



TDV News & Exploration Update

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The TDV Long Term Defensive Investor Stock Portfolio

Company	Symbol	2017 Open	Last Price	YTD Return
Gold/Silver Majors (40%)				12.24%
Franco Nevada Corporation	FNV	59.6	79.24	32.95%
Agnico Eagle Mines	AEM	41.9	45.42	8.40%
IAMGOLD Corp	IAG	3.86	5.57	44.30%
Yamana Gold	AUY	2.84	2.55	-10.21%
Goldcorp	GG	13.65	13.1	-4.03%
B2Gold	BTG	2.45	2.5	2.04%
Junior Producers (45%)				-7.09%
Alacer Gold	ALIAF	1.74	1.67	-4.02%
Argonaut Gold	ARNGF	1.62	1.88	16.05%
Endeavour Mining	EDVMF	14.9	17.61	18.19%
McEwen Mining	MUX	2.97	1.94	-34.68%
First Majestic Silver	AG	7.74	6.71	-13.31%
Fortuna Silver	FSM	5.73	4.31	-24.78%
Explorers / Emerging Producers (15%)				18.44%
Sabina Gold & Silver	SBB.TO	0.99	2.19	121.21%
Premier Gold Mines	PG.TO	2.59	3.41	31.66%
Cascadero Copper	CCD.V	0.1	0.08	-20.00%
Nautilus Minerals	NUS.TO	0.15	0.2	33.33%
Amarillo Gold	AGC.V	0.32	0.28	-12.50%
Eurasian Minerals	EMX.V	1.33	0.86	-35.34%
Goldquest Mining	GQC.V	0.28	0.31	10.71%
Total Return				4.47%

Upcoming Results Schedule

Alacer Gold (ALIAF) Q3 2017 results - 10/31/2017
Argonaut Gold (ARNGF) Q3 2017 results - 11/02/2017
First Majestic Silver (AG) Q3 2017 results - 11/02/2017
Franco Nevada (FNV) Q3 2017 results - 11/06/2017
IAMGOLD (IAG) Q3 2017 results - 11/07/2017
Premier Gold (PG.TO) Q3 2017 results - 11/08/2017
Fortuna Silver (FSM) Q3 2017 results - 11/08/2017
Endeavour Mining (EDVMF) Q3 2017 results - 11/09/2017

Overview

Our portfolio review and changes are right around the corner, with at least three new picks to include, but the October issue of the newsletter with my analysis of the economic situation and our short against the stock market will be up first. This update covers news affecting our stock portfolio, and some coverage of most actives and other exploration stocks on occasion.

The pullback in precious metals and equities is two months old, and has deflated some of our year to date gains, leaving our stock portfolio up less than 10% so far this year (compared to +97% last year).

Declines by **McEwen Mining (MUX:TSX)** and the silver miners have weighed the most.

Over the past month, all of our holdings were down from a little bit to as much as 19% in the case of **Goldquest (GQC:TSXV)** and 16% in **Eurasian's (EMX:TSXV)** example.

Only three of our holdings finished up in October, and only slightly: **Franco Nevada (FNV)**, **Cascadero (CCD:TSXV)**, and **Nautilus Minerals (NUS:TSX)**, but only Nautilus was up by more than 10%.

I continue to recommend accumulating, just remember to stay light on your buying for now, and keep at least 30% of your portfolio in fiat cash awaiting further buying opportunities either in this portfolio, in the crypto space, or elsewhere. We are very late in the average cycle and at least a normal bear market is due.

I particularly like **B2Gold (BTG)** down here, as well as **Agnico Eagle (AEM)**, **Sabina (SBB:TSX)**, **Eurasian (EMX:TSX)**, and **Cascadero (CCD:TSXV)**, which offer exceptional value at these prices.

