



# **Askari Metals Limited**

Focused Battery Metals and Gold Explorer Northern Territory and Western Australia



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#### **Corporate Snapshot**



Shares on issue and market capitalisation		
Shares on issue (ASX: AS2) (incl. escrowed	holdings) 50,495,025	
Share Price (as at 10 March 2022)	A\$0.375	
Market Cap (undiluted)	A\$18.9 million	
Other securities		
Listed Options (ASX: AS20)	14,094,315	
Unlisted Options (various ex. prices)	3,281,250	
Performance Rights	4,800,000	
Other capitalisation metrics (as at 4 February 2022)		
Cash (as at 31 December 2021) (incl. recen	t placement) A\$6.2 million	
Enterprise Value	A\$12.7 million	
Debt	Nil	
Board and Management		
Robert Downey	Non-Executive Chairman	
Gino D'Anna	Executive Director	
Chris Evans	Lithium Technical Director – NED	
Brendan Cummins Technical Director – Geology – NED		
David Greenwood	Non-Executive Director	
Johan Lambrechts	VP Geology and Exploration	
Paul Fromson	CFO and Company Secretary	

Top shareholders		
10 Bolivianos Pty Ltd (entity controlled by Niv Dagan)	12.67%	
Mr Gino D'Anna	10.02%	
Top 20 Shareholders (Total)	49.30%	



#### **Why? Askari Metals Limited**





- Committed to developing its projects and managing the Company with core ESG principles in mind
- Strong framework for environmentally sustainable exploration

- Australian

   focused battery
   metals (Li + Cu)
   explorer –
   leveraged to
   strong global
   outlook for key
   metals
  - Australia offers a low-risk jurisdiction in a well regulated environment

- Battery metals focused explorer and developer
- High-Grade Li + Cu

- Yarrie Lithium Project >1,700km<sup>2</sup> is located in the eastern Pilbara in an area where hardrock lithium deposits have been discovered
- Barrow Creek Lithium Project

The world lithium market requires exponential growth in the next decade, but suffers from a lack of financing which will lead to lower supply particularly in the next five years

High quality spodumene concentrate, suitable for conversion in high Nickel battery applications, is the next frontier of lithium demand as a global deficit in supply looms



#### **Battery Metals – Cleaner & Greener**



- Australian focused battery metals (Li + Cu) explorer – *leveraged to strong global outlook for key metals*
- Highly prospective projects in jurisdictions with proven geology and mineralisation
- Yarrie Lithium Project, in the eastern Pilbara lithium hot spot presents several high priority targets along strike of Kalamazoo and Global Lithium
- Barrow Creek Lithium Project in the Arunta Pegmatite Province, known for hosting significant LCT pegmatites
  - Sampling has identified LCT-Type pegmatites up to 817ppm Li<sub>2</sub>O with RC drilling to follow shortly
- Horry Copper Project has demonstrated highgrade copper on surface up to 8.5% Cu, maiden drilling is planned
- Samples at the Callawa Copper Project in the Ashburton Province have demonstrated highgrade copper up to 6.78% Cu



