



Al fresco gatherings are part of the appeal Proctor Academy holds for Gordon conferees.

Gordon Research Conferences Enjoying Summer in Andover

Proctor hosts Nobel Prize winner

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

This summer, Proctor Academy once again has been a host site for Gordon Research Conferences. Each week, groups of world-renowned scientists from across the globe travel to Andover to share research, network, and present new thoughts on scientific discovery.

Many afternoons you may see a steady stream of visitors walking down Lawrence Street toward Bradley Lake. Take a minute to introduce yourself; you may have the opportunity to engage in

conversation with a world leader in proteoglycans or radiation chemistry.

In fact, in early July, one conference hosted Sir John E. Walker, the 1997 Nobel Prize winner for his work with American chemist Paul D. Boyer on their elucidation of the enzymatic mechanism underlying the synthesis of adenosine triphosphate. Between 100 and 200 conferees attend each week-long session and continue to rave about living and recreating in Andover for the week.

Proctor thanks the greater Andover community for welcoming these visitors with open arms each summer!



AE/MS Looking Forward to a Great Cross Country Season

Summer practices Wednesdays at Blackwater Park

Brian Reynolds, cross country coach

It's cross country season again. Last season was great, and we're looking to continue improving.

Last year we had the overall race winner in all but one regular season meet. We also had our first-ever team victory when the girls beat Kearsarge by one point.

We should have solid runners returning and plenty of new faces joining us. The team is open to boys and girls who will be in fifth through eighth grade at AE/MS this fall.

If you've already signed up, I hope you're running a little every day, and I encourage you to join us on Wednesday evenings at 5:45 PM in Blackwater Park during the summer before official practices start for some pre-season fun.

The first day of official practice is Monday, August 17, at 5:45 PM, at the school. If you haven't signed up, it's not too late. Do some running, and join us!

It's possible for cross country team members to do both Recreation Department soccer and cross country. We had four girls do both last year, and they were leaders on both teams. Soccer helps with quickness and strength in cross country, and the running from cross country

helped the players stay on the field more when there weren't many subs.

Most cross country meets are done in time to get to evening soccer matches and practices. I'm also confident that athletes can be on both the cross country and school soccer teams.

What's great about cross country is that it is a sport where the athlete gets out exactly what they put into it. Traditionally, cross country teams everywhere keep everyone and help them compete, regardless of ability. All it takes is effort. If they work at it every day, they will get better, no exceptions. The kids who put in the most time and effort improve the most and will be competitive as the season goes on.

To support that, we have a summer training incentive in the form of mileage clubs. Keep track of miles you run between July 1 and August 16. Send them to me or bring them to Wednesday gatherings. If you run 50, 75, or 100 total miles before practice starts, you will get a special t-shirt to recognize your efforts. There will also be recognition for the kids who can run two miles on the first day of practice.

It's a major milestone in cross country when each athlete can run the whole race distance without stopping, and we'll recognize each athlete as they accomplish it during the season.



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Justin Freeman and his brother Kris (pictured) were the first two New Hampshire residents to cross the finish line of the Mount Washington Road Race on June 20. The race is an historic all-uphill 7.6-mile run that draws thousands of runners from across New England, throughout the US, and from countries as close as Canada and as far away as Kenya to make the grueling climb to the summit of the highest peak in the Northeast. The course rises 4,650 vertical feet from start to finish, but relax: there's only one hill in this race! Justin finished in 8th place in 1:05:55; Kris finished in 12th at 1:08:52. Daniel Moore of Andover finished 418th at 1:47:34.

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