TDV Portfolio News Summaries

Agnico Eagle Mines (AEM, MCap \$10.34B, 232.21M s/o) reported quarterly net income of US\$71 million (Q3 2016: US\$49.4 million) and operating cash flow of \$194.1 million (Q3 2016: \$282.9 million) on record quarterly gold production of 454,362 ounces at an AISC of \$789 per ounce. Following strong results of the first 9 months where it earned US\$209 million (more than a 100% year over year increase), Agnico

increased its 2017 production forecast to more than 1.68 million ounces from its previous guidance of 1.62 million ounces, at a lowered expected average AISC of \$820-\$870/oz, generating an expected cash flow of US\$765 million in 2018 (US\$3.30 per share) at \$1300 gold or \$935 million (\$4 per share) at \$1400 gold.

Agnico also reported that its Meliadine project continues to advance on schedule and on budget, with production expected to start in Q3 2019. Underground development is on plan and critical mining equipment, which was received during the 2017 summer sealift, is currently being commissioned.

The company has raised its quarterly dividend by 10%. This is a good sign - more than the cash amount involved, it shows that management is confident about their future cash flows since a dividend cut is a sell signal for many institutions, being perceived as a sign of financial trouble. Agnico Eagle's shares are fairly valued at a \$1300-1400 gold price (14-17x expected forward cash flows) but cheap based on expected gold price increases going forward. The company has delivered reliable growth and consistent dividends for decades. I have personally recommended these shares as a core holding since 2000, and will continue.

Yamana Gold (AUY, MCap \$2.46B, 948.43M s/o) reported its first positive quarterly net income in a year, at least, if not back to 2012, totaling \$43.5 million. The company reported operating cash flow of \$149.8 million. Total production was 281,315 ounces of gold, 1.43 million ounces of silver and 37.1 million pounds of copper in the latest quarter.

Yamana is very upbeat on its production and cost guidance for this year, with expected Q3 AISC of around \$735/oz Au and \$12.5/oz silver and has revised its 2017 forecast upward to 960,000 ounces of gold, 5 million ounces of silver and 125 million pounds of copper.

If those numbers come true at \$1300 good the company could report operating cash flow of more than 70 cents per share, less than 4.0x 2018 cash flow is a steal.



The Cerro Moro project remains on schedule and budget as construction advanced toward mechanical completion by the end of 2017 and start-up of production in early 2018.

Iamgold (IAG, MCap \$2.56B, 464.79M s/o)'s JV partner in Nicaragua, Calibre Mining (CXB.V), is planning additional drilling at its Eastern Borosi project. The expanded program will see step out drilling of an extra 1500-1600m over 10 or 11 diamond drill holes.

Hits there will add to IAMGOLD's exploration appeal this year.

In addition, an updated NI 43-101 mineral resource estimate for the project, which will incorporate results from 26,000 metres of drilling in 138 drill holes completed over the last four years, is proceeding as planned. Iamgold can earn up to 70% interest in the project by spending a total of \$10.9 million. Exploration to date on the Eastern Borosi Project has outlined several tens of kilometres of highly prospective mineralized structures located in an historic gold-silver mining district.

Low sulphidation epithermal gold-silver mineralization intersected on the Eastern Borosi Project is hosted within porphyritic andesite and consists of structurally controlled, high energy quartz-carbonate vein breccias, vein-stockworks and discrete smokey quartz veins containing fine grained sulphide minerals.

Goldcorp (GG, MCap \$11.32B, 866.95M s/o)

Goldcorp updated its mineral reserves and resources, with proven and probable reserves increasing 26% to 53.5 million ounces. The company is on track to achieve a targeted 60 million ounces of gold reserves by 2021 as part of its 20/20/20 growth plan. Measured and indicated mineral resources remained relatively unchanged. Inferred mineral resources decreased to 20 million ounces from 22.5 million ounces, primarily as a result of the sale of Los Filos. Goldcorp invested C\$3.5 million in **Alio Gold (ALO.TO)** through the exercise of 1 million warrants at a price of C\$3.50 per common share. Following the exercise, Goldcorp owns 2.45 million common shares, representing 5.48% of the issued and outstanding shares of Alio Gold. Alio Gold is a Mexico-focused miner operating the San Francisco Mine and advancing its development stage Ana Paula Project, on which Goldcorp now holds a 2% NSR. The company also sold its 21% stake in the San Nicolas Copper-Zinc Project in Mexico to **Teck Resources (TECK)** for cash consideration of \$50 million.