## **Targeting Battery Industry Metals**



- Yarrie Lithium Project significant footprint of >1,700km<sup>2</sup> in the highly prospective eastern Pilbara Lithium hotspot
  - hyperspectral survey resulted in multiple high priority targets which will be field tested as soon as possible
  - along strike of the Marble Bar Lithium Project owned by KZR where Chilean-based major lithium producer SQM is involved
  - less than 30 km from GL1 Archer Lithium Deposit (Marble Bar Lithium Project) containing 10.5MT @ 1.0% Li<sub>2</sub>O
- Barrow Creek Lithium Project 278 km<sup>2</sup> located in the world-class Arunta Pegmatite Province of Northern Territory highly prospective for Lithium-Tin-Tantalum (Li-Sn-Ta) mineralisation
  - initial reconnaissance sampling has confirmed the presence of fertile LCT pegmatites up to 817ppm Li<sub>2</sub>0 with associated elevated tantalum and caesium
  - hyperspectral survey identified numerous high priority exploration targets across the NW of the project and elsewhere Phase II
    program completed, RC drilling planned to commence shortly along with a Phase III program in the South-East
- Red Peak Lithium Project covers an area of approximately 350km<sup>2</sup> with at least eleven (11) significant pegmatites already identified
  - Laser Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy ('LIBS') testwork confirmed the presence of lithium-bearing minerals in the form of Zinnwaldite, Holmquistite and Spodumene
  - seven mapped pegmatites remain untested Follow on field programs completed with additional field work in the planning phase
- Horry Copper Project High grade copper mapped and sampled on surface over a strike length of 526m, including:
  - 8.49% Cu with 0.71 g/t Au and 42 g/t Ag as well as 3.66 % Cu with 0.63 g/t Au and 12 g/t Ag and also 0.94 % Cu with 0.03 g/t Au and 5 g/t Ag from the Horry Horse prospect
- Callawa Copper Project Historic rock-chips with up to 28.7% Cu at surface as well as 9.35% Cu with 25.9 g/t Ag and 7.63% Cu with 15.7 g/t Ag
  - recent rock chip results include 6.78% Cu, 4.35% Cu, 2.02% Cu and 1.85% Cu
  - potential presence of a high-grade epithermal copper system



Figure 1: Malachite copper staining in surface rock samples at Callawa Copper Project

Figure 2: Historic workings at the Horry Horse area, Horry Copper Project





Figure 3: Pegmatite dyke at the Barrow Creek Lithium Project

Figure 4 *(left)*: Whole rock sample collected from Red Peak Lithium Project; LBS testwork confirmed presence of lithium bearing minerals

## Yarrie Lithium Project, WA (AS2 – 100%)





- Yarrie Lithium Project - analogues to the Wodgina and Pilgangoora worldclass lithium projects
- Covers an area of
  1,711km<sup>2</sup> within the
  highly prospective
  region of Pilbara,
  Western Australia,
  location of some of
  the world's largest
  lithium deposits
- Borders the KZR
  Marble Bar Lithium
  Project where
  Chilean-based major
  lithium producer
  SQM recently
  became involved

## **Yarrie Lithium Project, WA**





- Located less than 30 km north of **GL1 Archer Lithium Deposit** containing 10.5MT @1.0% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- Lithium bearing pegmatites have been found largely within mafic sequences in contact with granitic intrusives at Pilgangoora, Wodgina and Mt Francisco in the eastern Pilbara
  - Strong evidence supports the geological model of such styles of potential lithium mineralisation to occur within the AS2 licence areas
- Initial exploration will include a soil and rock sampling program to define the outcropping pegmatites which remain untested by exploration with no drilling completed
- Preliminary field reconnaissance program completed

## Yarrie Lithium Project, WA





- Hyperspectral survey
  identified multiple high
  priority exploration targets
  across the tenement area
  - Major structures directly along strike from GL1 Archer
     Deposit warrant accelerated exploration
  - Significant target
     located on the northern
     tenement area
- Multiple outcropping pegmatites have been identified

### Yarrie Lithium Project, WA





- Major Targets have been identified, with one area measuring a staggering ~88km<sup>2</sup>
  - Hyperspectral survey
    generated imagery of
    minerals related to LCT
    pegmatites and
    compared them to SnTa-Li occurrences as an
    indicator for potential
    lithium mineralisation

## Barrow Creek Lithium Project, NT (Option AS2 – 100%)



- Barrow Creek Lithium Project covers an area of 278km<sup>2</sup> in the Northern Arunta Pegmatite Province of Central Northern Territory
- Highly prospective for Lithium-Tin-Tantalum (Li-Sn-Ta) mineralisation
- Initial reconnaissance sampling has confirmed the presence of fertile LCT pegmatites with elevated lithium (Li), tantalum (Ta) and caesium (Cs)
- Hyperspectral survey has identified numerous high priority exploration targets across the NW of the project and elsewhere
- Borders exploration licences with similar geology held by:
  - Lithium Plus
    - Hosts historic Barrow Creek Tin-Tantalum workings
  - Core Lithium Limited (ASX. CXO) (market capitalisation ~\$1.5Bn)
    - Hosts several Tin-Tantalum occurrences
- Boasts year-round access via the Stuart Highway, supporting low-cost exploration







