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ATHEAD - 1

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 GLOMAR III  
 W.P. 173

IES	Run 1	2	825 - 1344
"	" 2	"	1344 - 2030
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"	" 1	5	825 - 1344
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BHCS/GR.	" 1	2	825 - 1330
BHCS	" 2	"	1330 - 3490
BHCS/GR.	" 1	5	825 - 1330
BHCS	" 2	"	1330 - 3490
FDC	" 1	2	1326 - 2031
"	" 2	"	2031 - 3497
"	" 1	5	1326 - 2031
"	" 2	"	2031 - 3497
GRN	" 1	2	1326 - 2326
"	" 1	5	1326 - 2326



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Cont. Depmeter <sup>other T/S</sup> 3 arms. " 1  
 TEMPERATURE LOG. R1+2 TH  
 FIT " 1. sect N° 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. + 2 copies of  
 Core Lab. report for Core Mud & Cuttings Analysis, includes Complete Coregraph  
 CORE ANALYSIS RESULTS CORES 2-7. B.M.R. & Grapholog + 1 copy  
 Paleontology by David Taylor.  
 Palynology L.E. Stover. Plus revision  
 Time Depth Curve (needs masking)  
 Side wall Core Descriptions. From 1007 - 3442' Plus 1 copy from 1374 - 3442'.  
 Well Completion Log. Plus 1 copy \* AMDEL REPORT GS 235/81  
 Geological Cross Section A-A  
 Structure Map. Top of Latorbe Complex.  
 Isochron Map of Greensand - Strzelecki Interval.  
 Structure Map on Top of Lakes Entrance "Greensand"  
 Geological Cross Section B-B'  
 Structure Map Inner Strzelecki Mapping Point  
 Core Descriptions 1-7 Plus 1 copy 3-7  
 Structure Contours Latorbe Delta Topographic Surface.  
 Weekly Reports 28/4/69 - 26/5/69. 141282  
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 Core 1-7 and cuttings 860 - 3472 IN STORE.

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# FLATHEAD-1.

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## Statistical Summary

Lease: Vic-P/1, Shot Point 8524, Line EH-120A.  
Latitude: 38° 01' 21"  
Longitude: 148° 32' 04"  
Elevation: Sea Level Datum, Rotary Table 31'  
Water Depth: 174'  
Total Depth: 3496'  
Spud Date: April 25, 1969.  
Completion Date: May 26, 1969.  
Well Status: Plugged and abandoned as a non-commercial oil discovery.

## Generalised Lithology

The Gippsland Formation consisted of soft grey, fossiliferous marl interbedded with occasional thin skeletal limestones from the sea floor down to a depth of 1468'. The underlying Lakes Entrance formation was represented by 74' of glauconitic siltstone. The interval 1542-1564' contained porous and permeable quartzose sandstones of the Latrobe Complex. These sandstones were well rounded, coarse grained and conglomeratic. The underlying Strzelecki Group consisted predominantly of lithic-feldspathic sandstone with an abundant clay matrix, interbedded with occasional thin coal beds. These sandstones in general exhibited poor permeability, in comparison to sandstones of the Latrobe Complex.



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The Lakes Entrance "greensand" which apparently uniformly drapes the structure is composed of mostly tight glauconitic siltstone with thin permeable sands (based on sidewall core examination). Structural closure, as mapped on the top of the Lakes Entrance "greensand", is indicated to be approximately 500' ±. The area of closure extends over 12 square miles (Plate I). The present structural configuration appears to be Miocene or younger in age.

The porous and permeable Latrobe sandstone complex was originally anticipated to be about 350' thick, however, only 22' of the Latrobe section were present in the well. Due to thinness, the Latrobe cannot be defined on the seismic section and the reflection mapped is the Lakes Entrance "greensand". Most of the Latrobe core was too unconsolidated for analysis, however, a few samples yield porosities from 34% to 41% and permeabilities of 300 Md to 1200 Md. These sediments do appear to thicken away from the structure. Underlying sandstones of the Strzelecki Group appear for the most part to be clay-choked and poor reservoir rocks. However, the upper 200 ft. of Strzelecki, does have fair to good porosity and permeability. From core analysis over most of this interval porosity ranges from 25% - 35% and permeability from less than 10 Md to greater than 500 Md. Considering only those sands with a permeability of 100 millidarcies or greater to be potentially oil productive, 35' net sand occur in the 85' gross of Strzelecki down to the lowest recorded oil at 1649' K.B. This is in addition to the 22' of net sand in the Latrobe. The time of oil accumulation is postulated to be post Oligocene.

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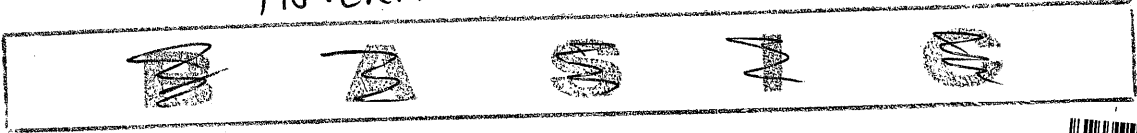
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COMPLETION REPORT

FLATHEAD I

B.L. Culp  
April 19, 1970.

# INTERPRETATIVE

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<u>Age</u>	<u>Group or Formation</u>	<u>Interval</u>
Miocene-Oligocene	Gippsland Formation	Sea Floor - 1468'
Oligocene	Lakes Entrance Fm.	1468-1542
Unconformity		
Eocene-U. Paleocene	Latrobe	1542-1564
Unconformity		
Lower Cretaceous	Strzelecki Group	1564-3496 T.D.

Note: Interval depths are from the electrical log. Subtract 31' K.B. to obtain subsea values.

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Lakes Entrance "Greensand". Plate 1.
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- DATE\_RECEIVED =
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Strzelecki Mapping Point (Well tops on  
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DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Flathead area Isochron map  
of Greensand- Strzelecki interval.  
Plate 4.  
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DATE\_RECEIVED =  
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WELL\_NAME = Flathead-1  
CONTRACTOR =  
CLIENT\_OP\_CO = Esso Australia

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Complex. Plate 3.
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DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Geological Cross Section  
A-A'. Plate 5.  
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## 2. LITHOLOGY



Lithology:

- 865 to 1040 feet: Marl: light green, fossiliferous, massive, soft, slightly glauconitic, interbedded with coquina and trace sand.
- 1040 to 1130 feet: Marl as above, interbedded with coquina and limestone, hard, micritic, skeletal.
- 1130 to 1340 feet: Limestone interbedded with marl, coquina and trace sand.
- 1340 to 1525 feet: Mudstone: light grey to light green, very soft to moderately firm, non-calcareous, grades to shale.  
Shale: light green to light grey, soft, non-fissile, silty.  
Siltstone: medium to dark brown, hard, glauconitic, non-calcareous.
- 1525 to 1545 feet: Sandstone: unconsolidated, very fine to coarse-grained, rounded to sub-angular grains, pale yellow fluorescence and weak cut.
- Core No.1 1545 to 1549 feet; cut 4 ft, recovered 2 ft:  
Barrel jammed.  
Recovered 2 feet of unconsolidated sand, very fine to coarse-grained, good fluorescence, cut and odour.
- Core No.2 1549 to 1555 feet; cut 6 ft, recovered 6 ft:  
Sandstone: few thin shale streaks, good fluorescence, odour and cut.
- Core No.3 1555 to 1576 feet; cut 21 ft, rec. 16 ft:  
1 foot unconsolidated, conglomeratic sandstone, pebbly, spotty fluorescence.  
13 feet massive sandstone: fine to coarse grained, light brown, bright yellow fluorescence, good cut and odour.  
2 feet cross-bedded sandstone, shows as above.
- Core No.4 1576 to 1607 feet; cut 31 ft, rec. 31 ft:  
Top 6 inches Shale.  
7½ feet Shale.  
3 inches Sandstone no show.  
1¾ feet Shale.  
1 foot Sandstone; no show.  
2 feet Shale.  
1 foot Siltstone.  
2½ feet Sandstone; no show.  
Bottom 14½ feet Shale interbedded with sandstone with shows.

- Core No.5 1607 to 1660 feet; cut 53 ft, rec. 47 ft:
- 3 feet Interbedded sandstone and shale with fluorescence, cut and odour.
  - 2 feet Sandstone and some shale; good fluorescence.
  - 3 feet Sandstone: massive, good show.
  - 3 inches Shale.
  - 1 ft 9 ins Sandstone: massive, good show.
  - 9 feet Interbedded sandstone and shale; good show.
  - 4 feet Sandstone with shale laminae; good show.
  - 6 inches Siltstone: light grey, no shows.
  - 2 ft 6 ins Interbedded sandstone and siltstone; good show in sandstone.
  - 10 feet Sandstone: massive, fine to medium-grained, fluorescence, odour, cut and bleeding gas.
  - 11 feet Shale: with some coal.
- Core No.6 1660 to 1716 feet; cut 56 ft, rec. 56 ft:
- 4 feet Shale: medium grey, silty, slightly carbonaceous, rare plant debris, blocky.
  - 1 foot Sandstone quartz to quartz wacke, light grey, very fine to fine grained, sub-angular, well sorted, abundant lithics and clay, poor visible porosity, slightly friable, no shows.
  - 26 feet Shale as above.
  - 15½ feet Sandstone as above, no shows.
  - 1½ feet Sandstone: dolomitic, no shows.
  - 1½ feet Sandstone: non dolomitic, slightly friable, no shows.
  - 1½ feet Sandstone: dolomitic.
  - 4½ feet Sandstone: non dolomitic, friable, no shows.
  - 1½ feet Sandstone: dolomitic.
- 1716 to 1840 feet: Sandstone: mixed as above, some with calcareous cement.
- 1840 to 1980 feet: Claystone: white, soft, fissile, light grey, waxy blocky shale, trace sand.
- 1980 to 2000 feet: Sandstone as above, noted trace pink and green chert, fine to medium grained.
- 2000 to 2070 feet: Clay and shale with occasional coal streaks.
- 2070 to 2092 feet: Cuttings lost.



Lithology: CONT

- 2092 to 2142 feet: Drilled while cleaning up hole.
- 2142 to 2810 feet: Mainly shale, grey, blocky, minor quartzwacke, very fine to medium-grained, abundant lithics and unweathered feldspar, interstitial clay and dolomitic cement, poor porosity and permeability, rare thin coal bed.
- 2810 to 3472 feet: Interbedded siltstone and shale with some quartzwacke.

Core No. 7, 3472 to 3494 feet, cut 22 feet, rec. 22 feet -

3472 to 3493 ft 6 ins: Sandstone, arkosic, slightly dolomitic, very fine to fine-grained with some medium-grained, abundant lithics and feldspar, poor porosity, no shows.

