

You should have goals for every race you do, even training races. Write below what three things you would like to accomplish or learn today.

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To Bring

Swim

- ☐ Tri shorts, swimsuit, or tri suit
- $\hfill\Box$ 2 sets of goggles (I like one tinted and one normal)
- ☐ Bright-colored towel
- □ Wetsuit

Bike

- ☐ Helmet
- □ Cycling shoes
- ☐ Socks (if wearing)
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Water bottle(s)
- □ Nutrition
- □ Tool Kit
- □ Tube

□ CO2

- □ Levers
- ☐ Multitool
- ☐ Floor pump (pump up your tires before you leave home but leave the pump in your car just in case)

Run

- ☐ Running shoes (2 pairs if you have a late start time. One to leave in transition and one to warm up in)
- ☐ Race belt
- ☐ Hat/visor

Other

- ☐ Training device (Garmin, Timex, etc.) & heart rate strap
- ☐ Body Glide
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Vaseline, powder, band-aids
- ☐ Blunt nose scissors for sticker origami
- ☐ Post-race, warm change of clothes
- ☐ Post-race recovery drink/snack with a 4:1 ratio of carbs vs. protein

To Do

- Wake up early and eat 3-4 hours before your start time. Eat only familiar, easily-digestible foods (example: banana and a bagel with jam).
- ☐ Stop *drinking* fluids about 2 hours before your start time. Continue *sipping* as needed. Pee, pee, and then pee again (don't worry, everybody pees in their wetsuit).
- ☐ Get to the race early to secure a good spot in transition.

 Ideally, this is a spot on the end of the rack close to the bike in/out.

"Endurance is not just the ability to bear a hard thing, but to turn it into glory."

"William Barclay"

- ☐ Make a mental note of landmarks to help you easily find your rack.
- ☐ Use a bright-colored towel so your area stands out...and be courteous. NO BEACH TOWELS!
- ☐ Leave the balloons at home you will not make any friends if your balloon is tangled around someone else's bike.
- ☐ Organize your gear in the order you will use it run through transitions in your mind.
- ☐ Complete a good 10-15 minute running warm-up about 45 minutes before start time
- □ Put on your wetsuit and hop in the water for a good swim warm-up 15-20 minutes before your start time. Be on the line 5-10 minutes before the gun.
- ☐ Remember that this is why you put in all those training hours. Believe in your training, do your best and have fun!