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1 May Cyclone Season Finishes	2 Jun Tongan Emancipation day – Bank Holiday Observed. 4 Jun	16 to 22 Sep 30th Tonga International Billfish Tournament
3 May MV Silver Cloud 296 pass/222 crew	5 Jun World Environment Day	17 Sep Crown prince birthday – Bank Holiday
4 May Childrens Day – Tonga Only	6 to 12 June Miss Vava'u	19 Sep International Talk like a pirate day
5 May Cinco De Mayo	8 Jun World Ocean Day	27 Sep World Tourism Day
5 to 10 May NPDL Pacific Fishing Competition	mid Jun ICA rally arrives Vava'u, departs mid	TBA Vava'u Sailing Festival
6 May MV Paul Gauguin 332 pax/217 crew	July Lau 45 yachts 95 pax	End Sep Faka-sepitema White September
7 May White Sunday – childrens day	3, 4 Jul Heilala Festival (1 to 3 weeks)	1 Oct MV Seabourn Pursuit 264 pax
11 May Mothers Day Tonga	4 Jul King Tupou VI Birthday – Bank holiday	1 4 5 Oct Yom Kippur
16 May MV Silver Cloud 296 pax/222 crew	4 Jul American Independence Day	3 Oct MV Silver Cloud 296 pax/222 crew
18 May ICA rally arrives Nuk ? yachts	14 Jul Bastille Day	TBA Oct NZ Fishing News Competition
18 May Fathers Day – Tonga Only	Aug Royal Agriculture, Fisheries, Tourism and Trade show	Tongan Beach Resort
26 to 30 May Agricultural Show Nukua'lofa.	12 Aug International Youth Day	28 Oct MV Zaandam 1432 pax/607 crew
26 May 6 June World Arc 32 yachts, 110 pax	13 Sep International Chocolate Day	31 Oct Halloween
2 June Vava'u Library Fundraiser		

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<p><u>Housekeeping matters- Yachts</u></p> <p>Moorings in Vava'u are private.</p> <p>Speed in Harbour 5 knots, no wake zone, swimmers in water</p> <p>VHF Net 26 8.30am 6 days</p> <p>Whats app "Sailing to Tonga"  <a href="http://www.vavau.to/portofficer.pdf">www.vavau.to/portofficer.pdf</a> for info  <a href="http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf">www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf</a> what's on</p> <p>Sunday – no noise/work</p> <p>Marine Reserve rules</p> <p>Rubbish/used Oil/Batteries/food scraps</p>	<p><b>Moorings</b> – All moorings are privately owned.  Different size blocks, chain etc. Do not just take one, then find the owner after! It might be rented/booked or too small for your vessel.  Approx \$15+ a night but does vary based on weight and season. Do not attempt to leave without paying, owners may talk to customs if monies are owed.  - Beluga Diving VHF 09 +676 70327 (yellow and white numbered buoys) <a href="mailto:belugadivingvavau@hotmail.com">belugadivingvavau@hotmail.com</a>  - Moorings (red bouys) +676 8720022 <a href="mailto:shane@tongasailing.com">shane@tongasailing.com</a> Do not pay Mango.  No anchoring fields Neiafu <a href="http://www.vavau.to/vavauharbournoanchor.jpg">www.vavau.to/vavauharbournoanchor.jpg</a></p> <p><b>Harbour speed is 5 knots</b>, no wake zone, swimmers/spear fisherman in water, consider wake for yachts on anchor!</p> <p>Tonga has marine reserves in the form of Special Management Areas and Fish Habitat Reserves. Various anchoring and fishing controls, please respect the conservation efforts <a href="https://vavau.to/vavausma2024.jpg">https://vavau.to/vavausma2024.jpg</a></p> <p>Rubbish bins for yachties are in place at the small boat marina and in front of Beluga Diving. Please bag all rubbish. Collected weekly, so nothing smelly. Used Oil, dead batteries and food scraps (no meat) are accepted at Café Tropicana.</p> <p>26 and 60 are repeater channels. Please turn your VHF on while you here. 26 is commonly used, but dual watch 26/16 if you can. Triple watch 26/16/60 if you can.</p>																																																																						

