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**ROTA CLIFF FISHING DERBY ON JUNE 14-16**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – Fishermen from throughout the Marianas are gearing up for the 2013 Rota Cliff Fishing Derby set for June 14-16, 2103.

The designated derby fishing sites are local favorites As Matmos, Malilok, and Pona Point. Registration is \$25. The last day to register is June 14, 2013, from 3-4 p.m. at Guata Beach. Fishermen under age 18 will need parental consent.

Derby check-in will be at 4 p.m. on June 14 at Guata Beach, followed by orientation and the start of the derby at 6 p.m. The derby will end at 10 a.m. on June 16.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the top four finishers in the categories of Biggest Fish (\$600 first place, \$300 second place, \$200 third place, and \$100 fourth place) and Total Weight (\$300 first place, \$200 second place, \$100 third place, and \$150 fourth place). The top four finishers in the Most Variety category will be receiving in-kind donations from Ambros Inc.

The derby is co-sponsored by the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA), the Rota Mayor's Office, and the 14<sup>th</sup> Rota Municipal Council. The event is also supported by the Dept. of Public Safety, Dept. of Public Works, and other government agencies.

Weigh-ins will be at each fishing site in the morning and evening of June 15 and on the morning of June 16. Reserving spots before the derby begins will not be allowed.

For complete rules or to register, contact Sandra Atalig of the MVA at 1.670.532.0327 or [satalig@mymarianas.com](mailto:satalig@mymarianas.com) or Sarita K. Jacob of the 14<sup>th</sup> Rota Municipal Council at 1.670.532.4046.

The Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota are a chain of idyllic islands in the West Pacific, offering a friendly, fun and exciting vacation in paradise. They are an excellent destination for families, adventure and sports-minded travelers, as well as business people looking for a tropical haven. Adventurous travelers from Asia, Australia, Europe and elsewhere looking for new travel discoveries will find them in the Mariana Islands, just three hours travel from most cities in Japan, and four from Asia and Australia. The Northern Marianas are served from Tokyo and Osaka in Japan by Delta and Asiana Airlines. From Korea, Asiana provides direct flights from Seoul and Busan. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan via Guam. United States mainland connections can be made by United Airlines to Saipan via Guam, and Delta Airlines from the west coast to Saipan via Narita. For more information visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

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