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New NZ product

TODAY'S *Travel Daily* has a special full page "wrap" before page 1 to promote Air New Zealand's new Tasman product.

The new "Seat", "Seat + Bag", "The Works" and "Works Deluxe" options (*TD* 03 May) are now on sale, for flights from late Nov.

More details at the new agent website www.airnzagent.com.au.

Cruise West suspension

ADVENTURE World says it's "business as normal" for its Cruise West bookings, despite the Seattle-based cruise operator selling the flagship *Spirit of Oceanus* and temporarily closing its reservations centre.

A recording on the Cruise West 'emergency line' states that "only the *Spirit of Oceanus* is affected at this point...we are in the process of restructuring the company with new owners and therefore have temporarily suspended taking new bookings."

Cruise West is at the end of its 2010 Alaska season, but has an upcoming program of Mexican Riviera and Mississippi cruises.

It appears that passengers on board *Oceanus* have been put ashore in Newfoundland, ending

the world cruise which was set to include an extensive Australian program including New Year's Eve on Sydney Harbour.

AW spokesman Neil Rodgers today confirmed the sale of the *Spirit of Oceanus*, telling *TD* that agents with affected bookings had already been advised, while other itineraries were still available.

"We are currently in the process of finalising the 2011 Cruise West Worldwide brochure which will be launched to the Australian market within the next month," Rodgers said.

Other Cruise West wholesalers including Travel the World and eCruising weren't able to comment before *TD*'s deadline.

Ski comp closing

TODAY is the last day to get your kooky captions in for our sensational Northern Hemisphere Ski Issue competition, with a prize of a ski holiday in Switzerland up for grabs - see p4.

The lucky winner of last month's Tahiti competition was Margy Stimson of MTA Travel, and her entry can also be seen on p4.

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QF on South Africa

QANTAS says the anonymous submission to the IASC on the renewal of its codeshare pact with SAA (*TD* yesterday) "fails to compare apples with apples".

Spokesman Simon Rushton told *TD* that cheaper Feb 2011 fares on the SYD-JNB route quoted in the document are sale prices which have been out for some time.

QF is also considering further sale fares for Mar, Apr and beyond but the decision has been delayed by Qantas agreeing to reaccommodate V Australia passengers who have been affected by the VA withdrawal.

He confirmed that Qantas will go daily on SYD-JNB with the addition of a 7th weekly flight from 21 Sep, "and will continue to offer a range of competitive fares on the route, while ensuring a viable operation and providing customers with certainty".

Another big issue

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QF adds 'Group Split' fee

QANTAS will begin charging pax on an international group PNR a fee of \$60 per person should their booking need to be separated from the rest of the group.

The new 'Group Split Fee' will be applied for "servicing" the splitting of passengers who need to deviate their itinerary, for group bookings on or after 05 Oct.

Qantas says the fee is being introduced "to recover the costs associated with servicing this type of change" by travel agents.

FC's Escape to UK

FLIGHT Centre has launched its Escape Travel brand in the UK, but with rather a different flavour to Escape's retail outlet franchise model in Australia.

The UK version of Escape will be a "boutique mid to long-haul package specialist that is dedicated to finding the perfect holiday for couples and families," and will operate from a call centre at FC's UK offices in Surrey.

Flight Centre is currently recruiting for ten "beach fanatic" consultants to work in the new brand, which will source content from Flight Centre Global Product.

Escape Travel UK's offerings will initially focus on holidays in the Caribbean, Mexico, Asia, the Indian Ocean and Dubai.

The non-refundable fee is charged at the time of the PNR being split, whether or not it has already been ticketed.

Multiple split fees will also apply should a passenger break off their flight itinerary into a smaller group PNR at one time, and then into a smaller or individual air booking at another.

The split fee does not apply to Trans Tasman bookings or on domestic Qantas PNRs or when the split is required to enable passengers to re-book to a higher cabin or cancel their total itinerary.

Passengers who are splitting from a PNR in order to register for a Qantas Frequent Flyer points upgrade are also excluded from the Group Split fee.

