

Nihill Posts Second Win In June And Joins Masopust In Setting Course Record

ROXBURY – Joey Nihill prevailed for the second time this season at the Roxbury Road Races Club series as he traversed a demanding 6.5-mile course in record time.

Nihill, 16, a Southbury resident who runs on the cross country team at the Taft School in Watertown, was clocked in 42-minutes, 2-seconds – a 6:28-per-mile pace. He had been the winner on June 15 on a 3.0-mile trail course at the Roxbury series.

Chris Deming, 52, of Danbury, a former season champion in the weekly series, placed second in 43:36 on the course, which included a trip down the long hill on Hemlock Road and up the jeep trail near River Road.

Alison Masopust, 35, of Morris set a female record with a time of 45:09, which placed her fifth overall.

The series will resume on Saturday, July 6, at 8:30 a.m. with a 6.4-mile trek that will include Falls Road.

Runners can enter via the \$25 season membership or the \$2 weekly waiver.

Youth runners can compete for free by completing the weekly waiver form.

On Saturday, July 13, at 8:30 a.m. the runners will meet at the preserve on River Road for the 11th annual 3.0-mile Roxbury Land Trust run.

The series will present a \$500 check to the land trust during the post-race ceremony.

Runners are encouraged to meet at the Everett Hurlburt Community Park, the usual site for the races, and carpool to the preserve since there are fewer parking spaces there.

Also, there will be no race on Saturday, July 27 – the day of the 52nd annual New Milford Village Fair Day races. The Roxbury series will continue on Saturday, August 3.

For further information on the races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, contact Scott Benjamin, the race director, at ScottBenjaminWCSU2014@gmail.com , (860) 354-3521 or access www.roxburyraces.net.

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