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Harrington Hails Again; Valin Victorious In Roxbury Lid-lifter

ROXBURY – Former New Milford High School harrier Kevin Harrington captured the season opener for a second consecutive year at the Roxbury Road Race Series and Debby Valin prevailed by just five seconds over friend Cynthia Degirolamo on the 2.4-mile loop.

Harrington, a standout runner for the Green Wave from 1996 to 2000 who now lives in Bristol, was clocked in 14-minutes, 1-second – a 5:50-per-mile pace – over the rolling course, which included a climb up the steep hill on Chalybes Road.

Nick Decrescenzo placed second in 14:19 in the lid-lifter to the 39th season.

Valin, who lives in Woodbridge, was 19th overall in 18:45. Degirolamo took 20th in the field of 53 finishers.

The weekly series will resume Saturday, March 7, at 8:30 a.m. with a 3.1-mile layout that will travel to the end of Hemlock Road and back. There will be no entry fee.

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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