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## Post offices get into travel

MORE than 3200 post offices around Australia are now offering travel insurance and prepaid currency cards in a major expansion of Australia Post's travel offering which debuted today.

The in-store insurance is an extension of the previous product which was only available over the phone (TD 29 Nov 2011), and which debuted when Australia Post launched its first superstore in Brisbane featuring a Harvey World Travel outlet.

Australia Post exec gm Retail Services, Christine Corbett, said the "cost-effective" travel insurance was available over the counter from \$5 per day for travel to Europe, Asia, Indonesia, NZ or

#### Celebrity Interview

TODAY'S Travel Daily features our latest Celebrity Interview, this time with enduring Australian adventurers Cas and Jonesy.

The pair have for some time been associated with Travelscene American Express, and the interview on page seven also has a great prize up for grabs.

the South Pacific; or \$10 a day for travellers visiting the USA, Canada, South America or Africa.

It's not available for travellers aged 70 years or over or with preexisting medical conditions, and doesn't cover certain activities.

The "Load & Go" travel card, also now available in store, is a multi-currency Visa debit card which is activated at time of purchase and can be used immediately upon purchase.

Australian dollars are loaded on to the card and can then be transferred online into other currency "wallets" such as NZ\$, US\$, British pounds and Euros.

The card is free, with an initial minimum load of \$100 and a maximum of \$10,000.

Most post offices also now offer TravelSIMs and currency exchange along with passport applications.

#### Today's issue of TD

Travel Daily today has eight pages of news plus full pages:

- AA Appointments jobs
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#### Amadeus renews QF

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**QANTAS** has renewed its global full content agreement with Amadeus, meaning agents using the GDS firm's systems worldwide will continue to have access to QF's full range of international and domestic fares, inventory, last seat availability and schedules.

The new agreement will see Amadeus users also able to book and pay for Qantas ancillary services such as advanced seat selection.



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#### 2013 Corroboree tour

**THE** Canadian Tourism Commission has announced the dates of its 2013 Corroboree agent national roadshow, with five Australian cities set to be visited early next year.

Perth will kick off the national tour that will again highlight the best of the broad range of sights and experiences available in Canada, with the WA event to be held on Tue 05 Feb 2013.

Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide and Melbourne will all follow suit on the 6th, 11th, 12th and 13th of Feb respectively.

The workshops will feature more than twenty destination and supplier representatives, and agents and wholesalers will also be given the opportunity to have independent meetings with the Canadian exhibitors alongside the formal presentations.

"We strongly encourage travel agents throughout Australia to mark their local Corroboree show on the calendar to avoid missing out on this key industry event," CTC account director Nathan McLoughlin said.

Registrations for the series of roadshows will open in Nov.

## More opposition to QF/EK

**QANTAS** and Emirates look to have an industrial battle on their hands over the proposed alliance, with further submissions to the ACCC enquiry into the pact revealing strong union opposition.

**Outspoken Transport Workers** Union secretary Tony Sheldon blasted the "accuracy and substance" of assertions made in the QF/EK applications.

He said the TWU rejects claims made by Qantas as "arrogant and contemptuous of the role of the ACCC," insisting that the difficulties being confronted by the carrier are "almost entirely the making of poor management and business planning decisions". Sheldon repeated his previous

#### Wolgan Spring deal

**EMIRATES** Wolgan Valley Resort & Spa has released a two-night Indulge in Spring deal for stays until 19 Dec priced from \$725pppn - a saving of \$500pp.

Additionally, guests staying two nights or more from Sun to Thu will get a 60-min spa treatment per person, valued at \$115pp.

rhetoric about the accounting methods used by Qantas, claiming that cost allocations are "deliberately misleading" to make it appear that some sections of the carrier are unsustainable.

"It is the TWU's position that the proposed actions takes outsourcing and offshoring one massive step further" by "abandoning routes to Emirates".

