

KING CROSS COUNTRY

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Parents and Athletes

Hard to believe it's already October, but time flies, doesn't it!? We'll be heading into the toughest part of the season and our biggest meets. Nothing is “small” in the weeks ahead. Following is a short description of key items of our season

League #2 – The second league cluster meet is scheduled to be hosted by Poly at Andulka Park here in Riverside. Same format as the first go around, just closer to home!

Mt.SAC – They don't call this “The Granddaddy of them All” for no reason! The largest XC meet west of the Mississippi, it goes for two days and has over 125 races, and will see about 5,000 runners cross it's storied hills! We'll be racing in the morning on Saturday. Please arrive early parents, to navigate the crowds and locate our camp amid the sea of canopies.

Season-end: Our season will be ending for most of our athletes in one month. We'll be having a rest day on October 29th, our team photo will be the day before league Finals and it is slated to be at Andulka Park. It should be a fun culmination to a season of hard work. Should they qualify, the varsity teams would then enter CIF competition, with the yearly goal of advancing to the CIF Final, a feat our girls have achieved every year for the last decade! It's an amazing record. Our boys were there last year as well and are looking to try and repeat.

~~**Team Dinner** – Work is being done on having our last “team dinner” a couple of nights before the League Finals. It's a tradition we've kept for most of the last 12 seasons. More information to come.~~

Team Banquet – Our yearly night of celebration will be held at The Grove this season to keep it close to home and more manageable financially. We have a dessert to keep the cost lower than if we went with a full dinner as some teams do. *Plan on being there.* Personally, I am bothered when athletes do not come to the Awards Night. We honor every kid on the team out loud and the night is a fitting and appropriate way to end the season. Tickets are priced at a “break even” figure. The date is December 8.

Cookie Lee Jewelry Fundraiser – We have yet to meet our fundraising need this season; still about \$1500 short of “fully funded.” We have one more event on the calendar, which is a Cookie Lee Jewelry event in which the consultant donates a generous portion of her profits to our program. Please consider coming to it and shopping early for Christmas and or other gifts. It will be held at the home of Lisa Bickett (near the corner of Trautwein and JFK) on October 23rd from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.