

MEDIA RELEASE

PORT LINCOLN SET TO WELCOME TWO CRUISE SHIPS ON THE SAME DAY

For the first time, Port Lincoln will welcome two cruise ships on the same day on Wednesday 20 February. Both the Astor and the Pacific Jewel will be returning for their second visits of the season with the Astor carrying 590 passengers and 300 crew and the Pacific Jewel 1950 passengers and 620 crew. The Pacific Eden will then arrive two days later on February 22nd, finishing off a very busy month with a total of five cruise ships gracing our beautiful shores.

The Nautilus Arts Centre will be holding another of its highly successful Artists in Residence Days to coincide with this dual arrival and there will be a market held on the foreshore lawns. Local tourism operators will also be working hard to showcase the exceptional products the region has to offer.

Mayor Flaherty said “I see firsthand the effort and dedication put in by the community on cruise ship days. The pride in our City is apparent and we are becoming renowned for providing a first class welcome. Two cruise ships berthed at the wharf will be an impressive sight, and I encourage the community to come down to the foreshore and enjoy the special cruise ship “buzz” in and around the CBD”.

The community are advised to take extra care when travelling through the CDB with the influx of people in town. The jetty carpark will have parking restrictions in place to cater for shuttle bus drop off and pickup requirements.

March will see another first for Port Lincoln with the first ever overnight visit. The Astor will return for its final visit on Saturday 2 March and depart on Sunday 3 March in the late afternoon. The Pacific Eden arrival Wednesday 13 March will then finish off a very successful 2018-19 cruise ship season.

Council has established an electronic database to communicate with the community on cruise ship events and activities and other council engagements and encourages those who have not registered their contact details to do so via the following link www.surveymonkey.com/r/ptlincolnbusinesscommunity.

A schedule for proposed upcoming visits next season will be available in the next couple of months via this database to enable forward planning by local operators and business owners.

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