

Counsellors' future without limits

CLOSE to 200 Travel Counsellors, suppliers, Australian and global head office staff and partners ascended on Cairns for the Travel Counsellors annual conference over the weekend.

Themed "A Future Without Limits", the event featured a large technology emphasis including workshops and booths dedicated to the topic.

The group has ramped up its cruise focus and the industry had the chance to showcase its wares with this year's "POW WOW" spreading over two floors - one of which was dedicated to cruise.

Conference highlights include keynote speeches from seven-times world surfing champion Layne Beachley and Cian McLoughlin, founder and ceo of Trinity Perspectives.



TRAVEL Counsellors' gold members Liz Van Boxel; Suzanne Watson; Matt Schmitz; Samantha Slattery; Nadine Kutz and Trish O'Brien with Jim Eastwood, sales director (left); Tracy Parkinson, head of sales, Kaylene Shuttlewood, regional md and Fred Van Eijk, interim managing director Australia and md & founder Travel Counsellors Netherlands and Belgium.

Social events made sure there was plenty of time for the team to catch up with fellow Travel Counsellors and get to know the group's new regional managing director Kaylene Shuttlewood.

On Fri delegates partied on the pool deck with a silent disco and on Sat recognised top performers at the Gala awards night.



LILIANA Suarez, QBE; Anabela Costa, TC head office; Carol Mills, Travel Counsellor and Trish O'Brien, Travel Counsellor.



THE Australian head office team show off their pink flamingo TC uniform at POW WOW.

ANASTASIA Kotanidis, bdm Vic & Tas Silversea; Craig Owens, head of trade sales & partnerships, Silversea; Jane Tanti, TC cruise exec and Liz Sawers, director sales, Viking Cruises.



MICHAELA Jones, head office; Kara Rushton, Travel Counsellor and Danielle Robertson, Travel Counsellor guest.



TRAVEL Counsellor Donna Jones and Etihad Airways' Georgie Davies.



TRAVEL Counsellors Kerrie Croft; Jennifer Yue; Cheryl Richmond; Nadine New and Hulda Strydom.



TRAVEL Counsellors regional md Kaylene Shuttlewood (second from right) with Western Australia TC delegates.