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## SYD pricey pickups

**UBER** has advised its “driver-partners” that from 31 Jul, the fee to access and pick up passengers from Sydney Airport will increase.

The pricing for domestic and international pick-ups rises to \$5.34 per trip, while International Premium pick-ups will cost \$13.92 and Domestic Premium will now be priced at \$10.61.

Riders will be charged the new amounts as part of their fares.

## Win an NT getaway

**LEARNING** about the Northern Territory pays double dividends as you’ll boost your knowledge and be in the draw to win your own adventure to the NT.

Three sessions are available on both 06 Aug and 07 Aug.

Learn more on [page nine](#).

## TWU: Rex “another victim”

**REX** Airlines may become “another victim” like Bonza, according to the Transport Workers Union (TWU), which has vowed to fight for the carrier after it entered into a trading halt yesterday morning (**TD** 29 Jul), leaving 2,000 staff in limbo.

According to a report in *The Australian*, Rex has enlisted the services of Deloitte restructuring experts Sal Algeri and Richard Hughes, who worked on Virgin Australia’s administration in 2020 (**TD** 21 Apr 2020).

TWU released a statement today expressing its commitment to keeping Rex in the air, but warned that Australia’s aviation industry will continue to flounder without independent oversight.

“Like Bonza, Rex was another airline attempting to do right by the Australian public, keeping regional communities connected and driving down fares on popular routes,” said the union’s National Secretary Michael Kaine.

“Following complaints against Qantas of capacity dumping, slot hoarding and a bidding war in regional Australia, Rex has now become another victim of an unregulated aviation market.”



He emphasised that TWU will work with Deloitte to “try to rescue” Rex, and again called for a Safe and Secure Skies Commission (**TD** 25 Aug 2023), arguing that “healthy competition is the only remedy for an industry in crisis”.

The move comes weeks after the carrier’s major shareholder and former Executive Chairman, Lim Kim Hai, was ousted from the board (**TD** 06 Jun), after which he called for the sacking of four directors, including long-time leader, John Sharp (**TD** 12 Jul).

Rex Airlines is Australia’s third-largest domestic airline, with 56 destinations in its network. *JM*

### Today’s issue of **TD**

*Travel Daily* today features seven pages of news including our **Sustainability** page, a photo page from **Uniworld River Cruises**, plus pages from:

- **Infinity Holidays**
- **Tourism NT**

### SENIOR MANAGER Trade Marketing

The Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTb) is a dynamic, global marketing organisation whose mission is to promote Hong Kong as a unique, world-class destination. HKTb requires a Senior Manager - Trade Marketing for its Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific operations.

Based in Sydney, reporting to the Director of Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific, the role is responsible for the planning, development and implementation of Trade, Cruise & MICE projects & campaigns. An understanding of current trade distribution channels and strong relationship management is essential. The position is also responsible for managing budgets, new initiatives, analysing campaign results and market intelligence, providing guidance and support to a small team.

Ideally, candidates will have minimum 10 years’ experience in the travel industry with a minimum 5 years in a management role. Tertiary qualifications, in depth understanding of the travel industry and consumer travel behaviour, extensive computer skills, strong presentation and communication skills, together with a working knowledge of Hong Kong.

The position comes with a competitive salary package and health benefits.



Applications to be sent by 5 August 2024 E-mail: [anna.chui@hktb.com](mailto:anna.chui@hktb.com)

## Click Frenzy awaits

**TRAVEL** businesses are invited to sign up to participate in the online shopping event Click Frenzy Travel, which will take place next week.

Packages to take part start from \$1,000, joining major brands such as Qatar Airways, Scoot, Celebrity Cruises, Klook, Scoopon and more. **CLICK HERE** to find out more.

## Infinity selling magic

**A LONG** day of magic at Disneyland Resort can continue after you arrive back at the hotel, thanks to new packages now available from Infinity Holidays.

The wholesaler has six amazing new packages pre-loaded in HELiO featuring accommodation and its new three-day, one-park per day pass - see [page eight](#).

Hurry, incentive ends 31 July

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## Travel scams on the rise

**NEARLY** one-third of Australian travellers are willing to sacrifice online financial security when booking a holiday if it means they can save a significant amount of money, new research shows.

According to a study conducted by YouGov on behalf of Airbnb, Millennials and Gen X travellers are the most likely to admit they would take a risk to save money, even if a deal appeared to be too good to be true.

