## HWANGE COLLIERY COMPANY LIMITED "The power behind industry."

Weekly update from our favourite mining company

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HWANG WEEKLY

## WHAT HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE IN THE COLLIERY TOWN!?

- HCCL wins Sustainable Mining Trophy at the Harare Agricultural Show!!
- 6 million tonnes per annum boom in 18 months achievable! As ZPC Stage 3 project reaches completion.
- ZBC Power FM live at Hwange Colliery Agric show stand.

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Our Vision: To be number 1 in coal mining and production of coal related products at the least cost in the region







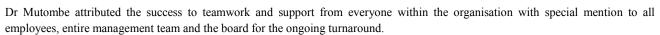




The events and exhibition team is excited to have won the Harare Agricultural Show Society – Best Sustainable Mining Trophy awarded to the Best Mining Company showcasing the most Sustainable Mining Practices and Best Corporate Social Investment.

The show ran from August 21 -26, 2017 at the Zimbabwe Agricultural Show Grounds in Harare. The trophy sponsored by Fidelity Printers and Refiners Private Limited was handed over by the organisation's General Manager Mr Fradreck Kunaka.

Speaking after receiving the trophy from the Head of State and Commander in Chief of the Zimbabwe Defence Forces, Cde Robert Mugabe, HCCL Commercial Manager, Dr Beauty Mutombe says she is excited to have won the trophy.



Corporate Affairs Manager, Rugare Dhobbie says the award has put Hwange Colliery Company in the limelight for good reasons reaffirming the turnaround strategy the company is implementing.

"Winning the trophy by its very nature restores confidence, spruces up and promotes good image of the company brand, in this case the HCCL brand is flying high on the market," she said.



# 6 million tonnes per annum boom in 18 months achievable! As ZPC Stage 3 project reaches completion.

Hwange Colliery Company is embarking on a number of robust initiatives to reclaim its place in the sun and be the supplier of choice in the coal mining domain locally and regionally with an aim of reaching a 6 million tonnes per month mark 18 months from present.

This was revealed by the Managing Director, Engineer Thomas Makore at the Gijima 100 Day Rapid Results Project review recently.

"The Colliery is in a change process which is positive and if we all continue



with the same mentality of striving to produce a tonne of coal at the minimum possible cost threshold we will achieve the target of producing 500 000 tonnes per month in 18 months which translates to 6 million tonnes per annum.

In 30 months we then shift the gear up to 8 million tonnes in 30 months and 10 million tonnes in five years from now," he said. "The market will be there as the ZPC Stage 3 project is in the final stages, the Per Lusulu power project, the small thermals upgrading will all lead to an uptake to the demand of our product," added Mr Makore.

He went on reiterate on the need to ensure customer focus is maintained all times as we increase our production and sales volumes.

"The market is brutal and it does not pay for own mistakes. We all need to work as team to win back customer loyalties so that they believe in our product and brand. That will make us more profitable as an entity as that obviously leads to sustainability.

We used to be a monopoly as a mine but not any more though I should hasten to say that competition is healthy and makes us sharper and stronger," he said.

The company fortunes are also hinged on the resuscitation of the underground mining operations and the Continuous Miner is expected to start operating in September.

# Youth Games liven up 'sleepy' Hwange

THIS year's edition of the National Youth Games has made the week an unforgettable one for *Hwange*. It's been a long week yet sport lovers in the town are still hungry for more.

The big excitement among Hwange residents, even those who are not sports fans, is an indication that Zimbabweans like to unite behind sport.

One fascinating thing about Games of such magnitude is the celebratory mood that fills the space. No matter where you go around Hwange, you will engage in the conversation.

The reaction was expected, given that Hwange had long yearned to host high profile events. When it became known that the Games would be hosted in the mining town, there has been a gradual fever pitch enthusiasm.

From a fan's perspective, the youth games were largely a great success, with everything running relatively smooth.

The ambience that filled most competition venues was enough to foresee a week of true patriotism. This extends to the multicultural feel of the sporting extravaganza.

True to their family values, Hwange residents across the divide came with their children, elderly and spouses to witness the grandeur of sporting excellence.

The famous Old Ground Stadium, with its association with football, has long been associated with talent and the tagged proved true.

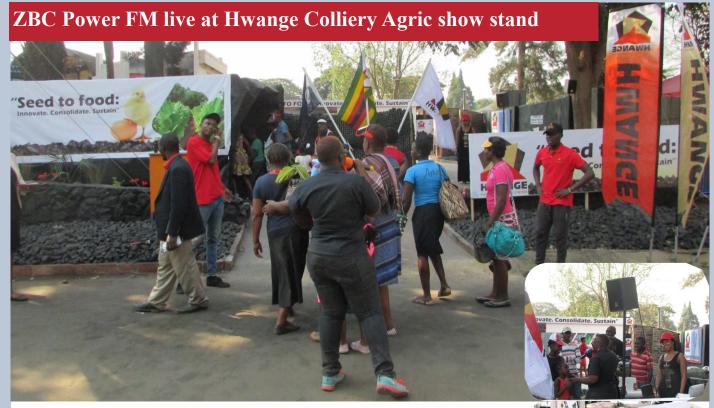
So why were these Games fascinating?

The rebranded Youth Games provided a healthy escape from the ups and downs of life.

Ten provinces 5000 athletes gave residents a cosmopolitan affair.

Residents of suburbs such as Lwendulu famously known as Number 1 had never in their lives imagined Hwange turning into a "wonder."

