If you've never used a training plan before then don't be put off - it is a guide and doesn't have to be followed to the letter.
This is supposed to be fun - SO HAVE FUN!!!

Tips:

SPECIFIC)

If training on the road, incorporate some hills into your training.
Add front \& back flashing lights to your bike if training outside.
If riding stationary bike, reduce scheduled distance by 0.75 to account for lack of downhills and freewheeling.

Drink fluid throughout training (or event) ride.
Aim for 500ml fluid per 1 hour.
Eat something after 1 h 30 min (depending on metabolism).

Do no ride event on new equipment or supplements (or food $\&$ drink) - test it out a few days ahead of the event
Do not eat anything special (that you are not used to) the day before your event -
it can cause un upset stomach on the day.

|  | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 |
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|  | Easy | Moderate | Moderate | Easy |
|  | Week 1 is purely to get used to riding a bike multiple times a week. There are no complicated training sessions. Just get time in the saddle. | Week 2 is a progression from week 1 where we will start to add more specific efforts (nothing too complicated) | Week 3 is a progression from week 2 where we will start to add more specific efforts (nothing too complicated) | Week 4 will be easier than the previous 2 weeks as your body will need to recover and adapt to the training completed thus far. |
| Monday | Prepare <br> Check over your bike and kit, making sure everything is ready for you to begin riding tomorrow. | Rest \& Recovery day <br> Ideally, get a massage or at least perform selfmassage of your leg muscles, especially your quads. | Rest \& Recovery day <br> Ideally, get a massage or at least perform selfmassage of your leg muscles, especially your quads. | Prepare <br> Clean \& check over your bike and kit, making sure everything is ready for you to begin riding tomorrow. <br> Remember, a clean bike is a fast bike. <br> If possible, get a massage or perform selfmassage on your legs. |
| Tuesday | 45 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. | 1hr ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy to moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $5 \times 30$ s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 45 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. |
| Wednesday | 30-45min ride <br> Easy ride. Aim for 30 min minimum depending on your bum \& legs (how sore they are) | 45 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. <br> This ride is an active recovery ride with the idea of keeping the legs moving for the next day's harder session. | 45 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. <br> This ride is an active recovery ride with the idea of keeping the legs moving for the next day's harder session. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. |
| Thursday | 1 hr ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. | 1 hr ride <br> Easy to moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $\mathbf{5 x} \mathbf{3 0}$ s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy to moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $\mathbf{5 x} \mathbf{1 m i n}$ harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | Rest <br> Try and do some stretching on your rest day. 15 min to stretch out your legs, shoulders and back. |


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| Saturday | Endurance <br> Endurance rides should be your longer rides of the week. <br> Aim for $50 \%$ of event distance ( 15 km ) or 1 hr (whichever is greater). Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. | Endurance <br> Endurance rides should be your longer rides of the week. <br> Aim for $60 \%$ of event distance ( 18 km ) or 1 hr 15 min (whichever is greater). Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation relatively easily. | Endurance <br> Endurance rides should be your longer rides of the week. <br> Aim for $70 \%$ of event distance $(21 \mathrm{~km}$ ) or 1 hr 30 min (whichever is greater). Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation relatively easily. | Endurance <br> Endurance rides should be your longer rides of the week. <br> Aim for $60 \%$ of event distance $(18 \mathrm{~km})$ or 1 hr 15 min (whichever is greater). Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation relatively easily. |
| Sunday | Saturday ride if it was missed. <br> Otherwise, 1hr ride concentrating on a higher than normal cadence. <br> If unable to ride, go for a 30 min brisk walk to flush out any lactic acid in the legs. | Saturday ride if it was missed. <br> Otherwise, 1hr ride concentrating on a higher than normal cadence. <br> If unable to ride, go for a 30 min brisk walk to flush out any lactic acid in the legs. | Saturday ride if it was missed. <br> Otherwise, $\mathbf{1} \mathbf{h r}$ ride concentrating on a higher than normal cadence. <br> If unable to ride, go for a 30 min brisk walk to flush out any lactic acid in the legs. | Saturday ride if it was missed. <br> Otherwise, $\mathbf{1 h r}$ ride concentrating on a higher than normal cadence. <br> If unable to ride, go for a 30 min brisk walk to flush out any lactic acid in the legs. |


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|  | Hard | Hard | Hard | Easy |
|  | Week 5 will be your first hard week. Your body would have adapted to the training load with week 4 providing adequate recovery to adapt. | Week 6 will be a progression from week 5 and will include slightly longer efforts. | Week 7 will be another hard week before a recovery week next week. | Week 8 will be easier than the previous 3 weeks as your body will need to recover and adapt to the training completed thus far. |
| Monday | 1 hr ride <br> Easy/Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should feel harder than usual with elevated heart rate numbers. | Rest \& Recovery day <br> Ideally, get a massage or at least perform selfmassage of your leg muscles, especially your quads. | Prepare <br> Clean \& check over your bike and kit, making sure everything is ready for you to begin riding tomorrow. <br> Remember, a clean bike is a fast bike. <br> If possible, get a massage or perform selfmassage on your legs. |
| Tuesday | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $5 \times 1$ min harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform 5 x 90 s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform 5 x 90 s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 45min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. |
| Wednesday | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation. <br> This ride is an active recovery ride with the idea of keeping the legs moving for the next days harder session. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. <br> This ride is an active recovery ride with the idea of keeping the legs moving for the next day's harder session. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. <br> This ride is an active recovery ride with the idea of keeping the legs moving for the next day's harder session. | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy ride on the road or on a stationary bike. Your effort should be such that you can hold a conversation easily. |
| Thursday | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Harder ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $5 \mathbf{x} 90$ s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Harder ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $\mathbf{5 x} \mathbf{2 m i n}$ harder efforts (at feel) with $\mathbf{3 m i n}$ easy pedalling between sets. | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Harder ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $\mathbf{5 x} \mathbf{2 m i n}$ harder efforts (at feel) with $\mathbf{3 m i n}$ easy pedalling between sets. | Rest <br> Try and do some stretching on your rest day. 15 min to stretch out your legs, shoulders and back. |


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|  | Moderate | Bobbo week |
|  | Week 9 will be used to ease back into longer sessions toward the end of the week. | You will do 1 harder effort prior to easing into the Bobbo <br> You prepared for this, You trained for this, YOU GOT THIS!! |
| Monday | Rest \& Recovery day <br> Ideally, get a massage or at least perform self massage of your leg muscles, especially your quads. | 1 hr 30 min ride <br> Moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $5 \times 2 \mathrm{~min}$ harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. |
| Tuesday | 1 hr 15 min ride <br> Easy to moderate ride on the road or on a stationary bike. <br> During the ride, perform $5 \times 30$ s harder efforts (at feel) with 3 min easy pedalling between sets. | Rest <br> Try and do some stretching on your rest day. 15 min to stretch out your legs, shoulders and back. |
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