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To enter, visit **qantas.com/agents** and click on the competition banner.







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Insight TV stars

INSIGHT Vacations has gone all the way to the stars, recruiting two top Australian actors for a new DVD promoting its Select Choices FIT option.

The video, which is now online at Travel Daily TV (click logo) uses the avel DailyT√ talented A-listers to highlight the freedom and flexibility offered by the program of linked city stays.

The actors are none other than Insight's own md Lorraine Sharp and national sales mgr David Farrar, in an evocative performance playing the roles of a loved-up couple enjoying an Insight Vacations Select Choices holiday in Europe.

Travel Special of the Week



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A380 damage control

OPERATORS of the Airbus A380 superjumbo around the globe have reacted swiftly to the explosion of engine number two on QF32 from Singapore to Sydney yesterday (TD breaking news).

The Australian Transportation Safety Bureau is probing the incident, with Qantas, Rolls Royce and Airbus all part of the investigation.

Until a definitive conclusion is reached Qantas said suspensions will continue on a rolling 24 hour basis, leading to significant ructions for the carrier.

QF pointed out that despite the grounding of its six A380s it would today operate more than 70 int'l flights into and out of Australia using other aircraft types.

Passengers on QF32 were accommodated in Singapore overnight and are now en route to Sydney on a special relief flight.

Qantas this morning announced that QF93 (MEL-LAX), QF12 and QF108 (LAX-SYD) and QF94 (LAX-

Six pages of news

Travel Daily today has six pages of news and photos, a page one full page from Qantas, plus full pages from:

- · AA Appointments
- · China Holidays

MEL) would be delayed by 24 hours, while today's QF11 (SYD-LAX) and QF31 (SYD-SIN-LHR) would operate with a 747-400.

Singapore Airlines, which also uses Rolls Royce engines on its A380 fleet, initially grounded the planes for checks but has now resumed services.

And Emirates, the other major operator of the superjumbo into Australia, rushed to dampen false reports this morning that it was also affected.

EK uses Engine Alliance GP7200 engines and said that all of its A380s were operating as planned.

This afternoon QF ceo Alan Joyce will provide an update in a Sydney press conference.

RSS of *TD* available

TRAVEL Daily issues and breaking news updates can now be easily automatically posted to company intranets, with a new 'RSS' feature available at no additional cost for firms which have a "corporate" level subscription to the newsletter.

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CTC gsa by 31 Dec

THE Canadian Tourism Commission has confirmed that it expects to have its new Australian gsa arrangements in place by the end of next month.

CTC spokesman Rupert Peters told *TD* overnight that at this stage there was no "precise timeline" for the appointment, although the initial request for tender had a 31 Aug deadline for submissions by prospective gsas.

The move to close the Australian office and replace it with a gsa arrangement was revealed by *Travel Daily* earlier this year (*TD* 19 Jul) as part of a shake-up of CTC's global strategy.

Peters said that until the gsa is apointed it's "business as usual.

"Going forward we are gearing up for increased marketing investment in Australia," he said.

"The Australian market to Canada has grown 13% YTD from January to August, and we are committed to maintaining growth into 2011, working in partnership with the Australian and Canadian travel industry," he said.

Vietnam update

THE Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has reissued its travel advice for Vietnam, with new information about tourists becoming victims of "taxi scams".

Travellers arriving on flights are advised to use airport taxis or prearranged hotel transfers.

The update also advises of severe rainstorms in central regions of the country.

Indigenous domestic push

TOURISM Australia has released a new guide on how to sell Indigenous experiences to the domestic market, after research it commissioned to "better understand what Australians expect of Indigenous tourism experiences".

The 2009 study found that Indigenous tourism was behind other domestic holiday options such as beach holidays and city breaks "due to its limited ability to satisfy the key domestic holiday needs of refreshment and indulgence".

And while most Aussies don't dislike Indigenous experiences, they are very familiar with stereotypical activities such as boomerang throwing and the corroboree "and thus these experiences are often perceived to be mostly inauthentic, cliched and designed for the international tourist market".

The new guide says that despite

DL on Prem. Econ

DELTA Air Lines says it's unable to confirm its mooted new Premium Economy cabin at this stage, as flagged in *TD* yesterday.

Delta's GM for Australia/New Zealand, Steven Crowdey, told *TD* yesterday: "Delta is always evaluating product offering and looking for ways to improve the customer experience, but we have made no announcement at this time" relating to a Premium Economy product.

this there is domestic demand for Indigenous offerings if Australians can be "convinced of the quality of the experience".