The ALAEA union representing Qantas engineers also expressed concern about the deal, claiming the planned alliance could see QF "hollowed-out and diminished, to the detriment of competition and the national interest".

#### **WWT touring Taiwan**

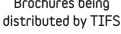
WENDY Wu Tours has introduced Taiwan and Malaysia as its latest destinations, adding to its FIT range for the 2013 season which was launched last night.

Four-night independent seat-incoach tours in Taiwan start from \$720ppts departing Taipei, while a 2-night city stay in Kuala Lumpur is priced from \$330ppts.

More Wendy Wu coverage on p5.









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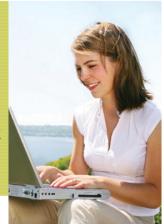
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### Virgin 737 hit by A380 turbulence

**THE** Australian Transportation Safety Bureau has opened an investigation into an occurrence earlier this month when a Virgin Australia 737 was hit by "wake turbulence from an Airbus A380"

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shortly after departure from Bali's Denpasar International Airport.

The Virgin flight had reached cruise altitude en route to Brisbane on 13 Sep, and although the ATSB probe so far has not detailed the other aircraft involved in the incident, it's believed that the A380 concerned was being operated as Emirates flight 413 from Sydney to Dubai.

Both aircraft reached their destinations safely and the ATSB investigation is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

The ATSB has classified the wake turbulence as a "serious incident".

#### TG boosts Taipei

**THAI** Airways International will lift capacity on the Bangkok-Taipei route effective 17 Jan 2013, moving from 14 to 18 weekly services.

The move is in addition to the resumption of TG flights on the Hong Kong-Taipei route, which will take effect from 28 Oct.

#### TCF terminations

**THE** Travel Compensation Fund has non-voluntarily terminated the participation of three agents in Qld for non-payment of fees.

The agency's included Jilly's at the Jetty in Shute Harbour (ABN: 24 010 880 592), Sunnyland Travel of Ascot (ABN: 76 153 239 573) and Travel Professional Services (ABN: 24 010 880 592).

#### **Regal Group expands**

**REGAL** Hotels International has signed management contracts on two new 5-star properties in the Chinese province of Yantai and at Xianyang Airport in Xi'an.

The Regal Airport Hotel will be located adjacent to the main int'l terminal at Xi'an Airport and is on track to open in 2014, while the Furao Yantai will consist of 300rooms and is scheduled to open in late 2015.

#### **New Oman Air lounge**

**OMAN** Air has opened a new Majan Lounge at Muscat International Airport, significantly improving the transit experience for travellers from Australia.

As well as being available to premium passengers the lounge is also accessible for travellers by payment of a \$30 entry fee.

It will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week and offers full wi-fi connectivity, a business centre, hot and cold snack buffet and shower facilities.

Oman Air, which is represented in Australia by the Walshe Group, recently added a new daily route between Muscat and Tehran.



**DO THEY** know we can all see? The renovation team looking after New York's Standard Hotel gave curious passers-by on the street below a view with a difference after failing to put up curtains while remodelling the 18th floor restrooms.

From below, curious public were offered an unobstructed view as restroom occupants, who presumably believed the windows were tinted, answered nature's call, completely unaware they were in full view from the street below, not to mention surrounding buildings.

Dubious onlookers have since taken to social media dismissing it as a publicity stunt, while others are not quite so sure.



## Introducing the next chapter online

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#### **Banyan Tree for India**

**BANYAN** Tree Hotels & Resorts has confirmed the launch of the group's first property in India, the 59-villa Banyan Tree Kerala.

The all-pool villa retreat is positioned on the private island of Nediyathuruthu and is slated to open early next year.

#### JAL daily SIN 787s

JAPAN Airlines will shortly be operating all its Singapore flights on its new Boeing 787 Dreamliners.

From 14 Oct, the flights from both Tokyo Narita and Haneda airports will use 787s three times a week, moving to daily (Haneda) and double daily (Narita) services on both routes from 28 Oct.

