

The dream of a Nation.....





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Republic of Nauru

Office of the President

March 1st 2011

**Mr Vidhya Lakhan
President
Pacific Games Council
BP 333
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NEW CALEDONIA**

Dear Vidhya,

It gives me great pleasure that I formally advise the Pacific Games Council of my Government's full support for Nauru to host the Xth South Pacific Mini Games in 2017.

As a sporting nation, Nauruan's are passionate about many different types of sports and in recent years, the results at regional games for Nauru have been outstanding. It is this momentum that we want to continue and hosting the Games will be a fitting culmination for Sports in Nauru.

If given the honour to host the Games, Nauru Government stands ready to meet all the requirements and obligations to ensure the success of the Games. We are aware and certainly most appreciative of the determination and enthusiasm of all the sporting bodies involved in this bid and we as the Government stand proudly shoulder to shoulder with them in presenting our firm commitment to the Council.

As a former athlete, who has represented Nauru at 3 Olympic Games, 4 Commonwealth Games and many Regional Games including my first Mini Games in Tonga in 1989, the impact these events have had on me have been life changing. I strongly believe it is now Nauru's turn to experience the same powerful and strong values these Games leave not only on the participants, but also the hosts of the Games.

Nauru is ready to welcome our Pacific brothers and sisters to our shores in 2017.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stephen'.

**H.E. Honourable Marcus Stephen
President
Republic of Nauru**

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REPUBLIC OF NAURU

March 1st 2011

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Mr Vidhya Lakhan
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Dear Mr.President

As Minister for Sports and on behalf of the Nauru Government and the people of Nauru, I sincerely endorse Nauru's submission to host the Pacific Mini Games in 2017.

In Nauru, sport is very popular and widely practiced. Through the dedication of our athletes, Nauru has made a considerable name for itself in the world of sports.

There are a number of sports which are practiced and followed in Nauru, chief among them being weightlifting, boxing, Australian rules football, and tennis. The first three are especially popular in Nauru, and the sportsmen and sportswomen of Nauru have done our country proud, winning various events in these sports in the Pacific and Oceania region, the Commonwealth and the world.

As a sports loving nation, we have also retained some of our traditional sports. The Frigate bird game is the most distinctive traditional sports and there are several popular ball games and wrestling games of local origin still practiced today in Nauru with great passion.

Our vision for the Games is to provide sporting facilities as a legacy to our children. To give our young athletes world class standard facilities to train in and the opportunity of further international success.

We are very confident that we can conduct these Games, in true island tradition whilst at the same time abiding by the international rules and the professional standards of international sport.

Nauru very much looks forward to the opportunity of hosting the 2017 Pacific Mini Games.

Yours sincerely

HON.MATHEW BATSIUA, M.P
MINISTER FOR SPORTS

REPUBLIC OF NAURU



PARLIAMENT

Office of the Speaker

March 1st 2011

**Mr Vidhya Lakhan
President
Pacific Games Council
BP 333
98845 Noumea Cedex
NEW CALEDONIA**

Dear Mr.Lakhan

On behalf of the people of Nauru and my own behalf, I wish to confirm that we are in full support with the Government and the Nauru Olympic Committee in their efforts to host the Pacific Mini Games 2017 in Nauru.

I assure you the support of the Members of Parliament in hosting these Games and we will be fulfilling our commitments to make the Games a great success.

I am confident that the advantages my country is likely to gain from these Games, will be of great benefit for our younger generation and will leave a legacy for the years to come.

I am also aware that hosting these Games will provide adequate sporting facilities which will help our future generations to train and compete at the local, regional and international level.

I assure you that the people of Nauru will be extending their warm hospitality to the visiting nation's officials and participants and will make sure that your stay will be comfortable and enjoyable and safe in Nauru during the period of this game.

Yours sincerely


Hon.Ludwig Scotty, M.P

**Speaker of Parliament
Republic of Nauru**



REPUBLIC OF NAURU

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NAURU, CENTRAL PACIFIC

March 1st 2011

Mr Vidhya Lakhani
President
Pacific Games Council
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NEW CALEDONIA

Dear Mr. President

We the Members of Parliament hereby give our assurance and commitment that we fully support the endeavor of the Nauru Government and the Nauru Olympic Committee's proposal to host the Pacific Mini Games 2017.

We the Members of Parliament hereby further pledge that we will meet our obligations and responsibilities to host the Mini Games in 2017.

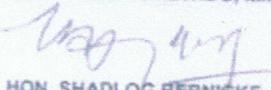
We look forward to the opportunity of being your hosts and to make this important event a memorable one for each and every one who will be visiting our shores.


