<u>Rossiter, Masopust Prevail Over Roxbury 7.25-</u> <u>mile Run</u>

ROXBURY – Cole Rossiter and Alison Masopust garnered victories over a challenging 7.25-mile loop Saturday, September 5, at the Roxbury Road Race Series.

Rossiter, 22, of New Milford posted his sixth win of the season in the weekly series with a clocking of 49-minutes, 6-seconds – a 6:46-per-mile pace – over the course, which included a jaunt up the steep hill on Mallory Road.

Three-time defending season champion Ken Merrick, 45, of New Fairfield placed second in 50:07. He is again leading the point standings this season.

Masopust, 31, of Morris annexed the female title and was third overall in 50:27. It was her 10th triumph this year in the ladies division. Alyssa Cole, 28, who won the female title at the series in 2000 when she was an eighth grade student at Woodbury Middle School, was second in the women's division and fourth overall with a time of 50:49.

The series will resume Saturday, September 12, at 8:30 a.m. with the eighth annual Two For The Show 3.1-mile run. There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20. Proceeds will be used for research into autism and juvenile diabetes.

The race will start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane.

The seventh annual 3.0-mile Roxbury Land Trust Run is slated for Saturday, September 19, at 8:30 a.m. at the land preserve on River Road. There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20. Proceeds will go to the land trust.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission,, usually start and finish near the community park.

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