



# Kia Orana

In advance of your trip to Rarotonga, we have put together a list of useful information to prepare you for your visit:

### **Tournament Schedule**

Date	Event	Time	Location
Thu 26 May	Captains Meeting  Opening Function (incl. goodie bag presentation)	4.45pm From 5.45pm	Edgewater (Check Noticeboard)  Edgewater - Umu Hut (by pool)
Fri 27 May	3 rounds of play	9am, 11.30am and 2pm	Telecom Arena
Sat 28 May	2 rounds of play  Have a hit with local junior players  All master's players are welcome and encouraged to come and play in this 'Yankee' style tournament. Participants will play in timed matches, swapping partners and opponents in each round. Pizza and spot prizes will be awarded afterwards.	10am, 12.30pm 4-6pm	Telecom Arena
Sun 29 May	Captain Tama's Lagoon Cruise Cruise on the glass bottom boat to the marine reserve for some snorkelling or view through the glass bottom of the boat. Enjoy a fresh fish BBQ lunch (take own drinks).	Depart 10am, Return 4pm	Transport provided from Edgewater
	Have-a-go at AirBadminton	From 5pm (Happy Hour)	Edgewater - Beach/Bar
Mon 30 May	3 rounds of play	9am, 11.30am and 2pm	Telecom Arena
Tue 31 May	2 rounds of play  Closing Function/Presentations	10am and 1pm From 6pm	Telecom Arena Edgewater - Umu Hut (by pool)
Wed 1 Jun	Home time or Holiday Time	See you next year!	

#### **Tournament Draw**

To make for a meaningful competition, we have combined all age groups and divisions into one. Firstly, the teams have been split into two groups of five (A and B) and will compete in four ties over days one and two. The top two teams will then compete in division one and the bottom three in division two (on days four and five). Check out the teams competing and view the draw online, via Tournament Software

### View online at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/OMIP22draw">bit.ly/OMIP22draw</a>

# **Hints and Tips**



### Tournament Transport

Tournament transport is provided for players staying at the Edgewater:

- To and from the Airport (Arriving 25/26 May only)
- To the Airport (Departing 1 June only)
- To and from the Telecom Arena for all sessions
- To and from Captain Tama's Lagoon Cruise



## **Tournament Updates**

There will be a noticeboard at reception, at The Edgewater Resort and Spa which will be updated daily with all event-related information.



#### **COVID-19 and Travel Documents**

- Ensure you read and comply with all NZ, Cook Islands government rules and Air New Zealand rules for flying.
- Please note you must be fully vaccinated to stay or visit the Edgewater Resort and Spa.
- COVID-19 is active in the Rarotonga community. We encourage mask wearing. Check out the Cook Islands Tourism website to ensure you meet all entry criteria at CookIslands.Travel/TravelChecklist



## Mobile Phone provider and Data

- Vodafone is the only mobile network operating in the Cook Islands.
- It is recommended that you turn off your data/roaming while on your flight to Rarotonga - NZ international roaming packages do not work in Cook Islands.
- To ensure a swift arrival into Rarotonga and save you time at the airport, you are able to purchase a Vodafone traveler SIM cards at the tournament desk, located at reception at the Edgewater Resort and Spa.
- For \$49, you can receive 5GB data, 30 minutes and 300 texts which can be used to communicate with family and friends in New Zealand. Please note, these SIM cards may only work if your phone is unlocked or already with Vodafone.
- NOTE: You will receive a temporary Cook Islands mobile number.



## **Edgewater facilities**

- Laundry (\$6 per wash or dry, \$2 per packet of soap powder)
- Swimming pool (towels provided)
- Beachfront restaurant and bar (Happy hour every day 5-6pm)



### Currency

New Zealand Dollars are acceptable everywhere



#### Water

It is not recommended to drink local water. You will be provided with a reusable water bottle as part of your goodie bag and there will be water dispensers available at the tournament venue



#### Snacks

You may want to bring your own snacks - ensure anything you bring into the country is packaged



### Mosquitoes

Take insect repellant and/or bite cream



### Sun Block

Protect your skin with high SPF



#### Cook Island Maori Phrases

Cook Islands Maori is the local language. Here are some useful phrases:

- Hello Kia Orana
- Goodbye Are atu
- Please Piriti
- Thank you Meitaki
- Nice shot Tano meitaki
- Good game Meitaki taau tareka



### Restaurants and Things To Do

There are several bars and restaurants around Rarotonga - some within walking distance from the hotel. Additionally, there are some wonderful beaches and activities that you could try. Find out more at CookIslands.Travel/things-to-do



## **Snorkeling and Reef Shoes**

While you can borrow reef shoes and snorkels, you may want to bring your own for the excursion. Reef shoes are highly recommended for the abundant coral in Rarotonga.



#### Car and bike hire

Car and bike hire is available from the Polynesia Car Hire office which is based at the Edgewater Resort and Spa



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