

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

PDL OFFERS WEEKLY SERVICE TO FIJI, IMPROVED SERVICE FROM CHINA



PDL recently announced a significant improvement to the service to Fiji from New Zealand. In mid-November we added another PIL R-Class vessel to the trade. Named the Capitaine Cook, the new vessel will enable us to offer a weekly fixed day schedule to and from Fiji. The new ship has the same capacity as the Southern Trader operating on the New Zealand to Tahiti Trade.

Also in November, the new improved PIL weekly service from China directly to Auckland commenced, connecting to the PDL vessels to the South Pacific Ports. This service known as the NCS service will complement the existing NZS service that tranships over Singapore and Port Kelang to Auckland every week. Details of both NZS and NCS schedules are available on the PDL website or call the Transhipment team in Auckland Office, or email pdltranshipments@pdl123.co.nz

NEW LPG DISTRIBUTOR IN SANTO

Pacific Bulk Fuel has recently appointed Wong Sze Sing as their LPG Distributor in Santo, Vanuatu. PDL already has a strong trading relationship with WSS and this was influential in the decision by PBF to develop the new distribution arrangement. Pictured below is the initial civil works being undertaken on WSS's site in Santo along with a design plan for the industry approved new cylinders. PBF are assisting with the required third party training and safe practices.



FAREWELL TO DON MACDONALD

After more than 43 years working with the Ravel Family, Don Macdonald has decided to put his feet up and retire from the world of Shipping. At a function held in Auckland to mark Don's retirement, Chief Executive, Olivier Ravel said, "What Don has achieved in those 43 years he has been dealing with my family is truly remarkable. Don was also the first person I ever employed at PDL and he can be proud to be the longest serving employee of PDL."

Also attending the farewell function was Benoit Marcenac, CEO of Sofrana. He also spoke of the remarkable contribution Don has made to the industry over the many years. Don plans to write short stories and spend more time with his family. We all wish Don a happy and relaxing retirement.



WELCOME TO PDL'S YOUNGEST RECRUIT



Take 5 is delighted to welcome baby Leanne to the PDL family. Leanne is the first child of our PDL International Director, Lisa Teo. Leanne was presented with a smart PDL romper to prepare for the first day in charge!! Our warmest congratulations to Lisa.

PDL SPONSORS SCHOOL RUGBY TEAM



PDL and their customer, Pasifika Freight Trading Limited, sponsored the Wesley College Senior Development Fifteen rugby team. This exciting squad went on to win the Counties Manukau 2nd Fifteen Competition. Coach of the team, Saua Leupepetele presented PDL with a playing strip and team photo to thank them for the sponsorship. Pictured with Saua are PDL's Lynette Talamaivao-Nickel, Giles Jephcott and Alan Foote.

TRANSAM FIJI CELEBRATE FIJI DAY AND DIWALI



NEW SALES MANAGER FOR PDL AUCKLAND

The Commercial Team at PDL has been strengthened with the employment of Leah Booth who joined us this month. Leah brings a wealth of experience in South Pacific shipping and logistics with her and will focus primarily on the New Zealand export trades. You can contact Leah at our Auckland office on phone (09)308-3952 or email leahb@pdl123.co.nz

