

Guscic contract ext

WEBJET has extended long-time MD John Guscic's contract by an additional two years through to 30 Jun 2023.

The company has also substantially boosted his annual salary by \$650,000 to \$1,500,000.

Morrison pledges \$76m

THE Federal Government has announced the details of a \$76 million funding package to help rebuild the country's damaged tourism industry in the wake of the bushfire crisis.

Describing the disaster as tourism's "biggest challenge in living memory", Prime Minister Scott Morrison revealed the emergency funding would include \$20 million for a domestic marketing initiative, \$25 million for a global marketing campaign to drive international visitation, as well as \$10 million to create events, concerts, festivals and other visitor attractions in fire-affected regions.

"One in thirteen Australian jobs rely on tourism and hospitality so our \$76 million investment is an urgent injection to help all those hotels, restaurants and cafes and tour operators get back on their feet," the Prime Minister said.

"This is about getting more visitors to help keep local businesses alive and protect local jobs right across the country and especially in those areas so directly devastated such as Kangaroo Island and the Adelaide Hills, the Blue Mountains and right along the New South Wales

Coast and East Gippsland in Victoria," Morrison added.

The international marketing component of the initiative will seek to combat many misleading media reports overseas that have claimed most of Australia's tourism attractions have been damaged by the fires.

The rescue package will also precipitate Tourism Australia taking charge of orchestrating the domestic marketing campaign, a shift from exclusively luring international visitors to Australia.

"Tourism Australia will work with all states to upscale their existing and planned efforts to increase tourism visitation," Federal Minister for Tourism Simon Birmingham said.

"This will include support for efforts in both bushfire affected regions and elsewhere, we understand acutely that regions that neighbour bushfire affected regions as well as the broader national tourism sector have been impacted by this crisis".

The Morrison Government's National Bushfire Recovery Fund has also allocated \$9.5 million to attract international media to Australia to participate in famil programs first-hand, as well as an additional \$6.5 million to Tourism Australia to get more businesses and buyers to attend the Australian Tourism Exchange in 2020 via discount promotions and new incentive structures.

QF parking pact off

QANTAS and Secure Parking have terminated their Frequent Flyer points partnership, meaning that effective 01 Feb Qantas Frequent Flyers will no longer be able to earn points on their Secure Parking bookings.

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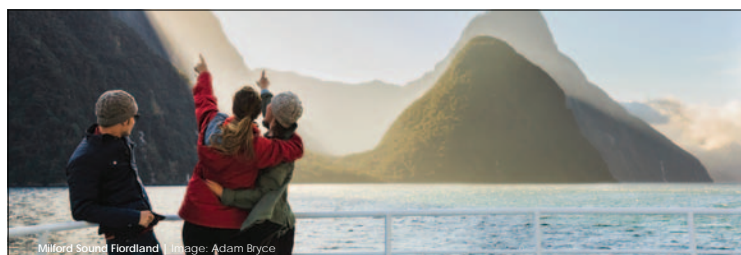
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Bonner to head Celebrity APAC

FORMER Royal Caribbean, Celebrity and Azamara Cruises MD Australia and NZ, Susan Bonner, has been appointed to a newly created regional role with Celebrity Cruises.

Under a new dedicated single-brand strategy, Bonner will look after Celebrity in Australia, NZ and Asia-Pacific, with the support of Singapore-based Apple Woo who has been promoted to Celebrity's Director of Asia.

Other new Celebrity VPs, all reporting to the brand's head, Lisa Lutoff-Perlo, will cover a newly consolidated Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) region incorporating the UK and Ireland, as well as The Americas which includes USA, Canada, Mexico and South America.

Full details in today's issue of **Cruise Weekly**.

Get your nominations in!

NOMINATIONS are now open for the 2020 AFTA National Travel Industry Awards (NTIA) (**TD** breaking news) - and this year's event is expected to be particularly hotly contested.

