

## 2nd Annual Gay Head 10K Race A Rousing Success

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- Volunteers Dottie and Barry Sullivan and Betsy Blake give out race numbers

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Under sunny skies and facing a stiff autumn wind, 146 runners followed the scenic State Road/Moshup Trail course for 6.2 miles on Sunday, starting and ending at Aquinnah Circle in the lee of the Gay Head Lighthouse. Overall winner was Jamie Smadbeck, 27, of Edgartown and Worcester, with a time of 40:18:00. The female leader was 24-year-old Lianne Swanson of Somerville, MA, who came in at 42:08:00. Click [here for overall results](#) and [here for age group results](#).

According to Save the Gay Head Lighthouse Committee chairman and Gay Head 10K organizer Beverly Wright, the race will return next year. Co-director Martha Vanderhoop said, "It was a fantastic day for the lighthouse and we could not have pulled it all together without everyone's hard work and time. The plan is to move the lighthouse to its new, safer location in the spring of 2015. The proceeds from this event help us climb further toward our fundraising goal. We hope all the runners will join us again next year and for many years to come."

"We'll keep holding the race as a community event and also to keep raising money to maintain this historic structure," said Ms. Wright.

Volunteer Betsy Blake, visiting from Wellington, FL, marveled at the community spirit she saw on race day. "Everybody is just so kind and happy to be here, and they made me feel at home. I hope I can run the race next year and also see the lighthouse in its new location."

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