

Merrick, Masopust Wear The Derbies At Roxbury Mile I

ROXBURY – Ken Merrick posted his eighth victory of the campaign and Alison Masopust annexed her 10th triumph in the women's division at the Roxbury Road Runners Club series at the Roxbury Mile I.

Merrick, 48, of New Fairfield was clocked in 5-minutes, 15-seconds on Saturday, May 27, through the route, which traveled from just beyond the Everett Hurlburt Community Park on Apple Lane to the end of the parking lot at the Booth Free School on South Street.

Ryan Clarke, 20, of New Milford was second in 5:25.

Masopust, 33, of Morris was sixth overall in 5:46.

The weekly series will resume on Saturday, June 3, at 8:30 a.m. with the 9-mile Moosehorn course, along with alternate course options.

Runners can enter through the \$50 season membership or a \$5 weekly waiver fee.

The Bill Burley MidSummer Championship is slated for Saturday, July 8, at 8:30 a.m. at the Minor Memorial Library on South Street. The runners will cover a 4.4-mile loop. There will be a \$5 entry fee to raise money for the library.

Burley is expected to attend the event, which is named after him for his efforts to establish the series in 1977 and serve for three years as its director.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, usually start and finish near the community park at 18 Apple Lane.

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