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TALOFA LAVA!

June brings us a month closer to Worlds, and, an exciting time for Samoa as we also celebrate 61 years of Independence.

This issue features travel requirements for Samoa and information for anyone wanting to serve as a Worlds Volunteer or register their business as an Official Vendor. We also have information on Samoan church services for teams who are looking for a final blessing before race week and a Worlds 2023 map of the Apia Town Area.

Please feel free to contact us at events@samoaoutrigger.com, if you have any specific questions.

HAPPY 61ST INDEPENDENCE SAMOA!

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SOCA MEMBERS AT THE SAMOAN INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS 2023, TIAFAU AT MULINUU -WHERE SAMOA'S FLAG WAS HOISTED FOR OUR FIRST INDEPENDENCE IN 1962.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Keen to be a part of Worlds? Sign up to be a volunteer! Submit an Expression of Interest Form by copying the link below:

https://samoaoutrigger.com/volunteer/

VENDORS

Food! Merch! Handicrafts! Services! Stuff!

If you are looking to have your business be a registered Worlds Vendor, submit an expression of interest form by copying the link below:

https://samoaoutrigger.com/vendor/

ARRIVAL TO SAMOA

Travellers to Samoa can apply for a 90-day Visitor Permit upon completion of the Arrival card. Travelers must have:

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- A current passport valid for at least 6 months beyond the intended stay
- Confirmed onward tickets (Return Ticket)
- Visas for the next country of destination
- Sufficient funds to support themselves (while in Samoa)
- Confirmed residential contact address (while in Samoa)

INFORMATION ON TRANSPORT TO YOUR ACCOMODATION WILL BE OUT SOON!





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If this is your first visit to Samoa, you might be surprised to see that Sundays are truly a day of rest nationwide. In Apia, all of the large shops and public markets are closed, but select store fronts will be open for shoppers in the morning. Most Samoans will attend church services, followed by to'ona'i, a sumptuous communal luncheon featuring a wide range of Samoan delicacies hot from the umu or right out of the ocean. Samoans all look forward to Sunday to'ona'i as an opportunity to enjoy the foods that we don't get to have during the busy work week. Sunday to'ona'i is truly a culinary celebration of culture that you will not want to miss while you are here.

Here are some options for church services in the Apia town area, right along Main Beach Road (the road that runs along the north coast):

Apia Protestant Church - 9.30am (directly opposite Loading Area) Mulivai Catholic Cathedral - 9.30am (directly opposite Va'a Village)

Please also note that Sunday 13th is Fathers Day in Samoa, and the following Monday is a public holiday.

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SITE MAP: APIA

Below is a comprehensive map of the Apia Town Area highlighting where all the activities for Worlds 2023 will be taking place, along with some other points of interest.

Samoa is ready for YOU!





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