#### Footsteps to N Korea

**BOUTIQUE** tour operator Footsteps in Asia will launch a 10day tour to rarely-visited North Korea as part of a range of new itineraries added to its 2012/13 tour range, priced from \$2950pp.

The company will operate more than 50 different itineraries, including new tours in Bhutan, Myanmar, India, China & Borneo.

#### Worldhotels online

WORLDHOTELS has launched a new website it says will convert "lookers into bookers."

A new travel agent section has special rates at some of the close to 500 Worldhotels properties, while the site features a more optimised layout, navigation and selection of design characteritics.

A Business Traveller Portal also enables SMEs to book negotiated rates and there's an enhanced search tool for MICE planners.

There's also plans to roll out a mobile optimised website in Oct.

### JTN agents sample cajun tastes



JAZZY tunes, cajun spices and the odd 'gator' or two were among highlights sampled by this group of lucky Jetset Travelworld Network agents, who were recently hosted on a whirlwind 4day famil to the vibrant southern US hotspot of New Orleans.

Flown one way in Business Elite and back in Economy Comfort courtesy of Delta Air Lines, the group enjoyed a day trip to Baton Rouge along with a dinner & jazz cruise on the Mississippi River aboard the Natchez Steamboat.

And what trip to New Orleans is complete without a visit to the famous Bourbon Street nightlife

precinct for a delicious "hand grenade" or two.

Pictured above at Nottoway Plantation Resort moving progressively up the steps from left is Carolyn Wingham from Travelworld Tuggerah: Rebecca Kingston, BCD Travel; Leanne Gibson, Travelworld Liverpool; Hayley Chappell, Travelworld Toronto; Antoinette Heijnen, South Sydney Travel; Suzanne Jones, Anywhere Travel; Suzana Medanic, Pinpoint Travel; Deborah Noy, Travelworld Merrylands; Malcolm Loong, Jetset/Travelworld Head Office and Carolyn Hansen from Delta Air Lines.

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#### Myanmar too popular

**WENDY** Wu Tours managing director Alan Alcock has praised the success of the company's reintroduced Myanmar itinerary range since its reintroduction last year (TD 27 Sep 11).

The company has scheduled 30 departures for 2013, a huge jump on the two initially scheduled before overwhelming demand warranted an increased operation.

For 2013, the company has introduced a 24-day Tibetan Wonders itinerary inclusive of flights with Cathay Pacific to allow for an expanded operation of what was formerly known as the Tibetan Dreams itinerary.

"We got back into Myanmar at the beginning of 2012 and sold out everything that we tried to sell within a couple of months of releasing it, Alcock told TD.

### **Evolution continuing for Wu**



A SIGNIFICANT expansion of choice and the continued evolution of the Wendy Wu Tours operation was the message delivered to Sydney's travel trade at a special launch event last night to celebrate the company's 2013 brochure range, the first of 29 events to be held nationwide.

Wendy Wu Australia managing director Alan Alcock welcomed guests before introducing the

many exciting highlights of the new programs.

Attendees were able to have their photo taken with a cardboard cutout of company founder Wendy and mascot "Shoots" the panda.

Entertainment for the evening came in the form of a specatacular Sichuan opera artist performing a "Changing Faces Masked Dance".

Across the Wendy Wu board, multiple new products were introduced, with China alone featuring a new 17-day Yunnan province tour exploring an insight into a rarely visited region of the country, while a new experience see groups visit a panda sanctuary.

The range will also offer the ability to mix traditional culinary offerings with the occasional more familiar Western dish, should rice and noodles be too frequent, an addition made as a result of feedback received from clients and agents, Alcock told TD.

"We offered some ready-made holidays in the luxury program, with certain dates operating as group tours, and the overwhelming response was that everybody who took those tours wanted to travel on their own, so we've removed the group dates because they just weren't going to work," Alcock said.

