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Virgin golden offer

VIRGIN Australia is offering a Pilot Gold membership of its Velocity loyalty program for members of its "accelerate" corporate travel program, simply by booking an eligible return VA Freedom fare for travel before 28 Feb - see the **cover page**.

Pardon, release for Lake

EXCLUSIVE
AUSTRALIAN travel identity Trevor Lake, who was imprisoned in Cambodia four years ago over allegations of having sex with underage girls (**TD** 08 Aug 2014), has been granted a full pardon.

Lake, who had been sharing a cell with Australian journalist James Ricketson for most of last year, told **TD** his legal team had been finally able to present his case to Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, who declared there was no evidence & ordered his release effective immediately. "So life starts afresh," Lake said. Lake's roles in the local industry

included heading up The Travel Corporation's former Asian specialist business Classic Oriental Tours, after which he established Discover Asia, on-selling to the McLachlan Travel Group when he relocated to Cambodia in 2013.

Lake said during his battle with the Cambodian legal system, which aimed to expose a local charity as "corrupt and criminal" had resulted in his being framed and convicted of "underage sex".

He said both of his accusers later signed statements that they had been promised "a lot of money" if they lied about their age, while the charity no longer operates in the country.

Lake said he had learnt that "no matter how distressed and disgusted you may be with local issues - don't get involved!"

He intends to remain in the country and marry his long-term girlfriend, with whom he runs a Siem Reap jewellery store.

Quest openings

QUEST Apartment Hotels is highlighting some of its ever-expanding range of serviced apartments, which are now available in more than 170 locations across Australasia.

See **page 11** for new properties in Melbourne and Perth.

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FCTG acquisition

FLIGHT Centre Travel Group has finalised its acquisition of California-based TMC Casto Travel (**TD** breaking news 21 Dec 2018).

The Silicon Valley corporate agency has offices in Tiburon, San Jose and San Francisco with annual TTV of about US\$120m.

"Casto strengthens our overall US operation, which includes the highly successful and rapidly growing corporate travel business, along with our on and offline leisure businesses and wholesaler GOGO," said FCTG MD Graham Turner.

"This will give us greater scale in Silicon Valley and the large West Coast market, where we previously had a relatively small corporate travel presence, while also complementing our larger operations on the East Coast and in other key locations," he said.

Turner said Casto also had solid growth prospects as part of the FCM Travel Solutions network.

TTC highlights Treadright

THE Travel Corporation is celebrating a decade of operation of its not-for-profit Treadright Foundation with a renewed pledge to make an even greater difference to the planet's future.

Making a visit to Sydney this week, TTC CEO Brett Tollman told **Travel Daily** the company aims to "strengthen the storytelling and messaging around Treadright," which operates around the key pillars of People, Wildlife & Planet.

Funded exclusively from the company's profits, the Treadright ethos permeates multiple levels of The Travel Corporation's activities and also involves support for grass-roots programs that directly benefit some of the communities where the various TTC brands travel.

Treadright has driven initiatives such as elimination of single-use plastics, volunteering days for staff, various brand offset programs and incentives to

reduce paper documentation.

On a wider scale the company is subsidising special silicon-charcoal filter bottles for Contiki passengers to eliminate plastic water bottles as well as working within destinations to make local communities self-sufficient.

Wildlife is also a key focus, with Treadright supporting local activities in support of koalas, penguins and kiwis as well as projects in Africa, and leading in the elimination of tourist activity exploiting animals.

Tollman said a new website would launch in early Mar to highlight Treadright's work, with the aim of making travel agents and their clients more engaged with the difference they can make by booking with TTC brands.

"We want to show how travel can make a meaningful difference in the world," he said.

A video showcasing Treadright is at traveldaily.com.au/videos.

Evolution sales team

EVOLUTION Travel Collective has announced the appointment of Belinda Ward as General Manager of Sales.

Ward joins the Evolution team with more than two decades of industry experience, most recently with G Adventures and also at Flight Centre and Peregrine Adventures.

She will head up the company's growing band of business development managers, including new appointees Kate Hudson for Vic/Tas, Andrew Eddy for NSW/ACT and Anji Johnson in Qld.

Ward's role will see her also manage the inside sales team of Dara Ebbott and Asha Baker for Evolution's partner Dragoman Overland, as part of the support provided under the partnership.

The team have wasted no time at all getting up and running, with Evolution showing a strong presence last weekend at Flight Centre's Sydney Travel Expo.

