

# **Gold Exploration Update**

July – September 2015

In pursuit of ... the next Challenger

### **About Challenger**

- Opened in 2002 as an open-pit mine
- Now high-grade narrow-vein underground
- At opening: one of Australia's most profitable gold mines <sup>1</sup>
- Over 1 million ounces of gold already <sup>2</sup>
   (A\$1.5 billion gold at current prices)
- Discovered using simple calcrete sampling

Challenger Pit
Source: Kingsgate Consolidated Limited

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> cf. Southern Gold Annual Report 2009 p. 11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Kingsgate Consolidated Limited: ASX Release dated 26 November 2014

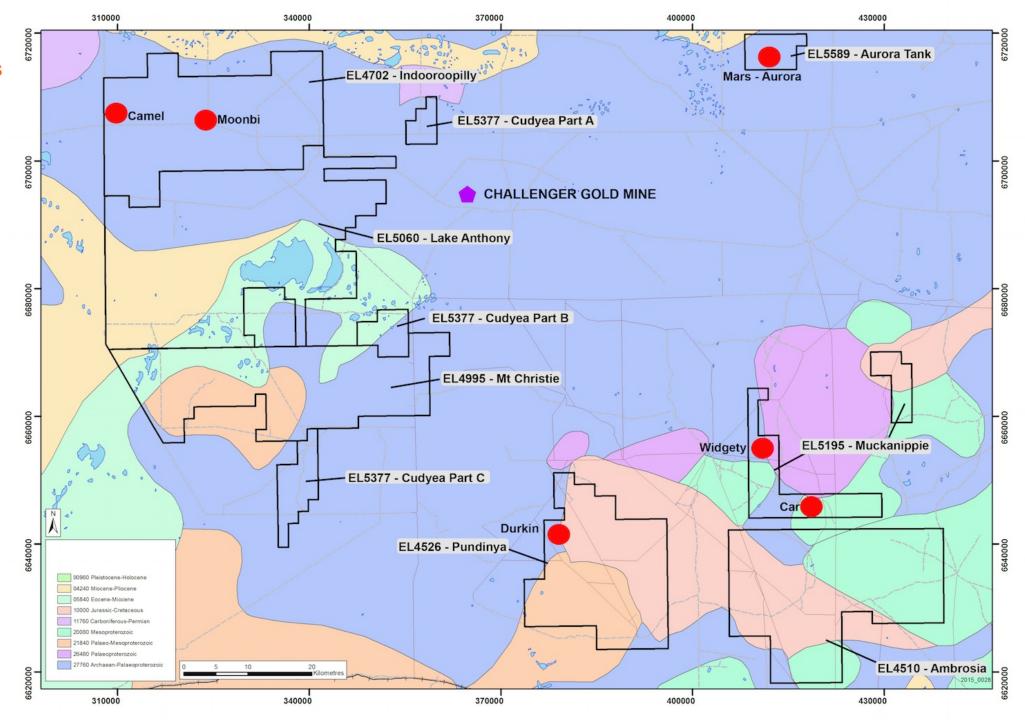
# The Marmota Advantage

- Marmota (MEU) has a DOMINANT tenement holding around Challenger
  - See diagrams: next 2 pages
  - MEU tenements cover 3,500 km<sup>2</sup> of high prospective area around the Challenger gold mine
- Woomera prohibited zone: desirable area of exploration focus <sup>1, 2</sup>
- Highly prospective jurisdiction and underexplored
  - Christie Mulgathing mobile belt
  - Comparison to WA gold fields
  - Analogous in age and style to Archaean Yilgarn block hosting most of WA's gold mineralization
- Our local turf: Marmota's 'backyard'
- In-house experienced geos + advanced geophysical database

