



with James Tobin

**AMERICAN** Airlines is extending its existing full-content deal with Travelport's GDS operations -Galileo. Worldspan and Apollo saving the pact will now not expire until late 2012.

AA said that the terms of Travelport's subscriber opt-in programs for AA remain the same.

The carrier & technology provider have been feuding for around 15months over AA's own 'Direct Connect' distribution platform.

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# Chinese arrivals still surging

**CHINA** is continuing to stake its claim as a key source market for visitors to Australia. with ABS figures for short term arrivals during Jan showing Chinese visitors up 12.1% year on year.

By contrast, almost every other top ten market for Australia has declined over the last 12 months apart from the US which grew 3.1% and NZ, up 1.9%.

The UK decreased 4.6%, while other markets which have dropped include Malaysia, down 8.9%; Japan, down 4.3; Singapore, 2.1% lower; Korea, down 3.2%; Hong Kong, 3.7% lower; and Germany which declined 3.5%.

Overall arrivals have grown 1.3% since Jan 2011 - and during the same period short-term resident departures surged 7.2%.

#### Seven pages of news

Travel Daily today has seven pages of news and photos, plus full pages from: (click)

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The fastest growing outbound destination was China, up 17.3%, followed by Thailand which grew 13.9% and India. up 13.7%.

Departures to NZ rose 8.4%. while Indonesia was up 9.8%. Other top destinations included Fiji, up 9.3% and Vietnam, up 9.9%.

#### **Qantas Hols incentive**

**QANTAS** Holidays is today promoting a new agent incentive with a major prize of a trip to Kangaroo Island - see final page.

#### Mega incentive winner

**CONGRATS** to Briony Bullard of Escape Travel in SA who was the latest bonus prize winner in the Emirates, Dubai Tourism and Arabian Adventures megaincentive, running until 01 Apr.

Briony has won a Panasonic Blu Ray DVD player and MI4 DVD.

#### Word of Mouse #8

THIS month's Disney 'Word of Mouse' update provides readers with more info about its Hawaii property, Aulani - see page 10.

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# Sichuan Air plots MEL route

YET another Chinese airline has earmarked Australia as a future gateway, with Sichuan Airlines planning to capitalise on growth from the China inbound market (pg 1) by adding Melbourne and Sydney to its long-haul network and becoming the fifth carrier operating between the countries.

The Chengdu-based affiliate of China Southern has signalled plans to launch flights to Melbourne using A330-200 jets from as early as Aug, according to

#### Tuvalu tourism staff

**THE** South Pacific nation of Tuvalu - best known for its "dottv" internet domain - is now able to supply hospitality workers for Australian tourism businesses.

Parliamentary Secretary for Pacific Island Affairs, Richard Marles, has announced the expansion of the Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme to include Tuvalu, with the program operating in the horticulture sector as well as throug "small scale trials" with accommodation providers in the tourism industry. Chinese airline site *Carnoc.com*. A route map released by

Chengdu Airport identifies both Melbourne and Sydney as prospective destinations.

The airline is also looking at further expansion to points in Europe and North America.

Sichuan is yet to formally confirm the proposed new services.

#### New for Keith Prowse

**KEITH** Prowse Sport & Entertainment Travel has launched new 2012 State of Origin packages, with the event taking place at Melbourne's Etihad Stadium on 23 May, in Sydney on 13 Jun and the 04 Jul final at the Cauldron in Brisbane.

Also new from Keith Prowse are Edinburgh Military Tattoo deals starting at \$330 - 1300 730 023.

#### MTA appointment

**MOBILE** Travel Agents has named 30-year industry veteran Jackie Pennock as business development manager NSW, with her position also focused on recruitment.



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# Succession planning "pivotal"

A NEW study has found that succession planning and strengthening the leadership pipeline are among the top talent concerns for corporate executives throughout Asia-Pacific.

