Merrick, Massopust Are Two For The Show

ROXBURY – Ken Merrick and Alison Masopust were the champions Saturday, Sept. 6, at the seventh annual Two For The Show run, which raised \$264 that will be split evenly to assist in research into autism and juvenile diabetes.

Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield, the two-time defending season champion and 2014 leader in the point standings at the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series, covered the 3.1-mile out-and-back loop in 18-minutes, 28-seconds, a 5:57-permile pace.

Another former season champion at the Roxbury series, Jeff Sheldon, 34, of Southbury, placed second in 19:22.

Masopust, 30, captured the women's division and was ninth overall with a 20:42 clocking on the course, which traveled up and down the long hill on Hemlock Road.

As the top overall male and female, respectively, Merrick and Masopust each received a \$10 gift certificate to the Woodbridge Running Company, which has a store in Brookfield.

They also were the respective champions this last April in the 4.3-mile Larry Kershnar MidSpring Challenge, which is named after one of the former head directors of the Roxbury series.

Half of the proceeds from the runners' \$5 entry fees at the Two For The Show went to the Joslin Diabetes Center in New Britain and the other half to the CT Autism Resource Center, Inc. in Wallingford.

Bob Lewis, who was head director of the series from 1986 to 2011 and still runs the races each week, established the Two ForThe Show event in 2008.

The series will resume Saturday, Sept. 13, at 8:30 a.m. with a 7.25-mile run that will include a trip along Mallory Road. There will be no entry fee.

The sixth annual Roxbury Land Trust Race will be held Saturday, Sept. 20, at 8:30 a.m. along a 3-mile course that will start and finish near the land preserve on River Road. There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20 a.m. Proceeds will go to the Roxbury Land Trust.

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

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