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NCL trade incentive

NORWEGIAN Cruise Line's top travel partners will have an opportunity to sail the waters of Hawai'i aboard *Pride of America* under the "NCL Legends" recognition program.

The top 15 individual travel agencies selling Norwegian cruises will have the opportunity to send one or two of their consultants to Hawai'i, with return flights and pre- and post-cruise accommodation included.

The incentive is being conducted in partnership with Hawai'i Tourism Oceania, and is valid for a seven day voyage departing Honolulu on 07 Dec 19.

oneworld plots lounges

THE oneworld airline alliance has announced the rollout of "oneworld branded and managed airport lounges," with the announcement coinciding with the alliance's 20th anniversary and a major brand makeover which aims to encourage passengers to "Travel Bright".

The new positioning was unveiled in London on Fri by **oneworld** CEO Rob Gurney, who outlined the "radical transformation" of the alliance to further strengthen its relevance to member airlines & customers.

Initiatives include a new

oneworld digital platform to make travel on member carriers more seamless, allowing them to manage multi-sector, multi-airline journeys via the convenience of their preferred carrier's mobile app or website.

Also new is the lounge rollout, which Gurney said was a reflection of more alliance co-location projects at key airports, with the first **oneworld** lounge to be unveiled later this year.

The alliance will also offer a "fresh approach to corporate sales," allowing it to respond much faster to requests for alliance contracts which currently generate about US\$1 billion annually for member carriers.

Trials of the new process, which commenced about six months ago, have already seen revenues rise 10%.

And a revised process for prospecting new members will see Moroccan carrier Royal Air Maroc join **oneworld** next year, as the group's first full member recruit in six years, and its first from Africa.

Gurney was joined at the announcement by former colleague, Qantas CEO Alan Joyce, who is currently also the alliance's Governing Board Chair.

Joyce said as **oneworld** entered its third decade it was stepping up cooperation and "modernising how we work together to make **oneworld** even more relevant to international travellers and its member airlines".



Window Seat

MORE than one million tourists have flocked to Atlanta this week for today's Super Bowl football match between the New England Patriots and the Los Angeles Rams.

However that leaves an estimated audience of about 149 million who are watching the game on TV - which has prompted the release of a unique option to make sure fans don't miss a thing.

The new "Hunger Harness" - a promotional item released by US aluminium foil maker Reynolds Wrap - is a kind of insulated singlet which keeps a wide variety of hot snacks and cool beverages in easy reach.

The wearable, insulated pack (**pictured**) offers several thermal pouches along with a fold-out food tray that "turns you into a human table".



Uzbekistan addition

FLYDUBAI has announced a new non-stop route between Dubai and Tashkent in Uzbekistan.

GDS screens indicate the service will utilise 737-MAX 8 aircraft five times weekly from 11 Mar 2019.

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Gate 7 secures ATI

SYDNEY'S travel marketing and tourism agency Gate 7 has partnered with AmericanTours International (ATI).

Gate 7 will oversee trade marketing activity for ATI, which now joins the agency's existing portfolio of US destinations, including Visit California, Brand USA, Greater Palm Springs and Visit West Hollywood.

"The Gate 7 team are thrilled to partner with ATI to enhance awareness of their leading tours, packages and group travel planning expertise," said the agency's Senior Account Manager Penny Brand, who will oversee the ATI account.

Brand also added that the agency is "looking forward to reinforcing the value that this industry-leading client brings to our long-standing Australian travel trade contacts, thereby driving greater sales growth from the Australian market".

Silversea incentive

SILVERSEA Cruises is offering five agents the chance to win five cruises through southeast Asia on board *Silver Shadow*.

From today, and running for the next five weeks, all new bookings made on any Silversea voyage will automatically be entered into the weekly draw to win an all-inclusive Silversea cruise for two people.

The five winners will sail roundtrip from Singapore on 21 Mar on a 12-day voyage through Malaysia, Thailand and Myanmar.

Rocco rooftop & bar

CRYSTALBROOK Collection Resort, Riley has revealed Rocco, "Cairns' first and only rooftop bar" and restaurant.

Some of Rocco's share dishes include the grilled sumac calamari with tomato and coriander salsa and caramelised limes, & falafels with jalapeno sauce and chorizo.

For more info, [CLICK HERE](#).



THE Travel Partners team - including recently appointed GM Kate Cameron - were among hundreds of Flight Centre staffers at Sydney Showground last weekend for the



company's World Travel Expo.

