BTA Quarterly Report Update Q3 2015



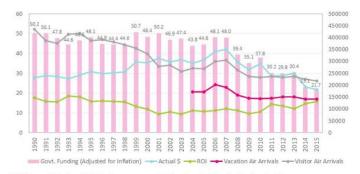
Research & Business Intelligence Division



During Q3 of 2015, the Research & Business Intelligence Division accomplished the following:

- 1. Completed a competitive analysis which looks closely at the variety of accommodations in Bermuda vs. other destinations.
- 2. Completed a full analysis of Return on Investment in Bermuda's tourism industry over the past 30 years in Bermuda.





^{*} Visitor and Vacation Air Arrivals are measured at the airport during landing/immigration process

Government Tourism Funding, Visitor Expenditure and ROI

Year	Government Funding	Air Visitor Expenditure	Cruise Visitor Expenditure	Total Visitor Expenditure	ROI
2007	\$42.0 MM	\$442.7 MM	\$70.5 MM	\$513.2 MM	12.2:1
2014	\$23.1 MM	\$283.7 MM	\$54.4 MM	\$338.1 MM	14.6:1
2015 Estimate	\$21.7 MM	\$289.4 MM	\$54.5 MM	\$343.9 MM	15.8 : 1

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- 3. Analyzed results of a rental car survey completed by visitors to Bermuda.
- 4. Launched conversion research study to determine consumer barriers to booking a trip to Bermuda after consideration.
- 5. Continued analysis on historical and current air service to Bermuda in comparison to hotel inventory and occupancy. Attended World Routes Conference to explore opportunities with new airline partners, alongside Airport and Ministry officials.
- 6. Updated database of vacation rental properties in Bermuda.
- 7. Assisted in implementation of CRM system across all divisions of the BTA and integration with current systems.
- 8. Began development of online dashboard for all key metrics.
- 9. Continued to report monthly and quarterly on tourism KPIs (air/cruise/yacht arrivals, visitor expenditure, visitor satisfaction, hotel performance, future projections)
- 10. Executed on-site customer satisfaction surveys at BTA-sponsored events
- 11. Continued to monitor online demand and conversion by geographic region and persona targets
- 12. Continued to measure Return on Investment of marketing initiatives by geographic region
- 13. Continued local opinion poll to measure perception of Tourism and the BTA amongst residents

Product & Experiences Division



During Q3 of 2015, the Product & Experiences Division accomplished the following:

- 1. Approved Experiences completed/launched to date Q3
- Bermuda Triple Crown game fishing tournaments 3-24 July











- LIV Bermuda 3-6 July
- City Fashion Festival 6-12 July
- Cup Match Summer Splash 25-29 July



The quarter marked a total of 24 completed experiences to date. Ongoing monitoring indicates that the product development strategy has contributed to increased visitor spending for 2015. Reports in the quarter showed that air visitor vacationers average spend per person increased 7% through June 30, 2015. When extrapolated the economic impact of this increase is \$74.4 million for Bermuda's tourism economy, up 5% versus the same period a year earlier.

We also conducted **Bermuda's Best Fish Sandwich** Competition in August, in conjunction with Operations/Communications team. This was used as the latest vehicle to highlight local food culture, and identify locally-rated recommendations and options within the genre for visitors. Over 40 restaurants and outlets participated. Follow up reports indicate business increased by as much as 30% in the two week competition period for participants.











Work to develop the "Uncover the Arts" programme for Bermuda's Arts & Culture season experiences (November - April) was completed during the quarter. Conducted in partnership with the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, 18 new cultural and culinary-focused experiences were developed to add to the popular existing programme of activities, for launch as of 1 November.





2. Cruise strategy

SeaTrade Europe conference – we conducted meetings and continued outreach with target cruise lines and home port management contacts at this major cruise industry conference in September. Discussion highlights included sessions with *Viking Cruises* about new Atlantic itineraries and *Carnival Corporation*, about opportunities with their range of brands, e.g. *Princess, Seabourn, P&O, Cunard*. Discussions also took place with *Disney Cruise Line*.

General Infrastructure developments – we have continued to provide input to the government and industry on infrastructure matters. This includes North Channel improvements, consideration of port modifications at the East End, and general upgrades to existing piers.

Updates: latest outreach results - 150 calls are confirmed for 2016 (135 in 2015), from our targeting of premium/luxury brands

- o 2016 projected visitor spending up 12% (\$10 million)
- o Total projected economic impact: \$91 million
- o Holland America back with more calls in 2015 (6) & 2016 (4)
- o 10 calls for Carnival brand in 2016
- America's Cup five lines planning charters/AC itineraries



4. Sport Highlights

RC44 Championship Regatta - confirmed to take place in Bermuda from 2nd - 6th March 2016, and representing over 1,000 room nights in an historically soft tourism period. Our operational team includes representatives from the BTA, the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, Bermuda Business Development Agency and Hamilton Princess. The RC44 Championship Tour is an international sailing circuit of events held in various locations worldwide. There are 14 teams from 10 countries that compete in the league. For this fleet racing series teams sail high performance RC44 boats designed by globally-recognized America's Cup winner Russell Coutts.

Each team comprises an owner, three amateurs and four professional sailors. The professionals are all either America's Cup or Olympic sailors. The owners of the RC44 vessels are high-level business executives and entrepreneurs of billionaire status, primarily from Europe and the US.

Sports Tourism - we established BTA's new agreement with the National Sports Centre (NSC), designed to incentivize teams to organize training and playing tournaments in Bermuda. The incentive is that the BTA will pay for usage time at the NSC pool, field, etc. So far, ten teams have chosen Bermuda under the new agreement, an estimated 435 visitors from the United States, Canada and Denmark.



Women Golfer Strategy

- Women in Golf Trophy by end quarter-end, approximately 50 players were expected to travel to Bermuda for this event in November. The tournament continues to generate results for Bermuda as part of our strategy targeting women golfers. As reported, the event is anticipated to provide economic impact of \$165,000 in on-island spending.
- Executive Women's Golf Association we confirmed a new experience for women golfers in partnership with the EWGA. The organization will conduct a golf school and related course play experience for its members in March 2016. The EWGA has 14,000 members across the US; chapters on the East Coast particularly will be targeted for this experience.
- Nike Golf PGA Team Championship of Canada: The inaugural Nike Golf PGA Team Championship of Canada will be played in Bermuda at the Mid Ocean Club. This newly-created and unique championship will feature two PGA of Canada professionals pairing up with the partner of his/her choice, from 26-29 October 2015. The Bermuda Tourism Authority and the Fairmont Southampton Hotel are partners of the inaugural championship.

Legacy activities – **post-America's Cup (AC)** - initiated strategy to leverage AC presence by developing sailing calendar of new and existing visitor-focused events and experiences. Strategy includes establishing experiences in four categories: *events/regattas, learn-to-sail, sports spring break (sailing) and repositioning (winter) sailing opportunities.* Therefore the calendar specifically presents either large-scale spectator events, or individual/group participative opportunities.



4. Experience Investment Programme

Round 3 of applications opened on 3 September, with a deadline for submissions of 2 October. This round covers experiences and events primarily designed to take place from January – December 2016. Outreach and education activities during the quarter to disseminate information to the community included a series of lunch and learn information sessions as well as a pre-application workshop. Application evaluation and review is in progress; we will determine approved experiences by the end of October.



Sales & Marketing Division



Travel, Roomnights, Group & PR Dashboard

KEY METRICS	YTD 2015 ACTUAL	2015 GOAL	% OF GOAL YTD
Total Visitor Spending Influenced by BTA	\$29,934,249	\$54,497,501	55%
Total Room Nights Influenced by BTA	56,530	88,533	64%
Total Leisure Room Nights	45,024	61,973	73%
Total Group Room Nights	14,012	26,560	53%
Group Sales Leads	217	575	38%
Group Sales Calls	276	360	77%
Number of Journalists Assisted	556	95	585%
*Earned Media Generated	\$16,927,101	\$8,500,000	199%
*Coverage in Top 100 Outlets	128	55	233%
*Average Quality Coverage Score	70%	61%	114%

Redeployed sales team to focus on group sales in January 2015



Digital Dashboard

KEY METRICS	YTD 2015 ACTUAL	2015 GOAL	% OF GOAL YTD
Total Website Visits	1,547,882	1,855,846	83%
Desktop Traffic	762,318		
Mobile Traffic	475299		
Tablet Traffic	310,264		
Website Page Views	3,039,076	4,363,167	70%
Time on Site	1:58		
Blog Page Views	167541		
Newsletter Subscribers	259451		
Newsletter Open Rate	15.3%	Benchmark	
Consumer Inquiries	1173	Year	
Internet/Email	624		
Phone	549		
Brochures Distributed	14961		
Individual	5072		
Bulk	9889		



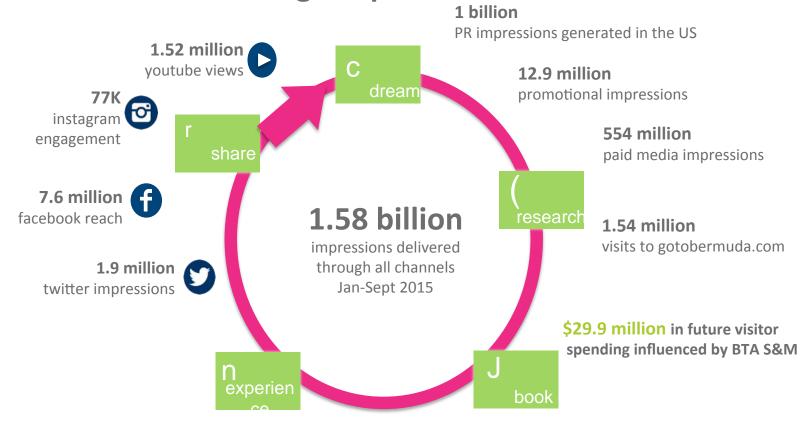
Social Dashboard

KEY METRICS	YTD 2015 ACTUAL	2015 GOAL	% OF GOAL YTD
Facebook Followers	213,310	194,257	138%
Facebook Total Reach	7,682,340	7,440,368	103%
Facebook Engagement	593,457	710,745	83%
Twitter Followers	17,183	15,578	179%
Twitter Impressions	1,897,600	1,131,967	168%
Twitter Engagement	46,339	37,743	123%
Instagram Followers	10,804	6,991	223%
Instagram Engagement	77,024	48,874	158%
YouTube Subscribers	1,289	1,200	112%
YouTube Total Views	1,519,099	1,710,100	89%
YouTube Minutes Watched	1,723,182	1,532,630	112%
Pinterest Followers	1,696	1,720	93%
Pinterest Repins	7,385	2,498	296%

Facebook updated the way Business Page likes are counted by removing memorialized and voluntarily deactivated accounts. This change affected volume of followers for all business page accounts.