Reacting to the survey's results,

Airbnb has teamed up with the International Association of Financial Crimes Investigators (IAFCI) to provide tips for booking travel safely online.

Tips include not clicking on links in unexpected emails and texts, being wary of cheap deals and pressure tactics, using a credit card to pay, checking reviews, keeping communication with private sellers on official platforms, and more.

IAFCI said online scams were becoming more sophisticated as AI technology improves, with fraudsters targeting young people with fake websites, texts, emails and social media messaging to trick people into thinking they are booking on a legitimate platform.

IAFCI International 1st Vice President, Missy Coyne, urged travellers not to let scammers get away with hard-earned money.

"When in doubt, talk it out - if what they are asking you to do doesn't make sense or seems too good to be true, talk to a trusted friend or family member before acting on the request." *ML*

## QF's red hot sale

**QANTAS** has pushed out more than 450,000 discounted fares across all cabin types to nearly 30 destinations, as part of its latest International Red Tail Sale.

Aussies can fly to London, Los Angeles, New York, Tokyo, Seoul, Hong Kong, Auckland and more, with fares starting from \$619.

The sale ends 05 Aug at 11.59pm (AEST) unless sold out prior.

### Travel Daily ON LOCATION

**ULURU**

Today's issue of TD is coming to you courtesy of Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia.

**WE WERE** up before dawn this morning to view Voyages' magnificent new Sunrise Journeys experience.

Uluru's all-new early morning cultural sensory immersion attraction deploys the use of lasers and advanced video projection to convey insightful Indigenous stories.

Sunrise Journeys is a collaboration between Voyages and three Indigenous artists.

The famil will finish with a guided tour of the Gallery of Central Australia.

Keep abreast of *Travel Daily* this week for more updates from Voyages in the Outback.

## Rail Europe

Rail Journey Inspiration by Aaron Marr, Helloworld

### Aaron's dream journey was one of the Top 10 entries

#### In the footsteps of Gaius Julius Ceasar

Aaron's journey follows the footsteps of the great Roman General, Gaius Julius Ceasar and his conquest of the Gaul and surrounding tribes and kingdoms. Starting in Rome before heading towards Milan via Florence and Bologna, Aaron would then journey along the Mediterranean coastline towards Marseilles, via Nice before heading north along the Rhone river towards Lyon to bask in the Burgundian wine region. Bern is next for spectacular sights of the European Alps, before making heading to Frankfurt to take in the Rhine valley and finally Paris.

Read Aaron's full creative entry on [Rail Europe's FB page](#).

The best way to follow this dream journey or any European itinerary is with a [Eurail Global Mobile Pass](#), which offers unlimited rail travel across 33 countries.

Watch this short step-by-step [video](#) as a refresher on how to book a Eurail Global Flex Pass. Advisors are reminded that seat reservations can be made via the Rail Portal, and a collection of inspiring themed itineraries around Europe covering history, culture, gastronomy, the outdoors and more can be found [here](#)

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## Jasper fundraiser

**TOURISM Jasper** is seeking donations for the Jasper Community Team Society, a long-standing non-profit organisation which aims to help the destination to get back on its feet once the ongoing wildfire is brought under control.

All of the funds will go to helping the long-term recovery of the community, through working with the Municipality of Jasper's Community Outreach Services.

Tourism Jasper Chief Executive Officer Tyler Riopel said, "we are faced with a level of loss that's yet to be quantified".

"Jasperites will be back to rebuild and when they do, one of the best ways to help them in the long-term will be to spend within the town."

[CLICK HERE](#) to donate.

## Travel24 adds more

**WITH** just over a week until the new industry event Travel24, additional key sessions and speakers have been added to the already packed program.

Council of Australian Tour Operators Managing Director, Brett Jardine, has now been confirmed to join the final session of the day, entitled: 'The biggest thing around the corner is...', in which he will share his thoughts on the next big thing coming in travel in the next 24 months.

**MEANWHILE**, another new session has been added, with Destination Webinars founder Charlie Trevena to reveal the results of a recent industry poll on what support agents need to help their businesses stand out in a crowded online marketplace.

Trevena will be joined on stage by Anna Shannon of Travel Agent Finder and Wendy Addinsall from Red Grape Social.

[CLICK HERE](#) to see Travel24's full program, which features speakers including Minister for Trade and Tourism, Don Farrell; TedX speaker and diversity activist, Azure Antoinette; Australian Tourism Industry Association CEO Dean Long; MSC Cruises Managing Director, Lisa Teiotu; AAT Kings Group CEO, Ben Hall; and many more.