GA KK's daily JKT

GARUDA Indonesia yesterday confirmed it would be boosting frequencies between Sydney and Jakarta to daily, as exclusively revealed by *Travel Daily* nearly one month ago (*TD* 12 Aug).

GA is lifting the current thrice weekly service to daily on 20 Dec, which will provide "customers with improved accessibility to the airline's vast Asian network as well as to the daily Amsterdam via Dubai service," according to senior GM Australia Bagus Siregar.

The Indonesian carrier will operate its new two-class A330-200 aircraft on the SYD route, the same jet type used thrice weekly between Melbourne and Jakarta.

Wolgan tempts

WOLGAN Valley Resort & Spa in the NSW Blue Mountains has launched a special 'Spring Temptation' promotion, offering two nights in a double Heritage Suite including all meals, selected beverages and two nature-based activities each day for \$1470pp - plus a bonus Gourmet Pack valid 01 Sep-19 Dec - 02 9290 9733.



Window Seat

SOME *TD* readers really love their footy.

Compass Car Rentals sales manager Lee Burrows says that Mon's special French-inspired tricolour *Travel Daily* front page was very appropriate, given that the Sydney Roosters NRL team (with their red, white and blue livery) went from wooden spooners in 2009 to top 8 finishers, and "are a realistic chance of playing in this year's Grand Final".

For all you fans, the big announcement of the winners of this year's *TD* AFL and NRL footy tipping competitions will be announced in Fri's issue.

PERTH is likely to attract scores of sporting visitors for the upcoming inaugural Ben Cousins Biathlon - which will re-enact the AFL bad boy's bolt from a booze bus in 2006.

The event will take place on 12 Feb 2011 - the fifth anniversary of Cousin's escape from police, when he abandoned his then girlfriend and left his car in the middle of the Canning Highway before running through back yards, jumping fences, and swimming halfway across the Swan river and then turning back after realising he might drown.

Organisers say the event will be a "real celebration of Cousins' abilities".

SNAKES on a Plane - for real.

The far-fetched Samuel L. Jackson schlock movie almost came true in Kuala Lumpur last week when customs officials found 95 live boa constrictors in a piece of luggage, according to news agency AFP.

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HWT's Travel ESsential



ABOVE: Harvey World Travel has set loose a brand new mascot in a bid to raise greater awareness of the company's Travel Essentials products.

'TESS-the-Tiger' will be prowling HWT agencies across the country to encourage consultants to book its Travel Essentials products as part of every booking made, says HWT md David Rivers.

Travel Essentials covers product like insurance, foreign exchange, global phone cards, international sim cards, visa assistance, travel guides, and the ability for clients to earn American Express Membership Rewards points.

"Our clients appreciate the

convenience of being able to source all their travel requirements in one place... by selling Travel Essentials products, consultants have the ability to increase the commission earned on every booking," Rivers said.

TESS even has her own Facebook page where agents can enter a monthly photo competition, by snapping TESS at different travel destinations.

Pictured at the HWT Frontliners conference in Darwin recently, *from left* are: HWT's David Rivers, managing director; TESS-the-Tiger; James Brodie, head of marketing; & Chris Thistlethwaite, national franchise manager.

Google confident of ITA deal

INTERNET behemoth Google is under the microscope over its proposed US\$700m purchase of flight search software company ITA (*TD* 27 Apr), with the US Justice Dept probing the deal.

A number of reports cite insiders saying officials are looking into claims that Google could use the acquisition to power its own travel website, steering searchers away from other online players.

DJ livery change

VIRGIN Blue Group of Airlines' appointment of Hans Hulsbosch as Creative Director (*TD* Mon) will see DJ adopt a new brand "to take the airline into its next decade."

"Our brief is to take the brand to a new level of modern sophistication, keeping with the brands contemporary young spirit," Hulsbosch said.

The revamped brand identity will appeal to both the leisure and corporate market.

Microsoft and Expedia are believed to be among companies which have spoken with the Justice Department.

