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> Cover Photo: Start of the 41st Hospital Hill Run Kansas City, MO

> > Photo Provided by: Beth Salinger





GOTTA RUN!



By: Renee Kidwell

A number of years ago, I received a T-shirt for my birthday which has come to be one of my all-time favorites. There are only two simple words "GOTTA RUN" with a small logo (Pair of running shoes) on the front. Those two words however, are quite profound and often the exact course of action I both need and desire to take.

After thirty plus years in the sport, running has definitely become and remains: a source of true enjoyment, major stress release, mental therapy, creative idea time, and my drug of choice. I sure can feel and see the effects of daily pressures, busy schedules, multiple life demands on mind and body when I go too long without a good run or cross-training workout. That's when I tell myself – 'You have got to go for a run today no matter what!' No excuses, don't worry about the weather, don't just TRY.. to fit

it in your schedule if possible. Quite the opposite – make your schedule fit and feel better after you've had a few relaxing miles out on the trail.

Just as we perform daily activities better physically and mentally with good nutrition and dietary habits, I know many perform better physically,

mentally and socially with those good healthy exercise habits. Yep, for me, there are those days that saying I *need* to go for a run just don't cut it. –I politely excuse the 'to do' list and say: Sorry, but first I've "GOTTA RUN!"

Maybe that's exactly what you need to do today - Maybe you just -Gotta Run - Gotta Bike - Gotta Walk Gotta Swim - Gotta Hike Lets go! - See you out there !!

New MARA Members and Sustaining Memberships are listed on page 5

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KANSAS CITY'S HOSPITAL HILL RUN RETURNS FOR ITS 41ST YEAR WITH AN ALL NEW TRADITION!

Almost 9,000 'conquer the hill' twice in the all new Hospital Hill Re-Run

Kansas City, Missouri (June 7, 2014) – With the move of the UMKC School of Medicine 5K, Hospital Hill Runners found themselves with a new challenge – the Hospital Hill Re-Run, an opportunity to participate in both the 5K race distance in addition to the 10K or half marathon distance. 1,000 participated in the Re-Run on Saturday and a field of almost 9,000 participated in the weekend's festivities overall.

After a short delay and under rainy conditions, Brad Chronister of Rolla, MO won the men's half marathon race with an impressive time of 1:10:59 and United States Army Captain Kelly Calway of Fort Leavenworth, KS won the women's race in 1:23:59.

In the men's division, Justin Garrad of Liberty, MO placed second with 1:11:44 and Aaron Davidson of Lenexa, KS placed third with 1:14:11.

Lindsay McDonald of Parkville, MO placed second with 1:26:31, in third place was Melanie Franke from Lee's Summit, MO in 1:28:53.

The Hospital Hill 10K winners were Benson Cheruyiot from Sun Prarie, WI with a time of 32:28 and Olivia Franklin from Kearney, MO with a time of 41:34.

Winners of the UMKC School of Medicine 5K were brother and sister, Derek Lee from Clinton, MO with a time of 16:12 and Nicole Lee from Clinton, MO, coming in at 18:39. Running always takes a great deal of commitment but this year two runners took that to the next level with a wedding atop Trinity Hill. *Runners Cyndi Smith and Ray Franks* of Blue Springs, MO exchanged nuptials at mile 12.5 of the half marathon before crossing the finish line together.

We hope to see them on their anniversary!



About The Hospital Hill Run

Hospital Hill Run is the oldest road race in Kansas City. First held in 1974 with a field of 99 runners, Hospital Hill Run grew in size and stature in the ensuing years to the point that it was named one of the top races in the country by Runner's World magazine. Competitors included such running legends as Olympic gold medalists Frank Shorter and Billy Mills and running legends Bill Rodgers and Jim Ryun, as well as over 100,000 ordinary Kansas and Missouri citizens running for the challenge, fun and fitness. As a long-standing Kansas City event, the event has kept up with the changing running community by altering the run's distance, adding premium items, and electronic timing. However, the focus has always been on the athlete and their experience as well as promoting healthy lifestyles. The Hospital Hill Run is a non-for-profit organization run by a Board of Directors made up of very special people from within the Kansas City business community and a Race Director. The first run was in 1974 with 99 participants. Hospital Hill Run is proudly sponsored by the following local partners: UMKC School of Medicine, Crown Center, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City, O'Neill Honda, Quest Diagnostics, Advanced Chiropractic, Image 360, Garry Gribble's Running Sports, Panera, Sports Radio 810, ESPN 1510, WDAF-TV, Life 88.5, The Pitch, Garmin, Gatorade, Hiland Dairy, Southwest Dairy Farmers, Sheraton Crown Center, Shook, Hardy & Bacon, Sporting KC, The Roasterie and Milano.

> Beth Salinger Hospital Hill Race Dirctor



Brad Chronister wins the Men's Half Marathon in 1:10:59



Kelly Calway wins the Women's Half Marathon in 1:23:59



Benson Cheruyiot wins the Men's 10K race in 32:28



Photos provided by Beth Salinger



8 a.m. • October 12, 2014

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Participants receive:

- Chip timing
- T-shirt
- Special team pricing
 Age group awards
 Food and beverages
- Special gift for all finishers
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Join JCCC's president at the event!

Joe Sopcich, JCCC's president, plans to participate in Lace Up for Learning both as a runner and a sponsor. He challenges you to participate, too. For each participant who finishes ahead of President Sopcich in the run, he will donate \$1 for JCCC scholarships.

Register online: www.jccc.edu/laceup5k



Barnyard Boogie 10K, 1 & 2 mile

This year's Barnyard Boogie in Blue Rapids on July 13th is going to be dedicated to Roger Seemater. Roger is in his early 40's and he's the one who has logged everyone of the Boogies, up to now. He is also a very active participant in many local road race events and has also logged quite a string of Lincoln Marathons and other close-by ones. He's completed several ultras and is always such a game participant in trail runs in the area. A very unassuming lad but always persistent when it came to his running. In the past year to 18 months, Roger has been diagnosed with ALS and it is really starting to debilitate his body. To date, he has lost his ability t speak and is slowly losing much of his body structure. His wife, Coleen, has been in touch with the race director of the Barnvard Boogie and she had a request in to design this year's shirt and also come up with ideas for the little unique wooden award that all runners are given there. They are small farmers just on the outskirts of Marysville and she also operates a day care center.

I had called Duane Iles (the former race director who moved to Holton) and we have been in conversations with Ken Stienfort (the NOW director) and Coleen, and it has been agreed that, as a surprise, with Roger present, they are going to (forever) name the Boogie 10K "The Roger Seemater 10K Road Race".....I guess the reason for this is to first; keep Roger in your prayers. of course, as this is a truly sad condition to witness, and secondly; to have you kind of spread the word around regarding this year's run so that there could be a nice number of participants there for him. I will try to have some entry forms with me when I come to Alert and perhaps an informational poster. As I indicated earlier, we are going to do our best to keep this from Roger.