Operators are advised to target older Australians and those with older children because they are more interested in learning.

Tourism Research Australia also concluded that there was an opportunity for operators to leverage off the business events market to create an "interest and desire to engage in an Indigenous tourism experience in future personal travels".

Other factors to consider include ensuring that images communicate the "safety, comfort, consistency and professionalism of product", with many domestic tourists feeling that Indigenous activities are "remote, can be uncomfortable and sometimes dangerous".

Trav Corp/JTG pact

THE Travel Corporation and the Jetset Travelworld Group have today announced the signing of a joint agreement which will see Trafalgar, Insight Vacations, Contiki, Creative Hols, Uniworld, AAT Kings, Busabout and New Horizons become Premium Preferred partners with Harvey World Travel's Phoenix Program and TSAX's Quantum Program.

TTC will continue its Diamond Preferred Status with Jetset Travelworld Network, via their Partnership Reward Program.



THE Qantas Heritage Centre at Sydney Airport is a fabulous showcase of the carrier's history - so it's sure to be wanting to get its hands on bits of debris from the A380 engine which exploded over Indonesia yesterday.

The internet has been flooded with pictures of excited locals (below) thrilled at their new personal souvenirs of the Flying

Kangaroo and it's
surely only
a matter
of time
before
they start
appearing
on
internet
auction
site eBay.



AND while we're on the subject of historic birds, United Airlines has now unveiled its new Oprah Winfrey livery (*TD* yesterday).

Pax lucky enough to fly on the special plane will also be treated to an onboard video welcome from Oprah herself.



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Richie and the boys on P&O

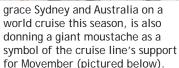


ABOVE: Australian cricketing legend Ritchie Benaud and nine members of the 1961 team were reunited at a special charity event onboard P&O Cruises UK's *Oriana* in Sydney yesterday.

The team were the last Australian cricket team to sail on a P&O Cruises vessel to the UK for a Test Series, following the takeoff of mass air travel.

Yesterday the group shared memories, enjoyed a lunch and tried out *Oriana*'s cricket nets on the top deck.

Oriana, the first superliner to



Movember is an official charity partner of Cricket Australia, and its Ambassador, Max 'Tangles' Walker (famous for his own mo), was in attendance at the event, along with former Test Captain Mark Taylor, seeking to raise funds and awareness for men's health.

Pictured here are some of the members of the 1961 team, incl captain Richie Benaud, vice

> captain Neil Harvey and Bob Simpson, with P&O Cruises managing director Carol Marlow and Carnival Australia ceo Ann Sherry.

For a chance to win a cruise onboard P&O Cruises World Cruisings' *Aracadia* turn to *page six* of today's issue.



LAN beefs up RIO

LAN Airlines has added capacity to Rio de Janerio from Santiago, Chile, with a seasonal third daily service to operate from 01 Jan to 01 May 2011.

TG leases 8 777s

THAI Airways International has signed a long term lease on eight Boeing 777-300ER aircraft, with delivery of the aircraft due from Aug 2012 to Oct 2013.

Hotels want to bargain together

THE Australian Hotels
Association has applied to the
ACCC for an authorisation which
would allow it to collectively
bargain with various suppliers on
behalf of its members.

The AHA has divisions in each state and already has an existing authorisation for collective negotiation, which the group want to have revoked in favour of a new agreement which would give members "more input and cost effectiveness into the competitive

CBR upgr opening

CANBERRA Airport will open its new Southern Concourse Terminal Extension on 14 Nov.

The terminal will house check-in and baggage collection for all Qantas, Virgin Blue, Brindabella Airlines and Tiger Airways flights.

Kumuka Africa

A NEW lodge-based 4-day Greater Kruger Wildlife Safari at Kapama Private Game Reserve has been added to the just released 2011/12 Kumuka Africa & Middle East brochure.

The program also features new small-group tours which Kumuka says offers a "more personalised adventure", such as the 18-day South Africa Revealed and 10-day Coastal South Africa itineraries.

See www.kumuka.com/agents.

process between buyers and suppliers".

The move seeks to help smaller operators to counter the power of supermarkets when negotiating with suppliers such as liquor, insurance, catering supplies, music, accommodation, security and IT services.

About 142 suppliers are targeted under the proposed arrangements, with the AHA saying that "in all cases the public benefits flow".

