



Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features three pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

Celebrity names new EMEA head

GILES Hawke, who has been the head of the Globus Family of Brands in the United Kingdom for about seven years, has been named as the new MD for Celebrity Cruises in Europe, the Middle East and Africa (EMEA).

Hawke, who prior to joining Globus, Cosmos and Avalon Waterways worked with MSC Cruises and Carnival UK, will succeed Jo Rzymowska, who is retiring after 18 years with Royal Caribbean Group.

Ocean Albatros to make debut today

ALBATROS Expeditions' *Ocean Albatros* newbuild is kicking off her maiden passenger voyage from Longyearbyen, Svalbard today.

Chad Carter, the company's Aussie Chief Commercial Officer, was on board as the ship travelled to Norway, with *Ocean Albatros* now aiming to sail as close as possible to the pack ice north of the remote Norwegian archipelago.

Exploring the Arctic until late Sep, the ship will then reposition to Antarctica.

Princess' walk in the park

PRINCESS Cruises has unveiled Park19 (pictured), a new top-deck family activity zone, which will debut on board *Sun Princess* next Feb.

Located on the ship's top decks, Park19 will feature nine engaging activities for the entire family to enjoy in a newly envisioned space.

The highlight of Park19 will be Sea Breeze, the first 'Rollglider' on a cruise ship, inspired by a hang-gliding experience.

The Rollglider will take guests high above the ship to enjoy panoramic views of the ocean and the vessel's ports of call.

Using an overhead track, guests are seated and harnessed to this electric ride which reaches speeds of up to 18kmh during the 60- to 90-second experience.

Park19 will also feature 'Coastal Climb', a climbing structure guests ascend from decks 19 to 20 through a series of obstacles.

Once at the top, guests can take in the gorgeous views before sliding back down to the bottom.

'The Lookout', located at the top of the climbing structure, sees adventurers make their way to an open-air observation deck to take in stunning 360° views from the



highest point available to guests on board *Sun*.

'The Net' is harnessed above deck 19, challenging guests to trek across unstable bridges, a z-shaped balance beam, and climb cargo nets, while Infinite Horizon is designed for those who love heights, with leaning tilt walls cantilevered over the side of the ship, to allow guests to peer out and look down to deck nine and beyond.

The new activity zone will also feature a Hammock Area, a Splash Zone, a Recreational Court, and a Jogging Track.

"Park19 as the name suggests is a new space created for all our guests, including activities to bring together multi-generational travel families in a location with spectacular views and fun outdoor activities for all," President John Padgett said.

"The new area was tailored based on guest feedback for more family and group activities spaces."

New Quark brox

QUARK Expeditions has published an interactive brochure for the Antarctica 2024/25 season.

The brox has been designed to "transport readers to Antarctica" - [CLICK HERE](#).

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en route to Singapore

Today's issue of CW is coming to you courtesy of Travel Associates and International Luxury Travel Market (ILTM).

FLIGHT Centre Travel Group is this weekend hosting its global business leaders in Singapore, with the gathering taking place in the lead-up to the International Luxury Travel Market (ILTM) trade show.

Senior leaders from FCTG's Luxury and Independent Division will lay out the vision for the fast-growing sector, while the Travel Associates team will also have the opportunity to be updated on the latest developments in the luxury travel sector - see next week's issues of CW for more.

Seabourn elevates dining

SEABOURN Cruise Line (SCL) will debut an elevated in-suite dining menu and culinary options.

The new 24-hour experience will debut on *Seabourn Venture* on Sun, with an enhanced and extensive array of elegantly presented gourmet dishes, curated by SCL's team of highly skilled chefs.

The new menu includes lighter and fresher vegetarian and vegan dishes, such as rustic garden vegetable minestrone a la Genovese, Franck's riviera-style vegetable tartine, and "fregola con melanzane" Sardinian tomato fregola pasta & oven-roasted purple eggplant confit (pictured).

There will also be classic and traditional dishes with a twist, including crispy skin fresh Alaskan salmon fillet, thyme-roasted jidori chicken breast, and oven-roasted free-range chicken sausage casserole.



In addition, there will be delicious dessert options to satisfy the sweet tooth, such as Tony's childhood banana split, and Black Forest sundae.

SCL will also continue to provide its signature in-suite breakfast options.

During dinner hours, guests may also order from The Restaurant for course-by-course service in their suite or on their private veranda.

The new menu will extend to Seabourn's fleet of intimate, yacht-like ships by Oct.

Cruise Calendar

Current ports of call in Australia and New Zealand.

SYDNEY		
<i>Carnival Splendor</i>		21 Jun
<i>Pacific Adventure</i>		22 Jun
BRISBANE		
<i>Pacific Encounter</i>		17 Jun
<i>Pacific Encounter</i>		20 Jun
CAIRNS		
<i>Pacific Adventure</i>		16 Jun
AIRLIE BEACH		
<i>Pacific Encounter</i>		22 Jun
BROOME		
<i>Le Ponant</i>		16 Jun
<i>Coral Geographer</i>		20 Jun
<i>Silver Explorer</i>		20 Jun
<i>Le Laperouse</i>		23 Jun
DARWIN		
<i>Le Soleal</i>		19 Jun
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Antarctica



BRITAIN'S Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) has been involved in a dramatic rescue off the coast of Devon. Authorities scrambled into action after three men riding a gigantic inflatable duck drifted about 200m from the beach. A brave bystander tried to tow them back to shore using a paddleboard, and when they got closer the riders were able to jump off and swim to safety - but then the giant toy was blown away again. Lifeboats, which were undertaking a training exercise at the time, were able to rescue "Quackers" (pictured) and warned beachgoers not to take inflatables into the sea.



All Vor one and one Vor all



VIKING'S popular Viking Vor training nights have returned, with the line taking its trade training program across Australia. After the success of the Viking Vor event in Brisbane's in Mar, the cruise line will hold a number of events in new locations, including Sydney, Newcastle, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth. Named for the Norse goddess of wisdom, Viking Vor nights are an opportunity for travel advisors to be treated to a three-course meal and drinks over which they will hear from the sales team about the latest on the cruise line's

expansive worldwide product. Advisors can also win more than \$30,000 worth of prizes. Sydney ([CLICK HERE](#)) and Perth ([CLICK HERE](#)) events have already sold out, but advisors are invited to join the waitlist. Seats at other locations are limited - [CLICK HERE](#) for Melbourne, [CLICK HERE](#) for Canberra, [CLICK HERE](#) for Adelaide, and [CLICK HERE](#) for Newcastle. **Pictured** is the Savenio team, Eirini Hatzellis, Belinda Ferguson and Kelly Campbell, at the Viking Vor event in Brisbane.

Antarctica package

AN ANTARCTICA and Argentina cruise tour package has been curated by Cruise Traveller, with substantial savings for couples and solos. The new luxury cruise and tour package, which cruises aboard Ponant's *Le Boreal*, is less than half price for solos, while couples can save \$18,260, when booking before 08 Jul. The 10-night Antarctica voyage also adds on a five-night mini tour embracing two of South America's iconic experiences - Iguazu Falls and an exotic tango dinner performance. The 16-night package begins 25 Nov 2024 with a night in Buenos Aires and flight to Ushuaia. Onboard beverages and Zodiac excursions are also included in the voyage. The cruise, stay and tour package is available from \$19,955 per person, twin-share, in a Deluxe Balcony stateroom. Solo fares are available from \$25,150 - [CLICK HERE](#) to book.



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