- Hyperspectral survey has
  identified multiple high
  priority exploration targets
  in the NW of the tenement
  area
- Multiple outcropping
  pegmatites have also been
  identified elsewhere across
  the project area
- High Priority targets
  correlate strongly with
  fertile pegmatites identified
  and visited during the initial
  reconnaissance field visit
- Phase II field program completed





- Outcropping LCT-type pegmatites up to 817ppm Li<sub>2</sub>O identified
  - Significant milestone
    demonstrating exploration in
    the right geological
    formations with fertile LCT
    pegmatites identified,
    supporting the prospectivity
    of the Barrow Creek project
    area
  - Identified a New Mineralised Zone of 950m x 500m, which remains open in all directions and where multiple LCT-type pegmatites were identified

Significant Exploration
 potential remains in areas
 outside of the zone, which
 was visited – areas
 highlighted by the
 Hyperspectral Survey remain
 untested





- Fertility of the LCT pegmatites warrant further systematic exploration of the area
- Sampling demonstrated elevated results for Caesium (Cs), Tantalum (Ta), Rubidium (Rb) and Niobium (Nb) – essential trace elements in the LCT pegmatite structures
- The sampled Li-Cs-Rb enriched pegmatites are considered part of zoned LCT pegmatite swarms
- Warrant an accelerated and more focused exploration effort that will include detailed surface sampling and mapping
  - Phase II field program completed
  - An RC drilling campaign will be designed once follow up results are available (~Q2 2022)



- Soil samples were
  collected in areas where
  the soil demonstrated an
  original granite origin and
  are believed to be in situ
- Samples were collected in lines spaced about 400m apart, with individual samples being collected at 50m intervals along the lines
- A total of 350 soil samples were collected
- Assay results expected in April 2022





- A total of 119 rock samples were collected in the target area
- Majority focusing on the north-eastern portion of the project
- Rock samples were
   collected by inspecting all
   rock outcrops in the area. If
   pegmatitic veins or dykes
   were identified, samples
   were collected on those
   outcrops
- Assay results expected in April 2022

## Red Peak Lithium Project, WA (AS2 - 100%)





- Red Peak Lithium Project located 130km NW of Meekatharra with good road access
- Covers an area of approximately 350km<sup>2</sup>
  - has been extensively mapped with at least eleven (11) significant pegmatites identified
  - many of the pegmatites have been mapped with strike lengths in excess of 3km and between 150m and 200m wide
  - also prospective for uranium and Rare Earth Elements 18

### **Red Peak Lithium Project, WA**





- Contained mainly in the Archean Yarlarweelor Gneiss Complex and Moorarie Supersuite granites
- Previous exploration noted that
  pegmatites are concentrated
  along the northern margin of
  the Yarlarweelor Gneiss Belt
  near the contact with major
  bodies of Proterozoic granite
  making this region especially
  prospective for pegmatites
- At least eleven (11) pegmatites have been mapped by the WA Geological Survey with many of the pegmatites having been mapped across strike lengths in excess of 3km and measuring between 150m and 200m wide

#### **Red Peak Lithium Project, WA**





- The results of the LIBS test work has confirmed the presence of lithiumbearing minerals, namely Zinnwaldite, Holmquistite and Spodumene
- There is significant
   exploration upside at the
   Red Peak project, given
   the prior focus on gold
   and base metal
   mineralisation

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## Red Peak Lithium Project, WA





Samples collected during recent field exploration program at Red Peak







## Horry Copper Project, WA (AS2 - 100%)





- Located about 90km from Halls Creek within the deformed and mineralized Halls Creek Mobile Belt bounding the eastern edge of the Kimberley Craton
  - Highly prospective for copper-gold mineralisation
- Located along the same structural trend as the Halls Creek Copper Project owned by Cazaly Resources Limited (ASX: CAZ)
- The Horry tenement has several historic mines and workings like the Horry Horse copper workings and the Western lead gold mine
- Heavily underexplored region of the Halls Creek Mobile Belt
  - 16 rock samples (historic)
  - 15 stream sediment samples (historic)
- Historic copper and gold production
  - No modern exploration





