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The Sca Princess Hits the Road

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FUN AND VIBRANT TESSA PRIETO-VALDES

GETS SERIOUS WITH RUNNING AND LEARNS THAT HER LEGS CAN TAKE HER FAR BEYOND THE SEAS



HE CLICHÉ "LARGER THAN LIFE" APPLIES TO TESSA PRIETO-VALDES'

exuberance. After all, with all the things she does, the hours in a day seem too few. She maintains a weekly column chronicling everything exciting and colorful, sang and sashayed her way to win a celebrity singing contest, and dresses gaily like a princess who just stepped out of a fairy tale book. Oh, that doesn't end there – she's a wife and mother, an interior designer, and a sports nut. A running enthusiast, to be exact.

And the list goes on.

In an interview with Tessa some years ago during an invitational run, she was talking about getting into running seriously by running the 5k. Two years later, she has completed a full marathon and a half-Ironman triathlon. It was a pleasant surprise to find Tessa's name in the relay division of last year's O3 Long Distance Triathlon as the runner of Team Valdes' 30-kilometer leg. Tessa was a regular fixture in 10k races earlier that year, but the 30k leg was in preparation for her first-ever marathon, the 2008 ING New York Marathon.

"After the NY Marathon, my goal was to finish the Ironman 70.3 and now that's finished, I am still thinking..." she discloses.

So how did she became serious with running in the first place?

"I started seriously running around three years ago when my cousin Jon-jon Rufino invited me to join a triathlon race in Subic for fun. At that time, I didn't even have a bike so I just did the swim and the run leg. The race was so much fun, he told me to train for a year

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for the NY Marathon and do the race with the rest of my cousins. Even if he is ten years younger than me, Jon-jon is so encouraging and inspiring that I did take up his challenge and completed that race. My coach Ani de Leon taught me the proper form with our twice a week sessions." Tessa shares.

With an ace triathlete like Ani to coach her, she had to make some adjustments in her lifestyle. "I had to definitely lessen my social life especially late night parties and events. My cocktail drinks are much less. My eating habits are different. My breakfast meals are more loaded with carbohydrates and so are my dinners."

While the rest of the fortysomethings encounter one midlife crises after another, Tessa is right smack in the middle of a midlife celebration. Be it over cocktails or road races, Tessa brings the party wherever her feet take her – flamenco or fartlek.

The oftentimes gown-clad Tessa also had to incorporate sports shopping

into her wardrobe. "My vanity table is filled with anti-wrinkle sunblocks. and muscle relaxing aids, like Tiger Balm, etc... all smelly stuff that makes me smell like a grandma according to Dennis, my husband." she humors.

Despite her recent achievements in running and triathlon, Tessa still calls herself Ani's "laziest student." Tuesdays and Thursdays are most crucial though, as they are for running drills, strengthening exercises, and long runs.

For Tessa, running is a celebration of life, a celebration of what she is capable of doing. "It is also the fulfillment and joy of the sport at this point in my life of being mid-forties. The body is capable of fantastic activities if you set your mind to it. I have never felt this healthy and energetic," she beams. With a marathon and a half-Ironman triathlon off her list, the possibilities are endless as to what she'll do next. In the meantime, we can only just wait with bated breath and wonder what next adventure Tessa will embark on.

Q&A with Tessa

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The amount of weight lost during exercise (in oz^{*}) + The amount of fluid consumed during exercise (in o

Fluid needed for good hydration

* Each 16 oz loss is equivalent to 1 lb.

For example, if an athlete loses 1.5 lbs (24 oz) during exercise, 24 oz each hour should be consumed during similar-intensity workouts. In this example, drinking 6 oz every 15 minutes would do it.

Another way of checking your hydration status is through the color of your urine. A well-hydrated person's urine will remind you of lemonade, while a dehydrated person produces less urine than normal and it looks darker, like apple juice.

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Ask any runner and the default reply you would get is, "Sarap eh!" Probe some more and you'll get countless reasons why running has become their sport of choice.

It's probably because running is an all-natural way to stay healthy. All you need is a sturdy pair of running shoes and you're ready to run countless miles. With the right motivation it becomes a habit, then that "runner's high" becomes a daily must-have.

Running also provides great mental escape. It allows your mind to temporarily detach from the world, and just let your thoughts run free - or maybe fly. Whether that's 5k on the road or 20k on a trail, running can be both a physical workout and a spiritual excursion.