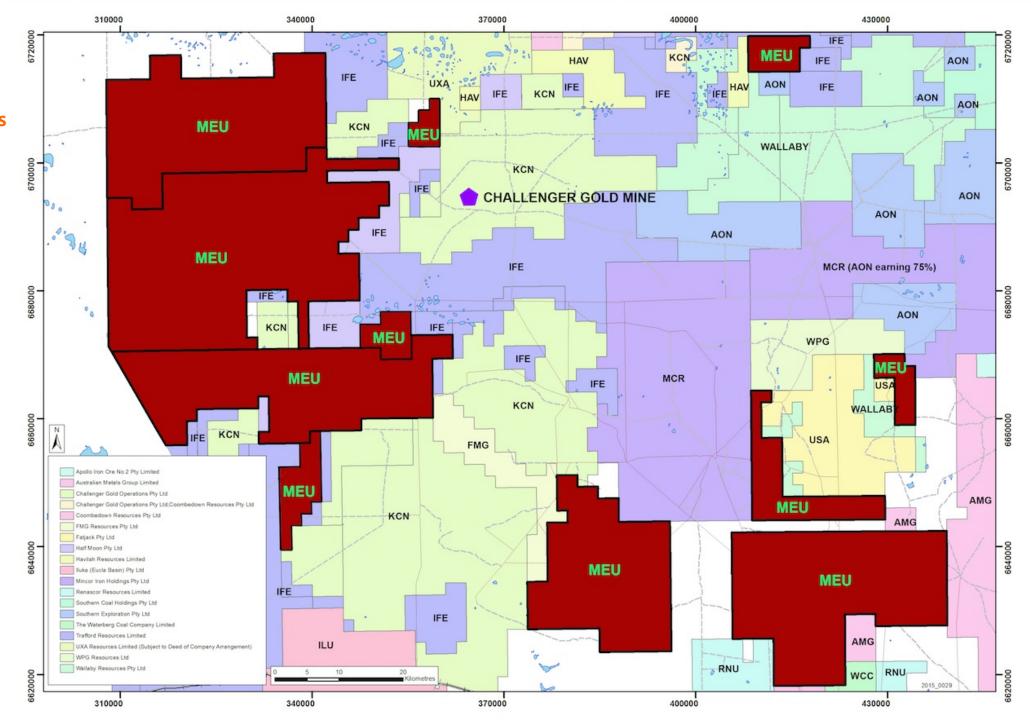
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bloomberg (19 June 2015): <u>Bombed, Blasted, Nuked: Outback may yield \$27 billion in minerals</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ironclad (ASX:IFE) interview: 27 May 2015

MEU Tenements around Challenger



MEU, Challenger and Neighbours



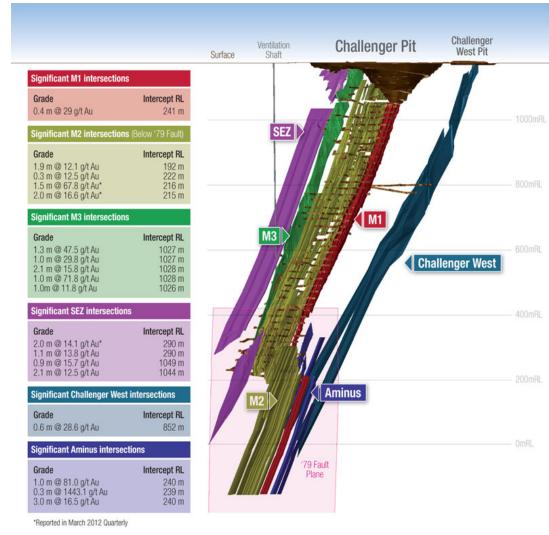
### Why calcrete sampling?

- Calcrete sampling found Challenger
- The usual geologist toolkit would not find Challenger.
   Why? Because:

Challenger lacks any significant magnetic signature:

- nil or weak IP geophysical signature
- no EM geophysical signature
- Challenger DOES feature:
  - Anomalous gold in calcrete sampling
  - Located on the margin of a regional gravity 'high'
  - ✓ Hosted by quartz veins in Christie Gneiss (deformed granite)
  - ✓ Small footprint: high-grade, narrow shoots
- Summary

**Calcrete** and **gravity** are the best diagnostic tools to find Challenger-style systems.



Source: Kingsgate Consolidated Limited (ASX:KCN)

