## **Sheldon, Belles Post Victories At Roxbury Half Marathon**

ROXBURY – Jeff Sheldon, 33, of Southbury and Sara Belles, 32, of Brookfield captured their respective titles in the Roxbury Half Marathon, a grueling 13.1-mile jaunt through some of the town's country roads.

Sheldon, a former two-time season champion in the weekly Roxbury Road Race Series, was clocked in 1-hour, 23-minutes and 17-seconds in the Saturday, Nov. 9 event.

Eric Krebs, 44, of Roxbury placed second in 1:25.47.

Belles, who has been one of the premier female distance runners in the area over the recent years, was sixth overall in a field of 95 runners with a time of 1:33.11.

The race, which began a decade ago, has become popular as there were several runners that wanted to compete but weren't among those that registered early through the Internet.

Scott Benjamin, the head director, of the Roxbury Road Race Series, thanks race registration coordinator Chris Deming and the dozens of volunteers who donated their efforts.

The Roxbury Road Race Series will resume Saturday, Nov. 16, at 8:30 a.m. with a 3.52-mile run that will include a trip down the long hill on Hemlock Road. There will be no entry fee.