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Topic: Massachusetts - Bee Gees

Subject: Re: Massachusetts (Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse)

Posted by: 123

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Yesterday Elinor asked me where the pic that modo posted is. I have no idea,either. But I know it is "Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse" now because I received a pm from Elinor and she told me it is"Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse".Thanks!!

The Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse is situated on the Cape Cod National Seashore near the town of Truro, Massachusetts. It is a working lighthouse situated on the Highland Golf Course. The grounds are open all year round whilst the light is open to the public from May until late October, with guided tours available if required.. It is owned by the National Park Service and cared for by the Highland Museum and Lighthouse Inc.,[1] on behalf of the United States Coast Guard who run the actual light.

****History****

In 1797, a station authorised by George Washington was established at this point on the Cape, with a light to warn shipping about the dangerous coastline between Cape Ann and Nantucket. In 1857 the lighthouse was declared dangerous and demolished and a new one constructed.[2]. Along with the lighthouse, there were a keepersâ€™™ building and a generator shed, both of which can still be seen today.

The new lighthouse was fitted with a first order Fresnel lens which was in turn replaced by a larger first order lens in 1901. In 1932 a the lamp was upgraded to a 1000 watt lamp. Later upgrades saw the lamp being replaced by two areobeacons, each containing a 1000 watt lamp and a back-up lamp, then in 1998 the areobeacons were replaced by 110 watt beacons. The lighthouse today, is not located where it was built, in 1990 it was in danger of falling down the cliff due to erosion so it was decided to move the whole structure 570 feet (175m) back from the cliff edge. The move was carried out by International Chimney Corp. of Buffalo NY and Expert House Movers of Maryland over a period of 18 days in July 1996.[3]

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cape_Cod_Highland_Lighthouse