

# Matson®



## 2017 MATSON VAKA EIVA PROGRAM

### Friday 24th November 2017

**What:** All Crew registration  
**Where:** Vaka Shed Avarua Harbour  
**When:** 10am to 5:00pm

**What:** Te Au O Tonga Turou and Akatapu Vaka - Traditional Welcome and Canoe Blessing.  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour  
**When:** 5:00pm

**What:** Team Photos  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour  
**When:** 5:30pm

**What:** Paddle Art Exhibition - The Opening  
**Where:** Beachcomber Pearl Market & Art Gallery – beachside opposite the Avarua Church  
**When:** 6:00pm

### Saturday 25th November 2017

**What:** OC1/V1 Iron Races All Adult Divisions and U19's  
**When:** 11am Registration 12noon race start Women all divisions  
12:30pm Registration 1:30pm Race start Men all divisions  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour

**What:** Oe Mapu (Junior) Regatta Day 1  
**Where:** Meet at Ngataangia rugby field for Turou down beach to Sails Restaurant, Muri Lagoon  
**When:** 12noon

**What:** Prize-giving - OC1/V1 Iron Races  
Followed by a **Welcome Meal for all Paddlers, Dignitaries, Sponsors, Supporters & Volunteers** at the Vaka Village.  
Enjoy Cultural performances, then party on at "Trader Jacks" Vaka Bar  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour  
**When:** 5:00pm

## Sunday 26th November 2017

**No training or paddling.** Please respect the wishes and customs of our country. In the Cook Islands, this is a day of rest. Enjoy!

## Monday 27th November 2017

**What:** V6 12km Iron Races - All Adult Divisions and U19's  
**Where:** Avarua Wharf Vaka Shed  
**When:** 7:00am Registration for 8:00 am  
**Afternoon:** 6km mixed Hula Irons

**What:** V6 Iron Races Prize Giving and 'Hula Dance-off'  
**Where:** "The Islander Hotel" - beachside opposite Airport entrance  
**When:** 5:00pm

## Tuesday 28th November 2017

**What:** V6 Sprint Races all adult divisions-Vaka Takitumu Traditional Turou  
**Where:** Muri Lagoon  
**When:** 8:00am All teams meet at Ngataangia rugby field for Turou (traditional welcome) along beach to Sails Restaurant  
**What:** Muri Mingler Party @ Sails Restaurant and Iso Bar  
**When:** Immediately following Sprints, Special Paddlers Menu available & Live Music

## Wednesday 29th November 2017

**What:** Adult Rest & Recovery Day

**What:** Oe Mapu (Junior) Regatta Day 2  
**Where:** Beach front 'Sails Restaurant' Muri Lagoon  
**When:** 1pm to 4pm

## Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**What:** Pacific Cup Men's Round Raro Relay Race 36km  
Pacific Paddle Women's Round Raro Relay Race 36km  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour  
**When:** 7:00am Registration 8:00am Race start

**What:** Oe Mapu (Junior) Fun Day  
**Where:** Beach front Sails Restaurant Muri Lagoon  
**When:** 12 noon to 3:00pm

**What:** The Boiler Swim 700m Gold coin charity donation for Charity - Autism CI.  
**Where:** Loading Bay Ramp/beach Vaka Village Avarua Harbour. Then cocktails at sunset at 'Trader Jacks' Vaka Bar  
**When:** approx 4:00pm

**What:** Oe Mapu Prize Giving, Kai Kai and Paddles Up Party  
**Where:** Silver Sponsor "The Islander Hotel" opposite entrance to Airport Nikao  
**When:** 5:00pm

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

**What:** Bob Worthington Memorial Trophy Mixed Round Raro Relay  
**Where:** Vaka Village Avarua Harbour  
**When:** Registration 7:00am Race start 8:00am  
**What:** Prize giving for Thurs & Fri Round Raro Relays. Official Closing Ceremony & Meal followed by Official 'Paddles-Up Party' Island Style theme at the Vaka Village.  
**When:** 4:30pm till late