2015 YTD Sales & Marketing Snapshot





Events & Engagement

Rachel Roy Press Trip	7/2/15	7/9/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Ladies European Masters Golf	7/2/15	7/5/15	Buckinghamshire UK	Booth Production
SpaNNING the Globe Tours Site	7/4/15	7/8/15	Bermuda	Group Sales FAM/Site Visits
Bermuda Fashion Festival Press Trip	7/6/15	7/12/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Travel Impressions Training	7/8/15	7/8/15	Bethlehem Call Center, PA	Seminars/Training
Travelmole Sailing Regatta	7/9/15	7/9/15	Southampton UK	Promotions
Christine Amorose (Summer Fridays Influencer)	7/10/15	7/12/15	Bermuda	Press Trip-Summer Fridays
AAA National Training	7/14/15	7/14/15	BTA Office	Webinar
DMAI Annual Convention	7/15/15	7/17/15	Austin, TX	Seminars/Training
Alpha Phi Alpha Site Visit	7/16/15	7/19/15	Bermuda	Group Sales FAM/Site Visits
MLT Training	7/21/15	7/21/15	Minot Call Center, ND	Seminars/Training
Prestige Holidays Roadshow	7/21/15	7/23/15	UK	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow
AC World Series Racing Events	7/23/15	7/26/15	Portsmouth UK	Promotions
Andrew Burr / Jeff Achey, Climbing Magazine	7/23/15	7/27/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Brian Hart Hoffman (Taste of the South, Southern Lady, Tea Time				
and The Cottage Journal)	7/23/15	7/27/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Bermuda Destination Training (Open Session for Travel Agents)	7/28/15	7/28/15	BTA Office	Webinar
Aimee Song, Influencer	7/29/15	8/3/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Solange Knowles & Melina Matsoukas	7/30/15	8/3/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Mark Travel Corp Training	7/30/15	7/30/15	Milwaukee Call Center, WI	Seminars/Training
Travel Impressions Training	8/4/15	8/4/15	Farmingdale Call Center, NY	Seminars/Training
Automotive Trade Association Meeting	8/5/15	8/7/15	Nashville TN	Directors Meeting
Brian Wolk and Claude Morais	8/6/15	8/6/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
ASAE Annual Meeting & Exposition	8/8/15	8/11/15	Detroit MI	ALHI Co-op
Virtuoso Week	8/9/15	8/14/15	Las Vegas	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow
Ed Salvato, ManAboutWorld Magazine (LGBT Outlet)	8/10/15	8/13/15	Bermuda	Press Trip



Events & Engagement

Air Canada Vacations	8/13/15	8/13/15	Montreal	Res/grp/crz agt training/tradeshow
Eva Chen, Influencer (Head of Fashion for Instagram)	8/13/15	8/17/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
New York Magazine - The Cut - Jack Riccobono	8/16/15	8/18/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Incentive Works	8/18/15	8/19/15	Canada	ALHI Co-op
Indagare	8/22/15	8/26/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Meeting Planner Site Visit	8/23/15	8/25/15	Bermuda	Association
Family Traveller UK magazine, Jane Anderson	8/24/15	8/28/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Connect Marketplace	8/27/15	8/29/15	Pittsburgh, PA	Group Tradeshow - Association Market
AC World Series Racing Events	8/28/15	8/30/15	Gothenburg, Sweden	Promotions
Margaret Swaine	9/7/15	9/12/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
TTG Luxury Luxpo	9/8/15	9/8/15	London	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow
OHPsalms Site Visit	9/10/15	9/13/15	Bermuda	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - FAM/Site Visits
Apple Vacations Destination Wedding Fam	9/13/15	9/15/15	Bermuda	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - FAM/Site Visits
JetBlue Training	9/14/15	9/14/15	Orlando Call Center, FL	Seminars/Training
			Coronado Springs Hotel,	
Travel Industry Exchange	9/15/15	9/17/15	Orlando, FL	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow
UK Travel Agent Megafam	9/16/15	9/20/15	Bermuda	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - FAM/Site Visits
British Airways FAM	9/16/15	8/20/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
Mark Travel Corp Training	9/18/15	9/18/15	Orlando Call Center, FL	Seminars/Training
JetBlue Training	9/22/15	9/22/15	Salt Lake City Call Center, UT	Seminars/Training
			Minneapolis Convention	
MLT University	9/25/15	9/27/15	Center, MN	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow
Undiscovered Press Trip	9/25/15	9/29/15	Bermuda	Press Trip
ALHI Industry Advisory Council (IAC) Meeting	9/27/15	9/30/15	Miami, FL	ALHI Co-op
Prestige Holidays Roadshow	9/29/15	10/1/15	UK	Travel Industry Sales Outreach - Tradeshow



Trade Engagement Highlights

- Personal training for more than 1,100 travel and/or reservation agents
- 11 training sessions engaged 542 agents in learning more about the Bermuda experience
- 3 tradeshows with one-on-one appointments, engaged 572 agents
 - Virtuoso Week (300+ appointments)
 - Travel Industry Exchange
 - MLT University







Group Client Engagement Highlights

- Presented at the Automotive Trade Association
 Executives Meeting: August 5-7 Nashville TN
 - Generated lead for 700 room nights
- Exhibited at Connect Marketplace: August 17-29 –
 Pittsburg PA
 - 26 personal appointments at a show attracting over 2,000 association and sports meeting planners
- Joint calls with hotel partners in DC & Atlanta
 - Generated 2 leads representing more than 600 room nights



Sales Pipeline Highlights

- Spanning the Globe Site Visit
 - 150 room nights confirmed Fairmont Hamilton January 2016
- Alpha Phi Alpha Site Visit
 - RFP tentative May 2018 1,500 room nights
- Meeting Planner Site Visit
 - RFP tentative April 2016 160 room nights
- Opsalm Events site visit
 - RFP May 2016 300 room nights







Travelmole Regatta July 9, UK

Sponsorship of this well-known annual travel trade event. Leverage partnerships with tour operators and hotel partners whilst promoting sailing link around America's Cup

- Bermuda branded boats
- Guests 5 operator partners & 3 hotel partners
- Unique event
- Media partnership generating B2B coverage and social media engagement over 3 months
- Relationship building with leading Bermuda tour operators







ACWS Portsmouth July 23-26

Relationship building

Hospitality for 40 trade and media guests and partners

Consumer Outreach

- Interactive activation in the Fanzone included
 - TV screen featuring the Life is Bermudaful video, the America's Cup video and footage on whale watching and scuba diving
 - A touch screen displaying the Bermuda website
 - An Instagram style wall displaying iconic Bermuda imagery
 - A green screen where consumers were invited to have their photos taken on the Bermuda Vespa. Consumers received an emailed copy of their postcard, a hard-copy print out and any team support messages were displayed on the large screens around the site.
 - An IPAD game inviting people to win a holiday to Bermuda with data capture.
- Co-sponsorship of the Goslings Bar
- Amplification on social channels and through 1851 marketing campaign





ACWS Portsmouth







ACWS Portsmouth

Media Outreach

- Sir Ben Ainslie interview with Tatler
- Hosted media briefing with ACEA
- Broadcast and print media interviews with senior BTA spokespeople
- Media partnerships with The Times+ online outreach to 400k subscriber database













BBG RADIO SOLENT











ACWS Portsmouth - 1851 Trust Promotion

- Text to donate to the charity and be entered into a competition to win a holiday to Bermuda
- Outdoor advertising campaign, including 2 x billboard sites in Portsmouth, on the big screens across the ACWS race village at ACWS Media coverage in local print press, radio, online and lifestyle publications

Home page takeover on the 1851 Trust website

Wear your Bermuda Shorts social media campaign

• Competition winners media presentation

Data capture







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Sir Ben and his team aren't the only ones heading to <u>Bermuda</u>

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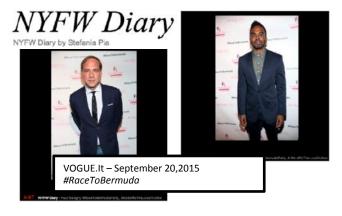


#RaceToBermuda Event September 16 NYC

- Concepted, organized and secured nearly 200 influencers and media to attend the event to kick off the #RacetoBermuda in NYC
- Engaged Bermudian influencers based in NYC to contribute to the event, including Damon DeGraff
- Social media live posting and engagement throughout event, generating:
 - 400,000+ impressions (approximately 65% of all #RaceToBermuda activity at time of report) reaching approximately 145,000 unique users
 - 51 total tweets and 31 re-tweets by a majority of users with an average of 100 or more followers
 - 76 unique total Instagram posts with a combined 1,000+ Likes, which made up more than 57% of the total #RaceToBermuda posts on Instagram at time of report