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TMS Asia-Pacific general manager Australia/NZ Sally Matheson says that a "war for talent" throughout the tourism sector has reinforced the need for companies to invest in a sound succession planning strategy, in an effort to retain their top talent.

Many employers needing to replace staff were finding out "the hard way", that it can prove to be an extremely expensive exercise from the perspective of time and money utilised.

Matheson said there was no magic formula to prevent staff from leaving, and for companies to admit that things change and staff inevitably move on.

"The trick in creating a successful strategy is to recognise

what a company needs to do in the event it does lose key employees and combine that with the aspirations and ambitions of employees further down the line," Matheson added.

#### **Major SATC changes**

**THERE'S** major turmoil at the top of the South Australian Tourism Commission, with ceo Ian Darbyshire replaced late last week by SATC chair Jane Jeffreys in a part-time capacity.

58-year-old Darbyshire still had nine months left on his contract. Jeffreys will oversee a

restructure of the SATC after the State Government cut its budget.

*News Ltd* reports over recent days have cited various issues which the SATC is having to deal with, including "bailing out" the main Adelaide visitor centre after the operation was outsourced to Holidays of Australia (**TD** 15 Jun).



#### QH brochure launches

**QANTAS** Holidays is reminding agents about its current series of launches for the new NSW brochure, with the next event taking place tomorrow night 07 Mar in Melbourne.

The Adelaide launch is on Tue 13 Mar; then there's an event in Perth on 15 Mar and Sydney on27 Mar - more info via email on regionalsalesmel@qantasholidays.com.au

#### New SAA destination

**SOUTH** African Airways has confirmed the addition of Cotonou, the capital of Benin, to its extensive network in Africa.

SAA will fly the route twice a week as an extension of flights from Johannesburg to Pointe Noire in the Republic of Congo.

#### **VS JFK Clubhouse**

VIRGIN Atlantic has unveiled a brand new Clubhouse lounge at New York JFK International Airport, with the move following a US\$7million refurbishment.

Themed 'Understatedly Uptown, Unmistakably New York', the new facility is more than twice the size of its predecessor, and includes a Central Park lounge with "passionate resident mixologists," a large billiards table and the first Clubouse Spa outside of London.

VS operates between London and JFK three times a day, and has also signalled plans for a new Clubhouse to serve its twice-daily service to nearby Newark Liberty International Airport.



**IMMIGRATION** officials in the UK have launched a probe after passport office staff arbitrarily decided that acting was "not a proper job".

According to the London Daily Telegraph, an application was rejected after it had been countersigned by Michael Sheldon, who is appearing in the West End stage show Three Days in May.

Sheldon, who signed the form on behalf of his daughter's boyfriend, raised the matter with the Actor's Equity union group which in turn wrote to UK Home Secretary, Theresa May.

The Identity and Passport Service responded by confirming it was undertaking an investigation "and looking at whether further staff training is required".

A FRENCHMAN has taken Google to court after a 'Street View' image of his home showed him urinating in his front yard.

The 50-year-old lives in a small village in the Maine-et-Loire region, and says that even though his face has been blurred out the image has made him a laughing-stock.

He's demanding the removal of the offending pic plus €10,000 in damages, with his lawyer saying that "everyone has the right to a degree of secrecy".

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# Spot the Tahitian birdies

**PENNANT** Hills Golf Club in Sydney's northern suburbs was graced with a touch of Tahiti last week. after Tahiti Travel Connection was one of the sponsors of the Australian Stock **Exchange Thomson Reuters Charity** Foundation Annual Golf Day & Gala Dinner.

The wholesaler donated a trip to Tahiti, which raised a healthy \$10,000 at the silent auction during the event.

A range of charities benefited including the Heart Research Institute, MS Australia, Leukaemia Foundation, Lifeline and the

Children's Cancer Institute.

Pictured at the Tahiti Travel Connection during the golf event is Tele the Tahitian Dancer with special friends Megan Maurice, TTC marketing and operations manager; and Lucinda Walker, sales and product manager.



