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10TH BIRTHDAY FOR DATELINE TRANSAM

Recently 350 invited guests from the Tongan Royal Family, Foreign Ambassadors, Government Ministers, Customers and Service Providers joined with the Management and Staff of Dateline Transam at the new Logistics Centre in Nuku'alofa to celebrate the tenth year of trading for the Kingdom's largest Shipping Agency Company.

Formed back in 2007, DTL was the result of the merging of Dateline Shipping, established by Ross Chapman, and Transam Tonga Limited, established by Olivier Ravel from Pacific Direct Line. From modest beginnings, the Company has expanded to be the largest Shipping Agency including general offices, CRS Container Depot, National Storage self storage facilities, bonded car storage and managed warehousing and LCL depot.

PDL International Chairman, Mr Peter Chang from Singapore helped Olivier and Ross with the official cake cutting. Mr Chang also was encouraged to join local dancers on the floor. Also pictured is PDL Finance Director, Fred Bladiniere with Alani Schaumkel from DTL.

Several members of the DTL staff who have been with the Company for the full ten years were presented with a gift from the Company for their dedication and services. This included Maopa Tu'inukuafae, Lupeni Otuhouma,



CRS STARTS ON-WHARF UPGRADES

A team from CRS Auckland Depot have recently been permitted by Ports of Auckland to operate at Multicargo Terminals after a thorough Health and Safety Induction programme.

General Manager of CRS, Phil Thompson said since starting the on-wharf operation two months ago the team have serviced over 500 Pacific International Line forty foot container surveys and upgrades and have also undertaken smaller repairs using the Wallace Investments facilities.

Pictured on the right is a converted twenty foot container which CRS Penrose branch turned into a wharf office for the team. The team shown here are Thomas Noema, Wong Ah Kau, Paul Rowntree, Evander Smith, and Shawn Hunt.

PIL NZ General Manager, Arun Joshi commented that there are significant savings to the Line in terms of transport costs and also a quicker process of progressing containers to "available" status allowing quicker turn around and faster release to export customers.



NZSAR AWARD FOR SOUTHERN LILY



Josh Moran, Logistics Manager for PDL recently received an award on behalf of the crew of the Southern Lily. The award from the NZ Search and Rescue Council was for the efforts of the vessel and its crew in saving three people from the stricken yacht, "Platino" in June

2016. The award was presented by the Associate Minister of Transport, Rt Honorable David Bennet.

HEAVY LIFT CHALLENGES FOR APIA

Apia Stevedoring Limited recently discharged two large shipments of Out of Gauge cargo. Pictured on the right are steel pipes for the new Apia wharf. A total of 353 pipes each weighing 7 tonnes and 42 metres long were discharged in two 12 hour shifts. Also pictured below is a huge concrete beam, one of 8 shipped on Southern Lily for the \$10.9 million Leone Bridge in Apia. Each beam weighed 48 tonne and was 26.8 metres long. ASL has a strong reputation for handling these huge items under the expert guidance of Owen Ryan.



CRS MODIFICATIONS FOR SAMOA

CRS Auckland recently completed the modification of two static storage containers for Transam Samoa. The containers will be used for storage and for leasing out to customers in Apia. CRS now completes hundreds of sale, modification and lease containers in their Penrose depot for customers all over the Pacific. For more information on CRS containers you can phone 649 570 2902 or visit their website at www.crsdepot.co.nz. CRS Fiji now has more than 60 refurbished sale containers in their yard in Lami, Suva so if you need storage or shipping containers, 20 ft 40 ft general or high cube, dry or reefer, just contact CRS Suva, phone: 0679 336 1160 or email: containersales@crs.com.fj



RANGEVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL DONATION

Pupils from Rangeview Primary School in Te Atatu filled a PDL container with second hand school furniture on behalf of "Furniture for Schools Charitable Trust." Launched in 2016, the Trust collects the furniture and finds suitable schools to send it to in the Pacific Islands. In 2016 they shipped 19 containers with 4000 desks & chairs!