Wendy Wu Australia managing director Alan Alcock is **pictured** with Wendy and Shoots alongside Res team leader Rebecca Caiels.

#### India boosted further

across many Chinese destinations.

W Collection growing **NEWLY** launched Wendy's Collection itineraries continue to grow and evolve, Wendy Wu Tours managing director Alan

Alcock told Travel Daily last night.

Since launching back in Mar (TD 13 Mar), Wendy's Collection

range of high-end luxury tours

has been developed further, with

2013 seeing departures offering

stays at Shangri-La properties

**ADDITIONAL** trekking options and wildlife tours form highlights of an expanded India 2013 tour offering from Wendy Wu Tours.

The featured tour for the season is a 13-day "Pearl of the Indian Ocean" itinerary which includes a visit to a baby elephant orphanage & rehabilitation centre.





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Mauritius will become the newest destination to receive a Centara Resort, with a soft opening of the family-friendly **Centara Poste Lafayette** scheduled for Dec this year. The 100 Superior and Deluxe rooms will boast either a Garden or Ocean view, three classy eateries including a beachside dining option,

two pools incl a kids pool, fitness centre, kids club & beach activity area. More information on property is available at www.bit.ly/centmauritius.



Discounts of 20% off 2-night minimum stays is just one of a number of special offers from the **Novotel Melbourne on Collins**, which is celebrating its 20th birthday by showing off a brand new look. The property has finished a \$7m refurb of its 309 Standard rooms and Executive Suites, with bathrooms updated

to offer walk-in showers, new vanities & auto-demisting mirrors. Rooms have new colour schemes, new beds, lighting & Apple device connectivity.



A new luxury getaway is preparing to grace the northern shores of Indonesia's Bintan Island from the first half of 2013 in the form of **The Sanchaya**, the newest member of the Small Luxury Hotels of the World collection. Located a fast boat ride from Singapore and

15-mins from the Bintan Ferry Terminal, the luxury hotel will be situated on a 1300 hectare section of Lagoi Bay and will feature 19 individually designed villas, nine suites, commercial spaces and a golf course.



#### Final Peru places

THERE are just a few spots left at next week's quiz night events hosted by Prom Peru in Melbourne (02 Oct) and Sydney (03 Oct), with agents battling it out for prizes to Peru - more info (02) 9028 3595.

#### **Fresh Tracks bonuses**

**EARLYBIRD** bookings to Canada with Fresh Tracks locked in before 30 Nov are eligible for up to US\$1500 per couple in free hotel nights, dining, wildlife excursions, heli-tours and much more.

The bonus is available on select itineraries, with one of the most popular being its 13-day *Across Canada by Rail* tour - for info see www.freshtrackscanada.com.

### Silkair's relaxed pitch

**SINGAPORE** Airlines offshoot SilkAir has launched a new sales campaign highlighting the homely touches available on its services.

Focusing on comfort items such as cookies, warm drinks and personal comforts, the campaign will see a focus on the carrier's three core markets of leisure and business travellers and families holidaying with children.

#### **QF launch Freight app**

**QANTAS** Freight has released a smartphone app and mobile optimised site enabling the real-time tracking of shipments along with flight arrival/departure stats.



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### **Sunshine Coast on show**

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Coast
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yesterday
held a local
trade show to
connect more
than 80
tourism
operators
with visitor

information
centre (VIC) staff and volunteers.
It's the first time ever that a
showcase of this size has been
staged, with the move following

last month's takeover by SCDL of

the Sunshine Coast's network of

nine Visitor Information Centres. SCDL ceo Steve Cooper said the marketing initiative was a way of connecting the VICs with local tourism products and services in

one place at one time.

"Visitor Information Centre staff and volunteers are the frontline of our region's tourism industry, and their importance in providing



high quality tourist information relies on up-to-date information and good relationships with our local tourism industry," he said.

Pictured above are Barry Higgins, Top Shots Maroochydore; Anke Hoppe, Coolum Visitor Information Centre; and Jennifer Young, Caloundra Road VIC.