The recently collapsed Excite Holidays (**TD** 14 Jan), which withdrew from AFTA and ATAS about a year ago, was curiously just seven weeks ago named "Wholesaler of the Year" in a rival awards program.

In contrast, the rigorous judging process of the NTIA ensures that the awards truly celebrate and reward the best of the best in the Australian travel industry, AFTA said, with categories covering travel agencies and individual consultants, as well as the various suppliers which support them and their businesses.

To enter, most categories require ATAS accreditation and

participants go through a process which includes nominating, voting or a written submission & judging candidates by an independent panel.

The awards culminate in the announcement of the winners at the industry night of nights, the NTIA gala awards dinner, which will be held on Sat 18 Jul at the International Convention Centre, Sydney.

The four forms used in the NTIA process are: one for agents to nominate a supplier in various categories; a supplier form to nominate travel agents and travel agencies; the Emirates Travel Consultant Scholarship for self-nominations; and Travel Writer nomination form.

Nominations opened at 9am this morning and will close 5pm (AEDT) Fri 14 Feb.

The industry is encouraged to view the Conditions of Entry prior to nominating (**HERE**), with entries only accepted via the online form and each nomination to be verified to ensure its eligibility and validity.

The list of all 2020 Nominees will be announced in Mar.

To make a nomination or for more information, **CLICK HERE**.

EK boosts DPS

EMIRATES will add a third daily frequency between Dubai and Bali from Jun 2020, with the new EK368/369 to be operated using a three class B777-300ER.

Get Global offers fire impact support

THIS year's Get Global business tourism industry showcase is offering up to five fire-affected Australian destinations the opportunity to be part of the event, taking place at the ICC Sydney on 10 Jul 2020.

The show's co-founders, Gary Bender and Donna Kessler, said they understand how regional areas are suffering, and the value of the importance of the business tourism market to these regions.

Although Get Global is an outbound trade show, the one-off inclusion of the fire impacted destinations will give them direct access to leading event, meeting and conference organisers, and allow them to reassure the MICE buyer community that it is "business as usual" despite the fires.

Destinations and bureaux interested in the offer can contact admin@getglobal.com.au.

APT pre-release

APT has launched a sneak preview of its 2021 Europe brochure, featuring the flagship 15-day Magnificent Europe river cruise between Amsterdam and Budapest leading in at \$6,695 with an early payment discount.

New tours in the program include the Balkan Explorer cruise aboard the double-width *AmaMagna* and Colours of Provence in the South of France.

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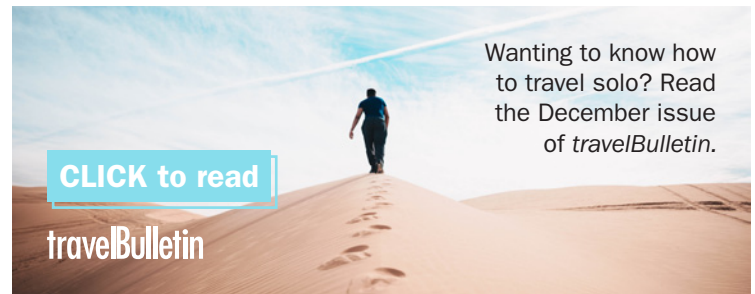
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VA confirms ANA partnership

VIRGIN Australia's recently appointed Chief Commercial Officer John MacLeod has sealed a new codeshare deal with All Nippon Airways (ANA) (**TD** breaking news), complementing VA's upcoming Brisbane-Tokyo (Haneda) flights which will launch at the end of Mar.

Effective 30 Jan, the Japanese Star Alliance member will begin codesharing on six VA domestic routes, with the NH code to be placed on Virgin services from Sydney to Brisbane, Melbourne, Cairns, Canberra, the Gold Coast and Adelaide.

ANA guests will be able to connect seamlessly onto Virgin flights, with bags checked through to final destinations and a single booking experience.

