"

Mining Division Nelson District Kootenay

County Township or Parish

Lot Concession or Range

Sec Tp. R.

OWNER OR OPERATOR

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT

The property is underlain by Lower Cambrian quartzite and argillaceous quartzite of the Quartzite Range formation. In the upper adit the vein varies from a few inches in width to almost the width of the working and the filling consists of crushed rock between two fairly well defined walls. Oxidation has removed any sulphide minerals that were present leaving traces of brown iron oxides and free gold.

HISTORY OF EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Golden Belle claim (Lot 9917) is located at the 5,500 foot elevation on the east side of Clyde Creek a tributary of Sheep Creek some 7 miles southeast of Salmo. The Clyde Belt property adjoins to the west.

The showings were staked in 1906 and reportedly owned in 1910 by Amalgamated Sheep Creek Gold Mines, Limited although there is no record of this as a Canadian incorporation. Development work was carried out in two adits until 1912 when the property was sold by Sheriff's sale. The upper adit was driven westerly on the vein for 188 feet. The lower adit, 150 feet below the upper and 300 feet east of it, comprised about 380 feet of drifts and crosscuts. The Golden Bell and other claims were Crown-granted in 1916 to D.G. Williams and F.L. Murdoff.

Gold Belt Mining Company, Limited held an option on the property in 1933. Work included trenching and 194 feet of drifting, crosscutting and raising. A car load of ore was reportedly shipped during the year.

Kootenay Belle Gold Mines, Limited in 1940 acquired an option on the Golden Belle group of 10 Crown-operated claims. Work during 1940-41 included the testing of 4 veins by 3,023 feet of drifting and crosscutting, with negative results. The Golden Belle vein was tested at a depth of 500 feet below No. 2 adit from the Clyde No. 3 adit of the adjacent Clyde Belt property (82 F/3, AU 5). The option was subsequently abandoned and the property reverted to the Williams and Murdoff families, who still held the claims in 1949.

HISTORY OF PRODUCTION

REFERENCES

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Map 8479 G, Salmo, (Aeromag.), Sc. 1":1 mile.

*Map 82 F/3 E, Salmo, (Topo.), Sc. 1:50,000.

REMARKS

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