Training Plan



W/C	Tuesday Workout	Thursday Run	Races / Events
30/10/23		5-7 miles hilly Start and finish the run at an easy effort. Work harder up the hills and use the downs to recover. But keep the whole run easy if racing on the weekend.	2/11: Severn Bridge Night Race 5/11: Twmbarlwm Terror* 5/11: Richard Burton 10k
6/11/23	25min Fartlek: 10x 75sec / 75sec Alternating between hard and easy running for a 25minute workout.	6-8 miles flat: Start and finish the run at an easy pace. Add some tempo miles in the middle portion of the run. If you are racing XC on Saturday, keep the effort easy throughout.	<u>11/11:</u> Gwent League XC - Llandaff Fields, Cardiff
13/11/23	Tempo intervals: 3x 8mins / 2min recovery Longer tempo intervals working towards 10k effort as the workout progresses.	1hr Negative Split: Run out at a steady pace , turn at 31mins and run back progressing to a tempo pace aiming to get back to set start in less than 60mins.	16/11:Severn Bridge Night Race
20/11/23	Hill Rep Pyramid: 3x (15,30,45,60,45,30,15 sec) Jog down rec between reps 3min rest between sets Pace this carefully.	Social run 4-6 miles Easy chatty miles with you club mates before a weekend of racing.	25/11: Elan Valley 10mi* 26/11: GLCL XC - Caerleon
27/11/23	400m Repeats: 12x (400m / 60sec recovery) Aim for 5k pace to start with, progressing the effort through the workout.		<u>2/12:</u> Gwent League XC - Blaise Castle

*Club championship race

Pace and effort explanations:

Easy: You can easily hold a conversation at this pace. Jogging between reps is even slower.

Steady / Uptempo: Around 70-75% of max. heart rate. Working a little but still comfortable. Marathon race pace would be on the faster end of this range.

Threshold: Roughly the maximum pace you could sustain for 1 hour in a race. Gets less comfortable with time and talking is limited to bursts of a few words.

Interval pace: This will be specific to the particular session you are running but will typically be faster than threshold pace, for example around 5k race effort.

Strides: Fast bursts of 10 - 20 seconds at about 90-95% of your flat out sprint. Designed to get the muscles firing and help improve your stride efficiency. Give yourself at least 40 seconds to a 1 min recovery between each stride.

Warm up and cool down will be a minimum of 10 mins each.