

First Annual DBCR 5K Run/Walk Raises Money and Awareness for Autism

100% of the proceeds to benefit The Laura Foundation for Autism & Epilepsy

Freedom, NH (August 4, 2014) - The first Annual DBCR 5K Run/Walk took place on Sunday, July 25th at Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort in Freedom, NH. Twenty-seven runners participated, running through a course which winds through both Danforth Bay and The Bluffs. The fee was \$20 per person, or \$50 for a family of four, and all of the proceeds from the event, over \$590, benefited The Laura Foundation for Autism & Epilepsy.

The mission of The Laura Foundation is to provide funding to develop and support therapeutic recreation and educational programs that enrich the quality of lives of individuals with autism and/or seizure disorders. Dianne Battles, General Manager of Danforth Bay Camping and RV Resort stated, "We were excited to see the support that the campers showed for this cause that is so close to our hearts and we are already planning for next year's course".

The idea to create the Laura Foundation for Autism and Epilepsy came with the passing of Laura (Hoyt) Mahoney in April of 2008. The Hoyt family wished to keep her memory alive through a charitable organization. It had to be a cause that Laura would believe in wholeheartedly, one that would make a difference in someone's life. Laura's greatest loves were her grandchildren, and one of them suffered from both epilepsy and autism. As a result, Laura knew first-hand how devastating these two disorders were on the afflicted individuals and the families caring for them. The Hoyt family knew that Laura would stand behind any effort or organization trying to help these families, thus the Foundation was formed.

To learn more about the Laura Foundation for Autism and Epilepsy and upcoming events, go to <http://www.thelaurafoundation.org>.

About Danforth Bay Campground:

Owned and operated by Purity Spring Resort and the Hoyt family since 2001, Danforth Bay Camping & RV Resort welcomes family campers and seasonal guests to its 185 forested acres on Ossipee Lake with its rustic relaxation and modern amenities. In addition to traditional features such as sandy beaches, hiking trails and lake fishing, the resort offers recreational programs, heated swimming pools, movie lounge, WiFi access and live entertainment. Danforth Bay is also open during the winter months and offers snowmobilers central access to hundreds of miles of groomed trails, including Corridor 19.