



Joburg Heritage Virtual Tours and Talks Presents
“The Story of the Discovery of Gold on the Witwatersrand”

Saturday 24th October 2020 at 2.00PM for 2.15 pm

Please join us as **David Forrest** shares the story of the richest and largest gold find in the world.

The story begins many millions of year ago, with the Great Inland Sea, when volcanoes and earthquakes rocked the earth, a great meteorite, as large as Table Mountain smashed into the earth from the south tilting the gold and mineral rich layers downward and upwards like a saucer exposing the outcrop later to be discovered.

We cover the early pioneers who mined on the Witwatersrand before the main reef was discovered and will then follow the stories of the three Georges, each claiming to have discovered the main reef. Great drama when the mines got deeper, and the mercury process failed. In 1890 the mining industry nearly collapsed. “Grass will grow in the streets of Johannesburg within a year said a very depressed Percy Fitzpatrick.”

These Tours are Open To All – Please Note Space may be Limited.

There is a Nominal Fee of R40.00 for fully paid up members of the Johannesburg Heritage Foundation, Forest Town, Houghton, Norwood, Oaklands, Parktown, Parkview and Westcliff Associations who pay only R40.00. You need to register with Eira on: mail@joburgheritage.co.za

Non-Members to Pay R80.00 by EFT into The Johannesburg Heritage Foundation Account:

If you have registered and paid you will receive the link on Friday 23rd October:

Banking Details: NEDBANK

Account Number: 1944023011

Please use your Surname and “VTDG” as the Reference

If you want to join, and still need to pay your Membership Fee, please e-mail Eira on:
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(Note: Tours begin Promptly at 14H15, so please sign in at least 5 minutes before the tour Starts)