Exploration Update

Porcupine Mine Camp

The Century project has been advanced through a PFS and has 4.7 million ounces in reserves as per an initial resource estimate. At Borden, exploration will continue to focus on developing the geological model for the deposit as well as completing reconnaissance work over the greater claim block to provide a portfolio of early stage targets for testing in 2018.

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Drill programs continued to test and confirm the down plunge continuity of mineralization in the west limb of the deposit, which is expected to account for the majority of reserve replacement in 2018. Work is progressing on the property scale exploration and plans are underway to drill test the first target away from the main deposit, Karl Zeemal, during the winter season.

Red Lake

The new mine plan at Cochenour is expected to contribute 5,000 to 10,000 ounces in 2018 and approximately 30,000 to 50,000 ounces annually to the overall production at the Red Lake camp once in production, which is expected in 2019. As well as advancing Cochenour, HG Young and other targets within the Red Lake deposit to further convert resources into reserves, exploration embarked on a complete review of the Red Lake belt.

Peñasquito

Exploration at Peñasquito is now focused on the evaluation of a portfolio of 23 early stage targets which were highlighted through generative work in 2017 and which the Company expects will drive the future success of the district.

Coffee

Drilling in the western area of Coffee discovered new mineralization located between the Kona North deposit and the Americano zones. This new zone, named AmeriKona, currently comprises 200m strike delineated on 50m spaced drill centers, and wholly to partially oxidized mineralization which extends to 75m below surface. AmeriKona lies directly along strike of Kona North, separated by approximately 250m, which is currently undergoing drill testing in order to link the two zones into a contiguous mineralized zone. If connected, the zones could have up to 950m strike.

B2Gold (BTG, MCap \$2.52B, 978.83M s/o)

announced first pour at its Fekola mine in Mali. Commissioning of the mill is ongoing and commercial production is expected by the end of 2017.

The company is projecting gold production from Fekola of between 50,000 and 55,000 ounces in Q4 and 400,000 to 410,000 ounces in 2018. Gold production in Q3 amounted to 135,628 ounces. The company is on track to meet the high end of its 2017 production guidance of between 530,000 and 570,000 ounces.

The 2018 outlook provides for dramatic production growth of over 70%, with annual gold production expected to increase to between 925,000 and 975,000 ounces at an AISC of \$800 per ounce.



The company appointed Ms. Robin Weisman as Director. Ms. Weisman was most recently the principal investment officer at the International Finance Corporation in Washington, D.C. While at IFC, her distinguished career included working with projects up to USD\$9 billion through managing a portfolio of natural resource and chemical projects and advising clients on risk mitigation strategies. Her most recent position involved leading teams to invest debt and equity in private sector high-growth mining projects in developing countries. In September 2017, a new Philippine Environment Secretary of the DENR (Roy Cimatu) was confirmed. His appointment has received a positive response from the Philippine mining industry. Also, the Masbate operations were presented with DENR's Saringaya award for its contribution to environmental protection, conservation and management in the regions surrounding the Masbate Mine.

The Saringaya Award is considered the DENR's most prestigious regional environmental award. This should put to rest fears that the Masbate mine is going to take a hit under the new regime. That, plus the growth on tap for the next year, makes it one of the best values out there today in the producer space.

McEwen Mining (MUX, MCap \$642.39M, 330.28M s/o) produced 19,051 gold ounces and 749,749 silver ounces, or 29,047 gold equivalent ounces in Q3 2017, down 11% over the previous quarter and 20% year-on-year. Production was down chiefly due to trouble at its El Gallo mine, as a serious mechanical failure

at the end of July that removed the crushing circuit from operation. The mill was unable to crush and place fresh ore to leach on the leach pad for a period of time. McEwen has completed the Black Fox mine purchase from Primero Mining. The company is also on track to receive its environmental permit for the Gold Bar project in Nevada in November, post which development work will commence. Gold Bar is expected to contribute 65,000 ounces starting in 2019.



