

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

SOLAS VERIFIED GROSS MASS

The Solas container weight verification requirement will take effect on July 1st this year. Shippers are responsible for verifying the packed container weight. It will be a violation of Solas to load a packed container onto a vessel if the vessel operator and marine terminal operator do not have a verified container weight.

The Solas amendments provide that there are two methods for determining the container weight once the container packing process has taken place. Method one is weighing the container once it has been packed, method two requires the weighing of all the cargo and contents of the container and adding those weights to the container's tare weight.

PDL has provided information on these requirements in its News section of its website at the following link:

<http://www.pdl123.co.nz/pdl-news/trade-notice/>

PDL TEAM AT SHIPPING BALL



PDL supported the "Great New Zealand Shipping Ball" held in Shed 10 on Auckland wharf. Attending as our guests were clockwise from left, Regan Booth (Primor Produce), Lindsay and Mandy Turner (Golden Bay Cement), Jane Ingham (Pacific Bulk Fuel), Lynette Talamaivao-Nickel (PDL), Daniel Ludlam and Kristin Gribble (The Timber Baron), Katya Burgess (PDL), Moea Amaru (PDL) and Leah Booth, (PDL)

Proceeds from the Ball and charity auction went to the Coastguard Northern Region. This was the first Shipping Ball since 2012 and was highly successful and is firmly back on the Auckland social calendar.

600 NEW CONTAINERS FOR PDL



PDL has just received 600 new 20 foot containers which were manufactured by our Group sister company, Singamas at their Ningbo factory in China. There are 500 standard 20 ft and 100 20 ft High Cube containers. PDL Container Manager, Bianca Sciascia said, "These are purpose built modified containers with thicker steel

plate around the tyne pockets to better stand up to the unique nature of our Pacific Island market." This investment in additional new containers allows PDL to continue with their replacement policy to ensure that they offer customers the most modern container fleet in the Pacific Region.

CRS TAURANGA OPENS FOR BUSINESS

As indicated in the last Take 5, the new CRS Tauranga container depot has now opened for business, with receivals officially starting from Monday June 23rd. The yard has been strategically located close to Mount Maunganui wharf, future proofing it against the space pressures impacting depots at Sulphur Point. The 27,000m² yard can accommodate over 4000 TEU. Pictured above is the new twin bay repair shop which can cater for both 20 ft and 40 ft units, there are two new seven-high twin pick Omega



stackers, a 10 tonne forklift for flatracks, a 20 container double sided wash bay with in ground holding tank, and three reefer pre-trip bays to accommodate up to 50 units on power. CRS are the first in the region to introduce Container Chain Depot Management software, which incorporates truck time slotting for efficient turn around. To view the depot or for more information on this state of the art depot, you can contact our depot Manager, Sharanjit Singh on email: sharanjit.singh@crstauranga.co.nz or phone 0275 391 046.



FORUM PACIFIC RESCUES 13 CREW

13 crew from the LC Mahalia were rescued by the Forum Pacific near Vanuatu after the coastal freighter capsized when cargo moved on board. All were returned safely to Port Vila. Forum Pacific pictured below previously was the Southern Trader before moving from the Tahiti run to the Australia to Pacific Islands trade.



SOUTHERN LILY HELPS IN RESCUE



The Southern Lily was diverted to assist the crew of a damaged 20 metre yacht, "Platino" which was hit by strong winds 550km north of New Zealand en route to Fiji. Two crew members died and the remaining three were rescued by the Southern Lily after a difficult recovery exercise in heavy seas. The rescued sailors are pictured with the crew of the Southern Lily en route back to Auckland.



PDL Operations team, Josh Moran and Craig Thompson had the challenging task of escorting family members on to the wharf in Auckland to comfort the returning sailors when the Southern Lily berthed. They received a heart felt letter of gratitude from family representatives.