The packed event saw preferred suppliers including tour operators, airlines, cruise companies and a host of destination representatives showcasing their wares to thousands of consumers - more pics at facebook.com/traveldaily.

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Citadel remains open

PROMPERU has confirmed that despite the closure of the Inca Trail for maintenance this month, the Citadel of Machu Picchu will remain open to the public.

The visitors entrance to the Inca Trail will be open again from 01 Mar once cleaning work is carried out by the Machu Picchu Historic Sanctuary Headquarters.

New Byron Elements

BYRON Bay-based family resort Elements of Byron has announced the relaunch of five of its food and beverage outlets.

The refreshed range of bars and eateries include the Azure Bar and Grill which offers casual modern Australian cuisine, the Breeze Poolside Bar and Eats offering fresh food and cocktails near the pool area, and the Botanica Beach Club which boasts a menu containing signature cocktails made with Byron's Brookie's Gin.

Excite incentive

EXCITE Holidays has launched a new agent incentive today, offering up a luxury trip for four to Dubai as the grand prize.

To be eligible, agents must make a paid hotel booking of at least two nights anywhere in the world between 04 Feb and 03 Mar 2019, with each booking made earning an additional entry.

The prize includes return flights, three nights at One&Only Royal Mirage, two nights at Atlantis The Palm, a dune tour, dinner at an exclusive restaurant, transfers and spending money.

Excite is also offering three minor prizes in the form of \$500 rewards points vouchers.

For more info, [CLICK HERE](#).

WeChat Pay in place

SHEREMETYEVO International Airport in Russia has partnered with Yandex.Checkout to provide 54 of its retail stores with e-wallet WeChat Pay functionality.



FOUR luxury-specialist travel agents from Sydney and Perth were recently hosted by NYC & Company and Singapore Airlines on a tour of New York City's most popular luxury attractions.

Flying non-stop with Singapore Airlines in Business and Premium Economy, the group then explored the Big Apple taking in many premium tourist sites such as the new Warhol exhibition at The Whitney, MoMA (Museum of Modern Art), the Sunrise Experience at the Empire State Building, plus a first glimpse of the Hudson Yards development.

The accommodation leg of the tour included hotel site inspections of The Pierre, The Peninsula, 1 Hotel Central Park,



The Mandarin Oriental, Mr C Seaport, The Beekman and The Knickerbocker.

Pictured: Jessica Bennett-Griffiths, Wentworth Travel; Jodee Sorrell, Globetrotter; Maggie Poynter, Spencer Travel; Philip Smethurst, Bicton Travel; Nikki Marlborough, Singapore Airlines; and Kristin Hellmrich, NYC & Company. **Inset** Jessica Bennett-Griffiths, Wentworth Travel & Maggie Poynter, Spencer Travel enjoying Business class.



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Int'l traffic grows

INTERNATIONAL air passengers travelling through Australian airports rose by 4.1% last Nov when compared to the previous period, according to figures released by The Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics (BITRE).

There were 3.324 million scheduled international pax in Nov 2018 compared to 3.192 million in Nov 2017.

Total available seats increased by 4.2% to 4.380 million however the overall seat utilisation dipped to 78.3%.

Qantas achieved the largest market share for the period with 17.7% of all passengers carried, followed by Jetstar at 9%, Singapore Airlines with 8.2%, Air New Zealand at 7.4% and Emirates 6.8%.

Australian designated airlines including Qantas, Jetstar and Virgin accounted for 33.1% of the total share of passenger traffic.

Viking incentive

VIKING is promoting a travel agent incentive alongside the launch of the cruise firm's 2020 river cruise brochure.

The agent which achieves the highest gross level of sales between 21 Jan and 30 Apr, will find themselves and a travelling companion enjoying the good life in France having scored a stateroom on board Viking's eight-day Lyon & Provence river cruise.

The winner will depart on 24 Sep on an all-inclusive cruise featuring meals and beverages, Wi-Fi access and shore excursions along the way in ports such as Avignon, Arles and Viviers.

"This incentive is a really exciting way to kick off 2019," said Viking Trade Marketing Manager Erin Kramer.

"We encourage agents to ask us about our Viking river cruises upselling guide, it just might give them the edge that they need to take out top place," she added.

Pineapple gets new juice



AN INJECTION of \$150 million into the Sunshine Coast's Big Pineapple is seeing the redevelopment of the tourism icon and surrounding 170 hectare site gaining pace.

