

# Aussie Bush ballad proves perfect Choice

A **ROUSING** rendition of Waltzing Matilda proved a hit for Travellers Choice members when they were called upon to entertain fellow passengers on board a recent *Star Clipper* voyage. But the performance wouldn't have happened if it wasn't for some smart thinking.

"None of us actually knew all the words, so I got the lyrics up on my iPod and the rest of the group took photos of my screen using their phones," says Deb Long from Weston Cruise & Travel. "In the end, we didn't only sing well, we even did the actions because we thought we'd better ham it up for an international audience!"

The Travellers Choice members were the first Australian travel agent group hosted by Star Clippers in seven years. They travelled as guests of Adventure World on the seven-night voyage around Thailand and Malaysia, with the exclusive famil forming part of their Silver Choice Award prize package.

Each year Travellers Choice presents Gold, Silver and Bronze Choice Awards to its top 30 members based on support for preferred partners. As well as reward trips, winners also benefit from exclusive sales incentives and service grants, which can be used towards any of the network's member services.

Choice Awards are announced each year at the group's Annual Shareholders' Conference, with this year's event taking place in November at Perth's new six-star Crown Towers.

For more information please visit [www.travellerschoice.com.au](http://www.travellerschoice.com.au).



(L-R) SUE Holmes, Carol Shaw and Lisa Carter.



**KARON** Viewpoint in Phuket, overlooking Kata Noi, Kata Yai and Karon beaches: (L-R) Nancy Sinopoli, Travel House Group; Robyn Mitchell, Travellers Choice; Lisa Carter, Capricorn Travel; Deb Long, Weston Cruise & Travel; Mike O'Leary, Endeavour Travel & Cruise; Sue Holmes, Carine Travel Bug and Carol Shaw, Tour de Force Travel.



**TIN** has been mined on Phuket for hundreds of years and the group visited the Phuket Mining Museum: Pictured from back row (L-R): Andrew Hutchinson, Adventure World, Carol Shaw, Sue Holmes, Mike O'Leary, Diana Siderova, Star Clippers; Jim Cooper, John Hancock, City Beach Travel & Cruise. Front row (L-R): Nancy Sinopoli, Deb Long and Robyn Mitchell.



**STAR Clipper**



**SEARCHING**, successfully, for some higher wisdom. From left are Jim Cooper and John Hancock.



**ENJOYING** Star Clippers' outstanding cuisine: (Clockwise from left) Greg Close, Easy Travel and Cruise; Lisa Carter, Jim Cooper and Diana Siderova.



(L-R) DEB Long, Nancy Sinopoli and Lisa Carter.