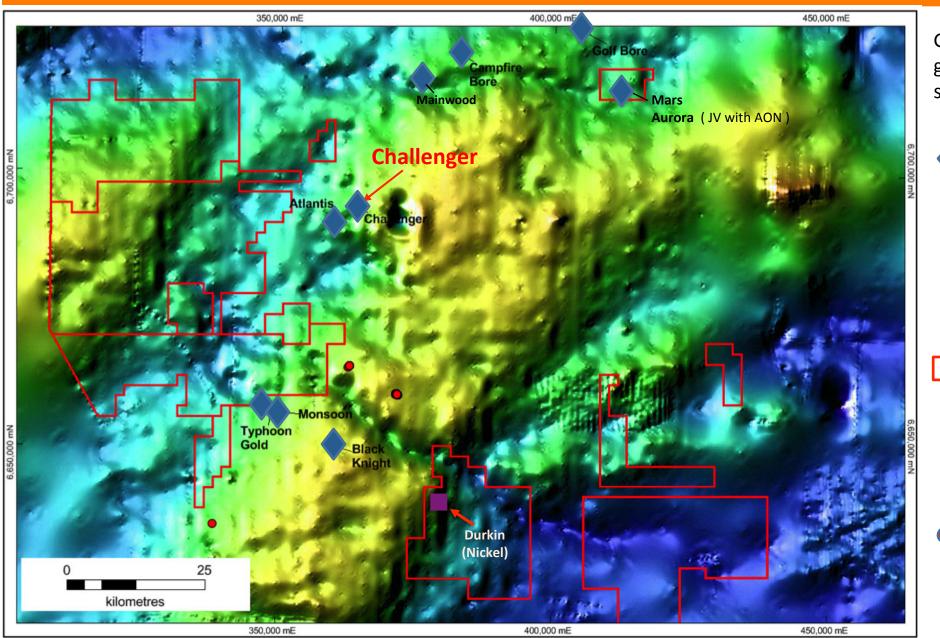
# **Calcrete sampling found Challenger**

Sampling on a 3ppb Au 1.6x1.6km grid picked up a sample of 180ppb Au 1.6km 180ppb Au Discovery 10ppb Au 8ppb Au Sample 7ppb Au

**Challenger Pit with initial calcrete sampling** 

Source: Ironclad Mining Limited – ASX Release dated 14 May 2015

# Calcrete anomalies yield gold deposits



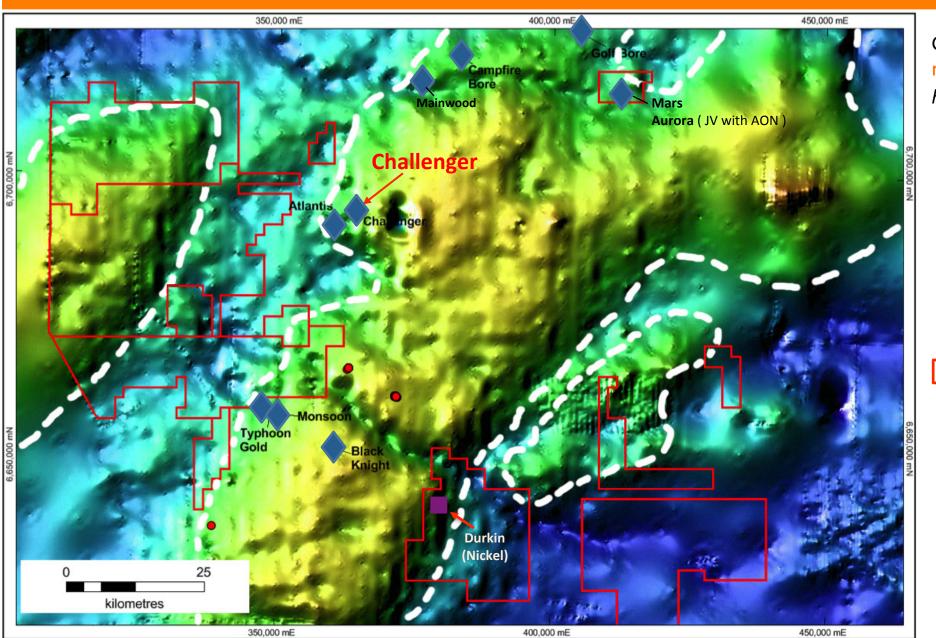
Gawler Craton gravity image showing:

Gold mineralisation drilled below calcrete anomaly

MEU tenements

calcrete samples with Au >100ppb

# MARGINS of gravity highs ARE IMPORTANT



Gawler Craton
regional gravity highs
highlighted by WHITE

Gold mineralisation drilled below calcrete anomaly

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### Marmota: July – Sept 2015 gold exploration program

#### Part 1

Targeting known anomalies around Challenger at:

- Camel [@ Indooroopilly tenement ]
- Widgety [@ Muckanippie tenement ]

#### Part 2

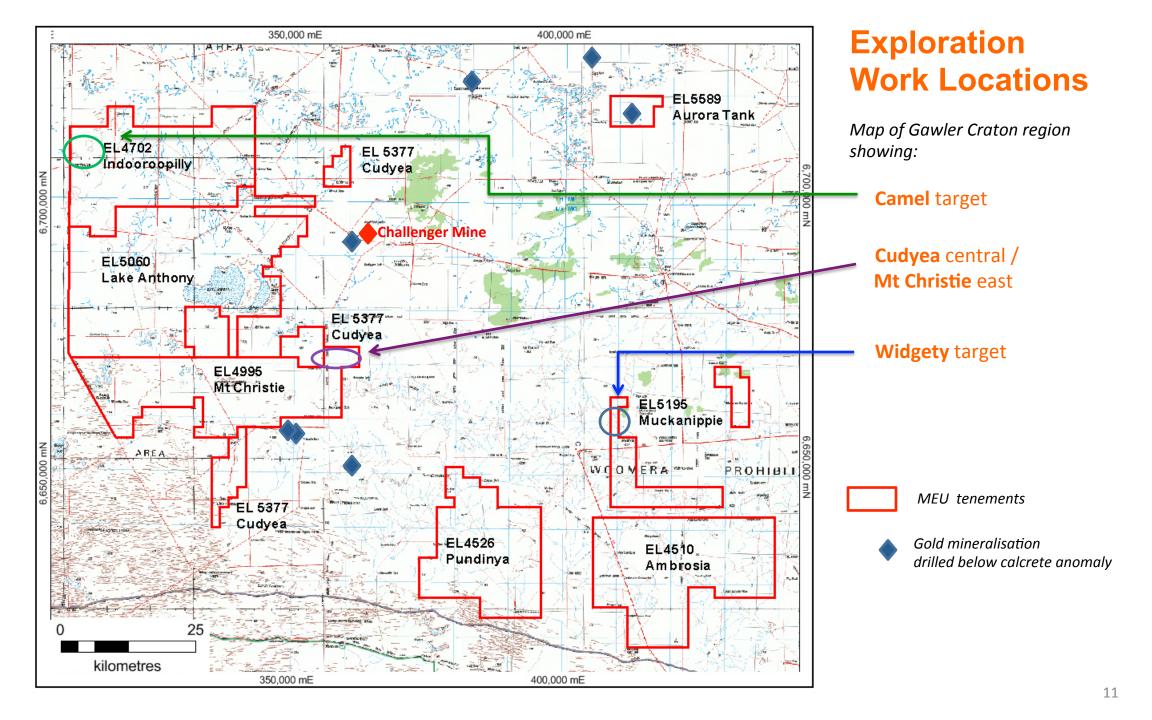
Testing high prospectivity areas that have no (or very little) data coverage, starting at:

- Cudyea central / Mt Christie east
- ... regional and detailed calcrete sampling program