New facilities including a 120-meter zipline course and tree tops rope challenge are said to be on schedule for completion by May 2019 with Kate Jones, QLD Tourism Industry Development Minister saying "projects like this will ensure visitor numbers only continue to grow in the future".

Jones said the full renewal plans would entice more than a million visitors per annum to the

Sunshine Coast, rivalling peak visitation in the 1980s when the Big Pineapple was Australia's number one tourism attraction.

Other new features for the site include a water park, an adventure precinct, a major concert event space and on-site accommodation as well as a \$60 million dollar agribusiness precinct.

Jones said that once the redevelopment is complete, \$45 million per annum would be tipped into the local economy through expenditure and overnights stays with some additional 630 local jobs added.

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AA takes A321neo

AMERICAN Airlines has taken delivery of the first of 100 A321neos on order from Airbus. The aircraft is powered by a CFM LEAP-1A engine and will soon service commercial flights.

Military campaign

THE Northern Territory Government has launched a marketing campaign to promote its upcoming Territory Tribute military exhibition series. The events are expected to attract more than 15,000 visitors and deliver more than \$4 million to the Territory's visitor economy. A Bombing of Darwin Service will kick the series off on 19 Feb, with several more events planned before wrapping up with Anzac Day Services on 25 Apr. "The Territory is rich in military heritage and stories and 2019 is the year to visit for all those history buffs out there with some exciting new military-themed events on our calendar," said NT Minister for Tourism, Sport and Culture, Lauren Moss.

HK Aussie growth

THE Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTb) has announced overnight Australian arrivals from Jan to Dec 2018 was up by 2.4% when compared to the previous corresponding period. More than 443,000 Aussies in total chose Hong Kong as their holiday destination in 2018. The growth in Aussie tourism to Hong Kong was attributed by the HKTb to a growth in air capacity, more competitive prices, and greater marketing activity. Total visitor arrivals to Hong Kong in 2018 were clocked at 65.15 million, an increase of 11.4% year-on-year.

Silverseas in Sydney

SILVERSEA Cruises celebrated the rendezvous of two of its luxury vessels in Sydney last weekend - the first time in 20 years that two of its ships have met in the harbour city. *Silver Muse* and *Silver Whisper* (pictured) greeted each other to much fanfare last Sat, a sight not seen for Silversea since *Silver Cloud* & *Silver Wind* both visited Sydney at the same time in 1999. "We are delighted to welcome *Silver Muse* and *Silver Whisper* to Sydney on this historic "double ship" day," said the cruise line's MD Australia and New Zealand Adam Armstrong.



50 Degrees hike

NORDIC travel operator 50 Degrees North has introduced a new nine-day tour targeting active adventurers who "have a love for hiking". The new offering explores the less trodden areas of the western fjords in Norway and includes a private minivan with space for up to 12 people. "This is an active tour with guided day hikes and some of the trails are very steep and long - a great challenge for anyone seeking an active escape in secluded and beautiful scenery", said 50 Degrees North's CEO and founder Tietse Stelma. The trip runs weekly from Jul to Sep 2019 with fixed departures from Bergen every Thu. Price leads in at \$4,049 per person - more info [HERE](#).

WIN SCENT OF FEAR BY TONY PARK

This week Travel Daily and Swagman Tours is giving five lucky readers the chance to win *Scent of Fear* by Tony Park.

Afghanistan veteran Sean Bourke's world explodes when an IED detonates in South Africa's Sabi Sand Game Reserve.



Sean is determined to hunt down the elusive bomb maker who has introduced this destructive weapon to the war on poaching. But Sean is his own worst enemy. As bombs target Sean's unit, can he get himself back on track and win the fight for Africa's wildlife - and Christine, his ex-wife - before it's too late?

To win, simply be the first person to send through the correct answer to the question below to: tonypark@traveldaily.com.au

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Travel Guides kicks off



NINE Network's Travel Guides has kicked off the year as the team headed to Hawaii with Hawaiian Airlines.

While exploring the Hawaiian Islands, the Guides give their first hand impressions of the food and accommodation while experiencing the culture of Hawaii, as well as a wide range of activities and local sights.

"We were delighted to fly the entire cast of Channel 9's *Travel Guides* from Sydney to Hawai'i," said Karen Macmillan, Hawaiian Airlines Director of Sales and Partnerships Australia.

