Sheldon And Danay Annex Wins In Roxbury 3.7-miler

ROXBURY – Former season champion Jeff Sheldon posted his second straight triumph and Kateri Danay topped the women's division over a 3.7-mile layout at the Roxbury Road Race Series.

Sheldon, 34, of Southbury sped through the loop, which included a trip up the long incline on Ranney Hill Road, in 21-minutes,4-seconds, a 5:42-per-mile pace. He had prevailed a week earlier over a 4.2-mile route.

Defending season champion Ken Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield took second in 22:18.

Danay, 17, was particularly strong over the final 1.5-miles of the course, which included a trip up and down part of South Street, placing ninth overall in 27:21.

The weekly series will continue Saturday, May 23, at 8:30 a.m. with a 4.8-mile run that will travel along part of Judd's Bridge Road. There is no entry fee.

The first edition of the Roxbury Mile will be run Saturday, May 30, at 8:30 a.m. There will be no entry fee for the event, which will travel from near the end of Apple Lane to the parking lot at the Booth Free Elementary School on South Street.

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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