Final tickets are on sale now - [CLICK HERE](#) to secure yours.

## TRAVLR acquisition

**TRAVLR** has acquired a majority shareholding in reZme, which is known for its JoinCherry browser extension software.

The extension will benefit clients such as Newscorp, Kogan, and Play Travel by allowing them to intercept users who stray to other travel sites and serve them deals and major savings on hotels, experiences, cruising, and insurance through TRAVLR-powered sites.

The extension is expected to be expanded globally, with overseas deals soon to be announced.

[Click HERE](#) for more inspiring 4, 7 and 15-day themed itineraries around Europe.



## Premium preference

**TRAVELLERS** are increasingly booking business class for international trips, with Flight Centre data showing a 6% increase in the premium cabin.

Corporate travellers led the way with FCTG brands FCM Travel and Corporate Traveller showing a 14% jump in business class sales.

Europe and North America were the most commonly booked destinations to fly at the pointy end, with bookings both up 9%.

"Many of our corporate travellers are making the decision to book business or first class travel so they can get a decent sleep if they're travelling through the night or continue to work productively if they're travelling through the day," said Flight Centre Corporate Global COO, Melissa Elf.

## New local Atout France head



### EXCLUSIVE

**ATOUT** France has appointed a new Director for its Australian office, Dominique Maulin-Diabira, who will permanently take over from former head Patrick Benhamou (**TD** 13 Apr 2023).

Maulin-Diabira is currently the regional head for a number of markets, and will now oversee the Australian office from the United Arab Emirates.

The Atout France veteran has been with France's destination marketing organisation for more than 20 years, and will replace Frederic Mazenq, who briefly oversaw the Australian office in the wake of Benhamou's departure (**TD** 11 Mar), and will now move to the United States to oversee a number of Atlantic-based markets.

Maulin-Diabira, who spoke exclusively with **Travel Daily** yesterday, said France will need to reinvent itself in order to continue to capture the imagination of Australians.

"[Australia is] a really mature market, even if it is a long-haul market...we have repeat visitors who come once, twice, so we need to reinvent ourselves."

Maulin-Diabira highlighted Nantes and the Loire Valley as destinations with new offerings.

"It's exceptional in terms of gastronomy, in terms of wineries, in terms of culture, the castles," she said.

Those interested in hearing

from a variety of France's domestic DMOs can join 'The Beauties of France' webinar, with two dates being held in Sep.

**CLICK HERE** for more information, and to register for the webinar. **MS**

**Pictured** is Maulin-Diabira, second from left, with Digital Marketing & Media Specialist Clara Demare, Deputy Director Sophie Almin, and Trade Marketing Manager Clelie Collas.

## Travelpay rings bells

**TRAVELPAY** has been confirmed as the Platinum Sponsor for the 2024 CATO Christmas Lunch, set to take place on 05 Dec at Sheraton Grand Sydney Hyde Park.

More than 450 industry leaders are expected to attend the annual festive feast to celebrate the year that was and the promise of 2025.

Tickets to the event are now available to buy - **CLICK HERE**.



## Window Seat

**AUSTRALIANS** are likely to be a bleary-eyed lot at the moment, with many late nights spent watching the Olympic Games in Paris.

But for all the physical skill and prowess on display, a new study has looked into just how dangerous some of these sports actually are.

The results were compiled by comparing the number of athletes competing in each sport to the number of injuries to determine the risk factor.

According to Olympic injury data compiled since the 2008 Games in Beijing, BMX is far and away the most dangerous sport, even among the elite, with a 34.3% injury rate.

This percentage climbed even higher during the 2016 Games in Rio De Janeiro, with 37.5% of riders coming away a little worse for wear, even those with shiny new medals around their necks.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, next in the list was taekwondo with a 29.9% injury rate, followed by football, cycling and boxing.

At the other end of the scale, canoe slalom was found to be the safest of all sports, with only a 1.2% injury rate, followed by canoeing, shooting, rowing, archery, swimming and equestrian.

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## New Tokyo rail pass

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Priced from A\$82, the pass offers five consecutive days of travel and is valid on Tokyo Metro Lines, the Keikyo Airport line to/from Haneda Airport, to/from Shinagawa/Tokyo station, and on the Narita Skyliner to/from Ueno to/from Narita Airport.