- Several historic copper and gold workings have been identified in the project area, including:
  - Horry Horse and Leo
    workings historically
    mined structurally
    controlled copper and gold
    mineralisation within a
    shear, and vein hosted
    copper lode with associated
    gold mineralisation
  - The Western Lead structurally controlled gold
    veins were mined in the late
    1930s producing an
    average grade of 10.9g/t Au
    from 216 tons of ore





#### Phase I Exploration Program – Horry Horse Area

- High grade copper results from the Horry Horse area including 3.67% Cu, 3.13% Cu and 1.12% Cu
  - mapped over a strike length of more than 400m remaining open to the northeast and southwest
  - Copper mineralisation is further supported with gold assay results up to 0.5 g/t Au
  - Silver mineralisation will also be further investigated in future exploration programs





#### Phase I Exploration Program – Northern Gold Prospects

- Excellent gold results from rock chip samples, including:
  - 13g/t Au from the area north of Martin's find-South; and
  - 5.6g/t and 1.09g/t Au from the Mt Dockrell tailings historic site identifying a potential localised extension of the historic zone of mineralisation
  - Gold mineralisation has been mapped and sampled over a potential strike length of approximately 450m and remains open in either direction



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#### Phase II Exploration Program – Horry Horse Area

- High-grade results including:
  - 8.5% Cu with 0.71 g/t Au and 42 g/t Ag
  - 3.7% Cu with 0.63 g/t Au and 12 g/t Ag
  - 1.0% Cu with 5 g/t Ag
  - Copper mineralisation is visible on surface as Malachite in a shear and has been mapped over a strike length of more than 400m, remaining open to the northeast and southwest – total current mineralised strike length is 526m
- Copper mineralisation is supported by assay results revealing coincident precious metal results and indicator minerals





Phase II Exploration Program – Northern Gold Prospects

- Sample from a creek bed on the contact of dolerite and adjacent sediments returned 5.20 g/t Au
- Outcropping malachite (copper) mineralisation in a shear, hosting quartz boudins, was also discovered in the north of the tenement. The samples collected from this location returned results of 2.85% Cu with 0.37 g/t Au and 11 g/t Ag and 1.67% Cu with 0.18 g/t Au and 6 g/t Ag
- The area represents a similar style of mineralisation as interpreted for the Horry Horse area

## Callawa Copper Project, WA (AS2 - 100%)





- Located 85km northeast of Marble Bar in the Ashburton Goldfields of Western Australia
- Minimal exploration activities:
  - In 2006, a total of five samples taken along the exposed interval returned an average of 11.1% Cu
  - Rock-chip results of 9.4% Cu, 7.63% Cu and 2.68% Cu collected in 2008
  - Copper mineralisation within quartz veining has been recorded in several locations.
    - Associated elevated gold values will be tested for potential porphyry-style copper/gold mineralisation

## **Callawa Copper Project, WA**





- High-grade copper has been encountered during the initial mapping and sampling program, with the strike remaining open in all directions, including:
  - 6.78% Cu in sample AS201597
  - 4.35% Cu in sample AS201665
  - 2.02% Cu in sample AS201611
  - 1.85% Cu in sample AS201666
- These results demonstrate the fertility of the geological environment and highlight the significant exploration upside that exists at the project
- The samples were collected along an exposed structure/shear zone which is characterised by malachite staining associated with quartz veining
- The samples collected returned very encouraging copper values over an initial strike length of 125m with a high-grade zone over an initial strike length of approximately 40m. Importantly, the strike length remains open

## **Gold Projects – Priority Focus During Times of Uncertainty**





- Australian focused gold projects in areas of high prospectivity and very low jurisdictional risk – *leveraged to a key metal suite in times* of material economic uncertainty
- Burracoppin Gold Project in the eastern Wheatbelt of WA has demonstrated highgrade shallow gold intersections in drilling, including:
  - 4m @ 4.27 g/t Au
  - 3m @ 3.57 g/t Au
- Mt Maguire Gold Project is located along strike of the Mt Olympus Gold Mine with limited historical drilling, never followed up, including:
  - 1m @ 6.74g/t Au
  - 2m @ 12.14g/t Au
- Springdale Copper-Gold Project is located in the highly-prospective Lachlan Fold Belt of NSW with extensive high-grade historical production identified across the project 30

