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By Charles Cox

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The JV squad also defeated Tufts while losing to Williams. The host school won with 29 points. MIT followed with 39 and Tufts' 60 trailing. MIT's top three runners finished within two seconds of each other. Rick Allen '79, Jim Walton '76 and Rudy Bellinger '79 placed fifth, sixth and seventh, respectively, over the 3.5-mile course. Jack Rovers '77 (ninth) and Schwartz' barefoot 12th made up the rest of the Engineer scoring five.

Today, MIT competes in the Greater Boston Conference meet, and Saturday they face Brandeis, Boston University, and Bentley. Brandeis is currently rated third in the nation for Division III colleges. Both meets are at Franklin Park.

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