For more information, visit [internationalrail.com.au](http://internationalrail.com.au).

## Scenic's Asia 2025

**SCENIC** has unveiled a new collection of Asia ocean, river and land itineraries for 2025, with a standout being the 28-day 'Ultimate Journey through South East Asia' sailing.

There is also the 28-day 'Ultimate East Coast, Northern Australia & The Indonesian Archipelago'; a 17-day 'Japan & South Korea in Depth' itinerary, and the more intimate 'Treasures of the Mekong', a 13-day river cruise and land journey.

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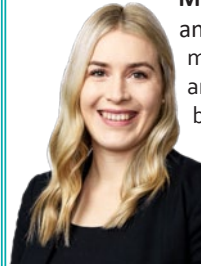


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## ATIA UPDATE

from Ingrid Fraser, Director of Public Policy & Advocacy



**MUSICAL** chairs and relationships might seem like an odd pairing, but they offer a great lens for looking at the latest cabinet reshuffle.

While I can't offer you a winning tactic for kids' party games, I can shed light on what these political changes mean for the travel industry and ATIA's role in public policy.

In a high-stakes game of political musical chairs, Andrew Giles has moved from his role as Immigration Minister to become the new Minister for Skills and Training, replacing the retiring Brendan O'Connor.

Tony Burke is also moving from Workplace Relations to Home Affairs and Immigration.

ATIA has had a strong relationship with Brendan O'Connor and we applaud his achievements, particularly his efforts to include travel-related occupations as priority areas on the skills and traineeship lists.

While political changes always trigger the need to strengthen different relationships, ATIA is well-prepared to navigate this dynamic landscape.

Building and maintaining

relationships with parliamentarians is central to our long-term strategy of political engagement to ensure the travel industry's voice is represented.

We already have meetings lined up with the new Ministers in the next fortnight to discuss priorities for the travel sector, having engaged with both in their previous portfolios.

Not everyone is swapping seats - Catherine King remains the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and Don Farrell continues as Minister for Trade and Tourism, so some familiar faces remain in those roles.

Minister King kicked off ATIA's first Political Pulse series this morning, which provides ATIA members direct access to the country's leaders.

As the key decision-maker on all things aviation and cruise, the roundtable sparked a lively discussion and offered a valuable opportunity for members to discuss the challenges and opportunities impacting travel industry businesses and clients.

As the Federal Government adapts to the reshuffle and gears up for pre-election mode, ATIA remains committed to advocating for the travel industry, ensuring our members' needs are front and centre in the ever-evolving policy landscape in the halls of power.



**WIN!**

## EXCLUSIVE TRAVEL24 PACKAGE

Thanks to our partners **Oceania Cruises**, we have five tickets to an exclusive breakfast session which also includes a full-day pass to experience **Travel24** in person.

If you're thinking about attending **Travel24** to hear from leading minds about the next 24-months in travel, this is a must-enter competition, with winners to be drawn daily.

Don't miss out! Enter now for your chance to be at **Travel24** including an exclusive breakfast hosted by **Oceania Cruises**.

To enter please let us know via [info@traveldaily.com.au](mailto:info@traveldaily.com.au) who you are most looking forward to hearing from and why, in 30 words or less...

\*Travel24 takes place on Thursday 8 August at the Sofitel Darling Harbour. Winners must be able to attend both the breakfast and conference.

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## Uniworld celebrates all things Egypt

**UNIWORLD** Boutique River Cruises hosted an exclusive Sydney event last week for travel advisors, celebrating the rich culture and heritage of Egypt, alongside renowned Australian designer Camilla Franks and the Consul General of Egypt, Mohamed Khalil.

Uniworld Global Chief Executive Officer, Ellen Bettridge, and Managing Director Australia & New Zealand, Alice Ager, also enjoyed the festivities at Alpha Restaurant, where Camilla shared her latest collection, 'House of the Sun', which was inspired by her trip down the Nile with Uniworld in 2022.

During the party, Ellen also

announced the launch of Uniworld's 50-day 'Rivers of the World' itinerary to celebrate the brand's 50th anniversary, commencing in Brussels and concluding in Jordan.



**BEN** Hall, AAT Kings; Brenda Hayward, Noller & Turner Travel Associates; Jen Pagett, Uniworld; Rachel Kingswell, Travel Associates; Christine Bottrell, Ashmore & James Travel Associates; Danielle Galloway, Travel Associates; Alice Ager, Uniworld; and Anna Burgdorf, Travel Associates.