UK Travel Agent Megafam September Bermuda

26 retail travel agents attended a 4-night site visit

- Multi-channel media partnership spanning more than 6 months promoting Bermuda and the site visit via print competitions, website takeovers, social media engagement
- Agents selected via our tour operator partners
- TTG journalist attended to write additional followup destination features
- Itinerary included hotel site visits, island experiences and building relationships with local partners





Virgin Holidays Co-op Marketing & Brochure Launch

September- December

- Email inclusions in USA brochure launch email and monthly newsletter – 600,000 consumers
- Digital campaign on TripAdvisor 2.1 million impressions
- Interstitial page promotion on New York search page
- Inclusion in weddings brochure
- PR and social support



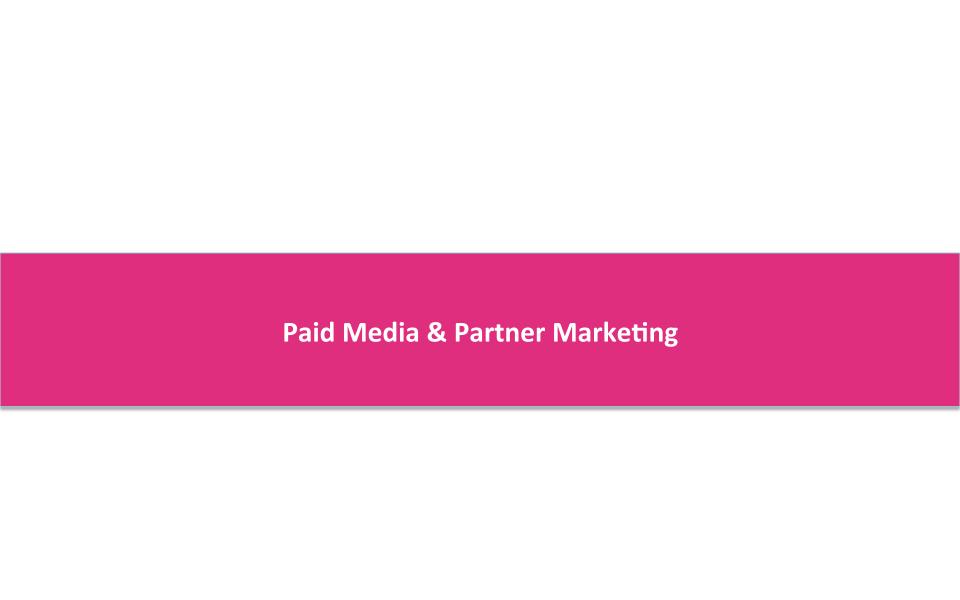
For the ultimate shop and flop break. Wrigin Holidays (virginholidays.could) has started seiling New York ofly breaks coupled with a visit to the Affantic hasted of <u>Bermands</u> with its beaches and golf courses. The flight between the two takes a title over two house. Sook now for departures from aliasure, with prices for two nights at the Martha Washington Hotel in New York and five regists at the Grotto By Beach. Revort to <u>Bermands</u> from EUT/Spp.













Q3 Overview & Highlights

- Q3 integrated media programs attained over 138 million gross impressions and 1.1 million engagements
- Media partner programs and events with publishers such as Travel + Leisure, Afar, Conde Nast & Robb Report
- Targeted digital buys and optimizations lead to increased media efficiencies reducing the cost per engagement from \$1.27 in Q2 to \$.59 in Q3
- Created Canada specific strategy to impact fall Canadian travel to Bermuda
- Continued Summer Fridays promotional efforts including digital, offline, out-of-home, and outreach marketing in NYC, Boston and DC
- Increased efforts with video, native and custom units increased brand engagement more than 76% over Q2



Q3 Media Highlights

TIMING

Digital coverage throughout Q3 increased exposure in key markets for summer travel

PROGRAMMATIC PLATFORMS

Efficient buying across Digilant and Rocketfuel increased site traffic

TRAVEL ENDEMIC PLATFORMS

Secured integrated campaigns with Afar, Conde Nast Traveler and Travel + Leisure & Robb Report

CUSTOM SOLUTIONS

High impact placements + content distribution increased engagement, new pre-roll video implemented for brand awareness



Summer Fridays Overview & Highlights

- Summer Fridays performance metrics snapshot:
 - o 19.1MM Impressions; 80K Engagements; \$1.87 Cost Per Visit
- Position Bermuda as an adventurous place and a quick getaway to paradise for the summer
- Looking for those interested in culture, golf, diving, fishing, yachting, luxury travel, beach, cuisine, summer travel, short weekend trips. Interested in things to do for the weekend, Summer Fridays content
- Audience
 - Demographic: 25+ HHI \$100k+
 - Geo-Targeted: NYC, Boston and DC
 - O Competitors include destinations with similar year round weather and close proximity to target markets; the Hamptons, Martha's vineyards, Cape Cod and Nantucket.
- Goal: Cost per visit under \$5



Summer Fridays Campaign



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THE PERFECT 72 HOURS IN BERMUDA



Your Bermuda escape may begin with a Summe end there. In fact, you should probably think ab Priday off. Trust us, it's worth the vacation day, guide to the ultimate long weekend in Bermuda Head more.

Federated Native Ads



You only have 12 #SummerFridays left this year. So use them wisely. (Beach? Snorkel? Bonfire?) Bermuda is waiting. [AD]



Bermuda: The Ultimate Summer Friday Escape

Summer Fridays are all the rage, as offices empty out early for an escape to the beach or an afternoon happy hour with friends. Want to have a truly extraordinary Summer Friday this year? Come to Bermuda.

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Fathom Facebook Post



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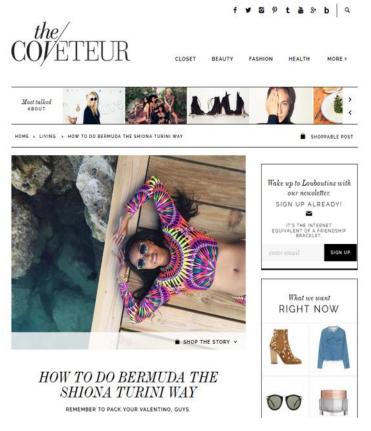


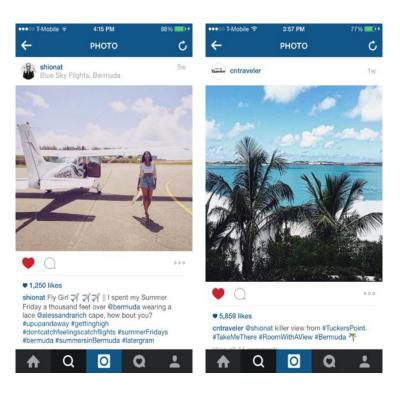
Fathom Eblast Banner





#SummerFridays with Shiona Turini







Stylish Influencers

Worked with NYC-based Bermudian Shiona Turini to coordinate stylish influencers to visit Bermuda during the #SummerFridays promotional period

- Designer Rachel Roy and other journalists during Bermuda Fashion Festival
- Aimee & Dani Song instagrammers, photographers, & bloggers
- Solange Knowles
- Eva Chen, head of fashion partnerships, Instagram







Almee Song [Aw-Meeh] like Mommy ② snapchat: songofstyle uskx 会印目 www.songofstyle.com/2015/08/crochet-swimsuit.html

5,550 posts 2.5m followers 745 following



















Enter for a chance to win the ultimate dream vacation off the South California coast! Save

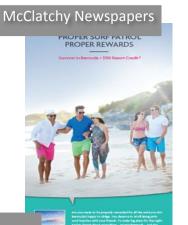


Brand & Promotional Campaign

 Evolve the brand messaging to communicate the year-round opportunity and appeal of destination through integrated, multi-channel programs, and retail promotion, such as Proper Rewards, when appropriate.



Conde Nast Traveler, Boston Globe



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Conde Nast Traveler





Virtuoso Preferred Destination

Bermuda became a Virtuoso preferred destination, gaining access to the travel industry's leading luxury network, spanning over 26 countries and 9,000 travel advisors. The integrated partnership spans events, networking, training, digital and print activations:

Print:	 Full page 4-color ad: Virtuoso Life – July – Travel Dreams Travel Catalog – July – Spa & Adventure Travel Catalog - October - Island Escapes Virtuoso Traveler – December – 2016 Idea Book
Training & Webinar :	Webinar – ½ hour live training webinar Virtuoso Travel Week - August
Themed Emails:	Close to Home – June Active Adventures – July Travel Planner – September - Holidays & Beyond



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Set sall for sunset on a private charter abound the Spirit of Bermuda, cruking along the same waters that will play host to the 35° America's Cup in 2001.

TABLE FOR TWO Sink your toes in soft pix

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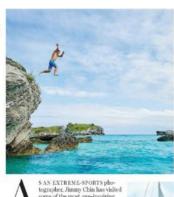
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Conde Nast Traveler





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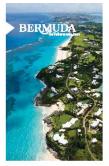






Travel + Leisure September Design Issue





¥ URBAN COTTAGE

The name of the stylish Hamilton shop says it all. The shelves, tables and walls here are filled with a retro-futurist mix of cool new products (the urban) and timeworn, vintage Bermuda items (the cottage), It's a mustvisit for anyone who wants to see how the island's past blends seamlessly with its present - and it's the perfect place to pick up an only-in-Bermuda souvenir or gift.



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lawns that lead to iconic, white-roofed dwellings.

