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Dear Industry Colleagues,

We would like to take this opportunity to wish one and all a **Happy Lunar New Year!** May the Year of the Tiger be one of prosperity, good health and happiness for you and your family.

In this issue, we bring you news about eco-friendly tours in Brisbane and the Gold Coast, camel tours on Fraser Coast, a wildlife safari in Cairns and much more.

We are also pleased to introduce Cairns and the Great Barrier Reef region's **new destination website**. It is full of interactive tools and an extensive one-stop research and booking site.

Warm regards
Tourism Queensland team

New eco-transport hits the road



Green transport has taken off in Brisbane with the city's newest public transport option - Green Cabs. The fleet of cycle taxis provides fun, carbon-free transport options in and around the CBD. Green Cabs operate from the Wheel of Brisbane, Southbank on weekends and public holidays from 12 noon until late, and on Friday evenings from 5pm.

www.greencabs.net.au

Over on the Gold Coast, there is the new Eco-Bike, an electric powered, cheap and unique transport option at only A\$10 for two hours. Peddle from the Spit to Point Danger and discover the Gold Coast the green way!

www.australia.jtb.com.au

Robina Town Centre Reward Card



Visitors to this shopping haven may collect a Jet In card from the Concierge Desk offering exclusive guest-only offers, rewards and discounts. This winner of the Queensland Retail Property of the Year Award 2009 features 300 specialty stores, including the Gold Coast's only David Jones. It also features dining, bars and cinemas along a picturesque lake.

www.robinatowncentre.com.au

Free Brisbane Walking Tour



Take a three-hour walking tour through Australia's New World city, Brisbane and discover its secrets. The tour covers the Battle of Brisbane, Stolen Generations, World Expo 88, Aboriginal Culture, ANZACs and even the origins of the delicious Australian treat, Lamingtons. Departs from King George Square daily at 11am.

www.myaustriatours.com

New at Sea World



Sea World's favourite rollercoaster, the Corkscrew has been transformed to deliver an all new thrill ride experience. The new Sea Viper coaster has exciting new low profile carriages allowing riders to experience hair-raising thrills on the triple loop-the-loop track like never before!

www.seaworld.com.au

Kalwun Dreaming Tours



An indigenous tour around Gold Coast's Burleigh Heads region is teaching visitors more about the area's ancient history before the region became a tourism mecca. Kalwun 'Paradise Dreaming' tours include visits to an ancient burial ground that date back around 1,200 years, a visit to a midden - an ancient feasting ground on the side of Burleigh Mountain, an anointment session where guests are each anointed by a dancer and told a personalised story, and more.

www.kalwun.com.au

Fraser Coast Camel Safaris



Take a unique hour-long camel ride along the waterline of Scarness Beach as you enjoy the natural beauty of Hervey Bay - an experience that is truly memorable. Each camel can comfortably carry two adults in their custom-designed saddles and small children can safely sit with a parent.

www.frasercoastholidays.info

Cairns Wildlife Reserve



A little piece of Africa where you can dine with the kings of the jungle can be found in north Queensland, 35 minutes' drive from Cairns. The Cairns Wildlife Safari Reserve is a vast expanse which mirrors the African Savannah and is home to wildlife including lions, cheetahs, rhinos, tigers, pygmy hippos and spider monkeys. The reserve offers two dining options - 'Breakfast and Beasts' and 'Dine on the Edge' where you can choose from eating breakfast or dinner among the largest pride of lions in Australasia.

www.cairnswildlifesafari.com.au

Cairns Harley Rides & Tours



Explore Cairns from the back of a classic Harley Motorcycle. This enjoyable local tour provides guests with the chance to have as much fun getting to their destination as they do when they arrive. Choose from full and half day tours, dine-and-ride packages and even airport transfers.

www.cairnsharleyridesandtours.com.au

What's On



**4 - 7 March
ANZ Ladies Masters**

The southern hemisphere's premier women's golfing event celebrates its 21st anniversary in 2010 and will be held at the Gold Coast's RACV Royal Pines Resort at Ashmore.

www.anzladiesmasters.com.au



**16 - 21 March
Australian Surf Lifesaving Championships**

Watch Australia's best individuals and teams compete against the stunning backdrop of the Gold Coast's surf beaches. Held at Kurrawa Beach, this event attracts around 7000 competitors in dozens of events including Ironman, Ironwoman and board races.

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