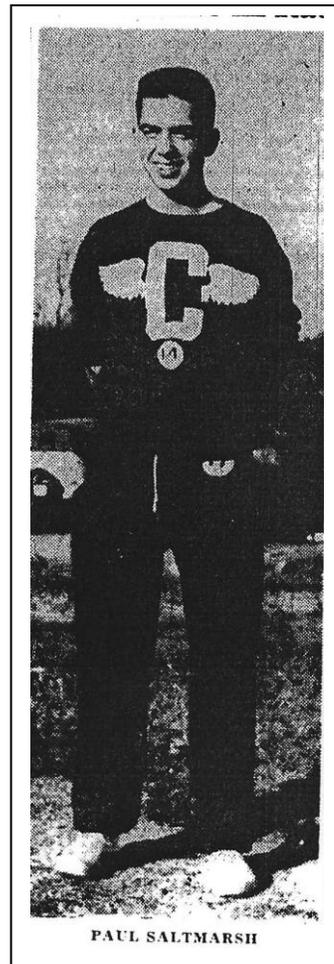
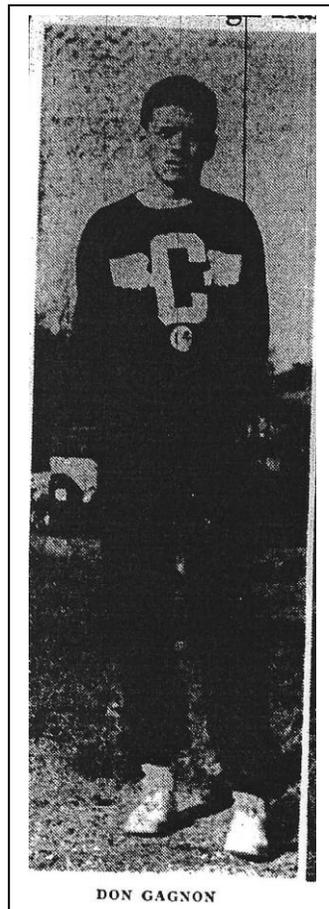


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Cover photo: Don Gagnon and Paul Saltmarsh; placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively in the 1949 state championship for Concord

## Foreword

This report is a compilation of available data on boys cross-country teams at Concord High School. The sources of information include the Concord Monitor (as available on microfilm at the Concord Public Library), Concord High yearbooks (as available in the Concord Room at the Concord library), the website lancertiming.com and the “Luti’s Boys” report (as available on the Concord Library and Granite State Race Services websites). The “Luti’s Boys” report was produced in 2015 and covers Concord cross-country for the Bill Luti Era years of 1957 through 1981. A condensed version of these years is included in this report.

The first record of an interscholastic high school cross-country season at Concord High was in 1916. A 12-year gap ensued with the next cross-country season in 1929, followed by annual seasons thereafter. For the most part the results are presented arbitrarily in 20-year increments with modifications for the first increment (1916-1939) and last increment (2000-2023). Results for the 20<sup>th</sup> Century years (1916 – 1999) include a short paragraph for each year followed by summary sheets with top runners and race results listed, followed by tables listing individual and team results for the state (Class/Div) and Meet of Champions (MOC) races. The 21<sup>st</sup> Century races (2000 – 2023) include only the state and MOC results. Lancertiming .com was the primary source for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century data.

Numerous errors and inconsistencies occurred in the newspaper articles that required some “best professional judgment”. Often desired information was not available (e.g., a listing of all seven runners and their places in a state or New England race). If discrepancies arose between the Monitor and the Yearbook data, the Monitor data was generally used. The author is responsible for all typos and other errors. The various protocols used in the report are listed below.

### Protocol Explanations

- Cross-country is a fall sport. The fall year is used throughout the report as the team year – not the graduation year. For example, a Class of 1980 runner had a senior cross-country year of 1979.
- “State Meet” always refers to the large school Class/Division race and not the Meet of Champions (MOC) race. MOC races began in 1976.
- “Won/Loss” calculations were recorded for races of four or fewer teams. If Concord ran against three other teams and placed second, its record for the day was 2 wins / 1 loss. For races of 5 or more teams the team place is recorded (e.g., team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 10 teams) but the results were not part of the won/loss calculation. This protocol is slightly different from what was used in the “Luti’s Boys” report. Coach Luti did not include invitational races in the won/loss calculations and he had several 4-team invitational races. A more detailed explanation of the two won/loss protocols can be found in “Luti’s Boys”. Suffice it to say, Luti’s career won/loss record is slightly different between the two reports because of the 4-team invitational races.

- Some inconsistencies in scoring occurred through the years, particularly in the early years. Usually in the early years the first five runners of each team scored but there were no 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runner displacements. A perfect score was 15 to 40 even if the winning team had the first ten places. Once in a while, however, runner displacements did occur, and sometimes for more than the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runners. The scores presented in this report are what was listed in the Monitor. No recalculation of scores based on finishing places and current scoring protocols was attempted.
- Meet of Champion participants are the top teams and top individuals from the Class/Division races. Results for the individual runners not part of a team are removed prior to tabulating the team scores. Concord's points both before and after the removal of the individual results are reported in the tables. The scores in parentheses are the scores after the individual results have been removed (see, e.g., the 2000-2019 MOC table, p. 81). This protocol was not consistently applied in the earlier years.

In the interest of full disclosure, the author is a life-long resident of Concord and ran cross-country for Concord in the early 1960s. He has a bias for Concord cross-country that will come through at times (for example, the discussion of the two state meets in 1938 on page 10).

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## 1916 – 1939

The first cross-country team (boys) at Concord High was established in the fall of **1916**. In previous years Concord had spring track (as well as football, basketball and baseball) and had held various intra-mural distance races between the classes but 1916 was the first year that Concord had a cross-country team that raced against other schools. The team was established primarily through the efforts of Frank Nardini, spring track coach, and Robert Sawyer, a successful distance runner on the track team. The Concord High administration allowed Nardini and Sawyer to set up the team but they provided little to no financial support. Efforts during the season to secure funds for the team included: (1) the CHS football team held a scrimmage and charged admission, (2) donations were solicited from various area merchants and (3) the team held a 'Tag Sale' at the school. Interestingly, despite the lack of resources the team was able to go to a national race in Ithaca, NY and to a New England race in Worcester, MA. (Note: The runners had to pay their own way to the New England race). Sawyer was named the captain of the team and he and Coach Nardini were responsible for establishing a course and setting up a schedule.

Concord High played their home football games at the Gun Club grounds. This was the flat area just east of the Bridge Street bridge. The cross-country course started and finished on the 50 yard line of the football field. The course, as described in Monitor articles, is difficult to envision because of changes in the landscape over the years. The runners ran up Gully Hill (a steep, narrow, twisty road at the time) toward the Camp Grounds, branching off to the right of the State Camp (Airport Road?). A mile up this road they turned into the woods and went cross country, down the bluff and returning through the field (sunflowers in 2023) to the Gun Club grounds. The runners were visible from the finish line for the last  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile of the race. The course length was variously listed in Monitor articles as 2.5, 2.9 and 3 miles.

Developing a schedule was a struggle primarily because of the lack of schools with cross-country teams. The final schedule included races against the Dartmouth College and NH State College (University of New Hampshire forerunner) freshmen teams and a Massachusetts high school team, and two invitational races. Despite the high school being closed until Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> because of an "infantile paralysis" (polio) scare (it was not in Concord but was found in Manchester and Franklin and was an epidemic in New York City), and despite NH State College postponing the originally-scheduled date because of lack of preparation, Concord was able to complete the schedule.

Concord had one win and two losses in the three dual meets. They placed 4<sup>th</sup> of 14 teams in the Ithaca race and 3<sup>rd</sup> of 8 teams in the New England race. Captain Sawyer was generally the #1 runner for Concord with Harley Ford and Walter Clark alternating as #2 and 3 runners. In reporting the results of the first two races the Monitor assigned the higher number to the winning team, not realizing that the low score wins in cross-country - another example of the growing pains for this new endeavor. Historical NHIAA documents list 1935 as the first year for the men's official New England cross-country meet. Apparently the 1916 race was not considered official or sanctioned.

Despite the relatively successful inaugural 1916 team, no team was formed in 1917. In fact, Concord would not field another cross-country team until 1929, twelve years after the initial team. The reason for no team was not because of World War I, the Spanish flu epidemic or some other world or local event. It was simply because of the lack of resources from the school or city and the lack of individuals with the drive, determination and enthusiasm to organize and field a team.

In **1929** Ray E. Crowell was the Secretary of the City YMCA (as opposed to the Railroad YMCA). This 'secretary' position was equivalent to a cabinet secretary, i.e., the top dog. Four years previously he had been a member of the cross-country team at Springfield College. He worked with the high school students to revive cross-country as an active sport at Concord High after a dozen years of inactivity. He became the team's coach. As his first year record of six wins and one loss indicates, he clearly knew what he was doing.

As with any new endeavor, growing pains occurred. First, they needed to contact potential opponents and develop a schedule. Public school opponents were scarce, primarily only Central and West, so prep schools and later UNH and Dartmouth freshman teams were often scheduled. Meets were frequently cancelled or postponed for a variety of reasons. In 1929 the first race did not occur until October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Another task was to develop a course. Minor changes were made to the course during the season but, in general, the 1929 course was: start at the corner of Gile (?) and Warren, up West Washington to Holt, across Holt to School, down School to Pine and along Pine to White's Park; into the park, up over the ridge to Valley, down to Forest, up Forest to Ridge Road, south to Park Ridge, across Center to School, west up School over Lightning Hill, then south down Grand View to Pleasant, east on Pleasant to Gale, south on Gale to Memorial Field to finish on the track in front of the stands.

Some inconsistencies in scoring occurred but, in general, the first five runners of each team scored and there were no 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runner displacements. A perfect score was 15 to 40 even if the winning team had the first ten places. Once in a while, however, runner displacements did occur, and sometimes for more than the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runners. The scores presented in this report are what was listed in the Monitor. No recalculation of scores based on finishing places and current scoring protocols was attempted.

Financial resources were another issue. Recall that the 1929 Wall Street stock market crash occurred on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> (Black Thursday) and Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> (Black Tuesday) just as the first year of cross-country at Concord High was getting under way. The crash ushered in the Great Depression that lasted essentially until WWII, causing hardships for cross-country (and other sports) at Concord High. The "coach" was a voluntary position. Usually only 7 or 8 runners went to away meets as transportation was often by student cars.

Despite all the trials and tribulations, Concord's first cross-country season in well over a decade was a ringing success. The record was 6 wins and one loss with three perfect scores of 15 points. The one loss was to Central by six points. Although there was no state meet, Central was likely the best public school team in the state with Concord a close second. Likewise, Concord's Henry Raduazo, who was first in every race, was considered to be the best runner in the state. As only Ruel Colby (Monitor Sports Editor) could express it, Raduazo was the "finest distance runner in state scholastic circles today".

The **1930** season scheduled nine races, six of them against prep schools. Dave Webster was Concord's best runner placing first for Concord in every race (Raduazo had graduated). He was beaten by only two opponents: Ferrin of Central and Miner of St. Paul's. Note the score of 53 for New Hampton in the dual meet on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> (see 1930 Summary Sheet – page 13). Fifty-three is an impossible score in a dual meet under current scoring protocols. In this race all runners were allowed to displace other runners (e.g. Concord's 10<sup>th</sup> man displaced a New Hampton runner). Both Concord and Central were undefeated going into their dual meet at the end of the year. It was generally accepted that the winner of the race would be the state champion. Concord changed the course for this race (and future races) to lessen street crossings. It started in White's Park. After a loop in the park it went north on High (now Liberty) into the sandpit (now Grappone

Park), up through the woods to the reservoir and to Columbus Avenue, down Auburn, Ridge Road and School to Fruit and south on Fruit to Memorial Field to finish on the track. The course no longer had Forest or Lightning (Upper School) hills but did have the steep climb over the ridge to the reservoir. Harold Ferrin of Central won the race with Dave Webster second, but Concord won the overall race. The "official list" of state champions begins in 1930 and Concord is listed as the first champion, despite it being a meet of only two teams. St. Paul's was a late addition to the schedule. After the 'high' of a state championship and with four regulars out with sickness or injury, Concord lost to St. Paul's, thus ruining their undefeated season.

Concord began the **1931** campaign needing a new coach. The press of YMCA duties precluded Ray Crowell from coaching again. Henry Raduazo helped out for a week before heading back to Durham where he ran on the UNH team. Finally, after the failure to find anyone to fill this unpaid position, Crowell agreed to do it one more year. He developed a full schedule, again heavy on the prep school side, with the first race on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. David Webster, Concord's top runner last year, returned for his senior year. In a quad meet during the season Concord was second to Central and Webster was second to Central's Harold Ferrin. The following week however, Concord beat Central in a dual meet and Webster beat Ferrin for first place. Concord finished the season with just the one loss to Central and Webster had just the one defeat to Ferrin.

At the time there was no way to determine the true state champion. Coach Crowell wanted all schools to be able to compete for a championship and wanted to capture the excitement of last year's Concord-Central race. He went to his colleagues in the Concord chapter of the Kiwanis Club and convinced them to establish and sponsor a state championship beginning in 1931. It would be on the same Concord course as last year's race against Central but would be open to all New Hampshire public schools. Five schools entered, West, Lebanon and Nashua along with Concord and Central. It was the rubber match between Concord and Central and between Webster and Ferrin. The race didn't disappoint. Concord beat Central 21 to 34, and Webster beat Ferrin for first place. Concord completed a very successful season with a 9 win 1 loss record and a state championship.

The **1932** season began with only one returning letterman (Captain Francis Kelly) and a new coach Bob Little. Concord had five regular season races against seven opponents. They lost to Central twice and to the UNH freshman team. Central was a dominant team during this period. They swept the first seven places in the state meet – again held in Concord and sponsored by the Concord Kiwanis Club. Concord's top 5 finishing places in the state meet listed in the table of "State Meet Places" (p. 19) are from the Monitor write-up and total 62 points. Concord's total in the "official list" however is 67 and that is the number reported in the table.

Concord began the **1933** season with a new coach for the second year in a row, two returning lettermen in Captain Paul Giguere and Frederick Upton and with no fixed schedule. The new coach, Oliver Pelkey, was very young having graduated from Concord in 1932. He ran on the 1931 Concord team his senior year. Concord had only three races against four opponents. They beat West but lost to Central twice and to the UNH freshmen. Once again Central won the state meet, again with a perfect score of 15. Concord again was second with West third (only 3 teams ran).

Coach Oliver Pelkey had only one returning letterman (Frederick Upton) for the **1934** season. He had difficulties establishing a schedule. His first race was scheduled against West on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> but West didn't show. It turned out they had no team and failed to let Concord know (they did develop a team later in the season). Although the first race wasn't run until Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, Concord managed to have six races and ended the year with a 3 win 3 loss record. Concord was again second to Central in the 4-team state meet.

Concord had eight races during the **1935** season with a record of 6 wins and two losses (to Central and Dartmouth freshmen). Coach Pelkey padded his won-loss record by adding two races at the end of the year. The second Portsmouth race was scheduled between the state and New England (NE) races and the St. Paul's race was after the NE. Central again won the state meet with Concord second, followed by West and Nashua. Portsmouth also ran but had only four finishers so were not counted. Howard J. Hevins (or Heavens), track coach at Wakefield, MA high school, initiated and organized the first ever New England race. It was run in Franklin Park, Boston and was an unmitigated disaster. The race was held in a blinding snowstorm. Only two officials were at the finish line and they were overwhelmed by the number of runners clogging the finish line. It was impossible to keep the runners in proper finishing order. Concord was placed 12<sup>th</sup> of 13 teams but Coach Pelkey insisted they couldn't have been worse than 6<sup>th</sup>. Central won the race. Concord's first finisher was Richard Meade placing 21<sup>st</sup>.

Richard Meade was the captain of the **1936** squad and he ended up winning both the state and New England meets. Developing a schedule was once again an issue. Coach Pelkey had races scheduled with both Central and West in early October but both postponed their races. The explanation: they were not in shape and needed several more weeks of training before racing. Concord lost their first two races of the season – to Wakefield, MA and the UNH freshmen – but won all five of the remaining races. Concord broke up Central's streak of four consecutive state championships by winning the state meet in a field of five teams, with West second and Central third. Concord entered the New England race in Providence, RI and placed 9<sup>th</sup> of 19 teams. Richard Meade placed first in the race, besting last year's winner Jackie Frederickson who placed second. Meade was invited to run in the National Interscholastic Cross-country Championship to be held in Newark, NJ. He placed 11<sup>th</sup> of 222 runners and 37 schools and was the highest placed runner from New England. Full-blooded Mohawk Indian Roy Trail won the race and a team from Schenectady, NY won the team title.

Scarce financial resources was an issue this year as it was every year during the Great Depression. The Rotary Club had its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual drive to provide support for all sports at both the junior and senior high. Coach Pelkey, only four years out of high school and with limited personal means, ended up paying for room and supper out of his own pocket for the New England race. Sixteen prominent city fathers, mostly lawyers, business owners, etc., raised funds (\$48 – doesn't sound like much does it) to send Meade to the national race.

In the fall of **1937** Oliver Pelkey decided to matriculate, along with Richard Meade, to UNH to form a potent 1-2 punch for the UNH freshmen team. That left Concord's cross-country team with no coach. They were able to get former UNH track star Clayton Plummer to coach for one year, and he led Concord to an undefeated season and second straight state championship. Concord was led by Leo Pelkey, younger brother of Oliver, and by Robert Mullen, older brother of future Concord and UNH track star and Concord track coach Donald Mullen. In the race against the UNH freshman team UNH's Meade and Oliver Pelkey tied for first but Concord swept the next six places for the victory. Concord was the first of five teams in the state meet with Central second. Pelkey was second in the race behind Central's Dick Sargent. Apparently there was no qualifying criteria for running in the New Englands – any team could enter. The 1937 race had 22 teams: 8 from RI, 7 from MA, 3 from NH, 2 from ME and one each from CT and VT. Concord placed fifth in the race as the first team from NH. Portsmouth and Central were 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> respectively (21 teams officially finished; one had less than 5 finishers and was disqualified).

On September 21, **1938**, what later became known as the "38 Hurricane" swept through New England leaving devastation in its wake. Cross-country training was interrupted for a week or more until flooding receded and downed trees and branches could be cleared. This was also

a time when the Monitor had headlines such as “EUROPE ON BRINK OF WAR” (9/24/38) as Hitler and his Nazi party began expanding into Europe.

Eugene (Delly) Callahan was the new cross-country coach for Concord. His job description reflects the limited resources for athletics at Concord High. He was Athletic Director, the head of physical education for the entire Union school district, and was the head football, hockey and baseball coach. This year he dropped the football coach position for cross-country (a promotion - right?) but retained all his other responsibilities. All the previous Concord cross-country coaches were former runners; Delly was not. But he knew how to coach, how to motivate young men. As his record will show, and as future Concord coach Bill Luti will prove, you don't need to be a great cross-country runner to be an outstanding coach of distance runners.

Concord had five dual meets during the season and won all five. Richard Crane was Concord's number one runner in each race and won all but the race with Portsmouth. Now the controversy begins. The Kiwanis Club of Concord established the state meet in 1931 and had hosted the race each year since then. The 1938 race was scheduled for Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. However, the University of New Hampshire established a new inter-scholastic state championship to be held in Durham and to begin in 1938. This would provide, for the first time, a neutral site for the meet. Hard feelings may have been felt on the part of some Kiwanis Club members who had been working on the 1938 race. To avoid conflict the UNH race was scheduled to be run on the Thursday between the Kiwanis state meet and the New Englands. Concord had made the decision that if they won the Kiwanis state meet they would go to the New Englands and forego the UNH race. So we are left with two state meets in 1938. Ruel Colby wrote that “after this season the recognized champion will probably be determined by the UNH-sponsored race in Durham”. He went on to say, in what perhaps was wishful thinking, that it was doubtful that the UNH event this year would attract the field that was turning out for the Kiwanis meet. The Kiwanis meet was held. Concord won the meet in a field of seven teams with Central second. The UNH-sponsored state meet was run five days later with a field of five teams. Concord and Nashua did not run. Central won the race with Portsmouth second. Interestingly there was no mention of the UNH results in the Monitor. Just two days later the New England race was held. New Hampshire had two representatives: Concord and a “B” team from Central. Concord placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the New Englands and had five runners finish before the first Central runner. Central placed 17<sup>th</sup>. So we are left with two state meet results for 1938. Ruel wrote “they'll be no more Kiwanis-sponsored meets here, the event having been taken over by the University of New Hampshire”. Unfortunately, from Concord's perspective, the powers to be decided that the Durham race would be the official state meet for 1938. The “official” historical results list Central as the 1938 state champ with no mention of Concord. Concord beat Central in the dual meet, the Kiwanis meet and the New England race and was clearly the superior team. So that the truth is not lost in the history of time, we list both state meet results in this report: in the ‘Yearly Summary’ for 1938 and in the tables of state meet results. Perhaps it's hyperbole but the 1938 cross-country season began with a devastating hurricane and ended with a deplorable miscarriage of justice in selecting Central as the 1938 state championship team. To further emphasize this deplorable ending, the night of the UNH state meet was the night that the Nazi's launched a reign of terror against Jewish shops and synagogues in what became known as Kristallnacht (the Night of Broken Glass) (see Concord Monitor, 11/10/38 p. 1).

As the cross-country season for the last year in the decade began, Monitor headlines showed Nazi Germany moving into Poland and the Concord Rotary planning its 5<sup>th</sup> annual campaign to raise funds to support public school sports teams. Concord had five dual meets in **1939**. They lost to the UNH freshmen but won the remaining four against public schools, including a one point victory over Central. Richard Crane was Concord's first runner in every race. Concord was the slight favorite going into the state meet in Durham with a field of seven teams. Concord

had a chance for its 4<sup>th</sup> straight championship (using the Kiwanis state meet results in 1938, which the Monitor did) to match Central's 4-year run from 1932 to 1935. Unfortunately Central was an easy winner with a 47 to 74 victory over second place Concord. Concord did not run in the New Englands.

One characteristic of the 1930's decade was the frequency of purposeful ties. It appears that if a team had several runners in front of the first runner from an opposing team, they would wait for each other and cross the finish line together. For example, Concord had the first seven places in the 1931 race against New Hampton and they all finished together. Central had the first seven runners tie for first in the 1933 dual meet with Concord. The top four Concord runners tied for first in the 1935 race against Nashua. This phenomenon never happened with the Bill Luti teams of the 1960's and '70's. Everyone ran hard in every race. And this was not just a case of more parity in the later years. Luti's 1960's teams often had the first 5 or even the first 10 runners – but they all finished separately.

Although there was no state meet in 1929, Henry Raduazo was the best runner in the state and should be included in any listing of number one runners. For the 10 years of the 1930s decade, Concord had two state champions (David Webster and Dick Meade) and one New England champ (Dick Meade). Note that the New England race did not begin until 1935 and was not available in Dave Webster's time. The Concord team had five state championships (using the 1938 Kiwanis state meet results) and five runner-up finishes in the ten years.

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1916	<b>School Year:</b> 1916-17	<b>Coach:</b> Frank Nardini		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Robert Sawyer				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Robert Sawyer, Harley Ford, Walter Clark, Phillip Hutchinson, Harold Owen, Parker Huntington, Haskell Cohn				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 2 losses	<b>State:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 8		
<b>Results:</b>				
14 Oct: Dartmouth frosh 22    Concord 33				
21 Oct: Concord 23                    NH State College frosh 32				
28 Oct: Wakefield, MA 26    Concord 29				
4 Nov: Ithaca Invitational (Cornell): Concord 4 <sup>th</sup> of 14 schools; Lafayette High of Buffalo was 1 <sup>st</sup> .				
11 Nov: New England race :    Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 8 schools; Wakefield, MA was 1 <sup>st</sup> .				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	Wakefield, MA	Levine from Wakefield	Harley Ford	7
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a successful first season. Despite a 1 and 2 record they were competitive in every race. Captain Sawyer was first for Concord in the first 4 races and was third to Ford and Clark in the New England race. Although the Nov 11 <sup>th</sup> race was listed as the New Englands, the first official New England race was not until 1935. Concord would not field another team until 1929.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1929	<b>School Year:</b> 1929-30	<b>Coach:</b> Ray E. Crowell		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Henry Raduazo				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Henry Raduazo, Thomas Matthews, David Webster, Carroll Kimball, Edgar Rines, Tony Raduazo, William Andberg				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> n/a	<b>New England:</b> n/a		
<b>Results:</b>				
19 Oct: Concord 15    New Hampton 40				
23 Oct: Concord 15    West 40				
26 Oct: Concord 26    Tilton 30				
1 Nov: Central 30    Concord 36    West 80    Pinkerton 98				
9 Nov: Concord 15    Pinkerton 40				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>				
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> This is Concord's first cross-country team in well over a decade (since 1916). Henry Raduazo was first in every race. Senior Raduazo is captain-elect of the spring track team and is the current holder of the state mile record.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1930	<b>School Year:</b> 1930-31	<b>Coach:</b> Ray E. Crowell		
<b>Captain(s):</b> David Webster				
<b>Top Runners:</b> David Webster, Paul Hart, Carroll Kimball, Phillip McInnis, Leslie Menzies, Francis Kelly, Cleon Barton, Marshall Hanson & Merrill Trelon				
<b>Record:</b> 8 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 2	<b>New England:</b> na		
<b>Results:</b>				
6 Oct: Concord 15	Brewster 40	1 Nov: Concord 23	Tilton 41	
8 Oct: Concord 23	West 36	8 Nov: Concord 22	Brewster 33	
18 Oct: Concord 19	Tilton 41	12 Nov: Concord 19	West 36	
22 Oct: Concord 18	New Hampton 53	*19 Nov: Concord 21	Central 34	
		26 Nov: St. Paul's 25	Concord 32	
<i>*race for state championship</i>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Harold Ferrin, Central	David Webster	2
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Both Concord and Central were undefeated going into the Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup> race. The race was used to determine the state championship despite being a dual meet. Captain Webster was beaten by only two individuals for the season: Ferrin of Central and Minor of St. Paul's School.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1931	<b>School Year:</b> 1931-32	<b>Coach:</b> Ray E. Crowell		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Paul Hart				
<b>Top Runners:</b> David Webster, Phillip McInnis, Paul Hart, Oliver Pelkey, Leslie Menzies, Francis Kelly, Harold Pearson, Maurice Kimball, Cleon Barton				
<b>Record:</b> 9 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b> na		
<b>Results:</b>				
5 Oct: Concord 16	Brewster 43			
9 Oct: Concord 20	West 42	Nashua 67		
17 Oct: Concord 21	Tilton 34			
24 Oct: Central 39	Concord 43	Dartmouth frosh 67 Tilton 81		
30 Oct: Concord 26	Central 29			
7 Nov: Concord 15	New Hampton 50			
10 Nov: Concord 15	Brewster 45			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Dave Webster, Concord	Dave Webster	1
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Concord began the season with no coach but, after failure to find anyone to take this unpaid position, Ray Crowell agreed to do it one more year. Concord and Central were the two dominant teams with Concord coming out on top in the Kiwanis state meet (this was the first year of the Kiwanis state meet). Webster's only loss was to Ferrin of Central in the quad meet. State meet scores were Concord (21), Central (34), West (94), Lebanon (111), and Nashua (143).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1932	<b>School Year:</b> 1932-33	<b>Coach:</b> Robert Little		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Francis Kelly				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Francis Kelly, Therle Hoit, Frederick Upton, Harry Weathers, Paul Giguere, Robert Doherty, Harold Pearson, Raoul Maltais, Maurice Kimball, Robert Gurley				
<b>Record:</b> 4 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b>		
<b>Results:</b>				
8 Oct: Concord 15 Nashua 40				
15 Oct: Central 26 UNH frosh 30 Concord 111				
24 Oct: Concord 18 Tilton 37				
28 Oct: Central 15 Concord 40				
2 Nov: Concord 25 Keene 44 West 51				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	John Irving (Central)	Francis Kelly	8
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Concord lost a lot to graduation last year and had a new coach in Bob Little. Central dominated the state (they had the top 7 places in the state meet) but Concord was able to place 2 <sup>nd</sup> (of 4 teams: Central (15), Concord (67), Nashua (91) & West 92)) in the second annual Kiwanis state meet.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1933	<b>School Year:</b> 1933-34	<b>Coach:</b> Oliver Pelkey		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Paul Giguere				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Richard Blake, Frederick Upton, Forrest Austin, Walter St. Pierre, Elliott Quinn, Paul Giguere, Jerry Raduazo, Varis Giguere, Raoul Maltais, H. LaTouche				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 3	<b>New England:</b>		
<b>Results:</b>				
29 Sep: Central 15 Concord 40				
4 Oct: Concord 22 West 33				
14 Oct: Central 18 UNH frosh 48 Concord 54				
11 Nov: Kiwanis state meet: Central (15), Concord (48) & West (70)				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	John Irving, Central	Elliott Quinn	6
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a new coach for the second year in a row and no fixed schedule to start the season. They managed to have 3 regular season races and finished 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 3 teams in the state meet. For the second year in a row Central scored a perfect score of 15 in the state meet.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1934	<b>School Year:</b> 1934-35	<b>Coach:</b> Oliver Pelkey		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Frederick Upton				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Frederick Upton, Forrest Austin, Henry LaTouche, Louis Raduazo, Harold Brown, Lloyd Robie, Luke Porter, Ray Provost, William Flanders, Francis Spellman				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 4	<b>New England:</b>		
<b>Results:</b>				
13 Oct: UNH Frosh 15 Concord 40				
20 Oct: Dartmouth Frosh 19 Concord 36				
24 Oct: Concord 15 Phillips Andover (B team) 40				
30 Oct: Central 26 Concord 32				
3 Nov: Concord 19 Nashua 45				
7 Nov: Concord 22 West 37				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	Robert Irving, Central	Frederick Upton	3
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Concord once again had trouble establishing a racing schedule but finished with 6 races and a 3 – 3 record. Concord again placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Central in the state meet. The order of finish was Central (21), Concord (58), West (65) and Nashua (91).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1935	<b>School Year:</b> 1935-36	<b>Coach:</b> Oliver Pelkey		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Lloyd Robie				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Varis Giguere, Richard Meade, Lloyd Robie, Raymond Provost, Arthur Hicks, Robert Mullen, Chester Bergevin, Robert Bacon, Robert Lapierre, Robert Brown				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> of 13		
<b>Results:</b>				
2 Oct: Concord 22 West 33				
5 Oct: Dartmouth Frosh 18 Concord 37				
9 Oct: Concord 16 Nashua 39				
12 Oct: Concord 25 UNH Frosh 38				
18 Oct: Central 15 Concord 50				
31 Oct: Concord 17 Portsmouth 44				
16 Nov: Concord 16 Portsmouth 42				
27 Nov: Concord 19 St. Paul's 38				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	R. Irving / L. Voissard	Varis Giguere	6
<b>N.E.</b>	Central	Robert Frederickson	Richard Meade	21
<b>Comments:</b> The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Portsmouth race occurred between the state and N.E. meets and the St. Paul's race was after the New England's (attempt to pad won-loss record?). This was the first year for the N.E. race. The N.E. race was held in a blinding snowstorm. The finish line became jammed and overloaded with runners with no idea of the true order of finishers. Coach Pelkey said Concord couldn't have been worse than 6 <sup>th</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1936	<b>School Year:</b> 1936-37	<b>Coach:</b> Oliver Pelkey		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Richard Meade				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Richard Meade, Robert Mullen, Philip Donaghy, Leo Pelkey, Robert LaPierre, Kenneth Cohen, Paul Converse, Stanley Carlson, Robert Brown, Carl Hyldborg				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> of 19		
<b>Results:</b> 6 Oct: Wakefield, MA 23    Concord 34 10 Oct: UNH Frosh 26    Concord 29 14 Oct: Concord 20    Portsmouth 35 17 Oct: Concord 19    Nashua 39 20 Oct: Concord 26    West 30 23 Oct: Concord 22    Central 33 28 Oct: Concord 21    Portsmouth 34				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Richard Meade	Richard Meade	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Arlington, MA	Richard Meade	Richard Meade	1
<b>Comments:</b> Richard Meade's only loss for the season was to Curley of Wakefield, MA in the first race of the year. Concord finally broke Central's string of 4 straight state meet titles. Donaghy was ruled ineligible for the state meet. Meade placed 11 <sup>th</sup> of 222 runners in the National Interscholastic Championship in Newark, NJ, held just 5 days after the New England race. He was the first finisher from New England.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1937	<b>School Year:</b> 1937-38	<b>Coach:</b> Clayton Plummer		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Robert LaPierre				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Leo Pelkey, Robert Mullen, Robert LaPierre, Stanley Carlson, Rocco Raduazo, Richard Brown, Paul converse, Irving Westover				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 22		
<b>Results:</b> 2 Oct: Concord 26    Portsmouth 29 8 Oct: Concord 25    UNH Frosh 33 15 Oct: Concord 21    Nashua 34 22 Oct: Concord 23    Central 32 29 Oct: Concord 19    West 36				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Dick Sargent, Central	Leo Pelkey	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Melrose, MA	Francis Leary, Manchester, CT	Leo Pelkey	12
<b>Comments:</b> Coach Oliver Pelkey along with Dick Meade from last year's team went off to UNH and Clayton Plummer became the new coach for Concord. Leo Pelkey and Robert Mullen led Concord to an undefeated season, a first place finish in the state meet and a 5 <sup>th</sup> place in the New Englands as the first NH team (the two other NH teams were Portsmouth (20 <sup>th</sup> ) and Central (21 <sup>st</sup> )).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1938	<b>School Year:</b> 1938-39	<b>Coach:</b> Eugene (Delly) Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Stanley Carlson				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Richard Crane, John Woodbury, Bernard Whittier, Rocco Raduazo, Stanley Carlson, William Heath, Douglas Woodman, Carl Hyldburg, Laurant Boisvert, 'Bud' Huntley				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 7	<b>New England:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 23		
<b>Results:</b>				
1 Oct: Concord 23	Portsmouth 32	UNH state meet:		
7 Oct: Concord 19	UNH Frosh 38			
11 Oct: Concord 23	Central 32	1 <sup>st</sup> team: Central (1 <sup>st</sup> of 5)		
15 Oct: Concord 15	Nashua 40	1 <sup>st</sup> indiv.: Dick Sargent		
28 Oct: Concord 15	West 40			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>*State:</b>	Concord	Dick Sargent, Central	Richard Crane	4
<b>N.E.</b>	Melrose, MA	Morris Toothaker, Phillips, ME	Richard Crane	21
*Kiwanis state meet				
<b>Comments:</b> This is Delly Callahan's first year as coach of the team. Concord was undefeated and won the Kiwanis state meet. UNH also set up a state championship in Durham that was held between the Kiwanis meet and the New Englands. Concord did not run the race. Central won the race and is listed in the 'official' print-out as the state champion. Concord beat Central in the dual and Kiwanis races and was 4 <sup>th</sup> in the NEs while Central's B-team was 17 <sup>th</sup> . Clearly Concord was the superior team and both results are listed in this report.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1939	<b>School Year:</b> 1939-40	<b>Coach:</b> Eugene (Delly) Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Richard Crane				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Richard Crane, John Woodbury, Russell Huntley, William Heath, Robert MacLean, Edward Manning, Paul Pelkey, Mason Donaghey, Edwin Potter, John Walters				
<b>Record:</b> 4 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 7	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
29 Sep: Concord 20	Portsmouth 35			
9 Oct: Concord 17	Dover 38			
14 Oct: UNH Frosh 23	Concord 35			
20 Oct: Concord 27	Central 28			
27 Oct: Concord 21	West 34			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	Don Burnham, Lebanon	Richard Crane	3
<b>N.E.</b>	Brockton, MA	Karppinen, Gardner MA	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord was undefeated by NH high schools during the regular season, but only narrowly beat Central (by one point). Its only loss was to the UNH freshman team. Central, however, came back to beat Concord handily (47 to 74) in the state meet. Richard Crane was Concord's number one runner in every race.				