The current AHA authorisation expires on 30 Apr 2011.

MEANWHILE the newly appointed chairman of the Vic division of the AHA, Peter Crinis, has applauded the state govt's plan to expand the Melbourne Convention and Exibition Centre.

The \$242m plan will see a new 12,000 square metre "versatile exhibition space" which is expected to be finished in 2014

"By investing in world class infrastructure...the government is ensuring continued significant growth of jobs in the hotel sector," Crinis said.

Brussels additions

STAR Alliance member Brussels Airlines has announced the 01 Apr launch of new weekly flights to Agadir and Marrakech in Morocco, and Lamezia Terme in Italy.





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Travel Guy ceases

THE Travel Compensation Fund has announced the voluntary termination of The Travel Guy of Mascot NSW (ABN: 25 545 741 374) effective 04 Nov as the agent has ceased trading as a travel agent.

Insight bonus

INSIGHT Vacations is offering World Reward members the chance to earn 500 bonus points on 25 new itineraries featured in the 2011 brochure, valid for booking made by 15 Dec.

WIN TICKETS TO SEE 'THE AMERICAN'



To celebrate the release of George Clooney's new thriller 'The American'. the Italian Government Tourist Office and

Universal Pictures are giving Travel Daily readers the chance to win 1 of 10 double passes to see the movie.

Shot in The Abruzzo Region of Italy, 'The American' is about an assassin, who is currently working on a commission to supply a beautiful and mysterious client with a custom-made weapon.

For your chance to win a double pass to see 'The American', simply email the correct answer to the question below to: theamerican@traveldaily.com.au

What is the occupation of George Clooney's character Jack in 'The American'? a) Photographer b) Assassin c) FBI Agent

The first two correct entries received each day win!

Congratulations to yesterday's lucky winners: Lee Epis from Holiday Wizard and Cristina Casey from Tramada Systems.





ETOA anti Rome tax

THE head of the European Tour Operators Association has written to Rome authorities, seeking to delay a new hotel tax which is slated to be introduced from 01 Jan next year.

Executive director Tom Jenkins said the planned Rome visitor tax is an "involuntary imposition of a fee" as it does not specify when it will be imposed from, and means patrons "cannot cancel without forfeiting their prepayment, and they cannot stay without paying this new charge."

Jenkins said clients were "trapped" by the levy, and that ETOA members who have already paid in advance for their client's hotel stavs would be unable to foot the bill, meaning patrons would have to pay the tax upon departure.

"Such taxes are always a bad move...It takes a very particular form of city to place a price on its attractiveness," he said.

The ETOA is recommending that Rome officials allow an 18 month grace period before the tax is implemented.

BIG4 vouchers

BIG4 Holiday Parks is offering gift vouchers which can be redeemed at a selection of more than 180 parks, within 12 months, priced from \$20.

BIG4 says the vouchers make ideal Christmas gifts and available online at big4.com.au/giftvouchers or by phoning 1800 632 444.

Etihad 7th birthday

ABU Dhabi-based Etihad Airways is today celebrating its seventh anniversary today.

Etihad expects to carry about 1 million more passengers this year, compared to last, up to 7.3m, with load factors up 3% to 77%.

CEO James Hogan reiterated that the carrier was "firmly dedicated to our target of breaking even in 2011.

Seashells stay pay

SEASHELLS Broome is offering a Stay 5/Pay 4 deal for a limited time on new bookings, for stays before 31 May 2011.

Self contained bungalows and apartments are available for couples and families, located 300 metres from Cable Beach - to book go to www.seashells.com.au.

Antarctica Matters

DESTINATION Matters has taken on the role of representing Aurora **Expeditions to the Business Events** market.

The partnership will see DM showcase Aurora Expedition Cruises in locations such as Antarctica, The Arctic, Papua New Guinea and The Kimberley.

Milling about in Europe

BUSABOUT were the host of a group of STA travel agents on a recent famil to Europe.

The group visited Vienna, Salzburg, Munich, Paris and Amsterdam, along with stopovers both ways in Taipei.

Highlights of the trip included city tours, a visit to the Hoffbrauhas Beer Hall in Munich and a picnic dinner on the steps of the Sacre Coeur and an evening at the Moulin Rouge in Paris

Pictured above are the STA agents getting the wind moving, from left are: Nicole Dixon, Valee Sengyothinh, Andrew Turns, Hayley Smith, Michael Richards and Amanda Sutter.

