## <u>Deming Garners Battleswamp Title At</u> Roxbury

ROXBURY – Former season champion Chris Deming won the initial running of the 8.6-mile Battleswamp Trail loop at the Roxbury Road Races Club series.

Deming, 51, of Danbury was clocked in 1-hour, 3-minutes and 21-seconds over the course, which included a trip along a .7-mile trail and went up and down part of Judd's Bridge Road.

Ansley Flanagan, 26, was the first female finisher in the Saturday, September 15, event and took sixth overall in 1:12.26.

The course was designed by Steve Leslie of Brookfield, who runs regularly in the races.

The series will resume on Saturday, September 22, at 8:30 a.m. with the annual 2.4-mile Ed Sandifer staggered-start race in which the runners take off from the starting line according to their ability.

The event is named after a 12-time season champion in the series who completed the Boston Marathon each year from 1973 through 2009.

The Roxbury Marathon and Roxbury Half Marathon are scheduled for Saturday, November 10, at 8:30 a.m. Registration is available at <a href="https://www.roxburyraces.net">www.roxburyraces.net</a>.

The second annual Roxbury Thanksgiving Charity Race will be held on Thursday, November 22, at 9 a.m. There is no race-day registration. Runners can enter for \$12.50 through the Ultra Sign-Up link at <a href="https://www.roxburyraces.net">www.roxburyraces.net</a>.

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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