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There are a variety of ways in which to design an aqua circuit class. An instructor is limited only by imagination and commitment to developing a unique circuit class which meets the needs of the participants.

The actual aqua circuit class can range from 30 to 60 minutes in length. The instructor may choose to gradually integrate muscle conditioning and cardio "stations" into the regular class format, or introduce a "new" aqua circuit class into the schedule.

With thought and consideration, the instructor can create an atmosphere which provides pleasure, protection and permission for the participants. This can be accomplished by educating participants about how to execute exercises safely and effectively. Teaching the names of specific muscles and joint actions will encourage participants to focus on the movement and become more body aware. Introducing intensity options will enable participants to select the appropriate exercise modification to suit their needs.

These options include variations in:

- hand positions (slice, punch, push, pull, and "webs");
- lever lengths (dorsi/plantar flexion, elbow/knee flexion);
- speed of movement (tempo, double or half time);
- range of motion (small, medium and large)

The aqua circuit class format can be approached from many different angles. Allow your creative juices to flow

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Muscle Focus: The "Stations"

Muscle Focus 1: Biceps and Triceps

Joint Action:

Elbow flexion and extension

Variation:

(a) ant. elb. flxt; (b) lat. elb. flxt; (c) post. elb. flxt

Complimentary Leas: narrow jog or march (n.j'om)

Arm Sequence:

- A (i) 1/2t ant. elb. flxt, hands slice or punch
 - (ii) 1/2t ant. elb. flxt, palms up
 - (iii) 1/2t ant. elb. flxt, palms down
 - (iv) 1/2t ant. elb. flxt, hands slice or punch (walk it around from ant. to lat. elb. flxt. position)
- B Repeat (i), (ii), (iii); lat. elb. flxt.
 - (iv) 1/2t lat elb. flxt; hands slice or punch (walk it around from lat. to post, position)
- C Repeat (i), (ii), (iii); post. elb. flxt.
 - (iv) 1/2t post. elb. flxt; hands slice or punch (walk it around from post. to lat. position)
- D Repeat (i), (ii), (iii); lat. elb. flxt.
 - (iv) 1/2t post. elb. flxt; hands slice or punch (walk it around from lat. to ant. position)

Muscle Focus 2: Anterior, Medial and Posterior Deltoid, Latissimus Dorsi

Joint Action:

Shoulder flexion and extension (sh. flxt.)

Shoulder abduction and adduction (sh. abbie/add.)

Name of Exercise: Front arm raises = Sh. flxt.

Side or lateral arm raises = Sh. abbie /add.

Variation:

(a) ant. sh. flxt; (b) sh. abbie/add.; (c) post. sh. flxt.

Complimentary Leas:

with (a): hamstring jog or march (h. j'om)

with (b): jumping jack (jj)

with (c): hamstring jog or march

<u>Arm Sequence:</u> Repeat as in Muscle Focus 1

(A) ant. sh. flxt.

(B) sh. abbie/add.

(C) post. sh. flxt.

(D) sh. abbie/add.

Transition (A) to (B); (B) to (C); (C) to (D); (D) to (A): "walk it around"

Muscle Focus 3: Pectoralis Major, Anterior Deltoid

Joint Action: Shoulder joint horizontal adduction

(minor sh. jt. hztl. abbie).

Name of Exercise: "Hugs" or Pec Flyes (sh. hztl. adds.)

<u>Variation:</u> (a) Superior (sup.) sh. hztl. adds.

(b) Middle (mid.) sh. hztl. adds.

(c) Inferior(inf) sh. hztl. adds.

Intensity Var'n: (d) elb. bent to 90°

(e) arms in "C"shape

(f) crossover arms at wrists in front of body(g) crossover arms at elbows in front of body

Complimentary Legs: pendulum (pdl) or cross country ski (cc. ski)

<u>Arm Sequence:</u> "walking it down", "walking it up"

A 1/2t sup. sh. hztl. adds., hands slice or punch

B 1/2t sup.-->mid. sh. hztl. adds., hands slice or punch

C 1/2t mid. sh. hztl. adds., hands slice or punch

D 1/2t mid.-->inf. sh. hztl. adds., hands slice or punch

E 1/2t inf. sh. hztl. adds., hands slice or punch

F Repeat E 1/2t inf. sh. hztl. adds., hands flat against water, palms in

G 1/2t inf.-->mid. sh. hztl. adds., hands flat against water, palms in

H 1/2t mid. sh. hztl. adds., hands flat against water, palms in

1 1/2t mid.-->sup. sh hztl. adds., hands flat against water, palms in

J 1/2t t sup. sh. hztl. adds., hands flat against water, palms in

Muscle Focus 4: Trapezius, Rhomboids, and Latissimus Dorsi

<u>Joint Action:</u> Shoulder Girdle Adduction (sh. grd. add.)