No Leave next step

TOURISM Australia is stepping up the marketing for its No Leave, No Life campaign, with a 20-day promotion to air on Austereo radio networks nationally from this Sunday

A series of outdoor advertising will also be run across the country in the next phase, encouraging Aussies to use accrued annual leave on a domestic holiday.

MEANWHILE, TA says the second series of the No Leave, No Life TV program will air on the Seven Network on 04 Dec.



AA/AB codesharing

AMERICAN Airlines has launched its codeshare relationship with oneworld member-elect airberlin and Austrian-based carrier NIKI.

The deal will see the AA code added on AB and HG flights to over 160 cities in Europe, Russia, Middle East and North America. from the European carrier's hubs in Berlin and Dusseldorf.

airberlin is slated to join oneworld in early 2012.

Tempo social info

TEMPO Holidays has started offering information on specials and promotions via its Facebook and Twitter social network sites.

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Only successful applicants will be contacted.

Washed AWay in Malaysia



ABOVE: Adventure World recently sent a team of six of its staff on a famil to Malaysia, flying with Malaysia Airlines and experiencing the best of Kuala Lumpur, Sepang, the Cameron Highlands and Penang.

The highlight of the trip was a

homestay with a Malay family in the village of Bhangurris.

Pictured here at the Petronas Towers in the Cameron Highlands are the Adventure World team of Jade Matthews, Pauline Guthrie, Michelle Cesario, Kimberley Sheridan, Craig Gibbons and Nadina Bross.



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.

Best Western has released a special bed and breakfast rate on a select range of Queensland and Northern NSW hotels. The deal is priced from \$119/night and includes continental breakfast, for stays up until 31 Mar. More at www.bestwestern.com.au/QLDoffer.

Qantas Holidays has released package deals to see Mary Poppins in Sydney next year, which include theatre tickets (from 05 May to 23 Oct) and accommodation. Packages are priced from \$240ppts based at the Ibis World Square and an 'A' Reserve ticket. For more info and other accom options see gantasholidays.com.au/agents.

JAL premium NRT

JAPAN Airlines will introduce a Premium Economy product on twice daily services between Tokyo Narita and Bangkok, from 16 Jan.

The route will be operated by a Boeing 777-200ER plane with 40 Sky Shell Seats in Premium, 149 economy and 56 executive seats.

Relais new hotels

HOTEL collection Relais and Chateaux will unveil 36 new hotel properties, including two in Australasia and the South Pacific later this month, along with a 2011 celebrity Ambassador.

The 2011 property guide for the group will also be unveiled.



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The tour departs between May and Sep 2011, and is now priced from \$3,892ppts.

Africa aircraft need

AIRCRAFT maufacturers Boeing and Airbus have estimated African airlines will need to collectively add as many as 900 aircraft across the continent over the next two decades to keep up with growth

A report published by Flight Global said that the current fleet of 660 will not be able to handle the unprecedented growth and new routes that mature markets, such as the US and Europe, will require.

MEANWHILE, Boeing has forecast that China will need to spend US\$480 billion over the next 20 years to purchase a further 4,330 new commercial planes.

Regional campaign

TOURISM NSW and CountryLink have launched three marketing campaigns to promote Country, Outback and North Coast NSW.

The \$500,000 campaign includes springtime fares and packages to Dubbo and the Riverina region, details of the Outback campaign is scheduled to be released in Feb and North Coast in Mar 2011 - see countrylink.info.

LH A380 JNB daily

LUFTHANSA has moved forward its planned launch of daily A380 services between Frankfurt and Johannesburg by seven weeks, now starting 12 Feb, according to travel agent GDS displays.



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MG ambassador

ACCOR'S MGallery boutique hotel label has appointed actress Kristin Scott Thomas as the brand's first Ambassador.

Her first duty was to launch a new guide for the 32 global MGallery properties, of which she was involved in creating.

25 years with SQ

SINGAPORE Airlines' Brisbanebased Senior Sales Executive, Lynette Rossiter, yesterday celebrated her 25th anniversary with the airline.

Lynette (pictured below), began her SQ career as reservations supervisor, and quickly moved into sales before finding her place in senior management.

Her colleagues joined in on her celebration, thoroughly decorating everything at Lynette's work station in silver paper, including the phone, pens, cup, computer and even her chair!





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P&O Cruises World Cruising in conjunction with *Travel Daily* is supporting *Movember* this month and is urging the industry to take part in the charity event with great prizes to be won.

