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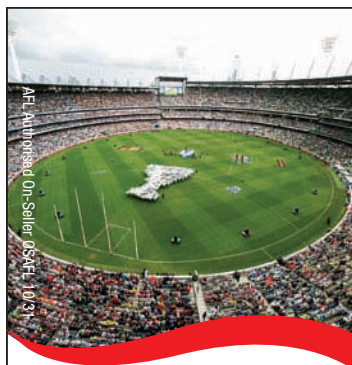
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Qantas drops EY c'share

THE major new alliance between Virgin Blue and Etihad (*TD* yesterday) saw Qantas move rapidly to terminate its 18-month old codeshare pact with the Middle Eastern carrier.

QF spokesman Simon Rushton told *TD* this morning that the deal will cease effective 29 Nov, and Qantas will be contacting agents and passengers with bookings on the EY codeshare services after that date.

"We're now considering other options in terms of Middle East coverage," he said.

The QF/EY deal, offering seats between Australia and Abu Dhabi, Amman, Bahrain and Beirut was announced about 18 months ago (*TD* 11 Mar 09) and expanded a year later (*TD* 08 Mar 10) to include Al Ain and Dubai.

VTO appointment

THE Vanuatu Tourism Office has appointed Liz Youdale as Brand Manager for its soon to debut new marketing campaign (see page 6).

Youdale told *TD* last night at Tok Tok that the plan for the campaign is to launch it in Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia as soon as possible.

"We've got a brand so we need to capitalise on low season rather than waiting until Jan," she said.

Rushton added that Etihad had previously made several alliance proposals similar to the Virgin Blue deal but these had been rejected on commercial grounds.

"They were always very keen, but the proposals were not viable for us," he said.

EY ceo James Hogan yesterday said Qantas planned to operate Jetstar flights into the Middle East from Singapore.

Virgin Blue has also ended its interline deal with Emirates.

QF to boost China

THE International Air Services Commission yesterday confirmed an application from Qantas which will allow it to use larger aircraft on the China route.

The carrier said it plans to upgrade aircraft on selected services from A330s to 747s during the Northern Winter scheduling season, and is seeking to increase its allocation by 166 seats per week in each direction.

Qantas said the upgauging is planned to commence in mid-Jan.

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- Thredbo - 193cm / 11 lifts
- Selwyn - 115cm / 10 lifts
- Mt Buller - 130cm / 19 lifts
- Mt Hotham - 193cm / 12 lifts
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Agent giveaway

THE supplier of a multivitamin supplement targeting travellers is today offering **TD** readers free samples to give to their clients.

Frequent Flyer Health Boost from Care Pharmaceuticals is specially formulated for air travellers, with Vitamin C plus Echinacea, herbs, vitamins and minerals to help maintain immune function - all in an orange flavoured effervescent tablet.

The first 50 agencies to send an email to boost@traveldaily.com.au (advise your mailing address in the email) will each

receive five 24-pack cartons of Frequent Flyer Boost to give to their clients.



Cruising rides GFC wave

THE cruise industry's contribution to the Australian economy grew 16.3% last year, with the strong performance coming despite the global economic slowdown.

Yesterday at the Cruise Down Under conference in Brisbane, CDU gm Jill Abel released this year's report into the economic impact of cruising, which showed that the combined international and domestic cruising industry generated \$1.28 billion in 09/10, up from \$1.1b the previous year.

Although less international ships visited Australia (down from 38 to 34), locally based vessels operated more cruises which translated into overall growth.

Cruise ship visits were spread around the country, with the strongest performance by ports in WA, SA and Queensland.

Total passenger expenditure rose 17.3% to \$261.6m, and the report also predicted strong growth in 2010-11 with the local deployment of more ships, including P&O's new *Pacific Pearl*.

Speakers at Cruise Down Under this year include Bruce Krumrine, Princess Cruises vice-president of Shore Operations, who stressed the interdependence of regional ports from the point of view of international cruise operators.

He said that decisions made by "home and marquee ports" impact cruise tourism in the entire region, and in that context urged the continued development of Sydney - and in particular the expansion of facilities east of the Harbour Bridge.

More details on the CDU event next week in *Cruise Weekly*.

MEANWHILE **TD** yesterday reported the details of a Cruise Down Under speech given by Carnival Australia ceo Ann Sherry.

