

# **Roxbury Road Race Series To Feature Variety Of Runs In 38<sup>th</sup> Season**

**ROXBURY – The weekly Roxbury Road Race Series will start its 38<sup>th</sup> season Saturday, ~~Feb. 15~~ March 1, and over the following 10 months will feature a variety of runs ranging from the popular Roxbury Mile to the year-ending Roxbury Marathon.**

**There will be races each Saturday, each starting at 8:30 a.m., through Dec. 13 - except for July 26, when the 47<sup>th</sup> annual New Milford Village Fair Days 7.8-mile run is held. About 80 percent of the Roxbury races have no entry fee.**

**The series awards points for each race and the top six male and top six female finishers for the season will be given plaques.**

**The schedule will include the three annual championship runs: The Larry Kershner MidSpring Challenge Apr. 26 over a 4.3-mile course; the Bill Burley MidSummer Championship July 19 on a 5.0-mile loop; and the Bob Lewis MidAutumn Championship along a 3.95-mile course Nov. 1.**

**Each of those runs are named after a former head director of the series, and the proceeds from the \$5 per runner entry fees will be donated to the Roxbury park improvement fund.**

**The seventh annual Two For The Show 3.1-mile race slated for Sept. 6 will benefit efforts to address juvenile diabetes and autism. The sixth annual Roxbury Land Trust 3.0-mile Run Sept. 20 will provide its proceeds to the local preservation group, and the 2.4-mile Ed Sandifer Handicap Sept. 27 will benefit a former 12-time winner of the series season standings. Each of those runs will have a \$5 entry fee.**

**The Roxbury Mile I will be held May 24 and the Roxbury Mile II is slated for Aug. 30.**

The Roxbury Half-Marathon will be run Nov. 8 and the Roxbury Marathon Dec. 13. Both of those races require pre-registration starting in late August and will have a \$15 entry fee.

The runners also will be co-sponsors, along with the Roxbury Recreation Commission and the Roxbury Congregational Church for the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Run for a Cure 3.0-mile race, which will be held Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27. The \$10 entry fee in that event is contributed to the cancer center at New Milford Hospital and to the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life Shepaug Valley Chapter.

All of the events, except for the Roxbury Land Trust Race and the Thanksgiving Day Run For A Cure, start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane. The series is sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission.

The runners also will announce in April the winners of their annual grants. The Brookfield, Shepaug Valley-Washington, Pomperaug-Southbury, Nonnewaug-Woodbury, Oxford and New Milford high schools are eligible to receive at least some portion of the \$600 in grants.

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### The 2014 Schedule

~~Feb. 15: 2.4 miles up Chalybes Road—CANCELLED~~

~~Feb. 22: 2.4 miles down Chalybes Road. CANCELLED~~

~~Mar. 1: 2.4 miles up Chalybes Road 3.1 miles out and back Hemlock Road.~~

Mar. 8: 3.52 miles down Hemlock Road.

**Mar. 15: 3.52 miles up Hemlock Road.**

**Mar. 22: 3.57 miles down Hemlock Road and up Chalybes Road.**

**Mar. 29: 3.7 miles down Chalybes Road and up Ranney Hill Road.**

**Apr. 5: 3.95 miles Jeep Trail.**

**Apr. 12: ~~2.4 miles up Chalybes Road.~~ 4.2 mile down Hemlock Road and up Ranney Hill Road.**

**Apr. 19: ~~4.2 mile down Hemlock Road and up Ranney Hill Road.~~ 2.4 miles up Chalybes Road**

**Apr. 26: The Larry Kershner MidSpring Challenge along 4.3 miles with the 2.0-mile on High Bridge Road. \$5.**

**May 3: 4.2 miles down Ranney Hill Road and up Hemlock Road.**

**May 10: 3.7 miles up Ranney Hill Road clockwise to South Street.**

**May 17: 7.3 miles along the jeep trail and down Hemlock Road.**

**May 24: Roxbury Mile I**

**May 31: 4.8 miles along Judds Bridge Road.**

**June 7 4.2 miles down Hemlock and up Ranney Hill Road.**

**June 14: 6.6. miles to Sentry Hill Road.**

**June 21: 6.4 miles Minor Bridge Road/Falls Road.**

**June 28: 2.4-miles The Brian Vanderheiden Seek Race.**

**July 5: 3.6 mile High Bridge Road to jeep trail run.**

**July 12: 8.2 miles Judds Bridge Road.**

**July 19: The Bill Burley 5.0-mile MidSummer Championship up Squire Road. \$5.**

**July 26: No race due to the New Milford Village Fair Days 7.8-miler.**

**Aug. 2: 6.2 miles up Painter Hill Road.**

**Aug. 9: 4.3 miles with the 2-mile mark on South Street.**

**Aug. 16: 5.0 miles clockwise down Squire Road.**

**Aug. 23: 3.7 miles down Ranney Hill Road and up Chalybes Road.**

**Aug. 30: Roxbury Mile II.**

**Sept. 6: The 3.1-mile Two For The Show race. \$5.**

**Sept. 13: 7.25 miles The Boot.**

**Sept. 20: The Roxbury Land Trust 3.0-mile Run. \$5**

**Sept. 27: The 2.4-mile Ed Sandifer Handicap Down Chalybes. \$5**

**Oct. 4: 3.52 miles up Hemlock Road.**

**Oct. 11: 11.2 miles up Botsford Hill Road return up South Street.**

**Oct. 18: 4.3 miles with the 2.0-mile mark on High Bridge Road.**

**Oct. 25: 7.25 miles down Hemlock, up Ranney Hill Road, up Painter Hill Road.**

**Nov. 1: the Bob Lewis 3.95-mile Challenge.**

**Nov. 8: The Roxbury Half Marathon. \$15. No points given for Series Standings.**

**Nov. 15: 3.52 miles down Hemlock Road.**

**Nov. 22: 3.52 miles up Hemlock Road.**

**Nov. 27: 3 mile Run For A Cure - Roxbury Congregational Church. \$10. No points.**

**Nov. 29: 2.4 miles down Chalybes Road.**

**Dec. 6: 2.4 miles up Chalybes Road.**

**Dec. 13: The Roxbury Marathon. \$15. No points.**