Thanks so much and we'll see you later this month."

Truly, Ron Grauer

> Race Location: Town Square Blue Rapids, KS This race distance: 10K, 1 & 2 mile run small hills, gravel roads

Karen's Column By Karen Raymer

President of MARA

July/August 2014

When you are into fitness, whether it be running, bicycling, walking, swimming and any other sport, you usually are socializing mostly with people who have the same interests. You get used to seeing healthy people, the old saying "birds of a feather, flock together" comes to mind. When you are mostly around healthy and active people, you sometimes forget that the rest of world is not even close to that!

Being from the baby boomer era, I had one of the largest graduating classes in the Kansas City school district in 1967. We had a class of almost 700! I have lived all of my adult life in the Kansas City area. One would think that I would run into fellow classmates, but I very rarely do. That being said, in the last two weeks, I have run into two different people from my class, at different times and places.

I was very shocked when I saw them, they recognized me, I would never have recognized them. Both were very overweight and in pretty bad shape. After visiting with each of them, I learned that each one of them had some pretty serious health issues. Each one of them said how they had wished they had taken better care of themselves when they were young. They also told me about others from our class that had passed away and others that also were fighting health issues. I realize that some deceases are in our DNA and cannot be avoided, no matter what we do. But it just behooves me when people knowingly do nothing to try to live a healthier life.

I have the same situation within my own family. I have siblings that are overweight and have some pretty serious health issues. All of my siblings smoke, only my older sister, finally quit, but has lasting health issues from the decades of smoking. We grew up in the same household, so why is that I never smoked, never ate badly, exercised regularly for as long as I can remember? This is one of those questions I ask myself from time to time. It does make me depressed to see my siblings in such bad health.

I have never been someone who tried to "push" my life style on anyone else. I have always been of the mind that if you live a healthy life, others will see and want to do what they can do to be healthier.

I realize that I am "preaching to the choir" here, but I am sure that most of you have found your selves in similar situations. It makes me even more convinced that the decisions I made as a young person, to live a healthy life, was one of the most important in my life.

Wishing you healthy and happy running and/or walking.

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	Zach	Hames	10		Jennifer	Ewan	10
	Tanner	Christensen	10		McKayla	Beattie	10
	Max	Storms	10		Tina	Keehn	10
	Nolan	Lewis	10		Lauren	Robertson	10
	Paul	Lord	10		Lucy	Daldorph	10
	Josh	Baden	10				
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	Leigh	Myers	10		Debra	Torneden	10
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	Marc	Keys	10				
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	Rob	Harber	40		Kathleen	Johnson	39
	Brian	Daldorph	38		Amy	Shortall	26
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	Joe	McCarthy	11		Diana	Fitch	10
	John	Ball	10		Joann	Heap	10
	Jack	Uhrig	10		Nancy	Pence	10
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	Tim	Wigger	36		Susan	Robinette	32
	Jeff	Behrens	30		Jean	Garber	20
	Larry	Rink	22		Paula	Labart	18
	Tom	Snook	19		Mary	Haley	16
	Robert	Fernandez	18		Donna	Romans	14
	Rick	Hogan	16		Holly	Smith	13
	Kermit	Trout	14		-		
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	Garth	Smith	39		Suzie	Turner	27
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	Bill	Perry	14		Sylvia	Taylor	12
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2014 MARA GRAND PRIX Schedule

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Top. to Auburn 1/2 Marathon Groundhog 10K Sweetheart Shuffle 5K Mrs. Robinson Romp 5K Trail Run for Life 10 Miler-race cancelled, will not be replaced Rock the Parkway 1/2 Marathon Trolley Run 4 Miler KS Heart and Sole 10K Amy Thompson 8K Hospital Hill Half-Marathon Double Road Race 5K & 10K Lenexa Freedom Run 10K Eudora Horse Thief 5K KC X Country Challenge 5K Farmstead Challenge 5K Leawood Labor Day 5K Broadway Bridge Half Plaza 10K Kansas City Marathon Cliffhanger 8K UltraMax 15K



2014

MARA Grand Prix Scoring System & Rules Mid-America Running Association

- 1. Anyone who runs in any MARA Grand Prix race at any point in the season and who places in the top 5 in their age group is automatically a part of the circuit. Standings are updated and published in Masterpieces magazine and on the MARA website: (www.mararunning.org) as the season progresses.
- 2. Active MARA membership must be in place by Dec 1 to receive final recognition and awards at Chili Run – no exceptions. (membership forms are available online at www.mararunning.org and at local specialty running stores).
- 3. Points are based on performance in 5-year age groups from 20-24 thru 80+.
- 4. Scoring is 5 deep in each 5 year age group except as noted in item 5.
 - * 10 points for 1st place
 - * 8 points for 2nd place
 - * 6 points for 3rd place
 - * 4 points for 4th place
 - * 2 points for 5th place
- 5. Trolley Run will be single points, 10 deep (10, 9, 8, 7...)
- 6. Your 10 best race scores will count, with 100 points the maximum score possible, encouraging quality racing over quantity of races.
- 7. Circuit races range from 5 km to half marathon. Road races are run on USATF certified courses.
- 8. Chip time will be used to determine place finish and award grand prix points.
- 9. In any race with more than one distance (such as both a 5K and 10K) there will be only one designated MARA GP race.
- 10. When moving into a new age group during the GP season, points can be scored in both age groups. The age group where the most points are scored is the age group where all points will be added and counted at year's end.
- 11. In case of a tie, the winner will be determined by: 1) head-to-head competition; 2) the 11th best race. If a tie is not broken by these tiebreakers, the tie remains.
- 12. To qualify for year's end recognition and awards you must score points in at least 3MARA GP races.
- 13. Each Mara GP race will contribute 7 free entries. Each 2nd place finisher will receive one free race. The remaining free entries will be divided evenly among 1st place age group finishers.
- 14. The Top Five point finishers in each age group will also receive awards additional to that listed above. Thanks to MARA, our Sponsors and Grand Prix Circuit Races who contributed over \$27,000.00 in prizes over the last four seasons. These are distributed at the Chili Run each year in December. Everyone is invited to participate in the circuit and attend the Chili Run festivities.





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Cost: \$25 online through Oct. 10 or at packet pick-up on Oct. 11 \$30 on race day, Oct. 12 Special discounts when registering with a friend or as part of a team.

