

Merrick Prevails Over 4.3-Mile Roxbury Route

ROXBURY_ – Two-time defending series champion Ken Merrick posted his 12th victory of the season in the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series Saturday, Aug. 9, covering a rolling 4.3-mile loop in 26-minutes, 34-seconds – a 6:11-per-mile pace.

Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield outlasted Ryan Ripp, 27, who placed second in 26:38.

Theresa Gallagher-Krebs, 44, of Roxbury was the first female finisher and took 12th overall among the 49 entrants with a clocking of 30:25 on the course, which included a trip up the hill on High Bridge Road.

The series will continue Saturday, Aug. 16, at 8:30 a.m. with a 5.0-mile run that will include a trek down the hills on Squire Road. There will be no entry fee.

The 7th annual Two For The Show race is slated for Saturday, Sept. 6, at 8:30 a.m. over a 3.1-mile layout. There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20. Proceeds will be used to conduct research regarding juvenile diabetes and autism.

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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