Core Power Swimming Breakwater Sports

Session 3 – Kicking from the Core

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1. Warm-Up

300 yards freestyle

2. Vertical Kicking (All)

In the deep end:

- Stand in the water, arms crossed, hands on shoulders
- Kick from your hips, just enough to keep your mouth out of the water
- Keep your kick small, minimize knee bend

Every now and then, try a Rotational Kick:

- Kicking leg Anchor your foot, but release the same hip
- Non-kicking leg Hold it still you will pivot your body on this leg, about ¼ turn

3a. Group1: Swimlates on the Roller

- Quarter sit up on roller
- Full sit up on roller
- Three arm/upper body moves with roller and weights
- Table top into bike
- Alternating leg and arm
- Single leg circles, both directions, double leg circles, both directions
- Single leg raises, double leg raises

No roller

- Planks on forearms (hold 20 seconds, then 10 leg lifts on each side)
- Plank with side rotation, alternating sides (maintain straight body alignment)

3b. Group 2: Swim Drills

One member at a time from this group will be taken into another lane for about 5 minutes of cord drill swimming with video.

Other members of the group will repeat the following three sets:

- 1 x 100 with Fins First 25 kick only, hands at side, rotate side to side Second 25 Freestyle 1 x 200 with Fins and Paddles Drill for first 25 as below Second 25 always Freestyle
 - 1: Right arm only
 - 2: Left arm only
 - 3: Right arm only
 - 4: Left arm only
- 1 x 100 No Fins or Paddles, on each 25, swim with a single arm for the specified number of strokes, then switch to the other arm; repeat until you reach the wall
 - 1: 7 strokes
 - 2: 5 strokes
 - 3: 3 strokes
 - 4: 1 stroke (freestyle!)

4. Video Review

All together.

Note: All lesson plans are available online, in the Core Power Swimming section of this page:

http://www.breakwatersportstraining.com/handouts.html