

Brian Harvey Named USATF – New England’s Athlete of the Month for April 2017



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Boston – Brian Harvey, the 30 year old Boston resident, is USA Track & Field (USATF) New England’s Athlete of the Month for April 2017. A member of the Boston Athletic Association, Harvey was the top New England performer at the 2017 Boston Marathon on April 17, finishing 20th overall with a time of 2:20.18.

Harvey commented on his performance, “I had mixed feelings about my race at Boston this year. I felt I was prepared for the heat because I overdress on all my runs two weeks prior to major races. Even so, I decided to back off my original race plan by about five seconds per mile. The first fifteen miles we hit consistent splits of about 5:15. I was feeling very strong, until I ended up running the last 10K of the race solo. I slowed down around 10-15 seconds per mile, and I am a bit disappointed I was not able to push myself harder. That being said, I

was very excited to finish within the top 20, and pleased to help the BAA win the team title.”

Following his dynamic performance at the Boston Marathon, Harvey returned less than two weeks later to win the James Joyce Ramble 10K. On Sunday April 30, he crossed the line in Dedham with a time of 30:51, winning by 39 seconds.

When he isn’t racing, Harvey enjoys traveling to new places with his wife. “The best way to explore a new city is through running! I also love cooking (and eating) good food after a run,” said Harvey.

After having a strong spring season, Harvey looks forward to competing in several shorter races over the summer. “I don’t have a specific focus race for the summer, but thinking ahead to the fall, my goal is to run an Olympic Trials Marathon qualifying time,” said Harvey.

USATF New England’s Athlete of the Month program is designed to recognize outstanding performers at all levels of the sport. USATF New England names an honoree each month and features that athlete on usatfne.org.

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