HON. KIEREN KEKE, M.P.
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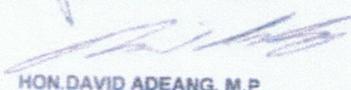

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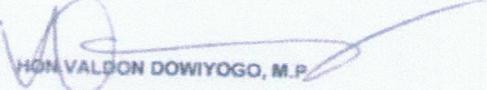

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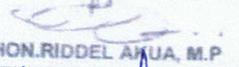

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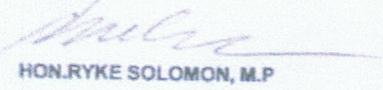

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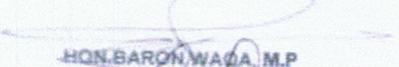

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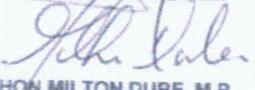

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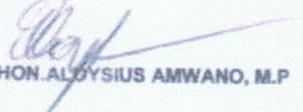

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Dear President,

On behalf of the Government and the People of Nauru, it gives us great pleasure and honour to submit our bid to host the 2017 Mini Pacific Games.

Our bid for the Games has been unanimously endorsed by all members of Cabinet, the full House of Parliament, our own National Olympic Committee Executive Board and all members of the sports associations on Nauru.

In accordance with Protocol 1.4 of the Pacific Games Council Charter, It is with further honour that we enclose the letters of support from;

- Head of State - His Excellency the President, Honourable Marcus Stephen MP
- Speaker of the House of Parliament - Honourable Ludwig Scotty MP
- Minister for Sports - Honourable Mathew Batsiua MP

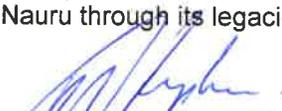
As a follow up to the above letters of support and also in accordance of Protocol 1.4 of the Games charter, we the Executive Board of the Nauru Olympic Committee in conjunction with all the sporting federations and associations on Nauru give the Pacific Games Council our full commitment and cooperation to ensure the success of the 2017 Pacific Mini Games.

In committing to this bid, we further understand the responsibilities we will shoulder to prepare the best facilities for the athletes for the games. Preparations have already begun in earnest to meet these responsibilities with the identification of a brand new sports stadium to be built, brand new multipurpose hall to be built and the upgrade of the remaining facilities to meet the international standards required for the Games.

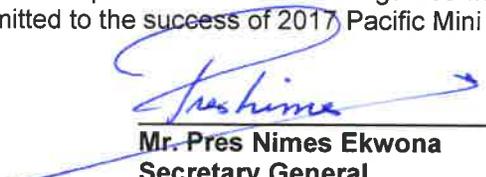
Nauru has undergone some dramatic changes economically in recent years and although it has been a tough road travelled, Nauru has now re-emerged with a more determined commitment to its economic structure and stronger focus on the development of its youth through education and in particular a strong encouragement in sports. It is for this precise reason; the Government of Nauru has thrown its full weight and support behind this bid.

We may be one of the smallest nations in the Pacific, but our recent success in sports particularly in weightlifting, has placed us on the international stage of sport. An achievement that we continue to build on today and into the future by formally submitting our bid to the Pacific Games Council.

Finally all stakeholders in this bid recognize the enormous impact and benefits these games will have on Nauru through its legacies and stand ready and committed to the success of 2017 Pacific Mini Games.

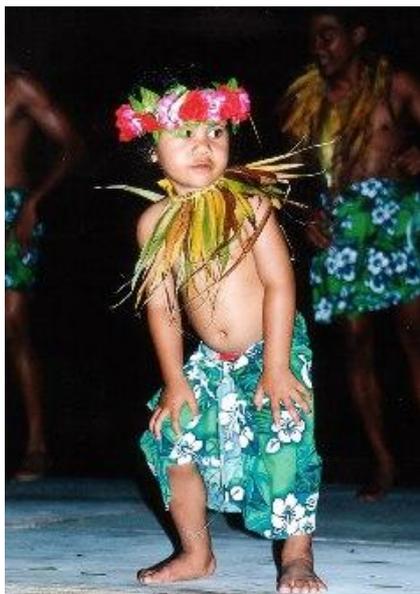


**H.E Hon. Marcus Stephen MP
President
Nauru Olympic Committee**



**Mr. Pres Nimes Ekwona
Secretary General
Nauru Olympic Committee**

Legacy - Rebuilding a Nation.



Yes.... we can do it!!!

Pacific Sports has always played an important role in developing Pacific countries economically and socially. Sports always had the ability to galvanize a nation's spirit through the expression of its cultural history and reinforcement of national pride and self respect in successfully hosting a multi sports event such as the 2017 Mini Pacific Games.

For Nauru, hosting the Mini Games will further enhance the reforms and redevelopment it has taken over the past decade to bring itself out of the environmentally damaging decades of resource mining to a nation looking forward to a new chapter in its history through sports. The recent accomplishment in sports by our tiny nation has given Nauru a new platform to spring forward from into the future.

