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Walter Puk, 49, is a rental manager at Aqua Bay Club, a condo complex on Grand Cayman in the Cayman Islands. He has been in the Caymans for 14 years and divides his time between there and suburban Chicago.

**Q.** How many beaches are on your island?

**A.** The main one is famous Seven Mile Beach. It's the original attraction, where all the major hotels are. It's where our tourism industry is located and where most restaurants are. Rum Point has a beautiful, sandy beach known for its sweeping views of the northern shore.

**Q.** Is there much shelling?

**A.** Yeah. Go for a walk in the morning and take a bag along to pick up shells. And the snorkeling is fabulous. Right by Aqua Bay condos is a place called Cemetery Reef, one of the best offshore snorkeling spots. Just take a snorkel, mask and fins, and walk in. Within 50 feet of shore is this beautiful coral reef, in maybe 10 feet of water. The corals and sponges are different colors.

**Q.** How about diving?

**A.** It's easy. There are diving outfits all over the place. You can go out on a boat and take a nice dive with the operator. Or just wade into the water to explore many shore-accessible dive sites.

**Q.** What's the No. 1 attraction people don't know about?

**A.** Probably the new Boatswain's Beach. It's the old turtle farm that was damaged during Hurricane Ivan in 2004 and rebuilt across the road as a 23-acre marine adventure park.

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