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**NAVMAN MAUI SPEED CHALLENGE SERIES
RETURNS**

Maui, Hawaii (USA) – The **Navman** Maui Speed Challenge, presented by **Naish Sails**, is set to return on July 9, with a six part racing series to see who is the best of the best in open ocean speed sailing. Last year, over 80 people participated in this event and organizers are expecting an even better turn out. "This format is truly easy to participate in and really improves your sailing", said Marc Lefebvre, series event director. "The event kinda takes the fear out of sailing fast, off the wind, over chop and swell." Navman has once again chosen the Maui Speed Challenge Series as a venue to demonstrate their reliable product once again. The unit being used this year is the same as last years event which proved to be quite reliable and accurate stood up in the harsh conditions.



With last years speed pushing the limit ever close to 40kts, there are hopes that this barrier is broken at the event, which in open ocean sailing, is quite a feat. Queuing up this year is 2 time world record holder Erik Beale who also will be presenting a speed clinic preceding the event on July 7. More details to follow on that. Also, set to return to the event is former world champion Alex Aguera and speed aficionado Jacque Pauvert, who was one of the fastest sailors on the course. Other sailors include Robby Naish, Peter Bijl, and Micah Buzanis, to name a few. We are truly looking forward to seeing who shows up on any given weekend. You may be surprised to see a world record holder in the mix.

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Registration has begun for the event and registration forms can be downloaded from the event website or picked up in windsurfing shops on Maui this week as the forms are distributed.

OFFICIAL EVENT WEBSITE: www.mauispeed.com

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EVENT INFORMATION:

Dates for the Navman Maui Speed Challenge Series, presented by Naish Sails are July 9 and 30, August 13 and 27, and September 10 and 24, to be held from Naish Beach, near Kanaha Beach Park, between the Canoe Hale and Kite Beach. Each competitor will be provided with a Sport.Tool M300 GPS unit, provided by main sponsor Navman. The competition is open to the following categories: Open Class (in which those with specialized speed sailing equipment will compete), Men, Women, Masters, Youth, Fun and Kite.

For more information on the Navman Sport.Tool M300, visit www.navmanusa.com and www.sport-tool.com. www.naishsails.com.

EVENT SPONSORS: Navman, Naish Sails Maui, Fred Haywood Realty, WindsurfingClassifieds.Com, Kanaha Kai, Freestyle, Waki Jaki and THE POINT, Ocean 7, Maui Sports Net, and Sign Solutions.

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