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Merrick, Masopust Master 5.0-Mile Roxbury Run

ROXBURY – Ken Merrick and Alison Masopust continued their matchless dominance at the Roxbury Road Runners Club series by winning the respective championship top hats over a hilly 5.0-mile route.

Merrick, 48, of New Fairfield covered the loop, which included a trip down the steep hills on Squire Road and up the steady incline along South Street in 33-minutes, 42-seconds – a 6:42-per-mile pace. It marked the 10th victory of the season for the five-time defending season champion. He is atop the 2017 point standings.

Chris Deming, 50, of Danbury was second in 34:11.

Even with a late start, Masopust, 33, of Morris captured the women's title and was eighth overall in 38:13. She has captured the female division in 17 of the 25 events held at Roxbury during 2017.

The series will resume with the Roxbury Mile II on Saturday, September 2, at 8:30 a.m.

The race will start just beyond the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane and will finish near the end of the parking lot at the Booth Free School on South Street.

Runners can enter via the \$50 season membership of the \$5 weekly waiver.

The ninth annual Roxbury Land Trust Race will be run on Saturday, September 16, over a 3.0-mile course that will start and finish near 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 are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission.

For further information, contact Scott Benjamin, the race director, at ScottBenjaminWCSU2014@gmail.com, (860) 354-3521 or access www.roxburyraces.net.