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Cruise Weekly today

CRUISE Weekly today features three pages of the latest cruise industry news, plus a cover page from **Regent Seven Seas Cruises**.

New Regent cruises

A **NEW** voyage collection with Regent Seven Seas Cruises has just been released, with new itineraries available for booking from Apr 2028 to May 2029.

Ultra-luxury clients can sail on a new collection of journeys, including sailings aboard the cruise line's new ship *Seven Seas Prestige*, launching in Dec.

New Grand Voyages and the cruise line's 2029 World Cruise are also available.

Head to the **cover page** for more information on Regent's new cruises and a range of exclusive offers.

CW mourns the loss of Jenny Piper

THE Cruise Weekly family is today mourning former managing director Jenny Piper (**pictured**), who died yesterday, just four days after her 60th birthday, following a two-year battle with a rare form of cancer.

She led **CW's** parent company, Business Publishing Group (BPG), for two decades alongside her husband Bruce, and was sadly diagnosed shortly after the business was acquired by its current owner Specialist Media.

Jenny helped found **Cruise Weekly** in 2007 as a spin-off from **Travel Daily**, growing it from a bi-weekly newsletter into a daily digital publication.

She also helped found **Pharmacy Daily** in the same year, and acquired **travelBulletin** in 2014, in addition to managing the day-to-day operations of BPG.

She was particularly prominent during the COVID-19 crisis,



establishing and driving the **Travel & Cruise Weekly** 'Keep Dreaming' publication, which released 100 weekly magazine issues for travel advisors to pass on to their clients for inspiration during the pandemic.

Jenny also kept spirits up with videos, puzzle pages, and other promotions celebrating **TD's**

International Donut Day and the 2020 **Travel Daily** Awards.

She is survived by BPG's editor-at-large Bruce Piper as well as adult children Sarah, Anna and Ben, all of whom worked in the business at various stages.

A celebration of her life will be held in the coming days - details will follow this week in **CW**. *BP*

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Silversea Kimberley

SILVERSEA'S *Silver Cloud* has returned to Australia for the commencement of her 2026 Kimberley season.

A series of 10 expedition voyages will visit some of WA's most beautiful and remote natural wonders between Darwin and Broome.

Immersive travel experiences and small port access allow passengers to explore parts of the country inaccessible by shore aboard *Cloud's* 20 Zodiacs and 10 kayaks.

Highlight experiences will include traversing remote archipelagos, venturing over the red sandstone cliffs that line the coast, and marvelling at some of Australia's most intriguing wildlife.

The season will see *Cloud* visit Ashmore Reef Marine Park, three tiny islands situated 630km off Broome.

Cloud will also travel to Mitchell Falls, where four tiers of waterfalls plunge into pools that flow out into the Mitchell River, with guests able to enjoy a dip in the fresh water at the head of the falls.

The ship will make its way to Fremantle at the conclusion of the season for the '2026 Grand South Pacific Expedition', offering passengers the chance to enjoy an exploration of rare wildlife, ancient coastlines, and idyllic tropical shores across 77 days to Valparaiso.



Viking excursions take flight



VIKING has opened bookings for new extensions and shore excursions for its European river voyages, including Zeppelin flights in Germany.

Guests on select Rhine itineraries can take in aerial views of Cologne and the Ruhr Valley, along with new culinary and cultural shore excursions, small group shore excursions, and expanded options for land extensions across Europe.

Passengers can ascend to an altitude of 1,000 feet and glide through the skies over the Rhineland over Cologne, seeing the Koelnmesse complex, Lanxess Arena, the Hohenzollern Bridge, the Cologne Cathedral, the Musical Dome, and MediaPark.

Meanwhile, over the Ruhr Valley, guests will glide over lush forests, Baldeneysee lake, and the Zollverein Coal Mine Complex.

"Europe remains a favourite destination for our guests - particularly those interested in experiencing a river voyage for the first time," said chair Torstein Hagen (pictured in a Zeppelin).

"As we continue to expand

our offerings in Europe, we are pleased to introduce new experiences that allow our guests to engage with their destination in the Viking way - through local food, culture and traditions, or even from the air in a Zeppelin," he said. *MS*

Viva cruises canned

NORWEGIAN Cruise Line (NCL) has scrapped approximately three months of *Norwegian Viva's* departures.

