

Ed Sandifer Handicap With Staggered Start Will Be Held Sept. 27 At Roxbury

ROXBURY – The annual 2.4-mile Ed Sandifer Handicap will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, at 8:30 a.m. over a challenging course at the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series.

Under the format, the runners will take off on a staggered start according to their ability. Sandifer, a 12-time season champion in the series, initiated the event in 1988.

He taught Math at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury and before that was a teacher and cross country coach at Western New England University in Springfield, Mass. He completed the famed Boston Marathon every year from 1973 through 2009.

There will be a \$5 entry fee that can be paid that morning from 7 to 8:20 a.m. at the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane, near where the handicap will start and finish. Proceeds will benefit Sandifer, who suffered a stroke in 2009.

The weekly races are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission.

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