

Monday 6th May 2019

LAST week Visit Dallas and Visit Fort Worth hosted some lucky travel agents for a dinner at Sydney's Eleven Bridge restaurant, part of Neil Perry's Rockpool portfolio.

Frozen margaritas flowed as guests enjoyed the Texan atmosphere along with updates from Visit Fort Worth's Mitch Whitten and Mark Thompson from Visit Dallas.

Fort Worth has just released a new pass for its iconic Stockyards precinct, giving travellers access to a range of attractions along with a meet and greet with some of the local cowboys and cowgirls.

There's also the opportunity to tour the TX Whisky Ranch, with Sydney the top international market for the Texan tipple, plus new hotels and some high profile exhibitions including a Monet's Late Years display at the Kimbell, plus the new Cowgirl Museum.

Dallas has also unveiled several innovations including the new "Margarita Mile" which



QANTAS donated two Economy return flights to DFW, with winner Karen Deveson from Insight Vacations **pictured** with Mark Thompson of Visit Dallas; Jane Yates from QF; Lucy Rowe of Kent Marketing; and Mitch Whitten from Visit Fort Worth. The prize also included accommodation courtesy of Dallas, Fort Worth and Craig Davies of Rosewood Hotels.

celebrates the local invention of a frozen margarita courtesy of an adapted 7-11 slushie machine.

The drinking trail comes along with an app whereby participants can earn merchandise by checking in at various venues, while the Dallas Arts Precinct has several key exhibitions including a Christian Dior showcase which sold out when it was in Paris.

Another major infrastructure development has been the launch of a new airport rail link which means it's possible to access both the Dallas and Fort Worth downtown areas from DFW Airport for just \$3.



GEOFF Hutton, Kent Marketing; Amy Harrison and Olivia Lee from Contiki; and Andy Robb, QF.

SHELLEY Richardson of Drive Now with James Nosworthy, Hurricane Events.



JONO Speer and Peta McConachie of Infinity Holidays.



MORE pics from the night at facebook.com/traveldaily.





Blues Point (right) tries a margarita.