3493<sup>6</sup> to 3494<sup>0</sup>: Shale, grey to light grey, carbonaceous, hard.

No significant gas readings.

Test Results:

- F.I.T. No. 1, 1648 feet - 2000 ccs filtrate, scum of oil.
- ✓ No. 2, 1644 feet - 1500 ccs filtrate.
- ✓ No. 3, 1555 feet - 3500 ccs mud - packer failure.
- No. 4, 1498 feet - 1000 ccs filtrate
- No. 5, 1645 feet - 2000 ccs filtrate, scum of oil.
- No. 6, 1484 feet - 1700 ccs filtrate.
- No. 7, 1567 feet - mis-run.
- No. 8, 1567 feet - mis-run.
- No. 9, 1567 feet - 1700 ccs filtrate.
- No. 10, 1625 feet - mis-run.
- No. 11, 1625 feet - 2000 ccs filtrate.

Production test - 1607 to 1652 feet - nil returns  
(see above).

## 2.1 CORE DESCRIPTION

part of 12900010 1/7  
ESSO STANDARD OIL (AUSTRALIA) LTD.

# CORE DESCRIPTION



Core No. 1

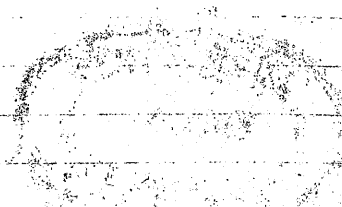
WELL: FLATHEAD-1

Interval Cored 1545-1549 ft., Cut 4 ft., Recovered 2 ft., (.50 %) Fm. LATROBE

Bit Type C-14, Bit Size in., Desc. by J. BLACK Date 3/5/69

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" = 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
45 10 20 30 40 49				SAND - CLEAR & FROSTY WHITE QZ F/CRSE W FEW WELL RND Pebb. TO 3cm. UNCONSOL. SUBANG TO SUB RND GOOD POR & PERM. GOOD BRIGHT YELLO FL W/ GOOD CUT WEAK PETR. ODR

REMARKS:





CORE DESCRIPTION

Core No. 2

WELL: FLATHEAD #1

Interval Cored 1549-1555 ft., Cut 6 ft., Recovered 6 ft., (100 %) Fm. in ATROBE

Bit Type C-22 , Bit Size in., Desc. by J. BLACK Date 4/5/69

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
0				
50			1549-50 1/2	SAND - BRN WH. f/m q subang QTZ UNCON-SOL. w/ few 1/2" BRN-gry CONSOLID. SHALE STREAKS. SD. HAS GOOD FL., GOOD CUT, FAIR ODOR, STAINED.
55			1550 1/2 - 53 1/2	SAND - AS ABOVE BUT SPOTTY FL. GOOD CUT, FAIR ODOR.
			1553 1/2 - 55	SAND - CL. & FROSTY WH. F/V. CRSE QTZ w/ few QTZ pebbles TO 3 CM. GOOD FL GOOD CUT & ODOR.

REMARKS:



CORE DESCRIPTION

Core No. A

WELL: FLATHEAD-1

Interval Cored 1576-1607 ft., Cut 31 ft., Recovered 31 ft., (100%) Fr. LATROBE

Bit Type C-22, Bit Size 8 5/16" in., Desc. by R.V. Hicks Date 1 MAY 1968

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" = 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
			1576-1576 1/2	interlaminated shale & sandstone shale on grey waxy, v fine mica, firm laminated
			1576 1/2-84	Shale aa
			1584-1584.25	Ss w/ shale lamina, ss-vt, lt qz, abdt lithics clay chkd, p vis dk, g flour yel, cut, odor
			1584.25-1586	Shale aa.
			1586-1587	Sandstone vt-f lt qz aa N.S.
			1587-1589	Shale aa
			1589-1596	Siltstone m lt qz N.S.
			1596-1592.5	Sandstone vt qz, abdt lithics & clay, biotite common, sub ang, w silt, p dk, N.S.
			1592.5-1607	Shale aa w/ interlaminated ss and thin beds of sandstone 4"-6" thick sandstone - vt-f, sub ang to subed, w silt, abdt lithics and clay, weathered folds, blk & green chert common, sands w/ g even yel flour, g cut & odor

REMARKS:

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CORE DESCRIPTION

Core No. 5

WELL: FLATHEAD - 1

Interval Cored 1607-1660 ft., Cut 53 ft., Recovered 53 ft., (100%) Fm. LATROBE

Bit Type C-11, Bit Size 8 5/16 in., Desc. by R.V. HICKS, Date 5 MAY 1960

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" = 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
0	1607			
10			1607-1610	inter lam ss & sh, ss - gtzwack, vt, w srt'd, sub ang lt qy, lith & clay common, fr Ø&K, fr yel flour, fr cut, & odor
12				Shale - dk qy, carb mica
15			1610-12	Ss. w/ occ thin sh lam, litho aa
17			1612-1615	Ss, lt qy, gtzwack, vt-f, wthd felds, biotite, clay common, poor vis Ø&K, Good flour & cut.
26			1615-1615.25	Shale, m qy, mica, lam to fis.
30			1615.25-1617	Sandstone aa
36			1617-1626	inter lam ss & sh, ss - (gtzwack) srt-vf, lt qy, w srt'd, some clay, q. sho, Sh, m qy mica, X-bdd.
46			1626-1630	Ss, w/ occ sh lam, & sh clast to 1/4" - 1" ss, vt-f, lt fan-lt qy, abdt lithics & clay, q. show
			1630-1630.5	Siltstn, v lt qy N.S.
			1630.5-1632.5	Interbdd siltstn & ss aa N.S.
			1632.5-1638.5	Siltstn aa
			1638.5-1636	Interbdd siltstn & ss aa
			1636-1646	Ss. lt qy, f-m, sub ang-subrd, w srt'd. (gtzwack) abundant lith & clay, p vis Ø&K, q yel flour, q. cut, q odor, bleeding O&G
60	1660		1646-1660	Sh, m qy to dk qy, v finely lam & X-bdd, carb, mica common, occ thin coal stk.

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CORE DESCRIPTION

Core No. 6

WELL: FLATHEAD-1

Interval Cored 1660-1716 ft., Cut 56 ft., Recovered 56 ft., (100%) Fm. LATROBE

Bit Type C-11, Bit Size 8 5/16 in., Desc. by R.V. HICKS Date 5 MAY 1960

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" = 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
60			1660-1664	Shale m grey silty, sl carb, rare plant debris, blk
64			1664-1665	Sandstone (Quartzwackly) lt grey, vt-f gr subang w srt'd, abdt lithic & clay N.S.
65			1665-1691	Shale ag
71			1691-1706.5	Sandstone, (qtzwackly) vt-f occ m, subang, well srt'd, Lithic distite, clay abdt, poor vis d+k, N.S. sl fri
80			1706.5-1708	Sandstone dolitic, lt gr, vt-f, sub ang w srt'd, Lithics common, hd, tt, NS
88			1708-1709.5	Sandstone non dolitic, ag
10			1709.5-1711	Sandstone dolitic ag
			1711-1714.5	Sandstone non dolitic ag
			1714.5-1716	Sandstone dolitic ag

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**CORE DESCRIPTION**

Core No. 7

WELL: FLATHEAD-1

Interval Cored 3472-3494 ft., Cut 22 ft., Recovered 22 ft., (100 %) Fm. STREZ

Bit Type C-20, Bit Size 0 5/16 in., Desc. by R.V. Hicks Date 11 May 1969

Depth & Coring Rate (min./ft.)	Graphic (1" = 5')	Shows	Interval (ft.)	Descriptive Lithology
<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">3472</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: 5px;">3494</div>			<p>3472 - 3493.5 Sandstone (arkosic) very slightly dolomitic, greenish grey, very fine to fine occasionally medium, angular to sub angular, abundant white green and red feldspar (orthoclase and possible some plagioclase) biotite common, interstitial clay, coarse to granular some detrital coal grains concentrated in thin bands along depositional bedding planes in lower portion of core. dips vary from 20° to horizontal probably indicating beach environment.</p> <p>3493.5 - 3494 Shale, medium light grey in contact with dark brown grey carbonaceous shale with very small horizontal burrows at contact. large (to 1") sand filled burrows vertical from overlying sand. Probably indicating beach and shore face environment.</p>	

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2.2 SIDE WALL CORES

WELL CORE DESCRIPTIONS

WELL **FLATHEAD #1**

SERV. CO. **Schlumberger**

DATE **30/4/69**

LOG RUN NO. **1**

GEOLOGIST **J. BLA...**

REF. #	FILE	STATE	ATT. 34	REC. 31	PAGE 1 OF 3 PA
	<b>GIPPS/road</b>	<b>VICTORIA</b>			

NO.	DEPTH	REC	LITHOLOGY	COLOR	DISS CLAY	CONS	CALC	ODOR	FIDO	FLUORESCENCE		CUT FLUOR.		SHOW	PROB. PROD.
										DIST	INT	COL	INT		
1	1337	1 3/4	Shale - Lt. GR. V. SOFT	lt. gr.			V.								
			CLAYEY, V. CALC.												
2	1320	1/2	Shale - Lt. GRN. V. SOFT, V. CALC.	lt. GRN.			V.								
			foss, MASS clayey, Plastic												
3	1306	1 3/4	Shale - Lt. GRN. sb. GR. CALC.	lt. GRN. GR.			V.								
			V. FOSS. SOFT - M. FIRM.												
4	1297	1 1/2	Shale - Lt. GRN. CALC. FOSS. SOFT.	lt. GRN.			V.								
5	1280	0	NO RECOV. SEE SPL 34												
6	1220	1 3/4	Shale - Lt. GRN. CALC. FOSS. SOFT	lt. GRN.			V.								
7	1254	1 3/4	Shale - Med GR. CALC. V. FOSS.	M. GR.			V.								
			SOFT, w/ FRAGS Lt. GR. LS.												
8	1249	1 3/4	SHALE - Lt. GRN. GR. V. SDY	lt. GRN. GR.			V.								
			w/ f-v.f.g., V. CLAU. V. FOSS												
9	1245	1 1/2	SHALE - buff wh w/ 30% SPL	buff wh.			V.								
			MADE UP OF GLAUC., CALC.												
			FAIRLY FIRM, TR. F.G. SD. V. FOSS												
10	1232	1 1/4	SHALE - Lt. GR. MARLY	lt. GR. GR.			V.								
			SUGGY TEXTURE TR. GLAUC.												
			FAIRLY FIRM. V. CALC.												
11	1224	2"	Shale - Lt. GRN. GR. MARLY	lt. GRN. GR.			V.								
			TR. GLAUC. w/ GR. S. FOSS												
12	1212	1 3/4	Shale - Lt. GRN. GR. FAIRLY	lt. GRN. GR.			V.								
			FIRM, FOSS. w/ Module												
			of DR GRN SH. GLAUC?												

