

Production of secondary aluminum alloy improves in F 2016

The Japan Aluminum Alloy Refiners Association recently revealed the total production and the total shipment in fiscal 2016, started in April 2016 and ended in March 2017. According to the announcement, the total production rose 2.2 per cent from the previous fiscal year to 792,877ton, and the total shipment also swelled 2.0 per cent year on year to 801,428ton.

The total production in fiscal 2016 didn't reach 0.8 million ton mark, which was a JARA members' dream by a narrow margin.

In the classified shipment, the main demand, die casting, rose 3.5 per cent supported by thriving automobile industry, which contributed the increase of total shipment powerfully.

Regarding sheet producing section, the can demand for coffee was peak-out, and the shipment for sheet producers marked decline. The shipment for steel marked a good figure supported by favorable steel production.

In fiscal 2017, the production of automobile and knock-down parts seems to be so favorable that the better business results are expected.

The table on page one shows the production and shipment of secondary aluminum alloy in fiscal 2014, 2015 and 2016, in which from top total production, total shipment and classified shipment – die casting, cast, sheet, extrusion, steel and alloy smelters. The bracketed shows the comparison percentage with the previous fiscal year.

The 43rd general meeting of JARA opens on May 18

On May 18, the 43rd. general meeting of the Japan Aluminum Alloy Refiners Association was held at Kazankaikan in Tokyo, where Mr. Shouzou Hamamura, President of M C Aluminum Ltd., was elected as new Chairman. President Takashi Amano of Asuka Industries was re-elected as Executive Director at the same time.

After the meeting, Mr. Yasuhiro Nakano was awarded the Aiji Takahashi Prize, which was originated by the late Aiji Takahashi's donation, and then the association honors some excellent employees every year.

At the same time, Mr. Motowo Suzuki got the certificate of smelting engineer from the association.

Congratulations on both your big efforts. The photo on page two is Mr. Motowo Suzuki, President Takashi Amano and Mr. Yasuhiro Nakano from left.

Aluminum Can Recycling Association requests three points

(1) Let's recycle "pull tab" with aluminum can body.

Please don't remove pull tab from aluminum can body. The removing is a danger sometimes for your fingers.

(2) Cap of bottle type aluminum can is aluminum.

The cap is made of aluminum. Let's recycle both cap and bottle together.

(3) Don't throw cigarette end into aluminum can.

The cigarette end in aluminum can interrupts recycling. It might happen a fire.

Productions of aluminum cast and die casting improve in March successively

The Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry recently revealed the production of aluminum cast and die casting in March. According to the announcement, the production of aluminum cast increased 4.5 per cent from the previous same period to 39,635 ton. The production of aluminum die casting rose 3.8 per cent from a year earlier to 90,770 ton.

The favorable production of car producers and parts producers for knock-down parts supported the eight months successive increases from a year earlier for both aluminum cast and aluminum die casting.

The table on page three shows the production of aluminum cast and aluminum die casting in March, and the comparison with the previous period. (1) aluminum cast totaled (2) machines (3) automobile (4) others (5) aluminum die casting totaled (6) machines (7) electrical machine (8) automobile (9) two wheeled vehicle (10) others.

Mr. Isogai's farewell party and Mr. Tsuge's sixty birthday party

Mr. Sadao Isogai has served for 50 years continuously. His nature was so gentleness and sincerity that everyone was reluctant to leave him. He worked at production department zealously, and was an excellent job leader

His farewell party was held splendidly at Restaurant Saakae on April 30. It was a half century devoted entirely to aluminum.

Traditionally in Japan, 60th. year has been beautified Mr. Shigeo Tsuge's 60 years old congratulatory party was held at Restaurant Tanoshiira on May 19 . The staff got together to observe his healthy life, and every attendant had a very pleasant time.

He enjoys good health and takes a lively part in purchasing department. The photo on page three shows Mr. Tsuge and attendants.

Nikichi Festival is held on June 4

Nikichi was a macho man born in Kira Nishio City, and sprinted in the end of Edo era. In 1865, he helped his friendly group at strife without regard to his success. As the result his group won but he was fatally shot when 28 years old.

Every June, Nikichi Festival is held at Gentokuji Temple in Kira Nishio City celebrating his chivalry. The photo on page four is Nikichi's statue owned by Kira Public Library.

Company news

Our production in April marked the highest for any past April on record. We thank all our suppliers and customers for your great support. At the same time, we would like to make efforts for better quality and the best service moreover.

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Cormorant Fishing opens

This is an ancient fishing way using trained cormorants. We can enjoy it on pleasure boat in Inuyama City Aichi Prefecture and Gifu City Gifu Prefecture.