Nauru's existing facilities will undergo upgrades to bring them up to international standards. These facilities include Basketball ,

Weightlifting, Power lifting and Tennis. A brand new Stadium will be constructed for Athletics, Rugby 7's and Touch Rugby. Other new multipurpose complexes will be built to accommodate Boxing, Judo, Taekwondo, Table Tennis and Beach Volleyball. The refurbishments of the existing facilities, and construction of a new international standard stadium and multipurpose halls will give Nauru the ability to host future international multi sporting events or specific sports disciplines.

In addition to the physical legacy, of equal importance also is the social legacy the Games will have on the population. Nauru is already an enthusiastic sporting nation and has a great understanding of many different types of sports. Given the opportunity to participate in the Games will further enhance Nauru's capacity, not only in sports administration and management, but also officiating at top levels of competition. At the same time the facilities will give Nauruans a motivating incentive to participate in sports more which will lead to a more healthy and happier lifestyle.

Economically, the projected capital works will generate a substantial boost to the local businesses and trades people. The Games will have a direct impact on Nauru's business community which will position them well for further growth into the future.

The biggest winners in hosting these Games will be the children of Nauru. As a young nation, Nauru for the first time ever have a fantastic opportunity to give to its young athletes top standard facilities to train in. These young athletes will grow up one day to represent their country with pride.

Nauru is committed to ensure athletes and officials not only get to perform at their best during the games, but also enjoy playing and officiating the games. By doing so they are all contributing to the rebuilding of Nauru as a Nation.

Sports selected:

The name of the mascot is 'ITI' the frigate bird.



TENNIS (M & W)



ATHLETICS (M & W)



BASKETBALL (M & W)



POWER LIFTING (M & W)



RUGBY 7s (M)



BEACH VOLLEYBALL (M & W)



TAEKWONDO (M & W)



JUDO (M & W)



WEIGHTLIFTING (M & W)



BOXING (M)



TOUCH RUGBY (M & W)



TABLE TENNIS (M & W)

COMPETITION SCHEDULE : July 4 -12, 2017

EVENTS	Day 1 Tuesday 4 July	Day 2 Wednesday 5 July	Day 3 Thursday 6 July	Day 4 Friday 7 July	Day 5 Saturday 8 July	Day 6 Sunday 9 July	Day 7 Monday 10 July	Day 8 Tuesday 11 July	Day 9 Wednesday 12 July	Day 10 Thursday 13 July	Day 11 Friday 14 July	Day 12 Saturday 15 July
Opening Ceremony												
Closing Ceremony												
Athletics												
Basketball												
Beach Volleyball												
Boxing												
Judo												
Power lifting												
Table Tennis												
Taekwondo												
Tennis												
Touch Rugby												
Rugby 7s												
Weightlifting												

Touch Rugby **first day** of competition is Monday 3rd.

ATHLETIC STADIUM

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

CENTENNIAL HALL

TENNIS COURTS

BOXING HALL

BASKETBALL COMPLEX

NSS SPORTS HALL

The Nauru Government will be funding all the infrastructure required for the staging of the Mini Games. The upgrading of current facilities and construction of new facilities will be finalized by the 31st January, 2016. With the new national stadium being declared open on this date as Nauru celebrates its 48th Year of Independence.

The Games will be free of charge to the people of Nauru in order for the people to enjoy the 12 days of sporting festivities.

FACILITIES

Athletic Stadium catering for.....

Athletics, Rugby 7s and Touch Rugby

A brand new sporting stadium will be built in the middle of the country to host the Opening and Closing Ceremonies as well as the program for Athletics, Rugby 7's and Touch Rugby.

The creation of this complex will be a powerful symbol of rebirth or rehabilitation of Nauru after decades of phosphate mining.



“The Athletic stadium to be built over the pinnacles left behind from mining”.

The stadium will literally rise up and over the pinnacles left behind from mining. The stadium will be finished by the 31st January 2016, some eighteen months prior to the beginning of the Games. The stadium will have tiered seating catering for 10,000 people.

CENTENNIAL HALL catering for ...

Weightlifting and Power Lifting

This hall is the home of weightlifting and power lifting. Commonwealth, Oceania and Olympic qualification events have been held at this venue. It is a unique venue situated 80 metres from the Games Headquarters.

The venue is ideal for these two sports with solid concrete stage and a warm up area especially for competition directly behind the main stage. The venue is open sided with a covered roof. It has seating capacity for 1,500 spectators.



Centennial Hall during one of the weightlifting events.

NSS SPORT HALL catering for.....

Table Tennis and Taekwondo

This new secondary school sports hall will cater for two sports, taekwondo and table tennis.