For more information, visit www.jccc.edu/laceup5k

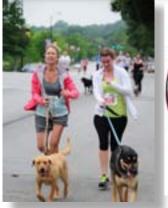














27th Annual DOG-N-JOG

Sunday, June 8, 2014 Country Club Plaza 7am to 10:30am

2 Mile Run + 1 Mile Run + 1 Mile Walk Rain or Shine Register online here or call 913-596-1000 ext. 115 Benefiting The Humane Society of Greater KC





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About The Humane Society of Greater KC As one of the first and oldest no-kill shelters, The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City celebrates over 100 years of faithful service to the lost, abandoned, and broken pets of the Greater Kansas City area. Our mission is to save and improve the lives of dogs and cats throughout the Greater Kansas City community by providing education, adoptions, preventive veterinary care and spay/neuter services. Each month we save hundreds of animals -- some abandoned and forgotten, some badly injured -- some needing our low-cost veterinary services and some whose time would have been up at another shelter if not for us.

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Nutrition and Running By Sally Berry MA RD CSSD CLT

Board Certified Sports Nutrition Food Sensitivities - Certified LEAP Lifestyle Changes & Integrative Eating

Beat the Heat Nutrition

We are having a very mild early summer in my Midwest location. So you may not be as concerned with nutrition during the hot months as other years. However, I imagine that the weather will get warmer soon or you might be traveling to a hot weather race. Even if neither of these occur, I suggest that you jot some notes about heat related performance nutrition. Many runners will be increasing mileage and intensity while preparing for summer and early fall competition. Ultimately, more calories, nutrients, and fluid are required. I've attached some of the most common questions that I receive in the summer months:

Q: What are the major summers problems that need nutritional attention?

In this order...

* Dehydration

* Not enough electrolytes to replace loss (sodium, potassium, magnesium, chloride, etc)

* Not enough "quick fuel" calories available in the body to give the fuel for long races

* Eating too many calories resulting in gastrointestinal problems

* Lack of daily nutrition "training"

Q: What is the most important nutrient for summer training?

First and foremost is water. With the heat of the summer, you will lose more water. Second place comes sodium - which is also lost through sweat. Dehydration of more than 2% of your body weight will affect your performance. As you bump up your training and intensity, more fuel (calories) are necessary to replace the utilized carbohydrate stores. The amount needed is very individualized on your intensity and duration of workouts. It also depends on the weather and daily humidity.

Q: What is the best formula for rehydration in a sport beverage?

Here is where the research is changing from a few years ago. More current information indicates that just as important as getting the fluid, is having the right percentage of sugars and sodium so that your fluid will be absorbed in your body and not stay in your stomach or cause go distress. Hydration can get somewhat complex when you throw marking in the mix. So I'll defer to a researcher who has spent her career researching hydration, Stacy Sims. MSc, PhD. According to Sims, many athletes use the standard 6-8% solution for hydration. This percentage is best for absorbing sugars into your system, but not the optimal for absorbing water. Two sugars often used, maltodextrin and fructose, actually can pull fluid out of the blood and into the intestines. The sugar forms glucose and sucrose generally give better absorption rates. Additionally, the concentration of carbohydrate to better absorb water is less than a 4% solution.

But, your individual needs may vary from this research. This is why it's so critical to test and experiment types of products and quantity to see what works for you.

Generally in the heat, you will burn more calories, sweat out more sodium, and need to replace more fluid. If you are not heat acclimated, then you may struggle more as your body has not adapted. You may want to "quasi" adapt to the heat by wearing more clothing to attempt to adapt.

I hope your running is well fueled and hydrated this summer... and have fun!

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20





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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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2014 Summer Safety Tips

Keep your family safe this summer by following these tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).



FIREWORKS SAFETY

Fireworks can result in severe burns, scars and disfigurement that can last a lifetime.

Fireworks that are often thought to be safe, such as sparklers, can reach temperatures above 1000 degrees Fahrenheit, and can burn users and bystanders.

Families should attend community fireworks displays run by professionals rather than using fireworks at home.

The AAP recommends prohibiting public sale of all fireworks, including those by mail or the Internet.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

The playground should have safety-tested mats or loosefill materials (shredded rubber, sand, wood chips, or bark) maintained to a depth of at least 9 inches (6 inches for shredded rubber). The protective surface should be installed at least 6 feet (more for swings and slides) in all directions from the equipment. Equipment should be carefully maintained. Open "S" hooks or protruding bolt ends can be hazardous.

Swing seats should be made of soft materials such as rubber, plastic or canvas.

Make sure children cannot reach any moving parts that might pinch or trap any body part.

Never attach—or allow children to attach—ropes, jump ropes, leashes, or similar items to play equipment; children can strangle on these. If you see something tied to the playground, remove it or call the playground operator to remove it.

Make sure your children remove helmets and anything looped around their necks.

Metal, rubber and plastic products can get very hot in the summer, especially under direct sun.

Make sure slides are cool to prevent children's legs from getting burned.

Do not allow children to play barefoot on the playground.

Parents should supervise children on play equipment to make sure they are safe.

Parents should never purchase a home trampoline or allow children to use a home trampoline because of the risk of serious injury even when supervised.

Surrounding netting offers a false sense of security and does not prevent many trampoline-related injuries

If children are jumping on a trampoline, they should be supervised by a responsible adult, and only one child should be on the trampoline at a time; 75% of trampoline injuries occur when more than one person is jumping at a time..

BICYCLE SAFETY

A helmet protects your child from serious injury, and should always be worn. And remember, wearing a helmet at all times helps children develop the helmet habit.

Your child needs to wear a helmet on every bike ride, no matter how short or how close to home. Many injuries happen in driveways, on sidewalks, and on bike paths, not just on streets. Children learn best by observing you. Set the example: Whenever you ride, put on your helmet.

When purchasing a helmet, look for a label or sticker that says the helmet meets the CPSC safety standard.

A helmet should be worn so that it is level on the head and covers the forehead, not tipped forward or backwards. The strap should be securely fastened with about 2 fingers able to fit between chin and strap. The helmet should be snug on the head, but not overly tight. Skin should move with the helmet when moved side to side. If needed, the helmet's sizing pads can help improve the fit. Do not push your child to ride a 2-wheeled bike without training wheels until he or she is ready. Consider the child's coordination and desire to learn to ride. Stick with coaster (foot) brakes until your child is older and more experienced for hand brakes. Consider a balance bike with no pedals for young children to learn riding skills.

Take your child with you when you shop for the bike, so that he or she can try it out. The value of a properly fitted bike far outweighs the value of surprising your child with a new one. Buy a bike that is the right size, not one your child has to "grow into." Oversized bikes are especially dangerous.

SKATEBOARD, SCOOTER, IN-LINE SKATING AND HEELYS SAFETY

All skateboarders and scooter-riders should wear protective gear; helmets are particularly important for preventing and minimizing head injuries. Riders should wear helmets that meet ASTM or other approved safety standards, and that are specifically designed to reduce the effects of skating hazards.

Communities should continue to develop skateboard parks, which are more likely to be monitored for safety than ramps and jumps constructed by children at home.

