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Tahiti-Transpac Race competitors –

We hope you all are being productive and successful in your planning and preparations for the upcoming race. We are certainly excited at having such a strong turnout for this race, one that nearly breaks the attendance record of 16 yachts set back in 1968.

There are four important items we want to share with you in your planning:

1. New first start date: Amendment #2 to the Notice of Race was just posted on the race website at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6260> that
 - a. eliminates the definition of an Aloha Class, and
 - b. identifies **Thursday May 21st** as the first of two start dates, the other being **Thursday May 28th**.

The intent of this new first start date is to give the slower cruising-style yachts an opportunity to arrive closer to the arrival time of the faster yachts racing on this long course.

The yachts eligible to start on this date will be announced as soon as possible.

2. The contact mailing address of Transpacific Yacht Club has changed if needed for your insurance formalities.
3. We have a Logistics partner in the race with Bud Gilroy of Tahiti Yacht Agents in Papeete, who has arranged to facilitate shipping services of spares, cruising sails and other gear to Tahiti from Long Beach.

The agent in Long Beach is Island Cargo Support, handled by Tony or Cassandra – their contact information is on the race website at this link, along with all other pertinent instructions:

www.transpac-tahiti.com/shipping-service-from-los-angeles-to-tahiti.

Take note that all shipped materials need to be in Long Beach by **May 2nd**.

4. For accommodations, travel and logistics planning while in Tahiti, we have assembled several partners to help all Transpac Tahiti Race participants...we urge you to use their knowledge and services.

These are all found on the race website at this link: www.transpac-tahiti.com/logistical-supports.

If there are any questions or help you need regarding the race and its planning, please email myself in LA (tomtrujillo@me.com) or Stephanie Betz in Tahiti at stephanie@archipelagoes.net and we will be pleased to help.

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