### State Meet Results – Team 1930 – 1939

Year	Champ Team	Score	Runner-up	Score	# Teams	Site
1930	Concord	21	Central	34	2	Concord
1931	Concord	21	Central	34	5	Concord
1932	Central	15	Concord	67	4	Concord
1933	Central	15	Concord	48	3	Concord
1934	Central	21	Concord	58	4	Concord
1935	Central	20	Concord	61	5	Concord
1936	Concord	43	West	44	5	Concord
1937	Concord	36	Central	43	5	Concord
*1938	Concord	35	Central	38	7	Concord
**1938	Central	25	Portsmouth	44	5	UNH
1939	Central	47	Concord	74	7	UNH

\*Kiwanis state meet

\*\*Durham state meet; Concord did not run

### State Meet Results – Individual 1930 – 1939

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place
1930	Harold Ferrin	Central	David Webster	2
1931	David Webster	Concord	David Webster	1
1932	John Irving	Central	Francis Kelly	8
1933	John Irving	Central	Elliott Quinn	6
1934	Robert Irving	Central	Frederick Upton	3
1935	R. Irving/L. Voissard	Central	Varis Giguere	6
1936	Richard Meade	Concord	Richard Meade	1
1937	Richard Sargent	Central	Leo Pelkey	2
*1938	Richard Sargent	Central	Richard Crane	4
**1938	Richard Sargent	Central	<i>(Concord did not run)</i>	-
1939	Don Burnham	Lebanon	Richard Crane	3

\*Kiwanis state meet

\*\*Durham state meet; Concord did not run

### Concord State Meet Places: 1930 – 1939

1930	1931	1932	1933
David Webster - 2	David Webster - 1	Francis Kelly - 8	Elliott Quinn - 6
Paul Hart - 3	Phillip McInnis - 3	Therle Hoit - 10	Jerry Raduazo - 9
Edgar Rines - 4	Paul Hart - 4	Frederick Upton - 13	Frederick Upton - 10
Marshall Hanson - 5	Oliver Pelkey - 5	Harry Weathers - 15	Paul Giguere - 11
Phillip McInnis - 7	Leslie Menzies - 8	Paul Giguere - 16	Varis Giguere - 12
Leslie Menzies - 11	Francis Kelly - 11	Robert Doherty - 18	Henry. LaTouche - 13
Cleon Barton - 15	Harold Pearson - 20	Harold Pearson - 20	-
<i>21 pts. - 1st place</i>	<i>21 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>67 pts. - 2nd place</i>	<i>48 pts. - 2nd place</i>
1934	1935	1936	1937
Frederick Upton - 3	Varis Giguere - 6	Richard Meade - 1	Leo Pelkey - 2
Henry LaTouche - 11	Lloyd Robie - 12	Robert Mullen - 4	Robert Mullen - 4
Louis Raduazo - 12	Richard Meade - 13	Leo Pelkey - 7	Robert LaPierre - 6
Harold Brown - 14	Raymond Provost - 14	Robert LaPierre - 13	Stanley Carlson - 8
Lloyd Robie - 18	Robert Mullen - 16	Stanley Carlson - 18	Rocco Raduazo - 16
Forrest Austin - 23	Chester Bergevin - 21	David Johnson - 21	Richard Brown - 17
Raymond Provost - 27	Robert Bacon		
<i>58 pts. - 2nd place</i>	<i>61 pts. - 2nd place</i>	<i>43 pts. - 1st place</i>	<i>36 pts. - 1st place</i>
*1938	1939		
Richard Crane - 4	Richard Crane - 3		
John Woodbury - 5	John Woodbury - 4		
Rocco Raduazo - 7	Russell Huntley - 14		
Bernard Whittier - 8	William Heath - 18		
Stanley Carlson - 11	Robert MacLean - 27		
William Heath - 18			
Douglas Woodman - 21			
<i>35 pts. - 1st place</i>	<i>74 pts. - 2nd place</i>		
* Kiwanis state meet			

Notes: There were no state meets prior to 1930  
 Concord did not run in the "official" state meet in Durham in 1938; Kiwanis state meet results are listed.

## 1940 – 1959

As the 4<sup>th</sup> decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century opened, the threat of war loomed over the country. Whereas the 1930's were characterized by the Great Depression, the 1940's and '50's were characterized first by World War II and then by the Cold War and Korean conflict. Cross-country at Concord High struggled at times during this period but they kept on running. Like in the 1930's, creating a schedule and dealing with postponements and cancellations seemed to be an on-going issue. It appears that setting up a schedule didn't begin until school started in the fall. Often schedules weren't finalized until the end of September and the first race wasn't run until October. Also, it appears that most team members didn't train over the summer and needed the month of September to get in shape. More than once an early-scheduled race was postponed because the opposing team was not in shape to run.

In **1940** Concord returned 4 lettermen from the 1939 state runner-up team including captain John Woodbury. Woodbury was first for Concord in all but the opening race when he was second to Russell Huntley. Concord had a 2 win 3 loss season including a win over the UNH freshman team. They placed 3<sup>rd</sup> (80 points) in the state meet behind Central (35) and Portsmouth (64). The first Concord runner was Woodbury in 7<sup>th</sup> place.

Russell Huntley was captain-elect for the **1941** team but did not return to school in the fall. Manson Donaghey was named acting captain for the season. Coach Callahan introduced a new course in 1941. *Start at Concord High, north on Westbourne to Center, east on Center to Washington, east on Washington to the White Park entrance, across the bridge and up over ridge to High (now Liberty) north on High to Franklin, east to Charles, south to Beacon, right into and through the park to Center, west to Westbourne, right to North Fruit (not clear if School, Woodman or Warren is used to get from Westbourne to N. Fruit), and south along South Fruit to Memorial Field to finish on the cinder track in front of the grandstand.* The new 2.4 mile course eliminated the steep climb from the sand pit to the reservoir. The '41 team had a record of 1 win and 4 losses, beating West and losing to the UNH Frosh, Central, Portsmouth and Dover. The Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> race was not a tri meet; three teams ran but it was scored as 2 separate dual meets. Donaghey was Concord's number 1 runner throughout the season but George Merritz was Concord's first runner in the state meet, placing 18<sup>th</sup>. Concord (113 pts) was 5<sup>th</sup> of 6 teams in the state meet behind Central (49), Portsmouth (51), Dover (60), and Raymond (94) and ahead of West (131). UNH hosted the New Englands this year but Concord did not qualify.

The Monitor headline as the **1942** season began was "Nazi's suffer terrific losses at Stalingrad" (9/12/42 p. 1). Travel was difficult at this time. Gas and tires were among the items rationed during the war years. Races were limited and no state (or New England) meets were held in '42 and '43 because schools couldn't get to Durham. Concord's 1942 season consisted of 3 races (2 with Central, 1 with West) in eight days, with Concord winning two. Manson Donaghey won all 3 races. Norman Davis and Arthur White were the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> runners for Concord.

Cross country activities were "curtailed but not yet entirely wiped out by wartime conditions" for **1943** (Monitor, 10/2/43). A home and home series was scheduled with Central and West. Concord traveled to West by train, lost the race and returned by bus. Concord also lost the home meet with Central. The race course established in 1941 was modified such that the race ended at the high school (a loop around the school) and not at Memorial Field. The last two races were postponed and re-scheduled at least once but results were not found in the Monitor. The races were likely never run. The season's record was 0 wins 2 losses and no state meet.

Concord ran 5 dual meets in **1944**; two with Central (won both), two with West (lost both) and one with St. Joseph (won easily). This was the first year of running for St. Joseph, a catholic school in Manchester also known as Cathedral High. All travel to Manchester was by train. Frederick Thompson was the #1 runner for Concord with Don Moulton and Doug Vitagliano alternating at the 2 and 3 spots. For the first time the state meet was divided into two classes – Class A and Class B. The four teams in Class A were West, Central, Concord and St. Joseph and that is the order they finished in the state meet: West (32), Central (49), Concord (51) and St. Joseph (118). WWII headlines continued throughout the season. For example, “MacArthur landed powerful invasion force in the Philippines; Achen falls to Yanks – first major German city and gateway to the Ruhr” (Monitor, 10/20/44, p. 1).

Concord ran in 6 dual meets in **1945**, a home and home series with West, Central and Dover. Concord won all 6 races. The team was led by senior captain Frederick Thompson, the number one runner from last year. He was usually first for Concord but was pushed by Bob Datson, a senior in his first year of running. Concord had an undefeated season and Datson won the state meet. Although Concord beat the other 3 Class A teams twice during the regular

The “official” list of state champions as available on Lancertiming.com has Bailey winning in 1945 and Datson winning in 1946. That is wrong. Datson won in '45 and Bailey won in '46 (& '47).

season they were only able to tie for first (with West) in the state meet. Having a weak 5<sup>th</sup> man is more damaging in a large meet than a dual meet and that is what happened. Concord’s places were 1,2,3,9,15 for 30 points; West’s were 4,5,6,7,8 for 30 points. If the 6<sup>th</sup> place tie-breaker rule had been in effect in 1944, West (11<sup>th</sup> place) would have beaten Concord (18<sup>th</sup> place). The Class A results were Concord (30), West (30), Central (69) and Dover (113). Both Concord and West ran in the New Englands. Concord tied for 5<sup>th</sup> (170) and West was 8<sup>th</sup> (217). The top 4 places were Manchester, CT (91), Hartford (98), LaSalle (100) and Beverly (105).

The top two runners from 1945 (Thompson & Datson) were lost to graduation but the third runner, Robert Bourdeau, returned and captained the **1946** team. He was #1 for Concord in every race and his younger brother, sophomore Paul Bourdeau, was #2. The season started late (first race Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>) because of a polio epidemic in Manchester and the early races had to be re-scheduled. Concord won only one of its six regular season races. Concord brought 10 runners to the state meet, seven to run and three as alternates. Due to a misunderstanding of the start time five of the runners, including #1 runner Bob Bourdeau, were out inspecting the course when the race started. Concord raced with the remaining five runners and placed 5<sup>th</sup> of 6 teams. The team results were West (32), Keene (67), Dover (70), Central (71), Concord (126) and Portsmouth (DQ – only 4 finishers). Concord’s first runner was Paul Bourdeau in 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Concord had another ‘down’ year in **1947**, winning only 2 races out of 7 and placing last of 5 teams in in the state meet. Paul Bourdeau was Concord’s best runner. The state meet was sponsored for the first time by the newly formed NH Interscholastic Athletic Association (NHIAA), but the race was still under the direction of UNH cross country coach Paul Sweet. The team results were Dover (40), Central (60), Keene (61), West (72) and Concord (113). The top three runners were Bob Bailey of Keene, Ted Parodie of West) and Bob Bodwell of Dover. No Concord runners were listed in the Monitor article.

The reader may have noticed that the Monitor coverage of poorly performing teams was much less than for the good teams.

After two years of mediocre results **1948** would be the first of four straight state championships. The common denominator of these four years was Paul Saltmarsh and Don Gagnon. Both were freshmen in 1948. Paul Saltmarsh was the #1 runner for Concord throughout the regular season and was unbeaten by NH high school runners. The team had a record of 6 wins and 1 loss, with the loss being to the Dartmouth University freshmen team. Don Gagnon was the 5<sup>th</sup> Concord runner in the first race of the season but by the 3<sup>rd</sup> race he was the #2 runner. Richard Saltmarsh, Paul's older brother, and Everett Webber were generally the #3 and #4 runners for Concord. Paul Bourdeau, Concord's best runner last year, was the 5<sup>th</sup> runner in 1948 showing the strength of the underclassmen. The team also had excellent grouping. In the Keene race for example only 30 seconds separated the times of the first and fifth Concord runners. Concord (24) won the state meet easily over Keene (58), placing 5 runners in the first 8 places. And, for the first time all season, Gagnon beat Paul Saltmarsh. Gagnon and P. Saltmarsh placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> behind the winner Robert Moody of Dover, followed by Rick Saltmarsh (5), Bourdeau (6) and Webber (8). Concord (137) placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the New England race behind Arlington, MA (58), LaSalle, RI (67) and Manchester, CT (122). Concord's scoring finishers were P. Saltmarsh (23), Gagnon (33), R. Saltmarsh (50), Webber (51) and Bourdeau (67). Note: these are the actual places before the non-team runners were removed to calculate the team scores.

In general, states send their top 3 or 4 teams and top 15 individuals to the New England race. The individuals may or may not be on one of the top teams. The places of individuals not on a top team are removed before the team scores are calculated.

The top 3 runners from 1948 returned in **1949**. The team was captained by Rick Saltmarsh and Roger Smith. They were undefeated (6 wins 0 losses), won the state meet and placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the New Englands. The team was led by Don Gagnon who won every regular season race and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state meet behind defending champion Bob Moody of Dover. Paul Saltmarsh, Rick Saltmarsh and Morton Houle were the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Concord runners in every race. Concord (32) edged Keene (39) for first place in the state meet. Concord scorers were Gagnon (2), P. Saltmarsh (3), R. Saltmarsh (6), Houle (8) and Roger Smith (13). Because of fiscal constraints only the top 5 runners traveled to Storrs, CT the night before the New England race. However, the parents of Saltmarsh and Houle travelled down the day of the race (very early start) and brought the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runners Robert Call and Richard Jewell. Concord (123) placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the race just behind Keene (121) in 4<sup>th</sup>. Manchester, CT was the winning team and Johnny Kelley of New London Bulkeley, CT was the winning individual. Gagnon was the first NH finisher in 10<sup>th</sup> place. Concord's scorers corrected for team only runners were Gagnon (6), P. Saltmarsh (10), R. Saltmarsh (20), Houle (31) and Call (50).

It's **1950** – halfway through the century. Don Gagnon and Paul Saltmarsh are now juniors and return as co-captains of the 1950 team. Once again Gagnon and Saltmarsh were the #1 and #2 runners for Concord. The team's only loss was to the UNH freshman team. The race with West was controversial. Concord's top runners took a wrong turn and finished way back. West took the first four places but that was it; they had only four runners. They argued (at least the Manchester paper argued and apparently the West coach agreed) that West won 20 to 35. Their reasoning: West gets 1, 2, 3, and 4 for a sub-total of 10; Concord gets 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 for a total of 35 and West is awarded 10 place (this is before the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> runners can displace) which is added to its 10 sub-total for a final score of 20. The only problem with this logic is that is not how the scoring system works. A team must have a minimum of 5 runners finish the course to obtain an official score. Otherwise it is disqualified. Interestingly, West also had only 4 finishers at the state meet and they were disqualified for that race. The NHIAA does not get involved in won – lost records during the regular season and Coach Callahan didn't think

it was worth the time and effort to contest it. But, to keep the record straight, this meet is recorded as a Concord victory in this report. Concord had a 5 win – 1 loss record, won the state meet and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the New Englands. Except for the West debacle Gagnon was undefeated by high school runners in the regular season, including a win over the two-time defending state champ Bob Moody in the Dover race. Gagnon and Saltmarsh were generally supported by Robert Call, Peter Hood and Leon Jaworski in the 3, 4 and 5 positions. Concord (52) edged out Portsmouth (59) for the state championship, followed by Keene with 75 points. Bob Moody of Dover won his 3<sup>rd</sup> straight individual championship with Gagnon in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Concord's other four scorers were Saltmarsh (5), Hood (9), Jaworski (17) and Call (19). Concord (141) placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the New England race behind Boston Trade, MA (73) and LaSalle, RI (135). Gagnon placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the race as the first New Hampshire runner.

The **1951** team was co-captained by Paul Saltmarsh and Peter Hood. Wait ...What? Where is Don Gagnon? Saltmarsh and Gagnon have run together since they were freshmen in 1948, and 1951 was to be their senior year. Gagnon did not graduate (the yearbooks before, during and after Saltmarsh's graduation were checked) and no information was observed in the Monitor in the fall season. Most likely his family moved out of Concord and he was unable to complete his senior year at Concord High. But, the fact of the matter is, we were unable to find out why he didn't run. The 1951 team was well balanced with no dominant runner. Five different runners placed first or tied for first during the season. P. Saltmarsh and Hood generally led the team with Robert Call, Steve Saltmarsh (younger brother of Paul) and Red Murray in the 3, 4 and 5 positions. Paul Saltmarsh was not as dominant as a senior as he had been as a freshman. Concord had a 5 win – 1 loss season. The lone loss was to Central in the first race of the season and was the first loss to a high school team since 1947. Concord (41) easily won the state meet over Central (72) and Keene (73). The team's scorers were P. Saltmarsh (5), Call (6), Hood (8), S. Saltmarsh (9) and Larry White (13). The local athletic association voted funds to send the team to the New Englands, where they tied for 5<sup>th</sup> place. Boston English, MA won the team title and Paul Firolette of Ellsworth, ME won the individual title. Concord's order of finish was Red Murray, Hood, S. Saltmarsh, Call, P. Saltmarsh, White and Egils Veverbrants. The team left to return to Concord before the final listing of results (this was long before electronic scoring; scoring was all done by hand and took a long time) and the final places were not listed in the Monitor except for Murray's 26<sup>th</sup> position (before the individual runners were removed). Murray was Concord's first finisher.

Concord lost 5 of the top 7 runners from last year to graduation resulting in a 'down' year for the **1952** team. The team was captained by Steve Saltmarsh, younger brother of Richard and Paul, and he and Alan Young were the #1 and #2 runners for Concord. Their record was 3 wins – 5 losses and a 6<sup>th</sup> place out of 7 teams in the state meet with a score of 106 points. The state meet was won by Keene (54) followed by Portsmouth (90) and Central (93). Bob Dixon of Portsmouth was the individual winner followed by Stan Moulton (Laconia) and Crosley Fletcher (Keene). Saltmarsh (10), Young (11) and Peter Cassidy (20) were the top 3 runners for Concord. Concord did not qualify for the New England race that was won by LaSalle Academy of Providence, RI.

Concord had an even more 'down' year in **1953**. Captain Donald "Ducky" Mead was Concord's #1 runner with William Daley and Daniel McDonald alternating in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions. Their regular season record was 1 win, 4 losses and a 5<sup>th</sup> of 7 teams in an invitational race. The one win was a last minute addition to the schedule to replace the Portsmouth race (more on that in a sec) and was labeled as a "practice" run against New England College. The Portsmouth race epitomizes how the season was going. Both teams thought they had a home meet and were waiting at their respective home schools for the other team to show up.

Originally it was supposed to be re-scheduled but never was. The invitational race was a scheduled dual meet with the UNH Frosh but ended up being a 7-team event easily won by Keene. The state meet was postponed to the following Tuesday because of “inclement” weather. State and New England races have had some atrocious weather over the years but this is the first postponement of which we are aware. Usually cross-country runners in their shorts and singlet run in weather that causes a football game to be postponed. Not all the teams were able to travel to the state meet for the week day race. Concord (122) placed 6<sup>th</sup> of 7 teams in the Class A state meet. Keene (19) easily won the team title and Keene teammates Crosley Fletcher and George Holbrook tied for first for the individual title. Concord’s scorers were Mead (19), McDonald (21), Robert Hurst (22), Malcolm Snow (26) and Cyril Johnson (34). Keene won the team title in the New England race, the first victory for a New Hampshire team since the 1935 inaugural race when Central won with the controversial finish in a blinding snowstorm (finish line foul up – truly FUBAR).

**1954** was the third straight year with mediocre results. Danny McDonald was the captain of the team but had to give up cross country early in the season because of stomach problems. John Cross was Concord’s #1 runner with Bobby Hurst, John Prowse and George Boucher alternating in the 2, 3 and 4 positions. Concord had 2 wins (both against Laconia), 3 losses and a fifth place in a 5-team event won by the UNH freshman team (32). The other team places were Keene (42), Portsmouth (67), Dover (101) and Concord (126). Concord placed 5<sup>th</sup> of 8 teams in the state meet. Keene (49) won the state meet for the third year in a row and Crosley Fletcher of Keene repeated as individual state champ. After Concord had won 4 straight championships (1948-51) Keene now had 3. Keene was coached by Jack Mayes, a new, young energetic coach who was developing a strong interest in the running community in the Keene area. He was the captain of the Fordham University cross-country team in 1947. For the next 25 years (beginning in 1957) Keene and Concord dominated the large-school cross country teams in New Hampshire as a friendly, mutually respectful rivalry developed between Coach Mayes and Concord’s Coach Bill Luti. Don Johnson and Harold Johnson of Troy, NH placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively in the 1954 New England race. Harold Johnson would go on to win the New England race in 1955. Concord did not run in the 1954 New England race.

In general, large schools tend to have faster times than the small schools but the Johnson brothers show that small schools can produce first class runners.

Concord had a winning record in **1955** for the first time in three years. They had 5 wins, 2 losses and a 4<sup>th</sup> place in a 5 team invitational race. Allen Fownes was first for Concord in every race. Sophomore Clark Billings was generally second and George Boucher and John Prowse alternated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> positions. Captain Robert Hurst was usually the 5<sup>th</sup> runner. Results of the 5-team invitational race were Portsmouth (37), UNH Frosh (43), Keene (76), Concord (87) and Dover (118). Concord (104) placed 4<sup>th</sup> of 8 teams in the state meet trailing Bishop Bradley (30), Portsmouth (47), and Keene (89). Concord’s first runner was Fownes in 9<sup>th</sup> place and he was the only Concord finisher listed in the Monitor. Robert Pinsince of Dover was the individual winner. Doug MacGregor, who placed first and led the Tilton-Northfield team to a Class M championship, had the fastest time of all three classes. The following week he placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the New Englands as the second New Hampshire runner. The first NH runner and winner of the New Englands was Harold Johnson of Troy.

Anyone who was part of the N.H. road racing community over the 50 years from about 1960 to 2010 probably knows of Doug MacGregor. He ran some fantastic age-group times over this period.

Eugene "Delly" Callahan coached in his 19<sup>th</sup> and final cross-country season in **1956**. His first year of coaching was 1938. Junior Clark Billings was Concord's #1 runner with Captain George Boucher the #2 runner and John Prowse and Richard Johnson alternating at 3 and 4. Concord had 3 wins, 2 losses and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 5-team First Annual UNH Invitational. The finishing order was Portsmouth (35), Bishop Bradley (53), Concord (54), UNH Frosh (97) and Nashua (114). A scheduled meet with Dover was never run. The CHS Yearbook said Concord won by default and gave the team 4 wins for the season. The Monitor said the race was cancelled. The race was not included in the won-loss record listed here. Concord (81) was 4<sup>th</sup> in the 8 team state meet behind Portsmouth (47), Bradley (56) and Keene (70). Pete Fletcher of Keene, younger brother of Crosley, was the individual winner but the fastest time of the day was again run by Doug MacGregor of Class M Tilton-Northfield. The Monitor article provided no names or places for the Concord runners in the state meet. Concord did not run in the New Englands. Coach Callahan's record over his 19-year career was 62 wins, 42 losses, six state titles [1938 (Kiwanis state meet), 1945 (tie) and 1948 '49, '50 & '51], one individual state champion (1945 Bob Datson) and three undefeated seasons ('38, '45 & '49). His best New England finish was 3<sup>rd</sup> place (1950).

