Serpentine AC Marathon and Running talk Monday 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ August 2011


## Key questions to answer

- Progressing from 3hrs to 2 hrs 45 m
- Progressing from 2 hrs 45 to 2 hrs 30 m
- Marathon and XC season (planning)
- Key sessions
- Race selection
- Specifics of training


## Volume Intensity Recovery Consistency Years training

## Training Zones



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FATS

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## The Mix

- Periodisation!!!!!
- Lydiard or traditional English
- Lindsay Dunn and Charlie Spedding
- Canova
- Storey
- Monday through Sunday
- 14 day 'weeks'
- Cross country and then road but don't leave it too late.
- Blocks 3 to 1, 2 to 1


## Progression

## Build

## What does my year look like?




## Marker times

Marathon $\quad=2 \times 1 / 2 \mathrm{M}$ plus 4 to 10 minutes
Diesels and petrols (BMW's or Ferraris)
So if aiming for a 3hr marathon you should be able to run 85 mins for the half at the end of Specific 1.

2hr 45 marathon 77'30
2hr 30 marathon 70'00
If you can do the above you have no excuses!!
If you cant do the above then you can definitely hit the times provided you train well and have a bit of a diesel mentality and physiology

What pace is correct pace?
-Long runs

- controlled pace and time on feet
- 80 to $85 \%$ of MRP
- Medium pace runs
- steady runs
- 85 to $95 \%$ of MRP
- Marathon pace runs
-Threshold runs
- 105\% of MRP
- Repetitions and intervals
- 105 to $115 \%$ of MRP

| Pace | 3hr | 2hr 45mins | 2hrs 30mins |
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| MRP 100\% | 00:06:52 | $00: 06: 18$ | $00: 05: 43$ |
| Long run 80\% | 00:08:14 | $00: 07: 34$ | $00: 06: 52$ |
| $85 \%$ | $00: 07: 54$ | $00: 07: 15$ | $00: 06: 34$ |
| Steady 90\% | 00:07:33 | $00: 06: 56$ | $00: 06: 17$ |
| MRP 100\% | 00:06:52 | $\mathbf{0 0 : 0 6 : 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{0 0 : 0 5 : 4 3}$ |
| Threshold 105\% | 00:06:31 | $00: 05: 59$ | $00: 05: 26$ |
| Reps 110\% | 00:06:11 | $00: 05: 40$ | $00: 05: 09$ |
| Intervals 115\% | $00: 05: 50$ | $00: 05: 21$ | $00: 04: 52$ |

## Specifics

## Threshold progressions

$4 \times 6 \mathrm{mins}$ done as 6bpm below/3bpm/@/@
$4 \times 8 \mathrm{mins}$ as above
$5 \times 8 \mathrm{mins}$ as above
$3 \times 15 \mathrm{mins}(2 \mathrm{~m})$ done as 5 mins 5 bpm below/5mins@/5mins 5bpm above 3x5k (2m) done as 1k@98\%/1k@102\%
Aim is to start below always so you work the system from more fats to less fats from more aerobic to less aerobic. You are trying to develop the aerobic capacity

## MRP progressions

20k done as 20x(400 Easy Thresh/400 Easy steady) or 103\%MRP/93\%MRP 20k done as $10 x$ ( 1 k Easy Thresh/1k Easy steady) or 103\%MRP/93\%MRP
21 k done as 7 x ( 2 k MRP/1k steady) or MRP/95\%MRP
24 k done as 6 x ( 3 k MRP/1k steady) or MRP/95\%MRP
Build to
28 k done as 3 x ( 8 k MRP/1k steady)
Aim is to increase the density of sessions i.e. extension of economy. By working
From below pace ensure you go from fats to sugars

## Specifics

## 'Fat burning sessions'

20/20/20 building to 30/30/30 90 mins progressive continuous

End run below or at MRP NO faster End run 20 to $30 \mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{ml}$ slower than MRP Aim is to promote ability to utilise fats at maximum rate.
Over time push this pace closer to threshold i.e. higher pace but less consumption of carbohydrates. (Measure this through lactate production)

## Long runs

How long is long. Time on feet, higher average pace, replicate race scenario.
2 hrs regular.
Up to 2 hrs 45 mins
Cost v benefits
Can you manipulate session to reduce time on feet but get same effects

- block training on day
- burn out carbs on day
- double days

|  |  |  | Long | (Steady plus) Intensive aerobic | MRP/Thre shold | VVO2 <br> (Reps) | Speed |  |
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| 10 | 17-Feb-08 |  | 2hrs 20mins | 20k Int | $8 \times 2 k(1 k)$ |  | $10 \times 100$ |  |
| 9 | 24-Feb-08 |  |  | 5 k Ext plus 25k Int | $6 x 3 k(1 k)$ | 6k | $8 \times 60$ |  |
| 8 | 02-Mar-08 | 1/2 wk Rec | 2hrs 30mins |  |  | $\frac{400 / 300 / 200}{x 6}$ | $8 \times 80$ |  |
| 7 | 09-Mar-08 |  |  | 30k Int | $4 \times 5 k(1 k)$ | 20×300(30s) | $6 \times 100$ |  |
| 6 | 16-Mar-08 | Rec | 80mins |  | $1 / 2 \mathrm{M}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 \times 1 \text { k plus } \\ 6 \times 300 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $8 \times 60$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Bath } \\ \text { 1/2M } \end{array}$ |
| 5 | 23-Mar-08 |  | 2hrs 30mins |  | $3 x 7 k(1 k)$ | 6 k or test | $8 \times 60$ |  |
| 4 | 30-Mar-08 | Rec |  | progressive |  | 10 k or $10 \times 1 \mathrm{k}$ | $6 \times 50$ |  |
| 3 | 06-Apr-08 |  | 2hrs plus 20mins MRP |  | 2x10k(1k) | $6 \mathrm{k}$ | $8 \times 60$ |  |
| 2 | 13-Apr-08 |  | 80mins |  | $\begin{gathered} 12 \mathrm{k} \text { and } \\ 20 \mathrm{~m} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 6k |  |  |
| 1 | 20-Apr-08 |  |  |  | Marathon |  |  |  |



## Other key things

## -Race day energy

- Carbohydrate loading works
- Getting your race day drinks sorted
- Practice taking in training
-Consistency
-Conditioning
-Leg strength and stride
-Injury management
-Massage, ice, food
-Training environment
-Recovery
-Patience, Rome wasn't built in a day


## Summary

-Be realistic with your goals, are you where you need to be at shorter distances -Commit to training volume and intensity over a period of time
-Train on the road
-Commit to building a robust body -Get organised with recovery -Be patient -Keep experimenting and learning
"However beautiful the strategy, you should occasionally look at the results." Winston Churchill


