## <u>Merrick, Krebs Post Victories Over Roxbury</u> <u>3.95-miler</u>

ROXBURY – Ken Merrick and Theresa Krebs, who have captured the respective men's and women's titles in the point standings each of the last two years, were again in the winners' circle Saturday, Apr. 5, as they prevailed over a 3.95-mile loop at the Roxbury Road Race Series.

Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield, annexed his second victory in the six races so far this year in the weekly series by covering the rolling layout, which included a jeep trail through part of the last mile, in 23-minutes, 51-seconds – a 6:07-permile pace.

He has placed second in the other four races this year in the Roxbury series.

Sean Parker, 15, was the runner-up last Saturday with a clocking of 25:35.

Krebs, 44, of Roxbury was 11<sup>th</sup> overall with a time of 27:15. Former Princeton University standout Marge De Marrais, 50, who lives in Sharon, was second in the female division and took 14<sup>th</sup> overall in 28:15.

The series will continue Saturday, Apr. 12, at 8:30 a.m. with a 4.2-mile race that will include a trip down the long hill on Hemlock Road and up the incline along Ranney Hill Road. There will be no entry fee.

The 24<sup>th</sup> annual Larry Kershnar 4.3-mile MidSpring Challenge will be held Saturday, Apr. 26, at 8:30 a.m.

There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20. Proceeds will go to the Roxbury Park Improvement fund.

The race is named after a former head director of the road race series.

The top overall male and the top overall female finisher will each receive a \$10 gift certificate to an area running store during the post-race awards ceremony. The recipients of the annual grants from the runners also will be announced.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane.

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