#### Air Malta charters

AIR MALTA has announced the resumption of charter flights to six regional airports in the UK.

The services will operate 01 May-30 Oct to Birmingham, Cardiff, Bristol, Exeter, Newcastle and Norwich.

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## Virgin court hearing

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**ALLEGATIONS** that Virgin Blue discriminated against two of its former public affairs staff are being aired in a Brisbane court case this week.

Kirsty Aitken and Leonie Vandeven are claiming the carrier replaced them immediately after they were made redundant, with the pair claiming they were pushed out because they were pregnant or on maternity leave.

The court case is set down for a hearing over several days.

#### More South Africa MSC

MSC Cruises has announced the South African deployment of its MSC Opera, which will join MSC Sinfonia in a summer 2012/13 season cruising from Durban and Cape Town.

As well as repositioning cruises from Venice during Nov and returning to Europe in Apr 2013, ports of call during the season will include Mozambique, Mauritius, Mossel Bay, Walvis Bay and Luderitz in Namibia as well as Madagascar and La Reunion.



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

#### \$1AUD = US1.064

THE Australian dollar slipped below US\$1.07 in overnight trading, after officials in China announced a slightly lower 7.5% economic growth target.

With Chinese demand driving production in a number of western economies including Australia, analysts are concerned that lower growth could affect commodity prices.

The AUD is still hovering just above €0.80 with expectations that the Greek debt crisis is nearing resolution.

And traders are expecting that the Reserve Bank will today leave local rates on hold when it releases its latest interest rate decision at 2.30pm today.

Wholesale rates this morning:

US	\$1.064
UK	£0.670
NZ	\$1.291
Euro	€0.804
Japan	¥86.36
Thailand	ß32.713
China	¥6.560
South Africa	R7.929
Canada	\$1.051
Crude oil	US\$107.06

#### Indian Pac via Melb.

**GREAT** Southern Rail will this week operate the Indian Pacific via Melbourne as a consequence of extensive flooding in NSW.

The train is diverting west of Broken Hill to the Victorian capital due to track washaways between Ivanhoe and Parkes, which has also seen a freight train derailment, a spokesperson for GSR told **Travel Daily**.

Passengers onboard or about to join the iconic rail journey are being contacted to advise of alternative arrangements.

GSR said diverting to Melbourne will result in delays, but hopes to return to normal operations later this week.

The company said passengers booked on the Indian Pacific in coming days are being offered the option of postponing travel to a later date, or cancelling outright with a full refund offered.

#### **Qantas flood waiver**

**QANTAS** has issued a flight waiver for services to Wagga Wagga and Hervey Bay due to disruptions caused by flooding.

Passengers holding Qantas (081) issued tickets for travel up until 09 Mar can make changes, alter destinations or defer travel for 12 months without fee.

See www.qantas.com.au/agents.

#### **Bench free nights**

**BENCH** International is offering two free hotel nights in Pretoria or Cape Town for bookings made on the Blue Train by 31 Mar, for travel until 12 Dec 2012.





**ABOVE**: These agents recently experienced Hong Kong as part of a Travelscene American Express 'Stay Connected' famil in conjunction with Virgin Atlantic.

**Pictured** enjoying dinner at La Cucina Restaurant in the Marco Polo Hotel are, from left: Phillip Boniface, Travelscene Carlingford; Lynette Gavin, The Travellers Hut; Tracy Harvey, Go Travel; Patricia McEwen, St Leonards Travel; Lisa Roberts, Fairfield Travel; Vanessa Lake, Travelscene Batemans Bay; Katrina Roberts, Richmond Travel Centre; Kylie Graf, Travelscene Logan; Renae Groeneveld, Phil Hoffmann Travel Norwood; Vanessa Pelayias, Virgin Atlantic; plus Gigi Ching and Raymond Lau from the Marco Polo Hotel.