They had been accustomed to a stadium that hosts music minnow sporting activities, church and music shows.



It was music at its best at the Hwange Colliery Company Limited Harare Agriculture show stand as the best selection of music in town and dancers excited the crowd. DJ Rumbi Moyo took time to speak to the public to find out how much they know about HCCL - the home of coal and coke products.

Some people who spoke to ZBC Power FM live on radio professed ignorance of the uses of coal and how it is mined.

Some knew Hwange Colliery as the biggest coal miner in Zimbabwe. While some said industry cannot function without coal. Others were shocked that Hwange is still in existence, they were surprised that the organisation is alive and kicking. As a consequence bad perceptions were uprooted, corrected and eradicated as the team explained everything on the company's 115 years in business existence. What a rich history!

Some children took coal as souvenirs to remind themselves that coal is the cheapest form of energy and the power behind industry.

It was fun as hundreds of showgoers passed through the Hwange Stand and the exhibition team took time to explain the mining process, types of coal and its uses mainly in agriculture.

Many people were interested in coal powered chicken runs, crocodile farms, tobacco and the Dover cooking stove. The day was filled with fun but most importantly of all hundreds of people both young and old were exposed to the brand Hwange Colliery, awareness and promotion was at its best.

The section of the stand which attracted most people was the depiction of the underground mine where show goers had the feel of getting into the mine, being inducted on safety and were allowed to wear hard hats and reflectors.

Most visitors to the stand had pictures taken wearing branded personal protective clothing. Those were the most shared pictures among people of all age groups who passed through the Hwange stand.



## From wood to coal in an effort to reduce deforestation.



The competition between energy and environmental needs in Zimbabwe has taken centre stage of late, with government promoting the use of coal in tobacco farming areas in a bid to reduce and ultimately stop deforestation.

According to statistics every year Zimbabwe is losing tree cover equivalent to three times the size of Harare or 300 00 hectares per year, the Forestry Commission of Zimbabwe (FCZ) has revealed.

One of our themes at the Hwange Colliery Company Limited's Harare agriculture show exhibition stand is "No to deforestation, environmentally conscious farmers use Hwange coal and save forests."

Hwange Colliery Company Limited Managing Director Engineer Thomas Makore expanding on the theme says, environmental-

ly conscious farmers use Hwange Coal for tobacco curing, chicken rearing, maize drying and crocodile farming so as to save the forests. He said the coal mining giant discourages the use of firewood in farming as it is depleting the forests which are vital to our survival and ecosystem.

Engineer Makore says "If the country does not take steps now, it will be left with no forests considering that wood provides about 95 percent of all energy needs of non commercial farmers.

To this end Hwange Colliery offers competitive prices of coal to all farmers in a bid to save the forests. Engineer Makore says in order to bring the coal closer to the farmers his company will appoint coal merchants to distribute the product in all the provinces in smaller packages: 10, 20 and 50kgs for the convinience of small scale farmers. He however pointed out that farmers can also purchase coal direct from the mining giant.

The coal mining giant has partnered the National Railways of Zimbabwe to move the coal from the mine to depots facilities close to the the farming areas. As part of its value added services,

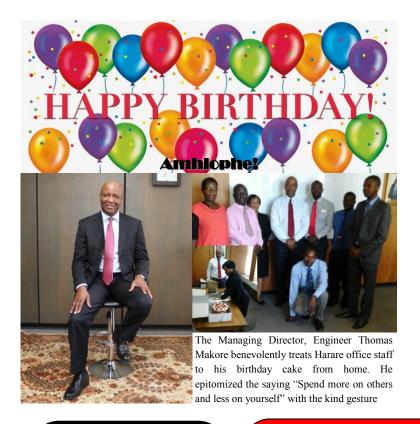
Hwange Colliery also offers support services including but not limited to knowledge on good tobacco curing techniques, coal storage and veld fire management.

Coal is economical, efficient, has a high energy content, safe to transport, store and use.











Annah Chuma is currently the Environmental Officer for Hwange Colliery Company Limited. She was born on 23 August 1982 at Hwange Colliery Hospital.

#### Life lessons so far;

"Takwe citaciti pe, zyoonse zilacita" meaning "Nothing is impossible all things are possible there is always a way out one way or the other"

"Hapana zuva risingasvike" – implying if you make a commitment to a certain date know that, that date will eventually come and you have to deliver as agreed.



We extent our **deepest condolences** to Mr
Ray Munangwa and his
family on the passing on
of his elder brother aged
70 in Bulawayo

### What's up this week?

- ♦ Hwange Agric Show started on Thursday 31 August to 3 September
- **♦** Jumbo Chamber of Mines Golf Tournament

The company will be sending a team eight golfers to the tournament to be held in Mutare. The tournament is set for 1-3 September. The team is made up of Engineer T Makore, Mr R Munangwa, Mr M Gorerino, Dr D Ngorora, Mr E Moyo, Mr A Lungu,

## **MR COAL**

**Hwange Colliery Company Limited** donated ambulance fuel and hospital services towards the fatal road traffic accident victims in Binga last week. The accident involved a lorry carrying people from church at the 1, 5 km peg after Kamativi road towards Dete. The majority of the accident victims totaling 108 causalities were treated at the company's hospital bringing the situation under control.

Thanks to Dr Charles Zinyemba and team who acquitted themselves well to save some accident victims. The company emergency teams swiftly moved on site soon after the accident report. Our thoughts are with the victims and their families.



# THE TEAM

# Allen Masiya

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