

ROCK *talk*

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear SANIRE member,

SANIRE's first face-to-face symposium in 2 years was held at Emperors Palace on 28 and 29 July 2022. Approximately 160 delegates were in attendance and over 35 virtual links sent. I can now report that this event was successful, and I am very proud of all the excellent presentations and exhibitions. One could really feel the energy in the room and the networking between all attendees which made this event all worthwhile.



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I would once again like to recognize and thank all the support from our suppliers, sponsors and members.

The RockBowl event was also again a huge success and well done to all the teams and individual participants. The top 4 individual winners (Sammy Mlondobozi, Ratshitaka Nkhangweni, Quinton Nankua and Akani Khoza) represented SANIRE at the LARMS 2022 event in Paraguay, 16 – 19 October. A huge congratulations to this team for winning the RockBowl event and who will participate in the 2023 ISRM RockBowl event in Austria. We are proud of you!

I thank all the examiners who have participated in the exams, your dedication and volunteering your personal time to the discipline, is valued. Several incidents of leaked exams across the industry have taken place in the October exams. This is absolutely unacceptable! SANIRE is actively engaging with the Minerals Council on this, to ensure more measures are put in place to provide stricter controls and prevent any leaks in future.

The 2nd SANIRE Presidential Banquet is on 5 November 2022 at Misty Hills, Muldersdrift. Apart from the fun, entertainment, good food, and networking, we will also award the SANIRE special awards.

I invite all members and companies to book their tables promptly to avoid any disappointment at this event. I hope to see you there!



Photo above: SANIRE RockBowl Team (champions!) at LARMS 2022 in Paraguay. Lft to Rt: Akani Khoza, Sammy Mlondobozi, Quinton Nankua, Ratshitaka Nkhangweni, Michael du Plessis

SANIRE greetings

Lizelle Prinsloo
SANIRE President

Its almost that time of the year again, get the evening gowns and the suits ready! We are looking forward to catch up in an almost refreshing set up.



DATE: 5 NOVEMBER 2022

VENUE: MISTY HILLS COUNTRY HOTEL,
MULDERSDRIFT

TIME: 18H00 for 18h30

DRESS: BLACK TIE

COST: R 14 000 per TABLE (10 Seats)
R 1 500 per person

SANIRE Symposium 2022



Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held at Avianto, Muldersdrift on 26 August 2022.



Lebogang Phalane,
Top candidate SCO Met Oct 2021

SANIRE Awards: Top candidates
and best student



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F Bruwer accepting the award on behalf of Akshay
Swehcaran -top candidate RE Paper 1 in May 2022



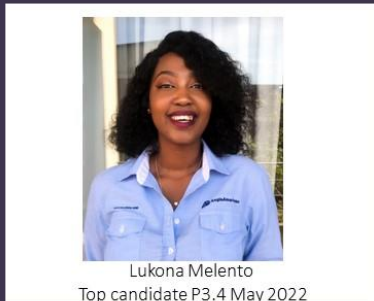
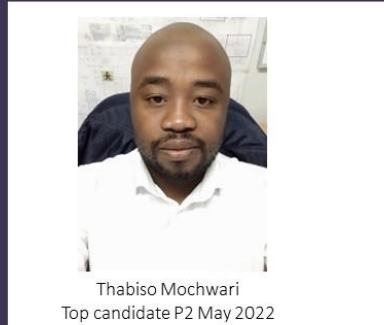
Ntuthuko Ndelela
Top candidate P3.1 in May 2022



Sibusiso Mthethwa
Best Student at WITS

SANIRE Awards

Congratulation to the top candidates and best students, indeed hard work pays off.
May you carry the same attitude of hard work and excellence with you always.



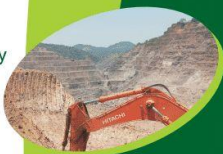
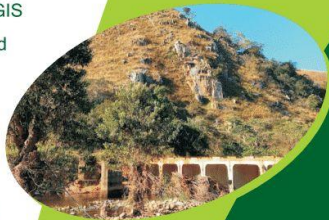
Western Bushveld: Excursion to Saffy Grout Plant

Concrete plays a critical part on support of underground excavation. Quality control is critical to confirm the mixture and ensure effective support. The Western bushveld went a step further and visited the Saffy Grout plant.



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ROCK STAR OF THE QUARTER



Full Name: Mpolokeng Lekgabe
Company/Organisation: Anglo American
Designation: Strata Control Officer
Date and Place of Birth: 23/03/1982
Education: BSc - Chemistry
First Job: Rock Engineering Novice
Philosophy of Life: "Don't give up"
Favourite Food/Drink: Tribe and Tropica
Favourite Sport: Soccer

Q. Where is your favorite hangout spot?

Kwa Maritane

Q. What motivates you to get out of bed in the morning?

My kids are the biggest motivators in my life.

Q. What is your favorite quote (why)?

"My lord is my shepherd" – keeps me going

Q. What is your personal song (why)?

"Tshebeletso ya moya by" By Mangeloi a kgotso – it lifts my spirit when I'm down.