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<p><u>Seven Seas Cruising Association</u>  <a href="http://www.scca.org">www.scca.org</a>  <a href="mailto:office@scca.org">office@scca.org</a></p>	<p><b>What is SSCA?</b>  The Seven Seas Cruising Association is the oldest and largest worldwide organization supporting the liveaboard cruising lifestyle. Founded in 1952 by six liveaboard couples in California and now with members worldwide, today’s SSCA remains true to the traditions of its original members—sharing cruising information, fostering camaraderie, and leaving a clean wake.</p> <p>Proud to be SSCA Port Officer for Tonga! <a href="http://www.vavau.to/portofficer.pdf">www.vavau.to/portofficer.pdf</a></p>
<p><u>Ways into Tonga/Vava’u - Air</u></p>	<p>Air NZ – Auckland (Akl) to Tongatapu (TBU) <a href="https://www.airnewzealand.co.nz/">https://www.airnewzealand.co.nz/</a>  Qantas Sydney (SYD) to Tongatapu (TBU) <a href="https://www.qantas.com/">https://www.qantas.com/</a>  Air Fiji Nadi (NAN) to Tongatapu (TBU) <a href="https://www.fijiairways.com/">https://www.fijiairways.com/</a>  Air Fiji Nadi (NAN) to Vava’u(VAV) mid April to End January <a href="https://www.fijiairways.com/">https://www.fijiairways.com/</a>  Air Fiji Suva (SUV) to Tongatapu (TBU) <a href="https://www.fijiairways.com/">https://www.fijiairways.com/</a>  Talofa Airways Pago Pago (PPG) to Tongatapu (TBU) seasonal <a href="https://www.talofairways.com/">https://www.talofairways.com/</a>  Talofa Airways Western Samoa (APW) to Tongatapu (TBU) seasonal <a href="https://www.talofairways.com/">https://www.talofairways.com/</a>  Talofa Airways Pago Pago (PPG) to Vava’u (VAV) seasonal <a href="https://www.talofairways.com/">https://www.talofairways.com/</a>  Talofa Airways Western Samoa (APW) to Vava’u (VAV) seasonal <a href="https://www.talofairways.com/">https://www.talofairways.com/</a></p> <p>Lulutai Domestic Air. Eua, Tongatapu, Ha’apai, Vava’u, Niutoputapu <a href="http://www.lulutai-airlines.to">www.lulutai-airlines.to</a></p>
<p><u>Ways around Tonga - Ferry</u></p>	<p>Tofa Ramsay Shipping – Taka Pomana &amp; Vaomapa. Mainly Nukua’lofa, Eua, Ha’apai, Vava’u . Blue Livery 7725972 no website <a href="https://www.facebook.com/tofaramsayshipping?mibextid=ZbWKwL">https://www.facebook.com/tofaramsayshipping?mibextid=ZbWKwL</a>  <a href="mailto:ramsayshippingcompany@gmail.com">ramsayshippingcompany@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Friendly Island Shipping Agency - Otunga Ofa. Mainly Nukua’lofa, Ha’apai, Vava’u . Red Livery. 23853 <a href="http://www.friendlyislandshippingagency.com">www.friendlyislandshippingagency.com</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100076080790143...">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100076080790143...</a>  <a href="mailto:friendlyislandshippingagency@gmail.com">friendlyislandshippingagency@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Kelesi Shipping- Ko e Kelesi Pe. Mainly Nukua’lofa, Ha’apai, Vava’u, Niua . White Livery. 7770965 no website <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/912112239745156">https://www.facebook.com/groups/912112239745156</a> <a href="mailto:osimiki@gmail.com">osimiki@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Malau Shipping. Malau. Mainly Nukua’lofa, Eua, but does Ha’apai and Vava’u . White with red trim Livery 7713367 No Website <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550593538458">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550593538458</a></p>
<p><u>Small Boat Marina and Dock</u></p>	<p>Come into the heart of Vava’u. Sorry Marina has only been broken since 2020, but the concrete dock just outside is safe.</p> <p>Harbour satellite and Pic <a href="http://www.vavau.to/vavauharbourpic.jpg">www.vavau.to/vavauharbourpic.jpg</a></p>
<p><u>Utakalongalu Market</u>   Craft and Vege Market</p>	<p>Fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs. Biggest market day Saturday. Closed Sunday.</p>