SIDEWALL CORE DESCRIPTIONS

WELL FLATHAD #1

SERV. CO. Schlumberger

LOG RUN NO. 1

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STATE Victoria

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NO.	DEPTH	REC	LITHOLOGY	REF. #	COLOR	DISS CLAY	CONS	CALC	ODOR	FIDO	FLUORESCENCE			CUT			SHOW	PROR. PROD.
											DIST	INT	COL	QUAN	COL	INT		
13	1205	2"	SHALE - Olive grey, V. FOSS CALC. FAIRLY FIRM		Olive GRY			V.										
14	1194	1"	SHALE - H. GRY, SDY, SLI FOSS, FAIRLY FIRM		Lt. GRY			V.										
15	1182	2"	SHALE - M. GRY, F. FIRM, FOSS		M. GRY			V.										
16	1167	1 3/4"	SHALE - M. GRY, F. FIRM, V. FOSS, GLAUC.		M. GRY			V.										
17	1150	1 3/4"	SHALE - LT GRN GRY, FOSS		LT GRN GRY			V.										
18	1139	2"	F. FIRM, V. CALC., GLAUC. SHALE - LT GRN GRY, FOSS		LT GRN GRY			V.										
19	1134	1 3/4"	F. FIRM, CALC, TR. GLAUC. SHALE - M. GRY, FOSS, FIRM		M. GRY			V.										
20	1111	1 3/4"	SHALE - GRN GRY, V. FOSS, F. FIRM		GRN GRY			V.										
21	1092	1"	SHALE - Buff GRY, FOSS, SDY		Buff GRY			V.										
22	1086	1 3/4"	SHALE - OLIVE GRY, FOSS.		OLIVE GRY			V.										
23	1072	1 1/2"	F. FIRM SHALE - M. GRY, SDY - SILTY, F. FIRM, FOSS		M. GRY			V.										
24	1058	1 3/4"	SHALE - OLIVE GRY, F. FIRM V. FOSS, CALC, MARLY		OLIVE GRY			V.										
25	1053	2"	SHALE - OLIVE GRY, F. FIRM V. FOSS, CALC, MARLY		OLIVE GRY			V.										
26	1042	1 3/4"	SHALE - OLIVE GRY, F. FIRM FOSS CALC, MARLY		OLIVE GRY			V.										

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SIDEWALL CORE DESCRIPTIONS

WELL **FLATHEAD #1** SERVO. CO. **SCHLUM** DATE **29/4/69** LOG RUN NO. **1**

GEOLOGIST **J. BLACK**

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REF. # **1** FIELD **GIPPSLAND** STATE **VICTORIA**

SHOW PROB. PROD.

CUT FLUOR. INT COL

CUT QUAN COL

FLUORESCENCE DIST INT COL

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27 1036 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" SHALE - LT. GRN GRY, FOSS  
F. FIRM, CALC.

28 1031 2" SHALE - 1/2 GRN. GRDY. FOSS  
F. FIRM, CALC. MARLY

29 1007 NO RECOVERY SEE #35

30 1001 NO RECOVERY

32 1320 1 1/2" REPEAT OF SPL #2  
SHALE - LT GRN, V. SOFT, PLASTIC GRN

33 1306 2" CLAYEY CALC. TR MICA  
REPEAT OF SPL #3

34 1280 2" SHALE - LT GRN, SOFT, CLAYEY GRN  
V. FOSS, CALC, TR q/mmc.

35 1007 1" SHALE - GRN GR., SOFT,  
FOSS, CALC

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FLATHEAD - 1 Side Wall Cores

Run 2



- 1374 Rec. 2" Mudstone to Marl. Very light green grey. Glauconitic, with abundant skeletal debris.
- 1400 No Recovery
- 1417 Rec. 2" Mudstone as above.
- 1436 No Recovery
- 1455 Rec. 2" Mudstone as above
- 1464 No Recovery
- 1476 Rec. 2" Siltstone brown very argillaceous (almost silty shale) very fine mica, poor visible porosity and permeability, very faint yellow florescence very poor cut.
- 1484 Rec. 2" Siltstone as above, with good cut
- 1499 Rec. 2" Siltstone brown very glauconitic, very argillaceous, very faint spotty florescence, very poor cut, poor visible porosity and permeability
- 1495 Rec. 1 3/4" Siltstone brown very glauconitic, argillaceous, dull spotty yellow florescence slow cut, poor visible porosity and permeability.
- 1498 Rec. 2" Siltstone, brown, glauconitic argillaceous, soft, friable, show as above.
- 1508 Rec. 2" Siltstone as above.
- 1516 Rec. 2" Siltstone as above.
- 1525 Rec 1 3/4" Siltstone as above with slight visible porosity and permeability, very faint yellow florescence, slow cut.
- 1533 Rec. 2" Siltstone as above.
- 1538 Rec. 2" Siltstone as above.
- 1543 Rec. 2" Siltstone to very fine grained sandstone, light tan grey, slightly argillaceous, friable, fair visible porosity and permeability.
- 1948 Rec. 3/4" Sandstone very light grey, (salt and pepper sandstone) very fine grained, sub angular, well sorted, friable, good porosity and permeability. No show.
- 1965 Rec. 1 1/4" Shale, light grey, silty, waxy, soft.
- 2042 Rec. 1 1/2" Shale as above.
- 2253 Rec. 1 1/8" Shale, medium grey, blocky soft.
- 2324 Rec. 1 1/8" Shale, medium light grey, slightly silty, waxy, with scattered carbonaceous debris.
- 2430 Rec. 1 1/2" Shale, as above.
- 2775 Rec. 3/4" Shale, medium dark grey carbonaceous blocky.

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2890

Rec.  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Shale, as above.

3015

Rec.  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Shale, black, very carbonaceous

3315

Rec.  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Shale, medium dark grey, silty, micaceous, blocky.

3442

Rec.  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Shale as above.

## 2.3 CORE ANALYSIS RESULTS



CORE ANALYSIS RESULTS

NOTE: (i) Unless otherwise stated, porosities and permeabilities were determined on two plugs (V&H) cut vertically and horizontally to the axis of the core. Ruska porosimeter and permeameter were used with air and dry nitrogen as the saturating and flowing media respectively. (ii) Oil and water saturations were determined using Soxhlet type apparatus. (iii) Acetone test precipitates are recorded as Neg., Trace, Fair, Strong or Very Strong.

WELL NAME AND NO. FLAJHEAD No. 1 DATE ANALYSIS COMPLETED OCTOBER 15, 1975

Core No.	Sample Depth		Lithology	Average Effective Porosity two plugs (% Bulk Vol.)	Absolute Permeability (Millidarcy)		Average Density (gm/cc.) Dry Apparent Bulk Grain	Fluid Saturation (% pore space)		Core Water Salinity (p.p.m. NaCl)	Acetone Test	Fluorescence of freshly broken core	Sample "cut" in tetrachlorethylene	
	From	To			V	H		Water	Oil					
2	1553'0"	1554'0"	Sst;f.gr.to c.gr.sltv	32.9	N.D.	N.D.	1.92	2.94	57	17.1	N.D.	Strong	Dull irregu- lar yellow	good
3	1555'0"	1556'0"	Sst;m.gr. arg.	36.4	N.D.	N.D.	1.71	2.69	33	26.0	N.D.	V.strong	Good even yellow	good
4	1588'6"	1589'7"	Sst;v.f.gr.	24.0	30	56	2.11	2.77	27	1c	N.D.	Trace	Nil	Nil
4	1602'0"	1603'0"	Slst;aren.	28.1	16	31	1.84	2.56	43	15.2	N.D.	Strong	Good even yellow	good
5	1610'1"	1611'0"	Sst;m.gr. arg.grvks.	31.8	N.D.	240	1.83	2.69	29	8.5	N.D.	Strong	Fair irregu- lar yellow	good
5	1616'1"	1617'7"	Slst;arg.	25.6	<0.1	N.D.	1.99	2.67	69	4.6	N.D.	Trace	Dull irregu- lar yellow	fair
5	1624'4"	1625'0"	Sst;m.gr. arg.grvks.	26.9	4.2	N.D.	1.90	2.60	52	20.6	N.D.	Fair	Dull even yellow	good
5	1630'4"	1631'4"	Sst;f.gr. arg.	25.0	4.8	5.1	2.02	2.67	43	13.0	N.D.	Trace	Dull yellow	fair

Remarks: - Core No. 1 - insufficient sample

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CORE ANALYSIS RESULTS

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WELL NAME AND NO. FLATHEAD No. 1

DATE ANALYSIS COMPLETED OCTOBER 15, 1975

Core No.	Sample Depth		Lithology	Average Effective Porosity two plugs (% Bulk Vol.)	Absolute Permeability (Millidarcy)		Average Density (gm/cc.)	Fluid Saturation (% pore space)		Core Water Salinity (p.p.m. NaCl)	Acetone Test	Fluorescence of freshly broken core	Sample "cut" in tetrachlorethylene
	From	To			V	H		Dry Bulk	Grain				
5	1652'11"	1652'11"	S1st	27.3	0.51	6.8*	1.88	2.65	65	1.0	Trace	Good even yellow	fair
6	1663'10"	1664'10"	Sst; m. gr. gryke	29.3	9.9	6.9	1.90	2.69	49	N11	N11	Dull irregu- lar yellow	N11
6	1691'11"	1692'10"	Sst; f. gr. gryke	26.3	<0.1	82	1.97	2.66	43	N11	N11	N11	N11
6	1697'10"	1697'11"	Sst; m. gr. gryke	26.5	6.5	3.7	1.96	2.67	66	N11	N11	N11	N11
6	1703'17"	1704'12"	as above	6.0	<0.1	<0.1	2.52	2.69	25	N11	N11	Trace dull yellow	N11
6	1709'10"	1709'19"	Sst; f. gr. to m. gr. carb	28.5	105	56	1.91	2.67	47	N11	N11	N11	N11
6	1712'11"	1713'10"	Sst; f. gr. gryke	25.9	1.7	5.2	1.97	2.66	59	N11	N11	N11	N11
7	3475'10"	3476'10"	Sst; f. gr. gryke	9.5	<0.1	<0.1	2.42	2.69	26	N11	N11	N11	N11

Remarks: - \* - Fractured

CORE ANALYSIS RESULTS

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DATE ANALYSIS COMPLETED OCTOBER 15, 1975

WELL NAME AND NO. FLATHEAD No. 1

Core No.	Sample Depth		Lithology	Average Effective Porosity two plugs (% Bulk Vol.)	Absolute Permeability (Millidarcy)		Average Density (gm/cc.)	Fluid Saturation (% pore space)		Core Water Salinity (p.p.m. NaCl)	Acetone Test	Fluorescence of freshly broken core	Sample "cut" in tetrachlorethylene
	From	To			V	H		Dry Bulk Grain	Water				
7	3479.12 <sup>m</sup>	3479.17 <sup>m</sup>	Sst; f. gr. gru/ke	8.6	< 0.1	< 0.1	2.39	2.61	27	N11	N11	N11	N11

Remarks: -

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### 3. PETROGRAPHY AND CLAY MINERALOGY



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Attention: N.C. Tallis

*FLATHEAD - 1.*

REPORT GS 235/81

YOUR REFERENCE: Letter of 14 July 1980  
MATERIAL: 3 sandstones  
IDENTIFICATION: 1545-48; 1555-61; 1569  
DATE RECEIVED: 15 July 1980  
WORK REQUIRED: Petrography and clay mineralogy

Investigation and Report by: Drs Brian Steveson and Roger Brown  
Manager, Geological Services Division: Dr Keith J. Henley

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Managing Director

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Three small friable sandstone fragments were received from Phillips Australian Oil Company with a request for petrography, X-ray diffraction analysis and SEM/EDAX studies.