M HAPPY TRAILS

Bermuda is a 21-square-mile playground of proper fun - and not just during the summer months. When the crowds thin out and the weather's just right, it's easy to catch wind of the island's creative spark and friendly warmth. Bermudian Shiona Turini (now a.

well-known fashion consultant and travel writer based in New York City) shares, "I love that while the island is elegant and elevated, the small community gives it the perfect we koming charm." Here are three beautiful reasons to go now:

Roughly 31 miles of trails traverse Bermuda. More than half of them trace an old paved railway bed that runs the length of the island – giving you the chance to pedal, stroll or trot through pathways full of Bermuda cedars, flowering free sia trees and tropically manicured

APPRECIATION A distinct island feature is the uniformity of white limestone roofs dotting the landscape. Besides being artistically impressive, the scarcity of fresh water makes them a necessity in collecting rain. And there's the candy-coloured homes, where you'll find a bright pink building next to a mint-green one, next to a carrary-yellow one - adding even more to the island's paradisiacal palette.



FACES OF BERMUDA FASHION

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"It may be small but it's jam-

with the scenery every time

I come home - it's super lush

and incredibly vibrant. On any

given day you can experience

the bluest water ever seen."

packed with beauty and culture.

As a visual person. I fall in love

ALEXANDRA MOSHER @alexandramosher





"Arts and culture are in everyone

on the island - creative expression is embedded deep within the Bermudian soul." Using the island's famous pink sand as her medium, she personally handcrafts every piece of jewelry in her boutique.





"I find Bermuda's vivid colours entrancing. You wake up in the morning saying, "I've got to do something with these colours." You just want to bottle them." She's done just that with her fashionable line of Bermuda. shorts.

SAM OUTBRESSIDGE + ADAM PROTTY



"We head straight for the open greens and blues of Bermuda's golf courses for inspiration and energy. Strolling the links certainly ticks all the boxes of a healthy island lifestyle. But the Dark 'n Stormys@after a great round don't hurt either."

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WHERE WONDER IS AFOOT >>>

From St. George's to Somerset, trace the early-twentieth-century Bermuda Railway Trail - which contours the island beautifully for 18 miles. Along the way you'll encounter panoramic ocean views from the peaceful hilltop at Fort Scaur. You'll cross Somerset Bridge - the world's smallest working drawbridge (just wide en oughfor a sailboat mast). And you'll cross paths with Bermuda cedars, blooming freesias and the stunning, tropically manicured



¥ HISTORY SUBMERGED IN MYSTERY

Dating back to the 1600s, more than 300 ships met their untimely demise in Bermuda's reef-packed waters - earning it the moniker "Shipwreck Capital of the World" Ludsly, what's treacherous to the ship is treasure to the diver. So suit up and scuba down to discover mystical vessels like Spanish luxury liner Cristobal Colon - the largest known wreck in the area. And the impressively intact Hermes - one of the most photogenic and captivating dive sites.



*** THE SCENIC SPORT OF LEISURE**

Golf is as much the island's pastime as impeccable service is its standard - and both are deeply embedded in Bermuda's DNA. Seven striking courses grace the landscape - from the oceanside cliffs of Port Royal to the secluded peninsula of Riddell's Bay. You can play like a champion and be treated like one, too. Especially with Golf Around packages that offer complimentary cart rentals, hard-to-get tee times and 50% off dub rentals.



« SENSORY EXPERIENCES

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Head underground to a tangerine salt body glow at Grotto Bay's Natura Spa. Let a detoxifying herbal wrap work its magic at the Coral Beach & Tennis Club. Or envelop your senses in the fragrances - and flavours - of Elbow Beach's Rum Swizzle Ritual. Embracing Bermuda's signature cocktail, this treatment utilises the healing properties of citrus through massages and a full-body scrub. Plus, an indulgent bath - where you'll relax, Rum Swizzle in hand.



ASHLEY HARRIS



number of repeat visitors, but it's not just the beauty, it's the people. Visiting Bermuda is more than a vacation. It's an



the year to play golf. The temperature is in the mid to high 70s. The courses are in great shape, and you can get a round of golf in pretty quickly. Hove playing Fort Royal*

ISABELLE RAMS AY-BRACKSTONE

Bermuda's beauty doesn't

through Tom Moore's Jungle.

Go to the secluded beach

at Astwood Park Or stroll

through St. George's for a special experience."

require money. Wander



diving, I was amazed at how beautiful and peaceful it was underwater. And that day became the beginning of an awesome journey."

Features "Island Insider" tips from Bermuda personalities

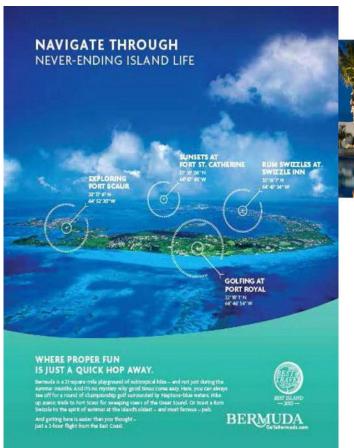
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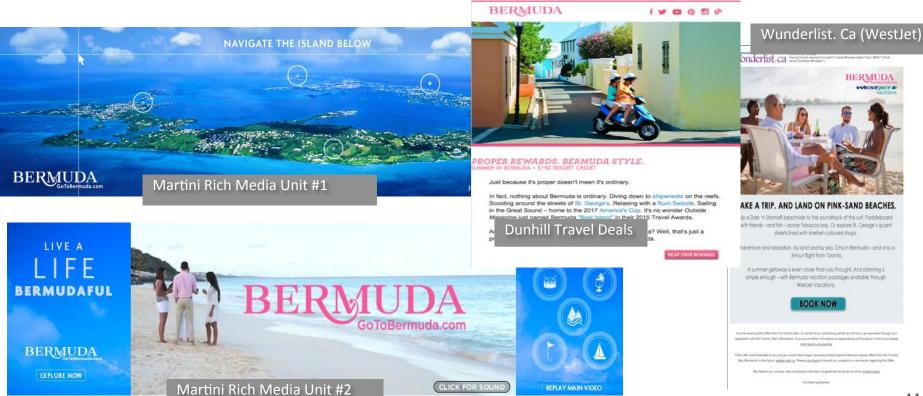
ADVERTISEMENT Bermuda's breathtaking beaches and crystalline waters are the backdrop to a proper island getaway. Take it from native trendspotter Nicole Golden: "Whatever your pleasure-a tranquil beach hideaway. luxury shopping, refined dining, fabulous golf or yachting-you'll find it in Bermuda all year round." **LUXE LODGING** GOLDEN TIP: 'Bartender Akil stone's YIP Champagne Rosewood Tucker's Point. Troff at Marcus' at the Hamilton lunches are luxurious and Princess & Beach Club handcrafts This five-star hotel has ravishing delightful cocidain like the views, a private beach, yoga lawn **FUN IN THE SUN** and the exquisite Sense? Spa. classic Dark in Stormy-pure Port Royal Golf Course. Tee off GOLDEN TIP: "Indulge in a romance in a glass. And don't to crashing ocean waves at this frisée salad or a glass of Sancerre mins the hotel's art collection." BERMUDA INSIDER gorgeous championship course. by the reflecting pool before or NICOLE GOLDEN SUBLIME SHOPPING Louis Vuitton America's after total pampering." Atelerie. The store offers Cup World Series and the WATERFRONT DINING A name of Bermuda and exciting fashion and jewelry 35th America's Cup. The The Reefs, Enjoy a romantic from emerging and established excitement builds as the world's a noted local compressu best sallors convene in Bermuda Nacio crades the stand's dinner under the stars at this Lili Bermuda. This boutique on October 16-18, 2015 for the warmth and drams. Her exclusive beachfront resort. first event leading to a dramatic Urban Cottage bootsque distills the fragrance of wind. Harry's. The famous restaurant on Hamilton Harbour serves sea and flowers in perfumes showdown in 2017 when in Hamilton moves classic the island's finest seafood and handmade from island botani-Bermuda's magnificent Great elogance with sleek-andcals, GOLDEN TIP; 'Lili Bermuda Sound is the backdrop for the chic vintage tinds. signature cocktails made with owner Isabelle Ramsay-Brack-Harry's Special Rum Blend.

For more information and to book your trip, visit GoToBermuda.com or cell 1800/BERMUDA today. BERMUDA

Features "Inside Bermuda" from Nicole Golden, owner of Urban Cottage



Interactive & Email Marketing Campaign



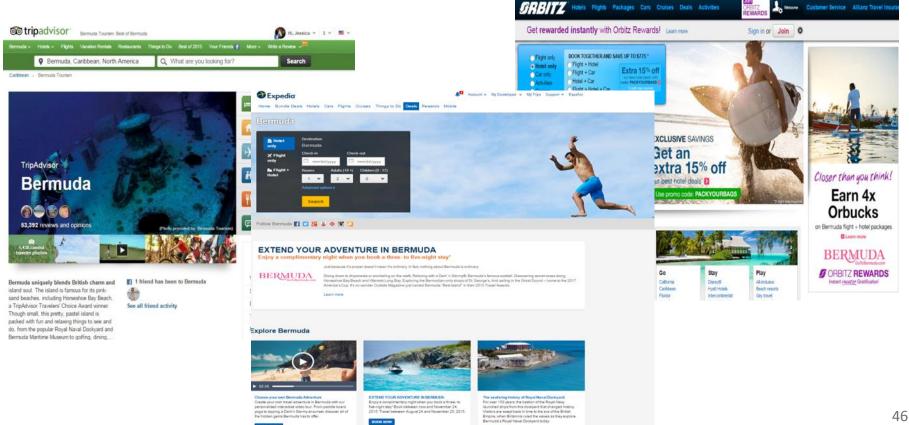


OTA Program Overview & Highlights

- OTA performance metrics snapshot:
 - o 11.5MM Impressions; 26K Engagements; 11,243 Hotel Bookings
- Maintain and expand upon partnerships with key OTAs and travel-endemic channels
 - Expedia
 - Orbitz
 - TripAdvisor
- Create programs that enable year-round presence with seasonally appropriate messaging
- Increases Orbitz Loyalty Program
- First-to-market, innovative opportunities including:
 - o Native content on TripAdvisor featuring golf, luxury and adventure content
 - Executed Expedia's Custom Video Solution
 - o First to market testing of new TripAdvisor Destination Sponsorship pages
 - o Early adopter of new Expedia Destination page template
- Compared to Q3 in 2014, production is flat



