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**INTER-LAKES HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED  
GATORADE NEW HAMPSHIRE BOYS CROSS COUNTRY RUNNER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (January 22, 2016) — In its 31<sup>st</sup> year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Cameron Daly of Inter-Lakes High School as its 2015-16 Gatorade New Hampshire Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year. Daly is the first Gatorade New Hampshire Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year to be chosen from Inter-Lakes High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the racecourse, distinguishes Daly as New Hampshire's best high school boys cross country runner. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year award to be announced in January, Daly joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Ryan Hall (1999-00, 2000-01, Big Bear HS, Calif.), Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Candace Parker (2001-02, Naperville Central HS, Ill.), Kevin Garnett (1992-93, Maudlin HS, S.C.), Abby Wambach (1997-98, Our Lady of Mercy, N.Y.) and Mark Sanchez (2004-05, Mission Viejo HS, Calif.).

The 6-foot, 135-pound senior distance runner raced to the Meet of Champions title with a time of 15:25.90 this past season. Daly also captured the Division 3 individual state championship in 15:52.20, leading the Lakers to third place as a team. Daly took 13th at both the New England Cross Country Championships in 16:41.80 and the Foot Locker Northeast Regional championships in 15:55.40. He was the runner-up at the 2014 Meet of Champions as a junior and finished third at the 2013 Meet of Champions as a sophomore.

Also a skiing standout, Daly has maintained a 4.34 weighted GPA in the classroom. In addition to volunteering at the junior high Nordic ski team's races, he has maintained running and ski trails in Meredith and Sandwich.

"Cameron has consistently displayed the characteristics of an outstanding athlete," said Kathy Aldridge, head coach at rival Gilford High. "He is disciplined, focused, goal-oriented, and is respected equally by his teammates and competitors."

Daly will attend Brown University this fall, where he will run cross country.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with [USA TODAY High School Sports](#), which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

Daly joins Gatorade New Hampshire Boys Cross Country Runners of the Year Eli Moskowitz (2014-15, Souhegan High School), Jeremy Brassard (2013-14 & 2012-13, Coe-Brown Northwood Academy), Colton Ham (2011-12, Merrimack Valley High School), Samuel Gagnon (2010-11, Manchester Central High School), Eric Jenkins (2009-10, Portsmouth High School), Eric Malnati (2008-09, Fall Mountain Regional High School), and Alex McGrath (2007-08, ConVal High School) as athletes who have won the cross country award since its inception in 2007.

To keep up to date on the latest happenings, become a fan of Gatorade Player of the Year on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. For more on the Gatorade Player of the Year program, including nomination information, a complete list of past winners and the announcement of the Gatorade National Player of the Year, visit [www.gatorade.com/poy](http://www.gatorade.com/poy).

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