While in-line skating or using Heelys, only skate on designated paths or rinks and not in the street.

Most injuries occur due to falls. Inexperienced riders should only ride as fast as they can comfortably slow down, and they should practice falling on grass or other soft surfaces. Before riding, skateboarders should survey the riding terrain for obstacles such as potholes, rocks, or any debris. Protective wrist, elbow and kneepads should be worn.

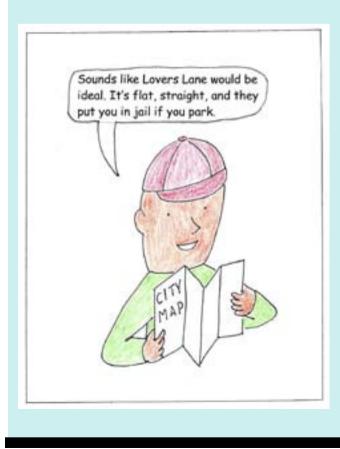
Children should never ride skateboards or scooters in or near moving traffic.

Riders should never skate alone. Children under the age of eight should be closely supervised at all times.



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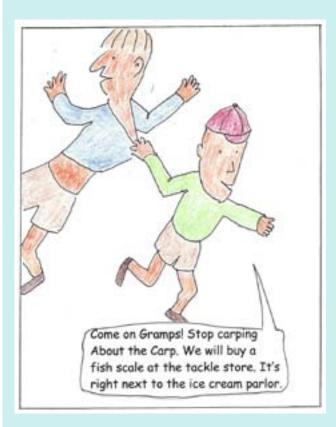














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Good Form Running

Good form can be achieved by any runner if you work hard and have patience. Work on these skills and they will help keep you running for many years to come.

Perfect Posture

Make sure you are standing as tall as possible with a straight spine. This makes sure you are not slouching forward with your head and shoulders. When you are running make sure your head is up and you are looking straight ahead of you. Have your arms at your sides with your elbows tucked next to your body and your thumbs pointed upwards. This helps to keep your arms moving forwards instead of side to side.

Midfoot Landing

Make sure when you are running your feet land underneath you and not out in front of you. You want to land with almost a flat foot so you are not hitting the ground with only the toes, or the heel. If your feet land in front of you then you are most likely heel striking and over striding. This motion acts like a break and slows you down while also increasing your risk for running injuries. If you land on your toes only then you are running on your forefoot and you can injury your calf or Achilles easily. The goal is to land in the middle of the foot with you foot under your body.

Cadence

Cadence is how fast your feet are turning over when you are running. You want a cadence of about 180 strides per minute. Most people run at around 140-150 strides per minute. To increase your cadence an easy drill is to imagine you are running on hot coals. The idea is to keep your feet from staying on the ground for a long time while running light and not pounding your feet.

Body lean

Lean forward without bending at the waist. The idea is to keep your body straight while having a forward lean at the ankles. This allows gravity to pull you ahead and helps you not spend as much energy. Leaning at the ankles also helps to decrease the strain on your muscles when you are running.

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YOUR RUNNING SHOES - WHY DO THEY CALL IT....? Originally by Karen Hunsaker, from Running Times Magazine



ADIDAS - The Adidas moniker comes from a shortening of Germanborn Adi Dassler's name (Adi-Das), who made his first pair of athletic shoes in 1920



ASICS - Asics is an acronym for the Latin phrase "Anima Sana In Corpore Sano," meaning "a sound mind and a sound body."



AVIA - Originally called Pensa, Greek for "to think", the company name was changed to Avia in 1981, which is Latin for 'flight".



BROOKS - Brooks is believed to be a family name given to a Pennsylvania shoe company, formerly known as the Quaker Shoe Company.



ETONIC - Charles Eaton launched the Eaton Shoe Company in Massachusetts in the 189's. Eaton changed to the livelier "Etonic" name when the company began makin athletic products.



NEW BALANCE - Founded in 1906 in Massachusetts as the New Balance Arch Company, which developed arch supports and orthopedic shoes, New Balance Athletic Shoe Inc. was the result of a move into the handcrafted running shoe market in the 1950's.



NIKE - Nike is the Greek goddess of victory. The company's brand name came to employee Jeff Johnson in a dream the night before shoe boxes were to be printed. The forerunner of the Nike name was Blue Ribbon Sports.



REEBOK - Reebok has its roots in the 19th-century England when Joseph William Foster made himself a pair of running shoes with spikes. In 1958, two of the founder's grandsons started a companion company they named Reebok (for a species of African gazelle), which later absorbed the original J.W. Foster & Sons.



SAUCONY - The name comes from the Saucon River in Pennsylvania, and is an Indian term for "softly running waters." The parent company, Hyde Athletic Industries, Inc., traces its roots to a 1912 cobbler's shop in Cambridge, Massachusetts.



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Endurance training continued ... (Part 2)

S of ar we have looked at the volume of training done at varying intensities but we haven't looked at the individual who is involved in the training.

David Epstein, a former college 800 meter runner and "Sports Illustrated" writer has done this for us in his book THE SPORTS GENE. Epstein reviews the personal stories of some of the world's best athletes. George Dohrmann, Pulitzer prize winner and author of PLAY THEIR HEARTS OUT, says it "is a must read for athletes, parents, coaches, and anyone who wants to know what it takes to be great." Epstein has reviewed the science of sports and genetics in a remarkable, readable manner.

Are the great athletes just genetically different, or are they products of will and intensive training?

What is trainability? One of Epstein's examples is Jim Ryun. According to Epstein, Ryun did little athletically until he was in junior high. He had tried other sports unsuccessfully. He finally tried out for high school track and he ran his first mile in 5:38. His parents urged him to give up track because it seemed too hard for him. He persisted and by the end of his freshman year was one of the leaders on his team. He rapidly developed into an outstanding runner breaking the 4 minute mile record his junior year. During his sophomore year he began running 100 miles a week and his junior year, ran a 3:59 mile. He went on to break records in the 880 yards and the 1500 meters. As a 19 year old freshman at the University of Kansas he ran a world record mile time of 3:51.3

In a previous issue we discussed Dr. Claude Bouchard's family (HERITAGE) study. All participants were exercised at a constant rate of 65% of their VO2max. Remember that some participants did not improve their fitness at all and some others had a 50% increase. The change in fitness tended to be in the same range within families. Were some families fit enough that this exercise intensity was not great enough to elicit a change? Would high intensity interval training have produced different results?.



However, there seemed to be little relation between their beginning fitness and how the participants responded to this intensity of training.

Interestingly, there are high and low responders to resistance training just as there are in endurance training.