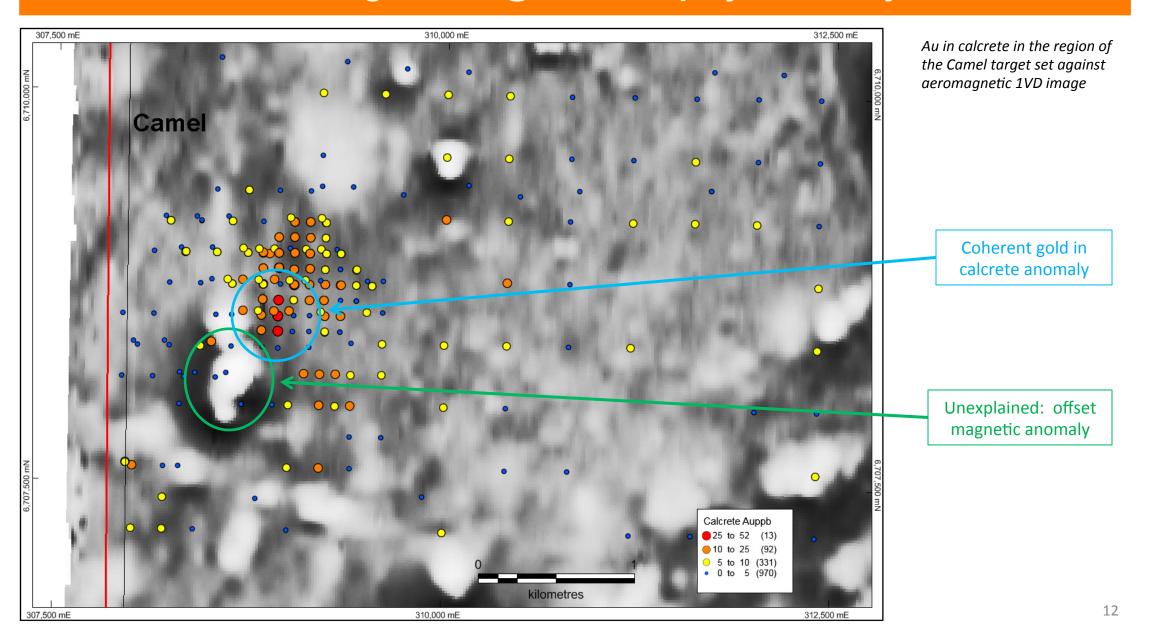
Drilling at Moonbi prospect in May 2013

- ✓ MEU has successfully obtained grant from DSD¹ towards funding geologist work
- ✓ Adopting same techniques/methods as used to discover Challenger itself ...
- ✓ Heritage cleared; Woomera access clearance obtained



### **Camel Target**

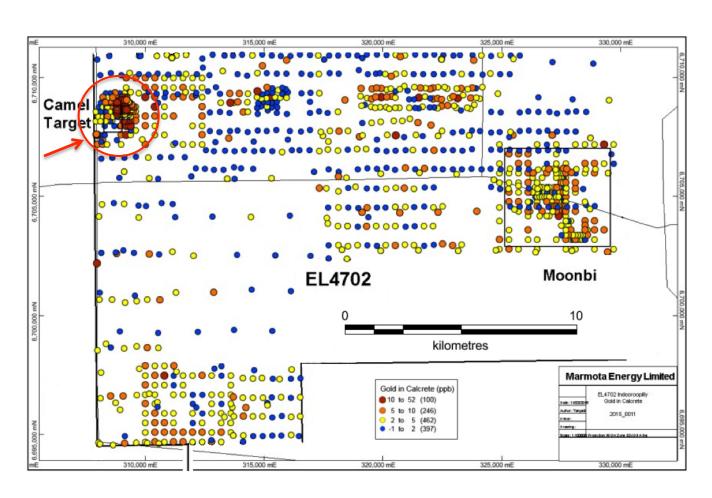
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#### **Camel Target**

# @ Indooroopilly Gold Project

- Indooroopilly tenement covers 584km<sup>2</sup>; located 25km west of Challenger Gold Mine.
- Camel target features:
  - ✓ gold calcrete anomalies
  - ✓ on margins of gravity 'high', +
  - confirmed Christie Gneiss basement present
- Limited historical shallow drilling
- Exploration at Camel with calcrete infill sampling on a 50m grid already underway

