

Welcome to Take Five, PDL's newsletter. We will share with you news updates, information and events from PDL and our agencies around the Pacific. Please email your comments and any feedback or suggestions to: [info@pdl123.com](mailto:info@pdl123.com)

## PDL CHARITY MONTH A SUCCESS

In November, PDL staff and customers worked together to raise money for two worthy charities, Cancer Society and Cure Kids. With PDL matching the funds raised by customers and staff, more than \$55,000 was raised! Thank you all so much.

The two main events apart from donations linked to cargo bookings, were the Walking Stars half marathon and the PDL Charity Auction. Pictured in their Scottish walking attire are Giles Jephcott, Sophie Nevin, Hayley Booth, Leah Booth, Vineti Tofavaha, Delphine Bladinieres, Jane Ingham, Vittoria Nevin, and Vicki Williams. Congratulations to all of you for your effort.



The Charity Auction was held at Pacific House in Auckland and three winning bids won the right to shave the heads of General Manager, Giles Jephcott, Finance Director, Fred Bladinieres, and CEO Olivier Ravel. Pictured is our own Scotsman, Ewen Grant shaving Giles while Oli looks on knowing he is next! Olivier's son, Luke won the right to shave his father's hair which ended as a Mohawk cut! Our thanks to Fred, Oli

and Giles for being such good sports and to PDL for matching the donations received..

## TONGAN PORT DELEGATION VISIT PDL

PDL's Operations team members, Matt Bremner and Josh Moran recently hosted guests from the Tongan Port Authority on a visit to Ports of Auckland to look at possible processes they could implement in Tonga. Eitiki Samani, Risk and Compliance/Quality Management System Manager and Mosese Lavemai, CEO were also accompanied by GM of Dateline Transam, Fine Tohi, GM of CRS Tonga, Manu Mataele and CEO of



Wallace Investments, John van Aalst. PDL has a stevedoring company in Tonga, NSL, and they work very closely with the Port Authority on improvements and efficiency.

## NEW TRUCKS FOR APIA STEVEDORING



Apia Stevedoring Limited has just taken delivery of two Terberg trucks purchased from Wallace Investments in Auckland. ASL Manager, Nathan Ryan says the new trucks are to be used for moving containers between

stacks and ships and for moving empties to and from the Sea Container Hygiene System cleaning facility. They will further increase productivity and assist with quicker vessel turnaround in Apia. The biggest challenge is getting Owen Ryan to let someone else have a turn to drive the new air-conditioned trucks!



## NEW STORAGE FACILITY FOR TONGA

Dateline Transam in Nuku'alofa has been developing three acres of land behind the office in By-Pass Road, as a Logistics and Warehousing Hub. Phase One, which opened on December 1st, is a state of the art self storage facility with more than 2000 cubic metres of lock up capacity. Alongside this is a bonded vehicle storage area and early next year a large 2000m2 warehouse complex will be built for LCL devanning, document storage and managed warehousing. For more information on National Storage, call 676 24500 (Loka) or 676 21670 (Alisi)



## FLOWERS FOR JULIETTE SOLIGNAC



PDL Transhipment Trade Manager, Juliette Solignac, was presented with flowers and a gift from the team at PDL Auckland as she takes a four month break for maternity leave.

Juliette has been with the company for 9 years, bringing a strong administrative skill set to the Commercial side of the Transhipment business. She is the point of contact for PIL Trade team in Singapore and is responsible for the pricing of the PIL Transhipment Trade from all over the world to the South Pacific Islands. PIL offers weekly services from over 65 origin ports to connect to PDL's Pacific Islands services.