



SAMOA GAMES 2023

SASNOC takes this opportunity to acknowledge all those who contributed to the delivery of the Samoa Games 2023 as part of celebrating Samoa's 60 years of independence.

First and foremost, gratitude to our Father in Heaven for His endless blessings, protection and guidance, the talents bestowed upon our people, His provisions and for everything.

Thank you to the Government of Samoa, in particularly the Ministry of Education Sports and Culture for the provision of funding the Samoa Games 2023.

Faafetai tele lava to Samoa Sports Facilities Authority for providing free venues for the Samoa Games tournaments, the Ministry of Police for the Police Band and also for ensuring Samoa Games 2023 was safe for all, and Samoa Fire and Emergency Services Authority for standing by in any cases of emergency.

Faamalo to all National Federations that participated and organized their tournaments, and ensuring Samoa Games 2023 is a success. The devotion and commitment shown is an evidence of undying efforts to develop our country through the development of sports and our sports people.

Thank you to our athletes, local and abroad who spared the time to participate and compete in our Games. Without you, Samoa Games 2023 would have not been a reality but just a dream.

Faafetai tele to parents, families, friends, and partners for the ongoing support. Faafetai mo la outou tapuaiga a'o alo ai le Pulega o Taaloga aemaise o alo ma fanau ma fa'agatama eseese ole Samoa Games 2023.

We would also like to extend gratitude to our media partners. The word and success of Samoa Games 2023 traveled far because you were present.

To everyone who helped out and supported in any way, o la tou pule lea. Faafetai, faafetai tele lava.

A total number of 22 sports held their tournaments for Samoa Games 2023, namely, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Cricket, Cycling Football, Golf, Hockey, Lakapi, Rugby League, Netball, Sailing, Shooting, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Tag, Tennis, Touch,

Triathlon, Volleyball, and Weightlifting. We saw overseas based athletes, coaches and officials, and families travel to Samoa to participate in the tournaments of their respective sports.

Samoa Games 2023 is now out of the way. However, the success story lingers on as we prepare for Pacific Games 2023 in Honiara Solomon Islands in November 2023. Our own Samoa Games 2023 has allowed our individual National Federations to showcase the talent of our current athletes, identify and highlight potential talents, and to pinpoint areas for improvement. Samoa Games 2023 was used by many sports as a platform to trial and selection for Sol-PG 2023.

Samoa is now in the process of trialing out and selecting athletes to represent Samoa in Sol-PG. We anticipate competing in 23 sports. The number of Team Samoa traveling to Honiara is not firm at this stage as trials for selection are still being carried out, however Team Samoa will consist of athletes, officials, coaches, team managers, and medical personnel.

Pacific Games 2023 will take place from the 19th November to 2nd December 2023 in Honiara, Solomon Islands. Team Samoa will be led by Chef de Mission Leiataualesa Jerry Brunt.

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