

Town Resident Races To Roxbury Marathon Triumph

14th Annual Run

ROXBURY – Harry Netzer became a hometown hero by braving slick roads and frigid temperatures to easily capture the 14th annual Roxbury Marathon.

Netzer, a Roxbury resident who tallied three victories at the weekly Roxbury Road Races Club series this year, covered the challenging layout, which included loops along Judd’s Bridge Road and Hemlock Road in 3-hours, 12-minutes and 28-seconds.

The 25-year-old graduate of Horace Mann and Bard College in New York state, where he ran cross country, received the Mario Haas plaque, which is named after the late Cromwell resident who was a regular in the series and ran numerous times in the marathon.

Additionally, he and the top five overall male and female finishers were awarded commemorative plaques designed by former Roxbury series champion Dave Harvey, who took 31st in the marathon and won some of the races in the weekly series this year.

Sean Kellerson, 26, placed second out of 57 finishers in the Roxbury Marathon with a clocking of 3:22.09 on a day when the roads were still slightly icy from a snowfall the day before and temperatures hovered in the mid-30s.

Tessa Mah, 35, of Southington was the first female finisher and placed sixth overall in 3:34.10. She finished 12th overall at the 2014 Roxbury Marathon.

Chris Deming, 51, of Danbury, who placed second in the men's standings in the series this year, took fifth place at the marathon with a 3:33.51 clocking.

Deming has been the registration coordinator for the marathon over the recent years.

The series administrators thank the volunteers who handled various duties during the day-long event.

The Roxbury Road Races Club series will embark on its 42 season in late winter 2018.

The series is sanctioned by the Roxbury Recreation Commission. Most of the races start and finish at the Everett Hurlburt Community Park at 18 Apple Lane.