

Clarke, Mahrer Take Laurels At 3.52-mile Roxbury Run

ROXBURY – Brady Clarke and Mary Mahrer prevailed in their respective divisions over a 3.52-mile loop at the Roxbury Road Races Club series.

Clarke, 21, of New Milford was clocked in 23-minutes, 7-seconds – a 6:34-per-mile pace – over the course, which included a trip down the long hill on Hemlock Road.

Former season points champion Chris Deming, 51, of Danbury, who is again atop the standings this year, was second in 23:23.

Mahrer, 43, who has a part-time residence in Roxbury, annexed the women's title and placed 12th overall in 28:29. She has previously won the women's division season title.

The race had been scheduled for a 6.5-mile route, but it was shortened following the report of a bear near the jeep trail on Rocky Mountain Road.

The series will resume on Saturday, June 30, at 8:30 a.m. with a 6.4-mile race that will include a trip along Falls Road.

Runners can enter through the \$25 season membership or the \$2 weekly waiver. Youth runners can enter for free by completing the waiver.

The 33rd annual Bill Burley MidSummer Championship will be run on Saturday, July 14, at 8:30 a.m. over a 3.0-mile course starting and finishing near the preserve on River Road. The race is also dedicated to the Roxbury Land Trust, which will receive a donation from the series.

The second annual Roxbury Thanksgiving Charity Race is slated for Thursday, November 22, at 9 a.m. There will be no race-day registration. Runners can enter for \$12 through Ultra-Sign Up via the link at roxburyraces.net.

The races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, usually start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane.

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