

Sheldon, Belles Take The Blue Ribbons Again

At Roxbury Half Marathon

ROXBURY – Jeff Sheldon and Sara Belles repeated their victories of a year ago over the Roxbury Half Marathon's rolling layout.

Sheldon, 34, of Southbury, a two-time season champion at the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series, covered the course, which included a trip along parts of Judd's Bridge Road in 1-hour, 24-minutes and 37-seconds, a 6:28-per-mile pace.

Eric Krebs, 45, of Roxbury placed second in 1:28.41 during the Saturday, November 8, race.

Belles, 33, of Brookfield annexed the female crown and was fourth overall in 1:33.15. She has placed first in a number of races over the recent years in the metro Danbury area.

There were 95 finishers in the event.

The Roxbury Road Race Series thanks the two local troopers who provided traffic control and the volunteers who worked as course marshals and water station attendants.

The weekly series will resume Saturday, Nov. 15, at 8:30 a.m. with a 3.52-mile run that will include a trip down the long hill on Hemlock Road. There is no entry fee.

The race series, the Roxbury Recreation Commission and the Roxbury Congregational Church will co-sponsor the Run For The Cure Thursday, Nov. 27, Thanksgiving, starting at the church on Route 317.

The .7-mile children's run will commence at 9 a.m., the walkers will take off for the primary 3.0-mile run at 9:15 and the runners will begin at 9:30.

The \$10 entry fee can be paid that morning from 7:30 to 9:20 at the church. Proceeds will go to the cancer center at New Milford Hospital and the Relay for Life/Shepaug Valley Division of the American Cancer Society.

The top overall male and top overall female finisher will each receive a plaque.

The weekly races, which are sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission, start and finish near the Everett Hurlburt Community Park.

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