

## Pre-Rene/ Post-Rene Edition

No doubt you've all been waiting in suspense to see the posting of last Saturday's one-mile race results. As Roxbury Road Race runners, you've come to expect nothing but the best, and hey – you deserve it. But sometimes, even super human stats guy Chris Deming hits a snag, and that's what happened last week, as his power was KO'd by Hurricane Irene for several days, while the rest of us sat in waiting. But now, here are the goods you've been waiting for – your one mile times.

First however, let's point out that the numbers were slightly down. That's because some of the regulars were busy being responsible, or hunkering down as they say. On the other end of the spectrum were what we refer to as "point-grabbers". You know the type. They won't let anything get in the way of their points. Take for instance the youthful, yet cunning Eric Koenig. Neither high winds, nor hovering clouds could deter him from adding to his treasure chest of points, and continuing to pressure the noble point's leader named Mike.

Onto the race report. **Heat #1** – Jeff Sheldon wins, but could definitely sense the footsteps of runner ups Chris Deming and Kevin Harrington who were in dogged pursuit the whole way. But the real story of Heat #1 (and the series as of now) may have been the 5:32 time of 13 year-old Stosh Davis of New Milford. Most kids that age can't get dressed in 5:32. Check out Stosh's times in recent weeks. He's one of the best young runners the series has seen.

**Heat #2** – Bob Lewis – heat 2 winner of the spring mile – charged to an early lead. By the time he'd hit the ½ mile mark, 11-year old Emma Krebs was the only one in the rear-view mirror. Bob and Emma took the turn onto South St. with what seemed like a comfortable lead for Bob. But, Emma, who was also pacing her dad Eric, pushed harder and narrowed the lead. It looked like she might be poised for victory, when Bob "put-the-hammer-down" Lewis called on his reserves once again and pushed to a three second victory. Great debut race Emma, come back again soon.

The mile race has become a unique event. It is a chance for some to take on a slightly different challenge, and for the kids of some runners to experience the weekly ritual that attracts so many of us. We also welcomed Kateri Danay, Nathaniel Crane, Eric LoSacco, and the McNulty brothers Ryan and Ian. Hope to see all of you again at the Thanksgiving Fun Run.

(Press Note: Welcome back to Nate and Mary who returned from Italy. Mary resumes her post as running reporter next week – yeah Mary!)