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**KUBOZUKA CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY IN SAIPAN**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** - Japanese actor Yosuke Kubozuka was in Saipan last week with Adventure King magazine on birthday holiday and to shoot for a 16-page article to be published on May 24, 2016.

Kubozuka stayed at Hyatt Regency Saipan, where he also celebrated his birthday with his family a day early on May 7, 2016.

The theme for shooting was “Father-Son Travel”, and Kubozuka enjoyed a number of beach activities while on-island, including parasailing off of the award-winning Managaha island and snorkeling inside the Grotto, one rated at the #2 cavern dive in the world by Skin Diver Magazine with his son. The group took an off-road ATV tour, as well. Other activities included an island tour of Saipan’s historic and scenic sites, including Bird Islands Lookout, Suicide Cliff, Banzai Cliff, and the Japanese Last Command Post during World War II.

“Mr. Kubozuka joins a growing number of international celebrities who are finding Saipan, Tinian, and Rota an alluring place to vacation, work, and even get married,” said Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) Marketing Manager Bruce Bateman. “The Northern

Marians have a lot to offer the world, especially in terms of relaxation in a beautiful, clean environment. The MVA was pleased to help coordinate Mr. Kubozuka's visit through our Japan office and to facilitate the location shooting while he was here. We hope he and his family leave with many good memories."

Kubozuka also visited T-Galleria and Best Sunshine Live and enjoyed a barbeque lunch at Paupau Beach, home of the annual Plumeria Swim in Saipan that attracts swimmers and snorkelers from Japan each year. Other shooting locations included Oleai Beach Bar & Grill, Moby Dick's, and Herman Modern Bakery.

Adventure King is a free monthly magazine featuring in-depth interview with celebrities and athletes. With a circulation of 80,000, it targets readers in their 20s to 40s who like to travel and live a cutting-edge lifestyle, also featuring fashion, culture, and travel destinations.



Japanese actor Yosuke Kubozuka, center, stopped for a casual photo with Marianas Visitors Authority Managing Director Christopher A. Concepcion during a beach barbeque on May 3, 2016, at Paupau Beach while in Saipan, Northern Mariana Is.

shooting for Adventure King magazine with his family.

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 daily flights from Seoul and Busan and Jeju Air provides daily service from Seoul. From China, direct flight service from Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, to Saipan is available. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan with one stop. United States mainland connections can be made by Delta Air Lines to Saipan via Tokyo Narita, and United Airlines via Guam. Russian and Taiwanese visitors usually arrive via Seoul. For more information, visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

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