Results of petrography and clay mineralogy have been given to the client by telephone; if SEM/EDAX work is needed more of each sample will be required. The samples submitted were as small as can be used for clay mineralogy investigations by X-ray diffraction.

## 2. PETROGRAPHY

Sample: 1545-1548; TSC30002

Rock Name:

Lithic sandstone

Thin Section:

Approximately 25% of the volume of this rock consists of detrital grains of quartz and feldspar; much of the remainder of the thin section consists of clays or secondary minerals. The diversity of the clay is strong evidence that the material is derived from original rock fragments and does not represent an argillaceous matrix deposited with the sand-grade grains. The rock is, consequently, an immature sandstone which contains a large proportion of labile rock fragments; during compaction and lithification many of the softer of these fragments have been compressed between the more rigid quartz and feldspar grains and any original porosity in the sand has been choked by this clay material filling pore throats. X-ray diffraction analysis suggest that the rock contains a significant amount of natrojarosite (a hydrated sodium iron sulphate mineral), barite and gypsum. It is likely that the barite has been derived from drill mud and the introduction of this into the rock may well have caused some reduction in porosity but it is thought that this is likely only to have been a minor effect compared with the choking of the original pores caused by the abundance of clay in the original sandstone.

The quartz grains have a wide size range up to about 0.4 mm. The average size is approximately 0.15 mm. Most of the grains are distinctly angular in shape although there is, exceptionally, a range towards subround grains. Feldspar is fresh and both microcline and plagioclase could be identified in the rock. The feldspar comprises probably less than 2% of the overall volume of the sample, however.

Between these quartz and feldspar grains is a heterogeneous mosaic of clay. In-plane polarized light there are slight differences in colour and texture which serve to show the outline of original detrital rock fragments. These are similar in size to the grains of quartz and most are equant and more or less angular in shape. Most of the clay grains contain extremely fine-grained material but in some there is evidence of intermixing of clays and quartz on a fine scale. Some probably also contain gypsum but this could not be identified optically. Some of the clay grains have, under crossed nicols, a texture which pseudomorphs a well developed cleavage and these grains are interpreted as being derived from the virtually complete

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alteration of original mica flakes. It is likely that, in the original sand, rock fragments and mica flakes comprise considerably more than 50% of the material.

The sandstone contains some equant irregular patches of translucent dark yellow material which is interpreted as being natrojarosite. The most likely interpretation of this material is that it was derived from the oxidation of pyrite and that the sodium in the natrojarosite was derived in some way from seawater (there being no other obvious source of sodium in the sandstone system).

The sample is, therefore, an extremely lithic sandstone and it is thought likely that the low porosity and permeability of the rock derived from the effect of squeezing clays into original pore throats during compaction. There has clearly been some introduction of barite into the sandstone but it is thought that this contributed only to a small extent to reduction of the sands' original porosity. The presence of a considerable suite of clay minerals indicates the heterogeneity of the lithic material and the presence of natrojarosite is thought to be a result of oxidation and alteration of pyrite associated with marine conditions.

Sample: 1555-1561; TSC30003

Rock Name:

Lithic sandstone

Thin Section:

This rock is similar in most respects to that described immediately above but it contains a little identifiable carbonate which appears to be of authigenic origin but the patches of dark material derived from the alteration of pyrite are absent. Fragments of quartz and feldspar comprise about 30 to 35% of the rock and the remainder consists of heterogeneous clays essentially of lithic origin.

The quartz and feldspar fragments (and a few quartzite fragments also) range in size up to about 0.4 mm but the material is fairly ill-sorted about an average size of approximately 0.15 mm. Feldspar is more abundant than in the rock described above and most fields of view contain one or two feldspar crystals. Most of these appear to be very slightly altered turbid potassium feldspar with somewhat less plagioclase. The grains of quartz and feldspar are generally distinctly angular in shape. Quartzite fragments are commonly finely granular rocks probably of metamorphic origin. In one place in the section there is a micrographically intergrown aggregate of quartz and ?potassium feldspar such as characterises high-level igneous intrusive rocks.

These detrital components occur in matrix of heterogeneous clays and fine-grained quartz. This material is essentially of lithic origin and consists of rock fragments similar in size to the quartz and feldspar grains which have been slightly deformed during compaction of the rock. Most of the grains are brownish, partly altered clays and some contain finely intergrown quartz and feldspar. The heterogeneity of this material is the key to realising that it is of detrital origin and is not either authigenic or derived from an original argillaceous mud deposited with the quartz and feldspar.

The rock contains a little authigenic carbonate which occurs as dark reddish patches (?of siderite) up to about 0.2 mm in size. Some of these patches have a radiating appearance with finer material near the

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centre and coarser material round the outside; the material has probably partly replaced adjacent fine-grained clay materials during a relatively late period of diagenesis of the rock.

This is an immature fine-grained sandstone containing abundant fine-grained clay fragments probably of sedimentary or metasedimentary rocks mainly. During compaction the more plastic rock fragments have been compressed between rigid quartz and feldspar grains and by this process original pore throats have been choked with clay material. Subsequently there has been a little authigenesis of carbonate but this has probably contributed only a little to the reduction in the original porosity.

Sample: 1569; TSC30004

Rock Name:

Sandy siltstone

Thin Section:

The bulk of the thin section consists of a turbid aggregate of fine-grained clay material which is distinctly heterogeneous over the area of the thin section. By analogy with the two samples described above, it is thought likely that much of the material was deposited as small silt-grade rock fragments which have subsequently been compressed, distorted and possibly slightly recrystallized. As a result of these processes, clay has been forced into pore throats particularly during compaction between the more rigid quartz and feldspar grains. This has been the principal process by which porosity in the original silt has been significantly decreased. The rock contains small amounts of authigenic kaolinite and a little authigenic carbonate; the growth of these two minerals probably contributed only a small amount to porosity reduction.

Quartz and feldspar grains are of approximately coarse silt-grade and comprise of the order of 30% of the volume of the rock. As is characteristic of grains of this size, the quartz and feldspar fragments are angular in shape. The grains are well separated from each other and there is no way in which they form any kind of framework. Feldspar is commonly a little difficult to identify but rather turbid grains and some showing a little twinning are clearly both feldspar and it is possible that there is rather more of this mineral present than is apparent from optical examination alone.

The quartz and feldspar occur in a aggregate of brown argillaceous material which shows colour and texture variations over a scale of about 0.1 to 0.2 mm. This is thought to reflect the origin of the clay as detrital material. Most of the material has a low birefringence and is possibly somewhat stained by ferruginous material. In some places clay shows a bulk extinction and hence there is some orientation of the flakes but in other grains there are more equigranular textures and in some of these there is fine-grained quartz intergrown with the clay. Most of the fragments are of metasedimentary or sedimentary fine-grained rock. One or two fragments, however, have textures which could well be derived from the alteration of original volcanic rock fragments.

The thin section contains a brownish authigenic carbonate which is present as small patches, some of which show a radial texture. Elsewhere there are rather coarse-grained aggregates of ?kaolinite and it is thought that these represent a trace amount of authigenic kaolinite which probably developed in the rock relatively early in its diagenetic history (before the porosity was markedly reduced).



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As in the case of the rocks described above, the low porosity of this sample appears to be function of the amount of clay originally deposited in the sediment; this material has been deformed and possibly somewhat dispersed during compaction of the rock and this has resulted in a significant reduction of pore space as a result of choking of pore throats with clays.

### 3. X-RAY DIFFRACTION ANALYSIS

#### 3.1 Procedure

Portion of each sample was powdered finely and used to prepare an X-ray diffractometer trace which was interpreted by standard procedures, to give the mineralogy of the bulk material.

Weighed subsamples were taken and dispersed in water with the aid of deflocculants and an electric blender, and allowed to sediment to produce a  $-4 \mu\text{m}$  e.s.d. size fraction by the pipette method. The resulting dispersions were examined by plummet balance to determine their solids contents, and were then used to produce oriented clay preparations on ceramic plates. Two plates were prepared per sample, both being saturated with  $\text{Mg}^{++}$  ions, and one in addition being treated with glycerol. When air-dry, these were examined in the X-ray diffractometer.

#### 3.2 Results

The results are given in Table 1, which lists the following:

- (a) The mineralogy of the total sample, as derived from examination of the bulk material, with supporting evidence as available. The minerals found are listed in approximate order of decreasing abundance, using the semiquantitative abbreviations given. Coverage of clays may be incomplete, and for full clay mineralogy Section (c) should be consulted. This Section (a) is for information on non-clay minerals and to give a general idea of the makeup and proportions.
- (b) The proportion of the sample found to separate into the  $-4 \mu\text{m}$  size fraction, as determined by the plummet balance. The figure obtained applies only to the pre-treatment and dispersion conditions used.
- (c) The mineralogy of the  $-4 \mu\text{m}$  fraction, given as Section (a).

TABLE 1: MINERALOGY BY X-RAY DIFFRACTION ANALYSIS

Sample	(1) 1545-48	(2) 1555-1561	(3) 1569
Mineralogy of bulk:	Q B NJ F Gy M Cal?	Q F K C M	Q F B C K M
	D A Tr-A Tr-A Tr-A Tr-A Tr-A	CD CD A A A	D A-SD A A A A
-4 μm fract. % of total:	9	23	11
Mineralogy:	M K Mo B NJ Q	Mo K M Q C	Mo K M C Q
	D SD A-SD A A Tr	D A A A Tr-A	D SD A A Tr-A

Mineral Key:

B	Barite	K	Kaolinite
C	Chlorite	M	Mica/illite
Cal	Calcite	Mo	Montmorillonite (smectite)
F	Feldspar	NJ	Natrojarosite
Gy	Gypsum	Q	Quartz

Semiquantitative Abbreviations:

- D = Dominant. Used for the component apparently most abundant, regardless of its probable percentage level.
- CD = Co-dominant. Used for two (or more) predominating components, both or all of which are judged to be present in roughly equal amounts.
- SD = Sub-dominant. The next most abundant component(s) providing its percentage level is judged above about 20.
- A = Accessory. Components judged to be present between the levels of roughly 5 and 20%. Trace. Components judged to be below about 5%.