Today, running has not only become a sport but a lifestyle. It has inspired people to constantly explore and test their limits, more than just the desire to be in shape or to look good. Many may find running to be boring or just not fashionable enough, but the truth is, it's one of the easiest and most fulfilling forms of exercise, only if you do it right.

You don't have to join races to enjoy the benefits of running. But races are a great way to set training goals and gable your improvement. With races every weekend, the Philippines has become a running unkie's heaven. The atmosphere at the start and finish lines is electric, and the adrenaline rush you get as you run through the cheering crowd is something you wouldn't find on solo runs.

So how are you sure you get off on the right foot?

Map out a course that is best suited for you. Whether that's your immediate neighborhood or an ultramarathon, what matters is to run on a course that matches your skills. Beginners should shy away from hills and stick to flat courses for their first few weeks.

Run at your own pace. If you're new to running, trying to match the pace of seasoned runners is a recipe for disaster. Even they will tell you that you should start running at easy intervals to help your body adapt to the new routine.

Use the right gear. Many first-time runners figure they can get away with running in basketball or badminton shoes. Wrong! Running shoes are designed to protect your feet from the pounding they will get. Today's

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technology has also made it possible for shoe companies to create shoes that correct biomechanical flaws such as overpronation and supination. These conditions can lead to running injuries if not corrected so before you buy a pair of shoes, make sure they are meant for your feet. Leading running stores ofter free gait analysis to determine your foot type and shide. This is the first step you should take before even looking at the shoes on the shelf.

Hydrate. Hydrate. Hydrate. You lose a lot of water when you run. Take sips of water or a sports drink regularly. Never gulp it down because you'll end up with a heavy feeling in the stomach. On longer runs, choose a sport drink so you can replace lost electrolytes.

Fuel naturally.

Runners expend a lot of calories during exercise. But this doesn't mean you're free to binge on anything. Pre-run meals or snacks should be high in carbohydrates but kept light enough so you don't run heavy. Immediately after a run, meals must be taken within 30 minutes to ensure you get nutrients to help rebuild your spent muscles. Granola bars such as Nature Valley are an excellent way to replenish energy stores that are depleted during exercise as carbohydrates from whole grain oats are converted to blood glucose, and ultimately into glycogen, for rolet. Nature Valley is made of rolled, whole grain oats mixed with other wholesome ingredients like honey, huits and nuts.

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Run Safe & Smart

BY COACH PATRICK JOSON

SOYOU'RE HOOKED INTO RUNNING? Before you go any further, practice these wise tips to ensure an injure-free and enjoyable run:

- Visit a cardiologist and have your heart condition checked before you begin your running program.
- Make sure you are using not just a good pair of running shoes, but one that is right for your foot type.
- Walk for a minimum of 5-10 minutes before you start running. This will regulate your heart rate.
- Stretch after a warm-up & cooldown.
- Eat proper amounts of carbohydrates and protein so you have fuel to burn.
- Get a massage at least once a month to prevent muscle tightness.
- During long and slow runs, keep your heart rate within 80% of your maximum heart rate.
- Running hills can improve your performance, but make sure to take recovery breaks in between.
- Hydrate every 15 to 20 minutes to avoid dehydration.
- Consult with a coach or a physician if you are experiencing pain.





GUEST COACH: PATRICK JOSON

Patrick is a triathlon and running coach in the Alabang area. He admits to getting butterflies in his stomach whenever he witnesses his students beating their "personal best" or achieving a "runners' high." He is also an entrepreneur and Yabang Pinoy advocate.



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BY MITCH FELIPE-MENDOZA, M.A., P.T.R.P

Keeping the right weight will do wonders for your running performance. Follow these guidelines (C-A-R-B-S) to maintain or lose weight and, hopefully, improve your running time:

ustomize your eating plan based on your current and goal weight, activity level, and lifestyle. Never deprive yourself by following a strict diet plan like eating less than 1,200 calories/day. Losing more than 2 pounds/ week will not work for a performance runner.

void drinking alcohol especially at night. It contains useless calories and causes you to consume other high-fat foods like "chicharon" and chips. It also disrupts your sleeping pattern and affects your performance the next day.

