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### **MARIANAS TOURISM GOLF CLASSIC FEATURES HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZE FROM JOETEN MOTORS**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – The Marianas Tourism Education Council (MTEC) announces a 2023 Honda HRV Sport from Joeten Motors awaits one lucky hole-in-one winner at the 2023 Marianas Tourism Golf Classic to be held on Sept. 2, 2023, at LaoLao Bay Golf & Resort west course.

“Joeten Motors is always happy to support local non-profit organizations like MTEC and their efforts to improve the islands through educating the youth. We look forward to a great tournament this year. Good luck to all the golfers.” said Joeten Motors General Manager Matthew Deets.

Tournament proceeds will help fund the education work of the MTEC, a non-profit which focuses on community outreach, and school tourism MY WAVE (Marianas Youth Welcome All Visitors Enthusiastically) Clubs. MTEC marks its 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary this year.

“We’re very grateful to Joeten Motors for making tourism their business with sponsorship of a hole-in-one prize with their 2023 Honda HRV Sport vehicle,” said MTEC Chairwoman Vicky

Benavente. “We invite all golfers to come out and support the Marianas Tourism Golf Classic and make the most of their chance to win this great sport car!”

Other hole-in-one prizes are \$5,000 cash from Island Training Solutions, \$5,000 cash from Triple J Saipan Inc., and a \$10,000 shopping spree from Top Shelf Wines & Spirits.

Registration is \$120 until August 25, 2023. After August 25, registration increases to \$140. Optional play is \$30. Only 144 players will be registered. No refunds will be issued after August 25. Registration - including payment – is being accepted at LaoLao Bay Golf & Resort (credit card or cash only) and the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) office (cash or check only) on Beach Rd., Garapan, in the Gold Beach Hotel building. Checks should be made payable to Marianas Tourism Education Council. Registration forms and sponsorship details are now available on The Marianas Calendar at [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

The tournament format will be medal play. Flight categories are Championship (0-5), A Flight (6-10), B Flight (11-16), C Flight (17+), Ladies, Senior (ages 55-60), and Super Senior (ages 61 and above). Showtime on Sept. 2 is 6 a.m. with a shotgun start at 7 a.m. The awards luncheon will immediately follow the tournament.

For more information, contact Marianas Tourism Golf Classic Committee Chairman Martin Duenas at [mduenas@mymarianas.com](mailto:mduenas@mymarianas.com) or committee member Jack Aranda at [jaranda@mymarianas.com](mailto:jaranda@mymarianas.com) or call 1.670.664.3200/1.



Joeten Motors General Manager Matthew Deets, far right, presents 2023 Honda HRV Sport on Aug. 11, 2023, at their showroom in Chalan Laulau, Saipan, as a hole-in-one prize for the Marianas Tourism Golf Classic to be held on Sept. 2, 2023, at LaoLao Bay Golf & Resort. From left, Joeten Motors Sales Manager Ray Alvarez, tournament committee vice chairman Glenn Policare, Joeten Motors Operations Manager Peter Tenorio, tournament committee member Franco Santos, Marianas Tourism Education Council Chairwoman Vicky Benavente, and Deets.

The Marianas is an archipelago of 14 islands - including Saipan, Tinian, and Rota - in the Western Pacific. The Marianas are home to indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian people, as well as over 20 different ethnicities from around the world who live and work in this harmonious tropical paradise. Ancient latte stone limestone monoliths, traditional nature-based ocean navigation not reliant on modern technology, and a culture seasoned by East and West influences are just a few of the experiences found in The Marianas, where pristine sea, sand, and skies are only a 3–4-hour flight from major Asian gateway cities. From South Korea, Asiana Airlines, Jeju Air, and T'Way provide direct flights to Saipan from Seoul-Incheon, and Jeju Air also flies seasonally from Busan. United Airlines flies three times a week from Tokyo-Narita, Japan, and daily from Guam. Interisland travel between Saipan, Tinian, and Rota is provided by Star Marianas Air. For more information on The Marianas, visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com), Facebook/VisitTheMarianas, or Instagram @themarianas.

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