Shoulder Joint Horizontal Abduction (sh. hztl. abbie)

Name of Exercise: Shoulder Blade Squeeze

<u>Variation:</u> (a) sup. sh. grd. add.

(b) mid. sh. grd. add. (c) inf. sh. grd. add.

Complimentary Legs: wide jog or march (w. j'om)

<u>Arm Sequence:</u> Repeat Muscle Focus 3; focus on the reverse action.

Muscle Focus 5: Hip Abductors and Adductors

Complimentary arms

Muscle Focus 6: Gluteus Maximus and Hamstrings (Hip Extensor role)

Complimentary arms

Muscle Focus 7: Quadriceps and Hamstrings (Knee Extensor, Knee Flexion role)

Complimentary arms

Combination Stations:

Once the group has learned how to execute each muscle focus station safely and effectively and gained sufficient muscular strength and endurance they may be ready to progress to "combination stations".

The double positive (concentric) contractions that "naturally" occur when training in the water may be used to advantage.

<u>For example:</u> Combine Muscle Focus 3 (Pectorals) and Muscle Focus 4 (Rhomboids, Trapezius and Latissimus Dorsi) into one station. This will save time and allow other muscle focus stations to be added to the class design.

Choreography Ideas: Cardio Routines

Cardio 1 t n j'om transition n j'om ti w j'om t w j'om 1/2t w j'om 1/2t pdl 1/2t hobby horse (hh) 1/2t rocking horse (rh) 1/2t n j'om t n j'om

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Cardio 3

th j'om (dr flex)

1/2th j'om (pl flex)

t dk k donkey kick (roger rabbit)

1/2t dk k and narrow tuck jump (n tuk)

1/2t dk k

1/2t cc ski

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Cardio 2

t jj

1/2t w sq (wide squat)

1/2t side steps

1/2t w sq

1/2t add. jacks

t jj

1/2t jj

1/2t n sq

1/2t side steps

1/2t n sq

1/2t abbie jacks

t jj

Cardio 4

t w j'om 1/2t w i'om 1/2t w froggie curls 1/2t w tuk to n tuk to w tuk 1/2t w ck (wide corkscrew) twckhi twcklo transition w ck, n ck t n ck hi t n ck lo 1/2t n ck rt 1/2t n ck it 1/2t n tuk 1/2t mogul tuk 1/2t n tuk 1/2t n j'om t n i'om t w j'om

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WHAT IS POWER UP: AQUA PUMP?

A "Power Up: Aqua Pump" session is not just your average aqua fitness class.! It is considering the variables available that can be manipulated with aquatic exercise, applying and achieving an aqua fitness class that is "Pumped Up With Power."

Therefore, a "Power Up Aqua Pump" session is explosive, high intensity, and demanding, requiring endurance and a good level of water skills. This type of class can provide the client with an extremely challenging workout, whilst there still remains the ability for the session to be modified if required.

The following points should be considered when designing a "Power Up: Aqua Pump" class.

CONSIDERATIONS

- **♦ Water skills of participant**
- Leadership skills
- A variety of variables
- Muscle balancing
- Injuries?
- * Permission to modify
- Water depth

- **♦** Variety
- Increased intensity
- * Sense of achievement
- Graded timetabling
- * Range of cliental

- * Speed
- Lever Length
- Range Of Motion (ROM)
- **★** Force
- Pitch Of Hands
- Arms Movements
- **★** Travelling
- Level Changes
- Drag Forces

- * Frontal Resistance
- * Immersion
- ★ Elevation &/Plymetrics
- * Interval Training
- * Distance Covered
- * Pushing Off The Pool Bottom

None of these variables act individually, a combination will generally be at work at any one time.

MUSIC

ARTIST Warm Up	TITLE		BPM
Kelly Marie Cardiovascular	Feels Like I'm In Love		120
Dr. Alban	Sing Hallelujah		124
Cut N Move Midnight Shift	Give It Up California Dreamin		124 124
Pat and Mick	Concrete Mix	V. Hari	124
DJ Les and Kool Kat Haddaway	Sugar Sugar What Is Love		125 125
M People	Movin On Up		125
R.J. and the Family Cool Down	Gloria		125
Sinitta	Aquarius		CDN

