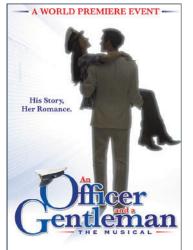
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New STAR ratings scheme

"failed to keep up with consumer

demand and had also led to the

development of homogenised,

He said advisory panels had

comprised representatives of

major hotel brands as well as

"relevant and equitable scheme

Blackwell said the new scheme

"is positioned to take advantage of consumer demand for a

trusted and truly independent

well as being "at the core of

source of travel information" as

national supply-side strategies".

The new criteria and quality

guidelines have been weighted

according to their importance to

motels, serviced apartments, self

undergone intensive training on

explaining the scheme online at

the consumer, with the system covering six categories: hotels,

catering, hosted accom, and

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new criteria, with a full site

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product across Australia".

AAA Tourism has today officially launched the new Australian STAR Rating Scheme after a four year review of the program (TD 25 Mar).

The move sees a partnership with the govt's TQUAL

accreditation program, along with a "focus on the consumer choicedrivers of cleanliness and quality," according to ceo Peter Blackwell.

He said the previous model, which was based on facilities offered by each property, had

Qantas Hols on sale

QANTAS Holidays has today launched a 72-hour sale, with special packages on offer to Hong Kong, London, Thailand, the US, Singapore and more - see the last page of today's Travel Daily.

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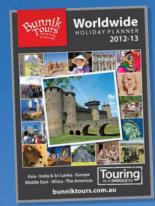
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Wotif battles OS invasion



ONLINE accommodation pioneer Wotif.com says that it was forced to significantly increase marketing spending last year to maintain brand awareness, with the move "seen as necessary at a time when foreign online travel agents ran a concerted campaign to take market share".

Speaking at yesterday's Wotif agm, ceo Robbie Cooke cited other pressures on the company including the huge surge in overseas travel during 2010/11.

He said that "operators of the more traditional retail travel channels who harvested the opportunity to sell offshore package holidays" had benefited, but warned that the trend was vulnerable to the strength of the A\$ and consumer confidence.

"When this confidence wanes there is a rapid swing back to domestic travel activity and such times have historically benefited Wotif.com," he said.

New initiatives showing good results include the 'Wot Deal of the Day' which is allowing Wotif's hotel partners to benefit from the group buying boom, Cooke added. He said the company was continuing to expand its flight offering, with international carriers coming online in Aug, while other activity included creation of a dedicated team to develop mobile applications.

Wotif's profit declined by \$2m last year to \$51m (**TD** 24 Aug).

Customs plot strikes

THE Community and Public Sector Union yesterday warned of 24-hour stoppages by customs staff at Sydney, Melbourne and Perth airports on Thu.

Other Customs sites will also be affected by four hour stoppages at the start of their shifts, with the industrial action

unfortunately coinciding with the arrival of many world leaders into Perth for the CHOGM meeting.

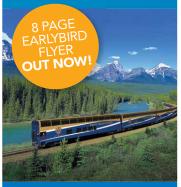
Late yesterday afternoon the union urged people collecting international inbound passengers on Thursday "to factor possible delays into their plans".

Talks are continuing today over stalled pay negotiations which may see the strike called off. TRAVEL2

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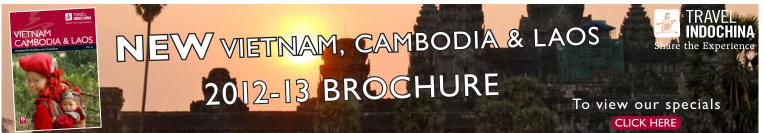


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JTG signs with Keith Prowse

JETSET Travelworld has signed a new preferred partnership agreement with Keith Prowse Sport and Entertainment Travel.

The pact covers Travelscene American Express, Harvey World Travel, Travelworld, Jetset and the Concorde Agency Network, and will see Keith Prowse package tickets, accommodation, flights and other events into tailor-made combinations for agency clients.

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Keith Prowse md John Godwin said the current range includes events such as Wimbledon, Grand Prix races, Premier League Soccer, Rugby Sevens, Ascot and the Edinburgh Military Tattoo, as well as product closer to home including the NRL grand final, State of Origin, the Melbourne Cup and Opera Australia.

Godwin also flagged the roll-out of a new Keith Prowse hotel booking platform in the coming months "to build the travel agents' destination sales capability and revenue earning opportunities".