**LUCY** Hosken from Camilla and Uniworld's Alice Ager, Jen Pagett and Ellen Bettridge with Camilla Franks.



**TINA** Killeen, Spencer Travel; Louise Brown, Spencer Travel; Jen Pagett, Uniworld; and Penny Spencer, Spencer Travel.



**ELLEN** Bettridge, Global CEO of Uniworld, with Camilla Franks and Alice Ager.



**GEMMA** Smith, Claremont Travel & Cruise with Shelley Martin, Uniworld.

**LISA** Tjandi, Hunter Travel Group; Alice Ager, Uniworld; Madeleine Dann, Hunter Travel Group; and Sarah Dann, Hunter Travel Group.



**CAROL** Morgan, Voyage Affaires; Fay Cohen, Wentworth Travel; Heather Del Vecchio, Spencer; and Jen Pagett, Uniworld.



**ALICE** Ager, Uniworld with Camilla Franks.



**CAMILLA** Franks with the lucky door prize winners - Emily Kadinski, itravel Carlingford; Fay Cohen, Wentworth Travel; Rochelle Clark, ecrusing; Melanie Heaphy, Travel Associates Balgowlah; and Sarah Bush, ATPI.



### Air NZ scraps SBTi

AIR New Zealand has announced its “careful” decision to scrap its 2030 science-based carbon intensity reduction target and withdraw immediately from the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) (TD 04 Aug 2022).

The carrier said the decision was necessary due to a raft of challenges outside its control, including the availability of new aircraft, the affordability and availability of alternative jet fuels, and global and domestic regulatory and policy support.

“It has also become apparent that potential delays to our fleet renewal plan pose an additional risk to the target’s achievability,” Air New Zealand Chief Executive Greg Foran said.

“The airline may need to retain its existing fleet for longer than planned due to global manufacturing and supply chain issues that could potentially slow the introduction of newer, more fuel-efficient aircraft into the fleet,” he explained.

Air New Zealand will now look at introducing a new near-term emissions reduction target that takes into account challenges relating to aircraft and alternative jet fuel availability.

## ASCOTT SWAPS CLEANING FOR PLANTING

**CRITICALLY** endangered rainforests in northern NSW will be given a lifeline thanks to Ascott Australia’s new nationwide partnership with Hotels for Trees.

To take part, guests simply place the provided green door hanger outside their room to signal they would like to forgo housekeeping, with Ascott Australia to instead donate \$6.50 to the charity to plant a tree on the guest’s behalf.

Ascott Australia’s participating hotel brands include 160 Quest Apartment Hotels around Australia, along with Somerset on the Pier in Hobart and Lyf Collingwood in Melbourne.

A trial of the partnership in Feb across 11 Ascott properties saw 850 trees funded and planted in the Big Scrub rainforest ecosystem near Byron Bay, which will connect fragmented sections



of the rainforest and build new natural corridors for wildlife.

“With mandatory climate disclosures on the horizon, it’s incredibly important to implement ESG initiatives, like Hotels for Trees, that have transparent and live reporting that link to a tangible impact such as planting trees,” said Ascott GM

Brand, Anthea Dimitrakopoulos.

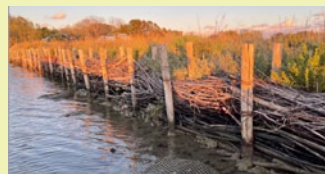
“With the rise of the conscious traveller, the hospitality industry must continuously seek ways to innovate operations to lower carbon emissions and futureproof our industry, and the planet.”

Hotels for Trees was founded in the Netherlands in 2021 and expanded to Australia in 2024. *ML*

### TreadRight new nature-based project

**THE** Travel Corporation’s (TTC) Tour Brands not-for-profit foundation, TreadRight, has announced Venice’s Barena Association as its fifth nature-based solution partner.

The Barena Association works to preserve the Northern Venetian Lagoon, including its unique wetland environment, fauna and flora, as well as the culture and traditions surrounding the lagoons, through its flagship ‘SOS



Barena’ project.

TreadRight’s grant will play a crucial role in the construction of barriers, called fascines, made with biodegradable material to shield the marshes from waves and safeguard the marsh soil from further erosion.

