

Dear Participants:

Thank you for choosing to run in the 34th edition of the Bay Days 5-mile race. As someone who had the privilege of competing in the first edition, I've always felt the Cleveland West Road Runners Club has put on quality races. This year is the third year that I have directed the Bay Days race, and I continue to be amazed about how much help and enthusiasm is put forth by the many, many volunteers who help make the Bay Days 5-miler a success.

This year, a huge boo-boo was made. Two long-time volunteers took great care to put together the age group awards for boys, men, and high finishing females. With my input they were double-checked and pretty much "certified" as correct. Then, in one of those embarrassing can't take back moments all human beings experience, one of the volunteers dropped the stringer containing the tear off chits. Consequently, the results of the first 132 runners were strewn across the table. Fred Keiser and Rick Bement's first and second place finishes were easy to match up with times on our chronomix. Unfortunately, the next 130 or so names and times cannot be matched accurately-even for those who finished in the top three in their age group.

As race director, I apologize for the error. We will try to do better next year.

Sincerely,
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