



Newsletter

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Awards

At the recent award's function held at Emperor's Palace in July 2022, the following people received awards:

Coalperson of the year:
Peter Hand 2020
Roy Roche 2021
Jaco Scholtz 2022

CTC student of the year:
Cherise Horn 2021
Ithuteng Khoza 2020
Relebohile Mokonyane 2019

University student of the year:
Jimmy Alade 2021
Lebohlang Clement Mgano 2020



Greetings from the chair

Welcome to all our SACPS members, It gives me great pleasure to welcome all our new members that have joined since our last newsletter and we trust that you will find the society beneficial to you and look forward to your continued membership.

This newsletter is intended to inform all our existing and potential members of events occurring within the society and the coal processing industry as a whole. We welcome your feedback, suggestions, etc for future newsletters. Please follow us on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook , check out our website, LinkedIn and Facebook page for up-

to-date information on events and happenings within the society and of course we appreciate feedback and suggestions from all members.

Our recent technical workshop which took place on 21 September 2022 was a great success with many interesting presentations given.

Congratulations to all our award recipients. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic we were unable to hold the awards functions in 2020 and 2021 so those awards were all presented at the function held in July this year.





Our aim is to provide a forum for the exchange of knowledge related to coal processing by means of meetings, conferences, seminars and colloquia.

Objectives and goals of SACPS

Create forums for the exchange of knowledge related to coal processing by means of technical meetings, conferences, seminars, etc.

To further the education and understanding of coal processing by Society members and industry personnel.

To foster co-operation with appropriate educational institutions and other similar organisations for the furtherance of coal processing knowledge.

To distribute accumulated funds to support the objectives above.

RECENT TECHNICAL WORKSHOP

The recent technical workshop which took place on 21 September 2022 was well attended with a number of interesting presentations on topics such as is a great opportunity to present papers on topics around the theme of “Coal processing - extracting value from

low grade reserves”.

The presentations from the workshop can be accessed from the SA Coal Processing Society’s website.



COAL PERSON OF THE YEAR

Jaco Scholtz is the SA Coal Processing Society Coal Person of the year for 2022.

The aim of the award is to recognise an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the coal industry in the area of coal preparation.

Jaco Scholtz graduated from the University of Pretoria with a degree in Metallurgical Engineering in 1989. Jaco has worked for Ingwe Coal Corporation, Dowding Reynard and Associates (DRA), Xstrata Coal, Jim Harrison Design and Associates (Taggart JHDA), and Fraser Alexander before he joined Pentalin Group of Companies in 2019.

He is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Pentalin Group of Companies.

Jaco has played a part over the years on various committees namely, Southern African Coal Processing Society (SACPS) and Coaltech and was the chairman of the SACPS from 2015 to 2017.

Jaco is a worthy recipient of this award and we congratulate him on achieving this prestigious accolade of Coal Person of the Year 2022.



ANNUAL AWARDS FUNCTION

The annual awards function was held on 29 July 2022 at the Centre Court, Emperors Palace, Kempton Park.

Devraj Reddy, the previous chairman presented the awards for the Coal Person of the Year 2019 and Coal Student of the Year 2019 whilst the current Chairperson Refiloe Maila presented the others, namely Coal Person of the Year 2020 and 2021, Coal Student of the Year 2020 and 2021 and the University Student of the year for 2020 and 2021. Congratulations to all.



The Coal Person of the Year for 2019 was Peter Hand.



The Coal Person of the Year for 2020 was Roy Roche.



The coal student for 2019 was Relebohile Mokonyane.



The coal student for 2021 was Cherise Horn.



The coal student for 2020 was Ithuteng Khoza.



University student for 2021 was Jimmy Alade.



University student for 2020 was Lebohang Clement Mgano.



International Conferences are back after COVID.

XX INTERNATIONAL COAL PREPARATION CONFERENCE 2023 - GOLD COAST

This conference will be held on the Gold Coast from 16 – 19 October 2023. For more details on this conference visit <https://www.acps.com.au/>

4TH ANNUAL INDIA COAL CONFERENCE: 3 - 4 NOVEMBER 2022 - NEW DELHI

The conference creates a special networking and accumulating industry knowledge platform for its participants. Over the past years, ICC has become one of the key Coal events in the continent welcoming more than 300 decision-makers from the whole value chain.

For more details on this conference visit <https://icc-2022.com/>

OBITUARY

Chris Swanepoel, coal processing manager at Centralised Services, at Thungela and a SA Coal Processing Committee member passed away on 30 May 2022.

Chris started his career as a learner official in 1984 as a metallurgy trainee at Vryheid Coronation Colliery. He was promoted to senior plant metallurgist at New Vaal in 1989, and then to assistant plant superintendent in 1993.

After a few years as plant superintendent for Arnot Colliery, Chris was promoted

and transferred to Goedehoop's Bank 2 as plant manager in 1997, and then metallurgy manager in 2001. He became the coal processing manager at Centralised Services in 2007, providing his expertise to the operations.

Chris was a humble and kind-hearted man with a depth of knowledge that he would happily share with anyone. He always had time and a kind word for his peers and the graduates under his mentorship. He was a true gentleman and will be greatly missed.