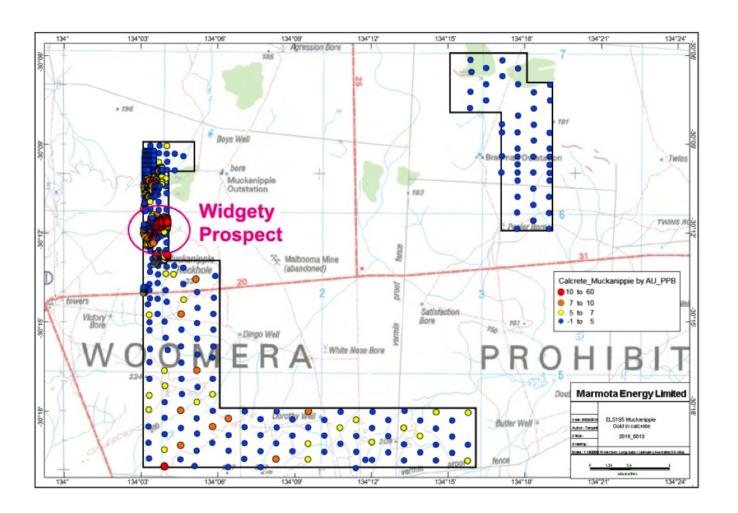


Target area in Indooroopilly overlain on gold in calcrete sample results

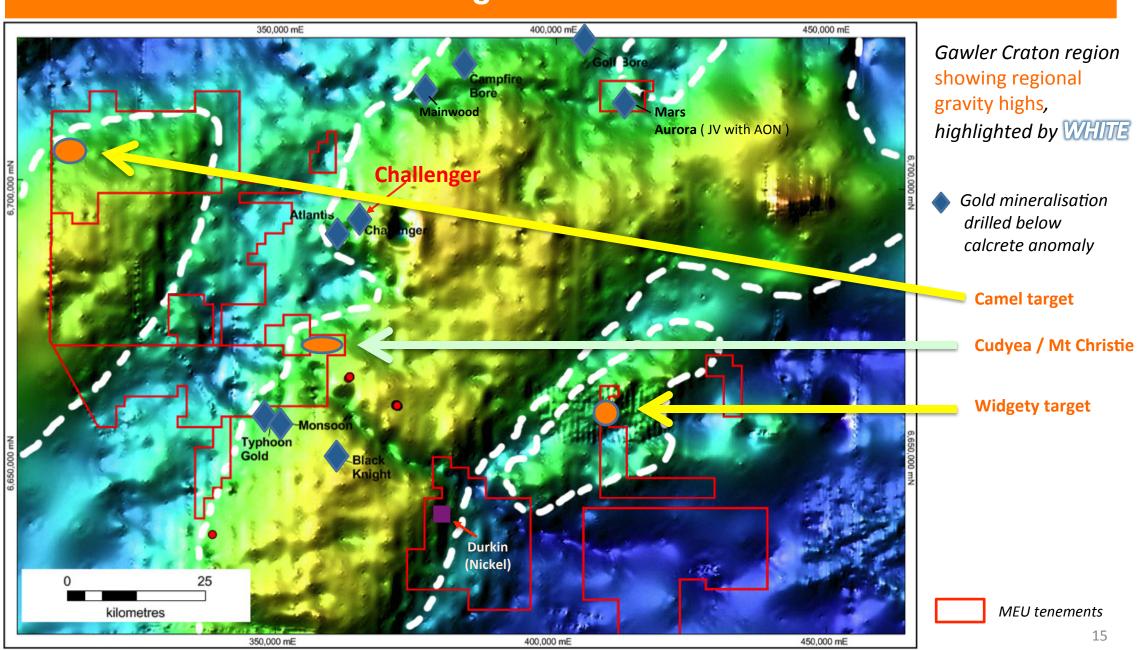
#### **Widgety Target**

### @ Muckanippie Tenement

- Muckanippie tenement comprises two areas covering 181 km<sup>2</sup>;
   60km SE of Challenger
- Targets are Olympic Dam-style IOCG mineralisation, base metal deposits and structurally controlled Challenger-style gold
- Calcrete anomalies at Widgety
- Limited exploration in the past due to Woomera Prohibited zone restrictions



### **New Targets: In the zone ...**



### **Summary**

- Focus on gold
- Marmota has a dominant holding around Challenger
- Highly prospective tenements and massively underexplored
- Immediate exploration program already underway
- Adopting same techniques as used to find Challenger ...
- Targets being refined to allow immediate drilling
- + a bounty of highly prospective targets for investigation!



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