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CHOREOGRAPHY

TECHNICAL TIPS **MOVES ARMS** Warm Up Part A 1. Side Step Compl & Hands Slicing Large Steps Travelling 2. Extensor Kick Ext Fwd & Hands Slicing Push Off The Bottom Repeat Sequence Other Side(O/S) Part B 3. Half Pendulum Opp To Ext Leg Slicing Hands Punch Hands Compl 4. Twist Part C Compl & Hands Slicing Travelling & Keep Hips Front 5. Step X Flex At Hips & Pnt Toes 6. Alt X Kick Alt Dble Swing Repeat Sequence O/S Part D 7. Half Pendulum O/S Opp To Ext Leg Slicing Hands **Good Posture** Compl & Slice Hands 8. JJ Scissors Link A+B+C+D & Repeat Cardiovascular Part A Lat Travel & Cover Distance Pulling Arms & Cup Hands 1. Dble Knee Tuck Use Pitch Of Hands Fwd travel & Plymetrics 2. Extensor Kick Make a square. Part B 3. Pendulum Opp To Ext Leg Push Off Bottom **Immersion** 4. Knee High Twist Cup Hands Part C Ext Leg On X 5. Step X Lat Pull 6. Alt X Kick Fwd Travel & Plymetrics Cup Hands Make a square. Part D Opp To Extended Leg Push Off Bottom 7. Pendulum 8. Knee High JJ Scissors Cup Hands **Immersion** Link A+B, C+D & Repeat Combination A Diagl Travel Each Side Power Rocking Horse X Chest Pull Down Knee High JJ Compl Moving Fwd Moving Bwd Opp Arm To Leg X Country Ski **Combination B** Learn Levels(1, 2, 3, 4) Levels JJ Compl Combination C Lateral Travel Power Lateral Leap Breast Stroke

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Plymetrics

Learn Levels(1, 2, 3, 4)

Low Lat Push

Opp Arm To Leg

JJ Jump Repeat O/S Combination D Levels X Country Ski

Combination E

TECHNICAL TIPS MOVES ARMS Twist Top Same Arm As Leg Unilateral Travelling Full ROM & Plymetrics Opp Arm To Leg X Body Kick & Pull Repeat O/S Combination F Avoid Lumbar Hyperext Levels Dble Knee Tuck Opp To Legs **Link Combinations And Repeat** Interval Training Fully Extend Legs (E) Level 3 Lat Rock N Roll Opp To Legs Dble Palm Push Dwn Dble Time (A) Knee Lifts Full ROM (E) Level 4 Lat Jazz Kick Dbl Lat Ext Wide Knee Lifts Alt Palm Push Dwn Dble Time (A) Boil Water With Legs (E) Tread Water Level 3 Sit Kicks Lucky Charm Opp Hand To Foot Dble Time (A) Lean Fwd (E) Level 4 Extensors Kicks Fwd Push & Pull Hamstring Run Dble Fwd Scoop Dble Time (A) 3=Endurance (E)=1 min 1=Aerobic (A)=20 secs # Ratio 1:3 # Repeat Twice And/Or Repeat With Element Extraction: Eg Only Aerobic Combination A

↑ Resistance & Travelling 1. Level 4 JJ Coml Aid Suspension Of Body **Body Alignment & Turning** 2. Level 3 JJ Tuck Repeat O/S **Combination B** Travel Fwd & Bwd Compl & Cup Hands 3. Level 2 X Country Ski Karate Blocks **Immersion** 4. Level 4 Karate Kicks Combination C Look At Other End Of Pool Under Water Reach 5.Dog Paddle 6. Level 3 Jog Tyres Aid Body Suspension **Body Alignment & Turning** Repeat O/S Combination D 7. Level 2 Ski Bounce Opp To Body & Cup Hands Travel Fwd & Bwd Immersion & Power Upthrust 8. Wide Narrow Cossack Follow Legs Link Together & Repeat

Cool Down Lat Slice M/ment To Keep Warm Wide Leg Jog Hamstring Curl Pendulum Pendulum Swing Full ROM Use Buoyancy Of Water Holding/Supporting Leg Quad Stretch Lean Fwd With Ext Compl Slice Flex & Ext Hip Hold Calf Dwn Helping To Balance Body Calf Stretch Lift As High As Possible Hamstring Stretch Supporting Leg Support Body M/ment To Keep Warm Abductor Stretch Compound Arm Stretch Knees Bent & Short Levers Rocking Horse Repeat O/S Walk Puddles Fwd Natural Swing With Slice Large Steps No Crashing Rhomboid Stretch Walk Puddles Bwd Walk Puddles Fwd Pectoral Stretch Large Steps Natural Swing With Slice No Crashing Walk Puddles Bwd

Clap To Finish

Abdominal Stretch

Wide Leg Jog