Concord runner Dick Johnson worked at Fortier's Pharmacy every day after school from 2:45 to 9:00 pm. On the weekends he ended work at 6:00 pm. He trained by himself in the dark after 9 pm. He was allowed to miss work for the races.

In **1957** William Vincent "Bill" Luti began his first of 25 years coaching cross-country at Concord High. He inherited a team of 16 runners with 4 returning lettermen. Senior Clark Billings was again the number one runner for Concord and Ralph Messer was number two. Sophomore Dick Dickson came on strong after the first couple of races to be number three. Pete Mamos and Phil Boulter generally completed the top five. The team compiled a record of 3 wins, 3 losses and a third place in the state meet with 71 points, trailing Bishop Bradley (38) and Portsmouth (48). Pete Fletcher of Keene was the individual winner. Concord's top 5 in the state meet were Billings (6), Messer (11), Dickson (17), Mamos (18) and Boulter (19). Concord as a team did not qualify for the New Englands but Billings ran as an individual, placing 87<sup>th</sup>.

Co-captain and senior Ralph Messer was the number one runner for the **1958** team, leading the team to a 2 win, 2 loss & 1 tie record. He won 4 of the 5 regular season races, placing second to Pete Fletcher in the Keene race. He also placed second to Fletcher in the state meet as Fletcher won his third straight state title. The two regular season losses were each by a single point. The tied race would have been a Concord victory if the 6<sup>th</sup> man tie-breaker rule had been in effect at the time. Concord's .500 record was very close to being an undefeated season. Concord (76) placed third in the state meet behind Keene (42) and Portsmouth (69). Concord's 5 scorers were Messer (2), Pete Mamos (13), Dick Dickson (16), Carl Cuddemi (22) and Bob Prentiss (23). Concord did not qualify for the New Englands. Messer qualified as an individual but there was no information in the paper as to whether or not he ran or how he did if he did run.

In **1959** Concord had its first undefeated season since 1949 and its first state championship since 1951. The team was led by senior co-captain Dick Dickson, who won all but one regular season race. Bob Prentiss and Carl Cuddemi were the # 2 and 3 runners. Concord (40) won the state meet followed closely by Stevens (44). Portsmouth (85) was third. Concord's finishers were Dickson (2), Prentiss (3), Cuddemi (4), Tom Andrews (15), Jeff Spoor (16), Charles Rancour (27) and Hal Mahar (42). Concord (170) placed 6<sup>th</sup> of 18 teams in the New Englands as the first New Hampshire team followed closely by Stevens (187) in 7<sup>th</sup> place. Lexington, MA (102) was the winning team.

The team accomplishments for the two decades of the 1940's and '50's were six state championships ('45 (tie), '48, '49, '50, '51 & '59), one individual state champion (Bob Datson '45) and three undefeated seasons ('45, '49 & '59). Two other teams were undefeated by high school teams but lost to a college freshman team ('48 (Dartmouth) and '50 (UNH)).

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1940	<b>School Year:</b> 1940-41	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> John Woodbury				
<b>Top Runners:</b> John Woodbury, Russell Huntley, Manson Donaghey, James Zachos, Frank Graziano, George Merritz, Kenneth Chandler, Harold Jones, Herbert Levingston				
<b>Record:</b> 2 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 6	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
11 Oct:	Portsmouth 30	Concord 35	UNH Frosh 64	
17 Oct:	Concord 21	West 34		
21 Oct:	Central 19	Concord 36		
30 Oct:	Dover 20	Concord 35		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	Emile Gazdajka, Central	John Woodbury	7
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, RI	Kobialka	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord ran in four meets, one a tri meet, with a record of 2 wins – 3 losses. They placed third in the state meet with 80 points behind Central (35) and Portsmouth (64). Woodbury was the first Concord runner in all but the first race where he was second to Huntley. Concord's first three in the state meet were Woodbury (7), Huntley (9) and Zachos (15).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1941	<b>School Year:</b> 1941-42	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Manson Donaghey, acting				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Manson Donaghey, John Butts, Leonard Overton, Raymond Ramsey, George Merritz, Lauren Sanborn, Henry Murray, Robert Weathers, Albert Levingston, Edward Forst				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 4 losses	<b>State:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 6	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
10 Oct:	UNH Frosh 21	Concord 34		
17 Oct:	Concord 20	West 35		
	Central 18	Concord 37		
20 Oct:	Portsmouth 22	Concord 34		
24 Oct:	Dover 24	Concord 31		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Central	Emile Gazdajka, Central	George Merritz	18
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, RI	Larkin, Gardner, MA	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Russell Huntley was the captain-elect from last season but he didn't return to school in 1941. Manson Donaghey became acting captain. Donaghey was the first Concord runner in every race during the season but ran poorly in the state meet and finished outside the top 20. The Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup> race was two dual meets run simultaneously – not a tri meet. The two Manchester schools held their meets together as an economy move.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1942	<b>School Year:</b> 1942-43	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Manson Donaghey				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Manson Donaghey, Norman Davis, Arthur White, Henry Murray, Radford Dymont, James Murray, Albert Levingston, Robert Hause, Byron Quimby, Wesley Dane				
<b>Record:</b> 2 wins 1 loss	<b>State</b>	<b>New England:</b>		
<b>Results:</b>				
20 Oct: Central 27 Concord 28				
23 Oct: Concord 19 West 36				
27 Oct: Concord 27 Central 28				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>				
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Concord's 1942 season consisted of 3 races in 8 days. They lost to Central by 1 point, beat West and beat Central by 1 point. Manson Donaghey won all 3 races. Because of gas rationing for the war and/or lack of resources, Concord had "transportation difficulties" that limited travel. No state (or New England) race was held because of difficulty for teams to travel to Durham.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1943	<b>School Year:</b> 1943-44	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Henry Murray, Jr.				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Donald Moulton, Douglas Vitagliano, George Kidder, Henry Murray, Henry Langevin, Frederick Thompson, Byron Quimby, George Drew				
<b>Record:</b> 0 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b>	<b>New England:</b>		
<b>Results:</b>				
15 Oct: West 21 Concord 34				
21 Oct: Central 15 Concord 40				
28 Oct: West ???				
4 Nov: Central ???				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>				
<b>N.E.</b>				
<b>Comments:</b> Four races were scheduled: a home and home series with both West and Central. The first two races were run. The last two races had at least one postponement. No results were ever found in the Monitor for either of the last two races. Likely they were never run. No state or New England race was held.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1944	<b>School Year:</b> 1944-45	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> George Kidder & Douglas Vitagliano				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Frederick Thompson, Donald Moulton, Douglas Vitagliano, George Kidder, Byron Quimby, Robert Hamblett, Dean White, Henry Langevin, William Lynch, Paul Holbrook				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 4	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
6 Oct:	West 22	Concord 33		
11 Oct:	Concord 27	Central 28		
17 Oct:	West 23	Concord 32		
26 Oct:	Concord 27	Central 28		
8 Nov:	Concord 15	St. Joseph's 40		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	West	Andy Carrier, Central	Frederick Thompson	3
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, RI	Roland Breaux, Hartford	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Thompson was first for Concord in every race. Moulton and Vitagliano alternated as 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> runner for Concord. All the away races were in Manchester and travel was by train. This was the first year of running for St. Joseph's. For the first time the state meet was divided into Class A and Class B. Class A consisted of the four teams listed in the "Results" section above.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1945	<b>School Year:</b> 1945-46	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Frederick Thompson				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Frederick Thompson, Robert Datson, Robert Bourdeau, Robert Bodwell, Robert Gurley, Bill Hutchinson, William Conn, Richard Prince				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> tied 1 <sup>st</sup> of 4	<b>New England:</b> tied 5 <sup>th</sup> of 20		
<b>Results:</b>				
9 Oct:	Concord 21	Central 34		
16 Oct:	Concord 27	West 28		
23 Oct:	Concord 15	Dover 40		
30 Oct:	Concord 21	Central 34		
6 Nov:	Concord 25	West 30		
13 Nov:	Concord 15	Dover 40		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord / West	Bob Datson, Concord	Bob Datson	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Manchester, CT	Roland Breaux, Hartford	Frederick Thompson	8
<b>Comments:</b> Thompson-Datson-Bourdeau formed a very strong top 3 runners (placed top 3 in state meet) but the time gap to the 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> runners was significant, allowing West to tie Concord in the state meet. Thompson was first for Concord in all but two races where Datson was first, including the state meet.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1946	<b>School Year:</b> 1946-47	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Robert Bourdeau				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Robert Bourdeau, Paul Bourdeau, William Hutchinson, Richard Prince, Robert Chandler, Thomas Sawyer, Robert Jewell, William Conn, Thomas Bouchard				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 5 losses	<b>State:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 6	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
11 Oct:	West	18	Concord	37
16 Oct:	Concord	23	Dover	32
24 Oct:	Dover	25	Concord	30
28 Oct:	West	20	Concord	35
1 Nov:	Central	26	Concord	29
5 Nov:	Keene	26	Concord	29
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	West	Bob Bailey, Keene	Paul Bourdeau	10
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, RI	Lepry, LaSalle Academy	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Brothers Bob and Paul Bourdeau were the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Concord runners respectively in every regular season race. A starting time misunderstanding at the state meet resulted in several Concord runners, including # 1 Bob Bourdeau, missing the start. Only 5 Concord runners ran. Six teams ran in the race but Portsmouth, with only 4 finishers, was disqualified. Officially Concord was last, 5 <sup>th</sup> of five teams.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1947	<b>School Year:</b> 1947-48	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Richard Prince, William Hutchinson				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Paul Bourdeau, Richard Saltmarsh, Bill Hutchinson, Richard Sinclair, Richard Prince, Robert Chandler, Richard Jewell, James Yannekis				
<b>Record:</b> 2 wins 5 losses	<b>State:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 5	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
3 Oct:	Dover	27	Concord	28
10 Oct:	Concord	20	West	35
18 Oct:	Concord	15	Dartmouth Frosh	40
21 Oct:	Central	25	West	43
23 Oct:	Central	20	Concord	35
28 Oct:	Keene	23	Concord	32
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Dover	Bob Bailey, Keene	?	?
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, RI	Terry, New London Bulkeley, CT	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Paul Bourdeau was the #1 runner for Concord in all but one regular season race; he was second to Richard Sinclair in that race. Concord was fifth and last in the state meet and did not run in the New Englands. The Concord Monitor did not list the finishing place of any Concord runner in the state meet. The team scores were Dover (40), Central (60), Keene (61), West (72), and Concord (113).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1948	<b>School Year:</b> 1948-49	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Paul Saltmarsh, Donald Gagnon, Richard Saltmarsh, Everett Webber, Paul Bourdeau, Lloyd Price, Roger Smith, Richard Jewell, Carl Jewell				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 8	<b>New England</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>				
1 Oct:	Concord 26	Central	29	
5 Oct:	Concord 23	Dover	32	
11 Oct:	Concord 17	West	38	
16 Oct:	Dartmouth Frosh 24	Concord	31	
19 Oct:	Concord 23	Keene	32	
26 Oct:	Concord 19	Laconia	36	
2 Nov:	Concord 15	Portsmouth	40	
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Robert Moody, Dover	Don Gagnon	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Arlington, MA	Richard Fowle, Woburn, MA	Paul Saltmarsh	23
<b>Comments:</b> Freshman Paul Saltmarsh was Concord's #1 runner in every race but the state meet where fellow freshman Don Gagnon edged him by 1 place (2 <sup>nd</sup> vs 3 <sup>rd</sup> ). Concord was undefeated by high school teams and dominated the state meet, having 5 of the top 8 finishers and beating 2 <sup>nd</sup> place Keene by a score of 24 to 58.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1949	<b>School Year:</b> 1949-50	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Richard Saltmarsh, Roger Smith				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Donald Gagnon, Paul Saltmarsh, Richard Saltmarsh, Morton Houle, Robert Call, Richard Jewell, Roger Smith, Karl Corser				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 9	<b>New England:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of ?		
<b>Results:</b>				
5 Oct:	Concord 17	Central	38	
11 Oct:	Concord 17	West	38	
18 Oct:	Concord 25	Keene	30	
25 Oct:	Concord 15	Laconia	40	
28 Oct:	Concord 19	Dover	36	
1 Nov:	Concord 17	Portsmouth	42	
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Bob Moody, Dover	Don Gagnon	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Manchester, CT	John Kelley, New London	Don Gagnon	10
Bulkeley, CT				
<b>Comments:</b> Don Gagnon was Concord's #1 runner (or tied for #1) in every race and won every regular season race. He was 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Bob Moody of Dover in the state meet and was the 1 <sup>st</sup> NH finisher in the New Englands. Paul Saltmarsh, Dick Saltmarsh and Mort Houle were the 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> runner respectively for Concord in every race. Concord edged Keene in the state meet 32 to 39.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1950	<b>School Year:</b> 1950-51	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Donald Gagnon, Paul Saltmarsh				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Donald Gagnon, Paul Saltmarsh, Peter Hood, Robert Call, Leon Jaworski, Robert Thomas, Melvin Murray, Steve Saltmarsh, Donald Morin				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1st of 8 (1 DQ)	<b>New England</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of ?		
<b>Results:</b>				
3 Oct: Concord 20 Central 35				
11 Oct: Concord won over West by disqualification of West (only 4 finishers)				
19 Oct: Concord 23 Keene 32				
27 Oct: Concord 25 Portsmouth 32				
31 Oct: UNH Frosh 32 Concord 41 Dover 61				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Bob Moody, Dover	Don Gagnon	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Boston Trade, MA	Bill King, Boston English	Don Gagnon	5
<b>Comments:</b> Don Gagnon and Paul Saltmarsh were Concord's # 1 and 2 runners throughout the season and finished 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> respectively in the state meet. Concord was unbeaten by NH high school teams (the 1 loss was to UNH frosh). The West result was controversial: West had only 4 finishers and should have been disqualified but the Manchester paper claimed a victory. West was disqualified in the state meet with only 4 finishers.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1951	<b>School Year:</b> 1951-52	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Peter Hood, Paul Saltmarsh				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Peter Hood, Paul Saltmarsh, Robert Call, Steve Saltmarsh, Melvin (Red) Murray, Larry White, Egils Veverbrants, Alan Young, John Sweeney				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 7	<b>New England:</b> tied 5 <sup>th</sup> of 16		
<b>Results:</b>				
2 Oct: Central 23 Concord 32				
11 Oct: Concord 15 West 40				
16 Oct: Concord 22 Keene 34				
22 Oct: Concord 22 Portsmouth 33				
30 Oct: Concord 25 UNH Frosh 30 Dover 81				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Jason Chick, Stevens	Paul Saltmarsh	5
<b>N.E.</b>	Boston English, MA	Paul Firolette, Ellsworth, ME	Melvin Murray	26
<b>Comments:</b> This was a well-balanced team with no dominant #1 runner. Five different runners were 1 <sup>st</sup> or tied for first for Concord in at least one race. Paul Saltmarsh was less dominant as a senior than he was as a freshman four years ago. This was Concord's fourth straight year as state champion.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1952	<b>School Year:</b> 1952-53	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Steve Saltmarsh				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Steve Saltmarsh, Alan Young, Malcolm Snow, Paul Kotseos, Donald Mead, Peter Cassidy, George Schier, John Dulude				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 5 losses	<b>State:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 7	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
30 Sep:	Central 19	Concord	36	
7 Oct:	Concord 19	Peterboro	36	
10 Oct:	Concord 24	Nashua	31	
14 Oct:	Keene 26	Concord	29	
21 Oct:	Portsmouth 27	Concord	29	
24 Oct:	Exeter 20	Concord	43	
28 Oct:	UNH Frosh 18	Concord	58	Dover 60
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Bob Dixon, Portsmouth	Steve Saltmarsh	10
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Academy, Providence, RI	Wallace, Milton, MA	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord lost 5 of their top 7 runners from last year to graduation, resulting in 5 losses and a 6 <sup>th</sup> (out of 7) place in the state meet in 1952. The Keene and Portsmouth losses were by 3 and 2 points respectively. Steve Saltmarsh and Alan Young were the #1 and #2 runners respectively for Concord. Exeter (Phillips Exeter Academy) was a late addition to the schedule.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1953	<b>School Year:</b> 1953-54	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Donald ('Ducky') Mead				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Donald Mead, William Daley, Daniel McDonald, Peter Cassidy, Malcolm Snow, Robert Hurst, Cyril Johnson, Ronald Kalloch				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 4 losses	<b>State:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 7	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
29 Sep:	Nashua 28	Concord	29	
6 Oct:	Peterboro 28	Concord	31	
16 Oct:	Keene 15	Concord	40	
22 Oct:	Concord 29	New England College	30	
27 Oct:	Concord 5 <sup>th</sup> of 7 teams; Keene first			
30 Oct:	Phillips Exeter 19	Concord	44	
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	*Crosley Fletcher, Keene	Donald Mead	19
<b>N.E.</b>	Keene	Tomasian, Boston Trade	-	-
*Keene teammates Crosley Fletcher & George Holbrook tied for first in the state meet				
<b>Comments:</b> 'Ducky' Mead was generally Concord's #1 runner with Bill Daley and Danny McDonald alternating at #2 & #3. Concord's scheduled dual meet with Portsmouth was cancelled (both teams thought it was a home meet and stayed home) and replaced with a 'practice' meet with N.E. College (Concord's only win). The dual meet with UNH frosh turned into a 7 team meet: Keene (40), Portsmouth (68), Newmarket (77), Dover (92), Concord (131), Stevens (134), & UNH Frosh (137).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1954	<b>School Year:</b> 1954-55	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Daniel McDonald				
<b>Top Runners:</b> John Cross, Robert Hurst, John Prowse, George Boucher, Dean Ordway, Allen Fownes, David Kelley, Nelson Tromblay, Cyril Johnson				
<b>Record:</b> 2 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 8	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
28 Sep: Nashua 17 Concord 38				
5 Oct: Concord 20 Laconia 35				
13 Oct: Keene 15 Concord 40				
18 Oct: St. Paul's 25 Concord 30				
22 Oct: Concord 23 Laconia 32				
26 Oct: Concord 5 <sup>th</sup> in a 5 team race; UNH Frosh 1 <sup>st</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Crosley Fletcher, Keene	?	?
<b>N.E.</b>	Manchester, CT	Luisi, Rockland, MA	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Capt. Danny McDonald had to give up running early in the season because of stomach problems. John Cross was Concord's #1 runner with Hurst, Prowse & Boucher generally alternating at #'s 2, 3 & 4. Concord had 2 wins and 3 losses, was last in a 5-team race against UNH Frosh, Keene, Portsmouth and Dover, and was the 5 <sup>th</sup> of 8 teams in the state Class A meet. Only the top 10 finishers were listed in the Monitor; no Concord runners were listed.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1955	<b>School Year:</b> 1955-56	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Robert Hurst				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Allen Fownes, Clark Billings, George Boucher, John Prowse, Bobby Hurst, David Kelley, William Mahoney, Forrest Fenton, Arthur Griffin				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 8	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
27 Sep: Concord 25 Bishop Bradley 30				
7 Oct: Concord 17 Laconia 38				
11 Oct: Bishop Bradley 18 Concord 50 Keene 52				
18 Oct: St. Paul's 23 Concord 32				
20 Oct: Concord 18 Laconia 37				
25 Oct: Concord 4 <sup>th</sup> of 5 teams; Portsmouth 1 <sup>st</sup>				
1 Nov: Concord 20 Dover 35				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Bishop Bradley	Bob Pinsince, Dover	Allen Fownes	9
<b>N.E.</b>	Winchester, MA	Harold Johnson, Troy, NH	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Allen Fownes was Concord's #1 runner in every race. Sophomore Clark Billings was generally 2nd for Concord, and George Boucher and John Prowse alternated for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> place Concord finishers. Concord (87) was 4 <sup>th</sup> in a 5 team race behind Portsmouth (37), UNH Frosh (43) and Keene (76) and ahead of Dover (118). Concord (104) was 4 <sup>th</sup> in the Class L state championship behind Bishop Bradley (30), Portsmouth (47) and Keene (89).				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1956	<b>School Year:</b> 1956-57	<b>Coach:</b> Delly Callahan		
<b>Captain(s):</b> George Boucher				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Clark Billings, George Boucher, John Prowse, Richard Johnson, Bill Mahoney, Pete Mamos, Arthur Griffin, John Schlicht, John McGilvray				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 8	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b> 25 Sep: Bishop Bradley 23 Concord 32 2 Oct: Concord 15 Nashua 40 5 Oct: Concord 26 St. Paul's 29 10 Oct: Concord 23 Keene 32 24 Oct: Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 5 teams in the 1 <sup>st</sup> annual UNH Invitational; Portsmouth 1 <sup>st</sup> 30 Oct: St. Paul's 22 Concord 33				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Portsmouth	Pete Fletcher, Keene	?	?
<b>N.E.</b>	Winchester, MA	Hatch, Pemetic, ME	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Clark Billings was Concord's #1 runner in all but one race when he had a severe cramp. Boucher was generally #2 and Prowse and Johnson alternated at #3 and #4. Portsmouth (47) and Bishop Bradley (56) were 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the state meet. Concord (81) was beaten by Keene (70) for 3 <sup>rd</sup> place after having beaten Keene in the regular season. No Concord runner was in the top 15 in the state meet and none were listed in the Monitor. This was Delly Callahan's 19 <sup>th</sup> and final year coaching cross-country.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1957	<b>School Year:</b> 1957-58	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Clark Billings, William Mahoney				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Clark Billings, Ralph Messer, Peter Mamos, Richard Dickson, Phil Boulter, Paul Beck, William Mahoney, Dick (Chink) Chandler, Tom Andrews, John McGilvary				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 7	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b> 24 Sep: Bishop Bradley 25 Concord 30 2 Oct: Concord 17 Nashua 38 8 Oct: Keene 22 Concord 33 15 Oct: Concord 15 Dover 50 25 Oct: Concord 15 Laconia 48 30 Oct: St. Paul's 25 Concord 32				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Bishop Bradley	Pete Fletcher, Keene	Clark Billings	6
<b>N.E.</b>	Waterville, ME	J. Silveria, New Bedford, MA	Clark Billings	87
<b>Comments:</b> This was Bill Luti's first year coaching Concord, replacing Delly Callahan who had been coaching the team since 1938. Clark Billings was Concord's #1 runner in all races except one when he was sick. Ralph Messer was generally the #2 runner and sophomore Dick Dickson improved during the season to be the #3 runner. Billings ran as an individual (the team didn't qualify) in the New England and placed 87 <sup>th</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1958	<b>School Year:</b> 1958-59	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Ralph Messer, Peter Mamos				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Ralph Messer, Pete Mamos, Dick Dickson, Bob Prentiss, Dave Morgan, Tom Andrews, Bob Fortier, Jeff Spoor, Carl Cuddemi, Ken Rodd				
<b>Record:</b> 2 wins 2 losses 1 tie	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 8	<b>New England</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>				
23 Sep:	Concord 28	Bishop Bradley 28		
30 Sep:	Concord 25 ½	Nashua 30 ½		
10 Oct:	Keene 27	Concord 28		
14 Oct:	Concord 19	Dover 44		
29 Oct:	St. Paul's 27	Concord 28		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Pete Fletcher, Keene	Ralph Messer	2
<b>N.E.</b>	LaSalle Acad., RI	J. Silveria, New Bedford	dnr	-
MA				
<b>Comments:</b> Ralph Messer was Concord's #1 runner and was beaten by only one runner all season, Pete Fletcher of Keene who won his third straight state title. Concord tied Bishop Bradley (there was no tie breaker at the time) and a Concord and Nashua runner tied for 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the dual race and each runner was awarded 2 1/2 points toward their team score.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1959	<b>School Year:</b> 1959-60	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Richard Dickson, Tom Andrews				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Dick Dickson, Bob Prentiss, Carl Cuddemi, Tom Andrews, Jeff Spoor, Charles Rancour, Harold Mahar, Steve Virgin, Everett Sims, Ralph Keeler				
<b>Record:</b> 7 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 8	<b>New England:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 18		
<b>Results:</b>				
22 Sep:	Concord 16	Bishop Bradley 43		
29 Sep:	Concord 19	Nashua 42		
9 Oct:	Concord 18	Keene 43		
13 Oct:	Concord 15	Dover 50 West 84		
20 Oct:	Concord 20	Central 41		
27 Oct:	Concord 21	St. Paul's 34		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Art Scott, Portsmouth	Dick Dickson	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Lexington, MA	Ed Meehan, Oliver Ames, MA	Dick Dickson	12
<b>Comments:</b> In his 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of coaching Concord cross-country Bill Luti had his first undefeated season and his first state championship. Dick Dickson was Concord's #1 runner in every race and Prentiss and Cuddemi were the #2 and #3 runners. Concord won the state meet with a narrow victory over Stevens High, 40 to 44. Concord (170 pts) was the 1 <sup>st</sup> NH team in the New England's in 6 <sup>th</sup> place, again edging Stevens who tied for 7 <sup>th</sup> with 187 points.				

### State Meet Results – Team 1940 – 1959

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams	Site
1940	Central	35	3	88	6	UNH
1941	Central	49	5	113	6	UNH
1942	no race - WWII					
1943	no race - WWII					
1944	West	32	3	51	4	UNH
1945	Concord/West tie	30	1 (tie)	30	4	UNH
1946	West	32	5	126	**6	UNH
1947	Dover	40	5	113	5	UNH
1948	Concord	24	1	24	8	UNH
1949	Concord	32	1	32	9	UNH
1950	Concord	52	1	52	**8	UNH
1951	Concord	41	1	41	7	UNH
1952	Keene	54	6	106	7	UNH
1953	Keene	19	6	122	7	UNH
1954	Keene	49	5	134	8	UNH
1955	Bishop Bradley	30	4	104	8	UNH
1956	Portsmouth	47	4	81	8	UNH
1957	Bishop Bradley	38	3	71	7	UNH
1958	Keene	42	3	76	8	UNH
1959	Concord	40	1	40	8	UNH

\*\*Official" list has Concord runner-up in 1944 with 51 points \*\*1 team disqualified; only 4 finishers

### State Meet Results – Individual 1940 – 1959

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	Class
1940	Emile Gazdajka	Central	John Woodbury	7	nc
1941	Emile Gazdajka	Central	George Merritz	18	nc
1942	no race - WWII				
1943	no race - WWII				
1944	Andy Carrier	Central	Frederick Thompson	3	A
1945	Bob Datson	Concord	Bob Datson	1	A
1946	Bob Bailey	Keene	Paul Bourdeau	10	A
1947	Bob Bailey	Keene	(no info)		A
1948	Robert Moody	Dover	Don Gagnon	2	A
1949	Robert Moody	Dover	Don Gagnon	2	A
1950	Robert Moody	Dover	Don Gagnon	2	A
1951	Jason Chick	Stevens	Paul Saltmarsh	5	A
1952	Bob Dixon	Portsmouth	Steve Saltmarsh	10	A
1953	Crosley Fletcher	Keene	Donald Mead	19	A
1954	Crosley Fletcher	Keene	(no info)		A
1955	Bob Pinsince	Dover	Allen Fownes	9	L
1956	Pete Fletcher	Keene	(no info)		L
1957	Pete Fletcher	Keene	Clark Billings	6	L
1958	Pete Fletcher	Keene	Ralph Messer	2	L
1959	Art Scott	Portsmouth	Dick Dickson	2	L

## Concord State Meet Places 1940 – 1959

1940	1941	1942	1943
John Woodbury - 7	George Merritz - 18		
Russell Huntley - 9	Raymond Ramsey - 20	No race - WWII	No race - WWII
James Zachos - 15			
Monson Donaghey - 23			
<i>88 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>113 pts - 5th place</i>		
1944	1945	1946	1947
Frederick Thompson - 3	Bob Datson - 1	Paul Bourdeau - 10	<i>(no information on</i>
Douglas Vitagliano - 6	Fred Thompson - 2	Bill Hutchinson - 13	<i>Concord runners)</i>
Donald Moulton - 8	Robert Bourdeau - 3	Don Saltmarsh - 33	
George Kidder - 15	Robert Bodwell - 9	Robert Chandler - 35	
Byron Quimby - 19	Bill Hutchinson - 15	Thomas Bouchard - 36	
Robert Hamblett - 23	Robert Gurley - 18		
Henry Langevin - 26	William Conn - 22		
<i>51 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>30 pts - tie 1st place</i>	<i>126 pts - 5th place</i>	<i>113 pts - 5th place</i>
1948	1949	1950	1951
Don Gagnon - 2	Don Gagnon - 2	Don Gagnon - 2	Paul Saltmarsh - 5
Paul Saltmarsh - 3	Paul Saltmarsh - 3	Paul Saltmarsh - 5	Robert Call - 6
Rick Saltmarsh - 5	Rick Saltmarsh - 6	Peter Hood - 9	Peter Hood - 8
Paul Bourdeau - 6	Morton Houle - 8	Leon Jaworski - 17	Steve Saltmarsh - 9
Everett Webber - 8	Roger Smith - 13	Robert Call - 19	Larry White - 13
Lloyd Price - 15	Richard Jewell - 17	Robert Thomas - 20	Melvin Murray - 17
Roger Smith - ?	Robert Call - ?	Melvin Murray - ?	Egils Veverbrants - ?
<i>24 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>32 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>52 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>41 pts - 1st place</i>
1952	1953	1954	1955
Steve Saltmarsh - 10	Donald Mead - 19		Allen Fownes - 9
Alan Young - 11	Daniel McDonald - 21	<i>Top 10 finishers only</i>	
Peter Cassidy - 20	Robert Hurst - 22	<i>listed in the Monitor</i>	
	Malcolm Snow - 26		<i>(no other Concord</i>
<i>(only top 20 finishers</i>	Cyril Johnson - 34	<i>(no Concord runners</i>	<i>runners listed in the</i>
<i>listed in the Monitor)</i>	?	<i>listed)</i>	<i>Monitor results)</i>
	?		
<i>106 pts - 6th place</i>	<i>122 pts - 6th place</i>	<i>134 pts - 5th place</i>	<i>104 pts - 4th place</i>
1956	1957	1958	1959
	Clark Billings - 6	Ralph Messer - 2	Dick Dickson - 2
<i>Top 15 finishers only</i>	Ralph Messer - 11	Pete Mamos - 13	Bob Prentiss - 3
<i>listed in the Monitor</i>	Dick Dickson - 17	Dick Dickson - 16	Carl Cuddemi - 4
	Pete Mamos - 18	Carl Cuddemi - 22	Tom Andrews - 15
<i>(no Concord runners</i>	Phil Boulter - 19	Bob Prentiss - 23	Jeff Spoor - 16
<i>listed)</i>	Paul Beck - 21	Jeff Spoor - 29	Chuck Rancour - 27
	Chink Chandler - 28	Bob Fortier - 41	Hal Mahar - 42
<i>81 pts - 4th place</i>	<i>71 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>76 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>40 pts - 1st place</i>

## 1960 – 1979

Bill Luti was the cross-country coach for the entire 2 decades of the 1960s and 1970s. Information for these years is available in the “Luti’s Boys” report. The following narrative is copied from the “Luti’s Boys” with appropriate edits. Please recall that evaluating won-lost data is slightly different in this report as compared to the “Luti’s Boys” report (see Foreword for explanation).

