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Editor's Note

HE BULL RUNNER WAS BORN ON MY 31st BIRTHDAY IN 2007. On

that fateful day, it took me all of 30 minutes to create **thebullrunner.com** as a venue for me to share my newfound passion for running and as an online resource of information for runners. Little did I know that my humble blog would capture the attention of thousands of running enthusiasts and would later gain

recognition as the Best Sports Blog in the Philippine Blog Awards 2008. With the birth of **THE BULL RUNNER MAGAZINE**. I hope to provide you with even more valuable information-such as tips on training, gear, and nutrition, as well as a running calendar and directory-to help improve your performance and give you inspiration to run on.



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PIA N ACTION

When Senator Pia Cayetano, in full hot pink garb, races a ten-kilometer run on a Sunday morning, every stride commands a firm, certain gait, continuously until she crosses the finish line. A regular fixture in running events in the country, the 42 year-old senator finds time to squeeze in running and triathlon in between her duties as a legislator, an advocate for women's rights, and a mother of two.

Pia has always been an athlete. In college, she was part of the University of the Philippines Volleyball Team, which eventually led in her becoming a member of the Philippine team. "In every sport that you do, running always takes part of it because, for instance, in my stint as a volleyball player; it's for warm-ups or cross-training," she says.

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Like most sports enthusiasts, Pia ran to stay fit and shed off the pounds she gained over the years. To compensate for the training time taken from volleyball, Pia ran, joined fun runs and eventually, her first marathon when she was 24.

"After my first marathon, I told myself, never again!" she chuckles as she vividly recalls her first foray into long-distance running.

Às the adage goes, never say never, for Pia ran all throughout three of her pregnancies, and even did her next marathon eleven years after her first. The gap in between marathons grew closer with every race, and even as she ran for a senatorial position in 2004, Pia continued running, even broadening her horizons through duathlon and then eventually, triathlon,

So how does a very busy senator and mother juggle a disciplined training program? "What I do is I eye a big race ahead of time," Pia shares. "Then, if I have to go out of town, and there's a Milo race in the locality, I run the 21k."

Pia's zest for an active lifestyle has been positively contagious. Apart from inspiring and empowering women through her Pinay In Action advocacy and holding an annual multisport festival in memory of deceased son Gabriel, she has also involved her siblings and daughters into the world of sports.

"My brother Lino and I both did NY and Amsterdam marathon in late 2008," Pia relates. "We have always shared similar interest in sports [as we] were both members of the UP volleyball team. He got into triathlon, and then I did." Another brother,

Ren, has gotten into running recently.

Her young daughters Maxine and Nadine are regular fixtures in their mother's running and multisport events. Maxine now runs on a treadmill regularly.

"As for my kids, only time can tell how much influence I have had on them as far as running goes, but I know for sure that sports is already

a part of their life which I am very proud of," she´ beams.

To date, Pia has ran a handful of marathons, half-Ironman triathlons, and even an Ironman distance triathlon at Western Australia, but Pia, at the heart of it all, still staunchly identifies herself as a runner."I like triathlon because of the variety, but I am, first and foremost, a runner."

Pia's stories on career, training, and family can be found on her blog http://mydailyrace.com

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SUMMER GEAR

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Running Form 101

You are constantly searching for the secret formula to make you run faster or longer. But, truth to tell, the answer could be closer than you think: it's in your running form. Follow these tips to run more efficiently:

• **RUN TALL.** Imagine a string attached at the top of your head pulling you up and another string on your chest pulling you slightly forward. By practicing good running posture, you avoid common mistakes such as over striding, leaning back, or heel landing.

• LOOK STRAIGHT AHEAD. Keep your eyes focused in front of you and at the horizon. Avoid staring at your feet or glancing behind while running.

 WATCH YOUR ARM SWING. Bend your arms at a 90-degree angle keeping them low near your hips. They should move back and forth, not sideways crossing your midline as too much rotation in the trunk may lead to leg injuries.

 FIND THE FOOTSTRIKE THAT WORKS FOR YOU.
 There is no hard and fast rule when it comes to footstrike, or how your foot lands on the ground. While the debate goes on whether one should land on the heel or midfoot, it is better to simply run as you naturally would. If you have not encountered any injuries, then there is no immediate need to alter your footstrike.

 PUSH FORWARD, NOT UPWARD. With every step, your legs and foot must push off the ground with force and propel you forward. Avoid bouncing as vertical force downward will only thrust you upward thus wasting energy.

 RELAX. The biggest mistake runners make is to tense up commonly demonstrated in tight shoulders or clenched fists—thus using extra effort to contract muscles, instead of conserving energy for the entire run. Your body should feel loose and light.

S GUEST COACH

Coach Rio de la Cruz is a personal coach, coach of the U.P. Track team and head coach of the Nike Training Clinic. He is also a race organizer and a passionate runner.







BY ARMANDO MENDOZA JR., PTRP

hether you are a weekend warrior or a serious athlete, you must keep in mind that optimal nutrition and athletic performance are inseparable. Therefore, to get your body charged up before the race, remember to carry on this food and hydration checklist:

• The day before the race: make sure you eat sufficient amounts of **CARBOHYDRATES** but not too much. Overloading on carbs may throw your body off balance causing bloating and toilet problems before or during the race. Aim for 3-4 grams of complex carbohydrates per pound of body weight or make sure you consume 55-60% of your total caloric intake from complex carbohydrates like rice, bread, or pasta. On race day, consume at most 1-2 servings of complex carbs 1-2 hours before the race.

Make certain your body is well hydrated before the race by taking adequate amounts of ELECTROLYTE-RICH FOODS and FLUIDS like fresh fruit juices/shakes, sports drinks, and even mineral water. Remember that at least 20%-40% of your performance may be affected by dehydration which may cause dizziness, weakness and muscle cramps. Drink at least 8-16 ounces of fluid 30 minutes before and every after 15-20 minutes during the race to keep dehydration at bay. Be careful in consuming caffeinated drinks prior to the race as this may cause more rapid fluid loss. Before the race, refrain from consuming NEW or UNFAMILIAR FOODS. Some individuals may experience stomach pains or digestive discomfort when experimenting on untried foods before the race. Hence loading up on new foods may post a potential risk of having you to rush to the rest rooms rather than the finish line.





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