"Our team had great fun with them, as they experienced a taste of our warm Hawaiian hospitality at the airport and from the moment we welcomed them on board," she said.

To see what the entire cast get up to in Hawaii, tune in to Channel 9 on 05 Feb at 9pm.

Pictured are Hawaiian Airlines'

Sydney Airport team members welcoming the twin cowgirls Stacey and Mel Wilburn (aka Stack and Mel) at check-in.

Watch Stacey's and Mel's reaction to flying Hawaiian at traveldaily.com.au/videos.

Wyndham new six

WYNDHAM Grand is slated to debut in six new destinations in 2019, including Cam Ranh, Vietnam; Mexico City, Mexico; Kayseri, Turkey; Tblisi, Georgia; and Crete, Greece.

"We're strategically expanding Wyndham Grand's presence around the world in the destinations travellers so eagerly want to explore, whether it's the shores of Greek Isles, a unique pocket of culture in Southern California, the centuries-old historic capital of Georgia or wherever their bucket list takes them." said Bob Loewen, COO Hotels & Resorts.

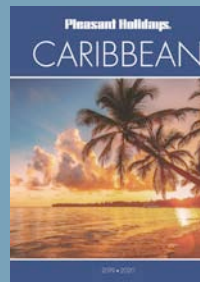
BROCHURES

WELCOME to Brochures of the Week, *Travel Daily's* Monday feature. If your firm is releasing a new brochure you'd like to make the industry aware of, send a brief description summarising its features and itineraries, including a PDF of the front cover, and contact details to brochures@traveldaily.com.au.



Travelmarvel - Europe 2020

Travelmarvel has launched its 2020 Europe Preview brochure, showcasing a range of journeys through Europe by river, ocean, land and rail. The program features the European Gems River Cruise, where travellers sail from Amsterdam to Budapest and vice versa, along with the brand-new UK Escape rail journey which stops in London, Oxford, Bath and St Ives. Another new product to be included is the Douro Discovery River Cruise, a cruise and rail combo which journeys through Bordeaux and Basque, as well as Spain and Morocco.



Pleasant Holidays - Caribbean 2019/2020

Pleasant Holidays has released its new Caribbean brochure for 2019/2020 featuring more than 250 resorts across 23 island destinations. The brochure contains information detailing more than 250 hotels and resorts including all-inclusive and adults-only options; 33 villa accommodations; destination wedding, honeymoon and group travel along with travel information and holiday protection coverage. Also featured are sightseeing activities in Antigua, Aruba, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Saint Lucia and Turks & Caicos.



Viking - World Cruises & Grand Voyages 19/2021

Viking's new brochure showcases its range of World Cruises and Grand Voyages for 2019/2020 and features adventures ranging between 37 and 245 days in duration, along with special offers such as free Business class flights for guests who book a Viking World Cruise. The program contains information on itineraries such as the 47-day West Indies, Amazon, and South America tour, the 37-day Far East and Alaska adventure, and the 245-day Viking Ultimate Cruise, which encompasses 53 countries and 111 tours.

QF customers Tas

QANTAS customers travelling to or from Hobart, Launceston and Devonport in Tasmania may experience delays due to bushfires in the region.

Customers holding a ticket issued on/before 31 Jan for travel to/from Hobart, Launceston, and/or Devonport on/before 02 Feb can **CLICK HERE** for further info.

Amansara reno

AMANSARA Resort in Siem Reap, Cambodia is set to temporarily close its doors for renovations and maintenance from 15 Jun until 15 Aug 2019.

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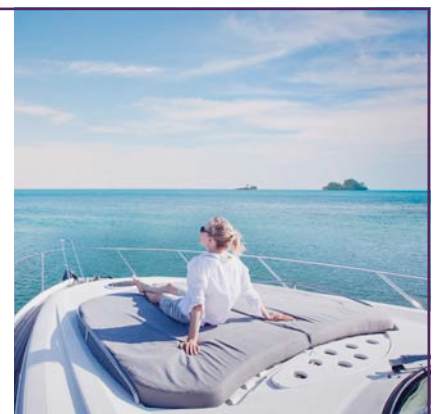


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TEAM photo before the fun at Warner Bros. World Abu Dhabi.

TO SHOWCASE all the exciting family friendly activities in Abu Dhabi, Etihad Airways and the Department of Culture and Tourism - Abu Dhabi (DCT) recently teamed up to bring five lucky travel agents and their families on a trip of a lifetime to Abu Dhabi.