#### South lands TAA chair

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#### Spanish rail growth

**RAIL** Europe sales figures have revealed a massive 85% increase in Spanish rail sales in Australasia.

Australia is the largest in'tl market, with sales of European rail journeys up by 24%.

CEO of Rail Europe Pierre-Stephane Austi said the surge in business contributed significantly to Rail Europe's ability to achieve such growth across its network of European rail operators.

"We are very proud of our results, and the contribution Australia has made to those results," Austi said.



#### CONGRATULATIONS Stephen Donaghey from Q Catering

Stephen is the top point scorer for Round 1 of *Travel Daily's* NRL industry footy tipping competition and has won a NRL jersey for the team of his choice, courtesy of inPlace Recruitment.



#### **Major Prize Sponsors**

**1st Prize:** 4-night holiday to Dubai, courtesy of **Emirates** and **Holiday Inn** 

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#### Witches of Warwick

WARWICK Castle in the British Midlands has launched a new 'Witches of Warwick' attraction, which will debut as part of The Castle Dungeon opening at the end of this month.

The Witches of Warwick is designed to "shock, scare and haunt" as visitors journey through hag history - details at www.warwick-castle.com.

#### Kiwi fun on Gold Coast

A \$1 MILLION television, print, retail and digital advertising campaign for New Zealand, the largest in over three years is to be launched by Gold Coast Tourism to maintain its view as the favourite holiday destination for New Zealanders.

The Gold Coast *famous for fun* campaign runs until Jun.

#### United tech problems

**UNITED** Airlines chief information officer Bob Edwards says the conversion of its website with that of Continental Airlines last weekend (*TD* yest) was

"unparalleled in aviation history." "Everyone - the IT division, airport operations, customer service representatives, reservations agents, flight crews and our alliance and technology partners - performed with the utmost dedication and professionalism", Edwards said.

The switch has seen huge delays for pax checking-in for UA flights.

#### BA A380s to New York

**BRITISH** Airways has revealed it plans to operate superjumbos on routes to New York City first when it begins taking delivery of its A380 fleet from next year.

Chief finanical officer for BA's parent International Consolidated Airlines Group, Enrique Dupuy said the British flag-carrier was also eyeing double-decker routes to Asia, including Hong Kong, Singapore and Beijing,

BA has 12 525-seat A380s on order with Airbus.

#### Air NZ/DTW extend

**DISCOVER** the World Marketing has been appointed as Air New Zealand's sales and marketing rep in South Korea, it's ninth market along with France, Greece, Israel, Malaysia, Mexico, Singapore, Spain and Russia.



## AFTA UPDATE

The latest insights from AFTA's Chief Executive, Jayson Westbury

**A WEEK** on from the leadership challenge and clarity around ministerial appointments, it is clear that it is business as usual in Canberra.

For the Travel Industry there was one change of significance and that is the appointment of Bob Carr to the Foreign Affairs Ministry. As a former Premier of NSW Bob Carr is known to me and I am confident that AFTA will be able to continue work with the new Foreign Minister on many aspects of the portfolio that have a direct impact on the travel industry. AFTA welcomes this appointment given the experience and knowledge of Mr Carr, I am sure he will make an excellent foreign minister.

It is further pleasing to see that David Bradbury has been promoted to Assistant Treasurer. Mr Bradbury has been overseeing the review of consumer protection in the travel industry from the Federal Government's perspective and I understand that this responsibility will continue within his new appointment.

In addition to these two announcements, Martin Ferguson has been retained as the Minister for Tourism. All this means that AFTA can continue with a high degree of certainty to foster the travel industry with experienced and talented ministers at a federal level who are all known to us. While the leadership battle set a degree of uncertainty amongst us all last week, this week we can be confident in the knowledge that it is to a degree the status quo which for the travel industry is a good thing as we have plenty of other challenges to deal with.