Later this year the carriers said they would take the relationship to the next level by expanding domestic codeshares within Australia, adding domestic

codeshare routes in Japan and also code-sharing on their respective international routes between Australia and Japan.

The airlines are also planning to introduce reciprocal frequent flyer benefits.

MacLeod said the partnership would allow the carriers to deliver a "high level of service and product for travellers.

"It's important to us to provide travellers with better choice and convenience with our new flights from Brisbane, and the ability to travel onward in Japan with ANA."

MacLeod signed the agreement in Tokyo late on Fri afternoon with ANA Executive VP of Alliances and International Affairs, Shuichi Fujimura.

As well as the new VA Brisbane-Haneda flights, ANA recently launched non-stop services from Tokyo (Narita) to Perth and has also confirmed a doubling of capacity on Haneda-Sydney.

Air NZ opens NYC

AIR New Zealand has opened bookings for its non-stop Auckland to New York flights commencing 29 Oct.

Reservations for the new route (**TD** 23 Oct 2019) are available 350 days in advance, with purchases able to be made for flights through to 04 Jan 2021.

Air New Zealand Chief Revenue Officer Cam Wallace said the route would prove particularly popular with Aussies and Kiwis around the Christmas period.

"Ice skating in Central Park, the Rockefeller Christmas tree, window displays on 5th Avenue - New York at Christmas is a bucket-list experience for many and is now just one flight away," he said.

"Our non-stop flight will make it easier than ever for Kiwis and Australians to swap a sunny Christmas for New York's winter wonderland," Wallace added.

The airline will operate three return services a week.



Window Seat

IN FURTHER proof that people these days will do just about anything for the perfect selfie, social media star Vitaly Zdorovetski has been jailed for five days in Egypt for climbing a pyramid without permission.

The digital stunt saw the man share a three-minute-long video to his Instagram page, which ended with a ride to the local police station for trespass.

In a strange twist, Zdorovetski claimed he did the stunt to raise awareness for the Australian bushfires, an excuse that didn't wash with the Egyptian police.



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Chimu One Ocean

CHIMU Adventures is offering compassionate discounts to travellers affected by the One Ocean Expeditions collapse (**TD** 10 Jan).

Discounts of up to 50% are being extended to selected voyages for those originally booked on the failed cruise line, with availability still obtainable on two Chimu itineraries, in Feb and Mar.

The Discover Antarctica journey departs 21 Feb, travelling for 11 days - [CLICK HERE](#), and the In Shackleton's Wake adventure departs 01 Mar, travelling for 21 days - [CLICK HERE](#).

Fiji Tino update

FIJI Airways has cancelled several international flights and regional services, with the country hit by Tropical Cyclone Tino over the weekend.

International flights to and from Funafuti, Nuku'alofa and Vava'u were all cancelled, with passengers rebooked on today's services.

Making landfall on the country's second-largest island of Vanua Levu, it is the second time in three weeks Fiji has been hit by a cyclone (**TD** 03 Jan).

The air mass also caused damage in the nation of Tuvalu, located north of Fiji.

TC agents say "namaste"



EIGHT Travellers Choice agents were whisked away to explore India's Golden Triangle with Wendy Wu Tours recently.

The team flew with Thai Airways to New Delhi and started their

trip by exploring Chandini Chowk market, India's largest mosque Jama Masjid and Raj Ghat where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated.

Next up was Agra, the heart of the Mughal Empire and home to the Agra Fort and Taj Mahal.

In the "Pink City" of Jaipur, the group enjoyed a full day of sightseeing including the Amber Fort, the sprawling City Palace and the Hawa Mahal "Palace of the Winds", an icon of the city.

Pictured at the Taj Mahal are: Kim Tomlinson, Travellers Choice; Zeena Smith, Aspire Travel & Cruise; Lisa Carter, Capricorn Travel; Dawn Caputo, Sisterhood Womens Travel; Sandy Battle, Wendy Wu Tours; Amber Warner, Kingscote Travel; Courtney Jarman, Kings Travel and Cruise; Anthony Allardyce, Travel Makers.