	<p>Locally made arts and crafts, carvings</p> <p>Flea market on the road to the airport Saturday mornings – clothing, plastic ware, electrical</p> <p>Night Market Saturday on the road to the airport - vegetables, fruit</p>
<p><u>Community Cleanup</u></p>	<p>Seasonal cleanup of Vava’u, Saturday afternoon for a few hours. Gloves, bags, pics provided.</p> <p>Organised by Ax Factor Dive, anyone welcome, give back to Vava’u with the locals.</p>
<p><u>Vava’u Public Library</u></p> <p>FB Vava’u Public Library</p>	<p>Childrens library established 1983, non government, non church</p> <p>Saturday reading group, drama or whatever. Pitch in, gladly accepts art supplies, kids books etc</p> <p>See Café Tropicana for the biggest adult library, free. Ebooks, free.</p> <p>Service pics</p> <p>Service flyer</p>
<p><u>VEPA</u></p> <p>Vavau Environment Protection Association</p> <p>8639861 7519417</p> <p><a href="http://www.vavauenvironment.org">www.vavauenvironment.org</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:info@vavauenvironment.org">info@vavauenvironment.org</a></p> <p>Green rooms at entrance to Small Boat Marina</p>	<p>Public rubbish bins are for small items not boat or household rubbish. Rubbish disposal next to Beluga Dive and Small Boat Marina. Please release effluent 3 nautical miles off land (MARPOL is in effect).</p> <p>Taking turtle shell, black and red coral and triton trumpets are illegal – even if they are sold in the market here.</p> <p><b>Service Pics</b></p> <p><b>Service Flyers</b></p>
<p><b>Tonga Independent News</b></p> <p><b>878 0571</b></p> <p><a href="mailto:editor@tongaindependent.com">editor@tongaindependent.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.tongaindependent.com">www.tongaindependent.com</a></p>	<p>Independent News by Journalists, editorials, expose. Primarily Tongan Focus.</p> <p>Real journalists, not Sarcastic Greg.</p>
<p><b>Taxi Vava’u</b></p>	
<p><b>Taxi Nukua’lofa</b></p>	
<p><b>Yacht Services</b></p>	
<p><b>Churches</b></p>	
<p><b>Tours</b></p>	

Bookings recommended during high season June to October. Large groups especially. Pre-order if your stretched for time.

**Gigguide weekly summary.**

Where		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Ax Factor Dive <a href="http://www.axfactordive.com">www.axfactordive.com</a>	Dives, SSI SCUBA training							Closed
Harbourview Resort <a href="http://harbourviewresort.com">harbourviewresort.com</a>	Accommodation, restaurant, bar Harbour dock –Koko Bay		Cultural Night – dancing from July					
<b>Café Tropicana</b> Ph 71322 or 7512347 or 8812347 VHF 26 <a href="mailto:tropicana@vavau.to">tropicana@vavau.to</a> <a href="http://www.vavau.to/tropicana">www.vavau.to/tropicana</a>  Menu/Deli <a href="https://cafetropicnavavau.business.site/">https://cafetropicnavavau.business.site/</a> <a href="http://www.vavau/tropicana">www.vavau/tropicana</a> whiteboard <a href="http://www.vavau.to/net">www.vavau.to/net</a> Wifi Portal	Breakfast, Lunch, early dinner espresso, liquor, wifi & internet, postcards, art, charts, flags, laundry, ice, provisioning  Menu/Deli <a href="https://cafetropicnavavau.business.site/">https://cafetropicnavavau.business.site/</a>		9am -10am LPG run 10am – 11am Fuel run			10am – 11am Fuel run		
Billfish Apartments <a href="http://vavauholidayrentals.com">vavauholidayrentals.com</a> Fighting Lady Fishing Charters <a href="http://www.gamefishtonga.com">www.gamefishtonga.com</a>	Harbour apartments  Fishing charters							Fishing Closed
Tongan Beach Resort Boathouse Apartments Tonga Sailing yacht charters Whale Swim Dive Shop <a href="http://www.thetongan.com">www.thetongan.com</a>	Beach Resort Harbour apartments Sailing charters Whaleswim Fishing charters							Whaleswim and Fishing Closed
<b>Tonga Fale Nuku'alofa accommodation</b>	2 or 3 room traditional Fale, Just out of Nukua'lofa							
<b>Mia Hair and Beauty Nukua'lofa</b>	Hair Nails Massage Nukualofa							
<b>Toafa Lodge Eua</b> <a href="mailto:info@toafalodge.com">info@toafalodge.com</a> +676 8645597	Eua Lodge Tours Bikes Snorkel							

<a href="http://www.toafalodge.com">www.toafalodge.com</a>								
<b>Lagoon Apartments Nuku'alofa</b>	Studio, 1br to 2br Close to town Nuku'alofa							
<b>Pacific Timber Hardware and Leiola Duty Free</b>	Timber, tools and more Spirits, beer, fragrance, art							Closed
<b>Craft and vegetable market</b>	8am till 4pm Local vege and craft market					8am till ??. HUGE vege and craft market day!!! Flea market on main rd Night market main road	8am till noon. HUGE vege and craft market day!!! Flea market on main road Night market main road	Closed
<b>VEPA</b>	Environmental NGO							Closed
<b>Small Boat Marina/Wharf</b>	Dinghy into town							
<b>Shopping, banks supermarkets etc</b>	Banks 9am to 4pm M- F Some shops 7am to 10pm, most 8am to 9pm Liquor sales stop 9pm						MBF, western union Open ?am to Noon	Closed
<b>Vava'u Public Library</b>	Childrens Library Reading Arts and crafts	Closed	Noon to 4.30pm	Noon to 4.30pm	Noon to 4.30pm	Noon to 4.30pm	9am to 11.30am Read to the kids in English – volunteers welcome!	Closed
<b>Community Cleanup</b>	Community cleanup in Vava'u						3pm to 5pm subject to weather	

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 Delivery taxi; ???? Pay restaurant using credit card, taxi in cash.