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Barite is estimated in sample 1 as 10 to 20% and in sample 3, 5 to 10%. These are very approximate estimates; accurate measurement of the proportion of barite should be obtained from a barium analysis.

#### 4. PALYNOLOGY

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PALYNOLOGY OF SAMPLES FROM CORES 6 AND 7,

FLATHEAD-1 (ESSO, GIPPSLAND BASIN)

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PALYNOLOGY OF SAMPLES FROM CORES 6 AND 7, FLATHEAD-1 (ESSO, GIPPSLAND  
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As part of a review of the Gippsland Basin cores 6 (Latrobe Fm.) and 7 (Strzelecki Fm) of Flathead-1 were sampled for palynology and maturity studies. Of the 10 samples available, 8 were selected for preparation. All gave an acid-insoluble residue of plant remains and palynomorphs. Results were as follows:

1662 - 1696 ft. (6 core samples) : rich and varied assemblages of pollen and spores, well-preserved. The presence of COPTOSPORA PARADOXA, CLAVATIPOLLENITES HUGHESII, CUPULIFEROIDOPOLLENITES cf. PARVULUS, DICTYOTOSPORITES COMPLEX, CRYBELOSPORITES STRIATUS, LYCOPODIUMSPORITES INTRAVERRUCATUS and L. CIRCOLUMENUS, together with the absence of PROTEACIDITES spp. and NOTHOFAGIDITES spp suggests a base Late Cretaceous (Uppermost Albian (= Vraconian) to ? Turonian) age. Some Triassic reworking was noted.

No dinoflagellates or other marine indicators were present. Acritarchs were found at 1696 ft. and these may indicate brackish conditions. The assemblages as a whole, including the types and sizes of the plantremains suggest a non-marine, fluvial/lacustrine environment of deposition. Sporomorph-colours, both under transmitted white light and using U.V. incident light indicate that the organic matter is immature for hydrocarbon generation. One sample, at 1676 ft. is very organic rich (6 millilitre of O.M per 10 grams of sediment) and is of source rock quality. Type of organic matter : humic.

3487 - 3493 ft. (2 core samples) : assemblages, although rich in specimens, were of very poor diversity and lacked markers.

Bisaccates and MICROCACHRYDITES ANTARCTICUS were most common. Of the spores present BACULATISPORTES COMAUMENSIS, CICATRICOSISPORITES AUSTRALIENSIS, LEPTOLEPIDITES VERRUCATUS, NEORAISTRICKIA TRUNCATA and a single DICTYOTOSPORITES SPECIOSUS were noted. All are longer ranging types, and although the assemblages are definitely not older than Lower Cretaceous it is impossible to be more precise.

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## INTRODUCTION

As part of a regional study of microplankton from the Nothofagidites asperus Zone in the Gippsland Basin, dinoflagellate bearing samples from Flathead -1 at 1495 and 1516 feet were studied. Evans & Mulholland, 1969 (Palynology Report 1969/8) provisionally assigned an Oligocene age to both samples.

## SUMMARY

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Drill Depth</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Dinoflagellate Zone</u>
swc	1495 feet	Oligocene or younger	Unnamed
swc	1516 feet	M/L Eocene	<u>D. extensa</u>

## COMMENTS

Spores, pollen and dinoflagellates are sparse in the sample from 1495 feet. Except for Epicephalopyxis indentata and Operculodinium centrocarpum - both long ranging forms - no definitive Late Eocene dinoflagellates were observed. Specimens of Nothofagidites dominate the spore-pollen fraction.

A considerably more diverse palynomorph assemblage was recovered from the sample at 1516 feet. The spores and pollen suggest that the sample is from the older part of the N. asperus Zone and this contention is supported by the dinoflagellates. The sample contains Peridinium eocenicum and Leptodinium reticulodotum, both of which begin in Taylors late Middle Eocene N zonule in the Browns Creek section. The sample also contains Diphyes colligerum which has also been identified in Tuna -3 at 4500 feet and in Bream -3 at 6447 feet.

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BASIN GIPPSLAND DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WELL NAME FLATHEAD -1 ELEVATION KB +31 feet.

AGE	PALYNOLOGIC ZONES	HIGHEST DATA				LOWEST DATA				
		Preferred Depth	Rtg.	Alternate Depth	Rtg.	Preferred Depth	Rtg.	Alternate Depth	Rtg.	2 way time
ECCENE	<u>P. tuberculatus</u>									
	<u>U. N. asperus</u>									
	<u>M. N. asperus</u>									
	<u>L. N. asperus</u>	1516	1	1495	2	1516	1			
	<u>P. asperopolus</u>	1549	1			1550	1			
	<u>U. M. diversus</u>									
	<u>M. M. diversus</u>									
	<u>L. M. diversus</u>									
PALEOCENE	<u>U. L. balmei</u>									
	<u>L. L. balmei</u>									
	<u>T. longus</u>									
CENEZOIC	<u>T. lilliei</u>									
	<u>N. senectus</u>									
	<u>C. trip./T.pach.</u>									
	<u>C. distocarin.</u>									
	<u>T. pannosus</u>									
EARLY CRETACEOUS	<u>C. striatus</u>	1580	2			3494	2			
PRE-CRETACEOUS	T.D.	3496								

COMMENTS: Deflandrea heterophlycta Zone 1495 (2) - 1516 (1)

- RATINGS: 0; SWC or CORE, EXCELLENT CONFIDENCE, assemblage with zone species of spores, pollen and microplankton.  
 1; SWC or CORE, GOOD CONFIDENCE, assemblage with zone species of spores and pollen or microplankton.  
 2; SWC or CORE, POOR CONFIDENCE, assemblage with non-diagnostic spores, pollen and/or microplankton.  
 3; CUTTINGS, FAIR CONFIDENCE, assemblage with zone species of either spore and pollen or microplankton, or both.  
 4; CUTTINGS, NO CONFIDENCE, assemblage with non-diagnostic spores, pollen and/or microplankton.

NOTE: If a sample cannot be assigned to one particular zone, then no entry should be made. Also, if an entry is given a 3 or 4 confidence rating, an alternate depth with a better confidence rating should be entered, if possible.

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Latrobe Group

Cores 3, 4 and 6 (1570', 1583', 1693'): Middle to Late Albian

All the above samples showed the same basic spore and pollen assemblage. Gymnospermous trisaccate and bisaccate pollen grains dominate the assemblage, e.g. *Podocarpidites ohikaensis*, *P. cf. ellipticus*, *Podosporites microsaccatus* (Core 4), and *Alisporites grandis* (Core 3). Common spores include the abundant *Cicatricosisporites australiensis*, *Cyathidites australis*, *Lycopodiumsporites austroclavatidites*, *L. nodosus* and *Aequitriradites spinulosus*. Spores found in core samples 3 and 4 but not in 6 include *Osmundacidites wellmanii*, *Foveotriletes cf. parviretus*, *Ceratospores equalis* and *Foraminisporis dailyi*. The latter species is not found later than Albian. In finer detail, each assemblage differs slightly. Only in core sample 3 are *Schizosporis reticulatus*, *Rouseisporites reticulatus*, *Pilosporites cf. notensis* and *Foraminisporis asymmetricus* (Barremian-Albian) noted. In core sample 4, *Velosporites triquetrus* and *Leptolepidites major* are found. In core sample 6, the assemblage differs with the appearance of *Klukisporites scaberis*, *Pilosporites parvispinosus* (Barremian-Albian), *Rouseisporites radiatus*, *Araucariacidites australis* and *Dictyotosporites cf. speciosus*. The latter species is used by Dettmann and Playford 1969 as a zone fossil. They give a stratigraphic range of Valanginian to Aptian. Morgan and others, however, extend this to the Early Albian. The occurrence of *D. cf. speciosus* with *Coptospora paradoxa* in core sample 6 would, on the Dettmann and Playford zonation scheme, give a precise age as Latest Aptian, i.e. earliest *Coptospora paradoxa* zone. The work of Burger, Morgan and others, however, suggests a Middle Albian to earliest Late Albian age. *Coptospora paradoxa* also occurs in core sample 3. This, together with the occurrence of *Crybelosporites striatus* in core samples 3, 4 and 6, places these assemblages in the *Coptospora paradoxa* zone.

Core 7: 3490' Early Albian

The spore and pollen assemblage resembles the Late Albian assemblages of core samples 3, 4 and 6 in containing common trisaccates and bisaccates. Spores, which are found in numbers, include *Cicatricosisporites australiensis*, the zone fossils *Crybelosporites striatus* and *Foraminisporis wonthaggiensis* (Valanginian to Albian). Other species noted include *Cyathidites australis*, *Foraminisporis dailyi*, *Pilosporites parvispinosus*, *Aequitriradites spinulosus*, *Osmundacidites wellmanii*, *Lycopodiumsporites austroclavatidites*, *Cicatricosisporites hughesi*, *Rouseisporites reticulatus*, *R. simplex* and *Araucariacidites australis*. The presence of *Dictyotosporites filiosus*, together with the absence of *Coptospora paradoxa*, indicates a Middle to Late Aptian age, according to the zonation of Dettmann and Playford 1969, or an Early Albian age after the zonation scheme by Burger, which is used in this report.

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DISCUSSION

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The greater part of the Gippsland Basin lies off the coast of South East Victoria. Published information (Stover and Evans 1973) indicates that the basin is fault bounded to the north and south forming a graben structure. The basin has been folded by N.W. to S.E. compressional forces, producing a series of anticlinal folds, trending approximately N.E. to S.W. usually subparalleling the Victorian coastline.

Fig.1 shows the relative offshore positions of each well in this study. Fig.2, a cross section, attempts to correlate the ages of the Labtrobe Group and Strzelecki Group in each well across the basin. The base of the Oligocene is used as the standard time horizon and, with the exception of Barracouta-1, this is the base of the Gurnard Formation (Oligocene). Only the age diagnostic species have been inserted on the cross section. Few time lines can be drawn with certainty, since only a few spot samples were provided for the study. Time lines in fig.2 are, therefore, tentative. Even so, the overall impression of basinal sedimentation is illustrated. Deposition seems to be greatest and apparently continuous in the Barracouta-1 area, with both condensed sequences and non-deposition occurring along the margins of the north and south platforms.