Endeavour Mining (EDVMF, MCap \$1.77B, 99.75M s/o) achieved first pour at its Hounde mine in Burkina Faso on October 18th, ahead of schedule and \$15 million under budget. Subsequently, the company declared commercial production on October 31st. Commercial production has been declared more than 2 months ahead of schedule following the rapid construction and ramp-up periods, with nameplate capacity achieved within weeks following the introduction of ore into the mill. Mining activities are progressing well with nearly 3-months of feed already stockpiled and positive grade reconciliation against the resource model being achieved.



Endeavour expects Hounde to contribute between 30,000-35,000 ounces at an AISC of \$550-600/oz for Q4-2017. Resettlement compensation for communities living near the high-grade Bouere and Dohoun satellite deposits has commenced, with mining activities scheduled to commence in late 2018. Exploration drilling at Hounde, which resumed in early 2017 following a two year period of inactivity, has confirmed the occurrence of high-grade mineralization at the nearby Kari Pump and other targets, with the initial results expected to be published in the coming weeks. Endeavour has been removed from the S&P/TSX Composite Shareholder Yield Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Buyback Index.



Premier Gold (PG.TO, MCap \$692.40M, 202.16M s/o) reported production of 26,677 gold ounces and 82,856 silver ounces from its two operating mines (Mexico and Nevada) in Q3 2017, a bit lower than expected as the result of a small brush fire near the Mercedes mine site in Mexico, but still better than expected overall. Sales of 37,920 ounces at an average realized price of \$1,282 per ounce. Financial results will follow next week. At the South Arturo mine in Nevada, a Plan of Operations to support ramp construction at El Nino to access high-grade mineralization down-dip of the current Phase 2 pit was submitted to Nevada regulatory authorities. Several of the related permits have since been granted, and definition drilling of the underground resource will continue from within the Phase 2 pit until final permits have been received and underground drilling can commence.

Mining potential of the Phase 1 pit is currently under review and, if approved, development could begin in early 2019. A Phase 3 pit is also under consideration, and drilling to support metallurgical and geotechnical test work for both pit opportunities has commenced. This just adds to the company's production capacity.

Fortuna Silver (FSM, MCap \$691.03M, 159.46M s/o) reported production of 2 million ounces of silver and 13,412 ounces of gold for Q3 2017. The company is on track to produce 8.1 million ounces of silver and 52,400 ounces of gold or 11.2 million silver equivalent ounces in 2017. Fortuna's CEO Jorge A. Ganoza increased his equity position by acquiring 131,800 common shares on the open market. The shares were purchased at a price of \$4.51 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$594,000.

Subsequently, Ganoza acquired a further 198,000 shares for \$430,000 at an average price of \$2.17 per share from option exercise. We rarely see insiders buy \$1 million worth of stock at this stage of the cycle!

The company also reported solid drill results from its 2017 exploration programs.

Caylloma highlights: 72 g/t Ag, 4.80% Pb and 4.90% Zn over 10.3 meters; 160 g/t Ag, 4.98% Pb and 7.19% Zn over 5.7 meters; and 235 g/t Ag, 6.51% Pb and 6.50% Zn over 6.6 meters.

San Jose highlights: 2,860 g/t Ag and 22.8 g/t Au over 0.3 meters; 153 g/t Ag and 0.88 g/t Au over 21.0 meters; 803 g/t Ag and 8.23 g/t Au over 1.6 meters, and 1,106 g/t Ag and 6.34 g/t Au over 3.7 meters.



First Majestic Silver (AG, MCap \$1.14B, 164.46M s/o) produced 2.4 million ounces of silver, 15,414 ounces of gold, 5.2 million pounds of lead and 0.9 million pounds of zinc or 4 million silver equivalent ounces in Q3 2017. Silver production was down 22% y-o-y, while lead and zinc production were down 36% and 39% respectively. The company has appointed Todd Anthony as Vice-President, Corporate Development. Mr. Anthony, who previously held the position of Vice-President of Investor Relations, has over 11 years of experience within the investment community and financial markets.

