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		Total time (s)	3441										
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50 Club	Set Type	Day	2	Sets x Reps	Rest	Tempo	1	2	3	4	5	6	Notes
1	Set	Push	Dumbbell incline bench press	50 Club		3010							
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2	Set	Legs - Ham	Hamstring curl	50 Club		2010							
3a	Superset	Legs - Quad	Dumbbell front squat	50 Club		4010							
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		Total time (s)	2205										
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1	Set	Legs - Quad	Barbell back squat	4x8	100	2010	8 Reps	8 Reps	8 Reps	8 Reps			
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		Total time (s)	2592								_		
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Za	Superset	Shoulders	press	4x6	50	2010	o neps	o neps	o neps	o neps			
2b	Superset	Pull	Dumbbell chest supported bent over row	4x8	100	2010	8 Reps	8 Reps	8 Reps	8 Reps			
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3	Superset	Legs - Quad	Dumbbell front squat	50 Club		4010							
4	Superset	Calfs	Standing calf raise	50 Club		3010							
5	Set	Abs	Swiss ball roll outs	50 Club		2010							
6	Set	Abs - Rotational	Plate twist	50 Club		2010							Take the rest between each side AND before starting the next exercise
		Total time (s)	2744										
		Total time (min and sec)	45min44sec										