Voyages from Puerto Rico between 01 Nov 2027 and 23 Jan 2028 have been cancelled, with the ship now set to redeploy to Miami instead.

The decision was communicated via a letter to guests, which read: "While we try to maintain original itineraries as much as possible, at times modifications are made to optimise voyages due to changing port availability."

The line has offered alternative sailings to affected pax, as well as full refunds and future cruises credits.

Oceania's preview

OCEANIA Cruises is inviting Australian travel advisors and their clients to join two webinars this month for an exclusive preview of its 2028-29 voyage collection.

The trade session, which will take place 12pm AEST on 10 Jun, will provide details on the new lineup, highlighting key itineraries, destinations and seasonal sailings, with participants given access to an event-only offer to apply to future bookings.

On the following day, the consumer webinar will start at 12pm AEST, designed to generate interest around luxury cruising through immersive storytelling.

McGuire a new Pearl

PEARL Expeditions has strengthened its leadership team with the appointment of marine operations manager Max McGuire.

Bringing more than three decades of world-class maritime and expedition expertise, McGuire has guided expedition operations across the Arctic, Antarctica, the Pacific Islands, Southeast Asia, East Africa, and the Kimberley.

McGuire joins Pearl from CSIRO's Marine National Facility, where he spent 13 years as a voyage manager and marine operations officer supporting marine research vessel *Investigator*.

The role saw him manage the shoreside infrastructure for complex scientific voyages.



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Avalon adds three cruises

AVALON Waterways, in conjunction with its sister brand Globus, has announced three new cruise and tour itineraries for next year.

'Essential Britain & Ireland with Romantic Rhine', available from \$11,707 per person, is a 17-day journey spanning the UK, Ireland, the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Switzerland.

Highlights include exploring ancient castles and cobblestone streets, and witnessing vine-covered slopes and medieval towns along the Rhine.

'The Best of Spain with Paris and Normandy' 16-day itinerary begins with trips to Madrid and Barcelona, followed by a voyage along the Seine taking in Paris, as well as the beaches of Normandy and Rouen's medieval spires.

Meanwhile, the 'Italian Vista with Romantic Rhine with 2 Nights in Lucerne' trip, from \$16,592 per person, takes guests across five countries in 17 days.

The trip begins in Italy, including visits to the Colosseum, the canals of Venice, and Lake Como.

This is followed by a stay in the lakeside town of Lucerne,



before a Rhine cruise calling at Strasbourg and Amsterdam.

"Travelling across multiple countries is one of the most rewarding things you can do - and one of the most complicated to plan," Avalon president Pam Hoffee said.

"What guests are left with is the best part: the freedom to be completely present for every moment of the journey, without a single logistic competing for their attention," she added.

This brings Avalon's cruise and tour collection to seven itineraries across Europe. *JB*

Join Ama webinar

AMAWATERWAYS will be holding a webinar tomorrow for travel advisors looking to capture more business from pent-up travel demand.

Agents will learn about AmaWaterways' fly and cruise offer, its new partnership with Approach Guides and other promotional tools.

All live attendees tuning in at 8:30am and 12:00pm AEST are also in with a chance to win a river cruise - **CLICK HERE** to register for the webinar.

KrisFlyer is cruising

TRAVEL loyalty leader Arrivia and Singapore Airlines' frequent flyer program KrisFlyer have expanded their partnership to include cruises.

As part of the new offer, KrisFlyer members have more opportunities to utilise miles through KrisFlyer Cruise, Arrivia's exclusive cruise platform, with members able to redeem cruises on more than 40 lines, including Royal Caribbean, Disney Cruise Line, Princess Cruises, and more.

MSC Group's luxury cruise division Explora Journeys has been a fixture trackside at the Monaco Grand Prix the past few years.

This year, it took its presence a step further, debuting an exclusive fine jewellery collection named 'Mandala' during the race.

The collection features three inaugural lines which were unveiled over the weekend on board *Explora 1*, and will be available across the cruise line's fleet.

"Born of the sea and shaped by the 'ocean state of mind', this collection is made for those who know that a Journey can stay with you - in memory and within the small private rituals we carry with us," president Anna Nash said.

"Each piece is imagined as a trace of light, a quiet protection and a reminder of balance and belonging."



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