

Dennen, Masopust Victorious In Burley

MidSummer Championship

ROXBURY -- Pat Dennen and Alison Masopust wore the crowns at the 30th annual 5.0-mile Bill Burley MidSummer Championship at the Roxbury Road Race Series.

Brookfield High School runner Tommy Consalvo, 17, the leader through the first 4.25 miles didn't immediately complete the turnaround on South Street and Dennen, 35, took the lead and finished in 30-minutes, 33-seconds – a 6:07-per-mile pace.

Sean Parker, 16, was second in 31:41. Consalvo placed fifth with a clocking of 34:07.

Masopust, 31, of Morris annexed her sixth win in the female division this year, placing fifth overall in 33:16 over the course, which included a trip up the steep hills on Squire Road and Apple Lane.

The two overall winners each received a \$10 gift certificate to an area running store.

The race is named after the founder and first head director of the weekly series which began in 1977 with an eight-week schedule through July and August. Since the mid-1980s, the series has started in February and ended in early December.

Dr. Burley, who formerly lived in Roxbury, was a principal at two elementary schools in New Milford.

The runners raised \$220 from the entry fees for \$5 per participant, which will be placed in the Roxbury park improvement fund.

There will be no race Saturday, July 25, in observance of the 48th annual New Milford Village Fair Days 7.8-mile and 3.1-mile runs.

The races will resume Saturday, August 1, at 8:30 a.m. with a 6.2-mile event that will include a jaunt up the long hill on Pocono Ridge Road. There will be no entry fee.

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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