The unconformity shown on the Flathead-1 graphic log may represent a transgressive event. On palynological evidence, the hiatus is of brief duration and if present must be restricted to Early to Middle Albian times. Morgan 1980 and Burger 1980 record an Early to Middle Albian transgression in Australia, which had an effect on microfloral assemblages. Unfortunately, there is only a slight change in microfloral composition across the unconformity, and no marine indicators were found. In the assemblage above the unconformity, there was no palynological evidence for a Late Cretaceous or Early Tertiary age, thus reducing the possibility of the Albian microfloras being reworked assemblages.

In the graphic log of Perch-1 the samples are thought to be mislabelled. Their probable position has, therefore, been corrected in fig.2.

The interpretation of palaeoenvironments based upon spore and pollen content was not attempted in this report. Spores and pollen tend not to be as facies controlled as dinocysts and acritarchs, and may be found in several depositional environments. Dinocysts and acritarchs, with a few exceptions, tend to be confined to marine or brackish water conditions. Thus their presence in a microfloral assemblage indicates a marine influence in the depositional environment.

There are a number of Australian zonation schemes available for use in age dating studies in the Cretaceous and Tertiary. All the schemes used in this report use first and last appearance datums of particular spore and pollen species. The zonation scheme of Stover and Evans 1973 is used in this report for dating of the Campanian to Eocene whilst the Dettmann and Playford 1969 zonation scheme is used for the Cenomanian to Campanian. Burger 1973 and 1980 (in press) and Morgan and co-workers 1980 (in press) have revised the Lower Cretaceous part of the Dettmann and Playford scheme. The Burger and Morgan zonation schemes, used in this report, are approximately half a stage younger for Albian and Aptian stages. Morgan places the

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*Coptospora paradoxa* zone and the *Crybelosporites striatus* zone in the Late and Early Albian respectively. Burger shows a similar division but places the *C. paradoxa* zone in the Middle Albian. In contrast to these zonation schemes Dettmann and Playford 1969 place the *C. striatus* zone in the Late Aptian and the *C. paradoxa* zone in the Uppermost Aptian to early Late Albian.

BASIN GIPPSLAND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

WELL NAME FLATHEAD -1 ELEVATION + 31 feet

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		Preferred Depth	Rtg	Alternate Depth	Rtg	2 way time	Preferred Depth	Rtg	Alternate Depth	Rtg	2 way time
MIOC.	<u>T. bellus</u>										
	<u>P. tuberculatus</u>										
Eocene	<u>U. N. asperus</u>										
	<u>L. N. asperus</u>	1516	1	1495	2	430	1516	1			430
	<u>P. asperopolus</u>	1549	1			430	1550	1			430
	<u>U. M. diversus</u>										
	<u>L. M. diversus</u>										
PALEO-CENE	<u>L. balmei</u>										
	<u>T. longus</u>										
	<u>T. lillici</u>										
LATE CRETACEOUS	<u>N. senectus</u>										
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	<u>T. pannosus</u>										
	<u>C. paradoxa</u>										
	<u>C. striatus</u>										
	<u>U. C. hughesii</u>										
EARLY CRETACEOUS	<u>L. C. hughesii</u>										
	<u>C. stylosus</u>										
	Pre-Cretaceous										

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COMMENTS: SWC at 1495 feet is probably L. N. asperus; poor assemblage

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(0.916)

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BASIN GIPPSLAND BASIN

BY David TAYLOR

WELL NAME FLATHEAD-1

DATE 19 April 1973 ELEV. +31

Foram Zonules

		Highest Data	Quality	2 Way Time	Lowest Data	Quality	2 Way Time
MIOCENE	A	Alternate					
	B	Alternate					
	C	Alternate					
	D	Alternate					
	D <sub>1</sub>	Alternate					
	D <sub>2</sub>	Alternate					
	E	Alternate					
	F	Alternate	1150	0			
	G	Alternate			1338	0	
	H	Alternate	1374	0			
OLIOCENE	H <sub>1</sub>	Alternate			1400	3	
	H <sub>2</sub>	Alternate					
	I	Alternate	1417	0	1455	0	
	I <sub>1</sub>	Alternate					
	I <sub>2</sub>	Alternate					
	J	Alternate	1538	2	1538	2	
EOC.	J <sub>1</sub>	Alternate					
	J <sub>2</sub>	Alternate					
EOC.	K	Alternate					
	Pre K						

Determination of J is in disagreement with observed spore-pollen and dinoflagellates from SWC at 1516' which give Middle Eocene, Lower N. asperus Zone age

COMMENTS: Disturbed sequence in F & G.

Note: If highest or lowest data is a 3 or 4, then an alternate 0, 1, 2 highest or lowest data will be filled in if control is available.

If a sample cannot be interpreted to be one zonule, as apart from the other, no entry should be made.

- 0 SWC or Core - Complete assemblage (very high confidence).
- 1 SWC or Core - Almost complete assemblage (high confidence).
- 2 SWC or Core - Close to zonule change but able to interpret (low confidence).
- 3 Cuttings - Complete assemblage (low confidence).
- 4 Cuttings - Incomplete assemblage, next to uninterpretable or SWC with depth suspicion (very low confidence).

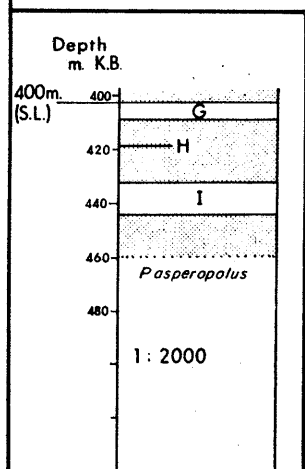
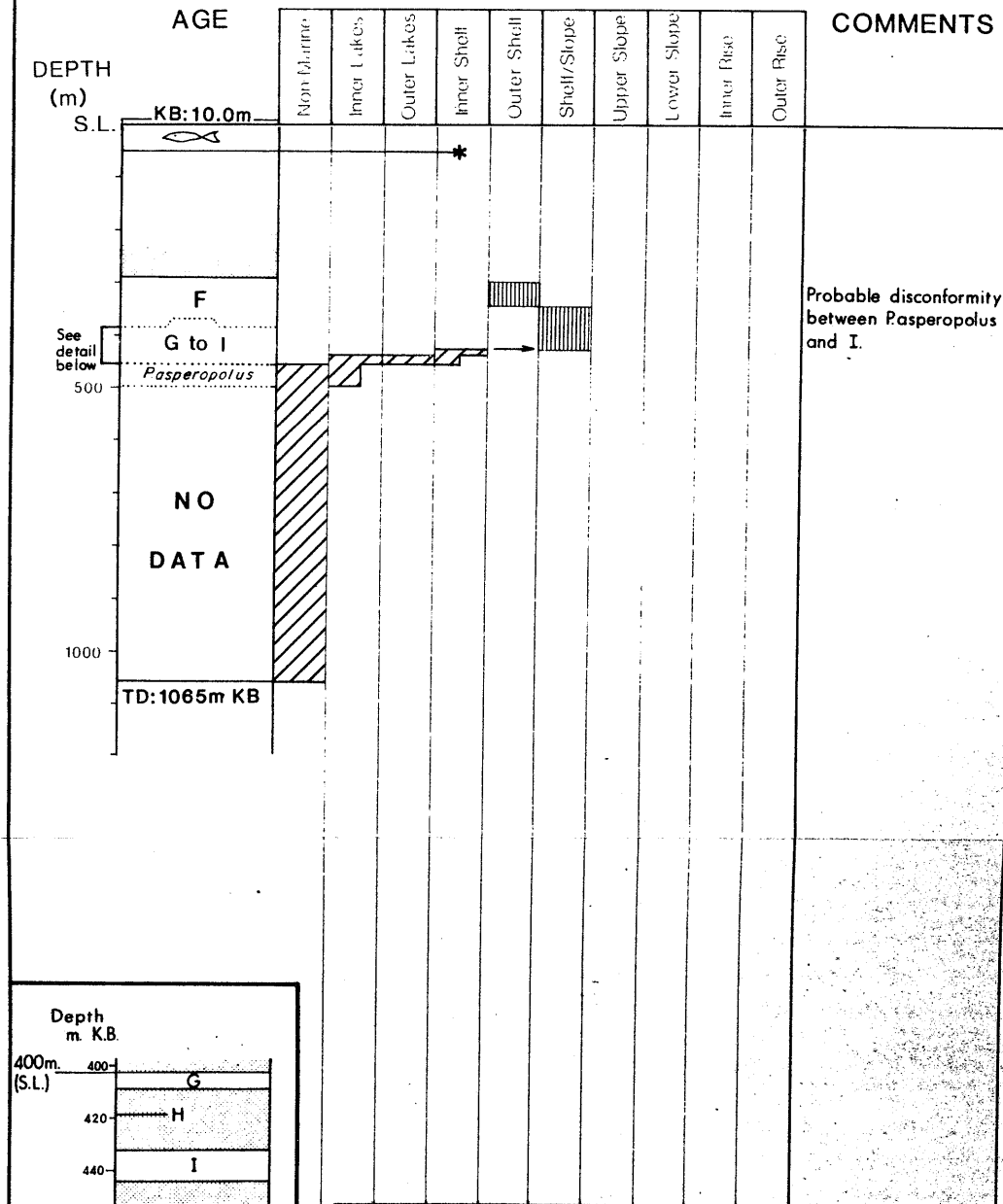
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## PALEOENVIRONMENT



### FLATHEAD-1 GIPPSLAND BASIN

#### AGE and PALEOENVIRONMENTAL LOG

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	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	
<b>FLAUNTONICS</b>							
1. Globigerina apertura		•			•		
2. G. woodi		• • • • •			•		
3. Globigerinoides trilobus		• • • • •			•		
4. Globoquadrina dehiscens		• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
5. Globorotalia praescitula	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
6. Globigerina woodi connecta	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
7. G. praebulloides	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
8. Globorotalia nana	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
9. Globigerinoides bisphericus	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
10. Globigerina euapertura	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
11. Globorotalia opima opima	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
<b>CALC. BENTONICS - I</b>							
12. Anomalinoidea vitrinoda	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
13. Anomalina aotea	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
14. Anomalinoidea procolligera	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
15. Cibicides brevoralis		• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
16. C. refulgens		• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
17. C. perforatus	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
18. Gyroidinoidea subzealandica	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
19. Karonallenia perri	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
20. H. lingulata	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
21. Karreria maoria		• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
22. Rosalina vitricea	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
23. Astronion obesum	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
24. Alabamina tenuimarginata	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
25. Cibicides thiaira	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
26. Gavelinopsis sp. nov.	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
27. Gyroidinoidea zealandica	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
28. Discopulivina berthelotii	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
29. Astronion centroplax	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
30. Dycobicoides biserialis	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
31. Siphonina australis	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
32. Anomalinoidea macrogabra	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
33. Astronion sp. Carter	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
34. Cibicides subhaidingcri	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
35. C. novozealandica	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	•		
depth	1150	1200	1280	1310	1340	1400	1540
ZONE	G	F	G	F	G	H	I
							lower Oligocene