Due to a glitch on the CDU website yesterday this appeared under the 2010 program, but in fact was from last year's event.

Sherry isn't attending this year's Cruise Down Under conference.

Another 787 delay

BOEING is set to announce that the first delivery of its long-awaited 787 *Dreamliner* will be delayed by a further three months, according to *Air Transport World*.

Launch customer ANA is eagerly expecting its first 787 delivery in about four months time.

DJ A330s from EK

VIRGIN Blue's new wide-body domestic operation (**TD** yesterday) will utilise two A330-200 aircraft leased from Emirates.

It's believed that the planes will not be significantly reconfigured from the Emirates fitout, which would mean that Virgin Blue will offer a domestic business class seat similar to the EK A330 product.

The two-class Emirates A330 is fitted with 27 reclining business class seats which are 45cm wide with a 152cm seat pitch, along with 251 economy seats.

DJ ceo John Borghetti said the wide body aircraft would be used to fly between Perth and the "east coast of Australia"

Virgin Blue is understood to have plans to take on up to five further aircraft from Emirates.



Window Seat

TROPICAL North Queensland is likely to see an influx of visitors when the Eumundi Markets out of Cairns hosts the Queensland Tree Climbing Championships.

Contestants will be "racing up tree trunks and across branches to prove themselves best in the state" in the lead-up to the upcoming National Titles.

There are several events including one which includes rescuing an 80kg dummy suspended 15m off the ground.

Organisers emphasised that no trees would be harmed during the event "as all climbers are also Arboriculturists who take pride in tree care".

A TOURISM operator in Mexico is offering off-beat tours through the seedier areas of Mexico City, with tour guides posing as people smugglers or drug lords.

The undercover tours take place in the market area of Tepito, where "many Mexicans refuse to set foot for fear of being robbed at gunpoint".

Organiser Universal Travel says participants are "encouraged to dress simply," while taking photos is a strict no-no.

WELSH capital Cardiff is expecting a major influx of depressed tourists, after a local artist announced plans for a special "mass sulk".

32-year-old Barrie J. Davies says he is hoping that hundreds of people will stand outside Cardiff City Hall looking miserable, in the aim of capturing the current mood of "recession-hit, rain-soaked Britain".

He said he hopes the mass sulk will exorcise some of the demons of life's depressions and anxieties.

"I hope an hour of morose silence will capture the mood of the moment," he added.

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THL back in black

NZ-LISTED Tourism Holdings Limited today reported a NZ\$6m pretax profit for the year to 30 Jun - a big turnaround from the previous year's \$3.2m loss.

The company's Australian operations, which include the Britz and Maui motorhome rental businesses here, performed very well, with a \$7.4m pre-tax result.

THL said its Australian assembly factory had prepared more than 600 vehicles for rental operation, while a highlight was the ongoing success in fleet sales, with over 500 vehicles sold for the year.

The company also operates a number of New Zealand and Fiji tourist attractions, with strong growth expected in its Waitomo Glowworm Caves facility and "pleasing earnings" for Kiwi Experience despite concerns about heavy discounting in the sector.

Other achievements during the year included the finalisation of new Maui Platinum two-berth, four-berth and six-berth vehicles; the establishment of a "new Maui proposition" and the development of self-check-in operations.

Jumeirah targets WA investors

DUBAI-BASED luxury hospitality group Jumeirah will this weekend hold an expo at Perth's Duxton Hotel at which visitors will be told about opportunities to invest in its new VENU brand properties.

Jumeirah launched VENU in Apr, saying at the time it would be a "new contemporary lifestyle hotel brand," with developers interested in opening VENU properties in the Middle East, Northern Africa, Eastern Europe and Asia Pacific.

The Perth Jumeirah event is offering a "world first opportunity to acquire an investment property," sparking speculation that one of the first VENU hotels will be in the WA capital.

Pakistan warning

THE Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is advising that foreigners travelling to Pakistan to help with flood relief may be in danger of possible attacks and flood related diseases.

Pakistan is at the 'Reconsider your need to travel' alert level.

Hong Kong nice for MICE



ABOVE: The Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group, Hong Kong Tourism Board and Cathay Pacific recently took some Sydney and Melbourne MICE specialists to Hong Kong.

The group were shown around the city's great business events destinations, while enjoying business class seats on Cathay Pacific and hotel stays at the upmarket Mandarin Oriental in Hong Kong and Sanya.

