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Message from the President of the MVSA

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The Mine Ventilation Society of Australia (MVSA) was founded in 2012 by Australian mine ventilation practitioners, who share a common passion, dedication and commitment to ensure a safe and healthy work environment for fellow Underground mine workers. This time of the year affords us a great opportunity to reflect on what our accomplishments have been throughout 2016 but also to acknowledge our failures. It is important to reflect on failures and difficult times as those experiences, no matter how challenging, offer great growth opportunities to us. I would like us all to continue to grow ourselves and strengthen our goals and visions by supporting each other not only in good times, but also through those challenging times. We need to stay positive and focus on the silver lining, the half full glass, the greener pastures to be unveiled by tomorrows sunrise, I have all the faith in each and every one of you to make a success and a positive contribution in all aspects of your life.

I would like to thank each and every one of our members for the opportunity afforded to the currently elected committee to serve our occupation. The MVSA has had an exciting and busy 2016 and I would like to thank each and every person who contributed to making it a successful 2016. The currently elected committee are relentless in pursuing their passion for the ventilation fraternity and have gone through leaps and bounds to move "Mine Ventilation" to the forefront of mining engineering and claim the long lost recognition that has been evading us. Having suitably qualified Mine Ventilation Engineers available to the industry with a career pathway to grow and pursue our passion for ventilation will be a reality for us.

In closing my message is a simple one, please keep safe and look after yourselves during the holiday period and come back invigorated with a passion for your family, career, the MVSA and those people near dear and close to your heart.

Johannes Holtzhausen

President of the MVSA