Q. What is your favourite movie?

Diary of a Mad Black Woman

Q. If the story of your life were to become a biopic, what would the title be?

The introvert girl

Q. If the story of your life were to become a biopic, which famous actor or actress would play you?

Thembi Seete

Q. What is the best vacation you've been to or plan on going to?

Durban was my best vacation

Q. Do you have a favourite newspaper, blog?

Daily sun

Q. What is your favorite hobby?

Cooking

Q. What is your greatest fear?

Fear of failure

Q. What is your hidden talent?

Listening

Q. What is the one thing that very few people know about you (e.g. I was Mrs Candy high school when I was 12 years old)?

I am introvert but once I get comfortable I'm funny

Q. What's your most memorable facepalm moment?

Texting a wrong person about personal things

Q. If you could interview one person (dead or alive) who would that be (why)?

My high school teacher (Mrs Britz), who was very kind and when her students had difficulties, she would do her best to help them.

Q. If you could only drink one beer/cocktail for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Strawberry Daiquiri

Q. If you were an animal, what would you be (why)?

Crocodile – crocodiles are very patient

Q. If you were on death row, what would your last meal be?

Mabele and Tribe

Q. What do you want to be remembered for?

Always willing to help others

Q. If you were stuck on an island what three things would you bring?

Knife, Sunscreen, Flashlight

Q. If you were a rockstar, what would your stage name be?

Mpoloks

Q. Growing up, what was your dream career?

Radiographer

Q. Why did you choose Rock Engineering as a career?

I was not aware of a career called Rock Engineering, I applied and ended up in Rock Engineering and I'm grateful for the opportunity.

Q. What are 3 words to describe Rock Engineering?

Understanding, Analyses, Practical.

Q. What do you find the most challenging of Rock Engineering?

The slow acceptance of improved standard.

Q. What do you like most about Rock Engineering?

Challenging, discipline, principles

Q. What are some areas that you believe will become of increasing importance in the near future of the rock engineering discipline?

Strata Control training is required for production and Safety personnel to report properly and to deal with hazards appropriately.

Q. What is your view on the current spike on Fall of Ground Fatalities over the past two years?

Understanding of ABS-P is very important. Ignoring or turning a blind eye will always have serious consequences.

Q. What solutions do you propose to reduce the Fall of Ground Fatalities?

By following the rules, procedures and standards. Applying SLAM.

Q. Who is your role model/mentor?

Mr Makajane, always wanted more for me and what's best for me.

Q. What is the best advice you have ever been given?

"Procrastination is the thief of time"

Q. What advice would you give to someone who want to choose Rock Engineering as career?

Ask questions, ask for assistance. Be humble and kind.



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NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

WE ARE SEARCHING FOR THE NEXT ROCK STAR WHO IS GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND

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- A short motivation as to why you have nominated the person

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Eastern Bushveld Golf Day 2022

It was a beautiful day on the Highland Gate Golf Estate in Dullstroom for the Eastern Bushveld golf day on 12 August 2022. The organisers, the golfers and the supporters had so much fun.



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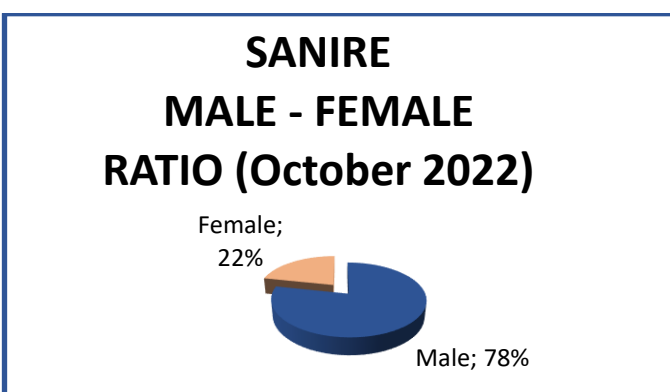
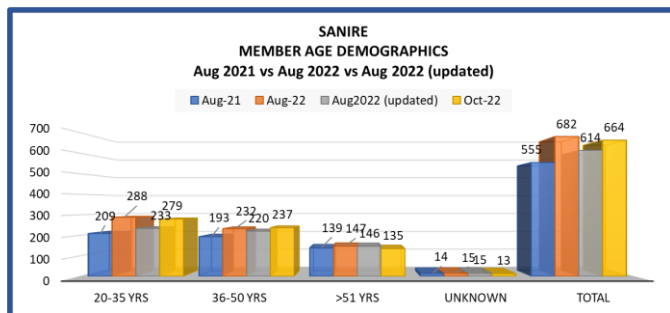
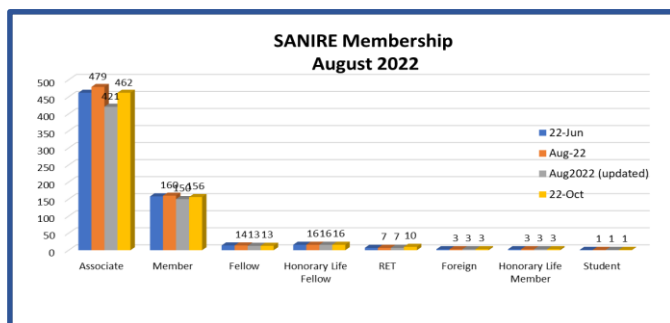
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