The fifties ended with an undefeated season and a state championship. The sixties would end up being a very successful decade but the first year of the decade did not look promising. Seven of the top ten runners graduated from the undefeated 1959 team and only two, co-captains Bob Prentiss and Jeff Spoor, ran for the **1960** team. But Luti's expanding team numbers (32 runners in 1960) increased the possibility of discovering hidden gems - and two gems were found on the 1960 team. The two runners were George Estabrook and Dave MacEachran. Estabrook was a junior who had not run previously. He ended up winning the first race he ran and was the number one runner for Concord throughout the year. MacEachran was a sophomore, new to running, and developed into the second or third runner for the team. Concord ended the season with six wins, 3 losses and a second place finish in the state meet, a better than expected result.

The **1961** team saw an increase to 41 runners by season's end, the emergence of two super sophomores in Parker Morgan and Roger Maxfield and the beginning of five straight undefeated seasons. Co-captain George Estabrook was again the number one runner at the beginning of the season but developed shin splints in mid-October and never returned to top form. Concord was the best team in the state but only narrowly better than Keene (a three-point dual meet victory). With Estabrook's injury and a couple of less than stellar performances, Concord finished a disappointing second to Keene by 8 points in the state meet. Morgan was Concord's top runner in the race finishing third. Concord redeemed themselves the following week with a runner-up finish to Norwich Free Academy of Connecticut in the New England race, 62 points ahead of Keene in 7th place.

The **1962** team had nearly 50 runners and saw the emergence of juniors Bob Estabrook, Alex Saltmarsh and Rick Bell to complement fellow juniors Maxfield and Morgan. Maxfield took over the number one runner spot from Morgan after the second race with Morgan second and Estabrook third for Concord in every race. The team was undefeated and began a string of four straight state championships, four straight individual state champions and three straight New England championships. The team easily won the state meet with 27 points to second place Keene's 105. Maxfield, Morgan and Estabrook placed 1-2-3 in the state meet, followed by Saltmarsh (9) and Bell (12). Concord won the New Englands but only by eight points, and the coach and team were disappointed with the results. With the top five runners returning the team was determined to improve on their New England effort the following year.

Led by Roger Maxfield, who won every race and set records on every course but the New Englands, the **1963** team raced through an undefeated season and again won the state and New England championships. Maxfield, Morgan and Estabrook repeated their 1-2-3 finish in the state meet but this year were followed by Saltmarsh and Jerry Love in fourth and fifth place respectively. Tom Forest of Concord finished 7th and two of the team's top 6 runners, Rick Bell and Doug Nydegger, were injured during the season and did not run in the state meet. This demonstrates the depth of talent on the 1963 team with the possibility of sweeping the top 7 places if the injuries hadn't occurred. This was the first (and last) perfect score in the state meet (sweep of the top 5 places) since Central had accomplished the feat in 1932 and 1933 at a time when only 3 or 4 teams ran in the state meet. A perfect score has not been achieved

since. The 1963 team won the New Englands in dominating fashion, scoring 48 points to 119 points for runner-up New Bedford, MA. Maxfield was the individual race winner.

Given that the top five runners at the beginning of the 1963 championship season were seniors, one would expect that 1964 might be a down year. But not Coach Luti's team. The **1964** team completed Concord's fourth consecutive undefeated season and third consecutive state and New England championships. The team was led by Jerry Love. He was the state meet winner, beating Memorial's Ken Klatka in a close finish. Teammates Doug Nydegger and Steve Smith placed third and fourth. The team was nearly as dominant as the '63 team, winning the state and New England races by an average of 50 points.

Concord completed its fifth straight undefeated season in **1965**. It was led by co-captain Steve Smith who was beaten by only one NH runner during the season. He won the state meet, the fourth consecutive year that a Concord runner placed first in the state meet. Concord also garnered the 5th and 9th spots in the state meet with George Curtis and James Leary. Concord was the first NH team in the New Englands, placing fifth. Massachusetts was very strong this year, sweeping the first three team positions.

The **1966** team, with three of their top seven runners out with injuries, lost to Winnacunnet by five points in the third race of the season. This was big news in Concord. It was front page, top of the fold headline news in the Concord Monitor. It was the first time the Concord cross-country team had been beaten in a regular season race since the last meet in 1960. The winning streak was 42 races against 59 teams over a six-year period. They lost to Keene the following week, again by five points. Concord's season's record was 11 wins and 2 losses. The team, led by Jon Kendall, Dick Hicks and Walt Chadwick placed third in the state meet and was the second NH school in the New Englands, placing sixth. Not a bad record for most teams.

But Luti-led Concord teams were not like most teams and, in **1967**, they rebounded to begin another string of undefeated seasons through the end of the decade. The 1967 team was led by Jon Kendall and Walt Chadwick. They breezed through an undefeated season beating most teams by wide margins and with three perfect scores. They won the state meet easily with 33 points to 61 for runner-up Keene. Chadwick placed second, Kendall was fourth and all five runners were in the top 10. Concord was second to Brockton, MA in the New Englands.

The **1968** team, led by Walt Chadwick and Alan Paige, was almost a carbon copy of the '67 team. They were undefeated, beating all teams but Keene by wide margins and with three perfect scores. They again won the state meet and Walt Chadwick again placed second. They were third in the New Englands behind winning team Brockton, MA. Concord and Brady met for the first time in 1968, starting a tradition of competition, first as a dual meet and later as part of the Capital Area Invitational.

The outlook for the last year of the sixty's decade was similar to that of the first year of the decade. Seven of the top 10 runners from the 1968 team graduated, there were fewer runners on the team (38) than in past years and there was no dominant runner. However, Coach Luti was able to coach them into a team with good grouping (small time gap between the first and fifth runner). The **1969** team managed another undefeated season with several perfect scores and won the state meet easily over Keene, 34 to 76 points. Concord placed their top five runners in the top 10 in the state meet. The team was generally led by Lee Hafemann and George Stohrer who placed 4th and 5th respectively in the state meet. Concord was fifth in the New Englands as the first NH team.

Concord ended the sixties decade with an undefeated season and a state championship, the third straight year for each. Could they continue their victorious ways in the seventies? They began the **1970** season with two outstanding runners in Dan Tromblay and Lee Hafemann. Coach Luti was concerned however with the significant time gap between these two runners and the 3, 4 and 5 runners. In the Keene race both Tromblay and Hafemann broke Roger Maxfield's White Park course record set in 1963. During the season the above time gap steadily declined, particularly by Tom Atherton. Concord lost to Wachusett Regional, MA in a four-team race. By the end of the season the 1970 team had developed into one of the better teams of the Bill Luti era. They were undefeated by New Hampshire teams and won both the state and New England championships. Tom Atherton, in the first race he ever won, won the 1970 state meet by 0.1 seconds over Richard Osbourne of Winnacunnet. Hafemann, Tromblay and Channing Snyder followed in positions 3, 4 and 5 respectively. The following week Concord easily won the New England race and Tom Atherton, in the second victory of his career, was the individual winner - after seven of the top runners were disqualified for cutting the course.

The **1971** team began the season with 47 runners but the top eight from the previous year had graduated. It had a good grouping of runners but no outstanding ones. The team lost to a very strong Brady team, the first loss to a New Hampshire team since 1966. They also lost to Burlington, VT. The team, led primarily by Steve Foote, won the rest of their races, placed third in the state meet but did not qualify for the New Englands

The **1972** year was a down year for Concord. Graduation, injuries and two top runners from the previous year moving out of town contributed to the down year. Their best runner was Mark Warren who was Concord's first runner in all the races in which he competed. But he belonged to a church that forbade him to train or compete on Saturdays and thus was unable to run in the state meet. Concord lost to three NH schools including Brady, the most losses since 1960. They placed fifth in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands. Their top finisher in the state meet, Dan Welch, placed 13th, the first (and only) time in Coach Luti's career that he did not have a runner in the top 10 in the state meet. The previous worst place was 6th. It is a testament to the strength and consistency of Luti's teams that a record of 12 wins and 3 losses was considered a down year. The seven state meet runners were all underclassmen, providing a favorably prognosis of a return to the top next season.

Concord did return to the top in **1973** and they did so in dramatic fashion. They were undefeated, won all but two of their races by perfect scores and won the state meet easily over Keene, 34 to 81. They were led by juniors Russ Cutting and Brian Ackley who placed one-two respectively in the state meet. Concord followed its state meet victory with a runner-up finish in the New Englands to powerhouse Pilgrim High, RI, who won their third straight New England title. Cutting placed 6th in the N.E. race.

The **1974** team returned the top two runners from the previous year's state meet, and Steve Aldrich provided a good third runner. However, a significant time gap existed to the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> runners. Russ Cutting had issues with severe bronchitis and, although he ran well during the season, he never reached the dominant form he had as a junior in winning the state meet. He was Concord's 2<sup>nd</sup> runner to Brian Ackley when Ackley was healthy. Brian Ackley was the number one Concord runner for the first six races of the season and was only the third CHS runner to break the 13-minute barrier on the White Park course, along with Dan Tromblay and Lee Hafemann in 1970. However, he was out sick with shingles for 3 weeks and was second to Russ Cutting in the final meet of the regular season and in the state meet. Concord performed admirably, considering the health issues of their top two runners, but lost to two teams during the regular season, placed third in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands.

The **1975** team began the season with 24 runners, the smallest squad since 1958. They were led by co-captains Jay Smith and Steve Aldrich. The team lost the first meet of the season to defending state champ Laconia but won the rest of their meets, squeaking by Brady by one point. They placed second in the state meet to Laconia, led by Peter Gamble's 10th place finish, but did not qualify for the New Englands.

The **1976** team was led by Jay Sweeney and Peter Gamble. They lost to two teams during the regular season (a record of 11 and 2), placed fourth in the state class L meet led by Gamble and Sweeney's fifth and seventh place finishes respectively and placed fourth in the MOC. The team did not qualify for the New Englands but Sweeney and Gamble qualified as top10 finishers in the MOC. They finished 10th and 12th respectively in the New England race.

Two innovations occurred for the 1976 season: course lengths were increased from 2.5 miles to 5 kilometers or 3.1 miles, and a Meet of Champions (MOC) was established. The MOC consisted of the top finishing teams and individuals in each of the state class races and determined the teams and individuals to go to the New England race.

The **1977** team was led by sophomores Peter Finney and Moe Fairley. The young team managed a 12 and 3 won-loss record, placed 5th in the state meet, and did not qualify for the MOC or the New Englands. Finney placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the state class meet.

The **1978** team began the season with about 20 runners, less than half the size of Luti teams during the hey-day of the sixties. The team had good quality runners however, and was expected to be a contender for the state title. Peter Finney and Moe Fairley led the team although Finney was bothered by shin splints during the season and was often below par. Concord lost to two teams, Keene and Nashua, during the regular season and lost to the same two teams in the state meet. In the state meet, however, they were within 4 points of the winning team and one point of the second-place team after losing to them both handily during the season. The team placed 4th in the MOC and did not qualify for the New Englands.

In the last year of the seventies decade (**1979**) Concord returned to the top. Five of the top seven runners from the previous year returned and the team was again led by Peter Finney, Moe Fairley and Dave Lyons, with Finney number one for Concord in every race. Concord was undefeated for the season. They placed 9<sup>th</sup> in the top division of the Our Lady of Providence invitational (Finney was 9<sup>th</sup>) and 6<sup>th</sup> in the top division of the Knights of Columbus invitational (Finney was 6<sup>th</sup>). They won the state meet with Finney placing second and won the MOC with Finney fifth. This was the first year that the state meet was held at Derryfield Park in Manchester (except for 1965). Since 1938 the races had been held at UNH until last year when it was held at a golf course in Ashland. In a New England race in which only three states competed (NH, VT & RI), Concord placed second with Finney placing 7<sup>th</sup>.

Team accomplishments for the two decades of the 1960's and '70's were ten undefeated seasons, ten state championships and three runner-ups and four New England Championships with four runner-ups. Individual accomplishments were six individual state meet champions (four in a row) and two individual New England champions.

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1960	<b>School Year:</b> 1960-61	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Bob Prentiss, Jeff Spoor				
<b>Top Runners:</b> George Estabrook, Bob Prentiss, Jeff Spoor, Ted Mulligan, Dave MacEachran, Dean Lampron, Fred Buttrick, Ted Thomas, Roger Comee, Don Haugen, Gene Herbert				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 2nd of 11		<b>New England:</b> dnr	
<b>Results:</b>				
27 Sep:	Concord 22	Nashua 39		
30 Sep:	Portsmouth 22	Stevens 50	Concord 54	
7 Oct:	Concord 24	Keene 33		
11 Oct:	Concord 24	Dover 35		
18 Oct:	Concord 31	Central 53	West 60	Memorial 86
26 Oct:	St. Paul's 24	Concord 34		
29 Oct:	Bishop Bradley Invitational - Concord placed 4th; Estabrook 3rd			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Portsmouth	Art Scott, Portsmouth	George Estabrook	6 <sup>th</sup>
<b>N.E.</b>	New Bedford, MA	Art Scott, Portsmouth	George Estabrook	33rd
<b>Comments:</b> Only two runners, co-captains Bob Prentiss and Jeff Spoor, returned from the 1959 undefeated and state championship team. Newcomer George Estabrook, a junior in his first year of running, was the number one runner for Concord throughout the year. Prentiss and Dave MacEachran were generally 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> . The invitational race was 6 top teams from New England and Concord placed 4 <sup>th</sup> . Concord was second to Portsmouth in the state meet. Estabrook ran as an individual in the New England race and placed 33 <sup>rd</sup> as the 5 <sup>th</sup> NH runner.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1961	<b>School Year:</b> 1961-62	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> George Estabrook, Ted Mulligan				
<b>Top Runners:</b> George Estabrook, Roger Maxfield, Parker Morgan, Ted Mulligan, Dave MacEachran, Roger Comee, Alex Richter, Alex Saltmarsh, Bob Estabrook, Gene Herbert				
<b>Record:</b> 9 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 12		<b>New England:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 17	
<b>Results:</b>				
26 Sep:	Concord 16	Nashua 45		
29 Sep:	Concord 28	Portsmouth 42	Stevens 62	
6 Oct:	Concord 26	Keene 29		
10 Oct:	Concord 19	Dover 42		
17 Oct:	Concord 25	West 45	Memorial 64	
22 Oct:	Bishop Bradley Invitational: Concord 2nd (2 of 17) (97 pts) LaSalle Academy of Providence, RI 1st (84 pts); 199 runners			
25 Oct:	Concord 18	St. Paul's 43		
31 Oct:	Concord 22	Bishop Bradley 35		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Pete Compos, Keene	Parker Morgan	3
<b>N.E.</b>	Norwich, CT	Ted Benedict, New Canaan, CT	Parker Morgan	38
<b>Comments:</b> The 1961 team saw the emergence of two sophomores in Parker Morgan and Roger Maxfield. George Estabrook was again the number one runner for the first half of the season but developed shin splints that hampered him the rest of the year. Concord was undefeated in the regular season and was runner-up in the invitational race, the state meet and the New England race.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1962	<b>School Year:</b> 1962-63	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Dave MacEachran, Roger Maxfield, Parker Morgan				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Roger Maxfield, Parker Morgan, Bob Estabrook, Alex Saltmarsh, Rick Bell, Dave MacEachran, Phil Jagemann, Jim Watson, Art Randlett, Jerry Love				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 15	<b>New England:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 18		
<b>Results:</b>				
	25 Sep: Concord 17	Monadnock Regional 43	Winnacunnet 73	
	29 Sep: Concord 20	Stevens 38		
	5 Oct: Concord 17	Keene 43		
	9 Oct: Concord 18	Dover 42		
	12 Oct: Concord 15	Nashua 58	Laconia 73	
	16 Oct: Concord 18	West 52 Memorial 69	Central 118	
	19 Oct: Concord 18	Portsmouth 40		
	24 Oct: Concord 18	St. Paul's 43		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Roger Maxfield	Roger Maxfield	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Concord	Ed Coleman, Plainville, CT	Roger Maxfield	7
<b>Comments:</b> Juniors Bob Estabrook, Alex Saltmarsh and Rick Bell complemented fellow juniors Maxfield and Morgan to form an undefeated team. They won the state meet with Maxfield, Morgan and Estabrook sweeping the top 3 places. The following week they became the first Concord team ever to win the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1963	<b>School Year:</b> 1963-64	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Roger Maxfield, Parker Morgan, Robert Estabrook				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Roger Maxfield, Parker Morgan, Alex Saltmarsh, Bob Estabrook, Rick Bell, Jerry Love, Doug Nydegger, Tom Forest, Phil Jagemann, Bob Teschek, Dale Gage, Bob Sampson				
<b>Record:</b> 11wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 11	<b>New England:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 17		
<b>Results:</b>				
	24 Sep: Concord 15	Nashua 50		
	27 Sep: Concord 21	Stevens 50	Portsmouth 65	
	4 Oct: Concord 16	Keene 42		
	8 Oct: Concord 15	Dover 50		
	15 Oct: Concord 18	Memorial 53	West 78	Central 104
	18 Oct: Concord 15	St. Paul's 50		
	26 Oct: Concord 15	Monadnock Regional 50		
	29 Oct: Concord 15	Bradley 49		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Roger Maxfield	Roger Maxfield	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Concord	Roger Maxfield	Roger Maxfield	1
<b>Comments:</b> With the top 5 runners from last year returning, the 1963 team was dominant. They were undefeated, Maxfield won every race and set records on every course but the New Englands, and they swept the top 5 places in the state meet. They won the New England race for the second year in a row and Roger Maxfield was the individual champ, the first Concord NE champ since Richard Meade in 1936.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1964	<b>School Year:</b> 1964-65	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jerry Love, Tom Forest, Phil Jagemann				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jerry Love, Steve Smith, Doug Nydegger, Dale Gage, Phil Jagemann, Tom Forest, Robert Sampson, Alan Cleveland, George Curtis, Richard Piroso				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 11	<b>New England:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>				
23 Sep: Concord 18 Bellows Falls, VT 45				
29 Sep: Concord 16 1/2 Stevens 51 Portsmouth 61 1/2				
2 Oct: Concord 18 St. Thomas 50 Winnacunnet 71				
9 Oct: Concord 20 Keene 39				
13 Oct: Concord 15 Dover 49				
20 Oct: Concord 18 Memorial 53 Central 71 West 105				
23 Oct: Concord 15 St. Paul's 50				
30 Oct: Concord 15 Nashua 50				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Jerry Love	Jerry Love	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Concord	Art Dulong, Randolph, MA	Jerry Love	10
<b>Comments:</b> The top runners from last year graduated but that didn't slow down this Bill Luti-coached team. They completed Concord's 4 <sup>th</sup> straight undefeated season and captured their 3 <sup>rd</sup> straight state and New England titles. They were led by Jerry Love who won the state meet and was the first NH finisher in the New England race with a 10 <sup>th</sup> place finish.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1965	<b>School Year:</b> 1965-66	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Steve Smith, Bob Sampson				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Steve Smith, George Curtis, James Leary, Bob Sampson, Jon Kendall, Richard Hicks, Pete Daigle, Richard Piroso, Steve Burris, Donald Locke				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 11	<b>New England:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>				
21 Sep: Concord 15 Bellows Falls, VT 50				
28 Sep: Concord 22 Stevens 36				
4 Oct: Concord 23 Winnacunnet 45 St. Thomas Aquinas 60				
8 Oct: Concord 27 Keene 28				
12 Oct: Concord 19 Dover 38				
19 Oct: Concord 25 Memorial 51 West 54 Central 107				
22 Oct: Concord 18 St. Paul's 41				
29 Oct: Concord 23 Nashua 32				
2 Nov: Concord 25 Masconomet of Boxford, MA 31				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Steve Smith	Steve Smith	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Randolph, MA	Art Dulong, Randolph, MA	Steve Smith	22
<b>Comments:</b> Co-captain Steve Smith was Concord's number one runner throughout the year and led the team to a 5 <sup>th</sup> consecutive undefeated season. He won the state meet, the 4 <sup>th</sup> consecutive Concord runner to win the states, and led the team to a team win in the state meet (4 <sup>th</sup> consecutive) and a fifth place (first NH team) in the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1966	<b>School Year:</b> 1966-67	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jon Kendall, Dick Hicks, Steve Burris				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jon Kendall, Dick Hicks, Walt Chadwick, Ronnie Woods, Steve Heath, Jack Nelson, John Auger, Roger Jobin, Peter Robinson, Steve Burris, Bill James				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 14	<b>New England:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>	23 Sep: Concord 18 Bellows Falls, VT 45 27 Sep: Concord 23 Portsmouth 41 Stevens 69 30 Sep: Winnacunnet 30 Concord 35 St. Thomas 71 7 Oct: Keene 25 Concord 30 11 Oct: Concord 19 Dover 41 15 Oct: Monadnock Invitational: Concord 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; Keene 1 <sup>st</sup> 18 Oct: Concord 15 West 55 Central 84 Memorial 93 21 Oct: Concord 15 St. Paul's 48 27 Oct: Concord 15 Nathaniel Hawthorne College 50 1 Nov: Concord 15 Nashua 48			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Alan Stevens, Keene	Jon Kendall	6
<b>N.E.</b>	Brockton, MA	Ron Wayne, Brockton, MA	Jon Kendall	40
<b>Comments:</b> Concord's 6-year win streak ended in 1966. They lost two races. They were the first losses during the regular season since the last race in 1960, a win streak of 42 races against 59 teams. Jon Kendall was the number one runner when healthy with Dick Hicks and Walter Chadwick generally second and third. Concord was 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 13 teams in the Monadnock Invitational behind Keene, 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 14 teams in the state meet behind Keene and Portsmouth, and 6 <sup>th</sup> of 15 (the 2 <sup>nd</sup> NH team) in the NEs.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1967	<b>School Year:</b> 1967-68	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jon Kendall, Jack Nelson, Ron Woods				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jon Kendall, Walt Chadwick, Ron Woods, Jack Nelson, Brian Smith, Alan Paige, John Auger, Carl Nydegger, Peter Robinson, Burt Howe				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 15	<b>New England:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>	26 Sep: Concord 20 Bellows Falls, VT 53 Stevens 61 29 Sep: Concord 19 Winnacunnet 49 St. Thomas 70 6 Oct: Concord 26 Keene 32 10 Oct: Concord 15 Dover 50 17 Oct: Concord 18 West 59 Memorial 63 20 Oct: Concord 15 St. Paul's 50 27 Oct: Concord 15 Bishop Bradley 50 31 Oct: Concord 16 Nashua 47			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Tim Mayes, Keene	Walt Chadwick	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Brockton, MA	Jim Hall, Newington, CT	Walt Chadwick	31
<b>Comments:</b> Concord began another win streak in 1967 led by Jon Kendall and Walt Chadwick. The team won the state meet with Chadwick second and five runners in the top 10. The following week they were runner-ups to Brockton, MA in the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1968	<b>School Year:</b> 1968-69	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Walter Chadwick, Alan Paige, Peter Robinson				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Walt Chadwick, Alan Paige, Jim Minichiello, Carl Nydegger, Steve Bunten, George Stohrer, Peter Robinson, Rick Cricenti, Fred Brown, John Hazelton				
<b>Record:</b> 10 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> (tie) of 15		
<b>Results:</b>	21 Sep: Concord 20	Bellows Falls. VT 40		
	4 Sep: Concord 15	Stevens 50		
	27 Sep: Concord 25	Winnacunnet 34	St. Thomas 75	
	4 Oct: Concord 27	Keene 31		
	8 Oct: Concord 15	Dover 50		
	15 Oct: Concord 16	West 61	Memorial 63	
	18 Oct: Concord 21	Bishop Brady 39		
	29 Oct: Concord 15	Nashua 49		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Bruce Butterworth, Winnacunnet	Walt Chadwick	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Brockton, MA	Dan Moynihan, Malden Cath. MA	Walt Chadwick	33
<b>Comments:</b> Walt Chadwick was Concord's number one runner for the year with Alan Paige second. Concord was undefeated for the season and won the state meet led by Chadwick's 2 <sup>nd</sup> place finish. They tied Foxboro, MA for 3 <sup>rd</sup> place in the New Englands, a somewhat disappointing result for Coach Luti. Concord's 6 <sup>th</sup> runner easily beat Foxboro's 6 <sup>th</sup> runner, so Concord would have been in solo possession of 3 <sup>rd</sup> place if the 6 <sup>th</sup> -runner tie breaker rule had been in effect.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1969	<b>School Year:</b> 1969-70	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jim Minichiello, Rick Cricenti				
<b>Top Runners:</b> George Stohrer, Lee Hafemann, Jim Minichiello, Andy Vogt, Dan Tromblay, Channing Snyder, Tom Atherton, Al Boissy, Rick Shaw				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 14	<b>New England:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>	20 Sep: Concord 15	Bellows Falls, VT 48		
	23 Sep: Concord 15	Stevens 50		
	26 Sep: Concord 24	Winnacunnet 39	St. Thomas 73	
	3 Oct: Concord 27	Keene 31		
	7 Oct: Concord 15	Dover 50		
	14 Oct: Concord 15	Central 65	Memorial 76	West 85
	18 Oct: Concord 20	Bishop Brady 43		
	24 Oct: Concord 16	Exeter 47		
	28 Oct: Concord 15	Nashua 50		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Bruce Butterworth, Winnacunnet	Lee Hafemann	4
<b>N.E.</b>	Foxboro, MA	James Euell, Norwich, CT	Lee Hafemann	41
<b>Comments:</b> Concord began the 1969 season as an untested team (7 of the top 10 runners from 1968 graduated) with no dominant runner. Coach Luti, however, was able to mold them into a team with good grouping. The team managed another undefeated season with 5 perfect scores. They easily won the state meet over Keene placing 5 runners in the top 10 and all 7 in the top 15. They placed 5 <sup>th</sup> in the New Englands as the first NH team.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1970	<b>School Year:</b> 1970-71	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Dan Tromblay, Lee Hafemann, Tom Atherton, Channing Snyder				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Dan Tromblay, Lee Hafemann, Tom Atherton, Channing Snyder, Guy Freeman, Jim Langley, Al Boissy, Erwin Ames, John Varrill, Alex Vogt				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 14	<b>New England:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 15		
<b>Results:</b>	22 Sep: Concord 15 Laconia 50 25 Sep: Concord 20 Winnacunnet 44 St. Thomas 81 3 Oct: Concord 15 Dover 50 6 Oct: Concord 15 Keene 46 10 Oct: Monadnock Invitational: Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> (1 of 7); Brady 2 <sup>nd</sup> 13 Oct: Concord 16 West 57 Central 80 Memorial 91 17 Oct: Concord 22 Bishop Brady 34 24 Oct: Wachusetts Reg., MA 28 Concord 31 Keene 81 Bellow Falls, VT 99 27 Oct: Concord 17 Stevens 46			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Tom Atherton	Tom Atherton	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Concord	Tom Atherton	Tom Atherton	1
<b>Comments:</b> Concord was undefeated by NH teams in 1970. Their only loss was to Wachusetts Regional, a top school from MA. They won the 'A' division of the Monadnock Invitational and won both the state and NE team championships. Tom Atherton was the individual winner in both the state and NE races – his only victories in his high school career. Concord also took places 3, 4 and 5 in the state meet behind Tom. Atherton originally placed 6 <sup>th</sup> in the NEs but the top 5 runners were disqualified for cutting the course.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1971	<b>School Year:</b> 1971-72	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Don Maddox, John Varrill, Rick Vitagliano				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Steve Foote, John Varrill, Don Maddox, Erwin Ames, Bob Monier, Dan Freeman, Dan Welch, Chuck Welch, Brian Heath, John Aldrich, Brad Wright				
<b>Record:</b> 13 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 4	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>	21 Sep: Concord 15 Littleton 57 Laconia 74 24 Sep: Concord 15 Winnacunnet 46 St. Thomas 75 1 Oct: Concord 15 Dover 50 5 Oct: Concord 27 Keene 29 12 Oct: Concord 25 Central 52 West 63 Memorial 107 16 Oct: Bishop Brady 23 Concord 32 23 Oct: Burlington, VT 37 Concord 49 Wachusetts Reg., MA 53 Portland, ME 78 26 Oct: Concord 18 Nashua 45 1 Nov: Concord 22 Merrimack Valley 39			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Conc. Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Joe Richardson, Pinkerton	Steve Foote	3
<b>N.E.</b>	Pilgrim, RI	Rich. Bourie, Springfield Cath., MA	Steve Foote	61
<b>Comments:</b> Concord lost the top 8 runners from last year to graduation. The 1971 team had good grouping but no outstanding runners. Steve Foote was the number one runner for the last half of the season. Concord lost to Brady, their first loss to a NH school since 1966. They placed 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands – the first time since 1960 that Concord did not qualify as a team for the NEs. Their lone qualifier was Steve Foote who placed 61 <sup>st</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1972	<b>School Year:</b> 1972-73	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Chuck Welch, Brad Wright, Mike Hafemann				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Mark Warren, Bob Monier, Bob Philbrook, Mike Freeman, Dan Welch, Ken Craigue, Russ Cutting, Brian Ackley, Brian Heath				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 3 losses	<b>State:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 13	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b>	19 Sep: Concord 19 Laconia 44 22 Sep: Winnacunnet 22 Concord 33 St. Thomas 85 29 Sep: Concord 15 Dover 49 3 Oct: Keene 26 Concord 30 10 Oct: Concord 33 Raymond 53 Central 68 West 105 Memorial 108 14 Oct: Brady 19 Concord 37 21 Oct: Concord 27 Burlington, VT 49 Wachusets, MA 62 Portland, ME 81 24 Oct: Concord 17 Nashua 46 31 Oct: Concord 15 Merrimack Valley 50			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Keene	Dave Richardson, Pinkerton	Dan Welch	13
<b>N.E.</b>	Pilgrim, RI	J.P. Savoie, Brady (NH)	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a down year in 1972. The top 7 runners from last year were lost to graduation (4), moving out of town (2) or injury (1). They lost to 3 NH teams, placed 5 <sup>th</sup> in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands. It is a testament to Luti's coaching mastery that a record of 12 wins and 3 losses is considered a down year.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1973	<b>School Year:</b> 1973-74	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Mike Freeman, Dan Welch				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Russ Cutting, Brian Ackley, Mike Freeman, Dan Welch, Bob Philbrick, Ken Craigue, Mike Duprey, Jim Hein, Mark Wilson, Steve Aldrich				
<b>Record:</b> 13 wins 0 losses	<b>State:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 12		
<b>Results:</b>	18 Sep: Concord 18 Laconia 43 21 Sep: Concord 15 Winnacunnet 57 St. Thomas 73 28 Sep: Concord 15 Dover 50 30 Sep: Northeastern High School Cross-Country Championship: Concord placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> behind Wachusets Regional of Holden, MA; (2 of 12) 2 Oct: Concord 18 Keene 43 9 Oct: Concord 15 Central 61 Memorial 69 West 101 13 Oct: Concord 15 Brady 46 20 Oct: Concord 32 Wachusets Regional, MA 33 Burlington, VT 66 23 Oct: Concord 15 Nashua 50 30 Oct: Concord 15 Merrimack Valley 48			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Concord	Russ Cutting, Concord	Russ Cutting	1
<b>N.E.</b>	Pilgrim, RI	H. Barlow, Deering, ME	Russ Cutting	6
<b>Comments:</b> Concord bounced back in dramatic fashion from last year's "down" year. They were undefeated, won all but 3 races by perfect scores and won the state meet easily over Keene. They were led by juniors Russ Cutting and Brian Ackley who placed 1 and 2 in the state meet. They were 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Wachusets in the Northeastern X-C championship but beat them later in the year. Concord was runner-up in the New Englands, led by Cutting and Ackley in 6 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> places respectively.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1974	<b>School Year:</b> 1974-75	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Brian Ackley, Russ Cutting, Bob Philbrick				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Brian Ackley, Russ Cutting, Steve Aldrich, Bob Philbrook, Jim Hein, Mark Wilson, Jay Smith, Peter Gamble, George Lyngarkos, Peter O'Connell				
<b>Record:</b> 13 wins 2 losses	<b>State:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 15	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b> 17 Sep: Concord 27 Laconia 28 20 Sep: Concord 15 Winnacunnet 55 St. Thomas 72 27 Sep: Concord 20 Dover 40 28 Sep: 3rd annual North East Cross Country Relays in Burlington, VT; Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> of 9 1 Oct: Concord 15 Keene 50 5 Oct: Our Lady of Providence Invitational, RI; Concord 4th (4 of 20); 8 Oct: Concord 30 Memorial 36 Central 74 West 108 12 Oct: Brady 23 Concord 32 19 Oct: Concord 32 Portland, ME 38 Burlington, VT 69 Wachussets, MA 79 22 Oct: Nashua 26 Concord 41 Bishop Guertin 69 29 Oct: Concord 18 Merrimack Valley 44				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Laconia	B.J. Fowler, Laconia	Russ Cutting	6
<b>N.E.</b>	Toll Gate, Warwick, RI	Bruce Bickford, ME	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord began the season with last year's state champ (Russ Cutting) and runner-up (Brian Ackley) and a good third runner in Steve Aldrich. By the end of the season, Cutting and Ackley were slowed by illness and Aldrich by injury. They placed third in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1975	<b>School Year:</b> 1975-76	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jay Smith, Steve Aldrich				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jay Smith, Steve Aldrich, Peter Gamble, Jay Sweeney, Dana Poole, Scott Emmons, Jim Arsenault, Peter Alexander, Joe Stafford, Ken Wilson, Mike Stevens				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 1 loss	<b>State:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 15	<b>New England:</b> dnr		
<b>Results:</b> 16 Sep: Laconia 19 Concord 38 Kearsarge 76 19 Sep: Concord 15 Winnacunnet 46 St. Thomas 74 26 Sep: Concord 21 Dover 40 30 Sep: Concord 15 Keene 50 7 Oct: Concord 30 Memorial 42 West 84 Central 85 11 Oct: Concord 28 Bishop Brady 29 21 Oct: Concord 19 Nashua 44 28 Oct: Concord 15 Merrimack Valley 49				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>State:</b>	Laconia	Larry Reed, Central	Peter Gamble	10
<b>N.E.</b>	Pilgrim, RI	John Murphy	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord was led by co-captains Jay Smith and Steve Aldrich during the season. They lost one race to defending champ Laconia. Concord was 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Laconia in the state meet and did not qualify for the New Englands. Peter Gamble was Concord's first finisher in the state meet, placing 10 <sup>th</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1976	<b>School Year:</b> 1976-77	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jay Sweeney, Peter Gamble, Dana Poole				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jay Sweeney, Peter Gamble, Dana Poole, Peter Alexander, Ken Jones, Moe Fairley, Jay Flanders, Mark Saltmarsh, Jim Howe, Andy Snyder, Jim Bucknam				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 2 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 14	<b>MOC:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> dnr	
<b>Results:</b> 17 Sep: Concord 21 Winnacunnet 38 St. Thomas 78 24 Sep: Concord 24 Dover 31 28 Sep: Concord 20 Keene 39 5 Oct: Memorial 26 Concord 35 West 94 Central 97 9 Oct: Laconia 27 Concord 37 Brady 71 13 Oct: Concord 16 Exeter 51 Goffstown 79 19 Oct: Concord 22 Nashua 37 26 Oct: Concord 17 Merrimack Valley 46				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Laconia	B.J. Fowler, Laconia	Peter Gamble	5
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Laconia	Mark Kimball, Timberlane	Peter Gamble	6
<b>N.E.</b>	Waterville, ME	Joe Belyea, S Portland, ME	Jay Sweeney	10
<b>Comments:</b> Concord was led by Jay Sweeney and Peter Gamble who were 1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> for Concord in every race. Dana Poole was 3 <sup>rd</sup> in each race. Concord had two losses during the season and placed 4 <sup>th</sup> in both the state and Meet of Champions (MOC) races. This was the first year for the MOC and the first year that courses were standardized to a 5K (3.1 mi) distance.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1977	<b>School Year:</b> 1977-78	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Peter Alexander, Mark Saltmarsh				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Peter Finney, Moe Fairley, Andy Snyder, Peter Alexander, Dana Ward, Jeff Gwynne, Ken Jones, Mark Saltmarsh, Bernie Chase, Brian Nowell				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 3 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> of 15	<b>MOC:</b> dnr	<b>New England:</b> dnr	
<b>Results:</b> 16 Sep: Concord 20 Winnacunnet 55 St. Thomas 64 23 Sep: Concord 17 Dover 45 27 Sep: Keene 24 Concord 32 4 Oct: Memorial 19 Concord 43 West 92 Central 101 8 Oct: Laconia 24 Concord 41 Brady 73 12 Oct: Concord 20 Trinity 43 15 Oct: Concord 20 Brady 57 Merrimack Valley 70 Pembroke ns 21 Oct: Concord 17 Nashua 44 25 Oct: Concord 15 Merrimack Valley 50				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Memorial	B.J. Fowler, Laconia	Peter Finney	10
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Pinkerton	Mark Kimball, Timberlane	Peter Finney	33
<b>N.E.</b>	Memorial	Mark Kimball, Timberlane	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> The 1977 team was led by sophomores Peter Finney and Moe Fairley. They lost 3 races and placed 5 <sup>th</sup> in the state meet. They did not qualify for the MOC as a team but Finney qualified as an individual and placed 33 <sup>rd</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1978	<b>School Year:</b> 1978-79	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jim Howe, Bernard Chase				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Peter Finney, Moe Fairley, Dave Lyons, Bernie Chase, Bryan Nowell, Jim Howe, Doug MacPherson, Dave Simonton, Mike Dow, Dean Starrett				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 2 loss	<b>Class L:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 15	<b>MOC:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> dnr	
<b>Results:</b>	15 Sep: Concord 25 Winnacunnet 73 St. Thomas 73 22 Sep: Concord 22 Dover 39 26 Sep: Keene 23 Concord 33 3 Oct: Concord 28 Memorial 29 Central 86 West 108 7 Oct: Concord 18 Laconia 45 11 Oct: Concord 15 Trinity 50 14 Oct: Concord 19 Brady 60 Merrimack Valley 62 Pembroke 109 20 Oct: Nashua 22 Concord 36 24 Oct: Concord 17 Merrimack Valley 46			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Keene	Mike Gagne, Nashua	Moe Fairley	8
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Keene	Mike Gagne, Nashua	Peter Finney	16
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken, RI	D. Rojas, B.H., RI	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Peter Finney and Moe Fairley, now as juniors, led the 1978 team, although Finney had shin splint issues during the season and often was below par. Sophomore Dave Lyons came on strong at mid-season to be Concord's 3 <sup>rd</sup> runner. Concord lost to Keene and Nashua during the season and was third to them in the class L meet. Concord exceeded expectations in the class meet coming within 4 points of first place Keene. They did not run as well in the MOC and did not qualify for the NEs.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1979	<b>School Year:</b> 1979-80	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Peter Finney, Moe Fairley				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Peter Finney, Moe Fairley, Dave Lyons, Bryan Nowell, Dave Simonton, Derek Underwood, Dean Starrett, Dan Warren, Tom Gamble, Tom Johnson				
<b>Record:</b> 14 wins 0 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 16	<b>MOC:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> of 12	
<b>Results:</b>	14 Sep: Concord 19 Winnacunnet 47 St. Thomas 90 Spaulding 92 21 Sep: Concord 18 Dover 43 25 Sep: Concord 26 Keene 33 29 Sep: Our Lady of Providence Invitational, RI: Concord 9 <sup>th</sup> (9 of 13); Bishop Hendricken, RI 1st 2 Oct: Concord 17 Memorial 41 West 93 Central 94 5 Oct: Concord 15 Brady 50 8 Oct: Knights of Columbus Invitational, Holyoke, MA; Concord 6 <sup>th</sup> (6 of 14; 1st NH school); Xavier High, CT 1st 13 Oct: Concord 15 Brady 70 Pembroke 78 Merrimack Valley 82 19 Oct: Concord 22 Nashua 34 23 Oct: Concord 15 Timberlane 50			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Concord	Mike Gagne, Nashua	Peter Finney	2
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Concord	Doug Jones, Kennett	Peter Finney	5
<b>N.E.</b>	Bish. Hendricken, RI	Doug Jones, Kennett, NH	Peter Finney	7
<b>Comments:</b> Five of the top 7 runners from last year returned. The team was led by seniors Peter Finney (1 <sup>st</sup> for Concord in every race) and Moe Fairley and junior Dave Lyons. They were undefeated during the season, participated in two invitational races and won both the Class L and MOC races. They placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the New Englands after using a 6 <sup>th</sup> runner tie breaker.				