Later both the HERITAGE and the GEAR study at the University of Miami demonstrated that there were number of the same genes that were present in the high responders. (High responders are those that improved the most training at 65% of their VO2max.) Their distinct gene pattern did not change when individuals were exercised for a period of time at a high intensity. So these genes were not changed with exercise. There is a wonderful, detailed, understandable, discussion of these studies in "The Sports Gene."

Tuomo Rankinen, one of the scientists in the HERTITAGE study brings up another question. Is there a trainable gene? Some individuals have the genes that are associated with the potential for athlete greatness but how many of those individuals are able to endure the discomfort and effort to reach those levels. How many individuals can run 100 mile a week at the intensity Jim Ryun did? Some of these miles were 10-20 440 yard intervals at just over a 50 seconds pace.

There is another interesting question. It is of note that the young Kenyans run and walk many miles to school etc. Epstein reports that there was a sign that read something like "Buy busses for Kenyon school children so Americans can win a marathon." Jim Ryun had a bicycle and a paper route. He is said to have ridden his bike extensively during the period when he was in grade and junior high schools. Is early exercise a factor in the potential for athletic capability?

Athletic performance has increased dramatically since the 1940s-faster than gene pool could be altered. Thus the improvements that have occurred must be due to increasing amounts and specificity of training. –Read the book!





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Roberta's Recipe Resource For Runners

By: Roberta Washburn, MBA, RD, LD

REFRESHING SUMMER SALADS

We can certainly tell when the hot and humid summer season has arrived! As thefun and weather heats up, our active lifestyles draw us outside more and more, especially in the evenings, we naturally look for cool and easy menu ideas and recipes. Salads can fill the bill nicely by being cool, easy to prepare, nutritious and satisfying.

One can certainly make a meal out of a salad. Just make sure you have not used up an entire day's fat allotment in one salad. Often people tell me they "ate healthy" because they ate a salad. Yet, often, salads can be loaded with high fat ingredients, such as regular cheese, bacon, regular dressing and mayonnaise-based potato or macaroni salads, coupled with high fat crackers.

You can eat right and nutritiously with salads if you approach them as you would any healthy eating adventure. Emphasize color and variety. Keep fat to a minimum and load up on raw, fresh items that will naturally give a high fiber bonus. Be moderate with creamy salads, unless you know they have been made with reduced fat or fat-free mayonnaise or sour cream or yogurt. And, if you happen to be at a salad bar, opt for fresh fruit for dessert rather than canned fruit packed in heavy syrup or creamy puddings. This summer, when it's hot outside, think cooool, nutrient dense eating with salads.

Here are a few ideas to try.



Tangy Steak Salad

1/2 pound lean flank steak
2 cups tightly packed romaine lettuce
1/3 cup orange juice
1/2 c. drained, canned quartered artichoke hearts
1 tablespoon low sodium soy sauce
1/2 c. drained, canned mandarin oranges
1/2 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
Tangy Dressing (see below)
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup sliced, green onions

Trim fat from steak. Combine orange juice and soy sauce in a large zip-top plastic bag. Add steak to bag, seal and marinate in refrigerator for 3 hours, turning bag occasionally. Remove steak from bag and discard marinade. Sprinkle pepper, garlic powder and salt over both sides of steak. Grill or broil steak to desired degree of doneness.

Cut the steak diagonally across grain into thin slices. Divide lettuce between 2 serving plates and top each with half of steak, artichoke hearts, oranges and sliced mushrooms. Top each serving with about 1/4 cup Tangy Dressing and sprinkle with 2 tablespoons green onions. Serve immediately. Makes 2 servings.

Tangy Dressing

- 3 tablespoons nonfat mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 2 tablepoons red wine vinegar
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 2 teaspoons prepared horseradish

Combine all of the ingredients in a small bowl and stir with a wire whisk until blended. Makes 1/2 cup.



FRESH SUMMER FRUIT DELIGHT

cup halved seedless green or red grapes
 cup watermelon cubes
 medium nectarine, peeled (if desired)& sliced
 medium pear, peeled (if desired) & sliced
 or any other combination of fresh fruit desired

Lemonade Honey Dressing

2 tablespoons oil

2 tablespoons honey

2 tablespoons frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed

1/4 teaspoon poppy seed

Dash salt

Combine all dressing ingredients in a small jar or sealed container with a tight fitting lid and shake well. Combine prepared fruit in a medium bowl. Pour dressing over fruit and toss gnetly. Cover and refrigerate 1-2 hours to blend flavors.

Makes 8 (1/2 cup) servings.



FRESH VEGETABLE SALAD

cup sliced carrots
 cups broccoli florets
 cups cauliflower florets
 l/2 lb. fresh mushrooms, sliced
 oz. (1/2 cup) mozzarella cheese, cut into julienne strips
 Dressing
 tablespoons vinegar
 tablespoons oil
 teaspoon dill weed
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 teaspoon dry mustard
 teaspoon garlic powder
 dash pepper

Blanch carrots, broccoli and cauliflower 1 minute in boiling water. Set aside broccoli. In a large bowl, combine carrots, cauliflower and mushrooms. In a small bowl, combine all dressing ingredients. Pour over vegetable mixture, toss well to combine ingredients. Refrigerate at least 1 hour, tossing occasionally, to blend flavors. One-half hour before serving, stir in broccoli, refrigerate. At serving time, add mozzarella cheese, toss well.

Makes 9 (3/4 cup) servings.

TWO BEAN & RICE SALAD

3 cups cold cooked rice (brown or white)
15 oz. can pinto benas, rinsed and drained
15 oz. can black beans, rinsed and drained
10 oz frozen peas, thawed
1 cup celery, sliced
1 medium onion (red, if available), chopped (about 1/2 cup)
2 (4 oz.) cans diced green chili pepper, drained
1/4 cup snipped cilantro
1 eight ounce jar Itlaian dressing (low fat)
In a 2-1/2 quart covered container, combine cooked rice, pinto beans, black beans, peas, celery, onion, diced chili peppers and cilantro. Add the dressing to the mixture and toss gently to mix. Cover and chill up

to 24 hours. Transfer to serving bowl. Garnish with cilantro sprigs and whole chili peppers, if desired.

Running Past Empty

By: Julie Hagy

(As reported in The Costco Connection - June 2014)

If someone had told a young Scott Jurek that he would grow up to become one of the most accomplished ultradistance runners in the world, he would have laughed. Growing up in rural Minnesota, Jurek ate plenty of fast food, had high blood pressure and ran only enough to stay in the good graces of his cross-country ski coach. Runnilng far was the farthest thing from his mind. "As a kid, runnng was something you did for punishment," he says, laughing. "You know, run an extra lap."

Jurek recalls, "My coach said to do something over the summer to train. I couldn't afford a bike or roller skis, so I just started to run." What startd as a mile-and-a half job steadily increased in mileag and speed for the high school sophomore. The exercise was gratifying: The farther he ran, the faster he became on skis.

