

Roxbury Road Races Club Run To Benefit CT Challenge

ROXBURY – On Saturday, May 6, at 8:30 am, the Roxbury Road Races Club will hold the 27th annual 4.3-mile Mid Spring Championship race. This race is named after the late Dr. Larry Kershner, who was head director of the race series from 1980-1985. Kershner was a longtime educator and Roxbury resident, and in 1984, he expanded the race series beyond the initial eight-week summer period, moving the starting month from July to May. Kershner was also the chairman of the Science Department at New Milford High School and later was an Education professor at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury.

This year's Mid Spring Challenge is a benefit run for CT Challenge. The club will charge an entry fee of \$5 per runner and the proceeds will assist CT Challenge, a non-profit organization whose primary mission is to help cancer survivors in Connecticut and throughout the US to rebuild, improve and prolong their lives.

The Roxbury Road Races Club sponsors or co-sponsors about 40 races a year, stretching from March to December. Registration is from 7 to 8:20 am the day of the race and entry fees can be paid at that time. Additionally, the entrants must complete a weekly waiver form and pay a \$5 entry fee or pay a \$50 season waiver fee if they have not already done so. The race begins at 8:30. Following the race, there will be a brief awards ceremony to recognize the CT Challenge organization and also formally announce the recipients of the race club's 2017 high school grants.

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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