ITA is the major supplier of fare data to flight and travel sites such as Orbitz, Hotwire, Kayak, SideStep and Microsoft's Bing search engine, and ITA technology also powers a number of airline websites such as American and Continental Airlines.

Google has said the ITA deal shouldn't raise anti-competition concerns because it doesn't currently operate in the travel market - and it's also previously said it doesn't plan to actually sell airline tickets to customers.

The company also says there are a number of alternatives to ITA offered by technology firms such as Amadeus and Travelport.

In a blog post last week a senior Google staffer said the company is confident the government "will conclude that online travel will remain competitive after this acquisition closes".



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Fake Chinese pilots

ALMOST 200 commercial pilots in China have faked their resumes according to a report in the *China Business News*.

The story says that an investigation last year showed that airlines desperate for flying crew hired aviators who had falsified their experience, with one of the prominent offenders being Henan Airlines, which had one of its aircraft crash last month, killing 42 people.

Business award for Sportsnet Holidays

MELBOURNE-based Sportsnet Holidays has been named Australia's 'Fastest Growing Private Business' for 2010 in the Business Review Weekly/ANZ Bank private business awards.

Nominees for the awards must have a minimum annual turnover of \$15 million, or over 50 staff, with Sportsnet eclipsing a number of Australia's leading corporates to take out the award.

"This is a dream come true for us and represents the ground-breaking ideas and efforts of our entire team," said Sportsnet executive chairman and founder, Rob Cecconi.

"As our company becomes one of the most technologically advanced in the country, we still find that an exceptional service experience is most important to our customers," he said.

BRW said Sportsnet's innovative business model had allowed it to "expand on its long history of delivering world class sports travel packages and build market leading expertise in the technology and media space".

New Delaware chief

WAYNE Kirkpatrick will step down as the managing director of Delaware North Australia Parks and Resorts, moving into an advisory role from the end of Sep.

He's been running the business since last Oct as it acquired some of the former Voyages properties, and will be replaced by acting MD Tim Smith, regional gm Parks & Resorts USA for Delaware North.

WTM to kick goal

THE upcoming World Travel Market tourism expo in London will for the first time this year feature a special Sport Report, looking at the "dynamics and potential of the \$600 billion Sport Tourism industry".

Analysts are estimating that the sport sector will contribute a staggering 14% of overall travel and tourism receipts this year.

The report's release on 08 Nov will also come in the lead-up to the London 2012 Olympics.

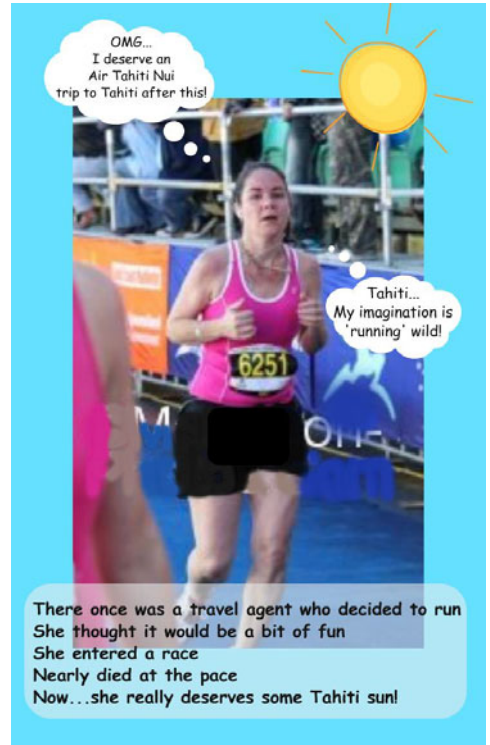
Margy's running off to Tahiti

CONGRATULATIONS to Margy Stimson from MTA Travel in Qld whose entry has been selected as the winner in last month's exclusive *Travel Daily* Tahiti competition.

We received hundreds of great entries from across the industry in the competition, which invited *TD* readers to nominate why they deserved a Tahiti holiday courtesy of Tahiti Travel Connection and Air Tahiti Nui.

