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# Update

*A team with the desire to take on the world*

## WELCOME

Richard Branson's international best seller 'Let's not screw it, let's just do it' is probably the most over subscribed book in our office library. What makes it so appealing, other than the title, is that unlike many books and programmes of it's type, the writer has actually succeeded in substantial and diverse businesses – the Virgin brand a global icon - unlike the authors of so many other 'self help' books, who have built their over publicised 'success' pedaling nonsense to masses of malcontents.

According to Branson, his time is split in thirds – one third working on existing businesses, one third developing new opportunities, and the final third putting out fires.

For the entrepreneur businessman, the challenge is to keep these 'three balls in the air' and not allow any one of them to dominate.

We hope you enjoy this edition of our update.

## NEW REGIONAL OFFICE

May 1st 2009 saw Cook Brothers Construction celebrating the opening of our Waikato / Bay of Plenty Regional Office at 159 Durham Street in Tauranga. With projects currently operating in both regions, and opportunity to tender offered by several key architectural practices, we are off to an excellent start. Thanks for your support!



*Golden Centre Proposed Upgrade - JCY Architects - Auckland*



## RECESSION

*'The outlook for Thursday? – your guess is as good as mine' Dave Dobyn*

Not unlike skinning the proverbial cat- there are a myriad of ways to view the prevailing economic conditions. The media, true to form in this environment, serves primarily to assist retailers in selling 'short lengths of rope', but in doing so provides the savvy business operator with real opportunity to capitalize. The only question is – do we have the courage to do so?

## APPOINTMENTS

*Nigel Silvester - Commercial Manager  
Waikato / Bay of Plenty*

Nigel brings to Cook Brothers Construction an extensive & professional background in delivering multiple civil works (UK), and more recently, proven ability to coordinate and deliver substantial 'Design Build' projects in New Zealand. With key strengths in accuracy and communication, Nigel provides for our commercial clients not only world-class documentation, but the energy and resourcefulness to produce positive results.

Nigel and his wife enjoy team sports and snow skiing at Whakapapa in the winter.



# RECENT & CURRENT PROJECTS



*Golden Centre Mall, Dunedin CBD – Main Contractor (GMP) – JCY Architects – Auckland*

*BNZ Concept Store, South Dunedin – Opus - Auckland*

*Hillcrest High School Science Block (Carpentry) – PMS + MSM Architects, Hamilton*

*Katikati Primary School Classroom Refurbishment – PMS + Archimedia, Auckland*

*Knox Archives Upgrade – John McKenzie Architect, Dunedin*

*Edinburgh Realty – Extension Stage I – John McKenzie Architect, Dunedin*

*Otago Radiology Staff Room – Arcon Projects, Dunedin*

*Little Sisters of the Poor – Laundry – Mason and Wales, Dunedin*

*Respiratory Laboratory – Otago District Health Board*



**Wakari School Hall – Baker Garden Architects – Dunedin**



*Golden Centre Mall – Hadley and Robinson, Dunedin*



**Katikati Primary School Classroom Refurbishment**

## KEEP IN TOUCH!

Our increasing network of alliances across New Zealand assists us to participate meaningfully in the challenges and opportunities that commercial construction provides. Whether it be a 'Design Build' Medical Centre in Dunedin or a Science Block in Hamilton, Cook Brothers Construction, works as part of a team of professionals to produce the results.

We look forward to meeting up with your company again soon.

Dave Bulling and Sam Rofe



**BNZ Concept Store – South Dunedin**

