

Harvey, Mahrer Prevail Over Roxbury Roads, Jeep Trail

ROXBURY – Dave Harvey, who set course records in the 1980s on some of the courses at the Roxbury Road Runners Club series, and Mary Mahrer, a former female season champion in the weekly runs, were the respective male and female champions on Saturday, April 22, over a 3.6-mile course.

Harvey, 53, a former Bridgewater resident who was the season champion in the series in 1984 and 1988, was clocked in 23:28 – a 6:31-per-mile pace – on the loop that included a jeep trail in the final mile. It was his second triumph at Roxbury during the 2017 campaign.

Five-time defending champion Ken Merrick, 47, of New Fairfield was second in 23:50.

Mahrer, 41, who has a part-time residence in Roxbury, placed 12th overall in 28:48.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane. They start on Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

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