After much deliberation the judges selected Margy's entry at right, and she'll be jetting off to enjoy two nights at Manava Suite Resort Tahiti and five nights at Manihi Pearl Beach Resort including transfers and return economy flights for two.

If you didn't win, don't despair - this month we're giving away yet another fabulous tropical holiday, with a trip for two to Hawaii up for grabs courtesy of Hawaii Tourism, Hawaiian Airlines and Aqua Hotels and Resorts - for details see page eight.



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Two new NCL ships?

NORWEGIAN Cruise Line is rumored to have signed a letter of intent with German shipyard Meyer Werft for the construction of two new cruise ships, with the first to be delivered in 2013.

NCL isn't commenting on the speculation, with reports saying the vessels would be smaller than the 4100-pax *Norwegian Epic*.

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Taiwan tempts travel trade



LAST night the Taiwan Tourism Bureau (TTB) held a trade promotional event at Sydney's Sheraton on the Park, attracting over 120 travel agents, suppliers and media guests.

In an attempt to develop the Australian tourism market and strengthen ties with the travel trade industry, the evening comprised of a workshop, tourism product briefing and dinner with performances by Taiwanese cultural tribe, 'Amis Kakeng Musical Group'.

Taiwan Visitors Association, inspector general, Joseph H. Ru told *Travel Daily* they expect Australian traveller numbers to Taiwan to reach approximately 70,000 by the end of this year.

"Australia is a very important market for Taiwan", Golden Foundation Tours president, Jean Chang told *TD*.

She said 62,000 Aussies visited the destination last year, despite the impact of the global financial crisis, H1N1 outbreak and flooding in southern Taiwan.

"Our government has paid more attention to promoting tourism to Taiwan within Australia, which has allowed us to hold annual roadshows and undertake more travel trade familiarisations", she added.

Taiwan plays host to a lantern, culinary, cycling and hot spring festival each year, as well as the



Taipei International Flora Expo.

"We've found that Australians look to travel to somewhere different, and Taiwan in Australia is still very new", said Chang.

Tour operators including Formosa Travel, Taiwan Holidays & Travel and China Bestours currently include Taiwan in their product range, however Chang indicated they are working on getting some of the bigger wholesalers such as Qantas Holidays and Creative Holidays on board to sell the destination.

The TTB and Taiwan suppliers will host the workshop and dinner at the Hilton on the Park in Melbourne tomorrow.

Pictured *above* is Joseph H. Ru, Taiwan Visitors Association; Jean Chang, Golden Foundation Tours; Chao Kwang Shoung, Pearl Lee and Monique Chen, Taiwan Tourism Bureau, and *inset* is Karen Grayson from Mobile Travel Agents with Mark Haddad of China Bestours.

Spicejet goes int'l

INDIA'S low cost carrier SpiceJet will begin its first international services on 07 Oct, operating from Delhi to Kathmandu, Nepal.

Chennai to Colombo, Sri Lanka flights will then kick off on 09 Oct.

Visitor nights up 5% in 2009/10

TOURISM Australia has released its latest quarterly International Visitors Survey, revealing that for the year to 30 Jun arrivals into Australia totalled 5.28 million, up 3% on the previous 12 months.

A total of 183 million visitor nights were spent in Australia during the year, up 5%, while total visitor expenditure was \$17 billion, up 3% on 2008/09.

Almost half of the arrivals (46%) were for holidays, while 25% was VFR traffic and 15% related to business travel, with the remainder in connection with education and employment.

New Zealand was the largest source of visitors, with 1.02 million Kiwis "crossing the dutch".

In second place was the UK with 615,000 visitors, then the US with 459,000 visitors to Australia.

China was in fourth position with 376,000 tourists, followed closely by Japan at 340,000.

Despite NZ providing the largest proportion of visitors, in terms of economic value the UK remains

Australia's largest source market, worth \$2.9 billion, followed by China at \$2.8 billion, New Zealand at \$1.9 billion and the US at \$1.8 billion.

