## <u>Merrick, Gallagher-Krebs Preserve Land Trust</u> <u>Running Laurels</u>

ROXBURY – Ken Merrick and Theresa Gallagher-Krebs annexed victories in the sixth annual 3.0-mile Roxbury Land Trust Race, which generated \$209 from the entry fees for that organization.

Merrick and Gallagher-Krebs have been the season champions in the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series each of the last two years.

Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield was clocked in 17-minutes, 25-seconds over the loop, which began near the entrance to the land trust's River Road Preserve and ended near the end of the driveway to the parking lot. It was his 14<sup>th</sup> victory this year at the Roxbury races.

Ryan Ripp, 28, was second overall in 18:29.

Gallagher-Krebs, 45, of Roxbury was eighth overall in a time of 20:21.

The entry fee of \$5 per runner was donated to the land trust, which has acquired several parcels in Roxbury for open space since being established in 1970. Alison Lundie, a local real estate professional and a member of the Board of Directors for the land trust, started the race and then helped operate the stop watch at the finish line

The series will resume Saturday, Sept. 27, at 8:30 a.m. at its usual site, the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane, with the sixth annual Ed Sandifer Staggered Start Handicap. The runners will take off at different intervals based on their ability.

There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20. Proceeds will go to Sandifer, who was a 12-time season champion in the Roxbury series and completed the famed Boston Marathon every year from 1973 through 2009. The former Western Connecticut State University math professor suffered a severe stroke in August 2009. He is scheduled to attend this year's event.

The races, which have been held since 1977, are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission.

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**Results For the 3.0-mile Roxbury Land Trust Race** 

- 1. Ken Merrick 17:25
- 2. Ryan Ripp 18:29
- 3. Nelson Azevedo 18:36
- 4. Dan Readyoff 19:02
- 5. Scott Holmes 19:10
- 6. Steve Leslie 19:25
- 7. Steve Whitcomb 19:58
- 8. Theresa Gallagher-Krebs 20:21
- 9. Eric Koenig 20:26
- 10. Steve Haas 21:06
- 11. Lou Denaro 21:46
- 12. Jeff Bishop 21:48
- 13. Larry Deming 21:58
- 14. Ross Levy 22:04
- 15. Tom Dever 22:09
- 16. Jennifer Claybrooks 22:17
- 17. Cindy Degirolamo 22:23
- 18. Gabe Holmes 22:24
- 19. John Kane 22:28
- 20. Debby Valin 22:34

- 21. Scott Benjamin 22:51
- 22. Dan Burns 23:44
- 23. Joseph Danay 23:55
- 24. Dan Lamb 24:22
- 25. Lynn Zuback 25:16
- 26. Alison Masopust 25:23
- 27. Krystal Koenig 25:23.1
- 28. Janet Levy 26:12
- 29. Scott Cooney 26:13
- **30. Jeanne Bartkus 26:19**
- 31. Bob Lewis 26:30
- 32. Bob Satterlee 26:46
- 33. Terry Lyons 27:34
- 34. Michelle Marcicz 28:13
- 35. Kim Hilyer 28:32
- 36. Sharon Gawe 31:15
- 37. Aurelia Boyer 31:20
- 38. Charlie Euston 36:09
- **39.** LeeAnne Zarger **37:22**