## Masopust Makes History, Kershnar Family Honored At 28<sup>th</sup> Annual MidSpring Jaunt

ROXBURY – Alison Masopust became, according to reports, the first woman in the 42-year history of the Roxbury Road Races Club series to be the overall winner in a run.

Masopust, 34, of Morris overtook Randy Watkins, 54, in the second half of a 4.3mile run to captured the top position in 29-minutes, 13-seconds – a 6:48-permile pace.

Watkins placed second in 29:23 Saturday, May 5, at the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Larry Kershnar MidSpring Challenge. The race is named after the second head director of the series, who also was responsible for enlarging it from an eight-week summer schedule to the current 38-race format.

Kershnar's son, wife, Arlene, their son Eric, a former Brown University soccer player who now lives in Woodbridge, and grandson, Larry, 4, attended and worked at the finish line.

The weekly series will resume on Saturday, May 12, at 8:30 a.m. with a 4.8-mile event that will travel along part of Judds Bridge Road.

Runners can enter through the \$25 season membership or the \$2 weekly waiver fee. There is no entry fee for youth runners.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park.

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