

Roxbury Championship Race Honors Former Head Director

ROXBURY – Bob Lewis, who has run in more races than anyone in the 38-year history of the Roxbury Road Race Series, will again be honored this fall with a race that bears his name.

The annual Bob Lewis MidAutumn Championship Race will be held Saturday, Nov. 1, at 8:30 a.m. over a 3.95-mile course that will include a jeep trail.

Lewis, a former New Milford High School harrier, served as head director of the Roxbury series from 1986 to 2011 and still runs regularly in the weekly series and places the mile markers and directional arrows on the courses before each run.

There will be a \$5 entry fee, which can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20 a.m. at the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane, near where the race will start and finish. Proceeds will go to the Roxbury park improvement fund.

The top overall male and top overall female finisher will each receive a \$10 gift certificate to an area running store. Last year's winners were Ken Merrick and Theresa Gallagher-Krebs, who both went on to win their respective season championships in 2013 in the weekly series.

Refreshments will be available. A brief awards ceremony will be held after the race.

The run is part of the 40-race series, which is sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission.

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