



JUNE 2024
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about Leewards Islands, Tonga, Fiji, NZ, Vanuatu
- > Opportunity to host local residents aboard
- > Optionnal Polynesian Feast
- > and much more!

News & registration

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The Tahiti Moorea Sailing RDV is a annual 4-day event that aims to give a warm Polynesian welcome to cruising sailors, while celebrating their successful ocean crossing. It is also an opportunity to meet with sailing experts who have come from Tahiti, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu and New Zealand to help prepare you for future western cruising.



ON THE PROGRAM

FRIDAY JUNE 21

Welcome to TAHITI reception & cocktail

- **2:00 pm: Meet in the garden of Papeete City Hall, the Mairie de Papeete.**
Check in with our team at the committee booth and receive your welcome kit (information folder, skippers' briefing documents, T-Shirts, etc.). Meet our partners from Tahiti, Australia, Tonga, Fiji, New Zealand and Vanuatu.
- **3:30 pm: Skippers' briefing about navigation** in Moorea and the Leewards islands.
- **5:30 pm to 7:00pm: Welcome speech & cocktail for fleet members** offered by the South Pacific Sailing Network (SPSN). Live Polynesian dance and music.

SATURDAY JUNE 22

Sailing rally TAHITI TO MOOREA

- **10:30 am: Rally/race ("cruise-in-company") starts from Tahiti to Moorea.**
By 9:00 or 9:30 am sailboats should leave Papeete Harbor, Arue and Punaauia marinas, motoring to the pass of Papeete. Fleet will gather outside the main entrance to Papeete Harbor for the 10:am start of this (no-pressure) sailing rally to Moorea's Opunohu Bay. Start of the rally will be outside the coral reef of Papeete's pass and in between two speedboats of the organizing committee. Finish line will be in the entrance pass of Opunohu Bay. Anchor inside the bay, in the moorings areas allocated by PGEM.
- **5:00 pm: Dinghy ashore on the floating pontoons of the small marina on the Kellum domain. (Back of the bay.)**
Sailors welcomed with music and flowers. Mingle with fleet members. Register your team for Sunday's outrigger canoe races. Conference about traditional navigation.
- **7:00pm: Optional dinner in the marina restaurant** (with prior registration only).

SUNDAY JUNE 23 – MOOREA

Sample Polynesian traditional sports and cultural exchanges

- **7:00 am: Moorea fresh baguette delivered** to each boat early in the morning
- **9:00 am: Dinghy ashore for a fun day of traditional Polynesian sports** in the magnificent botanical garden of Kellum's estate.
Local experts will demonstrate and cruisers can test their skills. The highlight of the day will be the six-person outrigger canoe races, where cruisers join local paddlers in a series of races.
- **Noon: Optional lunch** (Spit-roasted veal and polynesian buffet : 4000 XPF/pers with prior registration only).
- **2:30 pm: Awards ceremony and Tahitian dance show.**

MONDAY JUNE 24 – MOOREA

- **9:00 am: Presentation by SPSN partners of highly informative seminars** on cruising Fiji, Tonga, New Zealand, and Vanuatu. Complimentary beverages and croissants.

JUNE 22 COURSE BRIEFING

VHF Canal 8
The 15 mn crossing from Tahiti to Moorea will be conducted as a rally, not a race.
One large starting line will be set up outside the pass of Papeete between the two race committee speed boats.
10:30 am start for all boats, given by flag sequence and on VHF 8. Finish line is the outer set of red and green buoys marking the Opunohu Bay entrance channel.
Permanent priority must be given to ferries and other commercial traffic operating in the Tahiti-Moorea channel.
Please Note: If weather conditions prohibit an arrival before 3:00pm, the organizing committee can shorten the race by announcing a finishing line offshore.

Opportunity to share your passion for sailing

We take pride in the annual tradition of having fleet members host local residents on board during the rally to Moorea, where they are introduced to elements of a typical cruising sailor's daily life. This promotes a cross-cultural understanding and improves the reputation of visiting sailors. Let us know if you are ready to host 1 to 4 guests for the daysail only (local adults and/or disadvantaged teenagers of Papeete...).

Registration for the four days of festivities and seminars

5000 XPF per person (includes event T-shirt, Cocktails, flower leis, all activities & entertainment, outrigger canoe race, live dances, fresh bread delivery, trophies...)

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