



CHRISTINE BROWN

1982-2015

For 33 years, Christine Brown was a constant presence at almost every athletic event at Wayland High School. The number of athletic events that Trainer Brown attended is truly staggering. Covering roughly 350 games per year, she attended over 11,000 high school contests during her career. With the responsibility of helping 15-20 athletes at a time recover from injuries and return to the athletic field, Trainer Brown played a critical role in the success of Wayland athletics for more than three decades.



Brown graduated from Saint Patrick's High School in Watertown, MA where she played basketball and softball, then went on to play basketball at Northeastern for four years. Chris entered the world of athletic training almost by accident, as she signed up to be one in college under her work study program, and wound up loving it. She went on to get her Master's in Athletic Training at the University of Virginia.



While at Northeastern, Brown was a student teacher at both Wayland Middle School and Wayland High School, and after surviving the Blizzard of '78, she knew Wayland was the place for her, so after graduate school she started her career at WHS in 1982. In 1988, Brown took a leave of absence from Wayland to attend Simmons College to get her B.S. in Physical Therapy.

Trainer Brown worked as a volunteer at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta at the field hockey venues. She also worked at the 1999 Women's World Cup Soccer Tournament and the 5, she was awarded the Mary Johnson Travelship Award, and Paris, France on a one week cycling trip.

Boston Marathon from 1996-1999. In 2005, she was awarded the Mary Johnson Travelship Award, which allowed her to travel to Provence and Paris, France on a one-week cycling trip.

Christine Brown will be remembered for many things at WHS, but one of her most important and proudest achievements was initiating the Impact Concussion Program to help evaluate, treat and rehab concussed athletes.

Brown recalls, "A few of the greatest moments were the 1991 Boys Basketball State Championship, the 2001 Soccer State Championship and the 2006 State Championship Football Team."

A 14-year alumni of the Pan-Mass Challenge Bike Ride where she has raised over \$60,000, Trainer Brown currently lives in Charlestown with her partner, Dr. Kelly Cornell, and her 5-year old Gordon Setter, Stitch.

She would like to first and foremost thank her family for delaying 33 straight Thanksgiving dinners until she got home from the annual Wayland-Weston football game. In addition, she'd like to thank Dr. Simone Mordas, Dr. James Karlson, Dr. Zimmerman, Rick Moyer, Buzz Bowers and Bill Snow for believing in her as well as all of the outstanding coaches who worked with her. Finally, Trainer Brown wants to thank Amy Schoeff for being the greatest school nurse ever and "all the hard-working student athletes and student trainers as well as the parents and the community of Wayland for respecting her work."