### Airbus backs SAF

**AIRBUS** has signed a new agreement with HIF Global to advance the development of eFuels, made from renewable electricity, water, and recycled carbon dioxide, to reduce net CO2 emissions in the aviation sector.

Collaboration between the two companies will help fast track the airline sector’s adoption of e-SAF and support the industry’s transition to net zero.

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## Thailand lights up the town



**THAILAND** says it is on the cusp of completing its recovery from the pandemic, with Australian visitors again leading the charge.

To help drive the momentum further, Tourism Authority of Thailand's Australian office last week hosted its annual 'Amazing Thailand Roadshow' with events in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne (**pictured**).

Each event featured 40 suppliers from Thailand including hotels and DMCs representing different parts of the country, along with airlines such as Thai Airways, Singapore Airlines, Malaysia Airlines, Scoot, Eva Air, Bangkok Airways and Jetstar.

Destinations on show included Phuket, Koh Samui, Pattaya, Krabi,

Khao Lak, Chiang Mai, Bangkok and some lesser-known gems such as Ko Kood and Khao Sok.

"There is a new type of visa, the Destination Thailand Visa (DTV) (**TD** 19 Jul), [which] allows digital nomads, participants in activities such as Muay Thai courses or Thai cooking classes as well as spouses or dependants of DTV holders to stay in Thailand for five years with multiple entries and six months' stay each entry," said Sherly Handjojo, Tourism Authority of Thailand Marketing Manager.

Handjojo added the country's 'Amazing Thailand' branding will remain in place, supported by sub-narratives such as 'Your Stories Never End'.

Consistently one of the most popular holiday destinations for Australians, Thailand welcomed over 688,000 Aussies to its shores in 2023, a figure which was 89% of its pre-pandemic numbers.

So far in 2024, Thailand is on track to record 9% growth, which will be further boosted by new direct Jetstar routes launching by year's end, including Perth-Phuket, Perth-Bangkok and Brisbane-Bangkok. *ML*

## Warner Bros. lounge

**TRAVELLERS** at Abu Dhabi Airport can be transported into the world of Warner Bros via an immersive experience within the Etihad Airways lounge.

The region's largest indoor theme park will also take to the sky with a fully branded Etihad Boeing 787-10 now in operation.

## Venice earns €2.2m

A **PILOT** program charging day visitors to Venice an entrance fee generated €2.2 million (AU\$3.6m) in revenue for the city, a report from the *Associated Press* found.

In total, 450,000 visitors paid the €5 fee (A\$8.28) over the trial, which was in effect over 29 days, mostly weekends and holidays, between Apr to Jul.

The fee, introduced in an effort to combat overtourism and overcrowding, did not apply to guests staying in-house at Venice hotels or to guests under 14.

Venice officials now say the tax will continue and may double to €10 (AU\$16.50) next year.

However, critics do not believe the fee did anything to reduce crowds and simply "turned Venice into a museum".

## Oman fare updates

**BLACKOUT** periods have been removed from Oman Air's revenue booking designators and fare bundles (RBDs), unlocking the carrier's cheapest fares to book throughout the year.

In an update issued to trade partners yesterday, the carrier advised its seasonality surcharges have also been revised and apply to a few fare levels depending on cabin class and routing.

## Scoot to Singapore

**LOW-COST** carrier Scoot has launched a new sale, with fares to Singapore starting from \$169 each way, on sale until 04 Aug and valid for travel from 13 Aug to 26 Oct.

The sale includes a variety of destinations across the Scoot network, with one-stop flights to Manila priced from \$239 one way.

## Barrier Reef promo

**QUEENSLAND** has launched a nationwide tourism campaign rallying Australians to protect the Great Barrier Reef and the jobs it supports, after UNESCO voted to keep the natural wonder on the World Heritage Register.

The 'Great Things are Happening Here' campaign will spotlight the sustainability initiatives being undertaken by the Queensland tourism industry and how travellers can show their support by paying a visit themselves.

## MONEY

**WELCOME** to Money, *TD's* Tue feature on what the Australian dollar is doing.

## AU\$1 = US\$0.655

**THE** Australian Dollar's downward trend is set to continue this week after further declining against the USD yesterday.

Since Jul 15, the Aussie has dropped by 3.7% against the US dollar.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve meets this week, with some punters speculating this could set the stage in Sep for the first rate cut since Mar 2020.

*Wholesale rates this morning.*

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UK	£0.506
NZ	\$1.115
Euro	€0.606
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