# Week 10 - Karl's Interval Weight Loss challenge

This is week 10 of Karl's *Interval Weight Loss* journey. He has chosen to follow an evidence-based plan for prevention of weight regain – *Interval Weight Loss* - and each week Karl is being taught a different principle of the plan to help him form life-long habits. You can find his week one meal plan which focused on portion sizes <a href="here">here</a>, his week two meal plan which focused on overcoming food addiction <a href="here">here</a>, his week three meal plan which focused on improving sleep quality <a href="here">here</a>, his week four meal plan which focused on what foods to eat for weight loss and good health <a href="here">here</a>, and his week five, six, seven and eight meal plans which focused on the importance of weight maintenance breaks and exercise <a href="here">here</a>, <a href="here">here</a>).

If you don't like some of these foods in this week's meal plan or can't access them, don't worry

- just substitute! Many of these recipes are available in the IWL online program —

www.intervalweightloss.com - or in any of the three IWL books, but you can also find plenty

of substitutes online. The important thing is to get variety in your Interval Weight Loss plan

(over the week, not necessarily day-to-day) and to get in the kitchen and continue with those
healthy habits.

Just like Karl, you can track your daily progress on IWL using the online program and app found <a href="here">here</a>. You can find information on the six key steps to long-term weight loss success <a href="here">here</a> and a downloadable PDF of the principles to stick on your fridge <a href="here">here</a>. Lastly, you can find information on 'What to Eat on the IWL plan' <a href="here">here</a> and a downloadable PDF <a href="here">here</a>. Don't be too hard on yourself; keep working on changing one habit at a time and remember that it takes 66 days for new habits to form.

### Sunday

Brekkie – Nutty tahini granola. Make a large batch to use for breakfasts and snacks throughout the week. See included IWL recipe.

Morning tea – 200g natural yoghurt with berries and honey.

Lunch – Home-made pizzas. Use some wholemeal Lebanese breads for the bases and try a variety of flavours with different veggies.

Afternoon tea – Piece of fruit with a small handful of nuts.

Dinner – Easy green risotto. This recipe with cooking demonstration can be found here.

#### Monday

Brekkie – Zucchini overnight oats. Make sure to prep this one the night before. This recipe can be found here.

Morning tea – Avocado on wholegrain toast.

Lunch – Leftover risotto from last night.

Afternoon tea – One apple with almond butter.

Dinner – Crispy chickpea salad – see included IWL recipe.

#### **Tuesday**

Brekkie – Nutty tahini granola made on Sunday.

Do you know which milk is healthiest? You can watch this short video <u>here</u>.

Morning tea – Two mandarins.

Lunch – Leftover crispy chickpea salad.

Afternoon tea – Tin of tuna in olive oil on wholegrain crackers.

Dinner – Tray baked salmon (or chicken – drumsticks work well and are kid and budget friendly) and vegetables. Try cauliflower, broccoli, potato, sweet potato, zucchini or pumpkin.

Do you know what oil you should be cooking with? You can watch this short video here.

#### Wednesday

Brekkie – Avocado on wholegrain toast with sliced tomato, plus coffee made with milk.

Morning tea – Piece of fruit with a handful of roasted cashews or almonds.

Lunch – Quarter BBQ chook, ½ packet of pre-cooked microwave rice and a bag of salad from the supermarket.

Afternoon tea – Small Greek or natural yogurt with berries (fresh or frozen).

Dinner – Vegetable minestrone with wholegrain bread. If you have a slow cooker, you can get this going in the morning before work/life gets in your way, and have a healthy, cheap and delicious meal waiting for you at 6pm. There are plenty of soup recipes in your IWL app.

#### **Thursday**

Brekkie – Microwave porridge with berries, apple and cinnamon, honey, nuts or stewed rhubarb.

Morning tea – One banana.

Lunch – Leftover soup.

Afternoon tea – Tin of tuna on wholegrain crackers.

Dinner – Treat yourself! Go out and have whatever you like.

#### **Friday**

Brekkie – Two boiled eggs with two slices of wholegrain toast, plus coffee with milk.

Morning tea – One apple with almond butter.

Lunch – Roast veggies – can be speedily bulked up by a microwave packet of quinoa, rice or barley.

Afternoon tea – Large handful of nuts and a mandarin.

Dinner – Fried rice – get ahead by cooking the whole bag of rice at once and freezing what you don't use for next time. Chuck in lots of veggies and add a fried egg on top if you're feeling fancy.

## Saturday

Brekkie – Big vegetarian brekkie – mushrooms, spinach, eggs, tomato, eggplant or whatever else takes your fancy, served with wholegrain toast.

Morning tea – Carrot sticks with hummus (easy to eat on the sideline of kids' sport or rushing around in the car).

Lunch – Leftover fried rice.

Afternoon tea – Mini cheeseboard – use sliced apple, carrot or celery instead of a cracker, and have a small amount (like five slices) of a hard cheese like cheddar or Jarlsberg.

Dinner – Spaghetti bolognaise. For both health and budget reasons, try adding in vegetables like carrots, peas and mushrooms, plus a tin of lentils, to make your meal go further, taste better and be better for your health.