



28 October 2005

**Jetstar connects Townsville to Brisbane,
Sydney and Melbourne**

Townsville Airport Limited will welcome Jetstar's inaugural flight direct from Brisbane to Townsville on Sunday October 30, 2005.

The event includes a 'greeting and launch party' to celebrate Jetstar's ongoing commitment to servicing the North Queensland region.

Townsville Airport Limited General Manager Chris McHugh said Jetstar would provide: daily return flights from Brisbane to Townsville; three services weekly from Melbourne to Townsville and; four services weekly from Sydney to Townsville.

"The new Jetstar routes will provide an extra 2,900 seats for Townsville Airport per week which is a great boost to local tourism and industry," Mr McHugh said.

"This is a vote of confidence in North Queensland as an industrial hub, an administration and defence centre, and as a tourism destination. We look forward to the success of this commitment from Jetstar."

The first flight from Brisbane will land in Townsville at 11am followed by the inaugural return flight.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

WHAT: Guests, including Member for Herbert Peter Lindsay MP, Jetstar CEO Allan Joyce, Townsville Airport Limited staff as well as Jetstar staff and passengers on the first Jetstar flight to Brisbane will be 'Bon Voyaged' with a cake and entertainment. Another function will be held for arriving visitors which will include a water canon salute on the tarmac.

WHERE: Functions for departing and arriving passengers will be held either side of the screening point.

WHEN: The function for Brisbane departing passengers will be at **10.30am** and includes a cake cutting and Lucky-T Turtle. The welcome function for Brisbane passenger arrivals will be held immediately after the **11am** scheduled landing and includes speeches, cake cutting and the Cowgirls Hot Squad.

* **PLEASE NOTE:** Media wishing to gain access to the tarmac to take photos/vision of the Jetstar passengers arriving and the water cannon salute are requested to arrive at **10am** to organise security passes. Please bring photo ID. Contact is Robert Dark on the day on 0417 623 156.

For security purposes, we require a list of media staff who will be attending the function by Friday 28 October. Please forward to Robert Dark on fax number 4755 0338, or email to nprservices@bigpond.com

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