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FJ orders 3 A330-220s

AIR Pacific will acquire three new Airbus A330-220 aircraft to replace its ageing Boeing 747 and 767 fleet, with the first A330 to be delivered by Mar 2013.

It will be the first time in Air Pacific's 60 year history that it has ordered new wide-body aircraft, says ceo & md David Pflieger.

"It's the right plane at the right time for our company," he said.

Chairman Nalin Patel said the "critical decision" follows a sevenmonth review of FJ's fleet and network, lead by Pflieger.

FJ says it will deploy the A330s on routes to Sydney, Auckland, Hong Kong and Los Angeles.

Global. Growing. And recruiting.



A ROAD warrior couple in the USA have celebrated their high flying courtship by getting engaged on a Delta flight.

Arvin Shandiz met Alexandra Williams on a DL shuttle between New York and Chicago last year, and their romance has blossomed since then as their jobs saw them travel repeatedly between the cities.

On Friday the erstwhile Shandiz shocked his now fiance by proposing over the aircraft PA on yet another flight, with passengers breaking into spontaneous applause when she accepted.

A RESTAURANT in Michigan, USA has created a new meal which is a tourist attraction in its own right.

The Absolutely Ridiculous Burger, available at Mallie's Sports Grill & Bar, weighs about 154kg and you definitely have to order it ahead, because it takes 22 hours to cook.

The world record-breaking burger contains more than half a million calories and includes 15kg of bacon, 18kg of cheese and 7.5kg of lettuce.

The eatery's manager, Jason Jones, said the massive meal costs US\$2000 - but that includes fries and a drink.



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THAI's 14th Euro city

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Goldman Travel in the Pink



ABOVE: Goldman Travel continues to give its time to the Cancer Council, with it latest initiative in support of Pink Ribbon Day seeing the business donate 50% of all service fees on 19 Nov to help beat cancer.

Pictured with general manager David Goldman (far left) are Goldman Travel's Fee Njoo, Chris Cheyne and Erin Amundsen.

Taste of Middle East

TEMPO Holidays has released a range of stopover packages in the Middle East for 2012 with deals available for early bookings.

Packages are priced from \$291ppts and include a three-day Taste of Dubai, a three-day Taste of Abu Dhabi and a four-day Taste of Muscat - phone 1300 362 844.

Uniworld discounts

UNIWORLD is offering a saving of \$1,440 per couple on its new 2012 24-day Grand Asia and the Mekong itinerary for departures in Sep and Oct next year.

There's also a saving of \$960 per couple on the 2012 Timeless Wonders of Vietnam, Cambodia and the Mekong voyage, for travel Jan to Dec.

To take advantage of the deal bookings need to be made before 30 Nov - uniworldcruises.com.au.

Emirates' 16th A380

EMIRATES took delivery of its 16th A380 from jet manufacturer Airbus earlier this month, which was its first superjumbo for 2011.

SAA fined US\$55,000

SOUTH African Airways has been slugged a US\$55,000 fine by the US government for online pricing violations for air packages.

While Destination South Africa, a company which promotes air travel deals online using SAA flights was hit with a US\$20,000 fine for "deceptive" pricing.

The US Dept of Transportation said users browsing the carrier's website were not clearly made aware of taxes and fees promoted on ads, or that DSA packages were based on double occupancy.

DJ adds extra capacity

VIRGIN Australia is putting on extra services on a number of key domestic routes, with new capacity on trunk and regional services from 23 to 30 Oct.

According to its website, "in light of strong demand" Virgin is adding six services on Sun, four on Mon, three on Tue, four on Wed & Thu, seven on Fri and four on Sun 30 Oct.

Most of the extra uplift is on the Melbourne-Sydney route in either direction, but there is also extra capacity on return services between Melbourne & Adelaide, Brisbane & Mackay, Melbourne & Perth and one way flights from Melbourne to the Gold Coast and Gold Coast to Sydney next Fri.

To view the full schedule of new flights go to bit.ly/djextraseats.



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Thrifty sells Sth Mel

THRIFTY Car Rental has sold its South Melbourne operation to its former Vic regional manager Terry Christie, with the business now running as a franchise from today.

Business travellers love mobile

THE social media revolution is having a significant impact on the lives of frequent business travellers, with smartphones and other gadgets making it much easier for them to connect with friends and families.

That's one of the key findings of a survey by Carlson Wagonlit Travel, with CWT's Asia Pacific director of Products and Online Services, Matt Carracher, detailing the report yesterday at the Global Business Travel Association conference in Brisbane.

