Sat Oct 14, 2017 no running

Sun Oct 15, 2017 26.2 miles

I ran the Amsterdam Marathon. It was warm and very humid for the last 10 miles and I had to drink a lot. I think I was over trained for this run because I ran a good deal faster 5 weeks ago in the Erie Marathon. On the other hand, it was a very nice experience. There were about 16,000 runners in the marathon. I had 10 family members and friends out on the course and at the end cheering for me. Time: 4:26:12

Mon Oct 16, 2017 3 miles

A bakfiets is a bike that has a box in the front that is large enough to carry small children. Joe had his dog Figo in his bakfiets and I rode on a bike 1 mile to Amsterdamse Bos (Amsterdam's Woods). We all walked on trails and paths for 2.5 miles and had a great time. Then we rode 1 mile back.

Tues Oct 17, 2017 3 miles

I walked and ran 3 miles.

Wed Oct 18, 2017 3.35 miles

I ran 3 miles on walking paths. Splits: 9:17, 8:39, 8:41 average pace = 8:52/mile I walked 0.35 miles at average pace of 15:18/mile.

Thur Oct 19, 2017 4.5 miles

jogged 1/4 mile

I ran 4 miles on walking and bike paths in 35:41, out in 18:13 and back in 17:28. jogged ¼ mile

Fri Oct 20, 2017 5 miles

jogged ½ mile

I did the same run as yesterday only faster.

I ran 4 miles on walking and bike paths in 34:36, out in 17:55 and back in 16:41. jogged ½ mile

45.1 miles in the last week

Sat Oct 21, 2017 no running

We flew from Amsterdam to Milan Italy and traveled to Lake Como.

Sun Oct 22, 2017 6 miles

First I walked about 3 miles near Lake Como in Argegno.

Later ran up a hill that went up about 550 feet in 1.5 miles then I turned around and ran down.

Mon Oct 23, 2017 3.5 miles

I walked about 3.5 miles on very hilly roads near Lake Como.

Tues Oct 24, 2017 3 miles

I walked and ran about 3 miles on hilly walking paths near Lake Como.

Wed Oct 25, 2017 **2.6 miles**

I ran and walked up and down a tough hill twice. The hill was 0.65 miles long and gained 406 feet.

Time up: 11:50 Time down: 7:58 Time up: 11:12 Time down: 7:51

This was a very good hill work out.

Thur Oct 26, 2017 4 miles

I walked about 2 miles in Bellagio and Varenna near Lake Como. Later I ran and walked about 2 miles in about 40 minutes. This included up and down a steep hill in Varenna. It was a 600 foot ascent on a cobblestone path with no level spots.

Fri Oct 27, 2017 4.5 miles

I ran and walked about 3 miles. This included up and down a steep hill in Varenna. It was a 600 foot ascent on a cobblestone path with no level spots. Later I walked about 1.5 miles.

23.6 miles in the last week

Sat Oct 28, 2017 **2.5 miles**

In Varenna I jogged ¼ mile to warm up and then ran 1 mile out and 1 mile back.

Splits: 8:40 and 8:23. Then I warmed down with a ¼ mile jog.

We traveled to Milan and flew back to Amsterdam.

Sun Oct 29, 2017 **6.75 miles**

In Amsterdam I warmed up with a ½ mile jog and then ran out and back 6 miles on flat bike paths and roads. Splits: 8:40, 8:28, 8:15, 8:25, 8:26, 8:06. I warmed down with a ½ mile jog. Average pace = 8:23/mile

I am going to gradually increase the amount of interval training I am doing.

Mon Oct 30, 2017 3 miles

I ran 3 miles on bike paths in 28:33. The run included 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile with a $\frac{1}{4}$ mile jog between the halves. The times of the $\frac{1}{2}$ miles were 3:54 and 3:56.

Tues Oct 31, 2017 4 miles

I ran 4 miles on flat roads and bike paths averaging 9:30/mile.

Wed Nov 1, 2017 4.25 miles

I ran 1.5 miles at about 9:30/mile and then rested 1 minute. On a long straight bike path, I ran 3 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile with $\frac{1}{4}$ mile jogs between the half miles. The $\frac{1}{2}$ mile times were 3:54, 3:44 and 3:49. I jogged $\frac{3}{4}$ miles to warm down.

Thurs Nov 2, 2017 **4.75 miles**

I warmed up with a ½ mile jog and then ran 4 miles on flat bike paths. The average pace was 9:25/mile. I warmed down with a ¼ mile jog.

Fri Nov 3, 2017 **3 miles**

I rode a bike 5 miles and ran and walked 1.5 miles. The 5 miles of bike riding I take equivalent to about 1.5 miles of running.

28.25 miles in the last week

Sat Nov 4, 2017 **7.5 miles**

I warmed up with 1.5 miles that included about 10 short pickups.

Then I ran intervals on a long, straight, flat bike path.

I ran 6 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile with a $\frac{1}{4}$ mile jog after each $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. The jogs took about 3:30. The times for the $\frac{1}{2}$ miles were: 3:56, 3:59, 3:57, 3:54, 3:53, 3:44

I rested 2 minutes and ran 2 x 0.2 miles with a 0.3 mile jog between the 0.2 mile runs. The times for the 0.2 mile runs were 82.3s (6:51/mile) and 85.5s (7:07/mile). I warmed down with a 0.55 mile jog.

Sun Nov 5, 2017 4 miles

I warmed up with ½ mile, ran 3 miles and warmed down with ½ mile. The average pace for the 3 miles was 9:19/mile. I felt good after yesterday's tough workout.

Mon Nov 6, 2017 4 miles

I warmed up with ½ mile, ran 3 miles and warmed down with ¾ mile. The average pace for the 3 miles was 8:53/mile.

After yesterday and today's runs I think I am ready for a good tempo run tomorrow.

Tues Nov 7, 2017 9 miles

I warmed up with a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile jog and then ran out and back 6 miles on flat bike paths and roads. Splits: 8:32, 8:31, 8:31, 8:20, 8:09, 7:58. I warmed down with a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile jog. The average pace for the 6 mile run = 8:20/mile.

Compare this 6 mile run with the one I had on Sun Oct 29 on the same course. Then the splits were 8:40, 8:28, 8:15, 8:25, 8:26, 8:06. Today I felt more in control of the pace and stronger. The interval training is already proving beneficial.

Later on in the day I ran and walked 2 miles.

Wed Nov 8, 2017 2 miles

I ran 1 mile at various paces. Later I road 3 miles on a bike at various speeds. I take the 3 miles of bike riding to be equivalent to 1 mile of running.

Thur Nov 9, 2017 4.5 miles

I road 9 miles on a bike and ran about 1.5 miles. I take 9 miles of bike riding to be equivalent to 3 miles of running.

Fri Nov 10, 2017 **4.75 miles**

I was going to run intervals but didn't feel up to it. I ran 4 miles averaging 9:47 and then jogged 0.75 miles.

35.75 miles in the last week.

Sat Nov 11, 2017 5 miles

I ran 2 miles in 18:00 and rested 1 minute. Then I ran 4 x 0.2 miles with a 0.3 mile jog between the runs. The times for the 0.2 mile runs were 84s, 88s, 83s and 84s. The average pace for these was near to 7:00/mile. I warmed down with a 1.3 mile jog.

Sun Nov 12, 2017 **0.5 miles**

I ran a half mile before we flew from Amsterdam to Toronto. I have a cold.

Mon Nov 13, 2017 no running

We drove home from Toronto. My cold is a little better.