#### Last 2012 snow deals

FALLS Creek and Mt Hotham have launched \$99 unlimited ski deals valid this weekend as the Victorian resorts wind down operations for the 2012 season.

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#### \$5bn project scrapped

PLANS for a 1500 room hotel and casino development on the Gold Coast have been scrapped by a Singaporean developer, who has blamed Qld Premier Campbell Newman for the axed project.

The \$5-billion development by construction firm Sembawang was also set to include two cruise ship terminals on the Southport Broadwater, with ceo Ric Grosvenor saying Newman baulked at the idea of the casino.

Gold Coast Mayor Tom Tate had lent his support to the idea, with Grosvenor unable to secure a meeting with Premier Newman.

"We were led to believe [that] Queensland was open for business," Grosvenor said.

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Between 08-24 Oct, sales reps from Trafalgar, Insight Vacations, Contiki, Uniworld Boutique River Cruises & Busabout will deliver informative details and answer questions on the respective brand's 2013 offerings and ranges of five-star experiences through to budget and youth-aimed itineraries, in a fun and interactive environment

To view the list of venues visited and to secure a seat, please visit www.rsvp.travelcorporation.com.au.

#### Stoddart to leave NZ

VANESSA Stoddart, Air New Zealand's group general manager **People and Technical Operations** has announced her resignation.

She's been with the carrier for a decade, and will depart at the end of the year.

#### **Traveller policy** compliance now 79%

A NEW report released by Egencia and the Global Business Travel Association has shown that the compliance rate of travellers using approved corporate booking channels is 79%, with online booking tools a key driver.

The global study surveyed 1500 travel professionals, with about 60% indicating that they have more control over travel policy compared to a few years ago.

### CHC - next big thing

**CHRISTCHURCH** Mayor Bob Parker has launched a series of three "video episodes" aiming to get Australians talking about the NZ South Island city in a positive way, as part of the 'Christchurch Reimagined' campaign.

The videos see Parker asking to borrow iconic Aussie Big Things like the Big Merino, Big Pineapple and the Big Cow, and there's also an open letter of appeal in Sydney & Melbourne newspapers today.

The campaign can be viewed at reimagined.christchurchnz.com and it's also available on Travel Daily TV by clicking on the logo at right or see traveldaily.com.au/videos.

### Travel Daily Exclusive

### Celebrity Interview with Cas & Jonesy



Aussie adventurers James "Cas" Castrission (30) and Justin "Jonesy" Jones (29), both from NSW - long-time mates who share a passion for adventure, made headlines in 2007, becoming the first team to paddle "across the ditch" to New Zealand. As if that wasn't enough...and it wasn't...the boys had barely dried their hair when they started preparing for their next trek - to ski 2275kms from the coast of Antarctica to the South Pole...and back. Through weather conditions unfathomable to most, the boys fought through slow starvation, infection, and many more obstacles, to become the first to successfully complete the trek in Jan 2012. Sponsored in their missions by Travelscene American Express, the boys were the keynote speakers at the recent TSAX National Consultants Conference in Alice Springs, and spoke exclusively to *Travel Daily*.

Who was the first to suggest kayaking across the Tasman Sea? James was the first to mention the idea, while we were paddling the length of the Murray River in 2001. It was a 40° day and likely an idea born from heat stroke.

What did your family and friends think of the idea?

They thought it was unrealistic, dangerous, and thought we should just work a 9-5 day.

What has been the hardest part about preparing for your adventures?

These journeys are 95% preparation and 5% execution. Each adventure took 3-4 years to prepare for and keeping the focus and ambition after setbacks was extremely difficult. For example, when we put our trans-tasman kayak into the water for the first time, she flopped over onto her side and just wouldn't work, so that was a setback.

At some point, you must have thought about giving up. What was the strongest motivator to continue? The desire to not let your best mate down, the fact we'd worked so hard on it, and the personal quest to see how far we could push our limits. Have your respective partners put the brakes on any further adventures for now?

