## SCA Advanced 5 Week Training Program: The Hardcore

This program is for those with a solid base of fitness. You train most days of the week, which includes resistance training, high intensity cardiovascular exercise and you may find yourself competing in events. You enjoy pushing your limits.

## Before you start:

- Always warm up before starting any exercise. A 5-10min brisk walk, include a few drills to warm up the legs. Walk on your toes for 4 steps and then on your heels for 4 steps, repeat this for 1-2mins. Followed by 10-20 stationary squats, a few stretches and you are ready to go! https://youtu.be/61VGVZQYfE8
- Find a set of stairs with $100+$ steps.
- Keep a record of each session, recording how many laps you complete in the specified time.
- If a railing is available, USE IT! It takes a small amount of weight off the legs resulting in better overall stamina.
- Avoid stair climbing on consecutive days, as the legs and lungs need time to recover.

| Week 1 | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 |
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| Session | Stair <br> Climbing | Gym | Cycle/Spin/Swim or group fitness | Gym or Rest | Stair Climbing | Rest | Cycle/Jog |
| Description | 20-30mins <br> Walk x1 <br> Doubles x1 <br> Jog x 1 <br> Repeat |  | 45-60mins |  | Reduce stairs to $50-60$ steps 20-30mins Walk $\times 4$ Jog x3 Rest 60sec Repeat |  | 45-60mins |
| Week 2 | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 |
| Session | Stair <br> Climbing | Gym | Cycle/Spin/swim Or group fitness | Gym or Rest | Stair Climbing | Rest | Cycle/Jog |
| Description | $30-45 \mathrm{mins}$ <br> Double x1 <br> Jog $\times 1$ <br> Double x1 <br> Jog x 1 <br> Walk x1 <br> Repeat |  | 45-60mins |  | Reduce stairs to $50-60$ steps <br> 30-45mins <br> Walk $\times 2$ <br> Run x 3 <br> Rest 1-2mins <br> Repeat |  | 45-60mins |

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"What hurts today, makes you stronger tomorrow "Jay Cutler four time Mr. Olympia

Disclaimer: Before taking up any new activities we advise seeking the advice of your doctor. If you experience any pain, dizziness or injury please consult your health professional.

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| Week 3 | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 |
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| Session | Gym/Swim Cycle | Stair Climbing | Gym or Rest | Stair Climbing | Run/Cycle | Rest | Stair Climbing |
| Description | 45-60mins | 45-60mins <br> Double x1 <br> Jog x1 <br> Double $\times 1$ <br> Jog x 1 <br> Walk x1 <br> Repeat |  | 30-40mins <br> 50 stairs <br> sprint x3 <br> Rest 1-2m <br> Repeat | 45-60mins |  | 60mins <br> Run x2 <br> Double x2 <br> Jog $x 1$ <br> Rest 60sec |
| Week 4 | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 |
| Session | Gym/Swim Cycle | Stair Climbing | Gym or Rest | Stair Climbing | Run /Cycle | Rest | Stair Climbing |
| Description | 45-60mins | 30-40mins <br> Double x1 <br> Jog x2 <br> Double x1 <br> Jog x2 <br> Walk x1 <br> Repeat |  | 45-60mins <br> 50-60stairs <br> Sprint x 4 <br> Rest 1-2m <br> Repeat | 45-60mins |  | $60 \mathrm{mins}+$ <br> Run x2 <br> Double x2 <br> Jog x2 <br> Rest 60sec <br> Repeat |
| Week 5 | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 |
| Session | Rest | Swim/cycle Easy run | Rest | Stair Climbing | Easy Cycle | Rest \& Recover | Race Day! |
| Description |  | 30-40mins |  | 20-30mins <br> Walk x1 <br> Doubles x1 <br> Run 50 <br> stairs x3 <br> repeat | 20-30mins |  |  |

- When running becomes too difficult, don't be afraid to walk - you can still cover good ground with a solid walking pace.
- Your mind will want you to stop before your legs \& lungs - TAKE CONTROL; stair climbing can build a mental strength unlike any other
- Taking two steps at a time may allow you to cover more ground in less time.
- You may experience delayed onset muscle soreness in the 24-48 hours after exercise.
- Take it slow and gradually build up the amount of stair training each week.


## Don't limit your challenges, challenge you limits - Jerry Dunn

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