

## Legere, Biedrycki Sprint To Staggered-Start Victories

**ROXBURY – Nolan Legere and Marilyn Biedrycki conquered the inclines of a 2.4-mile loop in a popular staggered-start run that honors the all-time champion of the Roxbury Road Race Series.**

**Legere, 22, of Brookfield was the overall winner of the event named after Ed Sandifer of Newtown, who captured the season title in the weekly series an astonishing 12 times from the late 1980s into the late 2000s. Under the staggered-start format, which was assembled by runner Janet Levy, the entrants on Saturday, September 24, took off periodically based on their times from earlier this year.**

**Legere had a staggered-start time of 25-minutes, 40-seconds. Charlie Euston, 71, was second in 26:40 over the course, which included a trip down the steep hill on Chalybes Road.**

**Biedrycki, 60, of Milford, the first female finisher, was sixth overall in 28:23.**

**In the actual time results, Ken Merrick, who is leading the point-standings this year and has been the season champion the last four campaigns, was first in 14:05.**

**Merrick, 47, of New Fairfield was easily ahead of the women's champ in the actual time results – Alison Masopust, 32, of Morris – who placed second overall in 15:23.**

**Sandifer, who completed the Boston Marathon 37 consecutive years – 1973 through 2009 – and formerly coached cross country at Western New England University in Massachusetts, attended the event. The \$5 entry fee per runner generated \$195 for the series' T-shirt/grants fund.**

**The series will resume Saturday, October 1, at 8:30 a.m. with an 11-mile layout that will include a trip up the long incline on Botsford Hill 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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