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Media Release:

Moolarben Coal played host to family and friends

In March, the Moolarben Coal Family Days attracted over 1,900 guests through its gates for some entertainment and an experience 'at the coalface'.

Moolarben warmly welcomed its employees, contractors and their families to enjoy some fun activities and get a rare firsthand look at the mining operation.

Over two weekends, visitors were treated to a day of seeing the mine in action with pit tours, excavator, truck, loader, drill, coal preparation plant and underground mining equipment displays.

They were also able to experience a number of displays from equipment and local service suppliers including the Mine Rescue Service who kindly offered their site to host many of the activities and demonstrations.

In addition, there was plenty of activities in the kids' fun zone, including an underground virtual reality experience, face painting, colouring competition, sand pit play and prizes for the kids.

Visitors also did not go hungry. They enjoyed refreshments and delicious snacks provided by some of the local community businesses including a BBQ by the Lions Club, beef and gravy rolls by Cooyal Hotel, sliders, spring rolls and chips by Nackers. As well as coffee and sweets by Workin' Beans Coffee Van, ice cream by Dippin Dots and snow cones, popcorn and fairy floss by Bouncin' Bodz.

Moolarben Coal General Manager, Brian Wesley, was thrilled to welcome everyone onsite.

"Family days provide a unique opportunity for our workers to invite their family and friends onsite to showcase where mum or dad work every day.

"It was great to see the kids enjoying the fun zone and the families getting involved in the pit tours to see the mine in operation and to get up close and personal with our big technical gear.

"Our families are so important to us, and it was fantastic that we could put a smile on their faces by displaying our mine and providing giveaways, as well as some tasty food and treats.

"As a major employer in the area, we are committed to the people of the local region and their families.

"The event was a fabulous success, and we look forward to hosting more events like this in the future for the benefit of our people and their loved ones," said Brian.

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