I know that the issues around the collapse of Air Australia have definitely been dragging on and there is still some uncertainty about what funds if any may be returned to consumer and agents. As with these collapses in the past, there is never anything easy about working through the various problems and payment methods. I continue to push the ACCC to administer the new Australia Consumer Laws (ACL) to the full extent possible and have raised the issue to be placed on the

next Aviation Working group agenda with the Tourism Minister. It occurs to me that greater oversight may be required upon issuing aviation operating licenses. As more information becomes available I will ensure that is communicated as directly to the industry as possible.





**EMIRATES** recently escorted a group of Australian and NZ agents on a famil to London, taking in a visit to Emirates Stadium for the Arsenal vs Tottenham football match, won 5-2 by Arsenal.

**Pictured** above immersed in the atmosphere of the match are from left, John Wang, Western Travel; Michelle Gledhill, Flight Centre Christchurch; Chelsee Smith, Stodarts Travel and Cruise Forrestfield; Toni Rendell, House of Travel Auckland; Sally Hoare, Emirates Australia; Ingrid Hay, Harvey World Travel and Sofia Coplin from Anywhere Travel.

#### Travel no.1 NZ web buy

**TICKETS** and accom were the top online purchase by Kiwis for the three months to Dec 2011, according to Roy Morgan Research.

At 14% 'travel' led books, magazine and newspaper webbased sales, and shows, movie tickets and events on 10% each.



#### LAN 787 preview

LAN Airlines says it will reveal a mock-up version of the cabin for its 787 *Dreamliner* as part of the International Air & Space Fair, FIDAE in Santiago, this month.

## Bananas about Coffs Coast



**ABOVE**: The NSW Coffs Coast, hit hard by the recent disastrous floods came to Sydney last night to spread the word that the worst is over and to reassure tourists it's safe to holiday in the region.

Tourism officials from Coffs Harbour, the towns of Bellingen, Urunga and Woolgoolga told attendees that autumn and winter months are the best time to visit the picturesque region.

There are more than 120 things to see and do for tourists.

"We have the mountains to the

#### **Qamea Stay Pay deal**

**FIJI's** Qamea Resort & Spa has a Stay 7/Pay 5 deal for stays from 01 Apr-31 May, 01 Nov-20 Dec and 10 Jan-31 Mar - see <u>qamea.com</u>.

#### Mardi Gras success

**DESTINATION** NSW ceo Sandra Chipchase has heralded last weekend's Sydney Mardi Gras as the "perfect platform" to show off Sydney to the world.

The event lures around 20,000 overseas and interstate visitors & injects \$30m into NSW's economy.

sea, the best beaches, stunning national parks, amazing restaurants, fishing, diving, whale watching and exceptional accommodation," said Glenn Caldwell, Tourism & Marketing Manager, Coffs Coast Tourism.

One of the top attractions in the area is Bonville Golf Resort just outside Coffs Harbour.

"We've been voted the best golf course in Australia for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running, but we also have a fine dining restaurant that is also a drawcard," said Brad Daymond, Bonville's General Manager.

Accom ranges from 5-star resorts, to B&Bs, caravan parks to romantic getaways, such as Afterglow Cottages in Bellingen.

Situated mid-way between Sydney and Brisbane, Coffs Harbour is a comfortable 6hr drive from each city.

**Pictured** from left are: Stuart Allardice, Bellingen Shire Tourism; Mark Flanders, Nat. Parks & Wildlife Service; Glenn Caldwell, Coffs Coast Tourism Manager; Agnes Low, Afterglow Cottages; and Brad Daymond, gm Bonville Golf Resort.

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Every day *Travel Daily* will ask a different Singapore-related question – just read the issue and email us your answer. There will be 22 questions in total, which will also be posted on our website.

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#### Q.4: What is the name of Singapore's famous shopping sale in June-July?



#### Inspect DescaradA 2

**DESCARADA** is offering the trade and public the opportunity to inspect its newest vessel, the four cabin *DescaradA 2*, which enters service on 01 Apr.