	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500			
CALC. BENTHONICS - II									
36. Elphidium crespinae									
CALC. BENTHONICS - III									
37. Victoriella conoidea									
38. Carpentaria rotaliformis									
CALC. BENTHONICS - IV									
39. Cassidulina subglobosa									
40. Ehrenbergina serrata	..	..	..						
41. Sphaeroidina bulloides	..	..	..						
42. Pullenia spp.									
43. Cassidulina laevigata	..	..							
44. C 'globosa'	..	..	..						
CALC. BENTHONICS - V									
45. Bolivina robusta		..	..	..	..				
46. Euvigerina ?euterus	..	..	..						
47. Brizalina nobilis									
48. Euvigerina waynei									
49. Siphovigerina proboscidea									
50. Trifarina bradyi									
51. Bolivina anastomosa	..	..	..						
CALC. BENTHONICS - VI									
52. Nodosaria rapheus									
53. N. sp. (large-costate)									
54. polytorphinids	..	..	..						
55. Lenticulina spp. (smooth)		..	..	..	..				
56. Nodosaria + Dentalina spp. (smooth)	..	..	..	..	..				
57. Plectofrondicularia spp.									
58. Lingulina metungensis									
59. Fissurina + Lagena spp.	..	..	..						
60. Planularia spp.	..	..	..						
CALC. BENTHONICS - VII									
61. Miliolids	..	..	..						
depth		1150	1200	1280	1310	1340	1400	1455	1543
ZONE			F	G	F	G	H	I	lower oligocene

	1000	1200	1500	1400	1500
ARAGONITIC BENTHONICS					
62. Ceratobulimina sp.	•••••			•	
63. Ceratocánaris australis	•••••				
64. Hoeglundina elegans	•				
65. Mississippina concentrica				•	
ATERRACEOUS BENTHONICS					
66. Gaudryina convexa	•••••			•	
67. Karreraella sp.	•			•	
68. Gaudryina heywoodensis					
69. Pseudoclavulina rudis	•••••				
70. Textularia semicarinata					
71. Rhabdamina sp.					
72. Clavulinoides victoriensis					
Sponge spicules	I I I I I I I I I I I I	I I I I I I I I I I	I I I I I I I I I I		
BRYOZOA	/// // // // // // // //	/// // // // // // // //	/// // // // // // // //	X	
GLAUCONITE					
PYRIMID SPHERES					
ECHINOID SPINES					
depth		1150	1200	1400	1455
ZONE	G		F	H	I
		1280	1310	1340	1543
		G	F	G	lower Oligocene

T = side wall cores.

All depths are those shown on side wall core jars.

Datum + 51'

- At - 1007, 1031, 1036, 1042, 1053, 1058,
- 1072, 1086, 1092, 1111, 1134, 1139,
- 1150, 1167, 1182, 1194, 1205, 1212,
- 1224, 1232, 1245, 1249, 1254, 1270,
- 1280, 1297, 1306, 1320, 1337, 1374,
- 1417, 1455, 1476, 1484, 1498, 1508,
- 1525, 1538 & 1543.

• = 1-20

I = over 20

I = well preserved sponge speccules

\ = well preserved bryozoa

/ = worn bryozoa.

## 5. WELL LOG ANALYSIS

WELL LOG ANALYSIS

Sunfish No. 1

Emperor No. 1

Flathead No. 1

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Logs Available

Sunfish No.1

Induction/SFL/S.P.	2786 - 7559'
Induction/SFL/S.P.	7250 - 8156'
BHC Sonic/Gamma Ray	620 - 2777'
BHC Sonic	2786 - 7513'
BHC Sonic	7300 - 8167'
Density/Neutron/Gamma Ray	5300 - 7564'
Density/Neutron/Gamma Ray	7156 - 8176'
H.R. Dipmeter	5300 - 7521'
Formation Tester - Runs 1 through 21	
Baroid ppm log	680 - 8175'

Flathead No.1

Induction/Electrical	825 - 3495'
BHC Sonic/Gamma Ray	825 - 3490'
Comp Density/Gamma Ray	1326 - 3497'
Gamma Ray/Neutron	1326 - 2326'
Formation Tester - Runs 1 through 11	
Corelab Coregraph	865 - 3494'
Core description	1 through 7
BMR Core analysis	1 through 7
Sidewall core description	1 through 35.



General

Only Sunfish No.1 has a fairly complete modern logging suite and therefore we shall deal with this well first and rather thoroughly. Then, based upon data from Sunfish No.1, we shall treat the remaining two wells. Of course, the interpretation is less exact when logging programmes are limited. We shall use Sunfish No.1 to determine the petrophysical characteristics of these sands and to estimate the reliability of the assumptions made, calibrate the logs in water sands, and to apply as many crosschecks as we may.

In all wells we have chosen zones where porosity may be developed based upon any of the following:

- low gamma ray reading
- S.P. development from the shale base line.
- Porosity seen on the Sonic, Density or Neutron logs.
- Separation between the shallow and deep resistivity tools.

All log values are read and listed in a Table for each well. Charts referred to in the text are those of the 1977 Schlumberger Chartbook.

FLATHEADFormation Water

The S.P. shows a positive displacement from the shale baseline opposite the clean sand (Gamma Ray log) 1542 - 1564 but there is also a positive displacement opposite the Gamma Ray peak immediately above 1536 - 1542 hence this positive peak is probably due to some abnormal effect such as electrokinetic/osmotic potential rather than the normal electrochemical potential. If we ignore the positive displacement opposite this sand then the S.P. is almost featureless.

All tests have been unsatisfactory and water recovered from FIT tests have had around 8000 ppm NaCl salinity. This approximates the salinity of the mud filtrate and would account for the lack of SP development. Of course, it is also likely that the FIT recovered only filtrate. Hence, we have no conclusive data on formation water salinity. Since we need  $R_w$  to calculate water saturation in the pore space we shall arbitrarily assume that there is little resistivity contrast between mud filtrate and formation water.

Clay Content

The available Neutron log is an early GNT model for which local calibration in terms of porosity are needed. Unfortunately we have no clean water filled sands that are needed for this purpose. Nevertheless in Figure 1 we have made the calibration plot of Neutron counts per second versus Density derived porosity on a linear log grid since.

$$N = A \log \phi + B$$

from which

$$\phi_n = 10 \left( \frac{1332 - N}{500} \right)$$

We have listed N counts per second and  $\phi_n$  in columns 7 and 10 of table 3 respectively.

Then using Density and Neutron we have found clay content as seen by these tools and as previously described for the Sunfish well. This Vclnd is listed in column 14.

We have also made the estimation of clay content from the Gamma Ray log also as previously described. These Vclgr values are listed in column 15 of table 3.

Again, because we doubt the accuracy of the Vclnd values, we prefer to use the Vclgr values for subsequent computing.

#### Porosity

For completeness sake we have listed Sonic readings (column 11) and using the Wiley time average formula calculated the Sonic porosity of column 12. It is clear that the range of values 43 - 71 is ridiculous but at these depths is not surprising since these rocks are quite unconsolidated and the Wiley equation is inapplicable. We could attempt to correct  $\phi_s$  but the correction would be greater than the final value and therefore very unsatisfactory.

As already discussed this early Neutron requires local calibration in clean waterfilled sands. Since we cannot make such calibration we prefer not to rely too heavily upon the Neutron log porosity.

Hence we are left with the Density log. The cuttings, sidewall samples and core descriptions clearly point to a very complex lithology. This is evident on the Density log by very rapid changes of Density. If we are to proceed we must make some simplifying assumptions. It seems that 1465 - 1530 is reasonably homogenous and characterised by silt, argillaceous sands with glauconite very abundant throughout. For this interval a suitable grain density would be 2.65 g/cc. Below 1540 there is little glauconite but the lithology is quartzwacke sandstones and often conglomeratic. For these sands a suitable grain density of 2.68 seems applicable. We shall use these values to compute Density porosities  $\phi_d$ .

Next we have computed a clay correction to the density porosity as previously described and listed this  $\phi_{dc}$  in column 16. We have used a clay density of 2.25 g/cc.

Since the evidence strongly points to oil rather than gas being present and since also we have no reliable Neutron log to distinguish between oil and gas we think it would be unwise to correct the Density for hydrocarbons. Even if we used a hydrocarbon Density of 0.7 it would affect the  $\phi_{dc}$  value very little.

Saturation

For such shallow unconsolidated sands the Humble formula for the formation resistivity factor is unsuitable. We have no clean water filled sands from which we could find the constants a and m

$$F = a/\rho^m$$

Hence we must rely upon experience of similar sands elsewhere. We think a = 1 and m = 0.5 is probably appropriate.

Using the Indonesian equation and the following;

- Rw = 0.5
- Rcl = 2.5
- Rt = Ril
- $\rho = \rho_{dc}$
- a = 1
- m = 1.5
- Vcl = Vclgr

We compute Sw of column 18 table 3.

It is clear that water saturations are high throughout, and clean oil production is unlikely even in the clean sand. To increase the oil saturation in the clean sand we would require:

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$V_{cl}$  decreased - It is already zero

$R_{cl}$  decreased - This only is effective if  $V_{cl}$  present

$f_m$  decreased - It is already very low and experience warns against artificially reducing it below 1.5

$\phi_{dc}$  increased - we have already increased  $g$  to 2.68 and this is probably an upper limit

$R_t$  increased - the induction log in this range is usually reliable and must be close to  $R_t$ .

$R_w$  decreased - as already explained under S.P. discussion, its likely that  $R_w$   $R_{nf}$  not less than  $R_{nf}$  hence we cannot easily decrease  $R_w$  0.352 m.

Hence we must accept that means we have some extraordinary condition of which we are unaware that the oil saturation is only some 30% in the clean sand

#### Permeability

The FIT tests are all inconclusive and only recovered small amounts of water in the production tests.

- 1) 1607 - 1652 produced nothing
- 2) 1542 - 1564 produced 16 <sup>liters</sup> of water of 8500 ppm NaCl and a little H<sub>2</sub>S gas without evidence of oil.

Hence the permeability of these rocks is questioned. No satisfactory general relationship between log response and permeability exists although some locally developed ones have proved valuable. Qualitatively we may assess the permeability by assuming the clay minerals to be dispersed and then

$$q = \frac{V_{cl}}{\phi + V_{cl}}$$

if q exceeds 40% then commercial permeability has ceased to exist.

