

Davis, Papsin Prevail In Third Jaunt Over Roxbury 2.4-miler

ROXBURY – A standout New Milford High School harrier and a former University of Connecticut soccer player captured the overall male and female titles, respectively, this last week at the Roxbury Road Race Series as the field of 50 finisher did the 2.4-mile loop up the steep hill for a third consecutive week.

Stosh Davis, 17, won the event in 13-minutes, 56-seconds – a 5:48-per-mile pace – in a photo finish over Nate Cody, 21, who was clocked in 13:57 as the runner-up.

The entrants went up the hill on Chalybes Road again March 14, since ice prevented them from doing the 3.52-mile route that had been scheduled.

Leah Papsin, 27, who originally hails from Morris, not only won the women's division, but did so by outrunning her older sister Allison Masopust, 31, who placed second.

Papsin crossed the finish line in eighth place overall with a time of 16:22. Masopust took tenth with a clocking of 16:33.

The field included some participants who are completing the Run 169 Towns Society in which they are attempting to complete a race in each municipality in Connecticut.

The series will resume Saturday, March 21, at 8:30 a.m. with 3.52-mile run that will include a jaunt up the long hill on Hemlock Road. There will be no entry fee.

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

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