Prior to joining First Majestic in May 2010, he served in various capacities at U.S. Global Investors, a boutique investment management firm with a longstanding history of expertise in precious metals and natural resources.

Argonaut Gold (ARNGF, MCap \$334.24M, 177.22M s/o) achieved commercial production at San Agustin on October 1. The project has been delivered on schedule and under budget in excess of 20% from the initial capital estimate of \$43 million. The President & CEO stated:

The achievement of commercial production at San Agustin is a major milestone for the Company. I commend the team on its ability to deliver the project on schedule, under budget and with no major

safety or environmental incidents. We view San Agustin as an important piece of the El Castillo Complex given the shared infrastructure and synergies with our neighbouring El Castillo mine. We believe the El Castillo Complex has the ability to ramp up to 150,000 gold equivalent ounces of production over the next couple of years, which will be the driving force of our approximate 60% production growth rate and lower operating costs by 2019.

Sabina Gold & Silver (SBB.TO, MCap \$475.97M, 226.65M s/o) reported drill results from the summer exploration program, which saw 9,868 metres of diamond drilling in 17 drill holes. Drilling successfully tested high impact exploration targets in and around existing resources at the Goose Property, including five holes in the high-grade Umwelt Vault zone. The results demonstrate the continuity of the zone down plunge, or in other words, show that there is more gold at depth. Mineralization consists of arsenopyrite, pyrrhotite and localized visible gold within the highly altered and veined zones.

Highlights: 8.65 g/t Au over 31.90m, including 91.97 g/t Au over 1.15m; 5.99 g/t Au over 33.25m, including 26.91 g/t Au over 2.20m and 18.14 g/t Au over 5.40 m.

A major shareholder Sun Valley Gold LLC sold 1.25 million shares at \$2.2 per share to bring their total ownership to just under 10% (9.51%). The sale is most likely meant to ease reporting requirements. Sabina and the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA) have signed a binding term sheet setting forth the principal terms to be included in a Framework Agreement (FA) which sets out Sabina's rights and obligations with respect to surface land access on Inuit owned land and will include an Inuit Impact and Benefits Agreement (IIBA). The agreement, valid for 20 years includes the following provisions and agreements:



- Land use licenses which would permit Sabina to conduct non-exclusive exploration work at Back River;
- Advanced exploration leases permitting various advanced exploration and pre-production activities at Back River;
- Commercial leases authorizing the development of mines and related operations and closure activities at the Goose Property;
- A 1% NSR royalty paid to the KIA on production at Back River on the properties that are subject to a commercial lease;
- A grant of 6.7 million Sabina shares to the KIA upon the effective date of the IIBA
- An IIBA setting out commitments associated with Inuit employment, training and education, Kitikmeot business opportunities, formation of an Inuit Environmental Advisory Committee and investments in community infrastructure projects with the objective of supporting regional wealth creation initiatives;
- An initial investment of \$4 million in regional wealth creation initiatives in the Kitikmeot, \$2 million of which could occur following execution of definitive agreements, and the remainder no later than upon a production decision, with additional payments commencing the

third year following commercial production if Sabina-related employment targets are not achieved

- ❑ An annual payment to the KIA of up to \$1 million to cover KIA's cost of implementing the FA;
- ❑ Water and wildlife compensation agreements

GoldQuest Mining (GQC.V, MCap \$71.14M, 254.06M s/o) reported assay results from the latest 9-drill hole batch from its Cachimbo Discovery, a VMS deposit located 22 km away from its Romero project. Mineralization lies within stratabound polymetallic massive and semi-massive sulphide horizons of the VMS system, reminiscent of the lesser mineralized halo surrounding the company's Romero discovery.

Step out drilling is ongoing, seeking a potential copper-gold rich feeder system, analogous to the core of the Company's Romero deposit, which has not yet been recognized at Cachimbo.