OTA Programs Campaign



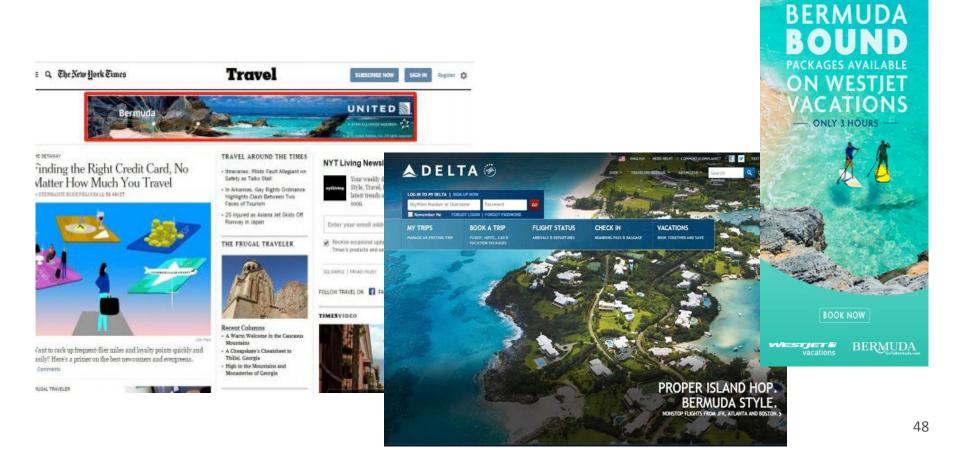


Airline Co-op Program Overview & Highlights

- Airline Co-op performance metrics snapshot:
 - o 40.2MM Impressions; 43K Airline Page Visits; \$7.21 Cost Per Click
- Continue to promote direct flights to Bermuda with key air partners
 - United
 - Delta
 - WestJet
 - Delta Vacations
 - Delta
 - Air Canada
- Create custom programs to increase sales & flight lift in key markets by airline
- Pursue and vet opportunities to work with other key air partners including AA and JetBlue

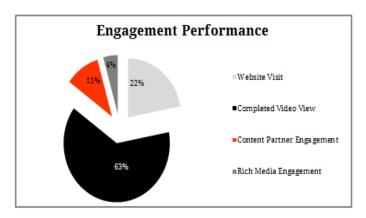


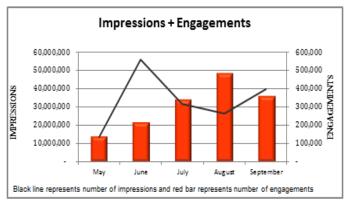
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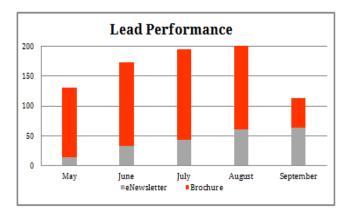


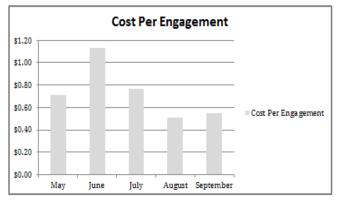


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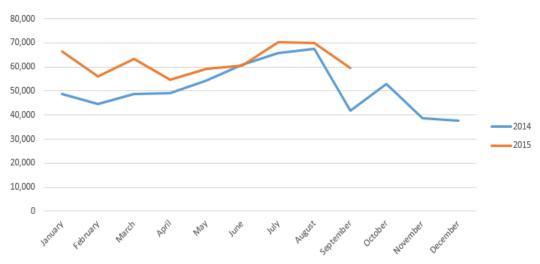






Total Search Traffic

- Total Search Traffic consists of Organic Search, Paid Search, Referrals from Google.com and 50% of Direct traffic based on Industry Research*
- YTD growth of 16% for Total Search Traffic to the website
- Q3 14% growth in Total Search Traffic more than 25,000 visits
- Analytics update to Universal & Tag Manager in Google Analytics improved Organic Search tracking



In Google Analytics traffic categorized as "direct/none" the source of the visit cannot be identified. This can be due to browser security settings. Research suggests that a substantive percentage of "direct" traffic to deep pages on a site is really organic search. http://searchengineland.com/60-direct-traffic-actually-seo-195415 As GoToBermuda.com has seen a substantive jump in direct/none traffic, we are using the assumption that half of that traffic is really organic search.



Web Metrics Overview & Highlights

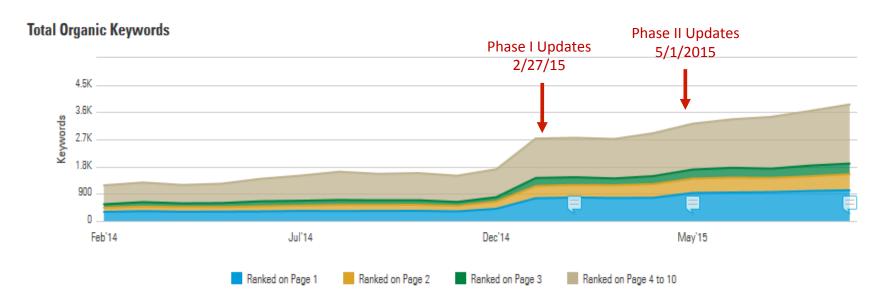
- For Q3, overall traffic is up 63.8%.
 - Social Media traffic up 880%, digital media up 141%, organic up 60%
- Engagement metrics are up and down
 - o Pages/session down 2.7% and session duration down 24.7%
 - o Bounce rate, however, improved 3.11%
- 50,175 sessions landed on /summerfridays/ which is the most trafficked page behind the homepage





Organic Search Ranking

Steady improvement in overall SEO ranking has continued in Q3.





Organic Search Ranking

Q3 SEO work included:

- Developed and published new content for Horseshoe Bay Beach and Crystal Caves
- Added canonical tags to the site so that upper and lower case variations of the site would not be seen as duplicate content
- Created 301 redirects for outdated pages giving 404 errors, as identified in the BrightEdge Audit Report
- Created an updated xml site map and uploaded to Google Webmaster Tools
- Updated on-page elements for pages that were underperforming in rank

In September, the number of keywords the site ranks on Page 1 of Google for has improved more than 200% since last September and 35% since January

	Jan 2015	Sept 2015	MoM Change		Sept 2015	Sept 2014	YoY Change
Ranked on Page 1	755	1,019	+35%	Ranked on Page 1	1,019	334	+205%
Ranked on Page 2	404	531	+31%	Ranked on Page 2	531	203	+162%
Ranked on Page 3	265	351	+32%	Ranked on Page 3	351	149	+136%
Ranked on Pages 4-10	1,300	1,956	+50%	Ranked on Pages 4-10	1,956	874	+124%



Q3 SEM Performance

Throughout Q3, we delivered a total of 87,370 clicks, with an average CPC of \$1.05, at a CTR of 1.63%. Total spend for the quarter was \$102,608.29

Month	Impressions	Clicks	CTR	Spend	CPC	Conversions
July	2,265,186	28,920	1.28%	\$32,231.14	\$ 1.11	2,403
August	1,685,767	27,732	1.65%	\$33,317.69	\$ 1.20	3,029
September	1,556,684	30,718	1.97%	\$37,059.46	\$ 0.83	5,415



Website Content Development & Enhancement

New Content Based on SEO Analysis:

- Crystal Caves
- Horseshoe Bay Beach
- Bermuda Cuisine

New Retail Promotional Content:

Stretch Your Summer











Top Google Ads & Banners



Beautiful Bermuda Island

Make The Best Of Paradise. Visit Official Site For Deals & Specials! www.GoToBermuda.com





Getting To Bermuda

Best Prices On Air & Accommodation. Find Info & Deals on Official Site! www.GoToBermuda.com/TravelBasics

Bermuda Maps & Brochures

Plan Your Perfect Island Vacation. Download Maps, Brochures And More! www.GoToBermuda.com/BermudaMap

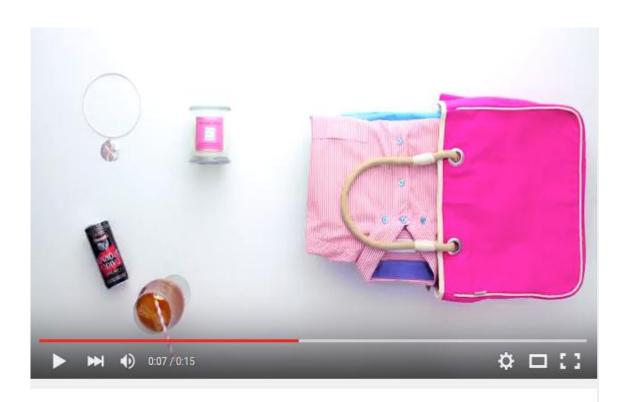






Travel + Leisure Stop Motion Video

Features "Bermuda designed or made products



Pack Your Bags for Bermuda



Afar Journeys Itineraries



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In Partnership with Bermuda Tourism Authority

AFAR Journeys are easy-to-book custom itineraries to the world's most fascinating destinations. These trips combine AFAR's commitment to experiential travel with the expertise and insider access of AFAR's Travel Advisory Council and other leading travel specialists. We're bringing you to Bermuda, one of our favorite islands in every season. Our trips go beyond the beach so you can experience the island's culture, cuisine, many activities, and much more.

