

# Euston Posts Victory In Staggered-start Run

ROXBURY – Charlie Euston, 80, who has run in the Roxbury Road Runners Club series since the 1990s, prevailed in the 2.4-mile staggered-start race where runners took off based on their average time per mile.

Euston of Woodbury had an adjusted time of 25-minutes, 59-seconds in the event, which is named after Ed Sandifer, who brought the staggered start concept to the series in 1988.

Sandifer of Newtown, a math professor at Western Connecticut State University, started running in the series in 1986 and was the season champion a record 12 times.

Beth Matonak, 43, of South Windsor was the first female finisher in the Saturday, October 5, race and placed second overall in 26:27 over the loop, which included a trip down the steep hill on Chalybes Road.

The series will continue on Saturday, October 12, with a 3.7-mile race that will include a jaunt down the long incline on Ranney Hill Road.

Runners can enter through the \$30 season membership. They also can participate by completing the weekly waiver form and paying \$5. Youth entrants and current and former first responders and members of the military can run for free after completing the weekly waiver form.

The runners will collect non-perishable items for the Roxbury Food Pantry starting Saturday, November 2, through the remainder of the season.

The Roxbury Fall Classic - which will include a 50-kilometer race, a marathon and half-marathon - is slated for Saturday, November 9.

The Roxbury Thanksgiving Day Charity Race will be held on Thursday, November 28, a 9 a.m. over a 3.1-mile course.

Advance registration is \$13.62 and can be completed at Ultra Signup:  
<https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=116758>

The race-day registration will be held on November 28, from 7:30 to 8:50 a.m. at a cost of \$15 per runner. Proceeds will go to the Roxbury Scholarship Foundation and the Roxbury Ambulance Association.

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

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