### State Meet Results – Team 1960 – 1979

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams	*Site
1960	Portsmouth	62	2	101	11	UNH
1961	Keene	65	2	73	12	UNH
1962	Concord	27	1	27	15	UNH
1963	Concord	15	1	15	11	UNH
1964	Concord	23	1	23	11	UNH
1965	Concord	53	1	53	11	DP
1966	Keene	39	3	72	14	UNH
1967	Concord	33	1	33	15	UNH
1968	Concord	38	1	38	12	UNH
1969	Concord	34	1	34	14	UNH
1970	Concord	23	1	23	14	UNH
1971	Keene	42	3	79	14	UNH
1972	Keene	55	5	112	13	UNH
1973	Concord	34	1	34	12	UNH
1974	Laconia	58	3	112	15	UNH
1975	Laconia	36	2	94	15	UNH
1976	Laconia	47	4	103	14	UNH
1977	Memorial	55	5	136	15	UNH
1978	Keene	89	3	93	12	WMCC
1979	Concord	74	1	74	15	DP

\*UNH = University of NH; DP = Derryfield Park; WMCC = White Mountain Country Club (Ashland)

### State Meet Results – Individual 1960 – 1979

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place
1960	Art Scott	Portsmouth	George Estabrook	6
1961	Pete Compos	Keene	Parker Morgan	3
1962	Roger Maxfield	Concord	Roger Maxfield	1
1963	Roger Maxfield	Concord	Roger Maxfield	1
1964	Gerry Love	Concord	Jerry Love	1
1965	Steve Smith	Concord	Steve Smith	1
1966	Alan Stevens	Keene	Jon Kendall	6
1967	Tim Mayes	Keene	Walt Chadwick	2
1968	Bruce Butterworth	Winnacunnet	Walt Chadwick	2
1969	Bruce Butterworth	Winnacunnet	Lee Hafemann	4
1970	Tom Atherton	Concord	Tom Atherton	1
1971	Dave Richardson	Pinkerton	Steve Foote	3
1972	Dave Richardson	Pinkerton	Dan Welch	13
1973	Russ Cutting	Concord	Russ Cutting	1
1974	Robert Fowler	Laconia	Russ Cutting	6
1975	Larry Reed	Central	Peter Gamble	10
1976	Robert Fowler	Laconia	Peter Gamble	5
1977	Robert Fowler	Laconia	Peter Finney	10
1978	Mike Gagne	Nashua	Moe Fairley	8
1979	Mike Gagne	Nashua	Peter Finney	2

## Concord State Class Meet Places 1960 – 1979

1960	1961	1962	1963
George Estabrook - 6	Parker Morgan - 3	Roger Maxfield - 1	Roger Maxfield - 1
Bob Prentiss - 13	Ted Mulligan - 8	Parker Morgan - 2	Parker Morgan - 2
Dave MacEacharan - 20	Roger Maxfield - 11	Bob Estabrook - 3	Bob Estabrook - 3
Jeff Spoor - 30	Dave MacEachran - 21	Alex Saltmarsh - 9	Alex Saltmarsh - 4
Gene Herbert - 32	George Estabrook - 30	Rick Bell - 12	Jerry Love - 5
Fred Buttrick - 34	Roger Comee - 34	Dave MacEachran - 20	Tom Forest - 7
Don Haugen - 60	Alex Richter - 63	Phil Jagemann - 46	Phil Jagemann - 19
<i>101 pts - 2nd place</i>	<i>73 pts - 2nd place</i>	<i>27 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>15 pts - 1st place</i>
1964	1965	1966	1967
Jerry Love - 1	Steve Smith - 1	Jon Kendall - 6	Walt Chadwick - 2
Doug Nydegger - 3	George Curtis - 5	Walt Chadwick - 12	Jon Kendall - 4
Steve Smith - 4	Jim Leary - 9	Ronnie Woods - 13	Brian Smith - 8
Dale Gage - 7	Bob Sampson - 18	Steve Heath - 17	Jack Nelson - 9
Phil Jagemann - 8	Jon Kendall - 20	Dick Hicks - 24	Alan Paige - 10
Tom Forest - 12	Dick Hicks - 28	Jack Nelson - 25	Carl Nydegger - 21
Bob Sampson - 41	Pete Daigle - 45	John Auger - 36	Peter Robinson - 29
<i>23 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>53 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>72 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>33 pts - 1st place</i>
1968	1969	1970	1971
Walt Chadwick - 2	Lee Hafemann - 4	Tom Atherton - 1	Steve Foote - 3
Alan Paige - 6	George Stohrer - 5	Lee Hafemann - 3	John Varrill - 7
Steve Bunten - 8	Dan Tromblay - 7	Dan Tromblay - 4	Erwin Ames - 17
Jim Minichiello - 10	Chan Snyder - 8	Chan Snyder - 5	Donald Maddox - 19
Carl Nydegger - 12	Jim Minichiello - 10	Guy Freeman - 10	Michael Freeman - 33
George Stohrer - 14	Tom Atherton - 13	Jim Langley - 13	Robert Monier - 34
Peter Robinson - 18	Andy Vogt - 14	Al Boissy - 24	Daniel Welch - 37
<i>38 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>34 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>23 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>79 pts - 3rd place</i>
1972	1973	1974	1975
Dan Welch - 13	Russ Cutting - 1	Russ Cutting - 6	Peter Gamble - 10
Bob Philbrook - 21	Brian Ackley - 2	Brian Ackley - 7	Jay Smith - 13
Bob Monier - 25	Dan Welch - 4	Bob Philbrook - 21	Steve Aldrich - 14
Russ Cutting - 26	Mike Freeman - 13	Mark Wilson - 38	Jay Sweeney - 16
Brian Ackley - 27	Bob Philbrick - 14	Peter Gamble - 40	Dana Poole - 41
Ken Craigie - 44	Ken Craigie - 15	Jay Smith - 42	Jim Arsenault - 47
Mike Freeman - 61	Mike Duprey - 16	Steve Aldrich - 43	Scott Emmons - 51
<i>112 pts - 5th place</i>	<i>34 pts - 1st place</i>	<i>112 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>94 pts - 2nd place</i>
1976	1977	1978	1979
Peter Gamble - 5	Peter Finney - 10	Moe Fairley - 8	Peter Finney - 2
Jay Sweeney - 7	Andy Snyder - 27	Peter Finney - 9	Dave Lyons - 5
Dana Poole - 14	Dana Ward - 30	Dave Lyons - 17	Moe Fairley - 9
Ken Jones - 34	Moe Fairley - 34	Bryan Nowell - 28	Bryan Nowell - 26
Moe Fairley - 43	Ken Jones - 35	Doug MacPherson - 31	Derek Underwood - 32
Jay Flanders - 47	Peter Alexander - 45	Jim Howe - 42	Dave Simonton - 33
Mark Saltmarsh - 59	Mark Saltmarsh - 65	Dave Simonton - 51	Dean Starrett - 54
<i>103 pts - 4th place</i>	<i>136 pts - 5th place</i>	<i>93 pts - 3rd place</i>	<i>74 pts - 1st place</i>

**State Meet of Champions Results – Team \*1976 – 1979**

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams	*Site
1976	Laconia		4	118	12	UNH
1977	Pinkerton	71	-	-	12	UNH
1978	Keene	89	4	135	12	UNH
1979	Concord	88	1	88	12	DP

**State Meet of Champions Results – Individual \*1976 – 1979**

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place
1976	Mark Kimball	Timberlane	Peter Gamble	6
1977	Mark Kimball	Timberlane	Peter Finney	33
1978	Mike Gagne	Nashua	Peter Finney	16
1979	Doug Jones	Kennett	Peter Finney	5

**Concord State Meet of Champions Places \*1976 – 1979**

1976	1977	1978	1979
Peter Gamble – 6	Peter Finney – 33	Peter Finney – 16	Peter Finney – 5
Jay Sweeney – 9	no team	Moe Fairley – 19	Moe Fairley – 13
Dana Poole – 22		Bryan Nowell – 29	Dave Lyons – 16
Ken Jones – 37		Dave Lyons – 32	Bryan Nowell – 19
Moe Fairley – 44		Doug MacPherson – 39	Dave Simonton – 35
Jay Flanders – 47		Jim Howe – 47	Derek Underwood – 50
Mark Saltmarsh – 52		Dave Simonton – 62	Dean Starrett – 75
<i>118 pts – 4<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>135 pts – 4<sup>th</sup> place</i>	<i>88 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>

\*Meet of Champions was initiated in 1976

## 1980 – 1999

The two decades of the eighties and nineties were a time of transition for Concord cross-country. It was a time when Concord's performance slowly declined and teams such as Pinkerton and Londonderry became dominant. Concord began the 80's decade as a dominant team – first place in the Class and MOC races in 1980 – and ended the 90's decade as a 15<sup>th</sup> place team in the Class meet in 1999. Another way to look at it: from 1980 through 1988 Concord's average state meet finish was 2<sup>nd</sup>; the average finish for 1989 through 1999 was 9.4. The average finish for Concord's first runner in the state meet from 1980 to 1988 was 3.5; for 1989 to 1999 it was 22.6. Concord qualified for the MOC in each year from 1980 to 1988 (except 1985 when they fielded a B-team – see 1985 discussion). In the 11 years from 1989 to 1999 Concord qualified for the MOC only twice.

What are some of the other characteristics of the final two decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century? The first is the coaching situation. One man, Bill Luti, coached the entire previous two decades. Four coaches and five coaching changes occurred in the final two decades.

Another change was the prevalence of tri-meets (3 teams) in the non-invitational races. This began primarily in 1991. The interesting part is that the meets were scored as two dual meets rather than one tri-meet. In past years tri-meets were always scored together. I don't know the reason for the change. I don't know if it was NHIAA policy. The number of points scored is greater when the three teams are scored together but there is no change in the won/loss record between the two methods.

Concord X-C Coaches 1980-1999	
Coach	Years
Bill Luti	'80 – '81
Bruce MacMahon	'82 – '83
Rusty Cofrin	'84 – '86
Al Herschlag	'87 – '90
Bruce MacMahon	'91 – '94
Rusty Cofrin	'95 – '99

The 80's and 90's decades continued the trends for earlier start dates for the season, more races, more multi team races and minimal media coverage (usually just the top 5 runners are listed). Seasonal results are important for most sports such as football and soccer. They determine which teams qualify for the post season and where they are seeded. For cross-country the seasonal results make no difference – except for confidence, and pride and bragging rights. Everyone gets to run in the state meet regardless of their record. This has always been true but in the past teams generally ran hard in every race. Now, and more so in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, coaches often use a race as a workout, a tempo run or to rest certain individuals. Seasonal results may be misleading about a team's strength.

The eighth decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century ended on a high note with an undefeated season and a state championship. Concord lost the top two runners from the 1979 season but began the **1980** season with a small (23 runners) but good quality team. Dave Lyons and Bryan Nowell were the number one and two runners for Concord. The 1980 team completed a second consecutive undefeated season, placed 8<sup>th</sup> of 12 teams in the top division of the Knights of Columbus Invitational (top teams in New England) and won both the Class L and MOC titles. Concord (80) won the Class L title over Pinkerton (134) and Memorial (136). Concord finishers were Lyons (3), Nowell (8), Tom Johnson (12), Derek Underwood (20), Tom Gamble (37), Jon Rummler (56) and John Prendergast (62). Concord (139) won the MOC over Hanover (157) and Oyster River (188). Finishing places for Concord were Lyons (5), Nowell (23), Johnson (25), Underwood (29), Gamble (57), Scott Conn (70) and Rummler (94). Concord was the first NH team in the New Englands, finishing 6<sup>th</sup>. Lyons placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the race.

Jon Rummier and Scott Johnson shared the #1 spot for the **1981** team. Concord lost two races to Bishop Guertin and Winnacunnet and lost to the same two teams as well as Pinkerton in the Manchester Invitational. Going into the state meet a third or fourth place finish was about the best that could be expected. But Coach Luti worked his magic and Concord (78) won the state meet easily over 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Guertin (106) and Winnacunnet (121) respectively. Concord's places were Rummier (8), Johnson (13), Mark LaRoche (16), Chris Mamos (20), Derek Underwood (21), Todd Philbrick (31) and Mike Eliasberg (37). In the Meet of Champions the following week Concord (158) was again victorious with Laconia (158) and Londonderry (171) in second and third place. Concord and Laconia were tied after the top 5 scored but Concord won the tie-breaker when Concord's 6<sup>th</sup> runner Eliasberg beat Laconia's 6<sup>th</sup> man. Concord placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the New England race as the third New Hampshire team. Londonderry was the first NH team, placing third. 1981 was the 25<sup>th</sup> and final season that Bill Luti coached the boys cross-country team at Concord High. During his tenure he had 13 state championships, 12 undefeated teams, 4 New England championships and 3 (of 6) Meet of Champions wins. He coached 5 individuals to 6 individual state titles.

In **1982** Bruce MacMahon became the new head coach for boys cross-country at Concord High, replacing the now-retired legend Bill Luti. Concord lost to Pinkerton in the first race of the season and then went undefeated for the remainder of the year. They had a 12 win 1 loss season and were first in both the Manchester and Capital Area invitationals. Chris Mamos and Scott Johnson were generally the number one and two runners for Concord although Johnson was not as consistent. Mike (Eli) Eliasberg and Steve Langevin were the number three and four runners. Sean Flanagan was a top five runner for the first three races but then was injured. Concord expected to win the Class L race but a less than stellar performance by Johnson (Concord's fifth runner in the race) allowed Keene to edge Concord by three points. Concord (119) exacted revenge the following week by winning the Meet of Champions over Pinkerton (135) and Keene (178). Led by Johnson they went on to place third in the New England race as the first team from New Hampshire.

The **1983** team was arguably the best team in the state but a controversial decision prevented Concord from winning the Meet of Champions (MOC). Concord had an undefeated season. Mike Eliasberg was the number one runner, Chris Mamos number two and Sean Flanagan number three. Concord had won the Manchester Invitational until Eliasberg (who placed second in the race) was disqualified by "going off course", resulting in a second place finish for the team. Concord (68) was legitimately beaten by Londonderry (52) in the Class L race and was second in the race. Concord had won the MOC until Flanagan was disqualified for bumping a Nashua runner AFTER THEY HAD CROSSED THE FINISH LINE, resulting in Londonderry first and Concord second. This was a very controversial decision. As Bob Hohler reported in the Monitor, depending on who you talk to "Concord is either a prisoner of the past, the victim of a conspiracy or full of sour grapes". There had been sniping in the press between Coach MacMahon and Londonderry's coach Larry Martin since the Class meet. MacMahon's view of the decision was "the cross-country committee that makes these decisions is dominated by Londonderry people. You gotta wonder if it would have been the same if the runner wasn't from Concord". Coach MacMahon had an aggressive "in-your-face" type personality and it's very possible that he did irritate some of the other coaches. The disqualification replaced Flanagan's 21 points with the 69 points of Concord's sixth runner Jeremy Stieglitz, an increase of 48 points. Londonderry (160) beat Concord (169) by nine points after the disqualification. Concord defended its claim as the best team in New Hampshire the following week by placing third in the New England race as the first NH team.

Bruce MacMahon resigned prior to the **1984** season (or was he pushed out?) and George ("Rusty") Cofrin was the new Concord coach. Mike Eliasberg and Dave Audet were lost to graduation but the rest of the top seven from 1983 were back for the '84 season. Chris Mamos was the number one runner, Sean Flanagan number two (although he missed some late season races because of an injured back) and Kurt Gergler number three. Concord had an 8 win 2 loss record, losing only to Londonderry and Nashua in the regular season. They (158) placed third in the Manchester Invitational behind Londonderry (103) and Stevens (121) and won the Capital Area Invitational. Concord (114) placed third in the Class L race behind Nashua (58) and Pinkerton (97) and just ahead of Londonderry (115). For the second year in a row Concord had a top runner disqualified in the MOC race. This year it was the number one runner Chris Mamos. At the final turn in the race Chris was neck and neck with Kennedy and Cartwright as leaders of the race. As the three made the turn Chris was inadvertently bumped off balance and careened outside the flags off the course. He picked himself up off the ground and finished the race but was disqualified. It was ruled that he should have gone back around the flag before finishing the course. Concord ended up finishing third as a team and qualified for the New Englands. Concord placed sixth in the New England race as the second NH team behind Stevens High who placed third. Chris Mamos placed sixth as an individual.

**1985** was a unique year. Four of the top 5 runners from last year graduated. Concord won its first race of the season – against Keene – and Concord's first three runners were Jeremy Stieglitz, Kevin Beck and Bill Perkins. Those three names did not appear again in race results for the rest of the year and Concord did not win another race for the rest of the year. At some point in time six runners were removed from the team because of alcohol use. Concord was essentially fielding a B-team. The last race reported in the Monitor was on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Their record was 1 win 6 losses at that time. It is not clear if they ran additional races. They did not run in the Capital Area X-C Championship. It is thought that they did run in the Class L state meet but, perhaps to avoid embarrassing the runners, the team, the coach, the school, the administration – whatever – the results were not reported in the Monitor. The boys did not qualify for the MOC. The girls' team, coached by Bill Luti, did run the Class meet finishing third with Jodi Higgins placing first. The girls went on to run in both the MOC and the New Englands.