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Get Out and See Bermuda!

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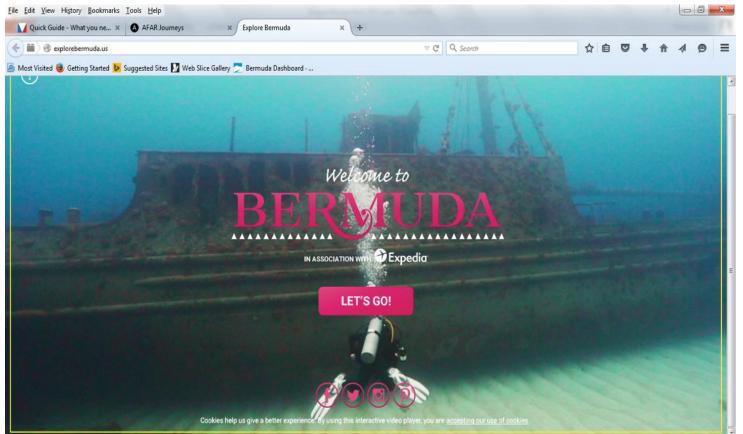






Expedia Choose Your Own Adventure Video

http://explorebermuda.us



eNewsletter Performance & Insights



eNewsletter Overview & Highlights

- Five emails sent to database (total delivered/open rate)
 - July eNewsletter (238,198 / 17.8%)
 - August eNewsletter (250,400 / 14.0%)
 - September eNewsletter (244,464 / 16.7%)
 - Stretch Your Summer Promotional Email (237,013 / 16.4%)
 - Golf Around Promotional Email (302 [US] / 16.6%) (18,170 [UK] / 21.3%)
- Open rates for the eNewsletter dipped in August, but have increased in September
- Open rates for the two promo emails are stronger, with the UK having the best open rates
- July eNewsletter had the highest click-to-open rate (13.5%), while the Golf Around Promo had the lowest (1.5%)
- Offers and video seem to entice a high percentage of the clicks



eNewsletter Comparison: Q3 At-A-Glance

JULY ENEWSLETTER

Themes:

Live Bermudaful Video Excursions for Families & Adventurers The Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series

Send Day/Time:

Friday, July 17th – 2pm ET

Subject Line: Live the Bermudaful Life

Open Rate: 17.8%

Click-to-open Rate: 13.5%

Top Clicked Link: Hero Video – Live

Bermudaful

AUGUST ENEWSLETTER

Themes:

Local Cuisine

Inexpensive Activities & Adventure Almanac The Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series

Send Day/Time:

Tuesday, August 25th – 3pm ET

Subject Line: Discover Distinctive Flavors & Exciting Adventures in Bermuda

Open Rate: 14%

Click-to-open Rate: 7.2%

Top Clicked Link: Hero Content – Bermuda Cuisine

SEPTEMBER ENEWSLETTER

Themes:

The Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series
Interactive Map
Stretch Your Summer Offer

Send Day/Time:

Friday, September 25th – 2pm ET

Subject Line: #RacetoBermuda This October

Open Rate: 16.7%

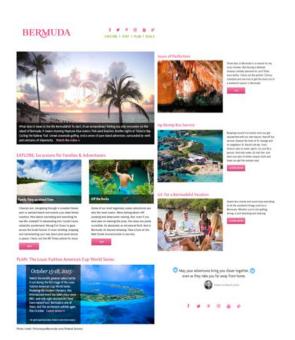
Click-to-open Rate: 6.7%

Top Clicked Link: Interactive Map



eNewsletter Creative

JULY ENEWSLETTER



AUGUST ENEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER ENEWSLETTER





Stretch Your Summer Promotional Email

- Email sent to U.S., CAN and UK databases
- Deployed: Friday, August 14th at 4:45pm ET
- Subject Line: Stretch Your Summer With a Free Night's Stay
- Open rate: 16% (US & CAN), 20.1% (UK)
 - Open rate is significantly higher in UK
 - o The same trend is seen in the golf promotion email
- Click-to-open rate: 7.9% (US & CAN), 7.1% (UK)
- Total Unique Pageviews sourced to email: 4,715
 - o Unique Pageviews to SYS landing page: 3,446





Golf Around Promotional Email

- Email sent to U.S. golf list (302 sent) and UK golf list (18,170 sent)
- Deployed:
 - o US: Tuesday, September 22nd at 12:30pm ET
 - o UK: Wednesday, September 23rd at 4pm ET (9pm BST, UK)
- Subject Line: Golf Around & Save Big in Bermuda
- Open rate: 16.6% (US), 21.3% (UK)
 - Open rate is significantly higher in UK.
 - The same trend is seen in the SYS promotion email.
- Click-to-open rate: 4.3% (US), 1.5% (UK)
 - The click-to-open rates are very low for promotional emails.
 The offer does not seem to entice many subscribers on the list, especially in the UK. The UK rate of 1.5% is the lowest for Q3 emails.
- Total Unique Pageviews sourced to email: 120
 - Unique Pageviews to SYS landing page: 78



Promotions & PR



Consumer Fashion Brand Promotion July-October UK

Partner with Henri Lloyd, the leading UK sailing brand and also official clothing supplier of Landrover BAR. A stylish brand found across the high streets, to reach affluent, fashionable consumers

POS

- Window decal and in-store POS in all 12 Henri Lloyd Stores
- In-store till point POS and entry form for all 19 Henri Lloyd concessions in House of Fraser
- Pull up banners at the America's Cup Portsmouth (July 24-26) and at the Clipper Round the Yacht Race (August 28-30)

Digital & Social:

- Promotion via Henri Lloyd and House of Frazer Facebook and Twitter accounts
- Homepage exposure and email newsletter

Further strategic partnership being discussed





Consumer Promotion Waitrose & British Airways UK September 2015

Campaign with Waitrose Escape reaching 6 million high achieving, high earning individuals, passionate about food, drink & travel

- 7 page editorial in Waitrose Escape magazine
- Full page advert in Waitrose Escape (paid for media, paid by BA)
- Whole feature repositioned for the Waitrose app
- Editorial competition linking to a full page advertorial on waitrose.com





7 Page feature with Waitrose Escape in conjunction with BA, September 2015

 Hosted press trip with respected national travel writer to generate high quality content



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leach hotels are dotted across Sermud The island's smartest is Rosewood through the flanways of its golf course the hotel rises on the point and its visit plush rooms reveal views of Capite Settinue There's also a tourly beach du The Reets has a less formal arr with coms ranged around a cittl-front incircling one of the south coast's harming cowes. Each has a lovely view thereefs.com). At the western end of the stand, Cambridge Beaches Resort & Spi has a range of very comfortable independent cottages stretched along a narrow penmoular. It has a relaxed. classic feet, some of the coftages are Staving in Hamilton, however, outs you right in the thick of the action. The Hamilton Princess & Beach Outs, managed by Farmont, has taken a harbour-front colossus and breathe it full of style and life, with program

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YTD North American Coverage Snapshot

• Number of Articles: 159

• Impressions: 1,064,152,574

Media Cost: \$16,414,272

Average Score: 68



Q3 Coverage Highlights



Shermans Travel

HAND-PICKED DEALS. EXPERT ADVICE

Where to Go in September for Fall Colors, Uncrowded Beaches, and More July 24, 2015 by Christine Wei

Bermuda

As the hurricane season starts to ramp up in much of the Cairbibean, Bermuda has been historically blessed with sunny days and great surf. Water conditions might be a bit choppier, because of winds blowing through the region, but it generally remains warm on this island. Events still abound in September, too, from the European-style Old Towne Market on Sundays to Snorkel Park Beach bonfires four times a week. As you catch the tail end of snorkeling and deep sea fashing this month, don't Sorpet that the spiry lobeler season starts to ramp up in return. You can find fresh catch at local restaurants — or even join a dow with local findermen.

Hotel lip: If you're a risk-averse kind of traveler, you can always make sure to book a properly that's part of the Bermuda Hotel Association, whose members all offer a no-penalty cancellation as a part of their hurricane guarantee policy. And keep an eye out for the upcoming Endless Summer sale, slated to launch niest week, that will offer travelers free hotel nights to get the most out of their trip. (We'll be updating this post with details once they're released.)

ShermansTravel.com – July 24, 2015 Where to go in September



Q3 Coverage Wins



Get buzzed: The best Caribbean beers and breweries

by Melanie Reffes, Special for USA TODAY | Aublished on Asly 3, 2015

An ixy cold beer and a sunny summer afternoon is a marriage made in vacation heaven. Whether you're a lover of lager, afficionado of ale, fan of draft poured from a cask or a keg or prefer the can in hand, quenching your thirst with a frosty brew is a Caribbana mainstay. Add chugging the best brews to your bucket list, pop open a bottle and get your beer buzz on with our six-pack of the top suds in the tropics.

