



HLPFI gossip columnist Evie Aufheben delivers another collection of lighter news, anecdotes and amusing facts from the world of project cargo logistics.



Rhino returns with DHL

The HLPFI team was delighted to hear that DHL has completed the delivery of an endangered black rhino from its birthplace in the Czech Republic to its natural home in Tanzania.

Three-year-old Eliska was moved to a national park in Tanzania as part of an ongoing conservation project run by the George Adamson Wildlife Preservation Trust, aimed at helping endangered animal populations to grow and prosper in their natural habitat.

She was moved by road to Leipzig Airport in Germany, before being flown on a B757-200 freighter – specially modified for animal transport – to Tanzania's Kilimanjaro Airport, from where she was trucked to her new home.

HLPFI was pleased to hear that Eliska received VIP treatment en route, accompanied by five containers of food and water, and one of the world's leading black rhino vets.

Diamond win for Karau

Congratulations are also due to a well-known face in the project logistics industry – Wolfgang Karau (on the left of our photograph here), owner and managing director of Finnish project forwarder



PCN ceo in charity abseil

HLPFI congratulates Rachel Humphrey, president and chief executive of the Project Cargo Network (PCN), who together with two friends has raised over GBP4,000 (USD5,270) for The Dream Trust by abseiling 100 m down the Spinnaker Tower in Portsmouth, UK.

"The anticipation and waiting at the top was tough but the second I walked onto the platform was genuinely terrifying; I was petrified," said Humphrey.

"Getting into position on the wall was equally frightening but then once I started the descent and felt in control, the fear left and I actually loved it."

The Dream Trust provides life-saving insulin to poor children with diabetes in India and has helped hundreds of individuals living in poverty to access insulin and medical care for free.



Procargo and director of operations at the Worldwide Project Consortium (WWPC). He has been awarded the Diamond Cross from the Federation of Finnish Enterprises in recognition of his 30-year career.

Bear-y nice job

It was heartening to hear of Air Charter Service's (ACS)



recent charitable activities which involved arranging charters to fly three orphaned bear cubs from Georgia to a specialist sanctuary in Greece, and two dolphins from Harderwijk Dolphinarium in the Netherlands to their new home in the Canary Islands. The female bear cubs – Georgia, Mollie and Louisa – were found wandering the streets of Tbilisi following the devastating floods in the country last year, and have been kept in the city's dog pound since.

They travelled to Greece on a Metro III aircraft with veterinary staff on board to tend to the animals. The dolphin duo – Sting and Makai – were flown from Maastricht Airport on board an AN-74 aircraft to Las Palmas.

CLA helps break speed record

CargoLogicAir (CLA) has signed a memorandum of understanding to become the air cargo partner for the Bloodhound Project, which is attempting to set a new world land speed record in South Africa in 2017.

The agreement will see CLA fly the project's supersonic car, Bloodhound SSC, from its UK base to and from South Africa, where its world record attempts will take place on the Hakskeenpan dried lake bed in the Northern Cape.