Pictured at the Man Wah Restaurant at Mandarin Oriental

Hong Kong, back row from left are: Iris Cheng, Mandarin Oriental Hong Kong; Stephanie Savage, The Impulse Travel Group; Sally Davies, Flight Centre Group Travel; Peter Hession, Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group; Wendy Datson, Destination Event Management; and Viola Ting, Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong.

Front row: Roslyn Lee, Cathay Pacific; Jane Scribner, HKTB; Kim Douglas, Incentive Action & Catherine McOmish, NGT Travel.



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Looking pretty in Prague



ABOVE: This lucky group of Jetset Travelworld Group agents were spoilt by Viva! Holidays and Emirates on a recent fam trip to Prague and Dubai.

The group flew business class before being hosted on a day tour of the medieval city, with sunset cocktails on a 'Prague by night cruise' and then an authentic dinner in a historic restaurant dating back to 1466.

Other Prague highlights included the Konopiste and Karlstejn Castles and stays at the Majestic Plaza and Grand Bohemia hotels.

In Dubai the group were treated to High Tea at Burj al Arab, a Dhow river cruise, and a Ah Hadherra dinner and show, while staying at the Sofitel Jumeirah Beach Hotel and the spectacular Jumeirah Beach Hotel.

Pictured above in Prague on the night cruise passing by the Charles Bridge back row from left are: Raphael Mannays, Emirates; Kay Franklin, Jetset Moonee Ponds; Stephen Coulter, Travelworld Cobram; Michelle Sommers, Jetset St. Kilda Road; Andrew Guillaume, Jetset Brandon Park; Jenni Marr, Jetset Vermont; Cristy Joslin, Jetset Williamstown; Faye Lockwood-Rouke, Jetset Sanctuary Lakes.

Front row: Lenore Wesson, Viva! Holidays and Rowena Coulters, Jetset Rowville.

Gecko's 20% off

GECKO'S Adventures is offering 20% off its range of Nepal, India and Asia trips, on new bookings made and deposited by 30 Sep and for travel until 31 Mar 2011.

For more information visit geckosadventures.com.

Sydney on the hop

SYDNEY Harbour Island Hopping is scheduled to return in Oct this year, after its successful debut in 2009 in conjunction with the Crave Sydney International Food Festival.

Events celebrating food, nature and culture will be held on weekends between 09 and 24 Oct with the looped tours including Shark Island, Fort Denison and the newly opened Goat Island - harbourislandhopping.com.

Gold Counsellors

TRAVEL Counsellors is this week congratulating two of its top Australian performers, after they joined the ranks of its so-called "Gold Travel Counsellors" who have achieved commissions in excess of \$110,000 or more in a 12 month period.

Sydney-based Melissa Ingles and Claudia Silk from Melbourne joined the other two Australian Gold level members, Lucy Fenwick and Scott Mayne.

GM Cathy Burke said that the Gold agents account for 30% of the company's total sales globally, adding that the performance proves that for Travel Counsellors members "it is possible to thrive in an industry they love".

Not so fine at AA

AMERICAN Airlines has vowed to contest a massive \$24.2m fine for safety violations from the US Federal Aviation Administration - the largest penalty ever applied by the FAA.

The authority says the carrier operated more than 14,000 MD-80 flights without rectifying wiring problems which made the electrical systems prone to dangerous sparking.

However American issued a statement insisting that there was never any compromise to safety, saying the events happened more than two years ago "and we believe this action is unwarranted."

MH daily to Yangon

MALAYSIA Airlines has added two extra weekly flights to Yangon, making it a daily operation.

The carrier said passenger numbers on the Yangon route for the first six months of 2010 were up 39% year on year, and were also 24% higher than in 2008.

Currently most of the market is related to business travel, with MH also hoping to boost leisure travel to Yangon as a gateway to the rest of Myanmar.

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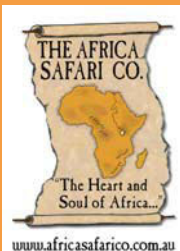
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Travel Specials

WELCOME to *Travel Specials*, *Travel Daily's* Friday feature. If your firm has released a travel special you'd like to make the industry aware of send the details to specials@traveldaily.com.au.