Carracher told TD that CWT is aiming to help its clients steer the adoption of new technology in the workplace, telling them to develop policies which embrace smartphones rather than fighting the inevitable tide.

"We want to give them tools which encourage them to book within policy," he said, with CWT set to boost its previous offering of recommended smartphone applications via its own new CWTtoGo mobile App.

CWTtoGo will stream traveller itineraries to their devices, along with alerts, updates on delays and connections to allow check-in all aimed at further improving the business travel experience.

He said Carlson Wagonlit was aiming to garner feedback from travellers themselves, in contrast to previous surveys which had focused on travel managers.

Other intriguing trends revealed in the study found strong interest from Gen Y business travellers in in-flight internet, with more than half also keen on SMS and voice connectivity from the air.

The CWT Australian Business Traveller Insights report into mobile technology 2011 is online now at bit.ly/CWTreport.

Gaddafi out, BA in

BRITISH Airways is among several carriers resuming flights to Libya following the country's liberation, with a London Heathrow-Tripoli service to restart 30 Oct.

AAT Kings ramps up for 2012/13

AAT Kings saw a year on year rise in passenger numbers both domestically and internationally throughout the nine months to Sep 2011, and the 2012/ 13 programs have been enhanced with more customer experiences. At a media launch

for the tour operator's 2012/13 Western Australia and Northern Territory brochure yesterday, MD Tammy Marshall (pictured) said there are 50 itineraries throughout Australia ranging from 3 to 20 days in length.

Among new inclusions are extra exclusive 'You Are Invited' experiences and upgraded accom properties & room types across all tours - including Novotel, Crowne Plaza and Mantra brands - and Early Payment Savings of up to \$1240 per couple.

Top inbound source markets for AAT Kings include New Zealand, North America and the UK, with China, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Korea emerging Asian markets.

The Northern Territory and Tasmania has been identified as the most popular touring



destinations for the local market and Queensland ranks highly for overseas travellers, Marshall said.

Natural disasters around the world and locally have affected the tour operators sales with inbound travellers from Japan down due to the devastating tsunami.

The Queensland floods also "impacted the int'l market" with the exception of those who had already booked, Marshall added.

As part of its Sustainable Future initiative the firm upgraded 10 vehicles in its fleet this year to top of the range Mercedes Benz coaches, to the tune of \$3.6m, to "produce far less carbon emissions than planes, cars or trains".

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Jetstar trumps Qantas on flight timing

TIGER Airways achieved a unique milestone last month, with govt figures showing the LCC operated the highest percentage of flights departing and arriving on time around the country during Sep.

Of the seven domestic carriers participating in the BITRE data report, Tiger had 91.1% of flights depart on time, while 89.4% of flights arrived on time.

The figures released this week do however show that Tiger operated just 530 sectors in Sep, which compares to 1,577 in Sep last year, or in other terms, 95% less sectors than Virgin Australia over the same period.

Last month's average on time departure figure for all airlines slipped by nearly one percentage point on the long term average, to 83.2%, while the average arrivals times were down 0.3 points to 82.7%.

Of the major carriers Virgin held on to the number one spot for both flight departure and arrival times, with 85.8% and 85.1% respectively.

Jetstar outperformed Qantas Airways for sticking to its on time departure and arrival schedules, with 80.6% of JQ flights getting away as planned, & 82.1% making it to their destination on time. Qantas' figures were 80.3% for departures and 80.0% for arrivals.

Regional carriers, Regional Express and Skywest Airlines had 97.5% and 86.0% of flights depart on time, and 86.9% & 86.7% arrive on time, the data shows.

The Adelaide-Gold Coast route had the highest percentage of on time departures and arrivals at 94.9% and 96.6%.

Passengers flying out of or into Port Lincoln in South Australia were most likely to depart or arrive on time, at 92.2% and 91.9% respectively.

The highest percentage of flight cancellations during Sep was recorded by Jetstar (at 2.1% or 123 flights), followed by Qantas (1.8% or 187 flights) and Virgin Australia (1.7% or 201 flights). Tiger Airways had no flight cancellations during Sep.

APT Outback program

APT has released its 2012 Outback Wilderness Adventures program, highlighting the Kimberley, Cape York, Red Centre, Top End, Gulf Country, Birdsville, Pilbara, Flinders Ranges and Lake Eyre. The program features 10 tours

that range from six to 14 days duration - see aptgroup.travel.