In **1986** Concord returned to be among the elite teams in the state. They had an undefeated regular season with 7 wins and 0 losses. They won the Capital Area X-C Championship. It's not clear if they ran in the Manchester Invitational. No results were reported in the Monitor while the Concord girls placed first. The '86 team was led by sophomore Chris Basha and Jeremy Stieglitz with Kevin Beck a strong third. Rick Bragg was number 4 runner until he wrenched his back in the Nashua race (Oct. 10). Freshman Steve Bailey came on strong at the end of the year. Undefeated Concord was favored going into the state Class meet but placed second (108 pts) to Pinkerton (94) – a team they easily beat during the regular season. Basha was second in the race. Concord (126) placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the MOC behind Oyster River (91), Stevens (100) and Salem (116). Basha was ninth. Concord qualified for the New Englands and placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the race. Stieglitz was 28<sup>th</sup> and Basha 34<sup>th</sup>.

Concord was again an elite team in **1987** under new head coach Al Herschlag. Chris Basha was generally the number one runner for Concord but Kevin Beck had three firsts and Steve Bailey was the first Concord runner in the MOC. Rick Bragg and Troy Patoine were generally the number 4 and 5 runners. Concord had an 8 win 1 loss regular season record with a third place in the Manchester Invitational and a first in the Capital Area X-C championship. The one regular season loss was to Pinkerton who edged Concord with a tie breaker. Concord (42) placed second to Pinkerton (23) in the state Class meet. Beck was sick; he ran but was not at full strength. Basha was second in the race to Tom Carlson of Nashua. (*\*note: The places*

and totals for 1987 in the Class L table at the end of this chapter (p.75) are from the Monitor; the sum of the top 5 places equals 68, not the 42 listed in the paper). The following week Concord (85) won the Meet of Champions over Stevens (87) and Oyster River (92). Pinkerton (94) was fourth. Steve Bailey was Concord's first runner, placing 10<sup>th</sup>, just ahead of Basha in 11<sup>th</sup>. Concord (239) placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the New England race – a race postponed for a week because of snow on the course. Concord was the third NH team behind Stevens (4<sup>th</sup> at 139) and Newfound (8<sup>th</sup> at 197).

Concord had another excellent year in **1988** with a 9 win 2 loss record, losing only to Pinkerton and Nashua. They placed 8<sup>th</sup> (of 27 schools) in the Manchester Invitational and won the Capital Area race. Concord had a very strong top three runners in Chris Basha, Steve Bailey and freshman Chris Beyer. They placed 1-2-3 respectively in the Capital Area race. Basha won the state Class L race after finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> the previous two years. Last year's winner Tom Carlson of Nashua did not run because of a concussion. Basha's victory was the first Class L win by a Concord runner since Russ Cutting accomplished the feat in 1973. Basha's three-year record of placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> in the Class L race is the best three-year performance of any Concord runner in the history of cross-country at Concord High. The next best performance is 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Gagnon (1948-50) and Guor Majak (2002-04). (A discussion of best performing Concord runners through 2023 can be found in the "Odds and Ends" section at the end of this report (p.84)). Concord (88) placed third in the Class L meet behind Pinkerton (58) and Memorial (69) and ahead of Nashua (104). Concord (139) placed sixth in the Meet of Champions race with Stevens (62) and Oyster River (97) placing first and second. Basha placed second in the MOC behind winner Jon Ingram of White Mountain. Concord did not qualify for the New Englands but Basha (2), Beyer (8) and Bailey (24) qualified as individuals. Their places in the New England race were Bailey 39, Beyer 76 and Basha 160.

The top two runners from 1988 (Basha and Bailey) were lost to graduation. Sophomore Chris Beyer was clearly the best runner for the **1989** team despite some nagging injuries, but he had little support from the rest of the team. The season was lackluster. One race was postponed for a day, one was cancelled and one had no results in the Monitor (probably cancelled). The team had a 3 win 5 loss season. They placed second to Brady in the Capital Area Championship, the first loss by Concord in this race in 14 years. Concord finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the state Class L race with Beyer placing 8<sup>th</sup> (the next Concord runner was 53<sup>rd</sup>). The team did not qualify for the Meet of Champions but Beyer qualified as an individual and placed 12<sup>th</sup>.

Chris Beyer was an elite runner, far and away the best runner on the **1990** team. Once again, however, he had little support from his teammates and Concord had a mediocre 3 win 6 loss season. Despite his superior abilities, Beyer had an up and down year. He won the first two races, didn't run in the next two because of a toe injury, took a wrong turn in the Capital Area race and was disqualified and dropped out of the state Class L meet because of dizziness and ill health. Concord (93) was third to Pembroke (54) and Belmont (83) in the Capital Area race. The team placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the state Class L meet and their first runner placed 60<sup>th</sup> (Beyer was a *dnf*). Clearly the team and no individual on the team qualified for the MOC. Bishop Guertin won both the Class L and Meet of Champions races. Phil Greenwood of Nashua won the Class L race and the MOC was won by Scott Poteet of Oyster River. This (1990) was to be Al Herschlag's last year coaching Concord's cross-country team.

Bruce MacMahon returned in **1991** to coach Concord's cross-country team after a seven year absence. He inherited an outstanding runner in Chris Beyer but little else. Since his freshman year Beyer had shown flashes of brilliance but often had nagging injuries. Now, in his senior year, he was able to showcase his abilities. He placed third in the Manchester Invitational and won all the other regular season races including the Bobcat Invitational and the

Capital Area Championship. He placed second to Phil Greenwood of Nashua in the state Class L race. Despite his efforts the team placed 9<sup>th</sup> and finished the season with a 6 win 8 loss record. Beyer qualified for the MOC as an individual and again placed second to Phil Greenwood but this time they essentially crossed the finish line together. The following week Chris Beyer capped off his senior year with a victory in the New England race. This was Concord's first New England winner since Tom Atherton completed the feat in 1970. Zachary Wright of Conant was second and Phil Greenwood of Nashua was fourth as the third NH runner.

After three years (1989-1991) of mediocre teams with one elite runner Concord entered a period – really the rest of the decade with a couple of exceptions – of mediocre teams with no elite runners. **1992** was just such a year. Carl Anderson was the number 1 runner for the first half of the season but was slowed by injuries and Greg Brunkhorst was number 1 for the last half. Freshman Kyle Schneck was the number 3 runner. The team ran in the Manchester and in the Thetford Academy invitationals but no team or individual runner results were listed in the Monitor. Concord (78) placed third in the Capital Area championship behind St. Paul's (20) and Sant Bani (65). Concord had a 4 win 6 loss season with an 11<sup>th</sup> place in the state Class L race. Concord's first runner in the state meet placed 44<sup>th</sup>. Concord did not qualify for the MOC.

The **1993** team was a better than average team, achieving a 9 win 3 loss record with losses to powerhouses Pinkerton, Central and Salem. They had good grouping in the state Class meet (the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> runners were within 20 places of each other) but the first runner placed 40<sup>th</sup> and the team managed only a 7<sup>th</sup> place tie. Sophomore Kyle Schneck was generally the number 1 runner but there was much shifting of positions among the top 5. Concord (69) was second in the Capital Area race behind St. Paul's (39) and ahead of Sant Bani (79). Concord did not qualify for the MOC. This was a year of strong NH teams. Pinkerton, Salem and Londonderry placed 2-3-4 in the New Englands.

Concord again was an average team in **1994**, placing 8<sup>th</sup> in the state Class meet. Although they had no elite runner Kyle Schneck was proving to be an excellent runner. He was Concord's number 1 runner in every race of the season, usually by a wide margin. Concord ran in the Bobcat (8<sup>th</sup>) and Manchester (17<sup>th</sup>) invitationals. They again placed 2<sup>nd</sup> to St. Paul's in the Capital Area race. Schneck was the individual winner. Concord compiled an 8 win 3 loss record, again with losses to Pinkerton, Central and Salem. The team did not qualify for the MOC but Schneck qualified as an individual. He ran well placing 15<sup>th</sup> after placing 17<sup>th</sup> in the Class meet the previous week. This was Bruce MacMahon's final year coaching the Concord boys cross-country team.

Rusty Cofrin returned as boys cross-country coach in **1995** after an eight-year absence.

The September 12<sup>th</sup> home race was to be the last race at White Park. The plan was to hold home meets at St. Paul's School for the rest of this year and develop a home course at Memorial Field for 1996. As the saying goes, "man plans, God laughs". Concord was to run an additional year with home meets at St. Paul's School and the first race at Memorial Field was not until 1997.

Concord had a very good regular season, compiling an 8 win 2 loss record and beating Pinkerton in the first race of the season. In his senior year Kyle Schneck developed into an excellent runner. He was first for Concord in every race and placed third in the state Class L meet. Concord (144) placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the Bobcat Invitational with Pinkerton the winner (47) (Schneck was 10<sup>th</sup>), 5<sup>th</sup> in the Manchester Invitational with Londonderry the winner (Schneck was 12<sup>th</sup>) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (76) to St. Paul's (43) in the Capital Area X-C race with Schneck the individual winner. The state Class meets were postponed for a week because of wind and rain and poor footing. The Meet of Champions race was cancelled to allow for the Class meets and for the New

Englands the following week. Despite the good regular season record the team was able to

manage only a 10<sup>th</sup> place in the Class L race. Schneck placed third. The team did not qualify for the New Englands but Schneck qualified as an individual and placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the New England race.

The **1996** team lost Kyle Schneck to graduation but was pleasantly surprised by senior Joe Hyland who, in his first year of running, became Concord's number 1 runner in every race. The '96 team was average, compiling a record of 5 wins and 4 losses with the losses coming from the habitually strong teams of Londonderry, Merrimack, Nashua and Pinkerton. Concord was 10<sup>th</sup> in the Manchester Invitational (Hyland was 19<sup>th</sup>), 23<sup>rd</sup> (of 62 teams) in the Thetford Invitational and 3<sup>rd</sup> (80 pts) to St. Paul's (53) and Sant Bani (65) in the Capital Area X-C race. Hyland won the Capital Area race. Concord placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the state Class L race, securing the final qualifying spot for the Meet of Champions. Not since 1988 had Concord qualified for the MOC. Natt Otterson, Concord's #2 runner, re-injured his hamstring in the MOC race and did not finish (dnf) the race. The team placed 14<sup>th</sup> and Hyland was 40<sup>th</sup> so neither the team nor any individual qualified for the New Englands. For the second year in a row Londonderry won the New England race and Joe Letourneau of Londonderry was the '96 individual N.E. champ.

The **1997** team was mediocre, compiling a losing record of 5 wins and 7 losses. They had no dominant #1 runner. One could argue they had decent grouping, placing their top 5 runners within 20 places of each other in the state Class meet but their first runner was only 35<sup>th</sup>. The September 16<sup>th</sup> race was the first race on the new Memorial field course. Concord placed 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Manchester Invitational. Freshman Trevor Herrin was 7<sup>th</sup> in the freshman race. In what was apparently a very weak field, Concord's 'A' team placed first and 'B' team fourth in an 8-team Clipper Relays race. Concord (123) was fourth to St. Paul's (41), Sant Bani (41) and Coe-Brown (86) in the Capital Area race. St. Paul's and Sant Bani went to the 6<sup>th</sup>-man tie-breaker to give St. Paul's the victory. The '97 team placed ninth in the state Class meet and neither the team nor an individual qualified for the Meet of Champions. Todd Swenson of Londonderry won the Class L, the MOC and the New England races.

According to the Yearbook the 1996-97 school year was the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Concord High School (1847 – 1997).

Concord bounced back with a good team in **1998**, qualifying for the MOC race for only the second time in the '90s decade. The team was led by Jon Menefee who was first for Concord in every race but the first. His name did not appear on the team rosters in either the previous or following year. Like Joe Hyland in 1996 Menefee appears to be a one-hit wonder, running for just the one year. Cory Burke and Tim Osmer alternated at the #2 and #3 slots. Freshman Scott Grady showed promise at the beginning of the season but injuries limited his running. Concord had a 9 win 5 loss season. They were 16<sup>th</sup> (6<sup>th</sup> NH team) in the Manchester Invitational and won the Capital Area Championship with Sant Bani's Kris Freeman placing first. Concord's first finisher (Menefee) was 7<sup>th</sup>. Concord placed fifth in the state Class meet with Menefee finishing 8<sup>th</sup>. They placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the MOC, just missing a top 6 spot to qualify for the New Englands. Menefee was 30<sup>th</sup> in the MOC race.

In the last year of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Concord had what was perhaps the worst year in the 100 year span. They had no wins, compiling a 0 win 10 loss record. They placed 15<sup>th</sup> (out of 17 teams) in the state Class meet and did not qualify for the MOC or New Englands. Apparently the team lost some good runners to the football team and **1999** quickly became a re-building year. Trevor Herrin was the only runner with any experience. He was #1 for Concord in every race but had little support from the rest of the team. He placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the Capital Area race but the team was not in the top 5. Herrin qualified (just barely) for the MOC as an individual and placed 65<sup>th</sup>.

This concludes Concord's cross-country records for the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Team achievements for the 1980-1999 years include two state Class L championships and four runner-ups, four MOC championships with one runner-up and three undefeated seasons. Individual achievements were one Class L champion with three second place finishers, two second place finishers in the MOC and one New England champion.

Coach Rusty Cofrin would quickly get back on track in 2000 with a 6<sup>th</sup> place in the Class meet, a 5<sup>th</sup> in the MOC and a 15<sup>th</sup> place (5<sup>th</sup> NH team) in the New Englands.

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1980	<b>School Year:</b> 1980-81	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Dave Lyons, Bryan Nowell, Tom Gamble				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Dave Lyons, Bryan Nowell, Derek Underwood, Tom Johnson, Tom Gamble, John Prendergast, Scott Conn, Jon Rummler, Scott Johnson, Mark LaRoche				
<b>Record:</b> 13 wins 0 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 16	<b>MOC:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 12	
<b>Results:</b> 16 Sep: Concord 25 Winnacunnet 34 20 Sep: Concord 20 Dover 41 23 Sep: Concord 26 Keene 33 30 Sep: Concord 24 Memorial 41 Central 68 West 113 4 Oct: Concord 15 Brady 50 11 Oct: Concord 18 Pembroke 61 Merrimack Valley 79 Brady 82 13 Oct: K of C Invitational: Concord 8 <sup>th</sup> of 12; St. Bernard 1 <sup>st</sup> 18 Oct: Concord 22 Nashua 35 Trinity 90 21 Oct: Concord 15 Timberlane 50				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Concord	Dave Meare, Salem	Dave Lyons	3
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Concord	Dave Westover, Stevens	Dave Lyons	5
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken	Shawn Gardner, U32, VT	Dave Lyons	10
<b>Comments:</b> Dave Lyons and Bryan Nowell were the #1 and 2 runners throughout the year. Concord had an undefeated season, placed 8 <sup>th</sup> in the top division of the Knights of Columbus Invitational and won both the state class meet and MOC. They were the first NH team in the New Englands, placing 6 <sup>th</sup> of 12 teams.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1981	<b>School Year:</b> 1981-82	<b>Coach:</b> Bill Luti		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Derek Underwood, Jon Rummler				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jon Rummler, Scott Johnson, Derek Underwood, Chris Mamos, Mark LaRoche, Todd Philbrick, Mike Eliasberg, Mike Kelly, Steve Langevin, Andy Merrill				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 2 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 14	<b>MOC:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> of 12	
<b>Results:</b> 18 Sep: Concord 23 Dover 36 22 Sep: Concord 24 Keene 33 26 Sep: Manchester Invitational: Concord 5 <sup>th</sup> place; Winnacunnet 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 Oct: Bishop Guertin 26 Concord 38 Brady 68 10 Oct: Concord 20 Brady 47 Pembroke 73 Merrimack Valley 101 16 Oct: Concord 20 Nashua 43 West 83 Trinity 108 20 Oct: Winnacunnet 28 Concord 35 Timberlane 75 27 Oct: Concord 15 Portsmouth 49				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Concord	John Everett, Nashua	Jon Rummler	8
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Concord	Jon Holter, Oyster River	Scott Johnson	16
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken	Michael Richardson, U32, VT	Jon Rummler	39
<b>Comments:</b> Jon Rummler and Scott Johnson were the top 2 runners for Concord. The team lost to two teams during the regular season but won both the state meet and the Meet of Champions. This was Coach Luti's last year of coaching Concord High boys cross-country.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1982	<b>School Year:</b> 1982-83	<b>Coach:</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Scott Johnson, Steve Langevin				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Mamos, Scott Johnson, Mike Eliasberg, Steve Langevin, Todd Philbrick, Dave Audet, Sean Flanagan, Kurt Gergler				
<b>Record:</b> 12 wins 1 loss	<b>Class L:</b> 2nd	<b>MOC:</b> 1st	<b>New England:</b> 3rd	
<b>Results:</b> 11 Sep: Pinkerton 23 Concord 36 Memorial 74 22 Sep: Concord 17 Keene 45 25 Sep: Concord was 1 <sup>st</sup> in the Manchester Invitational race 1 Oct: Concord 28 Guertin 46 Brady 63 9 Oct: Concord was 1 <sup>st</sup> of 5 in the Capital Area Invitational race 15 Oct: Concord 15 Nashua 51 West 81 Trinity 120 19 Oct: Concord 21 Timberlane 55 Winnacunnet 71 Newmarket 86 26 Oct: Concord 18 Portsmouth 47 Laconia 73				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Keene	Kirk Lewis, Alvirne	Chris Mamos	5
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Concord	Rolf Sonnerup, Hanover	Chris Mamos	9
<b>N.E.</b>	Cumberland, RI	Pat Piper, Hopkinton	Scott Johnson	23
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a 12 win-1 loss season and placed first in both the Manchester and Capital Area invitational races. Mamos and Johnson were generally the #1 and #2 runners although Johnson was not as consistent. Eliasberg and Langevin were generally the #3 and #4 runners. Sean Flanagan was a top 5 runner for the first 3 races but then became injured. Todd Philbrick was not a top 5 runner until the 7 <sup>th</sup> race but he finished the season strong. Concord placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the Class L race, 1 <sup>st</sup> in the MOC and 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1983	<b>School Year:</b> 1983-84	<b>Coach</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Chris Mamos, Mike Eliasberg				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Mike Eliasberg, Chris Mamos, Sean Flanagan, Kurt Gergler, Jeremy Stieglitz, Dave Audet, Tom Philbrick, Dave Hanlon, Robert Ball				
<b>Record:</b> 11 wins 0 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 2 of 16	<b>MOC:</b> 2 of 12	<b>New England:</b> 3 of 15	
<b>Results:</b> 16 Sep: Concord 15 Dover 49 20 Sep: Concord 19 Keene 48 24 Sep: Concord was 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the Manchester Invitational race; Plymouth was 1 <sup>st</sup> 30 Sep: Concord 16 Guertin 43 Brady 81 8 Oct: Concord was 1 <sup>st</sup> of 5 in the Capital Area Invitational race; 4 official team finishers – MV was DQ'd with only 4 runners finishing 11 Oct: Concord 28 Londonderry 29 14 Oct: Concord 20 Nashua 35 West 83 Trinity 106 18 Oct: Concord 19 Timberlane 37 Winnacunnet 87 26 Oct: Concord 21 Portsmouth 36				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Londonderry	Dan Godin, Londonderry	Chris Mamos	4
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Londonderry	Dan Godin, Londonderry	Mike Eliasberg	3
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken, RI	Moulton, Springfield, VT	Mike Eliasberg	7
<b>Comments:</b> Eliasberg and Mamos were the top two runners for Concord. Concord's only loss during the regular season was to Plymouth in the Manchester Invitational; Concord won the race until #1 Eliasberg was DQ'd for going off course. Concord was 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the state class meet, would have won the MOC race until Flanagan was DQ'd for bumping a runner after crossing the finish line and was 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the New England race as the first team from NH.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1984	<b>School Year:</b> 1984-85	<b>Coach:</b> George ("Rusty") Cofrin (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Mamos, Sean Flanagan, Kurt Gergler, Jeremy Stieglitz, Tom Philbrick, Rick Bragg, John Martel, Bill Martel, Kevin Beck				
<b>Record:</b> 8 wins 2 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 3	<b>MOC:</b> 3 of 12	<b>New England:</b> 6 of 15	
<b>Results:</b> 14 Sep: Concord 16    Dover 47 18 Sep: Concord 16    Keene 44 22 Sep: Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup> in Manchester Invitational; Londonderry 1 <sup>st</sup> 28 Sep: Concord 25    Guertin 32    Brady 79 6 Oct: Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> of 7 in the Capital Area Invitational 9 Oct: Londonderry 24    Concord 39 12 Oct: Nashua 28    Concord 45    West 64 16 Oct: Concord 33    Winnacunnet 41    Timberlane 52 23 Oct: Concord 22    Portsmouth 33				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Nashua	Scott Hatch, Nashua	Chris Mamos	3
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Nashua	Norm Kennedy, Stevens	Sean Flanagan	3
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken	Mike Pieroni, Rogers, RI	Chris Mamos	6
<b>Comments:</b> This was the first year of Rusty Cofrin coaching the team. Mamos was the #1 runner, Flanagan #2 (although he missed some races because of an injured back) and Gergler was #3. A large time gap existed to the #4 and 5 runners. For the second year in a row Concord had a top runner (Mamos) disqualified in the MOC race. Concord was 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Class meet, 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the MOC race and 6 <sup>th</sup> in the New Englands as the second NH team behind Stevens in 3 <sup>rd</sup> place.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1985	<b>School Year:</b> 1985-86	<b>Coach:</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Bill Martel				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Rick Bragg, Chris Houle, Bill Martel, Jeff Heath, Dave Carter, Jeremy Stieglitz, Kevin Beck, Bill Perkins				
<b>Record:</b> 1 win 6 losses	<b>Class L:</b> ?	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 17 Sep: Concord 23    Keene 38 1 Oct: Pinkerton 17    Concord 44 8 Oct: Londonderry 20    Concord 35 11 Oct: Nashua 23    West 51    Concord 57 15 Oct: Winnacunnet 36    Timberlane 41    Concord 49 21 Oct: ??				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Man. Memorial	Karl Meltzer, Memorial	?	
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Kennett	Norm Kennedy, Stevens	-	
<b>N.E.</b>	Bishop Hendricken	Norm Kennedy, Stevens	-	
<b>Comments:</b> A strange year. A record of 1 win and 6 losses. Stieglitz, Beck & Perkins were the first 3 runners for Concord in the first race – and then their names did not appear in the Monitor for the rest of the season. The Monitor had no mention of the boys team for the Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup> race against Portsmouth nor for the preview of the state class meet or the class meet itself. Did Concord send a team to the Class meet? At some point during the season 6 runners were booted off the team for drinking. Was the season closed down before the state meet?				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1986	<b>School Year:</b> 1986-87	<b>Coach:</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jeremy Stieglitz, Brad Stevens				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Basha, Jeremy Stieglitz, Kevin Beck, Rick Bragg, Chris Houle, Derek Duff, Steve Bailey, Brad Stevens				
<b>Record:</b> 7 wins 0 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>MOC:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>New England:</b> 10 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Results:</b> 16 Sep: Concord 17 Keene 40 24 Sep: Concord 15 Dover 50 30 Sep: Concord 18 Pinkerton 40 7 Oct: Concord 15 Londonderry 50 10 Oct: Concord 25 West 44 Nashua 63 18 Oct: Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> of 8 teams in the Capital Area cross-country championship 20 Oct: Concord 18 Portsmouth 43				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	Joe Donovan, Salem	Chris Basha	2
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Oyster River	Sean Livingston, Kennett	Chris Basha	9
<b>N.E.</b>	Xavier, CT	Burke, Xavier	Jeremy Stieglitz	28
<b>Comments:</b> Basha and Stieglitz were the number 1 and 2 runners for Concord with Beck a strong third. Bragg was #4 until he wrenched his back in the Nashua race. Steve Bailey came on strong as a freshman at the end of the season. Concord had an undefeated regular season but was 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Pinkerton in the state Class meet and was 4 <sup>th</sup> in the MOC. Concord easily beat Pinkerton in the regular season.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1987	<b>School Year:</b> 1987-88	<b>Coach</b> Al Herschlag (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Kevin Beck Rick Bragg Chris Houle				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Basha, Kevin Beck, Steve Bailey, Rick Bragg, Troy Patoine, Chris (Chip) DeAngelis, Chris Houle, Mike Oldach, Paul Kling, Neyah Margolis				
<b>Record:</b> 8 wins 1 loss	<b>Class L:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>MOC:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> of 18	
<b>Results:</b> 15 Sep: Concord 15 Keene 50 19 Sep: Concord placed 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Manchester Invitational 23 Sep: Concord 16 Dover 47 Trinity 85 29 Sep: Pinkerton 28 Concord 28 (Pinkerton won on the 6 <sup>th</sup> man tie-breaker) 6 Oct: Concord 20 Londonderry 45 Winnacunnet 55 9 Oct: Concord 31 Nashua 43 West 51 16 Oct: Concord 19 Salem 38 24 Oct: Concord (17 pts) placed 1 <sup>st</sup> of 7 teams in the Capital Area Cross-Country Championship				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	Tom Carlson, Nashua	Chris Basha	2
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Concord	Matt Bystrak, Monadnock	Steve Bailey	10
<b>N.E.</b>	Essex Junction, VT	J.T. Burke, Xavier, CT	Chris Basha	24
<b>Comments:</b> Chris Basha was generally the #1 runner for Concord but Kevin Beck had 3 firsts and Steve Bailey was the 1 <sup>st</sup> Concord finisher in the MOC. Rick Bragg and Troy Patoine were generally the # 4 and 5 runners. Concord had a very successful first season under Coach Al Herschlag: 8 wins & 1 loss, a 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 1 <sup>st</sup> in the two invitationals and a 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 1 <sup>st</sup> in the Class and MOC races respectively.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1988	<b>School Year:</b> 1988-89	<b>Coach:</b> Al Herschlag		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Jacob Brown, Chris DeAngelis, Neyah Margolis				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Basha, Steve Bailey, Chris Beyer, Chris (Chip) DeAngelis, Erich Cross, Neyah Margolis, Gregg Milligan, Mike French, Casey Lister, Pete Mamos				
<b>Record:</b> 9 wins 2 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 18	<b>MOC:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> of 12	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 13 Sep: Concord 17 Keene 42 17 Sep: Concord 8 <sup>th</sup> of 27 schools in the Manchester Invitational; Oyster River 1 <sup>st</sup> 20 Sep: Concord 17 Dover 46 Trinity 78 27 Sep: Pinkerton 22 Concord 33 30 Sep: Concord 25 Alvirne 31 4 Oct: Concord 31 Londonderry 34 Winnacunnet 62 7 Oct: Nashua 28 Concord 29 Milford 83 Trinity 117 14 Oct: Concord 18 Salem 42 22 Oct: Concord (27) 1 <sup>st</sup> in the Capital Area X-C Championship; Belmont (52) 2 <sup>nd</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	Chris Basha, Concord	Chris Basha, Concord	1
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Stevens	Jon Ingram, White Mtns.	Chris Basha, Concord	2
<b>N.E.</b>	Xavier, CT	Sheeran, Staples, CT	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a successful 9 win – 2 loss season. They had a very strong top 3 in Chris Basha, Steve Bailey and freshman Chris Beyer. Senior Basha won the Class L race after finishing 2 <sup>nd</sup> the past two years. The team placed 6 <sup>th</sup> in the MOC race and Basha finished 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Concord did not qualify for the New Englands as a team but Basha, Bailey and Beyer qualified as individuals. No results of the NE race were found in the Monitor.				
<b>X-C Year:</b> 1989	<b>School Year:</b> 1989-90	<b>Coach</b> Al Herschlag		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Beyer, Erich Cross, Casey Lister, Jeff Hall, Dari Sasson, Chris Hamilton, Jeff Davis				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 5 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 12 Sep: Concord 24 Portsmouth 52 Trinity 59 19 Sep: No result in Monitor – Concord vs Pinkerton *27 Sep: Memorial 18 Concord 42; <i>*tri-meets scored as two dual meets</i> West 19 Concord 42 *30 Oct: Concord 23 Dover 33; Central 18 Concord 45 10 Oct: Winnacunnet 23 Exeter 54 Concord 59 17 Oct: Race cancelled: Concord & Stevens at Keene 21 Oct: Concord (51) 2 <sup>nd</sup> in Capital Area Championship race; Brady (41) 1 <sup>st</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	Chris Capistran, Memorial	Chris Beyer	8
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Memorial	Chris Capistran, Memorial	Chris Beyer	12
<b>N.E.</b>	Staples, CT	Wayne Newsom, Hope, RI	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Chris Beyer was clearly the #1 runner for Concord despite some nagging leg injuries. A choppy season: one race was postponed for a day, one was cancelled and another had no results in the Monitor (not sure that the race was run). Concord lost for the 1 <sup>st</sup> time in the 14 year history of the Capital Area Championship race. Concord was 10 <sup>th</sup> in the state class meet and did not qualify as a team for the MOC or New England races. Beyer qualified as an individual for the MOC and placed 12 <sup>th</sup> .				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1990	<b>School Year:</b> 1990-91	<b>Coach:</b> Al Herschlag		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Beyer, Jeff Hall, Jeff Davis, Casey Lister, Charlie Brankman, Terry Lorber, Chris Hamilton, Mike Marsh, Peter Lassey, Mike Jenkins				
<b>Record:</b> 3 wins 6 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 13th	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 11 Sep: Concord 19 Portsmouth 28 Spaulding 45 18 Sep: Pinkerton 20 Concord 41 22 Sep: Manchester Invitational? No Concord results in Monitor - did Concord run? 25 Sep: Memorial 24 West 33 Concord 77 2 Oct: Central 15 Concord 46 Dover 59 9 Oct: Concord & Winnacunnet at Exeter race post-poned; no results found in the Monitor but Yearbook listed CHS losses to both teams 19 Oct: Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup> of 8 teams in the Capital Area X-C race; Pembroke 1 <sup>st</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Bishop Guertin	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	Jeff Hall	60
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Bishop Guertin	Scott Poteet, Oyster River	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	Xavier, CT	Jason Dunklee, Brattleboro, VT	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Chris Beyer was an elite runner, far and away the best runner for Concord. He had an up and down season. He won the first two races; he didn't run the next two races because of a toe injury; he ran the last two races but was DQ'd in the Capital Area race for taking a wrong turn and going off course, and did not finish (dnf) the Class L state meet because of dizziness and ill health.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1991	<b>School Year:</b> 1991-92	<b>Coach</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Chris Beyer, Ryan Ford, Greg Brunkhorst, Andy Baldwin, Carl Anderson, Brian Brown, Matt Hicks, Terry Lorber, Rick Frink				
<b>Record:</b> 6 wins 8 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 9th	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 10 Sep: Concord 22 Portsmouth 36 Spaulding 24 Concord 31 17 Sep: Pinkerton 20 Concord 42 21 Sep: Manchester Invitational Concord 22 of 35; Beyer 3 <sup>rd</sup> 24 Sep: Concord 17 Belmont 46 West 21 Concord 37 Memorial 23 Concord 33 28 Sep: Concord 23 Spaulding 36 Salem 20 Concord 40 1 Oct: Central 22 Concord 37 Concord 17 Dover 39 12 Oct: Concord 25 Winnacunnet 30 Concord 19 Exeter 38 15 Oct: B. Guertin 20 Concord 43 Spaulding 27 Concord 29 18 Oct: Capital Area Championship Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> of 9; Beyer 1 <sup>st</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Salem	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	Chris Beyer	2
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Central	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	Chris Beyer	2
<b>N.E.</b>	New Britain, CT	Chris Beyer, Concord	Chris Beyer	1
<b>Comments:</b> Since his freshman year Chris Beyer showed flashes of an elite runner but nagging injuries often hampered his efforts. This, his senior year, Chris finally was able to show his brilliance. He was 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Manchester Invitational, won both the Bobcat Invitational (Oyster River) and the Capital Area Championship and won every regular season race. He was 2 <sup>nd</sup> in Class L, 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the MOC and 1 <sup>st</sup> in the New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1992	<b>School Year:</b> 1992-93	<b>Coach:</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Edward Prisby, Greg Brunkhorst				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Greg Brunkhorst, Carl Anderson, Kyle Schneck, Adam Painchaud, Rob Ricard, Doug Lunderville, Jamie Harris, Eric Simonton, Brian Brown				
<b>Record:</b> 4 wins 6 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
15 Sep: Spaulding 15 Concord 42 Concord 25 Memorial 36	3 Oct: Thetford Academy 5K (no places or scores listed)			
22 Sep: Pinkerton 15 Concord 50	6 Oct: Central 15 Concord 49 Concord 15 Dover 49			
26 Sep: Manchester Invitational No places or scores listed (Schneck 10 <sup>th</sup> in freshman race)	13 Oct: Winnacunnet 28? Concord 32 Exeter 39			
29 Sep: West 23 Concord 34 Concord 19 Portsmouth 40	20 Oct: Salem 15 Concord 50			
	23 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship: Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup>			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Londonderry	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	Greg Brunkhorst	44
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Londonderry	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	St. Raphael Acad. RI	Phil Greenwood, Nashua	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> This was a mediocre team. Unlike last year, there was no elite runner; Concord's 1 <sup>st</sup> runner placed 44 <sup>th</sup> in the State Meet. Carl Anderson was generally the #1 runner for the first half of the season but injuries slowed him down and Greg Brunkhorst was #1 for the last half of the year. Concord ran in the Manchester and Thetford invitationals but no places or scores were listed. It was as if Coach MacMahon wanted to avoid embarrassing his runners for their high scores.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1993	<b>School Year:</b> 1993-94	<b>Coach</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Kyle Schneck, Doug Lunderville, Carl Anderson, Greg Brunkhorst, Rob Ricard, Braden Larmon, Brian Dwinal, Jamie Harris				
<b>Record:</b> 9 wins 3 losses	<b>Class L:</b> tie 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
8 Sep: Concord 19 Alvirne 39 Pinkerton 15 Concord 50	5 Oct: Central 21 Concord 35 Concord 16 Dover 47			
14 Sep: Concord 27 Memorial 29 Concord 20 Spaulding 38	14 Oct: Concord 25 Exeter 33 Concord 27 Winnacunnet 28			
25 Sep: Manchester Invitational Concord 10 <sup>th</sup> in Class B	18 Oct: Salem 17 Concord 42 Concord 15 Merrimack 50			
28 Sep: Concord 21 West 39 Concord 23 Portsmouth 26	22 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship Concord 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup>			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Londonderry	John Mortimer, Londonderry	Doug Lunderville	40
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Salem	John Mortimer, Londonderry	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	Xavier, CT	Mark Churchill, Peoples Acad. VT	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord had a decent 9 win 3 loss season but only managed a tie for 7 <sup>th</sup> place in the Class meet and did not qualify for the Meet of Champions or New Englands. Sophomore Kyle Schneck was generally the #1 runner but much shifting of positions occurred among the top 5 runners. This was a strong year for New Hampshire: Pinkerton, Salem and Londonderry placed 2-3-4 in the New England race.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1994	<b>School Year:</b> 1994-95	<b>Coach:</b> Bruce MacMahon		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Carl Anderson, Kyle Finny				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Kyle Schneck, Shaun Matusewicz, Doug Lunderville, Natt Otterson, Carl Anderson, Braden Larmon, Shay Sullivan, Charles Goodwin, Bill Osmer				
<b>Record:</b> 8 wins 3 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 8th	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
7 Sep: Pinkerton 16 Concord 19	Concord 41 Alvirne 36	4 Oct: Concord lost to Central & beat Dover (scores not listed in paper)		
13 Sep: Concord 15 Concord 25	Spaulding 50 Memorial 31	12 Oct: Concord 24 Concord 16	Winnacunnet 33 Exeter 47	
17 Sep: Bobcat Invitational; 8th of 14 teams; Pinkerton (35) 1 <sup>st</sup>	Concord (192)	17 Oct: Salem 22 Concord 38		
24 Sep: Manchester Invitational; Concord 17 <sup>th</sup>		21 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship; Concord 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup>	Kyle Schneck 1 <sup>st</sup> runner	
27 Sep: Concord 19 Concord 26	Portsmouth 44 West 31			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	John Mortimer, Londonderry	Kyle Schneck	17
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Londonderry	Matt Downin, Pinkerton	Kyle Schneck	15
<b>N.E.</b>	Manchester, CT	John Mortimer, Londonderry	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Kyle Schneck was the #1 runner for Concord throughout the season by a wide margin. Freshman Shaun Matusewicz was generally #2 man. Carl Anderson missed some mid-season races because of health reasons. Concord had an 8 win 3 loss season and was 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the Capital Area race behind St. Paul's (Schneck won the race). Concord was 8 <sup>th</sup> in the State Class meet and did not qualify for the MOC or New Englands.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1995	<b>School Year:</b> 1995-96	<b>Coach</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Kyle Schneck, Chris Nitchie				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Kyle Schneck, Natt Otterson, Bill Osmer, Marc Saxby, Chris Nitchie, Shaun Matusewicz, Brad Carter, Charlie Goodwin				
<b>Record:</b> 8 wins 2 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 10th	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
5 Sep: Concord 28 Concord 19	Pinkerton 29 Alvirne 38	3 Oct: Concord 19 Central 25	Dover 35 Concord 36	
12 Sep: Concord 20	Memorial 37	10 Oct: Concord 25 Concord 18	Winnacunnet 32 Exeter 43	
16 Sep: Bobcat Invitational Concord 5 <sup>th</sup> ; Pinkerton 1 <sup>st</sup>		14 Oct: Salem 23 Concord 33		
23 Sep: Manchester Invitational Concord 5 <sup>th</sup> ; Londonderry 1 <sup>st</sup>		20 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship Concord 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup>	Kyle Schneck 1 <sup>st</sup> runner	
26 Sep: Concord 24 Concord 15	Portsmouth 31 West 50			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Central	Joe Letourneau, Londonderry	Kyle Schneck	3
<b>M.O.C.</b>	no race	-	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	Londonderry	Jason Vanderhof, Timberlane	Kyle Schneck	10
<b>Comments:</b> Rusty Cofrin was back as coach after an 8 year absence. Kyle Schneck was #1 for Concord in every race. Otterson, Osmer & Saxby alternated in the 2-3-4 slots. The team had a good 8 win 2 loss season but only managed a 10 <sup>th</sup> place in the state Class meet. The Class meet was postponed for a week because of inclement weather and the MOC race was cancelled to make room for the Class meet. Schneck was 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Class meet and 10 <sup>th</sup> in the New England race.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1996	<b>School Year:</b> 1996-97	<b>Coach:</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b> Natt Otterson, Bill Osmer, Charlie Goodwin				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Joe Hyland, Natt Otterson, Bill Osmer, John Frisbee, Pete Bazos, Charlie Goodwin, Luke Harris, Mike Henniger				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 4 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 6	<b>MOC:</b> 14	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
10 Sep: Londonderry 24 Concord 33 Concord 26 Salem 30	5 Oct: Thetford (VT) Invitational Concord 23 <sup>rd</sup> ; Pinkerton 1 <sup>st</sup>			
21 Sep: Manchester Invitational Concord 10 <sup>th</sup> ; Xavier, CT 1 <sup>st</sup>	8 Oct: Pinkerton 19 Concord 42 Concord 22 Bishop Guertin 36			
24 Sep: Merrimack 21 Concord 38 Concord 27 Keene 29	15 Oct: Concord 16 Dover 45			
1 Oct: Nashua 24 Concord 34 Concord 18 Alvirne 43	18 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship Concord 3 <sup>rd</sup> ; St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup> , Sant Bani 2 <sup>nd</sup> First runner: Joe Hyland, Concord			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Pinkerton	Joe Letourneau, Londonderry	Joe Hyland	6
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Pinkerton	Todd Swenson, Londonderry	Joe Hyland	40
<b>N.E.</b>	Londonderry	Joe Letourneau, Londonderry	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Senior Joe Hyland, in his first year of running cross-country, was first for Concord in each race. Natt Otterson was 2 <sup>nd</sup> for Concord. Concord placed 6 <sup>th</sup> in the Class L meet and qualified for the Meet of Champions for the first time since 1988 (7 years). Natt Otterson re-injured his hamstring in the MOC race and did not finish (dnf) the race. Londonderry won the New Englands for the second year in a row and had the individual champion in Joe Letourneau.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1997	<b>School Year:</b> 1997-98	<b>Coach:</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> John Frisbee, Cory Burke, Trevor Herrin, Luke Harris, Mike Henninger, Tim Osmer, Chris Kuil, Brian Gilman				
<b>Record:</b> 5 wins 7 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 9	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b>				
9 Sep: Salem 27 Concord 30 Londonderry 15 Concord 45	30 Sep: Concord 27 Alvirne 32 Nashua 21 Concord 34			
16 Sep: Concord 19 West 44 Concord 15 Memorial 50	4 Oct: Clipper Relays; 8 teams Concord A Team 1 <sup>st</sup> ; B Team 4 <sup>th</sup>			
20 Sep: Manchester Invitational Concord 22 <sup>nd</sup> ; Herrin 7 <sup>th</sup> in freshman race	7 Oct: Pinkerton 15 Concord 50 B. Guertin 21 Concord 35			
23 Sep: Keene 15 Concord 50 Merrimack 15 Concord 48	14 Oct: Concord 17 B. Guertin 44 Concord 26 Dover 32			
	17 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship Concord 4 <sup>th</sup> ; St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup>			
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Keene	Todd Swenson, Londonderry	Cory Burke	35
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Keene	Todd Swenson, Londonderry	-	-
<b>N.E.</b>	(no team scores)	Todd Swenson, Londonderry	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Concord did not have a dominant #1 runner. The top 3 interchanged positions and each had at least 2 firsts for Concord. St. Paul's and Sant Bani tied in the Capital Area race with St. Paul's winning the tie breaker (1 <sup>st</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> man). Coe-Brown was 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Concord placed 9 <sup>th</sup> in the State Class meet and did not qualify for the MOC. Team scores were not listed in Lancer Timing for the N.E. race.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1998	<b>School Year:</b> 1998-99	<b>Coach:</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Jon Menefee, Cory Burke, Tim Osmer, Trevor Herrin, John Frisbee, Scott Grady, Luke Harris, Chris Kuil				
<b>Record:</b> 9 wins 5 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 5	<b>MOC:</b> 7	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 8 Sep: (Concord 15 Salem 50); (Londonderry 20 Concord 36) 15 Sep: (Concord 27 Bishop Guertin 31); (Concord 28 Alvirne 29) 22 Sep: (Concord 19 Dover 44); (Concord 27 B. Guertin 31); (Winnacunnet 28 Concord 29) 26 Sep: Manchester Invitational; Concord 16 <sup>th</sup> of 27 teams (6 <sup>th</sup> NH team); Fitch, CT 1 <sup>st</sup> team 29 Sep: (Keene 26 Concord 30); (Concord 22 Nashua 35) 6 Oct: (Central 21 Concord 34); (Concord 15 West 49); (Concord 22 B. Guertin 37) 13 Oct: (Concord 21 Merrimack 36); (Pinkerton 25 Concord 32) 23 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship; Concord 1 <sup>st</sup> ; Sant Bani 2 <sup>nd</sup> ; Kris Freeman of Sant Bani 1 <sup>st</sup>				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Keene	Brian Astell, Pinkerton	Jon Menefee	8
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Keene	Brian Astell, Pinkerton	Jon Menefee	30
<b>N.E.</b>	Fitch, CT	Louie Luchini, Ellsworth, ME	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> Jon Menefee was Concord's #1 runner. Cory Burke and Tim Osmer alternated between 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Freshman Scott Grady was a top 5 runner at the beginning of the season but injuries limited his running for most of the year. Concord placed 5 <sup>th</sup> in the State Class L meet and qualified for the Meet of Champions. They just missed qualifying for the New Englands with a 7 <sup>th</sup> place finish in the MOC.				