Bermuda



The artisan ales and lagers in frosty mugs come in sizes from slateen ounces to a whopping fifty ounces. (Photo: Mela Reffes)

The island's only microbrewery, Dockyard Brewing Company in the Royal Naval Dockyards is also the only producer of an adult beverage made on the island. Producing 550 barrels every year, five varieties of the beer are poured in the adjacent Frog & Onion Pub and at a few other spots around the island. The artisan ales and lagers in frosty mugs come in sizes from sixteen ounces to a whopping fifty ounces (if you can't finish it, you can buy a decorative bottle in the gift shop and the bartenders will pour a beer-to-go). The pub and brewery in one of the original buildings that the British Navy built in the early 1800's is also where the big cruise ships dock and tourists check out the craft market and take five on the manicured lawns. The pub is cavernous with old stone walls decorated with flags from all over the world, but it's anything but quiet with TV screens tuned to whatever big game is on, local performer Wayne Davis playing his funky repertoire of Bob Marley and Stevie Wonder and shoppers perusing the frog-themed souvenirs in the gift shop. Bartender Chris Fletcher has been pouring for eight years and hasn't lost his taste for a cold copper-colored Somers Amber Ale; named after Bermuda's founder Sir George Somers. Other house brews include 'Whale of a Wheat' served with a slice of lemon, 'St David's Light' for waist-watchers; 'Trunk Island Pale Ale ' with a bitter finish and the dark ale called 'Black Anchor Porter'. Tours of the brewery are a big hit with groups of ten or more and come with a five-course dinner pairing fish and chips and bacon-topped burgers with the five beers brewed at the Distillery. The tour goes for USD\$75.00 per person with advance reservations recommended.

USAToday.com – July 6, 2015 Bermuda Beer





Wake Up with Al on The Weather Channel – September 16, 2015 Fall Travel







CNN International – August 10, 2015 Bermuda Premier



Q3 Individual Media Visits

- Jeff Achey & Andrew Burr, Climbing Magazine; July 23-27, 2015
- Brian Hart Hoffman, Hoffman Media Group; July 23-27, 2015
- Ed Salvato, ManAboutWorld; August 7-13, 2015
- Bruce Lazarus, Indagare; August 22-26, 2015
- Janine Yu, Indagare; August 22-26, 2015
- Margaret Swaine, Freelance/WestJet; September 7-12, 2015

Group Press Trip

Endless Summer/Undiscovered Trip – September 2015

Secured 4 attendees:

- Marisa Spyker Coastal Living
- Lesley Chesterman NUVO
- Jessie Fetterling Prevue
- Danielle Pointdujour Ebony.com

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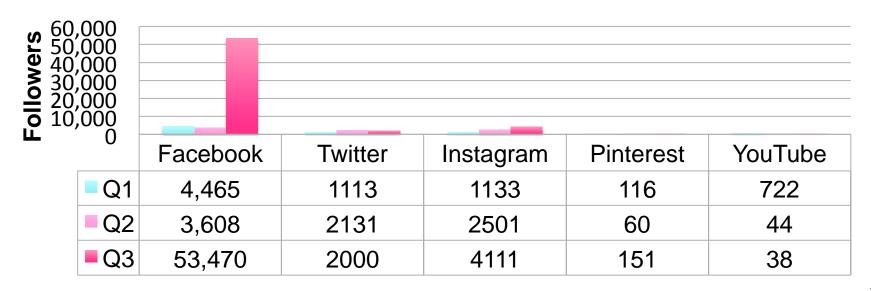






Q3 Social Channel Growth Highlights

- BTA has well surpassed its full-year channel growth on all channels except Pinterest, which has reached 99.1% of the follower growth goal and expected to exceed this well before the end of the year.
- Instagram growth spiked as well, as we continued to refine and improve content on this channel.
- Facebook growth increased greatly from Q2 to Q3, most likely due to page like and sponsored post campaigns.
- YouTube subscriber growth continues to be slow due to lack of consistent new and engaging content. However, videos have performed well natively on Facebook, as the latest videos posted are in a short format that is a best fit for Facebook over YouTube.





Q3 Social Media Engagement Highlights

- Although reach for Facebook was down slightly as Facebook continue to tinker with its algorithm, engagements and
 engagements per post increased on this channel as well as Twitter and Instagram. We will continue to refine and
 optimize content based on advertising and audience data, as well as interest target our ad campaigns.
- Paid support considerably increased the reach of BTA Pinterest activities to prospective followers, including repins and clicks, which also led to more referral traffic to gotobermuda.com from this channel.



- Total Engagements: 229,628 (+18.9%)
- Total Reach: 2,300,753 (-.003%)
- Engagements per Post: 1,561 (+13.1%)



- Total Engagements: **17,581** (+36.4%)
- Total Impressions: 791,142 (+10.36%)
- Engagements per Tweet: 29 (+11.5%)



- Total Engagements: **34,727** (+31.6%)
- Engagements per Post: **415** (+16.2%)



- Average Daily Impressions: 11,327 (+383.9%)
- Average Daily Repins: 58 (+205.3%)
- Average Daily Clicks: 13 (+85.7%)



- Total Video Views: 16,766 (-81%)
- Average Daily Video Views:
 182 (-81.2%)
- Total Engagements:123 (-49.4%)



UK PR Initiatives

- Total earned media coverage 60 articles with AVE value of \$211,805
- Tatler Privilege Club special offer with ITC to 52,000 subscribers
- Hosted group press trip with national lifestyle media Travel Weekly article now published
- Hosted individual press trips with Hello! and Family Traveller Magazine
- Regular destination news
- Editorial special offers in conjunction with our tour operator partners ie The Times



PARADISE FOUND

Our friends at Bermuda Tourism Authority and ITC Luxury Travel have rustled up quite the itinerary for you. Two people can enjoy seven nights at Rosewood Tucker's Point in a Manor House Superior King Room from £1,365 per person (saving up to £285 per person), including return flights and private transfers. This hotel boasts incredible pinch-me-l'mdreaming scenery. Offer valid any time in 2016 bar peak months 25 May-6 September. Code:ITCTATLER, itcluxurytravel.co.uk









Italy PR Initiatives

NAUTICA ARTICLE

9 pages reportage fully dedicated to the destination.

RADIO PROGRAM

Two radio program dedicated to Bermuda on Radio Kiss Kiss, a network who generated 4 million audience every day











Nuova spa per il Grotto Bay Beach Resort di

(Bermuda) ha inaugurato la nuova spa Nature. I trattamenti benessere stalattiti e stalagmiti, che ospita un lago turchese cristallino. Grotto Bay



giardini, dispone di 3 spiagge private e 200 camere distribuite in 11 edifici, tutte con balcone e terrazza vista mare. Le isole Bermuda sono situate nell'Oceano Atlantico, a due ore di volo da New York. Le loro infrastrutture offrono soluzioni per tutti i gusti, dai resort di lusso ai piccoli hotel su misura fino ai tipici cottage in stile coloniale. Destinazione golf per eccellenza, con 9 campi che offrono panorami mozzafiato. Bermuda vanta più di 100 campi da tennis e infinite attività acquatiche.

Investment Division



During Q3 of 2015, the Investment Division accomplished the following:

The investment division continued its mandate of developing an investment environment for domestic and international investors and operators in Bermuda. The division remains focused on working with the Bermuda Government to introduce revised legislation to attract foreign direct investment. The outreach to both local and international investors and operators remain a core activity and focus.

Activities and accomplishments during the quarter included:

- St George's Development Private Act passed in the House of Parliament. Master Development Agreement and Ground Lease Agreement are in final negotiations.
- Horseshoe Bay transportation hub redevelopment proposal approved by the Development Approvals Board.
- Continued support to the Ministry of Public Works re the development of a national infrastructure plan.
- Continued support to the Ministry of Home Affairs re various tourism and immigration related matters as a consequence of the changes to the Bermuda Immigration and Protection Act 2015.
- Presented 2015 Tourism Incentives Act to Government for consideration.
- Continued attendance at investment and development conferences to raise awareness of impending changes to Bermuda's investment environment.

Operations Division



During Q3 of 2015, the Operations Division accomplished the following:

For the Operations Division, Q3 was focused numerous governance items, Certified Tourism Ambassadors and Stakeholder engagement, and working with the Ministry of Tourism Development and Transport to prepare for a Vacation Rental Property decision paper.

OPERATIONS, GENERAL

2014 Annual Report

Following the DMO Accreditation in Q2, the BTA's commitment to good financial governance was further underscored by our unqualified audit, covering the time period of 16 December, 2013 through 31 December 2014. Upon completed by the Auditor General in July, the financial statements were included in our first Annual Report and released shortly thereafter. Next year it is anticipated that a corporate overview of prior year activities will be provided at the end of Q1, well in advance of the audited financials which have a legislated delivery date of 30 June each year. The entire annual report can be viewed online here.





PATI Request

This quarter, the BTA received its first request for information under the Public Access to Information Act, referred to as 'PATI'. The request was for detailed compensation information for each individual BTA employee and it was refused by the BTA's Information Officer (IO), a role held by the COO. The requester appealed the IO's decision to BTA's Chairman, who is considered the Head of the Authority (BTA). The appeal was unsuccessful. The requester now has the right to further appeal the request to the PATI Information Commissioner. Below is an extract from the IO decision.

The Bermuda Tourism Authority (BTA) has, as a matter of routine, made it a priority to adhere to the spirit of the legislation through the wide release of information pertaining to the business functions and operations of our organization. Through regular media releases, stakeholder newsletters, community outreach and our website, we have, and continue to, share, inform, update and seek input and feedback from the general public and industry stakeholders. We consider the amount and level of detail shared as a standard for others to follow and look forward to seeing the same done by other local organizations entrusted with public funds.

In the spirit of PATI, the BTA has ensured we are open and transparent in all our functions, including accounting for public expenditure (sic). The BTA has been able to attract top talent and incentivize their team while following best practice financial models. This reflects good stewardship and accountability of public funds. It is our conclusion, therefore, that the information that is most in the public interest is already in the public domain and is reasonably accessible to the public.

Having received permission from the requester to publish their request on the BTA website, you can view all documentation on PATI Request 257 here.



Parlimentary Questions

During Q3 the BTA was asked to respond to a total of nine Parliamentary questions, three for the 10 July session and six for the 17 August session. In Q2, a total of three Parliamentary questions were asked. Due to the detailed nature of the questions, on average one to three hours is required to respond to each.