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SkiJapan VIP services

SKIJAPAN.com has launched VIP concierge experiences for Australian travellers who want premium extras when travelling to Niseko, Japan to ski.

Extras offered include limousine transfers from Chitose airport, private in-house catering, grocery and beverage packs and floral arrangements.

CHC accom update

CHRISTCHURCH & Canterbury Tourism has provided an updated list of accommodation options available to visitors to the region in its Oct newsletter.

Among the options are 13 3+ Qualmark star rated (or not rated) hotels, located within 20 minutes of Christchurch Int'l Airport, five apartments & lodges, 109 motels, 15 holiday parks & 68 bed & breakfasts.

Despite recent seismic events, "Christchurch is welcoming visitors... (with) the vast majority of visitor services are up and running," the update advices. 🗿 Money

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

AUD = US1.045

THE Aussie dollar has once again begun to creep up, surging overnight to more than US\$1.04 as traders became more confident in the light of stock market rallies around the world.

There's expectation that the debt crisis in Europe will have a good outcome following the upcoming G20 summit, and this is feeding demand for "growth currencies" such as the A\$.

The climb is good news for travel agents, who should be reminding their clients of exceptional value for their money in the US, UK and Europe in conjunction with the wide range of earlybird airfares and deals currently out in the market.

Wholesale rates this morning:

US	\$1.045
UK	£0.652
NZ	\$1.289
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Adventure Travel Expo

THE Adventure Travel and Backpackers Expo is being held at Sydney Town Hall on 29-30 Oct, featuring a range of exhibitors including Tourism Malaysia.

Air NZ Sep pax numbers drop 4.8%

THE Rugby World Cup significantly dampened travel demand in New Zealand last month, with Air NZ traffic figures revealing a 5.4 point drop in load factor and passenger numbers down almost 5% to 1.21 million.

Short haul traffic was down 4.3% - but worryingly long haul numbers were also down 8.8%, with Japan routes continuing to be weak following the natural disasters earlier in the year.

International visitor numbers for the RWC were in line with expectations, but changed timing of NZ school holidays also impacted Sep demand. North America/UK traffic was down 7.8% to 91,000 passengers but Tasman/Pacific numbers rose 2.2% to 292,000 for the month.

SAS Travelport deal

SCANDINAVIAN Airlines has renewed its GDS agreement with Travelport, with full fares and inventory continuing to be available to Worldspan and Galileo-connected agents.

The new multi-year contract also includes a "common framework" to provide enhanced functionality for agents, such as merchandising and online check-in.

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AKL arrivals up 34%

AUCKLAND Airport has today reported a 33.8% year on year increase in overseas international passenger arrivals during Sep, with the airport contributing growth to the Rugby World Cup.

Int'l growth was highest from France, which soared 707.6% to 8,650 movements from 1,072.

Other markets which showed an increase in arrivals included the UK (+121%), Canada (+59%) and Australia (23.5%).

Qatar to Benghazi

QATAR Airways will introduce a four-times weekly service between Doha and Benghazi in Libya from next week (01 Nov).

The route will be operated by an Airbus A320.

Amadeus rail boss

AMADEUS has appointed Thomas Drexler to head up the travel technology partner's rail business as its new Director of Rail.

Drexler moves on from his most recent role with Deutsche Bahn as Vice President of Sales.

ANA's 787 strikes

ALL Nippon Airways' newly delivered Boeing 787 *Dreamliner* aircraft is on track to begin commercial flights tomorrow despite suffering some surface damage after it struck a passenger boarding bridge on 13 Oct.

Ground crew were towing the aircraft when the incident occurred.

MEANWHILE the 787 has also been involved in a lightning strike during a test flight between Osaka Kansai International airport and Okayamo in Japan.

A report said the carboncomposite aircraft was grounded for inspection and resumed flights the next day.

Hahn Air Beach Pack giveaway



Travel Daily has teamed up with **Hahn Air** this week and is giving one lucky reader the chance to win a Beach Pack, valued at over \$200.

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AirAsia X to Gatwick

AIRASIA X touched down at London Gatwick Airport yesterday for the first time following its switch from London Stansted.

Sheraton reno over

SHERATON On the Park Sydney has unveiled its Deluxe Terrace Suites completing the hotel's \$40 million renovation.



Judy catches up with John

RIGHT: Virgin Australia ceo John Borghetti was the speaker at a recent Australian and British Chamber of Commerce lunch in Melbourne.