Chris Swanepoel, back row, 3rd from the right



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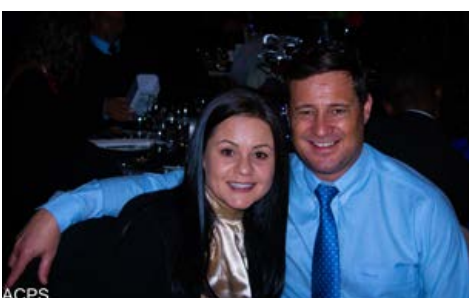
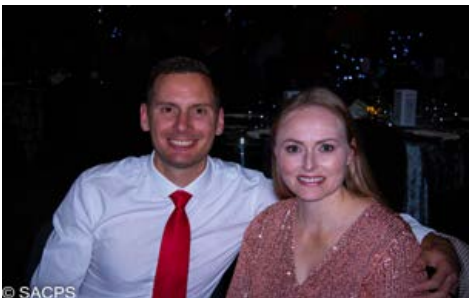
ANNUAL AWARDS HIGHLIGHTS

The annual awards function took place on 29 July 2022 at the Centre Court, Emperors Palace, Kempton Park.

A selection of images from the evening are shown on pages 5 to 14.



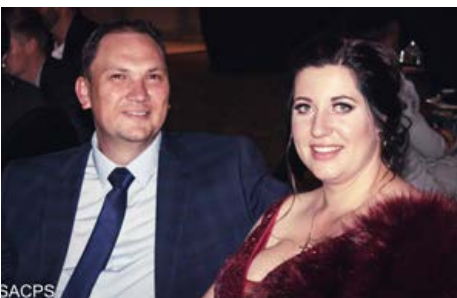
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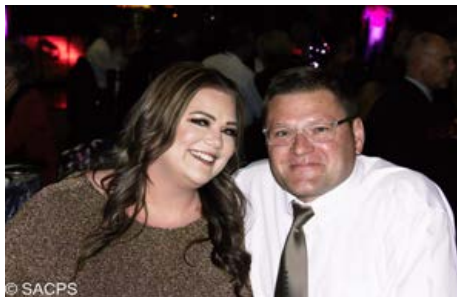
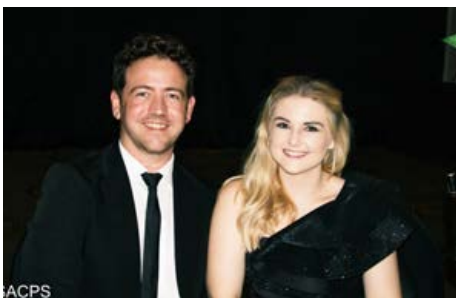
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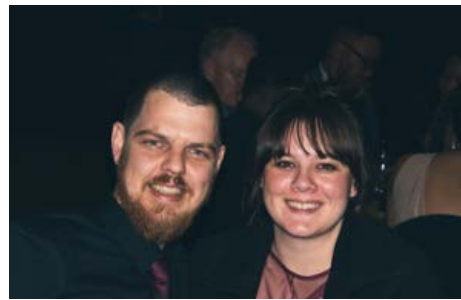
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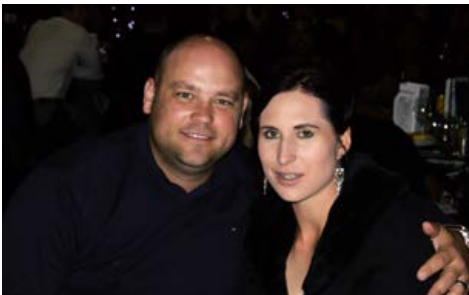
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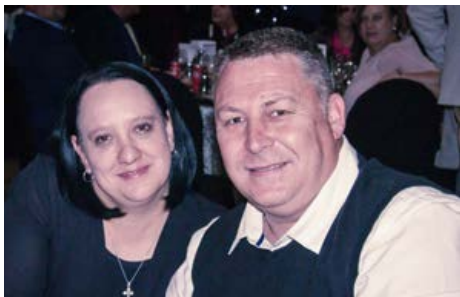
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The original photos can be downloaded from the SA Coal Processing Society's [Google Drive](#)

TECHNICAL MEETINGS

27 January 2022

This meeting was still held virtually and a presentation was given by Christina Ramotsabi & Franco van de Venter on “Low cut SX 10 Spiral and Optima classifier combination: Optimising a fine coal processing circuit”.

AGM and Technical Meeting - 31 March 2022

This technical meeting was held virtually and a presentation was given after the AGM by Johan Potgieter on “The Automation and Optimized Use of Laboratory Information. New Method of Geological and Plant Reporting”.

26 May 2022

This technical meeting was the first to be held face to face in over two years. Two presentations were given, the first by Eleanore Forner from Labrite presented on “Online DMS plant efficiencies with RFID tracers”. The second presentation was given by Tebogo Kale from Gravitas™ Minerals on “Fine coal production for the inland market”.

21 September 2022

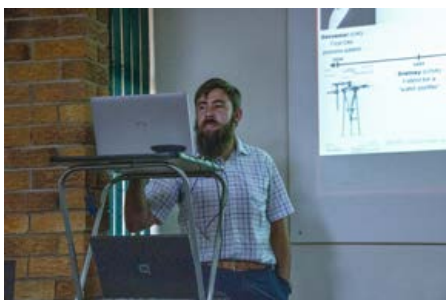
The technical workshop took place at The Ridge Casino and Conference Centre in eMalahleni, the workshop was very well attended with a total of 133 people which included presenters. The presentations are available to view on the SA Coal Processing Society’s website.

29 September 2022

This technical meeting was held face to face once again at the Colliery Training College in eMalahleni. Two presentations were given, the first was given online by Simone Naicker (Exxaro - GG Operations) and was titled “Women in Mining - A Technical approach”. The second presentation was given by Frikkie Enslin of Multotec” and was titled “Don’t ever underestimate a DMS cyclone”. This was videotaped and will be uploaded to the SA Coal Processing Society’s YouTube channel.

November 2022

Details of the final technical meeting for the year will be communicated soon.





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