Vacation Rental Property Submission

In response to the discussion paper on Vacation Rental Properties (VRP) submitted to Government in Q2, support was expressed for the definition of a VRP and all other VRP recommendations made by the BTA <u>except</u> regulating the 2.5% fee. We were prepared for this potential outcome: BTA's legislation was specifically crafted to be broad in scope, giving us the autonomy to raise and generate revenue. Work is proceeding on tiered benefit packages for the industry, to be introduced late in Q4, based on the services identified in the discussion paper.



Human Resources

Employee Changes

At September 30th the BTA had 38 employees split between the Bermuda and New York offices. There were no new hires in Q3.

Employee Development

Team members have begun to participate in development opportunities which were identified during the mid- year performance review period. Our designated management trainee completed a three month assignment in the New York office. This position has spent the last year completing projects in several divisions of the organization including Operations and Investments.

BTA Employee Strategic Planning Meeting

The 2015 BTA Employee Strategic Planning Meeting was held on September 21st and 22nd at the St George's Club. All but three employees were in attendance. This annual meeting allows for frank and open discussion on plans presented for the year ahead, participation in team building exercises and the opportunity for all employees to drill down on solutions being applied to complex industry problems.

BTA Employee Portal

HR continues to make enhancements to the BTA Employee portal which allows full time staff 24/7 access to their personal information and benefits. Priority for Q3 is the completion of the online Performance Management form process. This will aid in process and record keeping efficiency.



TRAINING & STANDARDS

The National Service Standard Programme (NSSP) A monthly newsletter for Bermuda's CTA's was introduced in Q3. Designed to educate and inform CTA's on established and new activities and attractions, the content also highlights their peers and the businesses that have committed to the program. In addition to encouraging CTA's to explore and learn more about Bermuda, the newsletter provides ways for CTA's to gain their certification renewal points.

The first CTA mixer, hosted by Rosa's, was well attended. Ambassadors were provided with a platform to mingle with their counterparts and discuss their unique experiences. Information on upcoming industry events was shared, including details on the BTA's Experience Investment process. The next mixer scheduled is for Q4.

To date, **501** customer-facing front line hospitality and tourism employees have registered to participate in the Certified Tourism Ambassador (CTA) programme. Of that number, 409 have completed the course since its inception in Q1 and earning the CTA designation. Courses are not held over the summer months.







ON-ISLAND COMMUNICATION

Stakeholder Engagement cut across industry in Q3, with successful efforts to highlight new and established business across the tourism value chain.

Food Cuture

In support of the Product and Experiences team, a communications and promotions strategy was implemented for the Best Bermuda Fish Sandwich competition. The goals was to advance the work the team is doing in the area of food culture, an area that when properly marketed has been proven





ON-ISLAND COMMUNICATION (continued)

Beach Economy

A cross-division team was organized to conduct a review of the local beach economy. The team met with a contingent of people working in the beach economy. The continued intelligence gather is informing the BTA on providing guidance to government on building a more vibrant beach economy that meets customers' desires and creates economic opportunities for Bermudians.









America's Cup Info Session for Hospitality Industry

To ensure industry relevant information related to the Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series was shared on a timely basis, the BTA coordinated a presentation session held on September 9, 2015. The meeting was held to allow tourism industry partners to hear firsthand the event work underway operationally, and from a sales and marketing and product and experiences perspective. All relevant parties were involved in one way or another including AECA and ACBDA. The well attended session garnered positive feedback. The presentations made are available on our corporate website.



Statistical Reporting Changes/New Land Card

To better inform the public and industry on the improvements in statistical reporting as a result of the new landing card, a <u>video</u> was produced with the help of the Research & Business Intelligence team. The new form allows the BTA to better assess how it is performing relative to growing vacation and group travel air arrivals.

Board of Directors: Tourism Forward

In support of the BTA Board of Directors' goal to increase its public communications profile, a series of columns were developed to assist in communicating organizational success is measured. The primary focus of the content for each column covers one of these areas:

- Increase visitor demand
- Grow spending from air and cruise visitors
- Support local entrepreneurs
- Stimulate infrastructure investment.
- Increase vacation and group visitor air arrivals
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TOURISM APPRECIATION

Lunch 'n Learn Sessions

In advance of the Tourism Experiences investment call for submissions, the BTA hosted its second annual series of Lunch 'n Learn sessions. The sessions were aimed at local tourism-minded entrepreneurs to assist them



in aligning their ideas with the objectives of the Tourism Experiences investment process. The objective of the four-session series was to help entrepreneurs create strong proposals, particularly those who had not been through the application process before and wanted to put forward new, unique ideas. A total of 67 individual attendees took part, many being present for multiple sessions on different aspects of the business proposal application.

Post-session survey comments included:

- "The Lunch & Learn has fresh ideas and the speakers for each session have been well informed of their product and eager to share their valuable knowledge."
- "In all of the sessions that I attended it was great to see that all attendees were respectful and enthusiastic."
- "Thank you kindly, with all the knowledge I obtained it will help my future endeavours flourish. Open-mindness and willingness were the key factors in these sessions for me.
- "I appreciated being given a chance to be there, and hope to attend others if there is room.
 I think BTA is doing a splendid job."



#Lovemybermuda Phase III

Extensive preparation for the third phase of the #lovemybermuda tourism appreciation campaign took place throughout Q3. Utilizing input from BTA summer interns, a strategy was developed to:

- Promote non-traditional grassroots activities and experiences that Bermudians love and show pride in.
- Promote compelling call to action for tourism advocates, individually and collectively, to demonstrate their love and pride for their island.
- Develop a platform for people to share what they love about Bermuda through non-traditional grassroots activities and experiences that they participate in.

News Stories

Month	Positive	Negative	Neutral
July	28	5	4
August	29	6	15
September	12	2	6
Total	69	13	25

Financials



The BTA's commitment to good financial governance was underscored by our unqualified audit, covering the time period of 16 December, 2013 through 31 December 2014. Upon signing by the Auditor General, the financial statements were presented in Parliament and included in our first Annual Report and released shortly thereafter. The entire annual report can be viewed online.

Income statement

Income

Guest fees to date (January – August actual, September estimate) are \$2,746k against a budget of \$2,962k and \$2,763k in 2014.

Direct Costs

Details of the activity for each division are given elsewhere within the report. With regard to spend against budget, all divisions are within budget.



Structure, General & Administration

Overall the Structure, General & Administration costs remain within budget.

Balance Sheet

Bank

The balance at the end of the quarter was \$6.6m

Accounts Receivable and Accrued Income

This represents the hotel fees for September (not due until 15 October) and amounts overdue from previous months.

Inventory relates to Transport passes and Merchandise for the Dockyard VIC.

Vendor Payables

Are all current bills.

Accruals

this includes \$0.5m of liabilities yet to be invoiced and provisions, \$0.7m payroll (taxes/incentives/holiday pay)



Financial Year End: December 31, 2015

INCOME STATEMENT

	Qtr 3, 2015	Qtr 2, 2015	Qtr 1, 2015	2015 YTD Total
Income Direct costs	8,371,316 5,953,087	8,101,906 4,498,119	6,153,812 2,105,275	22,627,034 12,556,481
Direct surplus (deficit)	2,418,230	3,603,787	4,048,537	10,070,554
Structure, general & administration costs	2,141,333	2,520,888	2,162,279	6,824,501
Operating surplus (deficit)	276,896	1,082,899	1,886,258	3,246,052
Net finance costs	51,908	80,115	52,574	184,597
Net surplus (deficit) for the period	224,988	1,002,784	1,833,684	3,061,456



INCOME STATEMENT

	Qtr 3, 2015	Qtr 2, 2015	Qtr 1, 2015	2015 YTD Total
1. Income				
Grants, subsidy & contribution income	5,425,000	5,425,000	5,774,250	16,624,25
Tourism authority fee	1,237,186	1,129,895	379,562	2,746,64
Visitor Information Centre	1,709,130	1,547,011	-	3,256,14
	8,371,316	8,101,906	6,153,812	22,627,03
2. Direct costs:				
Sales & Marketing	2,700,268	2,921,734	1,700,078	7,322,07
Product development & experience	3,136,688	1,344,504	366,871	4,848,06
Research & business intelligence	94,695	77,857	37,221	209,77
Operations	21,436	154,024	-	175,46
Investment	-	-	1,105	1,10
	5,953,087	4,498,119	2,105,275	12,556,48
3. Structure, general & administration				
costs, split:				
Staff costs	1,500,277	1,451,970	1,499,441	4,451,68
Communications & IT	123,910	212,179	127,743	463,83
General expenses	201,784	175,450	245,774	623,00
Marketing	803	492	1,843	3,13
Premises Professional form	176,560	179,156	184,490	540,20
Professional fees Transport	124,218 261	188,705 1,151	99,079 399	412,00 1,8
Grants / Investments	201	320.000	399	320.00
Capital expenditure	13,519	(8,215)	3,510	8,8
	2,141,333	2,520,888	2,162,279	6,824,50
4. Finance costs:				
Bank charges	9,813	10,243	6,174	26,23
Foreign exchange	42,096	69,871	46,399	158,36
	51,908	80,115	52,574	184,59



BALANCE SHEET

	Sep-15	Jun-15	Mar-15
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash & Bank	6,657,619	6,422,607	5,333,89
Accounts receivable	76,717	158,250	192,74
Inventory	328,396	678,570	
Accrued income	395,467	667,804	320,19
Prepaid expenses	88,589	113,919	165,61
Deferred costs	3,500	5,800	19,00
	7,550,287	8,046,950	6,031,44
Non-current assets	289,116	339,214	448,50
Total Assets	7,839,403	8,386,164	6,479,9
	6,498,917	4,696,227	3,693,4
Equity	6,498,917	4,696,227	3,693,4
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