In college, Jurek continued to run only casually, until a buddy, Dusty Olson suggested that his speed nd endurance on the slopes could translate to pavement. Olson dared Jurek, who had run one marathon previously, to run a 50mile race with him. Jurek took the dare.

At the age of 20, he entered the Minnesota Voyageur 50 Mile Trail Ultramarathon with Olson. It was Jurek's first experience with ultras, races that cover any distance greater than a marathon. He came in second. "Istarted to realize not only how much fun (running) was, but that I was able to put myself out there and accomplish something that initially seemed impossible," says Jurek.

Two years later, he won that very same race. From there, he has gone on to win and set records at most of the world's prestigious ultra-distance races, including the Spartathlon and seven straight wins of the Western States 100-Mile endurance Run.

"Scott accomplished what no one else will," says ultrarunning historian Buzz Burrell. "He wasn't the most talented guy out there. But he studied really hard. He trained really hard. He has hisbrain, his heart and hig gut in the sport, and that's why he's respected."

Jurek did not set out to obtain the notoriety running has brought him. Running, to him, has always been about testing his own limits and experiencing nature. "I spent a lot of time in the woods as a kid, hunting and fishing, connecting to wild places. Running has been this vehicle to get out into the wilderness. It gets me out exploring places I might not otherwise see. Preserving that connection has been important," he says. He admits that very little money comes with winning races, yet he doesn't plan to stop anytime soon. "I never thought I'd be running for sport or for fun. What I do is out of the norm nowadays. Ultrarunning, while it seems crazy, it's an extension of those survival instincts people have," he says, reflecting on how society has largely moved away from the sustained labor required by hunting-and-gathering and agrarian lifestyles. "Nowadays we live pretty comfortably. Ultrarunning gives me a taste of what it was like to survive years ago. We're all a little crazy, do things that seem out of the norm. I think that's a good thing."

Jurek's incredible determination and endurance are chronicled in Christoper McDougall's best-seller, **Born to Run**, which brought international attention to both Jurek and ultra-running. In his own memoir, Eat & Run (scottjurek.com), co-authored by Steve Friedman, Jurek writes about how his lifestyle, specifically exercise and diet, has influenced his career.

Twenty years after that first ultramarathon entry, Jurek, 40, sits across from me in a bakery at the base of the mountain trails he trains on in Boulder, Colorado. He's wearing running gear, and dipping a spoon into a bowl of cooling oatmeal. Jurek has broad shoulders and a broad smile The long hair of his early running years, a good-luck charm, is now a mass of short curls. Standing tall at 6 feet 2 inches, Jurek doesn't look like a typical runner. Then again, typical is not really a word associated with this man.



"I grew up with a mother who was a home ec teacher. For me, cooking was just part of the daily routine. It instilled in me an early drive to make that a priority," says Jurek, who learned, through cooking, to reduce his fast-food consumption. He still enjoys cooking, often creating his own recipes.

His mother also influenced his career path. "Being interested in whole health was influenced by having a mother who had multiple sclerosis," he says. As a boy, he watched a physical therapist work with his mother in their home. Inspired, he would go on to earn a master's degree in the field and open his own practice. As a physical therapist, Jurek became concerned that some of his patients' poor diets were affecting their ability to heal. He started to convert his own diet. "I found my body would recover from runs faster on a plant-based diet," says Jurek, who has been vegan since 1999.

As he continues to talk about the importance of eating whole foods and integrating movement into daily routines, I start to wiggle in my seat. "Want to go for a run?" I ask.

On a day that is sunny in most of the country, it is snowing in the mountains of Boulder. The snow slushes under our running shoes.

I almost expect his feet to fly above the ground. Graciously though, he lets me set the pace. I am training for a half marathon at the end of the month. Jurek is preparing for the 24 The Hard Way an ultramarathon in Oklahoma City in October at which he will attempt to break the American record by running more than 172.5 miles within 24 hours.

"He previously held this record. Jurek's record was broken in 2012 by Mike Morton. I do think he can do it again. If anybody has the ability to dig deep and go beyond, it's Scott," says ultramarathon runner Krissy Moehl, who calls Jurek a mentor and friend. "I've seen him do it many times."

Jurek hopes that his goal setting will provide inspiration for others to make lifestyle changes. "I used to hate running and I used to hate vegetables. Life is about learning. Life is about being open to possibilities," he says.

"One of my biggest goals is to pass on my experience and knowledge, to motivate and inspire others, not necessarily to go win an ultramarathon, but to go out for that first workout, to get interested in moving their bodies, in eating well."

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What Motivates Scott Jurek?

"Others. At the Hardrock 100 Endurance Run, I didn't have a place to stay; all the places were booked. So, I just camped out on track, cheering or the finishers as they came in. Staying at the finish line became a tradition. There is something magical about experiencing that energy; it's motivating and inspiring to watch. You get a sense of what people have gone through to get there and you can relate to it. I recommend anybody who isn't a runner to go to a finish line and get inspired. Everybody assumes you have to be a serious athlete or super-fast to race; it's really neat to see a wide range of people competing."



What food items should we all eat more of?

"Dark, leafy greens, like kale, collards, arugula and romaine. Fruit - I am a fan of fruit in the morning or for snacks. Whole grains and whole beans are inexpensive, and you get a complete protein when they are combined together. Tempe and Tofu: Tempe makes great sloppy Joes and chili. Tofu is great to cook with because it can take on so many different textures and tastes. Healthy oils, such as etra-virgin olive oil, coconut oil and flaxseed oil."



