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For me there was an air of decline, of a once mighty and proud show looking tired and beset of new ideas.

The food was a case in point, just sandwiches this year, and not many of them! They lasted about 10 minutes and people in meetings, or in the other parts of the hall missed them completely, and could be heard vociferously complaining about it!



The caterers took little care to even put on a nice display, with sandwiches literally thrown on top of each other (see picture above), not that they lasted long enough for people to notice!

The one area there was a major improvement on was the Connect

Lounge, where people go to meet CEO’s for one on one meetings. It was far better organised this year, and the ladies running it did a sterling job with smiles on their faces, they were an excellent team.

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the success of any show is gauged by the sentiment, and a falling gold price just before the show is guaranteed to put the mockers on any positive sentiment, and that happened here this year, as gold took a hefty tumble during the month after a strong run in the previous months.

There was a decent selection of companies on show, but again many of these had the same old tired story, with not much progress made since last year. The difficulty is raising financing accounts for a lot of this of course, and that’s only getting harder apparently.

Some companies participated in both the 121 Minng Forum and Mines and Money, and I wonder about the real benefits of that, surely you meet everyone you need to in either show? .

Management must be drained at giving probably up to 100 presentations over the course of the shows plus other meetings in the city over the period of two weeks, the one on one meeting format really is a production line of non stop presenting.

It’s all over until next year now, the next London mining investment show scheduled is the **Global Mining Finance show at the Armourer’s Hall, London Wall, on Wednesday March 25th, at 09.30 am. – http://www.global-mining-finance.com**