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### **Easton Resident and Brain Aneurysm Survivor to Participate in *46<sup>th</sup> Annual New Balance Falmouth Road Race***

Hanover, MA, August X —Easton resident and brain aneurysm survivor Karen Daly will be running in the 46<sup>th</sup> annual New Balance Falmouth Road Race, on August 19. As a member of a 13-person charity team, Daly and her teammates will support the Brain Aneurysm Foundation's (BAF) efforts to raise awareness, education, support, advocacy, and research funding.

"As a survivor of a brain aneurysm rupture, I knew I needed to support BAF's cause," said Daly, who is running the Falmouth Road Race for the second time. "This is my small way of giving back to the foundation which continues to do so much for survivors."

Daly experienced a ruptured brain aneurysm on January 25, 2014. She felt a sharp pain in her right temple while running on the treadmill at her local gym. The next thing she remembers is waking up on the bathroom floor, before calling her husband to take her to the emergency room. She was eventually air-lifted to Brigham and Women's Hospital, where doctors performed a craniotomy and clipped off the bleeding aneurysm, as well as two others that were found in the same area.

"BAF has been my go-to resource since day one. Like most people, the first thing I did after my surgery was Google 'brain aneurysms,'" said Daly. "The BAF website offers resources for both survivors and caregivers, and provides information on treatment, recovery and local support groups."

For the second year in a row the BAF has been awarded a charity spot in the race. The BAF charity team consists of participants that have had personal experiences with brain aneurysm disease.

"Local events like the Falmouth Road Race and others taking place across the country, have a global impact," said Christine Buckley executive director of BAF. "Funds raised by those representing BAF support important research which has the potential to help brain aneurysm patients worldwide."

It has been a long road to recovery for Daly, experiencing headaches, weakness and exhaustion. Every task, no matter how mundane or routine, takes considerable

mental effort and concentration.

After her experience with a brain aneurysm, three years passed before Daly was able to run again. She hopes her participation will show other survivors who are struggling that comebacks are possible.

More than 11,000 runners will participate in The New Balance Road Race, a seven-mile course which starts in Woods Hole, wraps along the Falmouth shoreline and finishes in Falmouth Heights.

For more information, and to support Daly and the BAF visit her personal fundraising page by clicking [here](#).

### **ABOUT THE BRAIN ANEURYSM FOUNDATION**

Founded in Boston and now based in Hanover, Massachusetts, the Brain Aneurysm Foundation is the globally recognized leader in brain aneurysm awareness, education, support, advocacy, and research funding.

The foundation's mission is to provide information about and raise awareness of the symptoms and risk factors of brain aneurysms to prevent ruptures and subsequent death and disability; work with medical communities to provide support networks for patients and families; and advance research to improve patients' outcomes and save lives.

Established in 1994, the foundation is led by Executive Director Christine Buckley and has a Medical Advisory Board that comprises more than 30 of the nation's foremost aneurysm experts — neurologists, neurosurgeons, interventional neuroradiologists, and other brain aneurysm specialists — from the country's leading hospitals and universities.

**For more information about the Brain Aneurysm Foundation, visit [bafound.org](http://bafound.org).**

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