<u>Lipchus, Degirolamo Annex Blue Ribbons In</u> <u>Roxbury Season Finale</u>

ROXBURY – A pair of Newtown residents – Jeff Lipchus and Cindy Degirolamo – were the respective champions in the final race of the 45th season of the Roxbury Road Runners Club series.

Lipchus was the overall winner with a time of 16-minutes, 58-seconds – a 6:58-per-mile pace over the 2.4 mile loop on Saturday, December 4, which included a trip down the steep hill on Chalybes Road.

Scott Fitch took second overall in 16:58.

Degirolamo, a former season champion in the series, was first in the female division and placed seventh overall with a 19:36 clocking.

The series will conclude its season on Saturday, December 11, at 8:30 a.m. with a ceremony in which plaques will be presented to the top six men and the top six women in the season standings.

Following the ceremony, the runners will do a 5.0-mile fun run. The runners will accept unwrapped toys to donate to the collection box at the Troop A state police headquarters in Southbury, and non-perishable good for the Roxbury Food Pantry at the Christ Church.

The races and the fun run, 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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