

Import of aluminum and silicon metal swells in FY2014

The Ministry of Finance recently revealed the customs clearance report of aluminum ingot, aluminum alloy ingot, aluminum and aluminum alloy scrap and silicon metal in fiscal 2014, started in April 2014 and ended in March 2015.

According to this report, the comparison with the previous period as follows.

primary aluminum ingot	114.7%	aluminum alloy ingot	106.3%
aluminum and alloy scrap	147.7%	silicon metal	114.7%

Throughout this fiscal year, every demand of aluminum was steady and the market was strong, and above all, aluminum and alloy scrap increased greatly, which was thought that it was a reaction of excessive decrease of import in past some years.

Looking at the export countries, the ranking was almost same. It shows the international aluminum market was tranquil through a year. The market in fiscal 2015 is foreseen to be calm, and the import quantity of each item seems to be a moderate increase.

notes A. primary aluminum ingot

- (1) Australia (2) Russia (3) Brazil (4) South Africa (5) U.A.E.
(6) New Zealand (7) Saudi Arabia (8) Argentine (9) Malaysia
(10) Indonesia (11) others (12) total

B. aluminum alloy ingot

- (1) China (2) Russia (3) U.A.E. (4) New Zealand (5) Australia (6) Qatar (7) Nigeria (8) Canada (9) Ukraine (10) Taiwan (11) others
(12) total

C. aluminum and aluminum ally scrap

- (1) U.S.A. (2) Thailand (3) Malaysia (4) Taiwan (5) U.K. (6) Australia (7) Israel (8) Hong Kong (9) Singapore (10) China (11) others
(12) total

D. silicon metal

- (1) China (2) Norway (3) Brazil (4) France (5) South Africa (6) Thailand (7) Australia (8) Germany (9) Taiwan (10) Sweden (11) others
(12) total

The 2nd. Aluminum seminar is held by two associations

The Japan Aluminum Refiners Association and the Japan Diecast Association opened the first aluminum seminar in 2013, and recently revealed that they projected "The second aluminum seminar" to promote an expansion of new aluminum diecasting market, which will be held on July 24 at the Kikaishikou-kaikan in Minato-ku Tokyo.

Traditionally in Japan, ADC 12 has been used mainly, however at this seminar, the both associations aim at the new market of ADC 3. The attendance fee is ¥3,000 (A's member) or ¥6,000 (non member), and the arranged program is as follows.

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| (1) 13:00 | Greetings | M r. Sanji Kitaoka(JARA) |
| (2) 13:20 | Mechanical quality with Cu mold | Mr. Naoto Oshiro(Dail Aluminum) |
| (3) 13:40 | Casting experiment of ADC 3 | Mr. Naoki Nonaka(Mino Industry) |

- (4) 14:40 Abnormal constitution solidified in sleeve Mr. Naomi Nishi (JDA)
- (5) 15:10 Estimation of broken chilled bed Mr. Makoto Yoshioda(Waseda Univ.)
- (6) 16:10 Results of experiments and assignments in the future
Mr. Mr. Sanji Kitaoka (JARA)
- (7) 16:30 Questions and answers

The further information and application are welcomed by

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The annual general shareholders meeting opens

On June 19 at our meeting hall, the annual general shareholders meeting was held, where the annual financial statement was approved, at the same time, President Takashi Amano expressed his great thanks for shareholders' great support as the above left photo on page three shows.

Executive Director Koihi Arima's office term expired, and still he remains to serve as Sales Adviser. After the meeting, he expressed sincere thanks everyone for the enjoyment he received during his office term. Commemorating his retirement, Mrs. Takashi Amano presented a bouquet offering our thanks as the below photo on page three shows.

Nishio Summer Festival opens

One of the greatest events, Nishio Summer Festival is going to be held on a large scale every July traditionally. The Nishio Sightseeing Association recently revealed the schedule as follows

July 17 Wednesday traditional Japanese dancing show

July 18 Saturday parade of portable shrine, above photo on page three
parade of Japanese feudal lord train

July 19 Sunday all citizens' great dancing show

The people await this summer festival cheerfully.

Safety week has come

The first week 1 to 7 July is the "Safety week" every year in whole Japan, and the job safety is strongly campaigned in this week. This year's slogan is,

"Let's research risks and improve them ourselves, it's our safety workplace"

Company news

On May 30, the wedding ceremony and party of Mr. Yuhei Kamiya, Production Dpt., and Miss Akari were held gorgeously at Aqua Garden in Okazaki City. The new couple was celebrated by many colleagues as the photo page four shows.

The staff convivial meeting was held where long service seniors were awarded.

Miss Yumiko Kimbara (25 y.), Mr. Hiroya Matsumoto (15 y.), Mr. Takuya Kanazawa (15 y.), Mr. Akihiro Iwase (10 y.), Miss Ayumi Tani (10 y.)

Congratulations everyone!