The facility is situated within the main athletes village and therefore for those athletes, coaches and officials in these sports, internal travel will not be a problem at all. A matter of 20 to 30 metres in distance.



NSS Sports Hall situated within one of the Athlete Villages .

TENNIS CENTRE.....

Tennis will be played at the Aiwo Tennis Centre. This is located within easy walking distance from the athletes villages.

The courts are well equipped but of course will be upgraded to even better standards for the Mini Games with increased spectator facilities.



Competition at the Nauru Tennis Centre in Aiwo.

BASKETBALL COMPLEX.....

Basketball will be played at the Yaren Court situation next to the NSS Sports Hall. This is located next to the Games main athletes Village.

The basketball court will have specified sprung timber flooring suitable for international competition.

Architectural designs have already been drawn up and building will be completely re-built in 2012.



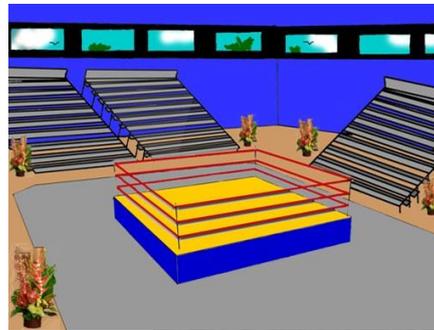
The Basketball complex will be built similar to the above artist impression .

BOXING HALL catering for.....

Boxing & Judo

This sporting venue which currently does exist will be completely re-built in the district of Denig in the next 18 months. Again it is within walking distance from many of the other games venues.

There will be tiered seating for 1,500 spectators.



Boxing and Judo Hall will be a similar design to the above.

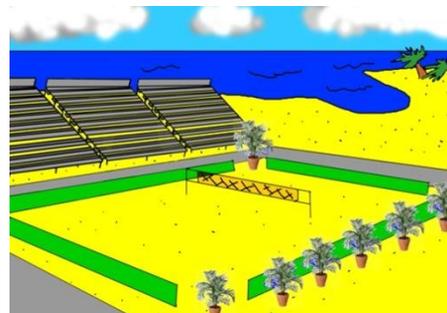
BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURT.....

Beach volleyball will be played at the Centennial Hall.

This is a new sport for Nauru and we are sure it will be extremely popular amongst the young people of Nauru.

The court for competition will be built alongside the weightlifting and powerlifting venue and situated in the central district. It will be suitable for evening competitions with tiered seating accommodating 600 people.

Again it is within 80 metres of the Games Headquarters and easy walking distance from most other venues.



Beach volleyball main court similar to the above.

TRAINING FACILITIES - PRIOR AND DURING THE GAMES

Weightlifting -	Training during the games will be at the Nauru Weightlifting Centre.
Powerlifting -	Training facilities during the games will be at the Meneng Church Hall
Athletics -	6 line track will be built along side the main stadium which will include also field sports.
Rugby 7s –	Prior to competition the training will be held at Linkbelt Oval in Aiwo
Touch Rugby –	Training at main stadium also training can be held at the Location oval
Basketball Hall -	Basketball complex and also at the China Town basketball courts.
Tennis -	At the tennis courts in Menen Hotel and also at the Menen Terrace courts
Boxing –	Training facilities during the games will be at the Boxing gymnasium
Table Tennis -	Training during the games will be at the Yaren Police Complex
Taekwondo –	Training during the games will be at the NSS sports hall
Judo -	Training during the games will be at the Boxing complex
Beach Volleyball -	at the Centennial Hall court and also the Boe Channel

Facilities to be upgraded for training are as follows:

Athletics -	at topside
Rugby -	at Linkbelt Oval
Touch rugby -	at Location Oval
Tennis -	at Menen Terrace courts
Table tennis -	at Yaren Police Complex
Beach volley -	at the Boe Channel



Basketball hall to be re-built.



Linkbelt oval – the home of Aussie rules football – will be re-surfaced for the training of Rugby 7s.



The Denig oval in Nibok will be surfaced for Touch Rugby training.

MINI GAMES PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

	Revenue	AUD \$
1	Government Contribution	\$11,000,000.00
2	Sponsorship	\$1,000,000.00
3	Per diem	\$1,500,000.00
	Total Expected Revenue	\$13,500,000.00

	Expenditure	AUD \$
	New Sports Facilities	\$4,200,000.00
	Upgrading of existing facilities	\$2,350,000.00
	District maintenance program	\$500,000.00
2	Accommodation-Upgrading	\$1,300,000.00
3	Catering	\$1,500,000.00
4	Internal Transport	\$550,000.00
6	Competition Equipment	\$500,000.00
7	Games Administration Expenses	\$2,000,000.00
8	International Travel Cost	\$400,000.00
9	Misc Expenses	\$200,000.00
	Total Expected Expenditure	\$13,500,000.00