Bill Fisher, CEO and Executive Chairman, commented:

Our Cachimbo discovery is consistently showing higher gold grades in an upper horizon deposited on the seafloor, above longer, lower gold grade intervals, which may have been deposited below the seafloor. The company continues to do detailed mapping, ground geophysics and grid soil sampling as we develop new targets in tandem with ongoing step out drilling at Cachimbo.

Highlights:

- ❑ 94.56m grading 1.59 g/t gold and 8.39 g/t silver, incl. 26.57m grading 3.36 g/t gold and 21.55 g/t silver
- ❑ 21m grading 7.86 g/t gold, 39.6 g/t silver, 0.17 % copper, 0.26 % lead and 1.81 % zinc
- ❑ 12.08m grading 12.59 g/t gold, 62.62 g/t silver, 0.26 % copper, 0.12 % lead and 1.69 % zinc
- ❑ 59.46m grading 3.27 g/t gold, 18.94 g/t silver, 0.07 % copper, 0.4 % lead and 0.73% zinc

Nautilus Minerals (NUS.TO, MCap \$140.35M, 701.77M s/o) has announced the resignation of Mark P. M. Horn as a Director. Mark P. M. Horn has advised the company that he will lead Deep Sea Mining Finance Ltd. ("DSMF"), a recently formed joint-venture between the two major shareholders of Nautilus, Metalloinvest Holding (Cyprus) Limited and MB Holding Company LLC. DSMF and Nautilus are in discussions concerning the potential engagement of DSMF as Nautilus' financial advisor to implement a financing strategy for Nautilus, by leveraging the international expertise and financial relationships of Nautilus' two major shareholders. Nautilus needs to raise approximately US\$41 million before the end of 2017, and an additional approximately US\$270 million is required in order to complete the build and deployment of the seafloor production system to be utilized at the Solwara 1 Project in early 2019.

Following the resignation of Mark Horn, the company appointed John McCoach to the Board. John McCoach has over 35 years' experience in the investment industry. He recently retired as president of the TSX Venture Exchange, a position he held since 2009. He is currently on the board of directors of the Capital Markets Authority Implementation Organization; the entity tasked by five participating provinces, one territory and the Government of Canada to create a pan-Canadian securities commission.

Project Update

At the Mawei shipyard, the **vessel construction** is currently at ~70%. Submerged trials of the first of the Seafloor Production Tools (SPTs), the Collecting Machine (CM) have now been completed at the trial facility in Motukea Island, Port Moresby, PNG. Stakeholder engagement continues to progress well in PNG with a series of visits arranged for Provincial Government representatives and community leaders to witness the SPT trials taking place at Motukea Island. The Company continues to receive strong local support for the project as a result of its health, education and infrastructure improvement programs and regular awareness meetings in coastal communities.

TSXV Most Actives and Other News (September 25-29)

Chalice Gold Mines (CXN.TO, MCap \$49.63M) was up 93.3% for the week in anticipation of a planned drill program (see below) in the Australia's Western Pilbara region. Almost anything with a drill program on the Pilbara seems to want to take off on the back of Novo's *Wits 2.0 in Australia* promotion.

African Gold Group (AGG.V, MCap \$18.01M) was up 33.3% for the week, as it completed the acquisition of the Madougou Project in Burkina Faso, located in the greenstone belt that hosts several producing gold mines including Endeavour Mining's Karma Project located within 60 km of the site.

Aurelius Minerals (AUL.V, MCap \$5.09M) was up 57.9% for the week on no news.

Decade Resources (DEC.V, MCap \$13.71M) was down 33.3% for the week. The company reported exploration results at its Red Cliff property located in the "Golden Triangle" area of British Columbia. Exploration during the 2017 field season indicates that the Red Cliff property hosts a large mineralized system that has been traced for several kilometres, with visible gold noted in 5 drill holes. Highlight: 19.9 g/t gold over 4.12 m at 311 m depth.

