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Pride of America

Today's issue of CW is coming to you courtesy of Norwegian Cruise Line, aboard the *Pride of America*.

THIS week *Cruise Weekly* is in Hawai'i, aboard NCL's *Pride of America* for a seven-night cruise exploring the multiple island destinations on offer.

Departing on Sat, the first two days saw us experience the wonder and beauty of Maui, with an overnight stay giving lots of time for both day & evening activities - meaning passengers are able to dine on board or choose to head ashore to eat locally in Kahului.

Tonight we head to the big island of Hawai'i with an overnight cruise to Hilo.

RCG Seastainability report

ROYAL Caribbean Group (RCG) has unveiled its latest Seastainability Report, which provides a comprehensive update on the revamp of its environmental, social, and governance framework, highlighting efforts to reduce emissions both on board and in port.

RCG's revised ESG framework will focus on five distinct ways to "deliver great vacation experiences responsibly"; champion communities & the environment; provide unforgettable cruise experiences; foster human rights & be an employer of choice; advance net zero innovation; and govern responsibly.

The report highlights RCG's "unrelenting efforts to decarbonisation", especially through its Destination Net Zero strategy, which aims to establish

Science-Based Targets and achieve net zero emissions by 2050.

These initiatives will ensure RCG "develops ambitious and measurable goals for continued carbon emissions reduction, sustainable business development & growth, viable tourism, and waste management", the company said.

RCG said Destination Net Zero encapsulates RCG's focus on serving as a catalyst for innovation in the industry, with developments that include: introducing a fuel-cell hybrid design that allows for zero emission in port; future-proofing the company's ship-building portfolio through fuel flexibility; innovation that ensure each new ship class is 20% more energy efficient; and more.

To view the Seastainability report, **CLICK HERE**.

Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

Ready for adventure

NEW Zealand cruise line Heritage Expeditions' *Heritage Adventurer* is getting ready to sail, as the country's border nears its opening.

Adventurer is nearing the completion of her refurbishment in Turkey ahead of the New Zealand border opening (**CW** 12 May), with Commercial Director Aaron Russ saying she is ready to reclaim her crown as the "Grande Dame of Polar Exploration".

The ship should be "Heritage-ready" next month, the cruise line said, with all internal areas refurbished, and the exterior given a new blue & gold livery.

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CARNIVAL Cruise Line guests departing aboard *Mardi Gras* from Port Canaveral on the weekend got a "free extra" with their sailing, witnessing a SpaceX rocket launch from nearby Cape Canaveral (pictured).

Mardi Gras was departing from the Floridian port on Sat, the same day SpaceX was launching a rocket just five minutes down the road.

The blastoff occurred just as *Mardi Gras* was sailing away from the Port, during the cruise's sailaway party.

In Jan, another cruise ship inadvertently caused a rocket launch to be "scrubbed", or cancelled, when the vessel accidentally drifted into a restricted area just seconds before liftoff.



Kiel powering up



THE German port of Kiel (pictured) will install an expanded shorepower facility for passenger cruise ships, with Siemens winning a €17 million tender to build the facility.

Currently up to three vessels docked in Kiel can access shore power, with the expansion providing for connections at four different berths, including the passenger cruise Berth 1 in Ostuferhafen.

The cruise power supply system will offer 50Hz or 60Hz connections at 6.6kV or 11kV, with a total 16MVA capacity.

A separate system, to also be

provided by Siemens, will provide an expanded shore power offering for ferry operators at the port.

Port of Kiel Managing Director Dirk Claus said the facility was pursuing a clear sustainability agenda and targeting climate neutrality by the end of the decade, with the expanded shore power supply playing a key role in achieving the target.

"Once the supply infrastructure for up to six ships has been brought in place, up to 80% of all vessels calling in Kiel may take shore power while docked as from 2024-25," he said.

River cruise savings

SOLO fares on river cruises in the United States with American Queen Voyages have been cut by thousands for those booking before the end of next month.

The special offer is available through Cruise Traveller on almost 30 sailings between Jul and Dec.

Single traveller fares have been cut on 29 sailings on the Mississippi, Ohio, Tennessee, Cumberland, Illinois, Columbia and Snake Rivers, as well as a sea cruise to Costa Rica and Mexico.

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