The new mega-yacht is about double the size of *DescaradA*, and accommodates up to 12 guests.

Inspections are being held on 13 Mar between 2-4pm and 14 Mar between 10am-12pm, at Gold Coast City Marina, Coomera. RSVP to marketing mgr Richard McKisack on 0422 275 322.

#### Fiji monorail guashed

**THE** Fiji govt has distanced itself from plans by a US-based firm, JRK & Associates Fiji Group, which has proposed a \$103m monorail project, the *Fiji Times* reported.

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Long, Jenny Piper and Barry Matheson

#### **Air NZ launchs NLK**

AIR New Zealand has begun services between Sydney and Brisbane to Norfolk Island after being handed the contract by the Federal govt last year

Air NZ will operate the service four-times weekly using A320s.

#### Aus F1 GP ultimatum

**FORMULA** 1 boss Bernie Ecclestone is insisting on the renegotiation of terms for the Australian Grand Prix with the Victorian Govt prior to the current contract ending in 2015.

Ecclestone has long held wishes to either force Melbourne to hold the race at night to better suit the key television market in Europe, or threatening to drop the event from the F1 calendar altogether.

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#### NAME: Stacy Balderstone ROLE: Recruitment Executive

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**TOP TIP FOR CANDIDATES?** Have your references ready because solid references often mean the difference between a job offer and a rejection. It's important to line up references early in the process. Choose only those people who have had a chance to observe your work first-hand, such as former supervisors or managers.

**TOP TIP FOR EMPLOYERS?** Reward your staff accordingly - you get what you pay for. Be clear about your strategic direction for the future, and then hire the talent to help you achieve it.

**TOP TRAVEL TIP** Try websites like www.couchsurfing.org It's a great resource of information for budget travellers and by becoming a member - you can bypass the typical hotel experience by staying at the home of a local and learning about their culture. You get to meet some amazing people and you get all the insiders tips on the best local restaurants, bars and places to visit.

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#### COMING UP TRUMPS VIP CORPORATE CONSULTANT SYDNEY– BASE SALARY TO \$65K PLUS

VIP corporate positions do not come along every day so if you prefer to only deal with the "very important people" of the world then read on. This amazing blue chip company based in North Sydney requires a senior corporate consultant with at least 5 years experience to join them in their busy but exciting head office. You will love only dealing with the CEO, senior executives and visiting officials. Huge salary on offer for the successful candidate!

#### I BLESS THE RAINS DOWN IN AFRICA.... AFRICA TRAVEL SPECIALIST

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Looking to gain a better work life balance? This well established & reputable travel company is seeking a senior travel consultant to join their professional office, servicing the discerning traveller with unique and luxury travel itineraries. Working Monday to Friday business hours, you will be thrilled with this mature minded team, all with the same values & worth ethics. Min. 5 years experience required.

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Aloha. Welcome to Aulani. Inspired by the wonders of Hawai'i and built with the perfect touch of Disney magic, Aulani is a beautiful beachfront escape that's designed for families. It is a Resort like no other. Perfectly placed just far enough from the hustle and bustle of Waikiki, but close enough for families to enjoy the world-class entertainment of O'ahu.

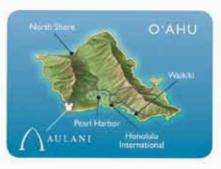


#### AULANI AT A GLANCE

- 359 hotel rooms (including 16 suites) and 460 Disney Vacation Club<sup>®</sup> Villas.
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- Four incredible themed pool experiences from waterslides to kid-friendly wonders.
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- Private saltwater snorkel lagoon.
- 18,000 square foot Laniwai Spa.
- One of the largest collections of contemporary native Hawaiian art in the country.
- Unique spaces and programs for kids, adults and families.

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- 1) Vintec 30-bottle wine cabinet
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