Macarthur Minerals (MMS.V, MCap \$17.12M) was up 90% for the week on no news.

Metallis Resources (MTS.V, MCap \$48.80M) was up 29.1% for the week. The company recently completed a \$2.2 million financing with Eric Sprott, the proceeds of which will be used to further the 2018 drill program at the company's Kirkham Property situated in the heart of the Golden Triangle's Eskay Camp in northwest British Columbia. Sprott now owns 8.1% of the company. Eskay Creek has heated up recently on the back of **Garibaldi Resources's (GGI:TSXV)** massive sulfide discovery.

TSXV Most Actives and Other News (October 2-6)

Chalice Gold Mines (CXN.TO, MCap \$49.63M) was down 24.1% for the week. The company announced commencement of drilling at its West Pilbara Gold and Base Metal Project, encompassing up to 6,500m of RC and Aircore drilling following encouraging results from copper and gold rock chip sampling of up to 29% Cu and 9.5 g/t Au.

Golden Queen Mining (GQM.TO, MCap \$31.18M) was down 35.3% for the week on no news. The company reported there was no material news to warrant the move.

Aben Resources (ABN.V, MCap \$9.60M) was down 47.5% for the week. The company reported drill results from its phase-one drill program at the Forrest Kerr Gold Project. It noted that the strongest and most extensive gold and copper soil anomalies have yet to be drill tested in the southern portion of the Boundary Zone. Highlights: 0.26 g/t Au over 387m, including 6.7 g/t Au over 10m.

Grand Portage Resources (GPG.V, MCap \$7.22M) was up 42.5% for the week. The company announced the completion of 3700m of step out drilling over 12 holes at the Herbert Gold Project in Alaska.

Inventus Mining (IVS.V, MCap \$31.02M) was up 39.1% for the week on no news. The company has been developing North America's first Paleoplacer gold deposit (Ontario), a style of mineralisation most famously found in South Africa's Witwatersrand gold fields, and which Novo Resources believes it has found in Australia. It has been trying to prove this for a decade and in September newsletter writer John Kaiser gave it a tout suggesting it has the best shot at finding such a system in North America. The Novo discovery in Australia has fired up the imaginations of Eric Sprott and Rob McEwen, who together own a third of the company's shares, and recently subscribed for more. "Inventus plans to use the money drilling 130 holes and conducting a 1,000-tonne bulk sample at its gold properties in Ontario. Buying Inventus, Mr. Kaiser says, is a conservative way to leverage the Novo Resources story.", according to Stockwatch News.

Metallis Resources (MTS.V, MCap \$48.80M) was up 54.9% for the week (see news above).



Novo Resources (NVO.V, MCap \$1.02B) was up 32.7% for the week. The company is hot this year, up 777% year to date as investors are chasing the dream of an elephant gold discovery in western Australia, but still no drill results.

I missed this deal coming out of the gate because of my skepticism of the head geologist and the over excitement about grab samples, but if you are sitting on substantial gains take profits because this company's shares have already priced a very generous valuation. A billion for a company without a drill result is ridiculously rich.

NRG Metals (NGZ.V, MCap \$29.53M) was up 56% for the week. The company completed a water well at its Salar Escondido lithium project in Catamarca province, Argentina. The well was drilled to 50 meters, and will provide sufficient water for the start of Phase One core drilling. The company also closed a non-brokered private placement of 4,500,000 units at a price of CAD\$0.10 per unit, raising gross proceeds of \$450,000.

Zonte Metals (ZON.V, MCap \$7.53M) was down 44.1% for the week. The company reported drill results from its McConnells Jest project in Yukon. A total of 1,027 metres was drilled in five holes on three targets over a small area, with the majority of the approximately 3,371 hectare property remaining untested. Highlights: 32.02m of 0.49 g/t Au, including 20.44m of 0.72 g/t Au; 29.60m of 0.53 g/t Au, including 20.28m of 0.69 g/t Au.