<b>X-C Year:</b> 1999	<b>School Year:</b> 1999-2000	<b>Coach</b> Rusty Cofrin		
<b>Captain(s):</b>				
<b>Top Runners:</b> Trevor Herrin, Travis Pettengill, Drew Samuels, Chris Davis, Chris Cawley, Grandy Smith, J.P. Roberts, Andrew Hage				
<b>Record:</b> 0 wins 10 losses	<b>Class L:</b> 15	<b>MOC:</b> -	<b>New England:</b> -	
<b>Results:</b> 8 Sep: Londonderry 14 Concord 48 Salem 20 Concord 42 14 Sep: B. Guertin 18 Concord 43 Alvirne 23 Concord 32 22 Sep: race scheduled with Winnacunnet & Dover; no results (cancelled?) 25 Sep: Manchester Invitational; Herrin 42 <sup>nd</sup> 28 Sep: Keene 18 Concord 45 Nashua 18 Concord 45 5 Oct: B. Guertin 18 Concord 44 West 27 Concord 28 9 Oct: Wickham Park Invitational, CT Concord 29 <sup>th</sup> ; Herrin 5 <sup>th</sup> 12 Oct: Pinkerton 17 Concord 46 Merrimack 20 Concord 43 22 Oct: Capital Area X-C Championship St. Paul's 1 <sup>st</sup> team; Herrin 6 <sup>th</sup> Mackenzie Kilpatrick 1 <sup>st</sup> runner				
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Concord Runner</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Class L:</b>	Londonderry	David Barrett, Londonderry	Trevor Herrin	26
<b>M.O.C.</b>	Londonderry	Colin Ingram, Winnacunnet	Trevor Herrin	65
<b>N.E.</b>	Londonderry, NH	Brian McGovern, Fairfield, CT	-	-
<b>Comments:</b> This was a tough year. Apparently the team lost some runners to the football team and it quickly became a re-building year. Trevor Herrin was the only runner with any experience. He was first for Concord in every race. The team had zero wins and a 15 <sup>th</sup> place in the State Class meet. The team did not qualify for the Meet of Champions but Herrin did as an individual and placed 65 <sup>th</sup> .				

### State Class L Results – Team 1980 - 1999

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
1980	Concord	80	1	80	16
1981	Concord	78	1	78	14
1982	Keene	85	2	88	
1983	Londonderry	52	2	68	16
1984	Nashua	58	3	114	
1985	Manchester Memorial	94	?		
1986	Pinkerton	94	2	108	
1987	Pinkerton	23	2	42	
1988	Pinkerton	58	3	88	18
1989	Pinkerton	55	10	272	18
1990	Bishop Guertin	92	13	383	18
1991	Salem	69	9	227	18
1992	Londonderry	64	11	272	13
1993	Londonderry	47	7 (tie)	245	17
1994	Pinkerton	56	8	210	15
1995	Manchester Central	56	10	232	15
1996	Pinkerton	51	6	182	16
1997	Keene	44	9	229	17
1998	Keene	94	5	134	18
1999	Londonderry	66	15	414	17

### State Class L Results – Individual 1980 - 1999

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
1980	Dave Meare	Salem	Dave Lyons	3	
1981	John Everett	Nashua	Jon Rummler	8	103
1982	Kirk Lewis	Alvirne	Chris Mamos	5	
1983	Daniel Godin	Londonderry	Chris Mamos	4	
1984	Scott Hatch	Nashua	Chris Mamos	3	
1985	Karl Meltzer	Man. Memorial	?		
1986	Joe Donovan	Salem	Chris Basha	2	
1987	Tom Carlson	Nashua	Chris Basha	2	
1988	Chris Basha	Concord	Chris Basha	1	118
1989	Christopher Capistran	Memorial	Chris Beyer	8	120
1990	Philip Greenwood	Nashua	Jeff Hall	60	123
1991	Philip Greenwood	Nashua	Chris Beyer	2	122
1992	Philip Greenwood	Nashua	Greg Brunkhorst	44	100
1993	John Mortimer	Londonderry	Doug Lunderville	40	118
1994	John Mortimer	Londonderry	Kyle Schneck	17	109
1995	Joe Letourneau	Londonderry	Kyle Schneck	3	110
1996	Joe Letourneau	Londonderry	Joe Hyland	6	113
1997	Todd Swenson	Londonderry	Cory Burke	35	114
1998	Brian Astell	Pinkerton	Jon Menefee	8	121
1999	David Barrett	Londonderry	Trevor Herrin	26	119

### State Meet of Champions Results – Team 1980 - 1999

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
1980	Concord	139	1	139	12
1981	Concord	158	1	158	12
1982	Concord	119	1	199	
1983	Londonderry	160	2	169	
1984	Nashua		3	211	12
1985	Kennett		-	-	
1986	Oyster River	91	4	126	
1987	Concord	85	1	85	12
1988	Stevens	62	6	139	12
1989	Memorial	79	-	-	12
1990	Bishop Guertin	55	-	-	12
1991	Manchester Central	65	-	-	12
1992	Londonderry	84	-	-	11
1993	Salem	95	-	-	15
1994	Londonderry	64	-	-	15
1995	<i>No race in 1995</i>				
1996	Pinkerton	80	14	317	14
1997	Keene	72	-	-	13
1998	Keene	84	7	181	12
1999	Londonderry	88	-	-	15

### State Meet of Champions Results – Individual 1980 - 1999

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
1980	Dave Westover	Stevens	Dave Lyons	5	106
1981	Jon Holter	Oyster River	Scott Johnson	16	
1982	Rolf Sonnerup	Hanover	Chris Mamos	9	
1983	Dan Godin	Londonderry	Mike Eliasberg	3	
1984	Norm Kennedy	Stevens	Sean Flanagan	3	
1985	Norm Kennedy	Stevens	-	-	
1986	Sean Livingston	Kennett	Chris Basha	9	
1987	Matt Bystrak	Monadnock	Steve Bailey	10	98
1988	John Ingram	White Mountain	Chris Basha	2	108
1989	Christopher Capistran	Memorial	Chris Beyer	12	110
1990	Scott Poteet	Oyster River	-	-	116
1991	Philip Greenwood	Nashua	Chris Beyer	2	116
1992	Philip Greenwood	Nashua	-	-	109
1993	John Mortimer	Londonderry	-	-	122
1994	Matt Downin	Pinkerton	Kyle Schneck	15	125
1995	<i>No race in 1995</i>				
1996	Todd Swenson	Londonderry	Joe Hyland	40	119
1997	Todd Swenson	Londonderry	-	-	115
1998	Brian Astell	Pinkerton	Jon Menefee	30	130
1999	Colin Ingram	Winnacunnet	-	-	135

### Concord State Class L Places: 1980 - 1999

1980		1981		1982		1983	
Dave Lyons	3	Jon Rummler	8	Chris Mamos	5	Chris Mamos	4
Bryan Nowell	8	Scott Johnson	13	Mike Eliasberg	8	Mike Eliasberg	6
Tom Johnson	12	Mark LaRoche	16	Steve Langevin	17	Sean Flanagan	7
Derek Underwood	20	Chris Mamos	20	?		Dave Audet	25
Tom Gamble	37	Derek Underwood	21	Scott Johnson	?	Kurt Gergler	26
Jon Rummler	56	Todd Philbrick	31	?		?	
John Prendergast	62	Mike Eliasberg	37	?		?	
<i>80 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>78 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>88 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>68 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>	
1984		1985		1986		1987	
Chris Mamos	3	No result in the		Chris Basha	2	Chris Basha	2
Sean Flanagan	7	Monitor		Jeremy Stieglitz	10	Steve Bailey	8
Kurt Gergler	11			Steve Bailey	22	Kevin Beck	14
?	46			Kevin Beck	28	Rick Bragg	15
?	47			Brad Stevens	?	Troy Patoine	29
?	?			?	?	?	?
?	?			?	?	?	?
<i>114 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>				<i>108 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>42 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>	
1988		1989		1990		1991	
Chris Basha	1	Chris Beyer	8	Jeff Hall	60	Chris Beyer	2
Steve Bailey	5	Erich Cross	53	Jeff Davis	67	Ryan Ford	42
Chris Beyer	6	Casey Lister	63	Charles Brankman	74	Andy Baldwin	54
Chris DeAngelis	34	Jeff Hall	70	Casey Lister	79	Greg Brunkhorst	62
Erich Cross	42	Jeff Davis	78	Chris Hamilton	103	Carl Anderson	67
Greg Milligan	63	Chris Hamilton	85	Terry Lorber	110	Brian Brown	87
Neyah Margolis	68	Dari Sasson	92	Chris Beyer	dnf	Matt Hicks	?
<i>88 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>		<i>272 pts – 10<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>383 pts – 13<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>227 pts – 9<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
1992		1993		1994		1995	
Greg Brunkhorst	44	Doug Lunderville	40	Kyle Schneck	17 (16)	Kyle Schneck	3
Kyle Schneck	53	Greg Brunkhorst	41	Doug Lunderville	42(41)	Natt Otterson	29
Carl Anderson	55	Kyle Schneck	47	Shaun Matuszewicz	47(46)	Marc Saxby	59
Rob Ricard	58	Carl Anderson	58	Natt Otterson	52 (50)	Bill Osmer	66
Doug Lunderville	62	Rob Ricard	59	Braden Larmon	59(57)	Brad Carter	75
Brian Brown	70 (69)	Brian Dwinal	71	Bill Osmer	73 (70)	Charlie Goodwin	83
Jamie Harris	75 (74)	Braden Larmon	77	Carl Anderson	104 (99)	Chris Nitchie	91
<i>272 pts – 11<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>245 pts – tie 7<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>210 pts – 8<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>232 pts – 10<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
1996		1997		1998		1999	
Joe Hyland	6	Cory Burke	35	Jon Menefee	8	Trevor Herrin	26 (25)
Natt Otterson	22	Trevor Herrin	40	Cory Burke	24	Travis Pettengill	81 (79)
Bill Osmer	38	Luke Harris	48	Tim Osmer	32	Drew Samuels	98 (96)
John Frisbee	53	John Frisbee	52	Trevor Herrin	33	Chris Davis	106 (103)
Pete Bazos	63	Tim Osmer	54	Chris Kuil	37	Chris Cawley	115 (111)
Charlie Goodwin	72(71)	Mike Henninger	70	John Frisbee	40	Grandy Smith	116 (112)
Luke Harris	78 (77)	Chris Kuil	81	Luke Harris	72	J.P. Roberts	117 (113)
<i>182 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>229 pts – 9<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>134 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>414 pts – 15<sup>th</sup> place</i>	

### Concord State MOC Places: 1980 - 1999

1980		1981		1982		1983	
Dave Lyons	5	Scott Johnson	16	Chris Mamos	9	Mike Eliasberg	3
Bryan Nowell	23	Jon Rummler	29	Scott Johnson	18	Chris Mamos	9
Tom Johnson	25	Mark LaRoche	32	Dave Audet	25	Sean Flanagan	21 DQ'd
Derek Underwood	29	Derek Underwood	39	Mike Eliasberg	28	Dave Audet	34
Tom Gamble	57	Chris Mamos	42	Todd Philbrick	39	Kurt Gergler	49
Scott Conn	70	Mike Eliasberg	54	?		Jeremy Stieglitz	69
Jon Rummler	94	Todd Philbrick	63	?		Tom Philbrook	80
<i>139 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>158 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>119 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>169 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>	
1984		1985		1986		1987	
Sean Flanagan	3	No team		Chris Basha	9	Steve Bailey	10
Kurt Gergler	25	No individual		Steve Bailey	33	Chris Basha	11
Jeremy Stieglitz	47			Jeremy Stieglitz	51	Kevin Beck	23
Tom Philbrook	52			Derek Duff	53	Rick Bragg	27
Rick Bragg	84			Kevin Beck	58	Troy Patoine	43
?	?			Chris Houle	72	Chip DeAngelis	82
?	?			Rick Bragg	90	Chris Houle	87
<i>211 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>				<i>126 pts – 4<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>85 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>	
1988		1989		1990		1991	
Chris Basha	2	No team		No team		No team	
Chris Beyer	8 (7)	Chris Beyer	12	No individual		Chris Beyer 2	
Steve Bailey	24 (19)						
Chris DeAngelis	71 (53)						
Erich Cross	80 (58)						
Greg Milligan	82 (60)						
Neyah Margolis	102(77)						
<i>139 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>							
1992		1993		1994		1995	
No team		No team		No team		No MOC race	
No individual		No individual		Kyle Schneck	15		
1996		1997		1998		1999	
Joe Hyland	40 (32)	No team		Jon Menefee	30 (23)	No team	
Bill Osmer	70 (54)	No individual		Trevor Herrin	38 (29)	Trevor Herrin 65	
John Frisbee	84 (64)			Tim Osmer	56 (39)		
Pete Bazos	103 (81)			Cory Burke	59 (42)		
Luke Harris	108 (86)			John Frisbee	66 (48)		
Charlie Goodwin	117(94)			Luke Harris	78 (55)		
Natt Otterson	dnf			Chris Kuil	88 (62)		
<i>317 pts – 14<sup>th</sup> place</i>				<i>181 pts – 7<sup>th</sup> place</i>			

## 2000 – 2023

The compilation of boys' cross-country results for Concord High in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century is now complete. Detailed seasonal results were collected by laboriously searching through past issues of the Concord Monitor as available on microfilm in the Concord Library. We leave the detailed reporting of subsequent years to future writers. However, we do not want to end the report here – with Concord placing 15<sup>th</sup> in the state meet in 1999. Concord's last team victory in the Div I state meet in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century was Bill Luti's last year of coaching in 1981. We want to show that Concord did return to the pinnacle of a state meet win eventually, although not until 2017. In this section we do not report on seasonal results. We report on state Div I results and Meet of Champions results only for the 2000 to 2023 time period as available at [Lancertiming.org](http://Lancertiming.org). The first two decades of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (2000-2019) are reported first, and then the 2020-2023 period. We find that Concord won the state meet four years in a row, from 2017 to 2020. They were led first by Forest Mackenzie and then by Eben Bragg. They were coached first by Tristan Black-Ingersoll and then by Zach Procek. Other top Concord runners during the 2000-2023 period included Guor Majak, B.J. Smith, Eli Boesch-Dining and Zachary Hooper.