Judy Gillard from Bayview Travel made the most of the opportunity to meet him, with the pair pictured at the event.

She said it was nice to see the way that Borghetti made a point of catching up with many of the travel people who attended, who were intrigued to hear

about his exciting plans for Virgin.

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TAM firms A320 order

TAM Airlines has finalised its purchase deal with Airbus for an order of 32 new A320 family aircraft, including 22 A320neos, initially outlined earlier this year.

Skal Melbourne is 50!

IT'S been a huge weekend for members of the Melbourne club of Skal International, which is celebrating its diamond jubilee.

A charity golf day and dinner took place at the prestigious Royal Melbourne club on Friday, followed by a day at the Cox Plate on Saturday and then a Gatsbythemed Tea Dance on Sunday.

Skalleagues from across the country joined the fun, while the events saw auctions and raffles of prizes donated by the industry raise more than \$22,000, half of which will go to Life Education Australia and the balance to other Skal charities.

300Boeing 777-300ER

BOEING reached a milestone late last week, delivering its 300th 777-300ER aircraft to first-time customer Biman Bangladesh.

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DJ corporate boost

VIRGIN Australia has signed a further 17 corporate contracts in the last three months, with new accounts including Hilton, Linfox, Spotless, Laing O'Rourke and Merck Sharp & Dohme.

At an analyst briefing today DJ also flagged further services for the resource sector in WA and Qld, along with "disciplined capacity growth on key sectors".

The relaunched Velocity loyalty scheme is continuing to grow, with 2.7 million members and plans for more than 380 retail partners by the end of the year.

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THE Global Business Travel Association sees significant growth potential in Australia and NZ, according to its US-based exec director Mike McCormick.

"It's time to make the investment in a full-time resource," he told **TD** at the GBTA conference in Brisbane, with the organisation now seeking applications for a locally based general manager (**TD** yesterday).

He said the GBTA has worked hard to boost benefits for members including new tools and education opportunities, with corporate buyers able to "tap into a global organisation" through membership.

Recent initiatives include the creation of the GBTA Academy which offers qualifications in

corporate travel in partnership with leading US business schools. GBTA is also working in a number of "industry verticals,"

having recently convened its first oil, gas & marine travel event in the UK to allow companies operating in those sectors to share their experiences in travel management and policies.

Pictured above at the event yesterday are, from left: GBTA Australia/NZ board member Chris Telfer from the Australian Federal Police; GBTA executive director Mike McCormick; and the bewitching Elizabeth Montgomery, GBTA Australia/NZ manager of Administration, Memberships and Events. More pictures from GBTA at facebook.com/traveldaily.



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First Virgin Hotel

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SIR Richard Branson has made his first move into the hospitality industry, 12 months after officially launching the new Virgin Hotels division (*TD* 23 Sep 10).

The company has purchased the 27-storey Dearborn Bank Building in Chicago in partnership with developer John Buck Co, with the project set to see the property converted into a 250-room hotel over the next year.

Virgin is also said to be looking at other properties in New York, Los Angeles, Miami and London.

CRUISE

Arik Air suspended

Travel Daily

LAN X

NIGERIAN carrier Arik Air has been suspended from BSP participation by the International Air Transport Association.

An update sent to agents and airlines last week said that "due to incompliance with IATA banking requirements for settlement purposes, we are to suspend all BSP operations for Arik Air."

Travel agents were told to immediately stop all ticketing and refund transactions through GDSs and BSP link.

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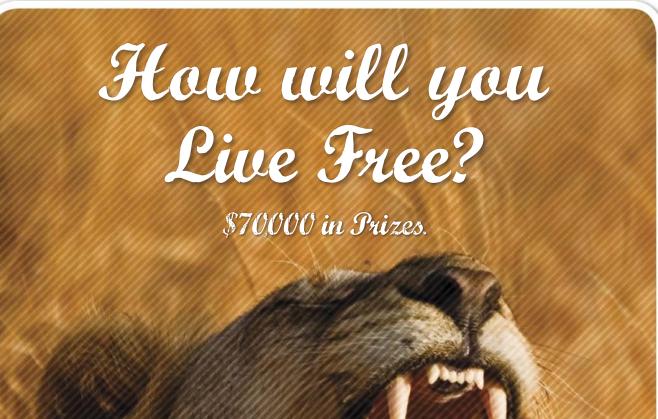
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