

Phase 5 Training Cycle: Cycle Duration: 6 Weeks Work Week 6/6

Active Recovery: Lower Volume & Intensity (Recover Mentally & Physically) Focus:

### Intensity Note:

- Blue highlights indicate HR Zone 2 or less (Builds your aerobic engine burns fat as a primary fuel source)
- Red highlights indicate HR Zone 3+ (Builds your strength, speed & LT burns stored sugar as a primary fuel source)

#### Monday

- Body Analysis please use your Coach Robb Body Analysis Spreadsheet to log this information for evaluation purposes
- **Rest Day**

Misc. Notes the key to long term improvement in your health, wellness and ultimately your performance is to improve something every day by 1%. We have discussed this together previously, but what makes this concept so powerful now is the fact that you have a foundation that makes your 1% improvement that much more powerful. The bigger the base of accomplishment, the more momentum you will gain - especially when you are void of injury or illness. Remember that the muscles, tendons, ligaments and blood chemistry are a result of what you eat and drink over the next six months – the amount of time to completely replace your body. With this in mind, plan ahead with your eating: purchasing, prepping and actually consuming the food that is high in vitamins, minerals and clean protein sources for amino acids.

Evening Mental Protocols: watch this video in a place where you have zero distractions for 2:33 (the length of the video)

Psychology: concept video "The Importance of Consuming Enough Fluids" - video link

#### Tuesday

- Body Analysis please use your Coach Robb Body Analysis Spreadsheet to log this information for evaluation purposes Note: If your heart rate is up by four or more beats over last week's average – do not train, sleep and eat instead
- Complete Racing Solutions Bike: Even Tempo/Aerobic Enhancement (40 minutes)

Workout Notes: keep a close eye on your HR throughout this ride to ensure that you keep the intensity levels easy (HR Z2 or less) for maximum productivity (burn fat and enhance your aerobic engine). To keep you mentally stimulated, play around with your gearing while staying within your HR Z2.

Pre-Hydration & Nutrition: 10-15 minutes prior to this workout, consume 8-10 ounces of Energy Fuel to top off both your calories and provide you the much-needed electrolytes

Warm Up: HR Zone 1 **Duration:** 5 minutes

Cadence: 80-85 (no higher/lower)

**Gearing:** small chain ring up front, middle rear gearing Misc.: stretch and hydrate before moving into your main set

Main Set: 30 Minutes (High End of HR Zone 2: pay close attention to not trip into Z3)

Set Notes: with your cadence between 75-85; tallest gearing that you can maintain while keeping the chain tension tight and maintaining your cadence zone; every 10 minutes stand up and stretch your hamstrings, quads, calves and lower back.

Warm down: 10 Minutes (HR Zone 2 or less)

**Duration:** 5 minutes (no shorter) Gearing: small chain ring up front, middle rear gearing Cadence: 70-80 (no higher/lower)

Misc. Notes: stretch your lower back, calves and quads prior to dismounting

(Immediately following your bike workout) Complete Racing Solutions Core Work

Workout notes: complete each of the following exercises for 15 seconds; your rest interval is 15 seconds as you move to the next exercise. Go through each exercise and then repeat the entire set - total of 2 sets.

Standing Abdominal Twists: click here for video Abdominal Roll Out on Fit Ball: click here for video **Post Workout Protocols** 

Abdominal Pike on Fit Ball: click here for video Ab Crunch on Fit Ball: click here for the video link

- Flexibility: complete dynamic movements, static stretches & foam rolling exercises for optimum recovery
- Nutrition: immediately consume 8-10 ounces of iced cold Energy Fuel and Best Whey Protein (1 scoop of each) mixed with almond milk.
- Evening Protocols please reference yesterday's notes & video links

## Wednesday

- Body Analysis please use your Coach Robb Body Analysis Spreadsheet to log this information for evaluation purposes Note: If your heart rate is up by four or more beats over last week's average - do not train, sleep and eat instead
- Complete Racing Solutions Bike: Fragmented Intervals (45' Total)

Pre-Hydration & Nutrition: 10-15 minutes prior to this workout, consume 8-10 ounces of Energy Fuel to top off both your calories and provide you the much-needed electrolytes

Warm up-HR Zone 1: Focus on optimum pedal mechanics right from the beginning

**Duration:** 10 minutes Gearing: small chain ring up front, middle rear gearing



**Cadence:** 80-85 (no higher/lower) **Misc.:** stretch and hydrate before moving into your main set

### Main Performance Block #1: 10 Minutes (Lower End of HR Z2)

**Set Notes:** with your cadence between 75-85; tallest gearing that you can maintain while keeping the chain tension tight and maintaining your cadence zone; every 10 minutes stand up and stretch your hamstrings, quads, calves and lower back.