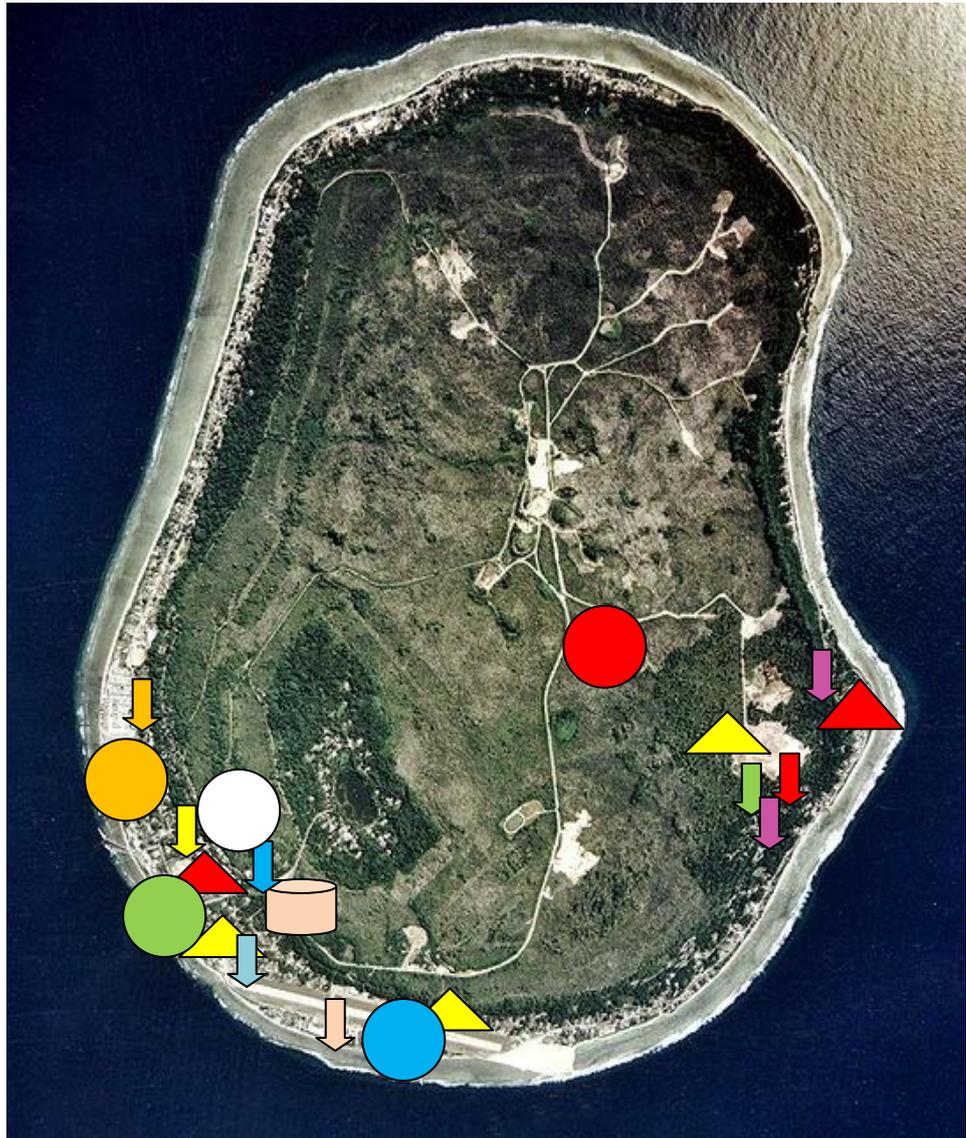
EXPECTED EXPENDITURE FOR SPORTS FACILITIES

Sports	Current Facility	New Facility	Upgrade Facility
Athletics Stadium Rugby Touch Rugby	No	\$4,200,000.00	
Centennial Hall Weightlifting Power Lifting	yes		\$300,000.00
Boxing Hall Boxing Judo	Yes		\$245,000.00
NSS Sports Hall Table Tennis Taekwondo	Yes		Nil
Beach Volleyball Court	Yes		\$100,000.00
Tennis courts upgrading Tennis	Yes		\$180,000.00
Basketball complex Basketball	Yes		\$525,000.00
Upgrading training facilities	Yes		\$1,000,000.00
TOTAL		\$4,200,000.00	\$2,350,000.00

The budget is very accurate with almost all funding coming from the Government. The reconstruction of existing venues will be undertaken first beginning in 2012 and finished within the first two years. Whilst the main athletic stadium is to be completed 18 months prior to the Games The individual details of the budget will be available to the Pacific Games Council during the evaluation process for their perusal.