## Burracoppin Gold Project, WA (AS2 - 100%)





- The Burracoppin Project is located approximately 20km east of Merredin and 15km west of the Edna May Gold Mine in the eastern wheat belt of WA
- The project is easily accessible from Merredin using the Great Eastern Highway - the Burracoppin South Road cross cuts some of the tenure
- The tenure comprises 17.6 km<sup>2</sup>
- The Burracoppin Project hosts several deep mine shafts mined from the 1930s
  - Previous production has been recorded at Burgess
     Find, Chrismas Gift, Benbur and Easter Gift areas
  - The Burgess Find, Chrismas Gift and Benbur mines reported production figures of 410 tonnes, 750 tonnes and 1,030 tonnes respectively
  - Previous exploration returned encouraging intercepts





- Phase I RC drill program consisted of seventeen holes drilled in four main areas targeting local strike, and dip extensions of the mineralised lodes mined historically
- Two regions distant from the main workings were also targeted (west of Benbur and the South-Eastern / Lone Tree workings)
- The overall strike length of the mineralisation between Burgess Find in the north and Benbur is about 650 m while Easter Gift is a further 1.3 km south of Benbur
- The South-Eastern Area (Lone Tree) is another 850 m to the southeast of the Easter Gift workings and represents a separate mineralised structure which was discovered during Phase I drilling program and has not been adequately drill tested
  - The drilling has also defined that the gold mineralisation is shallow and appears to be coincident with geophysical magnetic features which are associated with major structures across the project area





- Significant shallow high-grade gold mineralisation has been encountered in Phase I drilling at Burracoppin with assay results including:
  - Benbur West Area Below historic leach pad
    - <u>4m @ 4.27 g/t Au</u> from 25m in ABRC010, including
      - o <u>2m @ 7.88 g/t Au</u> from 25m; and
      - o <u>1m @ 14.60 g/t Au</u> from 26m
    - 2m @ 2.38 g/t Au from 22m in ABRC013, including
      - o <u>1m @ 4.01 g/t Au</u> from 22m
  - Benbur Area
    - 2m @ 2.03 g/t Au from 16m in ABRC008, including
       1m @ 3.07 g/t Au from 16m
    - 3m @ 1.58 g/t Au from 102m in ABRC006
  - Christmas Gift Area
    - <u>3m @ 3.57 g/t Au</u> from 40m in ABRC005, including
      - <u>1m @ 7.40 g/t Au</u> from 40m; and
      - o 1m @ 2.99 g/t Au from 42m
  - Easter Gift Area
    - 1m @ 2.95 g/t Au from 19m in ABRC015
  - Lone Tree Area
    - 3m @ 1.21 g/t Au from 15m in ABRC018





- Phase II RC drilling completed a total of 13 holes for approximately 1,300m of RC drilling
  - Potential strike length of mineralisation extended to more than 2.4km
- The main target was an untested zone of mineralisation to the West of the historic workings as identified by holes ABRC010 and ABRC013 drilled during the Phase I program completed in Q3 of 2021
- Phase II program was designed to follow up on the exploration success of the Phase I RC drilling program and targeted down-dip
  / plunge extensions of the mineralisation intersected in both the historic drilling and the Phase I RC program
- High definition drone magnetic survey completed identifying several Priority "A" structures throughout the tenement package resulting in high quality drilling targets which will be drill tested during the Phase III program
  - Phase III RC drilling program to commence in 5-6 weeks





- Review of the
  geomagnetic dataset
  suggests the
  potential for untested
  mineralised
  structures near the
  historical mineralised
  trend
- De-magnetised zones associated with structures within the geomagnetic data are also potential areas for further exploration



## Mt Maguire Gold Project, WA (AS2 - 100%)





- The Mt Maguire project is located within the Pilbara Craton in Western Australia
- The tenement is prospective for Gold, Base Metals and Iron Ore



 Gold and base metal mineralization is generally associated with structurally controlled quarts veins – shallow RAB drilling has intersected 2m @ 12.14g/t Au from 35m; 1m @ 3.84g/t Au from 33m; and 5m @ 2.67g/t Au from 36m

