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I would like to thank the outgoing editor of *Preview*, John Theodoridis, for his generosity in sharing his expertise and in coaching me through the editorial transition period. John and I share a vision for *Preview* as a lively forum for the exchange of ideas and information between Australian geophysicists, and I hope to go part way towards realising that vision during my term as editor.

John and I both stand on the shoulders of those editorial giants, David Denham and Anne-Marie Anderson-Mayes. I will be asking David and Anne-Marie, and any ASEG Members I can get within

earshot, about how they think *Preview* should evolve over the coming years. I would also like your views about what you would like to see in your magazine. Please write to me at previeweditor@aseg.org.au and tell me what you think. I intend to publish your letters, although I may have to edit any prose that is overly wordy or potentially defamatory. Please also send me news from your corner of the geophysics world to share with *Preview* readers – the same caveats will apply!

I would like to welcome or rather, welcome back, Helena Clements as the Production Editor of *Preview*. The members of the production team are the unsung heroes of a magazine like *Preview* and are largely responsible for the magazine's look and feel. Helena is a very experienced Production Editor and previously worked with both David and Anne-Marie.

I picked up my first copy of *Preview* not long after I joined the ASEG and when I was working in CRC AMET in Perth in the 1990s. I have never lost the sense of camaraderie I felt when I

held that first copy of *Preview* in my hands. Camaraderie is what we need in hard times and hard times are being experienced by many geophysicists as minerals exploration slows and state and federal governments slash their budgets. In the next issue we turn the spotlight on Canberra and examine the federal government's proposed Exploration Development Incentive scheme, which promises financial support for junior exploration companies, as well as the future of geophysics at GA and in CSIRO.

In the interim I encourage you to enjoy this issue, including the quirky contributions of some of our associate editors, the potentially controversial review of the book by Mike Dentith and Steve Mudge on geophysics for the mineral exploration geoscientists, and the feature articles on understanding magnetism in the Musgrave Block and evaluating ASTER information content in NSW.

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