

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Lipchus In The Roxbury Winners Circle

ROXBURY – Jeff Lipchus annexed his first victory of the 2023 campaign at the weekly Roxbury Road Runners Club series on a course that was run for the first time.

Lipchus, 39, of the Sandy Hook section of Newtown, covered the 8.5-mile loop in 1-hour, 51-seconds – a 7:20-per-mile pace.

He placed sixth last year in the season standings.

Kateri Danay, 25, of Waterbury was the first female finisher and placed 13th overall in the Saturday, April 22, event, which included a trip up the inclines on the Painter Hill and Booth roads. She was clocked in 1:12.51.

Danay has garnered the women's season title at the series the last two years.

The 8.5-mile course was developed during the recent off-season and includes parts of other courses in the series.

The races will continue on Saturday, April 29, at 8:30 a.m. with a 3.7-mile race that will include a trip down the long incline along Ranney Hill Road.

Runners can participate through the \$25 season membership. They also can compete after completing the weekly waiver form. If they have a timing chip the fee is \$2. If they do not have a timing chip the cost is \$5. Youth runners and current and former military personnel and first responders can participate for free after completing the weekly waiver form.

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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