The agents secured their places on the trip after winning an Instagram competition which was held earlier this year.

During the familiarisation trip, the agents and their children stayed at the Yas Hotel by Marriott and Rixos Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi's first all-inclusive hotel.

The group also enjoyed the thrills of Abu Dhabi's three

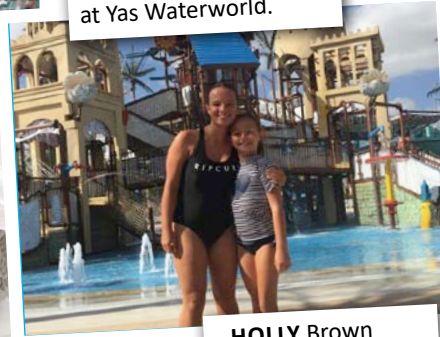
biggest theme parks – Warner Bros. World Abu Dhabi, Ferrari World Abu Dhabi and Yas Waterworld, and were taken into the desert for a sunset safari with Hala Abu Dhabi and for a spin around the Yas Marina Circuit.



TROY Dorosz, Flight Centre, his son Oliver and mother, Danita.



THE group enjoys lunch at Rixos Saadiyat Island.



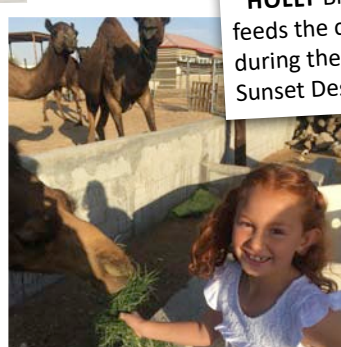
ELLIE Garrett and Holly Brown making a splash at Yas Waterworld.



FLIGHT Centre agent Troy and his son Oliver looking the part.



THE team is all ready to try out the world's fastest rollercoaster.



HOLLY Brown feeds the camels during the Hala Sunset Desert Safari.



EMMA Brown from Travel Associates ready for her first lap.



TERRANCE Xie loving desert life!



ABBEY Bowden from Student Flights and her mum Barbra at the Yas Marina Circuit.

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TNZ seeks media

TOURISM New Zealand (TNZ) has released a tender looking for a “single core global media strategy, planning and buying agency”.

In the tender published last week, Tourism New Zealand stated it is “looking for a global media buying partner to work both with the TNZ team centrally in New Zealand and in each market we advertise to”.

Me Save Solo 2019

TOURISM Solomons has confirmed the second annual “Me Save Solo” tourism exchange will take place at the Institute of Tourism in the Solomon Islands National University campus, Honiara on 05 Jul 2019.

Tourism Solomons CEO, Josefa ‘Jo’ Tuamoto said the positive feedback received from international delegates and local operators attending in 2018 more than quantified the decision to repeat the exercise.

“The inaugural event last year was an undoubted success – we attracted more than 50 international buyers from Australia, the US, Japan and Taiwan,” Tuamoto said.

As in 2018, buyers will be given the opportunity to stay after the event to participate in a series of “beyond Honiara” educational tours visiting Gizo and Munda in the Western Province, Marau Sound and Malaita.

LATAM 46% off sale

LATAM Airlines is offering savings of up to 46% to destinations across South America until 22 Feb.

The deal is available on Economy flights between 01 Mar-30 Nov, and Business flights 01 Mar-30 Jun 2019.

Air France HOP

AIR France regional fleet HOP! will now be marketed under the name Air France HOP.

Benjamin Smith, Air France-KLM Group CEO said the rebrand is to make the offer “clearer and link it more closely to the values and strengths of the Air France brand”.

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Macao int'l pax up

MACAO Int'l Airport (MIA) pax traffic volume grew by 20% year-on-year in Jan 2019, according to data released by MIA.

The airport welcomed about 25,000 passengers per day in Jan, and is gearing up to add 200 extra charter flights during the Chinese Lunar New Year to accommodate travel demands.

MIA also recorded growth in aircraft movements in the first month of 2019, due to the introduction of new airlines and more destinations.

Parkable buys Genie

KIWI parking app Parkable that allows users to rent out their empty parking bays has acquired Aussie firm Park Genie.

Parkable CEO Toby Littin said the introduction of Parkable to Brisbane and Qld further develops Australia's sharing economy & offers tech solutions for city and business parking.

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For more information please call Hannah on (03) 9988 0616 or click [APPLY](#) now.

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