## Mt Maguire Gold Project, WA



- A small amount of historic drilling on Mt Maguire has identified an anomalous gold zone, but the tenement remains largely untested by modern exploration methods, which presents Askari Metals with significant exploration potential
- Gold mineralisation intersected in historical drilling includes:
  - 1m @ 6.74g/t Au from 25m
  - 18m @ 1.16g/t Au from 20m
  - 2m @ 12.14g/t Au from 35m
  - 1m @ 3.84g/t Au from 33m
  - 5m @ 2.67g/t Au from 36m
- Within the region there are a few small lead and silver deposits including the Silent Sisters Mine, Arial Mine and the North Kooline deposit
- Majority of the mineralisation is associated with quartz veins, faults or both
- The Mt Maguire Project is situated immediately south of Rio Tinto's Paraburdoo Iron Ore operations

#### Mt Maguire Gold Project, WA







Multiple untested structures exist at the Mt Maguire project

- Literature review highlights the potential for gold and base metal mineralisation
- Planned field program to commence in Q2 of 2022
- Historical exploration only focused on a small discrete area leaving significant upside

## Springdale Copper-Gold Project, NSW (AS2 – 100%)





- Located 16km west of the town of Temora NSW
- Several historic gold mines located along N-S trending structures associated with the Springdale fault zone, which is a N-S splay off the major crustal scale Gilmore Suture zone 5km to the south
- The historic mines were high grade (up to 40g/t in production records) and worked in the 1800's
- Previous explorers have conducted
   rudimentary exploration with some drilling
   under old workings at the KD workings this
   drilling returned 3.9m @ 2.2g/t Au from 66m
   depth down hole

## Springdale Copper-Gold Project, NSW



- Springdale Project covers more than 30km strike of fertile volcanic and sedimentary stratigraphy
- Springdale area has previously produced highgrade gold from artisanal mining, with more than 20 separate workings through the tenement area associated with gold-bearing quartz veins and old alluvial workings
- Askari plans to start exploration on the Springdale exploration license as soon as possible
- Potential for structurally controlled gold mineralisation in the central tenement area with porphyry copper-gold and IOCG potential also being investigated across the project area
- Along strike of the Junee Copper-Gold Porphyry Project held by DevEx Resources Limited (ASX: DEV) and to the east of the Temora Copper-Gold Deposits held by Sandfire Resources Limited (ASX: SFR)

## Value Catalysts and Key Drivers for 2022



#### Burracoppin Gold Project

- Ongoing RC and Diamond Drilling Phase II recently completed and Phase III due to commence in Q2 of 2022
- Soil auger geochemistry program to define the extensions of the mineralising gold structures
- Metallurgical testwork
- Assay results from Phase II and III RC drilling campaigns



#### Horry Copper Project

- Maiden RC Drilling campaign initially targeting 2,000m of RC drilling testing high-grade copper structures at Horry Horse prospect area
- Metallurgical testwork
- Follow-on field programs designed to test the polymetallic features of the project (Au + Ag + Cu)



#### Barrow Creek Lithium Project

- Phase II soil and rock sampling campaign assays expected in April 2022
- Maiden RC Drilling campaign initially targeting 2,000m of RC drilling testing high-priority areas
- Phase III rock sampling campaign at the South-East project targets

#### Yarrie Lithium Project

Phase I mapping, soil and rock sampling campaign

#### **Investment Summary**





#### **Australian Focused**

- Battery metals (Li + Cu) and gold explorer – *leveraged to strong global outlook for key metals*
- Australia offers a low-risk jurisdiction in a well regulated environment



#### **Clean Energy Focus**

- Commitment to future exploration and development in a practical and environmentally sustainable manner
- Core ESG principles adopted to ensure adherence to global best practices

Battery Metals supercycle

- Timing, location
  and commodity coming out of
  bottom of Lithium
  cycle ideal time
  to continue
  exploration &
  develop battery
  metals projects
- Exposure to lithium + copper exploration



#### **Demand Deficit**

Adoption of EVs around the globe means Lithium and Tantalum are in demand – supply deficit predicted by 2023

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