R egulate your total daily intake by eating at regular intervals. Avoid hunger pangs and ensure a quality running performance by eating every 3 to 4 hours consisting of 3 main meals and 2 to 3 snacks.

alance your plan by including the right amounts of protein (15-25%) and fat (20-25%) in your diet aside from carbohydrates (55-60%). Have enough fruits and vegetables for needed vitamins, minerals and fiber. Hydrate yourself well with water during the day.

ubstitute complex carbs for sweets or junk foods. Ask yourself, "Will the calories I will be taking in from this food contribute to my performance or will it just make me gain weight?" Instead of eating pastries, opt for a low-fat carbohydrate meal like pasta or sandwich instead.



Mitch Felipe-Mendoza is a lifestyle and weight coach, a fitness trainer and passionate runner who has helped a lot of her clients manage weight and improve running performance by combining her background and experience in psychology, exercise, nutrition, and injury prevention. She's also a regular wellness contributor of Philippine Daily Inquirer and a weight loss columnist for Women's Health Philippines.



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We asked experts in their respective fields (yes, they are runners, too) to supply the answers to a few of your running questions:

DO RUNNERS REALLY **NEED INSOLES?**

Not all runners need insoles. It is only recommended for certain foot types. The best way to determine if you require insoles is to visit credible shoe stores or an orthopedic surgeon who will analyze



your foot type by way of a pressure plate, video gait analysis, or mirrors to study your foot anatomy and make the proper recommendation.

- Dr. George Canlas is an orthopedic surgeon specializing in sports medicine. He was once a member of the National Track Team.

CAN YOU RECOMMEND A **GOOD SUNBLOCK THAT** WON'T LEAVE ME FEELING HOT AND STICKY WHILE I RUN?

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- 3. Hawaiian Tropic SPF 45 Sheer Touch Sunscreen, at Rustan's, PCX

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- Marie Calica, former beauty and fitness editor of Marie Claire Phils., is a freelance beauty writer and makeup artist, rock climber, and runner (www.thebeautycoach.wordpress.com)

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Age Defiance: Kim Ong Runs Beyond 60

At her prime, artist Kim Ong proved that it's never too late for someone to take on a challenge. "I did my first marathon when I was fifty," she shares. Now, many long-distance races and an ultramarathon later, Kim keeps finding ways to challenge herself. Her first full marathon at San Diego in 1999 was the start, and she never looked back. She has done several other marathons, with Hong Kong, Singapore, and the San Diego Rock n Roll, among many others.

Kim's drive is fueled by her passion for the new and exciting. By eating right, following a training program, and looking after her health, she manages to be on top of her game. "I listen to my body, I put on the mileage, but the key is, I do what my body tells me," she confesses.

She also engages in other activities such as yoga, core training, and pilates that enable her to keep on running. "I do things in full force, even if I'm not young anymore. However, I have the stamina; it's something you get by age." Kim likens herself to an engine – "I'm not a brand-new one, but I always have to double-check, tune up, listen to my body very, very closely. The body is an artwork – there should be a symmetry among the elements in it to maintain strength and spirit," she says.

What gives her that added boost to go the distance is her choice of Hammer nutritional supplements that give her that rock-solid surge of energy during intense performances, eliminates post-exercise discomfort, and accelerates muscle recovery time. To top it all off, Kim fuels herself for extreme endurance so she can enjoy her life as an artist, mother, and grandmother.

In the running world, Kim is known for being very motherly and caring to her fellow runners. But don't be fooled by the sweet smile and gentle demeanor – Kim's resilience is her main fuel, and it has taken her distances beyond sixty.

KIM ONG Marathoner, Grandmother



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RUNNING IN BANAUE & SAGADA

We asked Simon Sandoval, Pinoy Ultra Runner and recent finisher of The North Face Ultra-Trail du Mont-Blanc (UTMB) in Chamonix, France for running and travel tips in Banaue and Sagada:

WHERE TO STAY: Banaue Hotel and Youth Hostel (Banaue), Sagada Homestay (Sagada) WHAT TO BRING: rain and cold weather gear, hydration, headlamps, food, money, and of course, a camera WHY RUN IN BANAUE? The air is clean, people are friendly, traffic is sparse, and the views are great! There is a lot of concreting going on between Banaue, Sagada and Baguio, so the road conditions will improve soon. Unfortunately, this will also make the run less exciting! Congratulations to Simon for winning P3,000 worth of R.O.X. Gift Certificates for his travel photo. Email a photo of yourself running anywhere in the Philippines to thebullrunner@gmail. com. If your photo is printed, you win P2,000 worth of Timex Gift Certificates!

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