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7/6/14	Sun	9:00 AM	Psychodelic 5K (Fire Edition)	т	Shelter #2 Wyandotte County Lake Park KCK	Web	A tough (and inexpensive) little 5K run (or hike) for the whole family. Ben Holmes, badbendrs@yahoo.com
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7/12/14	Sat	8:00 AM	Sunflower State Games Cauldron Run 5K Run, 10K Run, 5K Walk 1K Kids Fun Run (Free)	R	Lake Shawnee Reynold's Lodge on Tinman Circle Topeka, KS 66605	Web	Brad Rhoden, 785-224-5193
7/13/14	Sun	9:00 AM	Jingle in July 5K Run/Walk	R	Meritex Executive Park 17501 W. 98th Street Lenexa, KS	Web	Escape the brutal Midwest heat by running completely UNDERGROUND and INDOORSI Jingle in July – a companion of the Jingle Bell Run – takes place in the Meritex corporate cave complex in Lenexa, where the average year-round temperature is 68 degrees. Contact Brooke Perry at (913) 262-2233 or bperry@arthritis.org.
7/19/14	Sat	7:00 AM	Julia's Warriors Run For Hope 5K RUN & 1 MILE WALK	R	Smithville High School 645 S. Commercial Ave Smithville, MO	Web	Proceeds benefit St. Lukes Medical Foundation, Smithville Cross Country The Julia Bargman Hope Foundation's Scholarship Program juliasrunforhope@gmail.com http://juliaswarriorsrunforhope.com/
7/19/14	Sat	7:30 AM	Amelia Earhart 2K/8K Fun Run	R	Atchison Family YMCA 321 Commercial Street Atchison Kansas		Lisa Howard 816.294.0250 Iisahoward@kansasciityymcal.org
7/26/14	Sat	7:30 AM	Rock the Crossroads 5K	R	Crossroads KC at Grinders 18th and Oak St Kansas City, MO	Web	Brad Ziegler brad@kcrunningcompany.com
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8/1/2014	Fri	9:00 PM	Moonlight5K Run and Fun Walk	R	Mapleleaf Parkway St. Joseph, MO	Web	Contact: jeanette@graceontheweb.org
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8/2/2014	Sat	7:00 AM	Spencer C. Duncan - Make it Count 5K	R	New Century Air Center, Gardner, KS	Web	Contact and race info: Sheri Burrell msburrell@yahoo.com,The Spencer C Duncan Make It Count SK is the major fund-raising effort of The Spencer C Duncan Make It Count Project, which exists to honor and assist our nation's veterans.
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8/2/2014	Sat	8:00 AM	OMC 5K, 2 Mile, and 1/2 Mile Family Fun Run	R	Heritage Park, 16050 Pflumm Road, Olathe, KS	Web	Two Dollars (\$2) from each race entry will be donated to The Birth Place at Olathe Medical Center. Race Director Kyle Stegeman at (913) 826-2955 or info@jcprd.com.
8/9/2014	Sat	7:00 AM	Overland Park Farmstead Stampede 5K Run / Walk MARA GP (5K)	R	Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead, 135th & Switzer, Overland Park, KS	Web	913-940-7270
8/9/2014	Sat	9:00 AM	Mud and Muck 5K, and 1-Mile Mud Dunk	т	Unity Village, 1901 NW Blue Pkwy, Lee's Summit, MO	Web	Dirt road & Mud Pit, Ben Holmes 816-810-0440 badbendrs@yahoo.com
8/9/2014	Sat	8:00 AM	Saints Stampede 5K Cross- Country Run and Family Fun Day	x	Saint Thomas Aquinas High School11411 Pflumm RoadOverland Park, KS	Web	5K Cross-Country Run on JCCC course, Middle- School 5K Round-Up, Stroller Strut and Family Fun Day Michon Quick, mquick@stasaints.net or (913) 319-2425.
8/10/2014	Sun	7:30:00 AM (for 5K) & 8:00 AM (for 1 mile)	Susan G. Komen Kansas City Race for the Cure – 5K Chip timed race, and, 1 mile fun walk/run	R	Union Station, Pershing and Main Streets, Kansas City, MO	Web	Michael Levin 816-245-7358 or 1-877 Go KOMEN.
8/10/2014	Sun	7:30 AM	Dog Daze Duathlon and 5K Run Duathlon: 5k run, 20mile bike, 5K run. Also a solo 5K run.	R	Warren Middle School, 3501 New Lawrence Road, Leavenworth, Kansas 66048	Web	Bob Garven 913-684-4757
8/16/2014	Sat	8:00 AM	Rivalry Run 5K	R	Downtown, Kansas City, MISSOURI	Web	Missouri runners vs. Kansas runners.
8/16/2014	Sat	8:00 AM	Pre-season Cross Country Open	x	Wyandotte County Park, 901 N 126th St, Kansas City, KS	Web	
8/17/2014	Sun	7:30 AM	Jackson County Triathlon, and Duathlon	3	Longview Lake, Lees Summit, MO	Web	
8/17/2014	Sun	8:00 AM	Hell Creek on Heels 5k/10k Trail Run/Walk	т	Switchgrass Trail, Wilson Lake State Park, KS (30 mi West of Salina, just off I-70)	Web	785-650-1620 sarakay@wildwithinyou.com
8/17/2014	Sun	4:00 PM	Martini MadnessThe Olive Run 5K	R	The Other Place, 16590 West 135th Olathe, KS	Web	Contact Tony Drew 913-339-6767. The race is to fund scholarships for students entering an education career. The scholarships are in memory of Olive Drew, who ran from age 80 to 93 and was a retired teacher
8/23/2014 TBA	Sat	7:00 AM	36th annual Tiblow Trot, 5 Mile Race / 2 Mile Walk	R	Kelly Murphy Park, 2nd & Elm, Bonner Springs, KS	TBA	Bruce Coleman, bruce@colemanequip.com, 816-810-9912 raises money for scholarships and to eliminate polio
8/23/2014	Sat	TBA	Heartland Open/Masters Outdoor Track & Field Meet	0	ТВА	Web	ТВА
8/23/2014 TBA	Sat	8:00 AM	Northland Run [Together] 5K	R	Zona Rosa I-29 and Barry Rd., Kansas City, MO	www.KansasCityYMC A.org	Paula Flynn, Healthy Living Director at Platte County Community Center South YMCAPaulaFlynn@kansascityymca.org Following the Northland Run [TOGETHER] 5k theme, runners are encouraged to register and run together as a team of two and there will be a prize for best outfit. Runners' times will be combined to determine the winning team. Individual times will also be
8/24/2014	Sun	8:00 AM	Head for the Cure 5K Run/Walk	R	Corporate Woods, Overland Park, KS	Web	
ТВА	TBA	8:00 AM	Frontier Fanatic Gunn Park Trail Run	т	Gunn Park Trails, Fort Scott, Kansas	Web	Contact: Regina Casner at 913-991-7860 and info@redteamracing.com

RUNNING HILLS By: John Carsten

How to run uphill

When running up a hill, you've got to do extra work to overcome gravity. This requires your body to recruit more muscles in your legs to overcome the force of gravity and carry you up the slope. Speaking of the incline, the fact that the ground is slanted also alters your foot strike, forcing you to transition to more of a mid/ forefoot-striking style and increasing the forces going through your calves and ankles. This is ultimately a good thing when it comes to performance, as it allows you to get more "rebound" from the ground. Some energy from the impact is stored in your calf muscles and is then released again when you straighten your leg and drive off the ground.

Don't lean forward at the waist

Most runners' natural reaction when they start running up a hill is to lean into it, usually by bending forward at the waist. While it is true that some degree of forward lean is necessary when running up a hill, a lot of people lean much too far forward. This negatively impacts your uphill running ability in several ways.

First, leaning forward inhibits your ability to flex your hips and drive your knee up during the "swing" phase of your gait. You can prove this to yourself right now by standing up straight and lifting your knee towards your chest using your hip flexors, then attempting to do the same thing if you bend forward at the waist. Note the small but perceptible increase in difficulty. An excessive forward lean shortens your hip flexor's range of motion, hurting your efficiency.