**Note:** *Due to language issues when Guor Majak first came to the United States from South Sudan, his proper name was not used initially. "Guor Majak" was the name used when he ran for Concord High and is the name used in this report. However, later he went by the name of "Guor Marial".*

**State Class L – Div 1 Results – Team 2000 – 2019**

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
2000	Keene	92	6	128	19
2001	Manchester Central	65	16	391	19
2002	Londonderry	39	4	155	21
2003	Keene	73	5	140	20
2004	Londonderry	54	2	99	18
2005	Manchester Central	75	5	132	20
2006	Merrimack	85	8	181	19
2007	Nashua South	59	11	285	18
2008	Bishop Guertin	72	6	133	18
2009	Bishop Guertin	36	5	140	20
2010	Manchester Central	92	5	140	18
2011	Bishop Guertin	87	11	260	18
2012	Bedford	57	13	282	19
2013	Pinkerton	97	16	386	19
2014	Pinkerton	56	4	176	18
2015	Pinkerton	35	5	168	18
2016	Pinkerton	60	2	64	18
2017	Concord	28	1	28	18
2018	Concord	48	1	48	18
2019	Concord	66	1	66	18

**State Class L / Div 1 Results – Individual 2000 – 2019**

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
2000	Peter Mallett	Manchester Central	John Hinkle II	9	127
2001	Tony Truax	Dover	Brian Lockhart	54	129
2002	Cory Thorne	Portsmouth	Guor Majak	2	145
2003	Cory Thorne	Portsmouth	Guor Majak	2	138
2004	Cory Thorne	Portsmouth	Guor Majak	2	134
2005	John Schroeder	Nashua North	Nat Nelson	9	136
2006	Anthony Merra	Bishop Guertin	Nat Nelson	5	131
2007	Cory Sinotte	Manchester Central	Christian Clark	12	128
2008	Cory Sinotte	Manchester Central	Steven Ndisabiye	9	127
2009	Francis Hernandez	Bishop Guertin	Antoine Gisore	8	134
2010	Jeff LaCoste	Bishop Guertin	Makopa Rugabirwa	8	122
2011	Dyland Lafond	Manchester Central	B.J. Smith	11	125
2012	B.J. Smith	Concord	B.J. Smith	1	130
2013	Tristam Winship	Bedford	Pepper Smith	28	131
2014	Liam Kimball	Timberlane	Alexander Saveliev	6	124
2015	Liam Kimball	Timberlane	Alexander Saveliev	6	125
2016	Jonathan Allard	Keene	Forest Mackenzie	5	122
2017	Forest Mackenzie	Concord	Forest Mackenzie	1	121
2018	Forest Mackenzie	Concord	Forest Mackenzie	1	126
2019	Jake Velasquez	Keene	Eben Bragg	3	122

### State Meet of Champions Results – Team 2000 – 2019

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
2000	Keene	33	5	147	16
2001	Manchester Central	92	-	-	17
2002	Londonderry	85	5	157	17
2003	Keene	94	3	118	18
2004	Londonderry	90	2	115	17
2005	Manchester Central	64	6	166	18
2006	Con-Val	97	-	-	18
2007	Con-Val	36	-	-	18
2008	Bishop Guertin	72	9	206	18
2009	Bishop Guertin	53	5	149	18
2010	Manchester Central	71	3	135	19
2011	Bishop Guertin	105	-	-	19
2012	Souhegan	90	-	-	19
2013	Oyster River	104	-	-	19
2014	Pinkerton	67	7	199	19
2015	Pinkerton	48	7	223	19
2016	Nashua North	84	2	91	19
2017	Concord	51	1	51	18
2018	Concord	83	1	83	18
2019	Coe-Brown	57	3	107	18

### State Meet of Champions Results – Individual 2000 – 2019

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
2000	Patrick Moulton	Pelham	John Hinkle II	26/16	139
2001	Tony Truax	Dover	-	-	138
2002	Russell Brown	Hanover	Guor Majak	2/2	141
2003	Cory Thorne	Portsmouth	Guor Majak	2/1	139
2004	Guor Majak	Concord	Guor Majak	1/1	137
2005	John Schroeder	Nashua North	Nat Nelson	20/16	144
2006	Matt Paulson	Manchester Central	Nat Nelson	17/-	145
2007	Alex McGrath	Con-Val	Christian Clark	19/-	147
2008	Eric Malanti	Fall Mountain	Antoine Gisore	26/22	144
2009	Eric Jenkins	Portsmouth	Antoine Gisore	7/6	144
2010	Jeff LaCoste	Bishop Guertin	Makopa Rugabirwa	10/8	153
2011	Dylan Lafond	Manchester Central	B.J. Smith	14/-	151
2012	Jeremy Brassard	Coe-Brown	B.J. Smith	4/-	157
2013	Jeremy Brassard	Coe-Brown	Pepper Smith	29/-	160
2014	Eli Moskowitz	Souhegan	Alexander Saveliev	12/6	160
2015	Cameron Daly	Inter-Lakes	Alexander Saveliev	9/8	157
2016	Patrick O'Brien	Oyster River	Forest Mackenzie	10/9	151
2017	David Vorbach	Nashua North	Forest Mackenzie	3/3	142
2018	Forest Mackenzie	Concord	Forest Mackenzie	1/1	139
2019	Jake Velasquez	Keene	Eben Bragg	6/6	142

### Concord State Class L / Div. I Places: 2000 – 2019

2000		2001		2002		2003	
John Hinkle II	9	Brian Lockhart	54	Guor Majak	2	Guor Majak	2
Matt Maloney	13	Stephen Ford	63	Cian O'Connor	20	Cian O'Connor	25
Trevor Herrin	22	Freeland Hubbard	81	Tim Metcalf	32	Pete Samuels	31
Chris Kuil	28	Alex Satterfield	95	Brian Lockhart	50	Tim Metcalf	35
Freeland Hubbard	56	Chris Doyon	98	Stephen Ford	51	Stephen Ford	47
Brian Lockhart	70	Tom Estabrook	103	Mike Hoffman	86	Mike Hoffman	60
Scott Grady	99	Brendan O'Donnell	107	Alex Satterfield	127	Brian Lockhart	82
<i>128 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>391 pts – 16<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>155 pts – 4<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>140 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
2004		2005		2006		2007	
Guor Majak	2 (1)	Nat Nelson	9 (8)	Nat Nelson	5	Christian Clark	12 (12)
Tim Metcalf	11 (10)	Christian Clark	23 (22)	Christian Clark	13	James Nehme	45 (43)
Nat Nelson	21 (19)	Patrick Teune	25 (24)	Kyle Audet	27	Myles Black-Ingersoll	74(72)
Matt McFarlin	35 (33)	Brad Ward	31 (30)	Ian Chase	61	Phil D'Addio	79 (77)
Patrick Teune	38 (36)	Tom Vicinanza	49 (48)	Matt Vicinanza	75	Derek Bisson	83 (81)
Pete Samuels	42 (40)	Brendan Hyland	53(52)	James Nehme	81	Pierce Pandolph	87 (85)
Kyle Audet	64 (61)	Kyle Audet	69 (68)	Phil D'Addio	95	Ian Chase	107 (105)
<i>99 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>132 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>181 pts – 8<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>285 pts – 11<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
2008		2009		2010		2011	
Steven Ndisabiye	9	Antoine Gisore	8	Mokopa Rugabirwa	8	B.J. Smith	11
Antoine Gisore	14	Steven Ndisabiye	9	Chaz Munroe	24	Chaz Munroe	27
James Nehme	22	Mokopa Rugabirwa	34	B.J. Smith	35	Ian Greene	50
Mokopa Rugabirwa	32	Josh Black	38	Camden Black-Ingersoll	36	Carl Heath	76
Camden Black-Ingersoll	57(56)	Camden Black-Ingersoll	51	Sean Ferry	37	Peter Asmar	96
Derek Bisson	67 (66)	Sean Ferry	59	Blaine Ayotte	53	Michael Frappier	104
Myles Black-Ingersoll	101(100)	Chaz Munroe	94	Ian Greene	74	Pepper Smith	116
<i>133 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>140 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>140 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>260 pts – 11<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
2012		2013		2014		2015	
B.J. Smith	1	Pepper Smith	28	Alex Saveliev	6	Alex Saveliev	6
Pepper Smith	30	Alex Saveliev	39	Oliver Spencer	23	Oliver Spencer	15
Peter Asmar	47	Michael Alexander	102	Nathaniel Nichols	43	Forest Mackenzie	29
Samuel Tardiff	94	Jamie Nelson	103	Pepper Smith	47	Alex Duncan	54
David Comrie	110	John M. Neheme	114	James Wilkes	56	Matthew O'Brien	64
Tristram Patoine	112	Calgary Mackenzie	15	Jacob Pickard	82	Nate Nichols	76
Jamie Nelson	114	Brad Hicks	116	Tristram Patoine	102	Colin Conery	93
<i>282 pts – 13<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>386 pts – 16<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>176 pts – 4<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>168 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>	
2016		2017		2018		2019	
Forest Mackenzie	5	Forest Mackenzie	1	Forest Mackenzie	1	Eben Bragg	3
James Wilkes	7	Eli Boesch-Dining	2	Eli Boesch-Dining	5	Brayden Kearns	8
Oliver Spencer	11	Oliver Spencer	3	Aidan O'Hern	11	Ryan Devine	10
Eli Boesch-Dining	16	Matthew O'Brien	9	Ryan Devine	14	Ryan Ciesluk	22
Ryan Devine	25	Nate Nichols	13	Eben Bragg	17	Sam Hilts	23
Matthew O'Brien	31	David Cook	14	Brayden Kearns	25	David Cook	26
Alexander Duncan	40	Ryan Devine	15	David Cook	28	Martin O'Sullivan	51
<i>64 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>28 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>48 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>66 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>	

## Concord State MOC Places: 2000 – 2019

2000	2001	2002	2003
John Hinkle II 26 (16)	No team	Guor Majak 2 (2)	Guor Majak 2 (1)
Matt Maloney 28 (17)	No individual	Cian O'Connor 32 (24)	Cian O'Connor 27 (23)
Chris Kuil 32 (21)		Tim Metcalf 39 (31)	Mike Hoffman 28 (24)
Trevor Herrin 33 (22)		Brian Lockhart 56 (45)	Tim Metcalf 40 (34)
Brian Lockhart 97 (71)		Stephen Ford 71 (55)	Pete Samuels 42 (36)
Freeland Hubbard 102 (74)		Mike Hoffman 119 (98)	Stephen Ford 63 (52)
Stephen Ford 123 (93)		Evan Marshall 128 (106)	Brendan Cofrin 79 (67)
<i>147 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>157 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>	<i>118 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>
2004	2005	2006	2007
Guor Majak 1 (1)	Nat Nelson 20 (16)	No team	No team
Tim Metcalf 12 (8)	Patrick Teune 28 (22)	Nat Nelson 17	Christian Clark 19
Nat Nelson 35 (27)	Christian Clark 33 (27)	Christian Clark 24	
Pete Samuels 51 (38)	Brendan Hyland 51 (41)	Kyle Audet 68	
Matt McFarlin 55 (41)	Tom Vininanzo 73 (60)		
Patrick Teune 62 (48)	Brendan Cofrin 78 (64)		
Brad Ward 74 (58)	Brad Ward 89 (74)		
<i>115 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>	<i>166 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>		
2008	2009	2010	2011
Antoine Gisore 26 (22)	Antoine Gisore 7 (6)	Mokopa Rugabirwa 10 (8)	No team
Steven Ndisabiye 30 (6)	Steven Ndisabiye 8 (7)	Chaz Munroe 20 (15)	B.J. Smith 14
James Nehme 31 (27)	Mokopa Rugabirwa 39 (33)	Camden Black-Ingersoll 25 (19)	Chaz Munroe 18
Mokopa Rugabirwa 68 (56)	Camden Black-Ingersoll 62 (48)	B.J. Smith 53 (45)	
Camden Black-Ingersoll 89 (75)	Chaz Munroe 69 (55)	Sean Ferry 56 (48)	
Derek Bisson 90 (76)	Sean Ferry 70 (56)	Blaine Ayotte 71 (60)	
Mike Sink 104 (87)	Ian Greene 94 (77)	Nate LoTourette 99 (82)	
<i>206 pts – 9<sup>th</sup> place</i>	<i>149 pts – 5<sup>th</sup> place</i>	<i>135 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>	
2012	2013	2014	2015
No team	No team	Alexander Saveliev 12 (6)	Alexander Saveliev 9 (8)
B.J. Smith 4	Pepper Smith 29	Oliver Spencer 50 (36)	Oliver Spencer 35 (25)
Pepper Smith 49		James Wilkes 58 (42)	Forest Mackenzie 47 (34)
		Pepper Smith 61 (45)	Alex Duncan 82 (65)
		Nathaniel Nichols 90 (70)	Matthew O'Brien 114 (91)
		Brad Hicks 102 (81)	Colin Conery 129 (105)
		Jacob Pickard 137 (110)	Nate Nichols 156 (132)
		<i>199 pts – 7<sup>th</sup> place</i>	<i>223 pts – 7<sup>th</sup> place</i>
2016	2017	2018	2019
Forest Mackenzie 10 (9)	Forest Mackenzie 3 (3)	Forest Mackenzie 1 (1)	Eben Bragg 6 (6)
James Wilkes 11 (10)	Eli Boesch-Dining 6 (5)	Eli Boesch-Dining 12 (11)	Brayden Kearns 19 (16)
Oliver Spencer 21 (18)	Oliver Spencer 10 (8)	Eben Bragg 13 (12)	Ryan Devine 27 (22)
Eli Boesch-Dining 26 (22)	Matthew O'Brien 12 (10)	Ryan Devine 25 (23)	Ryan Ciesluk 34 (29)
Ryan Devine 39 (32)	Ryan Devine 30 (25)	Aidan O'Hern 42 (36)	Sam Hilts 41 (34)
Alexander Duncan 48 (41)	David Cook 33 (28)	Brayden Kearns 44 (38)	John Murphy 82 (71)
Matthew O'Brien 65 (54)	Nat Nichols 46 (37)	David Cook 72 (60)	Martin O'Sullivan 122 (104)
<i>91 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>	<i>51 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>	<i>83 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>	<i>107 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>

**State Div 1 Results – Team: 2020 – 2023**

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
2020	Concord	28	1	28	16
2021	Bishop Guertin	58	2	81	18
2022	Pinkerton	80	6	167	19*
2023	Nashua South	51	13	337	19

\*20 teams started; Central had 4 finishers only and was disqualified

**State Div 1 Results – Individual: 2020 – 2023**

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
2020	Eben Bragg	Concord	Eben Bragg	1	111
2021	Torin Kindopp	Keene	Zachary Hooper	2	121
2022	Matthew Giardina	Bishop Guertin	Josiah Conley	20	131 (127)
2023	Matthew Giardina	Bishop Guertin	Josiah Conley	6	129

**State Meet of Champions Results – Team: 2020 – 2023**

Year	Champ Team	Score	Concord Place	Score	# Teams
2020	Coe-Brown Academy	29	2	81	15
2021	Bishop Guertin	75	3	117	18
2022	Coe-Brown Academy	70	8	218	18
2023	Nashua South	78	-	-	18

**State Meet of Champions Results – Individual: 2020 – 2023**

Year	Winner	Team	Concord's 1st runner	Place	# Runners
2020	Aidan Cox	Coe-Brown	Eben Bragg	2	119
2021	Aidan Cox	Coe-Brown	Zachary Hooper	4	147
2022	Patrick Gandini	Gilford	Liam Gleason	32 (20)	146
2023	Matthew Giardina	Bishop Guertin	Josiah Conley	34	144

### Concord State Div I places: 2020 – 2023

2020		2021		2022		2023	
Eben Bragg	1	Zachary Hooper	2	Josiah Conley	20	Josiah Conley	6
Brayden Kearns	2	Sam Hilts	3	Liam Gleason	30	Ian Mamos	52
Ryan Ciesluk	7	John Murphy	13	Tyler Watt	32	Tyler Watt	87
Zachary Hooper	8	Tyler Watt	30	Wesley Thompson	37	Elliot Clendenning	94
Sam Hilts	10	Jonathon McDonald	33	Shaun Fifield	48	William Chorlian	98
John Murphy	13	W. Desantis Thompson	36	Liam White	71 (70)	Oliver Conley	112
Aidan Gleason	22	Shaun Fifield	45	Jacob Gurtner	110(109)	Colby O'Brien	123
<i>28 pts – 1<sup>st</sup> place</i>		<i>81 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>167 pts – 6<sup>th</sup> place</i>		<i>337 pts - 13<sup>th</sup> place</i>	

### Concord State Meet of Champions places: 2020 – 2023

2020		2021		2022		2023	
Eben Bragg	2	Zachary Hooper	4	Liam Gleason	32 (20)	No team	
Brayden Kearns	5	Sam Hilts	9	Shaun Fifield	56 (39)	Josiah Conley 34	
Sam Hilts	19	John Murphy	16	Josiah Conley	65 (45)		
Ryan Ciesluk	22	W. Desantis Thompson	36	Tyler Watt	74 (52)		
John Murphy	33	Liam Gleason	52	Liam White	86 (62)		
Zachary Hooper	34	Jonathon McDonald	55	Jacob Gurtner	136(110)		
Aidan Gleason	40	Tyler Watt	67				
<i>81 pts – 2<sup>nd</sup> place</i>		<i>117 pts – 3<sup>rd</sup> place</i>		<i>218 pts – 8<sup>th</sup> place</i>			

For the first 24 years of the 21<sup>st</sup> century (2000 – 2023) Concord had four state championships (2017, '18, '19 & '20) and two MOC championships (2017 & '18). They had four individual state champions by 3 runners: B.J. Smith ('12), Forest Mackenzie ('17 & '18) and Eben Bragg ('20) and two MOC individual champions: Guor Majak ('04) and Forest Mackenzie ('18).

## Odds & Ends

### Top Runners

It is impossible to accurately rank the best runners over the more than 100 years (1916 thru 2023; 96 teams) of cross-country at Concord High covered by this report, but it is enticing to want to try. Various measures of performance exist. It may be measured by one race or one year or by several years. Seasonal results or end-of-year (state meet) results or a combination of the two may be used. This report does not try to rank the runners. It simply defines a variety of criteria and lists the runners meeting the criteria. The reader can decide how to interpret the lists. Since all the criteria involve the state meet (or New Englands) we can include the 21<sup>st</sup> Century races (2000 to 2023) with the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

In this analysis “State Meet” refers to the Class/Division race and not the Meet of Champions (MOC) race. The MOC was not initiated until 1976. Prior to 1944 all teams raced as one class.

- **Won the state meet more than once**

Name	Year
Roger Maxfield	1962 & '63
Forest Mackenzie	2017 & '18

Two Concord runners won the state meet twice: Roger Maxfield and Forest Mackenzie. Maxfield had no MOC to run but his times easily beat the winning times of the other classes. Mackenzie won the MOC once (he was 3<sup>rd</sup> the other year). Maxfield won the New Englands once; Mackenzie’s best New England finish was 7<sup>th</sup>.

- **Won the New Englands**

Name	Year
Richard Meade	1936
Roger Maxfield	1963
Tom Atherton	1970
Chris Beyer	1991

Four runners won the New England race. Meade and Maxfield had championship-caliber seasons leading up to the New Englands. The other two had less impressive records. Atherton had only one other win in his career – the state meet the previous week. Beyer showed elite abilities through the years but had some injury issues. He never won the state meet and was a “dnf” (did not finish) his junior year.

- **Won the state meet at least once**

Name	Year	Name	Year
David Webster	1931	Tom Atherton	1970
Richard Meade	1936	Russ Cutting	1973
Bob Datson	1945	Chris Basha	1988
Roger Maxfield	1962-63	B.J. Smith	2012
Jerry Love	1964	Forest Mackenzie	2017-18
Steve Smith	1965	Eben Bragg	2020

Twelve Concord runners won fourteen state meet championships.

- **Average 3-year state meet finishes – sorted**

Runners needed three state meet finishes to qualify for this criterium. If they ran in four years, the best three finishes were used. Gagnon did not run his senior year; his three finishes are freshman through junior years. Saltmarsh ran in four years. His senior year place of 5<sup>th</sup> was not used in the table. Beyer ran in four years. His junior year 'dnf' was not used in the table.

Name	Years	Places	Average Place
Chris Basha	1986-88	2-2-1	1.7
Don Gagnon	1948-50	2-2-2	2
Guor Majak	2002-04	2-2-2	2
Parker Morgan	1961-63	3-2-2	2.3
Forest Mackenzie	2016-18	5-1-1	2.3
Paul Saltmarsh	1948-50	3-3-5	3.7
Chris Mamos	1982-84	5-4-3	4
Roger Maxfield	1961-63	11-1-1	4.3
Walt Chadwick	1966-68	12-2-2	5.3
Chris Beyer	1988-91	6-8-2	5.3
Peter Finney	1977-79	10-9-2	7
Eben Bragg	2018-20	17-3-1	7

Chris Basha had the best three-year state meet finish of any runner in the history of cross-country at Concord High. He was followed closely by Don Gagnon and Guor Majak.

Combining the names in the above four tables results in 20 different runners. One runner, Roger Maxfield, is listed in all four tables and one, Forest Mackenzie, is listed three times. Five runners are listed twice: Basha, Beyer, Bragg, Meade and Atherton. The remaining 13 runners are listed in only one table.

The above four tables resulted in 20 different individuals. To expand slightly the list of Top Runners, we list all runners who had at least one 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the state meet without a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish. As the table below shows, 14 names are listed. Six of these names (shaded) are duplicates of the above tables, leaving 8 new names.

Year	Runner
1937	Leo Pelkey
1945	Fred Thompson
1950	Don Gagnon
1958	Ralph Messer
1959	Dick Dickson
1963	Parker Morgan
1968	Walt Chadwick
1973	Brian Ackley
1979	Peter Finney
1991	Chris Beyer
2004	Guor Majak
2017	Eli Boesch-Dining
2020	Braden Kearns
2021	Zachary Hooper

We could also list the two-year average state meet finish to see if that adds any new names.

Names	places	average place	years
Roger Maxfield	1-1	1	1962-63
Forest Mackenzie	1-1	1	2017-18
David Webster	2-1	1.5	1930-31
Chris Basha	2-1	1.5	1987-88
Don Gagon	2-2	2	1949-50
Parker Morgan	2-2	2	1962-63
Walt Chadwick	2-2	2	1967-68
Guor Majak	2-2	2	2003-04
Eben Bragg	3-1	2	2019-20
Frederick Thompson	3-2	2.5	1944-45
Steve Smith	4-1	2.5	1964-65
Paul Saltmarsh	3-3	3	1948-49
Bob Estabrook	3-3	3	1962-63
Jerry Love	5-1	3	1963-64

This list provides only one new name not previously listed (Estabrook).

## Coaches

Concord had 10 different coaches in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. We do not include 21<sup>st</sup> Century results here since seasonal results were not compiled for those races. Years coaching ranged from 1 year for three individuals (Nardini, Little and Plummer) to 25 years for Luti. A total of 72 seasons had cross-country teams. Luti accounted for 35% of the seasons, and Luti and Callahan together accounted for 61%. Two coaches, Bruce MacMahon and Rusty Cofrin, had two separate coaching stints. To maintain the chronology the stints are reported separately.

Coaches	Years	# Years	Wins	Losses	Win Pct.	Team Champ	Individ. Champ
Frank Nardini	1916	1	1	2	33%		
Ray E. Crowell	1929-31	3	23	3	88%	2	*2
Robert Little	1932	1	4	3	57%	0	0
Oliver Pelkey	1933-36	4	15	10	60%	1	1
Clayton Plummer	1937	1	5	0	100%	1	0
Delly Callahan	1938-56	19	62	42	60%	**6	1
Bill Luti	1957-81	25	265	28	90%	13	6
Bruce MacMahon	1982-83	2	23	1	96%	0	0
Rusty Cofrin	1984-86	3	16	8	67%	0	0
Al Herschlag	1987-90	4	23	14	62%	0	1
Bruce MacMahon	1991-94	4	27	20	57%	0	0
Rusty Cofrin	1995-99	5	27	28	49%	0	0
*includes '29 Raduazo		**includes '38 Kiwanis & '45 tie					

## Tribute Letters

Cross-country is a minor sport to all except those who run it. Runners run in all kinds of weather and course conditions. They run without expecting fanfare or recognition. Below are two letters to Ruel Colby, Sports Editor of the Concord Monitor. They bemoan the fact that a Concord High cross-country team has accomplished a major achievement with little or no recognition from the public.

The first letter was published in the November 5, 1951 Monitor on page 7. The writer requested that Ruel keep his identity secret and he did so.

*Once again the Concord High school cross-country team has won the state meet, this being the fourth time in a row. As one of the coaches on the scene was heard to remark: "What do they raise in Concord, greyhounds?"*

*The Crimson runners' feat is perhaps unparalleled in the history of cross-country racing. Beyond a doubt it is a unique record in harrier history in this state.*

*What a day for a meet. The water was running over the road not far from the field house in Durham when the boys assembled last Saturday morning. But the stout-hearted runners from the old Granite State proved that neither rain nor wind nor water nor yet mud can stop them in their destined flight.*

*While the more rugged contact sport of football had many a cancellation because of the weather, the supposedly weaker boys were galloping around in shorts shod in just a pair of thin running shoes. Fears of colds or injury on the treacherous trail didn't stop them, apparently didn't even enter their minds. Tough lads these harriers.*

*For them there was no canvas – or straw-covered field, nor did anyone think to burn gasoline along the route they were to follow. There wasn't a dissenting voice as the officials decided to stage the event in spite of the miserable conditions.*

*There was no advance ticket sale, no one filing into the rain-soaked stands. No college representatives with scholarships to hand out were there. And no gambler was seen within miles of the place. Here there wasn't any shading of points, no "fix" at all. Here, only, were the young athletes from Coos to the sea ... and their proud mothers and fathers. No bands, no cheering mob.*

*But here was pure amateur sport at its best. No loud speakers were blaring forth the names of the runners. But in the dismal scene there was an atmosphere of do-or-die hard to duplicate. The beautiful university running track, where the race was to start, was submerged in inches of water, resembling a canal. Whitecaps kicked up by the wind ruffled the surface of the canal. So severe was the cold that most of the boys, in warmup suits, huddled under the stands, trying to keep dry until the time came to dig in at the starting line.*

*In four long years the boys from Concord have taken on all comers, no matter what the weather might have been. Making last Saturday's trip from the Capital City in a beach wagon, the boys arrived in Durham silently. Only eight members of the championship-defending squad were permitted to make the trip. That's all the station wagon could hold. The others had to be left at home, with no transportation afforded them. They were the victims of the slim budget.*

*Class A race was to be the final event of the morning and what a route to traverse! Already some 70 boys had run over this course in the C and B races. By the time of the main grind the course was a quagmire.*

*Manchester Central, the only team to have beaten Concord during the Fall season of dual meets, was the favorite to win and break up the Capital City monopoly. But the boys from Concord were not afraid of the Little Green threat. They didn't appear to be tense or over-excited or timid. They were laughing and joking among themselves.*

*Soon they were out of their warm-up suits and into the damp, penetrating cold rain. Even the warmly bundled spectators on the sides of the running track shivered at the sight of the thinly-clad athletes.*

*Here were the best cross-country runners in New Hampshire, running not for gold or glory, only for their school and their team and the thrill of matching their stamina and speed against the other fellow.*

*All season long they had practiced and run in meets with only a handful of people to cheer them on. This was the final test.*

*The race was run through fields and woods, over slippery leaves and through the pouring rain and mud everywhere under footing. Concord's boys were not the front runners. But they came into view near the finish well bunched. Two hundred yards from the finish it was plain that the Crimson, barring unforeseen accident in the home stretch, would retain their championship. And they did, in a fighting finish, each boy giving everything he had.*

*What was their reward?*

*A few individual medals to keep through the years, to stir memories when they grew too old to run, even to catch a bus. A plaque to hang on the wall at Concord High, alongside many other athletic trophies long since forgotten.*

*Perhaps the Crimson runners will compete in the New England Interscholastic meet at Burlington, VT next Saturday. They've earned the right to represent their state in the regional test. But we say "perhaps" because it is doubtful if the money can be spared from the school's athletic treasury to send them to Burlington.*

*Perhaps in some year to come, when the boys of Concord do some outstanding thing, like this one last Saturday, they'll be adequately rewarded ... just for a change. There'll be speeches and a banquet and their pictures in the paper and enough money made available so that they can represent their school and city and state on other fields.*

The second letter to Ruel Colby was from Bob Saltmarsh, a retired post office official now living in Penacook. It was sent at the end of November after the 1962 cross-country season had ended and after Concord's harriers had won both the state and New England championships. Despite a heart condition he had journeyed to Durham and there, in the cold and the mud and the rain, he thrilled to the Crimson's victory in the annual state championship race. Reading about Concord's victory in the New England race the following week under worse weather conditions, and reading about the plans to fete the football team that lost every game during the season led Saltmarsh to ponder the lack of public recognition of the cross-country team's achievements. He wrote in part:

*It appears from this sideline seat that the projected feting of the Concord High football team is the height of irony... In a dark corner, unhonored and unsung are the forgotten boys of Coach Bill Luti's New England champion cross country team ...*

*I may be alone in my admiration for the victorious harriers, and to all appearances I am ... Our basketball teams, returning from the state tourney as champions, last March, were met at the city gates by an enthusiastic and admiring throng ... But no one greeted the New England champions of cross-country racing.*

*Our football team, losing every game, is to be entertained publicly – our cross-country team ignored.*

*This team won every meet during the regular season, then swept on, running at Durham under the most atrocious conditions - rain, mud, almost freezing temperatures and a chilling wind.*

*A week later, at Orono, Maine, under even worse conditions, they beat the best runners of New England and brought to Concord, for the first time in history, a New England harrier championship.*

*There is a recently published book of fiction entitled: "The Loneliness of a Long Distance Runner" ... and your schoolboy harrier IS a lonely figure. He cannot blame a teammate for not carrying out his assignment. He has only his strong legs and stout heart to carry him through.*

*Perhaps as a garrulous old man I have infringed on too much of your space, but if no other recognition is to be awarded the Concord harriers I hope they will accept this as my tribute – to a gallant team which loves the sport in which it excels and to its coach who trains the team and loves the runners. Thank you CHS champions, for a race well run.*