Tourists spent most of their money in the capital cities and the Gold Coast, with just 18% of spending in regional areas, and expenditure per visitor was highest in Melbourne at \$2465, followed by Perth at \$2360 and then Sydney at \$2035 on average.

Interestingly, there was a high rate of repeat visitation, with 62% of all arrivals having been to Australia previously.

The average duration of stay for holiday visitors was 26 nights, and 28% of holiday travellers were on packages, while those on group tours accounted for 12%.

11% of the total visitors (583,000) were classified as backpackers who spent a total of 43 million nights in Australia, with an average spending of \$78/night.

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Allegro start up

THE High Speed Allegro rail services between Helsinki and St Petersburg are scheduled to begin on 12 Dec, cutting travel time between the cities by two hours.

Allegro has a top speed of 220km/hr, and feature 48 First class and 296 Second class seats. The journey takes 3.5hrs, with stops in Pasila, Tikkurila, Lahti, Kouvola, Vainikkala and Vyborg, and services will be ramped up from twice to four times daily over the 2011 summer period.

Prices for the Helsinki to St Petersburg route in Second class start from €84 (A\$117.70) and First Class from €134 (A\$187.80).

RCC Mexico office

ROYAL Caribbean Cruises will open a dedicated corporate office in Mexico City by Dec due to an escalation in cruising in Mexico.

The move will see RCC end its ties with American Express in the US which represented the firm in Mexico at the end of this year, but it will continue to be a preferred distribution partner for RCC.

The creation of a new Mexico office will support the sales, marketing and commercial ops for Royal Caribbean Int'l, Celebrity Cruises and Azamara Club Cruises.

Shine for Sheraton

STARWOOD Hotels and Resorts Worldwide has unveiled a new spa concept exclusively for Sheraton Hotels & Resorts, dubbed 'Shine for Sheraton'.

The concept comes after the brands \$6 million revitalisation effort, and features Germaine de Capuccin products and five signature treatments, including massage, facial, body treatment, manicure/pedicure and a treatment for two.

Maria goes ga ga for Gaga



AA adds DFW/GIG

AMERICAN Airlines has been granted authority to begin a thrice weekly service between Dallas Fort Worth, Texas to Rio de Janeiro (GIG), Brazil as flagged by *Travel Daily* in Jul (TD 09 Jul).

The oneworld carrier says it will launch the new seasonal Rio service from 16 Dec to 04 Apr using a two-class Boeing 767-300.

The service will then restart on 09 Jun and run through to 22 Aug. Flights will operate from Texas on Tue, Thu and Sat, and return from Rio the following day.

The addition of the DFW/GIG route will see American Airlines offer a combined 77 weekly flights to Brazil from its US hubs.

ABOVE: Stella Travel Services announced the winner of its 'See Lady Gaga live in Prague' national incentive, as Maria Tadros Anissa of Tadros Travel.

Maria was the NSW winner of the incentive for her sales, and she will be jetting off to see Lady Gaga live in concert on 17 Nov.

Maria is pictured above (middle) with Mary Cino from Air Tickets (right) and EK's Lincoln Bache.

Dublin conventions

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Rice bowls them over

JETSET Travelworld Group's WA State Awards were held in Perth recently, with Cathie Rice Travelworld of Bunbury winning a record 16 awards from principals.

Travel consultant Camilla Owen won the Travelworld Outstanding Achievement Award, and Cruise Manager Len Pasalich won the Top Leisure Revenue Consultant, for the fifth year in a row.

Pictured above from left being presented with one of the awards are: Shane Lowe, AAT Kings; Cathie Rice, Cathie Rice Travelworld; and Dianne Preston, Jetset Travelworld.



Two lodge special

KEWARRA Beach Resort and Silky Oaks Lodge in Tropical North Queensland have teamed up to create a new four night package priced from \$1322ppts, for stays until 31 Mar 2012.

The deal includes two nights at both Kewarra and Silky Oaks, a Cape Tribulation Safari, a full day Great Barrier Reef cruise, transfers and some meals.