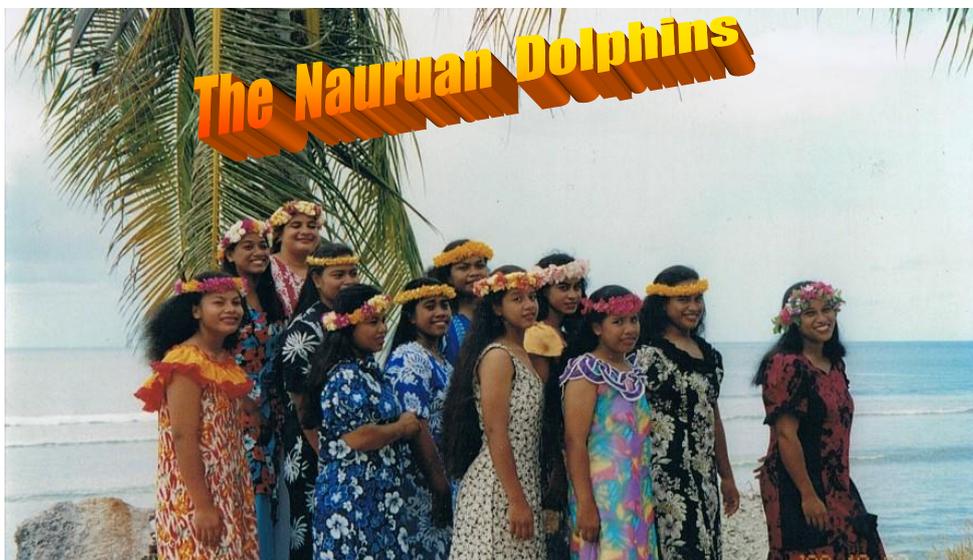
ACCOMMODATION & COMPETITION VENUES

-  Athletic Stadium
Rugby 7s
Touch Rugby
-  Boxing
Judo
-  Basketball
Table Tennis
Taekwondo
-  Weightlifting
Power Lifting
Beach Volleyball
-  Tennis
-  Hotels
-  Villages
-  Games
Headquarters
Media Centre



Training Venues: Weightlifting ↓ Boxing ↓ Rugby7s ↓ Touch Rugby ↓
Basketball ↓ Power Lifting ↓ Tennis ↓ Beach Volleyball ↓

Please note that the longest distance which would have to be travelled by car is 5 minutes.



"The Nauruan Dolphins" The most successful weightlifting team in the Oceania Region. From 1997 to the Pacific Games in Apia 2007, this brilliant group of athletes won at Pacific Games and Minis Pacific Games 63 Gold medals, 18 Silver medals and 6 Bronze medals.

2017 MINI GAMES
July 4 - 15
Nauru

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Technical Officials

The Nauru Olympic Committee will put in place arrangements to upgrade to international level as many of the national technical officials as possible in the next six years through the regional international federations.

In addition to this, the Organising Committee will work closely with all the relevant national federations in order to ensure the successful delivery of all sport competitions.

Also a close working relationship will be established with the Pacific Games Council and the relevant sporting bodies of Oceania in order that all necessary expertise and advice is utilized for the successful delivery of the Mini Games.

The Nauru Olympic Committee will provide additional technical officials for the twelve sports according to the Pacific Games Council charter.

Athletics
Basketball
Beach volleyball
Boxing
Judo
Power Lifting
Rugby 7s
Table tennis
Taekwondo
Tennis
Touch Rugby
Weightlifting



Media



Despite its geographic location Nauru has an enviable international reputation in sports broadcasting and acknowledges the needs of an increasingly interconnected audience. Nauru understands that the measure of any games is the host nations capacity to meet these media requirements.

Nauru was the headquarters of the Pacific's first ever trans Pacific television network SPN and has a wealth of experience streaming live coverage of major events to Pacific, Commonwealth and Asian clients.

In 1999 Nauru television pioneered coverage of the South Pacific Games live from Guam, including the Opening and Closing ceremonies. Five sports were covered live simultaneously, with many other sports packaged for a delayed telecast. The games were televised via Intelsat 180 to over 30 countries.

This infrastructure and expertise will be made available through Nauru Television, the government owned national broadcaster and Host Broadcaster for 2017. In a fast changing digital world, Nauru also understands the needs of participating countries for timely and immediate information delivered by the internet and other means.

The Digicel network now oversees the Nauruan mobile telephone system ensuring common Pacific standards and utility.

The Organising Committee also undertakes to work together with other Pacific countries to meet their specific media requirements.

NAURU GENERAL BACKGROUND

Nauru is centrally located in the middle of the Pacific and a short distance from the equator. It is the smallest Independent Republic in the World with a total area of 21km sq. Unlike many island nations of the Pacific, Nauru is uniquely a single coral atoll island on its own with the closet neighbor being the Island of Banaba over 300 kms to the east of Nauru. Being one of the smallest countries in the world, the Nauruan language has also been identified as being one of the smallest languages spoken in the world today as only the population of approximately 10,000 people speak the language.

