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ROONEY'S ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK DONATES \$12,000!
The 9th Annual Rooney's 5K Contributes to Four Local Charities

West Palm Beach, FL – The 9th Annual Rooney's 5k Run/Walk was held on Saturday, March 26 at Palm Beach Kennel Club. This year's run raised \$12,000 for Westgate / Belvedere Homes CRA, Autism Project of Palm Beach County, Pathways to Independence and Potentia Academy with the help of sponsorships and 369 participants. The headline sponsors were Bettor Racing OTB and Wayne Akers Ford.

"We had a great turnout for our 9th Annual Rooney's 5K, and raised \$12,000 for our charities. Our goal every year is to help four amazing local charities by making it a fun morning that everyone enjoys and wants to come back to each year. We are so proud of this event and it could not be done without the incredible sponsors, volunteers and Race Director, Dave Ragsdale, PBSO and Palm Beach County Fire Rescue" said Alexis Barbish Executive Director of Rooney's Golf Foundation.

The course started and finished at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. The Kids 1 Mile was a big hit with children ages 3-14 years. Prior to the awards ceremony, all were treated to a breakfast feast featuring Rooney's famous French Toast and Rooney's Beer for those of age.

Next year's Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, April 15, the Saturday before Easter.

Rooney's Golf Foundation has donated \$626,462.07 to local Palm Beach County charities since 2001. These funds are raised through the golf tournaments, 5K Run/Walk, poker tournament and luncheon events. RGF is now preparing for its Inaugural Spring Golf Tournament on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at Abacoa Golf Club. The 15th Annual RGF fall tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 31, 2016 at Trump National Jupiter and the 3rd Annual "Overcomer" Luncheon with guest speaker Shonda Schilling will be held Thursday, November 17, 2016 at the National Croquet Center.