No, they understand us and realise this is part of us. That said, with a baby on the way, Cas has to be more diligent in ensuring they are properly cared for.

Who was the highest profile person who contacted you to congratulate you on your achievements? Justin Langer, Kieren Perkins and

Dick Smith all contacted us. Who would play you both if your

lives were turned into a movie?

Good question. Some people thought Cas looks like Jack Sparrow.



#### Win an autographed DVD!!

Travel Daily is giving away a copy of Cas & Jonesy's latest DVD, entitled "Crossing the Ice," signed by the boys. For your chance to win, be the first to email the correct answer to the below question to -

How far was the trek the boys completed, skiing from the Antarctic coast the the South Pole and back?

### Maxeine to tour with the stars

A CHANCE encounter with lunar module pilot and second man on the moon Buzz Aldrin has landed Maxeine McKeon from Harvey World Travel Erina Group with a ticket for a free Cosmos tour of the USA.

McKeon was the winner of Cosmos' Route 66 celebrity competition (TD Mon), which recently concluded following its eight week promotion period exclusively in Travel Daily.

Maxeine is pictured right receiving her prize from Cosmos NSW North area sales mgr Yasmin Edwards.



#### **Airbus China biofuel**

AIRBUS has joined with the China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Sinopec) to announce plans to develop and promote renewable aviation fuel production in China.

The partnership will see Sinopec create a newly built refinery in Hangzhou capable of producing aviation fuel from biomass based on "100 percent domestic resources and refining capabilities."

It's expected the certified fuel, dubbed '1# bio-jetfuel', will one day be able to be used on regular commercial services.

The China deal is the fifth market in which Airbus is supporting alternative fuel projects, behind Australia, Latin America, Europe and the Middle East.



#### Supplier **Updates**

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#### **Ancillaries with Sabre**

**ITALIAN** flag carrier Alitalia has become the first airline to link its ancillary products through a GDS following a deal with Sabre the airline described as "landmark".

Sabre Travel Network has signed a multi-year agreement with the airline to sell pre-paid baggage and lounge access alongside seats in the same PNR.

#### **Italy Eurail bonus**

**EURAIL** has announced several additional benefits for its Eurail Italy Pass, which now entitles holders to discounted entry to the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and the Catacombs of Domitilla.

Eurail Italy Pass Holders will also be able to access the attractions via dedicated "fast track" access points without prebooking.

There's also a 10% discount offered on City Sightseeing Open Buses in Florence, Rome, Naples, Pisa, Verona, Padua, Trieste, Turin, Genoa, Milan and Livorno.

### SIA Ukraine reps

**SINGAPORE** Airlines has named Aviareps as its representative in the Ukraine, effective 01 Oct.

The GSA will handle sales and marketing activities, reservations and ticketing, based out of Kiev.

#### **New old Golden Gate**

LAS Vegas' oldest casino, the iconic Golden Gate Hotel & Casino has put the finishing touches on its biggest renovation project in more than 50 years.

The property has added five stories worth of rooms, including a number of new suites, seen its external façade updated, as well as an expanded gaming floor area.

#### **DXB Aug surges 20%**

**PASSENGER** movements through **Dubai International Airport for** the month of Aug jumped a huge 20% year-on-year, according to new figures out today from DXB.

Nearly 38 million passengers have utilised the Middle Eastern hub so far in 2012.



Wednesday 26th Sep 2012

#### **Royal Caribbean roles**

**ROYAL** Caribbean Cruises Limited has announced the appointment of Lisa Bauer as Executive Vice President of Global Sales and Marketing, while Lisa Lutoff-Perlo is the company's newly appointed Executive VP of Operations, both reporting to Adam Goldstein.

RCCL has also promoted Brian Rice to vice-chairman and CFO of the company, Jason Liberty is now the firm's Senior Vice President strategy and finance.



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