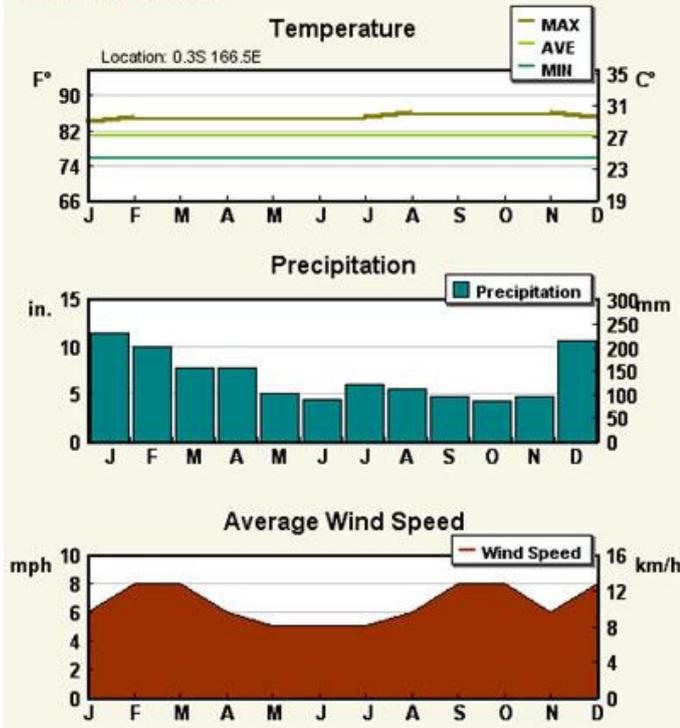


Nauru's cultural history was first recorded after a Ship whaling Captain John Fearn came across the island in 1798. He named it Pleasant island due to the friendly nature of the Nauruans who came out to greet him. Following this though came about a series of events which nearly devastated Nauru. The first was a long ongoing tribal war between various chiefs during the late 1800s. This was finally stopped when the Germans took over administration of the island towards the end of the century. At the beginning of the 1900s phosphate rock was discovered on Nauru and under the joint administration of Australia, New Zealand and Britain, mining of phosphate commenced at a rapid rate.

There was a brief pause in mining when WWII broke out in the Pacific and although Nauru seemed isolated to the rest of the world, it was soon the target of repeated attacks by Japanese planes. This later led to a full invasion of Nauru by the Japanese forces in 1942 and they occupied Nauru until their surrender to America in 1945. During their occupation, the Japanese transferred 1200 Nauruans to the island of Truk to work as labourers. From those who were taken from Nauru only 737 returned back to Nauru in 1946. Following the war, Nauru's movement towards independence began through the efforts of Hammer DeRoburt. When Independent sovereignty was finally granted to Nauru, the date of the return of the Nauruan's from Truk (31 January) was selected as the official hand over date therefore on January 31st 1968, the Republic of Nauru was finally inaugurated as an independent sovereign country and the first President became Hammer DeRoburt. As well as gaining her independence, Nauru also gained full control of the phosphate mining industry and the revenue received through this export saw Nauru's economy grow at a dramatic rate. This however changed through the 1990s and today the focus is still on overcoming the challenges presented to Nauru after the collapse of many of Nauru's international investments.



Yaren, Nauru



Nauru Climate

Nauru Climate The location of Nauru in the South Pacific Ocean, 42 kms south of the Equator, means that the weather remains stable within a temperature range of 24 degrees to 33 degrees Celcius throughout the year.

In general, the dry season in Nauru is accompanied by the easterly trade winds. The wet season begins from November and ends around February. The westerly monsoon winds bring in moisture bearing clouds to Nauru during the wet season.

The average rainfall on the island of Nauru is about 200cm.

The climate of Nauru demands clothes that are light in weight and waterproof. Nauru climate is quite predictable.

GENERAL INFORMATION

International Transport

- Our airline has decades of experience in the Pacific region and is well placed to all the regional hubs in the Pacific. Our extensive experience in operating charters in this region means we are ready to take on this important task and is committed to the success of the 2017 Mini South Pacific Games. We stand ready to work with all the participating countries to move their athletes, officials and guests to Nauru and return.



As is the common practice with past Games, we believe some countries will choose to bring their own teams on their own national airlines and we welcome this and will work together with the airlines to ensure their arrival and departures are coordinated smoothly and professionally

Local Transport

- Transport for athletes, coaches and managers will be provided for all teams upon arrival and departure. Buses will also service the games for transporting athletes to training and competition venues.
- Mini buses will service the village and the competition venues for officials
- One car each will be provided for each Chef de Mission
- Four VIP cars will be available for the President, 1st Vice President, General Secretary and CEO of the Pacific Games Council.
- Additional cars will be provided to IOC members in attendance and Head of States from the Pacific.
- Two mini buses will also be available for anti-doping controllers.
- Special buses will be put on a timetable to go around the island at no charge. For the public and also for the tourist visiting the games.
- Motor scooters and bicycles will be available also for rent during the Games.