Of course, this cannot apply in thinly laminar sands but for these rocks it is probably as good a guide as can be found. Hence we have computed q of column 17 table 3. We note that only the clean sand 1543 - 1563 has any hope of being permeable.



Conclusion

1. 1465 - 1530. Argillaceous sands, silt with abundant glauconite. Impermeable but with average 45% oil saturation.
2. 1543 - 1563. Clean sand, often conglomeratic essentially without glauconite. Average porosity 22.8%, oil saturation 29%.
3. Below 1563. Silt and shales non permeable.

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FLATHEAD No.1  
TABLE 3

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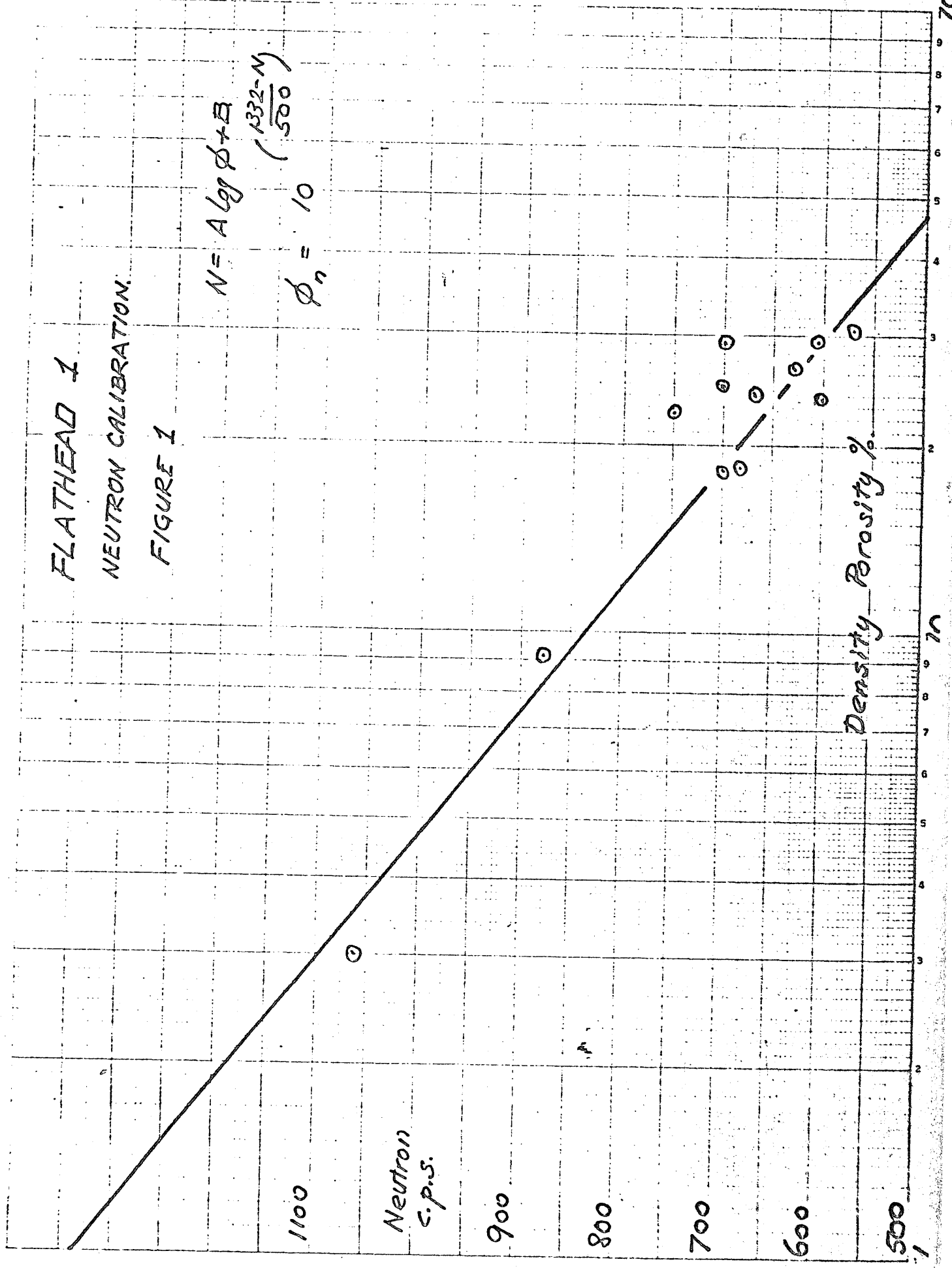
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NO	DEPTH IES	Ril	Ron	Rmll	SP	ML c.p.s.	GR	$\beta$	$\phi_n$	t	$\phi_s$	$\phi_{nd}$	$v_{lnd}$	$v_{lgr}$	$\phi_{dc}$	$\frac{v_{el}}{\phi_{el}}$	SW	REMARKS. fluid productivity		
1	1477	12	9		+2	610	59	2.20	27.8	-	-	22.7	25	40	18.7	57	41	oil/tight		
2	1485	9	7.5		+4	580	50	2.32	31.9	14.5	67	4	88	30	13.6	69	61	oil/tight		
3	1494	6	6		+2	565	56	2.16	34.2	150	71	21	47	37	21.9	63	56	oil/tight		
4	1500	6.7	6		+6	585	70	2.22	31.2	147	68	16.8	51	52	15.0	78	53	oil/tight		
5	1515	6	5.5		+6	560	52	2.24	35.0	144	66	10.4	79	32	18.1	64	64	oil/tight		
6	1537	6	6		+16	620	120	2.13	26.5	145	67			100				Shale		
7	1544	11.5	8		+16	910	17	2.35	7.0	120	48	25.9	45	0	19.6	0	70	oil-water		
8	1549	11	8.3		+20	920	15	2.37	6.7	113	43	23.8	37	0	18.5	0	75	oil-water		
9	1553	6	6		+19	700	18	2.17	18.4	140	63	36	38	0	30.4	0	70	oil-water		
10	1560	7.8	7		+20	920	24	2.36	6.7	126	53	25	41	3	18.3	14	86	water		
11	1569	5.2	5.4		+4	655	59	2.18	22.6	130	55	30.5	11	40	20.0	67	60	oil/tight		
12	1577	3.1	3.9		+5	600	62	2.22	29.1	133	58	18.9	39	43	16.9	72	81	water/tight		
13	1588	3	3.8		+5	585	76	2.28	31.2	145	67	0	100	58	9.8	86	85	water/tight		
14	1607	3	3.5		+5	610	61	2.20	27.8	125	52	22.7	25	42	18.4	69	81	water/tight		
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21

$\beta = 2.65$   
 $\alpha = 2.68$   
 $\beta_A = 2.25$   
 $m = 1.5$

FLATHEAD 1  
NEUTRON CALIBRATION.  
FIGURE 1

$$N = A \log \phi + B$$
$$\phi_n = 10 \left( \frac{1332 - N}{500} \right)$$



Neutron  
C.P.S.

Density Porosity %



## 6. F.I.T. Test Data

# BASIC DATA

## Test Data - FLAT HEAD #1

PRODUCTION TEST I through perfs 1607-1652'  
Rec No formation fluid after mud acid treatment  
and swabbing.

PRODUCTION TEST II through perfs 1542-1564'  
Rec. 16 hbls water and hydrogen sulphide gas NaCl  
-of Rec water 8500ppm Mud filtrate cl 8500ppm  
No trace of Oil.

FIT-1 1648' Rec 2000cc filtrate, Scum of  
oil Rrf 0.79 at 66°F. Cl 8200ppm. Mud  
Cl 8500ppm. FP Opsi FSIP 500psi  
HP 1030psi

FIT-2 1694' Rec. 1500cc filtrate, Rrf. 1.03  
at 64° Cl 5500ppm FP Opsi FSIP 0psi  
HP 1110 psi

FIT-3 1555' Rec 3500cc Mud lost  
packer seat.

FIT-4 1498' Rec. 1000cc mud filtrate  
Rrf 0.96 at 78° Cl 5500ppm FP Opsi  
FSIP Opsi HP 1000psi

FIT-5 1545' Rec 2000cc filtrate, scum  
of oil, Rrf 0.70 at 72° Cl 8500ppm  
FP Opsi FSIP 700psi HP 930psi

FIT-6 1484' Rec. 1500cc filtrate  
FP Opsi FSIP Opsi HP 1000psi

FIT-7 1567' Tool malfunction

FIT-8 1567' Tool malfunction

FIT-9 1567' Rec 1700cc filtrate Rrf  
0.66 at 74° Cl 8500ppm FP Opsi  
FSIP Opsi HP 980psi

FIT-10 1625' Tool malfunction

FIT-11 1625' Rec. 1200cc filtrate  
FP Opsi FSIP 780psi HP 1000psi

Also

1. All wire line logs
2. Core lab Mud Log
3. Core lab Coregraphs
4. Sample descriptions
5. Core & S.W. Core descriptions

NOT composite log

PE904912

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BASIN = GIPPSLAND  
PERMIT = VIC/P1  
TYPE = WELL  
SUBTYPE = FIT  
DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Formation Interval Test  
(F.I.T.) Data.  
REMARKS =  
DATE\_CREATED =  
DATE\_RECEIVED =  
W\_NO = W545  
WELL\_NAME = Flathead-1  
CONTRACTOR = Schlumberger  
CLIENT\_OP\_CO = Esso Australia

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PE603210

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- BASIN = GIPPSLAND
- PERMIT = VIC/P1
- TYPE = WELL
- SUBTYPE = MUD\_LOG
- DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Grapholog (Mudlog)
- REMARKS =
- DATE\_CREATED =
- DATE\_RECEIVED = 21/05/69
- W\_NO = W545
- WELL\_NAME = Flathead-1
- CONTRACTOR = Core Laboratories, INC.
- CLIENT\_OP\_CO = Esso Australia

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TYPE = WELL  
SUBTYPE = COMPOSITE\_LOG  
DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Well Completion Log  
REMARKS =  
DATE\_CREATED = 11/05/69  
DATE\_RECEIVED =  
W\_NO = W545  
WELL\_NAME = Flathead-1  
CONTRACTOR =  
CLIENT\_OP\_CO = Esso Australia

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- CONTAINER\_BARCODE = PE904908
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- BASIN = GIPPSLAND
- PERMIT = VIC/P1
- TYPE = WELL
- SUBTYPE = DIAGRAM
- DESCRIPTION = Flathead 1 Completion Coregraph
- REMARKS = Cores 3-7. Cores 1 and 2 too  
unconsolidated for analysis.
- DATE\_CREATED = 11/05/69
- DATE\_RECEIVED =
- W\_NO = W545
- WELL\_NAME = Flathead-1
- CONTRACTOR = Core Laboratories, INC.
- CLIENT\_OP\_CO = Esso Australia

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