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Media Release:

Premier Coal Mine welcomes families onsite

On 2 November, Premier Coal Mine opened its doors for workers and their families to get a firsthand experience of being at the coalface and to have some fun as part of the operation's annual family open day.

Over 500 people flocked to the site to enjoy a day of activities allowing the workers wives, husbands, children, grandparents and friends to know where they go and what they do every day.

The open day kicked off with Ray Bertolini, a Premier Coal Mine employee of 39 years officially welcoming everyone and cutting the cake.

Families were treated to a bus tour of the mining pit, machinery display and visit to the workshop, a demonstration by the Mines Rescue Team, truck driving simulator as well as face painting, jumping castle, sausage sizzle, fairy floss, popcorn and show bags for the kids.

Premier Coal Operations Manager Jim Falconer was thrilled have everyone onsite for the day.

"The Open Day is always a wonderful event allowing us to show off our mine and give our families a real snapshot into what we do at the operation.

"Our families are so important to us and it's fantastic that we get to put a smile on their faces by throwing a day of festival fun with rides, show bags and tasty food.

"As a major employer in the area, we are committed to the Collie people and its families.

"We are proud to host the family open day as a demonstration of our contribution and relationship with the Collie community," said Jim.

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