Value Tours is offering a Steamboat family ski package for ten nights priced from \$697pp, a saving of \$400pp. The package includes a stay 10/pay 7 package at the Inn at Steamboat in a two bedroom suite, and a seven day lift ticket including one free day. Valid for travel from 25 Nov to 10 Dec and kids under 12 years can ski for free. For more - valuetours.com.au or call 1300 361 322.

Tempo Holidays is offering a three day Taste of Dubai package priced from \$311ppts. On sale and for travel until 10 Sep the package includes two nights accom at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in a Sea View Room, brekkie, and return airport transfers, and a City of Merchants half day tour. Further discounts apply for travel until 01 Sep 2011. For more info visit tempoholidays.com.au.

Cox and Kings is offering its 12 day Splendours of Chile tour for the special price of \$5021ppts. The package includes small group sightseeing, quality vehicles, tour escort, local guides, entrance fees and 12 nights accom. Valid for sale and travel until 14 Feb, with the first departure leaving on 25 Oct - coxandkings.com.au.

The **Courtyard by Marriott** Resorts in Phuket have launched bonus packaged Suite Promotions for the next two months. The package includes special accom prices staying in either a Suite, Pool, Terrace Suite and other premium room types that also include Spa vouchers and food and beverage coupons. Beginning on 01 Sep until 31 Oct the deal applies to properties in Patong, Surin and Kamala - details at www.courtyard.com.

Uniworld Boutique River Cruises has two specials for 2010 departures on the eight day Jewels of Egypt, the Nile and Lake Nasser cruise priced from \$4550ppts, and eight day Classic Egypt and the Nile from \$3449ppts. The Jewels of Egypt cruise departures include 26 Nov and 03, 10, 17, 24 and 31 Dec while the Classic Egypt cruise leaves on 04, 11, 18 and 25 Dec. For more info visit - uniworldcruises.com.au.

Sunlover Holidays has launched a two week sale on unique Australian experiences as part of the 'There's nothing like Australia' campaign. Available for sale between 29 Aug and 12 Sep deals start from \$538 for a three night stay at the El Questro Wilderness Resort and \$798 for three nights on Heron Island. More info and online deals at sunloverholidays.com.au.



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Hamilton Daiye Spa

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See hamiltonisland.com.au.

Accor strengthens

ACCOR has announced a strong recovery for its global hotel business for the first half of the year, with hotel revenue coming in at €2.72 billion (A\$3.9b), up 5% and pre-tax earnings more than doubling to A\$221m.

The strong performance was attributed to high occupancy rates and prices in upscale and midscale segments rising in Germany and the UK.

Accor said that this year it will expand by more than 200 hotels, adding 26,000 rooms.

Quest in the west

QUEST Serviced Apartments is scheduled to open on 13 Sep in Campbelltown in western Sydney, with an estimated annual economic contribution of \$4m

This new \$16 million property will feature 81 studio, one, two and three bedroom serviced apartments as well as on-site car parking, gym, restaurant, 30 person conference centre and broadband internet access.

DL to boost LHR

DELTA Air Lines has signalled a major expansion of UK operations with an application to operate a new double daily year-round service between London Heathrow and Boston, as well as daily flights between Heathrow and Miami.

The submission is based on the utilisation of slots which have become available following the US and European approval of the trans-Atlantic alliance between American Airlines and British Airways, with officials requiring the carriers to divest some LHR slots "in order to enhance competition in the most tightly restricted markets".

If approved, Delta's new LHR flights would commence 27 Mar 2011 and will be offered in cooperation with its SkyTeam partners AF/KLM and Alitalia.

DL said its service would benefit consumers by increasing competition among airlines and airline alliances at Heathrow, where oneworld holds 47% of the total available slots and the Star Alliance accounts for 25%.

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Congratulations to Kama Burgess from *Travelscene American Express*, who was yesterday's lucky winner of "The Delta" book. The correct answer was: Tok Tokkie.

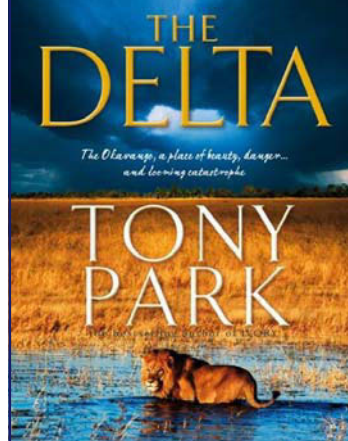
Each day this week, the **Africa Safari Co**, **Tony Park** and **TD** are giving readers the chance to win a copy of Tony's book "The Delta".