Additionally, leaning too far forward inhibits your ability to produce a powerful "toe-off" during the "drive" phase of your gait. To push off the ground and take advantage of the additional energy stored in your calf muscles, you need to fully extend your leg straight behind you, which is achieved most effectively when your upper body is not slanted forward. When you "stand tall" when running up a hill, it makes it easier for your glutes to extend your leg behind you.

Finally, a forward lean also throws your body off-balance by moving your center of gravity too far forward. Without getting too into the nitty-gritty, this also makes it harder for your glutes to drive your leg backwards by increasing the leverage they have to overcome. The positioning of your center of gravity will also come into play when it comes to running downhill, so don't forget about it.

Helpful mental cues to maintain proper form

Although you will have a noticeable forward lean when running uphill, it's helpful to think about "standing tall" when you run up a hill, since you're unlikely to be leaning too far back. This is one of those mental cues that, while technically inaccurate, is still very helpful.

Other helpful cues include "drive your hips" which reminds you to focus on using your hip muscles to power your way up the hill and extend your leg fully behind you. Once you've crested a hill, take care not to slouch over, since that will wreak havoc on your efficiency on the flats, too.

How to run downhill

When it comes to running downhill, the problem is usually the opposite of running uphill: too much backward lean.

Shifting your weight backwards when running downhill is a normal reaction, since it slows you down. Much like the incline of an uphill shifts your footstrike forward, a downhill forces your foot to strike the ground more towards your heel. This by itself increases braking forces, and a backwards lean magnifies this effect.

If you want to slow down, leaning backwards is the right choice. But since a downhill allows you a "free" increase in running speed (since gravity is giving back all the energy you spent going up the hill), you generally want to take advantage of this.

When you lean back, you throw your center of gravity behind your body, requiring you to wait until your feet have passed it to start generating force again.

You also have to weigh the cost of the increased braking forces from leaning back against the increased impact forces of running faster down the hill by leaning "into" the downhill. While there haven't been any scientific studies on this, I suspect that it's better to lean into a hill, since at least in that case your running mechanics are not as different.

It's also important not to lean too far forward on downhills, lest you find yourself careening out of control. As your speed increases, you'll need to quicken your cadence to keep your feet underneath you. You'll need to strike a balance between efficiently using the speed from the downhill and running so fast that it upsets your pacing.

Short downhills aren't usually a problem in this regard, but long, gradual downhills can lull a runner into a pace that's too aggressive, especially early on in a race. Remember, you can always lean back if you are running down a particularly steep downhill and need to back off. Once you've reached the end of the downhill, you can still "coast" for a bit on the speed boost you've gained, but do take care to slow to your normal effort eventually.

Final tips for running hills

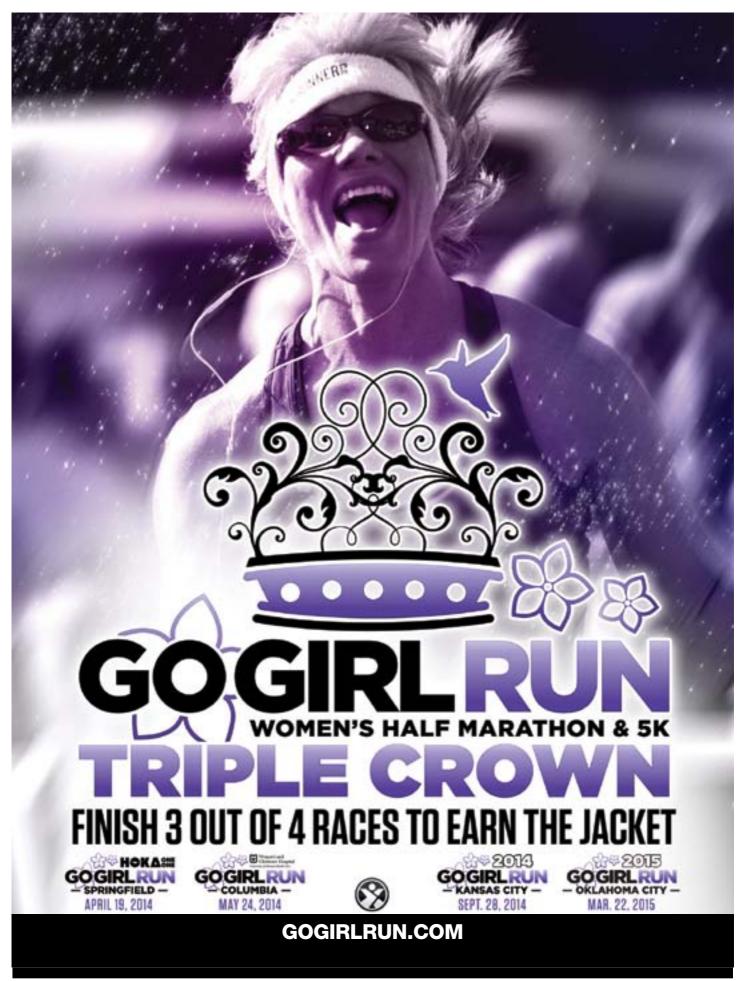
Efficiently running hills boils down to understanding what you're up against. On the way up a hill, you are battling against gravity, so you should "stand tall" with a slight forward lean, drive your legs back and lift your knees up to take advantage of the additional power generated at your ankle, and keep your torso centered over your pelvis.

On the way down a hill, gravity is helping you along, so don't be afraid to "lean and go" down a hill, again keeping your torso centered over your pelvis (relative to the slope of the hill). Quicken up your stride to stay balanced, and maintain an even effort, despite the fact that your pace is increasing going down a hill. Mental cues like "stand tall," "drive your hips," and "lean and go" are great for hill running, since they serve as quick reminders to fix up your running form, especially when you are tired.

If you're having trouble visualizing these concepts, read our previous post on how to run hills, which has some good illustrations.

Keeping these in mind will be a big help when you run your next hilly workout or race.

SOURCE: http://runnersconnect.net/running-trainingarticles/hill-running-form/







June 29, 2014 Overland Park Double Road Race 15k Challenge

"The Double Road Race is the only running event with a halftime. Run 10K first, rest and relax for about an hour, then run 5K. Times are combined for scoring. All Double finishers receive a medal, high performance shirt, cinch sack bag, and more," says Runner's World founder Bob Anderson, who created the Double Road Race.

"I loved the Double," says Cindy. "It was a very fun race. I plan to do it again," says Abel. "Will I run it again?...In a heartbeat!" stated Tim. "I loved every minute of it. This is a very unique event that I feel

would be appealing to runners of all levels," said Tyson. "Really enjoyed the recovery zone," stated Kevin.







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- George Sheehan



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