For more information email reservations@kewarrabeach.com.

Allure schedule up

ROYAL Caribbean Cruises' *Allure of the Seas* is one month ahead of schedule, according to CEO Adam Goldstein, however the cruiseline is not expecting to take early delivery of the vessel.

The inaugural sailing, planned for 05 Dec, has already been brought forward twice before but will not be bumped again, as "we don't want to interrupt consumers plans," said Vicki Freed, RCC's senior vice president of sales.



Business Development Executive Melbourne Sales Office

As a result of a recent restructuring in the Melbourne Sales office, Cathay Pacific Airways requires a highly motivated Business Development Executive to join the Melbourne sales team.

The position will require the candidate to focus on external sales activity with some internal sales support to the team. The candidate will be responsible for identifying and achieving specific revenue targets from retail travel accounts, whilst maintaining valued existing accounts.

The successful candidate will need to demonstrate the following:

- Ability to identify key incremental revenue opportunities
- Proven ability to achieve sales revenue targets.
- Analytical skills that can develop profitable revenue solutions
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Cathay Pacific Airways
Level 10, 250 Queen Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

or email: jason_ghan@cathaypacific.com

Applications close 15 September 2010.

Please note:

1. Only those applicants who are successful in gaining an interview will be notified.
2. Applicants must have the right to live and work in Australia.

TQ appointment

TOURISM Queensland has elected to keep its publicity function in house, naming Queenslander Shelley Winkel as its new Publicity Manager, a position which will see the organisation concentrate its efforts on online publicity.

Qantas revamps amenity packs

QANTAS is introducing new Business class amenity kits on domestic and international services this month, featuring a range of unisex cosmetic products by Malin+Goetz.

Products include Vitamin E Face Moisturiser, Vitamin B5 Hand Treatment and Lip Moisturiser, and the kits also contain cotton eyeshades, socks, earplugs and a dental kit.

New First Class kits will also be rolled out next month, with the female version coming in a Payot Paris clutch-style bag, and the men's version comes as a Payot Homme fold-out travel bag.

Contents include Payot Paris Baume a Levers (lip balm), Hydration 24 Creme and Corps (face and hand/body), as well as

Rexona deodorant, mirror, vanity kit and more.

The male version comes with Baume a Levres, Optimale - Soin Energisant (face), Optimale Soothing After Shave Care, and Rexona deodorant, Gillette Foaming Shaving Foam, comb, eyeshades and more.

Kids Kits will also see changes, with children on domestic and Trans-Tasman flights receiving activity packs that now include Mr Men characters, Mr Messy and Little Miss Sunshine.

Children on international flights will get one of two Race Around the World packs, which include an activity book, time zone card, a deck of cards, a jigsaw and coloured pen, all contained in a reusable travel pouch.

Aloft into Europe

STARWOOD Hotels & Resorts Worldwide has opened its first Aloft branded hotel in Europe - the Aloft Brussels Schuman.

In addition to Belgium, Aloft hotels are located in the USA, Canada, China, the UAE and India.

Compass 2011 deal

COMPASS Cars is offering 2011 Renault car hire at 2010 prices when booked and a deposit is paid by 31 Oct.

Prices start from \$1699 for 21 days hire with bonus extras of up to 10 free days and 50% off delivery fees - call 1300 132 835.

HA traffic reports

HAWAIIAN Airlines has reported a 5.5% year-on-year increase in passenger numbers for the month of August, to a total of 787,854.

The number of passengers flying with HA is also up 1.3% for the year to date, to 5,668,499 people, compared to the same time in 09.

Priority extension

PRIORITY Club Rewards, the loyalty program of IHG, has extended its 40% off selected InterContinental, Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn properties in Australia and New Zealand, until 13 Sep, for stays until 31 Oct.

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Position Number: 8861



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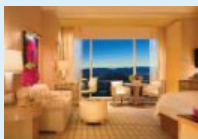
Accommodation Updates

WELCOME to *Accommodation Updates*, *Travel Daily's* Wednesday feature. If your property has undergone some recent changes you would like to make the industry aware of, send a brief description to accomupdates@traveldaily.com.au.

