

Saturday, April 5, 2025

Harris, Acevedo Tally Their Initial Roxbury Wins Of 2025

ROXBURY – Dwight Harris and Miriam Acevedo scored their first overall victories of the 2025 campaign at the Roxbury Road Runners Club series on a cloudy spring morning against a fleet group of rivals.

Harris, 39, of Southbury, scored one victory last season. He had been as high as second place through the first five events of 2025.

He covered the 3.5-mile loop, which included a trip up the long hill on Hemlock Road, on Saturday, April 5, in 23-minutes, 29-seconds – a 6:40-per-mile pace.

Jeffrey Sheldon, 44, of Southbury was second overall in 23:43. He was the Roxbury season champion in 2005 and 2010.

Acevedo, 48, of New Milford was the first woman and placed fifth overall in 27:13. She was second overall in the women's division in the 2024 season standings.

The series will continue with a 5.0-mile race on Saturday, April 12, at 8:30 a.m. It will include a trip up the steep hill on Squire Road.

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

The 35th annual Larry Kershner MidSpring Challenge will be held on Saturday, May 3, at 8:30 a.m. over a 4.3-mile loop. That event will honor a former head director of the series who was instrumental in establishing the current February to December schedule.

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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