The competition coincides with a reunion of some of Australia's greatest cricketing legends, including Neil Harvey and Alan Davidson at *Movember* charity lunches onboard P&O Cruises UK's superliner Oriana in Sydney on November 4 and Brisbane on November 6.

The 69,000-tonne Oriana will be supporting Movember at the events by wearing her own spectacular 20-metre moustache below her bridge.

Guys can take part as a Mo' Bro by grabbing some friends and girls can help out as a Mo' Sis (see the website for more details).

Here's what you need to do:

- 1. Register your details at http://au.movember.com/
- 2. Email your team name to pomocomp@traveldaily.com.au
- 3. Grow some impressive facial hair
- 4. Send in photos to feature on the Travel Daily website
- 5. Vote for your favourite mo
- 6. Win a fantastic 7 night Cruise on board P&O Cruises World Cruising's Arcadia ex Sydney to Fremantle; Cricketing memorabilia; cricket sets and gift packs

To kick-start this fabulous competition, the staff at Complete Cruise Solution have sent in their own fun mo photo (above) - however we are after the real thing - so get growing!

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Self tagging bags

AMERICAN Airlines and Air Canada are considering trialling a new self tagging luggage system for the first time in the US, with Boston Logan Airport earmarked as the first airport.

The trial will give pax the ability to print bag tags from self service kiosks and place them directly onto their own luggage, according to the *USA Today*.

The move aims to speed up the check-in process and free up the carrier's check-in crew.

Bad Malay weather

THE Dept of Foreign Affairs & Trade is advising Malaysia-bound travellers to be aware of "severe rainstorms" during the countries wet-season (Oct to Feb).

DFAT says travellers should check with tour operators on travel conditions and avoid flood-affected regions.

Changi raise fees

SINGAPORE's Changi Airport has announced it will charge Airlines and travellers an increased fee from 01 Apr next year.

Passengers who are transiting or transferring through the hub will be charged a service fee of \$\$9 and a security fee of \$\$3.

The fee will be included in the cost of the ticket.

30% off AirAsia X

MALAYSIA's AirAsia X is offering up to 30% off airfares across its network during the Christmas holidays, to celebrate its 3rd birthday, on sale until 07 Nov, for travel through to 31 Jan.

A 10% discount is being offered on all seats from the Gold Coast, Melbourne and Perth, and a 30% saving is being offered on KL to Chengdu, Tianjin and Hangzhou and to New Delhi and Mumbai for more info see airasia.com.

AWS Africa 2011

AFRICA Wildlife Safari (AWS) has added a further 16-pages to its just released 2010 Africa program, featuring a greater selection of luxury lodges and camps - to order a copy email tifs.com.au.



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Ladies loving Latin America



ABOVE: Gecko's Adventures and Aerolineas Argentinas hosted eight Aussie agents on a famil through South America recently.

The group visited Buenos Aires, Iguazu Falls, Atlantic Rainforest, Honey Island and Rio de Janeiro.

A Slum tour and Samba dancing were some of the highlights the group enjoyed while on tour.

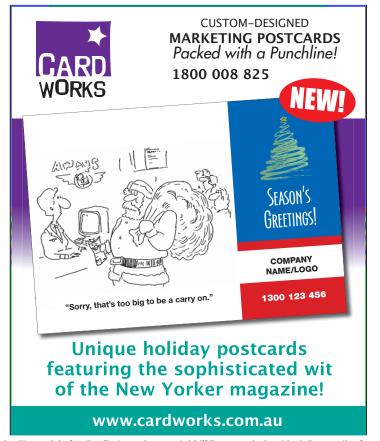
Pictured above in Buenos Aires from left are: Gemma Coleman, HWT Karratha; Loretta Oakman, HWT Toowoomba Ruthven St; Jadie Rowlands, HWT Whitford City; Sharna Newell, HWT Horsham; Rebecca Wray, Australian Zoo Travel; Saffron

Russell, Travelworld Alice Springs; Vicki Disselkoen, HWT Kotara; Belinda O'Dea, HWT Lilydale; and Michelle Harvey, Peregrine and Geckos Adventures.

Globus Earlybirds

GLOBUS is offering earlybird airfares to Europe with Emirates starting from \$1490pp including taxes ex SYD, MEL, BNE, ADL and PER to one of 15 European cities, when booked with a 2011 tour by 30 Nov.

UK cities are also available priced from \$1690pp with a stopover in Dubai available each way - see www.globus.com.au.



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