Monthly gig guide May 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	3  8am MV Silver Cloud 3pm Community Cleanup
4 Childrens Day	5 Cinco De Mayo	6 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	7	8	9 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	10 3pm Community Cleanup
11 Mothers Day	12	13 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	14	15	16 8am MV Silver Cloud  9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	17 3pm Community Cleanup
18 Fathers Day	19	20 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	21	22	23 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	24 3pm Community Cleanup
25	26	27 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	28	29 World Arc Fleet arrives	30 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	31 3pm Community Cleanup

Monthly gig guide June 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Emancipation Day	3 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	4	5 World Environment Day	6 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	7 3pm Community Cleanup
8 World Ocean Day	9	10 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	11 ICNZ Fleet arrives	12	13 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	14 3pm Community Cleanup
15	16	17 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel Mid june ICA rally arrives vavau	18	19	20 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	21 3pm Community Cleanup
22	23	24 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	25	26	27 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	28

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Monthly gig guide July 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Start of Whale Season 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	2	3	4 King Tupou VI Day US Independence Day 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	5 3pm Community Cleanup
6	7	8 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	9	10	11 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	12 3pm Community Cleanup
13	14 Bastille Day	15 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	16	17	18 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	19 3pm Community Cleanup
20	21	22 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	23	24	25 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	26 3pm Community Cleanup
27	28	29 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	30	31		

Monthly gig guide August 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	2 3pm Community Cleanup
3	4	5 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	6	7	8 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	9 3pm Community Cleanup
10	11	12 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	13 Int Chocolate Day	14	15 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	16 3pm Community Cleanup
17	18	19 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	20	21	22 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	23 3pm Community Cleanup
24	25	26 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Culture Nite	27	28	29 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	30 3pm Community Cleanup

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Monthly gig guide September 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	3	4	5 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	6 3pm Community Cleanup
7	8	9 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	10	11	12 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	13 3pm Community Cleanup
14	15	16 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	17 Crown Prince Day	18	19 Int Talk Like a Pirate Day 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	20 3pm Community Cleanup
21	22	23 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	24	25	26 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	27 3pm Community Cleanup World Tourism Day
28	29	30 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	TBA Vava'u Sailing Festival			

Monthly gig guide October 2025 [www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/gigguide.pdf)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 MV Seabourn Pursuit	2	3 MV Silver Cloud 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	4 3pm Community Cleanup
5	6	7 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	8	9	10 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	11 3pm Community Cleanup
12	13	14 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	15	16	17 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	18 3pm Community Cleanup
19	20	21 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel 7pm HView Cultture Nite	22	23	24 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	25 3pm Community Cleanup

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MV Zandaam  
9am Tropicana LPG/fuel  
7pm HView Culture Nite

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Halloween  
9am Tropicana LPG/fuel

Don't leave Tonga yet. Nearly all insurance providers require you to be out of the pacific by 1 Nov. Topsail, a UK sail broker (Global Yacht cover underwriter) requires you to be out of the pacific by 1 December. [info@topsail.co.uk](mailto:info@topsail.co.uk) +44 (0) 7977923952. Most cyclones in the pacific occur Jan/Feb.

[www.vavau.to/passageplanningtonz.pdf](http://www.vavau.to/passageplanningtonz.pdf) for the REAL OPTIONS *on staying in Tonga over summer*, or going South to NZ by yachties that have done the passage (not from someone who has never done the passage or owns a power cat), the only valid reason to go via Nukua'lofa is to collect crew flying in (Air Fiji flies into Vava'u from Nadi), you can enter in Opuia or Whangarei etc. Come back next year and enter in Ha'apai when the weather is more stable, come north when you wish... Vava'u, Fiji etc.

Monthly gig guide November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 3pm Community Cleanup
2	3	4 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	5	6	7 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	8 3pm Community Cleanup
9	10	11 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	12	13	14 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	15 3pm Community Cleanup
16	17	18 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	19	20	21 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	22 3pm Community Cleanup
23	24	25 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	26	27	28 9am Tropicana LPG/fuel	29 3pm Community Cleanup
30						