TIGERAIR AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCES DIRECT DAYTIME LOW COST CARRIER SERVICES CONNECTING MELBOURNE AND TOWNSVILLE

- Tigerair Australia to operate four weekly return services between Melbourne and Townsville (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday), commencing Thursday 22 June.
- Providing the only direct low cost daytime services between Melbourne and Townsville. Melbourne-Townsville flights scheduled to depart at 8.15am and arrive at 11.15am, while return Townsville-Melbourne flights scheduled to depart at 11.45am and arrive at 2.50pm.
- Ten jobs to be created at Townsville Airport to facilitate new services.
- To celebrate, Tigerair has launched a special sale, featuring $10* one way fares on the first flights on 22 June 2017 and one way fares from $69* each way between 23 June and 14 September 2017. Sale commences at 10.30am AEST today and runs until 11am AEST Saturday 25 February or until fares sell out.

Wednesday 22 February 2017: Tigerair Australia has today announced a new route between Melbourne and Townsville, providing four weekly return direct low cost services between the two cities, with over 1,400 additional visitor seats each week between the two destinations.

From Thursday 22 June, Tigerair will operate weekly return flights between the Victorian capital and North Queensland destination on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays.

To celebrate today’s announcement, Tigerair has released a special sale, with one way fares available between Melbourne and Townsville from just $10* each way on the inaugural services on 22 June and one way fares from $69* each way are also on sale for travel between 23 June and 14 September 2017. This sale launches at 10.30am AEST today and runs until 11am AEST Saturday 25 February (or until fares sell out). Fares between the two destinations will be regularly on sale from $129* each way.

Tigerair Australia Head of Communications, Vanessa Regan, says the announcement today is significant for Townsville and Queensland as the airline continues to respond to consumer demand for services to and from the region.

“The sunshine state is an integral part of our network with over 50% of all Tigerair domestic services already touching Queensland. That number is set to increase by almost 40,000 additional visitor seats through Townsville Airport annually. We are confident our new services will prove popular with our core market of low cost and leisure travellers, whilst at the same time delivering numerous spin off benefits for the region by way of increased tourism expenditure and job creation.

“Providing the only direct low cost daytime services on the route, customers will have more daylight hours at their destination when they arrive. These new flights are sure to be warmly embraced by Victorians looking to chase some sun and visit one of Townsville’s many attractions, such as Magnetic Island and the Great Barrier Reef.”
Island or Castle Hill. It will also prove attractive for North Queenslanders keen to visit Melbourne and experience a rich mix of culture, food, drink, sport and arts.

“I would like to extend our thanks to Townsville Airport and the Queensland Government for their support in making these new services a reality. Tigerair looks forward to increasing air travel between the two popular destinations in the future. “

This new service is supported by the Queensland Government’s Attracting Aviation Investment Fund through Tourism and Events Queensland in partnership with the Townsville City Council and Queensland Airports Limited.

Townsville Airport Operating Officer Kevin Gill said the route is the start of a major push to develop the city’s tourism sector.

“The schedule is well timed for the leisure traveller and opens up more connectivity for direct business on this existing route,” he said.

“It’s great news for the city’s tourism industry, and for Victorians who can come to experience some fun in the sun and our northern hospitality.

“We thank local and state government for their support in securing Tigerair for the people of Townsville.

“Tigerair Australia is a significant player in the Australian market and we look forward to working with them to facilitate the expansion of their presence in Townsville, with additional domestic and possible international routes on the agenda for discussion.”

All routes on sale from today are listed below as part of the Tigerair Queensland sale (from 22 February 2017 10:30am AEST) and running 11am AEST Sat 25 February 2017 (or until sold out):

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*All fares are subject to availability and may vary until ticketed. Prices are based on a one way economy Light Fare. Light Fares are per person in AUD and include GST. Payments made with credit or debit cards are subject to a card payment fee of between 0.86% and 1.33% per booking. Payments made with interest free will attract a booking and service fee which is detailed at point of purchase. Payments made with POLi do not attract a payment fee. Fares are non-refundable. Bookings may be changed by paying the fee and any applicable fare difference in accordance with our conditions of carriage, as published on our website on the day you request your change. For Light Fares, additional charges apply for optional extras such as checked-in baggage travel insurance and reserved seat selection. Other conditions apply. Go to www.tigerair.com.au for full terms and conditions.

^Scheduling is subject to change.