TSXV Most Actives and Other News (October 9-13)

Pretivm Resources (PVG.TO, MCap \$2.64B) was up 22.3% for the week. The company has successfully transitioned into a producer and is ramping up operations at its high-grade underground Brucejack mine. Production for Q3 amounted to 82,203 ounces of gold at a grade of 10.52 g/t gold. Investors had been skeptical of the company's reported grades, as it chose not to use "conservative" cut-off grades in its resource estimate. The reported results must have allayed a lot of misgivings, as the stock shot up 24.1% on the day of the announcement - no small thing for a \$2 billion dollar company.

Touchstone Exploration (TXP.TO, MCap \$28.88M) was up 32.3% for the week on no news.

Garibaldi Resources (GGL.V, MCap \$382.23M) was up 58.7% for the week. The company reported that it had expanded its Nickel Mountain project (Eskay Creek, BC, Canada) with all 11 additional holes completed since the previous news release having returned broad sections of disseminated to blebby net textured sulphides, hosted in olivine gabbro, consistent with a much larger scale mineralizing event than ever previously suspected at Nickel Mountain. While the nickel-copper-rich system remains open in all directions at Nickel Mountain, at least 2 km of prospective ground exists to the east-southeast while a northeast trend of geophysical anomalies and surface mineralization continues for at least 6 km.

NRG Metals (NGZ.V, MCap \$29.53M) was up 51.3% for the week on news that it is preparing to commence drilling of the initial drill hole on the Salar Escondido lithium property.

QMC Quantum Minerals (QMC.V, MCap \$13.15M) was up 33.3% for the week in anticipation of work progress at its Irgon Lithium mine. Lithium plays have gathered a lot of investor attention on back of the Tesla dream.

TSXV Most Actives and Other News (October 16-20)

A number of lithium stocks have been bid up over the week, part of a multi-month trend with investors suddenly deciding that electric cars are the future and looking at ways to play the trend beyond just buying Tesla.

- ❑ **Liberty One Lithium (LBY.V, MCap \$131.54M)** up 48.8%
- ❑ **Millennial Lithium (ML.V, MCap \$142.14M)** up 27.9%
- ❑ **Neo Lithium (NLC.V, MCap \$182.94M)** up 14.1%
- ❑ **NRG Metals (NGZ.V, MCap \$29.53M)** up 32.2%
- ❑ **QMC Quantum Minerals (QMC.V, MCap \$13.15M)** up 28.6%
- ❑ **Advantage Lithium (AAL.V, MCap \$121.56M)** up 15.28%
- ❑ **Lithium Americals (LAC.TO, MCap \$876.99M)** up 21.7%
- ❑ **Nemaska Lithium (NMX.TO, MCap \$679.39M)** up 12.6%
- ❑ **Argentina Lithium & Energy (LIT.V, MCap \$22.03M)** up 18.8%

❑ **Portofino Resources (POR.V, MCap \$1.58M)** up 11.1%

However, two lithium stocks couldn't find a bid, with **Standard Lithium (SLL.V, MCap \$125.63M)** down 3.1% and **Southern Lithium (SNL.V, MCap \$3.81M)** down 23.1% for the week.

Katanga Mining (KAT.TO, MCap \$2.50B) was up 27.7% for the week. Considering the company is delayed in filing its Q2 financials and has been asked to re-state its previous financial reports, the move is probably part of the broader investor interest in electric cars, as Katanga operates a copper-cobalt mine in the DRC.

Adamera Minerals (ADZ.V, MCap \$14.70M) was up 60% for the week on news that it had discovered a new sulphide zone below the historic mine workings at its Overlook gold mine in Washington.

Golden Ridge Resources, formerly 88 Capital Corp, (GLDN.V, MCap \$19.59M) was up 107.1% for the week. The company completed a reverse takeover of Golden Ridge Resources and is undergoing management changes to become an exploration company focused in British Columbia.

GT Gold (GTT.V, MCap \$80.76M) was down 40.5% for the week on announcing drill results at its Saddle gold discovery in British Columbia. Highlights: 220 g/t Au over 0.54m and 14.75 g/t Au over 12.15m.

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