Tony Park travelled with his wife to Africa, where he found time, place and inspiration for his books. His latest title - "The Delta" pictures ex-soldier turned mercenary Sonja Kurtz, who after a failed assassination attempt on the president of Zimbabwe, is on the run and heads for her only place of refuge, the Okavango Delta in the heart of Botswana.

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For those unfamiliar with the location a list of landmarks is available as well as opening hours and early bird parking rates - for more information see www.secureparking.com.au.

Sneak peek at Vanuatu's new ads

THE Vanuatu Tourism Marketing Development Fund (TMDF) and Vanuatu Tourism Office last night began pitching its soon to launch, and much hyped advertising campaign to wholesalers and hoteliers at the Tok Tok expo.

The ads have been designed to create a new brand positioning and 'look and feel' for Vanuatu as a preferred holiday destination, said TMDF chairman David Miles. Incorporating the 'Discover What Matters' slogan (*TD* Tue), the ads focus on soft-adventure activities and life experiences, and stay clear of the "bikini clad women sunbathing on turquoise blue beach images" used predominantly by other island destinations.

"We want to differentiate ourselves from Bali and Thailand," Miles said.

The print images use bold colours, fun and humour, combined with uniquely Vanuatu landscapes and scenery, to appeal to the emotional side of the consumer.

One of the two images which the VTO and TMDF assure will launch by Sep features a local boy on horseback with a tourist riding on a beach, with caption - 'The Land Time Forgot. And You'll Never Forget'.

Each ad also features a simple 'graphic device' which ties back to the sand drawings locals are renowned for.

The tagline was chosen following surveys that indicated people found out something about themselves while holidaying in Vanuatu.

Justin Johnson from the TMDF told *TD* the campaign represented a "shifting of gear" for Vanuatu.

The project "gives us a common theme to rally behind," he said.

The ads depict what you can expect to see when you visit the South Pacific nation.



Johnson admitted the the TMDF had coped some flak from hoteliers who were "a little frustrated" at the repeated delays of the campaign's official launch (*TD* Wed).

"But, now they can envisage how it will work, and if hoteliers are behind it, then others in the industry will come onboard too," Johnson told *TD*.

"We're planting the seed to get people planning to book their holiday."

Johnson also said that the campaign launch will see a re-skinned VTO website featuring some of the same creative.



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Jetstar Japan ski

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The deal includes JQ airfares to Narita ex CNS, Hakuba transfers, 7 nights accom and lift passes.

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'YOU DESERVE TAHITI'... TELL US WHY AND WIN

To celebrate 'You Deserve Tahiti' month, throughout August, *Travel Daily* is giving travel consultant readers the chance to win an incredible seven-night holiday to Tahiti for two people, courtesy of Tahiti Travel Connection.

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- Five nights' accommodation at Manihi Pearl Beach Resort in a Beach Bungalow
- Return economy flights for two from Tahiti to Manihi Island
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PATA health focus

THE Pacific Asia Travel Association is seeking volunteers to help establish a Healthcare Travel Advisory Task Force, in conjunction with MEDICO Services International Bangkok.

The move comes a year after the Australian Tourism Export Council launched its health tourism focus, with the second ATEC Health and Wellness Travel Conference set to take place on the Gold Coast on 23 Sep.

PATA ceo Greg Duffel said "we are keen to identify both the opportunities and challenges in this niche for our members," and also said he hoped healthcare businesses might join PATA.

Submissions of interest to join the PATA health group are being accepted until 03 Sep via email to healthcare@PATA.org.

For more information or to register for on the ATEC conference see www.atec.net.au.

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AMERICAN Airlines regional operation American Eagle has launched thrice daily services between New York LaGuardia and Charlotte, N.C, using a CRJ-700 aircraft, which includes Eagle's new First Class service.

The move is part of AA's plan to grow its New York presence in partnership with JetBlue, with 290 daily departures to over 80 destinations on offer by 2011.

The 25-strong CRJ-700 fleet has been refitted with a premium cabin, with First Class including an upgraded meal service.

Cunard's queens

CUNARD is offering two new coastal fares between Sydney and Fremantle next Feb on board the *Queen Elizabeth* or *Queen Mary 2*.

The line said the special fares would allow Australians to "experience two legendary liners without venturing far from home."



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