Village per diem

- The per diem will USD\$50 equal to current AUD\$50. The Organising Committee will guarantee to maintain the estimated per diem even if there is any rise in inflation.
- The dining hall will be open for breakfast from 6am to 11am. Lunch 12 noon to 3.30pm and dinner 6.00pm to 10.30pm.
- A special area will be open for athletes and officials outside of these times but the food will be at a cost.
- As we will have three athletes villages, dining facilities will be available at all three villages.

Medical

- The services of the Nauru Hospital will be available at no cost to athletes and officials for the duration of the Games. In addition all medical personnel will be fully involved to assist where necessary during the Games.
- A polyclinic will be set up at the main athletes village for athletes and team officials use. The clinic will provide services in physiotherapy, massage, first aid and primary health care
- All venues will have a medical service set up.

Doping control Centre

- The Organising Committee will ask the regional Anti Doping Organization (ORADO) to conduct all doping control in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code. ORADO will decide the laboratory for the testing as to where the samples will be sent.

Accommodation

- Accommodation for athletes and team officials will be provided at 3 athletes villages. The main village will be the NSS School which is a brand new building. The second village will be at Menen Terrace and the third village will be constructed at Boe. We envisage to cater for 1,500 to 2,000 athletes and team officials.
- The VIP's, Pacific Council Executive and IF Representatives and Technical Officials will be staying at the Meneng Hotel.
- Media and other guests will be accommodated at the O'D'N Aiwo Hotel.

House keeping

- The house keeping team will provide for the villages daily cleaning of rooms, bathrooms, toilets and other amenities.
- The changing of bed sheets and towels will be every 3 days.
- Laundry facilities will be available at the Games Villages which will contain washing machines, dryers, ironing facilities, etc.

Games Village service

- There will be an office at every Games Village to assist with administrative support, general transport information, distribution of keys, lost and found area, meeting room arrangements and other general requirements to keep the smooth running of village going.
- The Organising Committee will provide a range of entertainment and recreation facilities will be available at the Games Villages.
- Religious services will also be available within the Games Villages.
- A sports information centre will also be located at the three Games Villages providing daily results, competition information and training schedules for each sport, etc.

Other Information

- There is limited major stores on the island.
- The local currency of Nauru is the Australian dollar. Bank facilities will be available.
- Electrical voltage in Nauru is 240 volts – similar to Australia.
- Time Zone – Nauru is 11 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time. (GMT)
- Internet service will be available at the Games Villages. Digicel is the provider of internet service and also mobile service on the island. It offers very affordable rates and excellent coverage.
- Team meeting rooms will be available upon request through the Games Village Service centre.
- Entry visas will not be an issue. All the countries need to do is apply for the visas and they will be granted providing that all passport details are made available. There will no cost associated with the visa.
- Customs authorities may enforce strict regulations concerning firearms, medication, drugs, pornographic literature or video tapes. More information will be given on this well before the Games.

Security

- Nauru is possibly the safest country in the world. It is one of the few places left where you can leave your doors open and your car keys in the car and not be at all concerned. Of course during the Games with 2000 athletes and officials, there will be security provided within the villages.

Team assistants

- Each team will be designated an assistant to the Chef De Mission and also to the Team Manager.



Nauru ... the pleasant Island

WE GUARANTEE



If Nauru is fortunate to be awarded the 2017 Pacific Mini Games then we will abide by the Pacific Games Council charter to fulfil our obligations to all financial requirements related to hosting the Games.

- All countries and territory members of the Pacific Games Council will be invited to participate in the 10th Pacific Mini Games.
- All participants will be allowed to take part without discrimination as to race, gender, colour, politics or religion.
- Nauru has no special laws which would limit, restrict or interfere with the Games.
- A three month visa will be issued to all participants free of charge.
- There will be free internal transport for any visitors attending the Games.
- The Games will be free of charge to the people of Nauru and to any foreign visitors who attend – this includes Opening and Closing Ceremonies.
- The Games will be broadcast by the local television NTV and we will ensure that we work together with all foreign television wishing to have coverage of the Games.
- The foreign print and electronic media will have access to a fully integrated and secure technical solution in order to optimize and streamline the Games.
- Most of all we guarantee you a very safe and pleasant stay.





REPUBLIC OF NAURU

Office of the President

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to confirm that Nauru is the Signatory of the UN Anti Doping Convention.

Dated this 22nd day of February 2011.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Stephen".

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