Intrepid polar prog

INTREPID Travel has launched new polar voyages on *Ocean Endeavour* for 2021/22.

Including a total solar eclipse voyage and a Christmas and New Year sailing, the program features photography workshops with special wildlife photographers and Zodiac explorations.

Operated in partnership with Chimu Adventures, earlybird savings are currently offering 25% off select dep - [CLICK HERE](#).

Inspiring wine tour

INSPIRING Journeys has crafted a new Flavour of South Australia trip, in partnership with Ultimate Winery Experiences.

The five-day experience showcases the Adelaide Hills, the Barossa Valley and McLaren Vale, with a number of highlights, including a private cooking demonstration at Maggie Beer's Cook and the Chef studio.

Booking CityBook

BOOKING.COM has debuted a new pilot city guide application called CityBook.

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Club Med raises

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"Since learning about the fires and seeing the catastrophic effects on the environment, we knew we needed to do our part and began collecting a percentage of sales for donation...we will continue our efforts as the fires continue to rage," said Club Med Australia and New Zealand GM Rachael Harding.

Intrepid \$1 deposit

INTREPID'S Dollar Deposits is back for 2020, offering travellers the ability to pay just one dollar upfront on a range of small group or short break adventures.

For holidays departing in 2020, this offer is valid until 13 Feb.

New Tas experience

PENNICOTT Wilderness Journeys is now offering a cruise in the Freycinet Peninsula in Tasmania's east, having recently acquired Wineglass Bay Cruises.

ATG shows bushfire support



STAFF at APT Travel Group (ATG) recently threw their support behind the bushfire relief appeal by hosting a raft of activities including a recycle boutique, BBQ, raffle & a casual dress day. "It was fantastic to see the ATG family come together yesterday for this cause, we were blown away by the contribution and involvement in all the activities we hosted," said the company's Chief Operating Officer Deb Fox. **Pictured:** The Recycle Boutique

team out in force - Tenneil Lawson, Jacinta Crisp, Susan Haberle and Katrina Mackay.

BROCHURES

THIS week's Brochures of the Week is brought to you by **Aurora**. 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.



Aurora Expeditions - Explore the Real World 2020-22

Aurora Expeditions has gone to press with its 2020-22 "Explore the Real World" brochure. The 115-page program showcases a range of cruises aboard the line's two purpose-built expedition ships, *Greg Mortimer*, and the recently revealed *Sylvia Earle*. Following a "really successful" inaugural season from *Mortimer*, she is rapidly selling out again, according to Aurora, while *Earle*, making her debut in late 2021, will travel to destinations such as Costa Rica and Ireland.



Club Med - Sun & Snow 2020

Club Med's new 2020 brochure provides details on all the company's holidays and resorts, including new locations such as Club Med La Rosiere, Club Med Miches Pala Esmeralda and Club Med Seychelles. There is also information on Club Med's new service, the Amazing Family Program, providing a weekend agenda of activities tailored for families. The brochure also provides details on special rates for kids, earlybird rewards and details on flight bookings with Club Med. This year's brochure is printed on sustainably sourced paper.

AirAsia Googles it

AIRASIA has partnered with Google to launch a new tech academy to train its staff in the areas of digital marketing, software engineering and tech infrastructure design.

The launch of the collaboration is part of the carrier's long-term plan to better prepare its workers for the shifting jobs landscape.

AirAsia Group President Aireen Omar said the academy will open to employees from next month.

South Sea resumes

SOUTH Sea Cruises & Awesome Adventures Fiji have lifted all suspended cruises across the Mamanuca & Yasawa Islands due to Cyclone Tino.

The company had previously suspended services to and from Yasawa due to the severe weather cell moving towards Fiji's north (**TD 17 Jan**).



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