NOVOTEL BRISBANE has unveiled an extensive refurbishment of its top floor rooms, at the same time introducing a new room type. 'Premium Rooms' offer a superior level of comfort for guests, including modern features, a private balcony and Brisbane City views.



The five year old WYNN LAS VEGAS has launched newly renovated rooms including new wallpaper, carpets, chairs couches and lamps. Renovations for all the guest rooms are expected to continue into 2011, with the new rooms feeling "fresh, crisp and light".



The HYATT REGENCY COOLUM on Queensland's Sunshine Coast has announced the appointment of MG Media Communications as its public relations company. MG Media will be responsible for promoting the resort. Hyatt Regency Coolum offers 324 low rise rooms, suites and villas, restaurants, spas, wellness and sporting facilities and a championship golf course.



WIN A HOLIDAY FOR TWO TO HAWAII



During September, *Travel Daily* is giving readers the chance to win an incredible seven-day holiday to Hawaii, courtesy of **Hawaii Tourism, Hawaiian Airlines and Aqua Hotels and Resorts.**

This fantastic prize includes return economy airfares from Sydney to Honolulu with Hawaiian Airlines, six nights accommodation at your choice of an Aqua property in Waikiki and return transfers with a lei greeting.

Each day *Travel Daily* will ask a Hawaii-related question – just read the issue and email us your answer. At the end of the month the subscriber with the most correct entries and the most creative response to the final question will win this fantastic Hawaii holiday.



Q.6: Name one of Aqua Hotels & Resorts' oceanfront properties fronting world famous Waikiki Beach

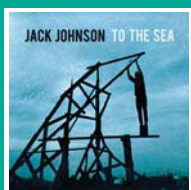
Email your answer to: hawaiicomp@traveldaily.com.au

Hint! Visit www.hawaiiitourism.com.au

Plus, a daily prize of the new Jack Johnson CD - *To The Sea* (pictured to the right) will be awarded for the first correct entry received, thanks to **Universal Music Australia.**

Congratulations to yesterday's lucky winner: **Joanna Tatton** from **Flight Centre Noosa Village.**

[Click here for competition terms & conditions](#)



Britrail pass deals

INTERNATIONAL Rail has a 20% discount of its Britrail passes and Britrail England Only Passes.

Tickets are on sale until 15 Feb 2011, valid for travel between 01 Nov 2010 and 28 Feb 2011 - email agent.internationalrail.com.au.

Fun looms in QLD for AOT



ABOVE: This group of AOT staff from Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney were hosted to a family that visited Tangalooma Island Resort in QLD last weekend.

The group were spoilt at the resort's Desert Safari Tour that included sand tobogganing, with some of the adrenaline junkies

reaching speeds of up to 50km/h on the dunes.

Pictured above getting sandy back row *from left* are: Lana Larkins, Daniela Hayes, Jenny Teo, Matt Radford, Rebecca Solomon, Emily South, David Ingall, Frank Chou, Vivienne Kalogeropoulos, Mia-Ann Sweeney

Front row: Craig McLaurin from Tangalooma Island Resort.

Quark history 2011

QUARK Expeditions will celebrate its 20th anniversary of its North Pole and transit of the Northeast passage sailings next year, with a return to the North Pole planned to operate from 23 Jun to 07 Jul.

There will also be a rare circumnavigation of the Arctic from 10 Jul through to 13 Sep.

Travellers can also choose from one of the three segments ranging from 21 to 28 days long - more info at quarkexpeditions.com.

DL launch Liberia

DELTA Air Lines has launched services from its Atlanta hub to Monrovia, Liberia, as previously flagged by *TD* (*TD 27 May*).

DL's latest Africa route operates once a week, via Accra.

MEANWHILE, DL has filed with the US Dept of Transportation to delay its start up of services between both Detroit and Los Angeles to Tokyo Haneda Airport, from Jan (*TD 07 Jul*) until Mar.

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