### Performance Block #2: 20 minutes (Upper End of HR Z2)

Repeat the following for the next 30 minutes

**2 Minutes:** initially out of the saddle for 30" and then into a seated position for 1:30 holding the tallest gear combination than you can maintain a 50-60 range-capture the highest speed achieved during the 1:30 interval. Maintain a smooth pedal stroke for the entire interval.

At the end of the interval, go into a very easy gear combination and maintain for 3 Minutes.

Repeat the 2 minute "on" / 3 minute "off" until 20 minutes has transpired (please don't surpass)

### Cool Down (HR Zone 1): Keep a close eye on your HR level for the final 5 minutes

**Duration:** 10 minutes **Gearing:** the easiest combination that allows for 85-90 cadence & HR Z1

Cadence: 85-90 Misc.: don't dismount until your heart rate is within HR Z1

(Immediately following your bike workout) Complete Racing Solutions Core Work

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exercise. Go through each exercise and then repeat the entire set - total of 2 sets.

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- Nutrition: immediately consume 8-10 ounces of iced cold <u>Energy Fuel</u> and <u>Best Whey Protein</u> (1 scoop of each) mixed with almost milk
- Evening Protocols please reference yesterday's notes & video links

#### **Thursday**

Body Analysis – please use your Coach Robb Body Analysis Spreadsheet to log this information for evaluation purposes
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Complete Racing Solutions Bike: Even Tempo/Aerobic Enhancement (40 minutes)

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**Pre-Hydration & Nutrition:** 10-15 minutes prior to this workout, consume 8-10 ounces of Energy Fuel to top off both your calories and provide you the much-needed electrolytes

Warm Up: HR Zone 1

**Duration:** 5 minutes **Gearing:** small chain ring up front, middle rear gearing **Cadence:** 80-85 (no higher/lower) **Misc.:** stretch and hydrate before moving into your main set

# Main Set: 30 Minutes (High End of HR Zone 2: pay close attention to not trip into Z3)

**Set Notes:** with your cadence between 75-85; tallest gearing that you can maintain while keeping the chain tension tight and maintaining your cadence zone; every 10 minutes stand up and stretch your hamstrings, quads, calves and lower back.

Warm down: 10 Minutes (HR Zone 2 or less)

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# **Friday**

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- Complete Rest Day

**Mental Notes:** the benefits of a rest day are actually larger than your hard workout days; this is because your body doesn't get any stronger or improve regarding your endurance during training. Your body actually improves physically when you feed it high quality, high quantity food and allow for adequate rest (7-8 hours of evening sleep and if logistically possible, 1-2 hour naps during the day). When your body sleeps deeply, for a long period of time and uninterrupted, your body releases the much-needed human growth hormone (HGH) naturally and you wake up leaner, stronger and have an improved immune system. With this in mind, please embrace your rest day as if it was one of your harder workout days; your body will appreciate it.



Evening Protocols – please reference yesterday's notes and video links

### Saturday - Sunday

- Body Analysis please use your Coach Robb Body Analysis Spreadsheet to log this information for evaluation purposes
   Note: If your heart rate is up by four or more beats over last week's average do not train, sleep and eat instead
- (Morning Workout) Complete Racing Solutions Bike: Fragmented Intervals (90' Total)

**Pre-Hydration & Nutrition:** 10-15 minutes prior to this workout, consume 8-10 ounces of <u>Energy Fuel</u> to top off both your calories and provide you the much-needed electrolytes

Warm up-HR Zone 1: Focus on optimum pedal mechanics right from the beginning

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## Main Performance Block #1: 10 Minutes (Lower End of HR Z2)

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### Performance Block #2: 20 minutes (Upper End of HR Z2)

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# **Post Workout Protocols**

- Flexibility: complete dynamic movements, static stretches & foam rolling exercises for optimum recovery
- Nutrition: immediately consume 8-10 ounces of iced cold <u>Energy Fuel</u> and <u>Best Whey Protein</u> (1 scoop of each) mixed with almond milk.
- 2 Hour Nap After Lunch

**Misc. Notes:** the benefit to a nap is the release of hGH (human growth hormone); with this in mind, eat a post ride meal that is high in carbohydrates (this is a natural sleep aid). The goal is to fall asleep as quickly as possible and stay asleep for 2-3 hours (schedule pending) without waking up hungry. If you wake up hungry, then you need to make a note in your food & training journal that what you ate for lunch wasn't enough. Your brain is fed by your liver, if it runs out of sugar, you will be woken up!

• Evening Protocols – please reference yesterday's notes and video links