# Jerome, Arizona INFO Sheet

A historic mining town with many rugged venues

Seven Full Days of Rigging and Learning in the Vertical Realm
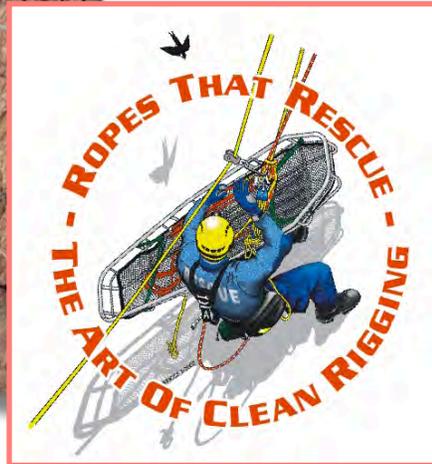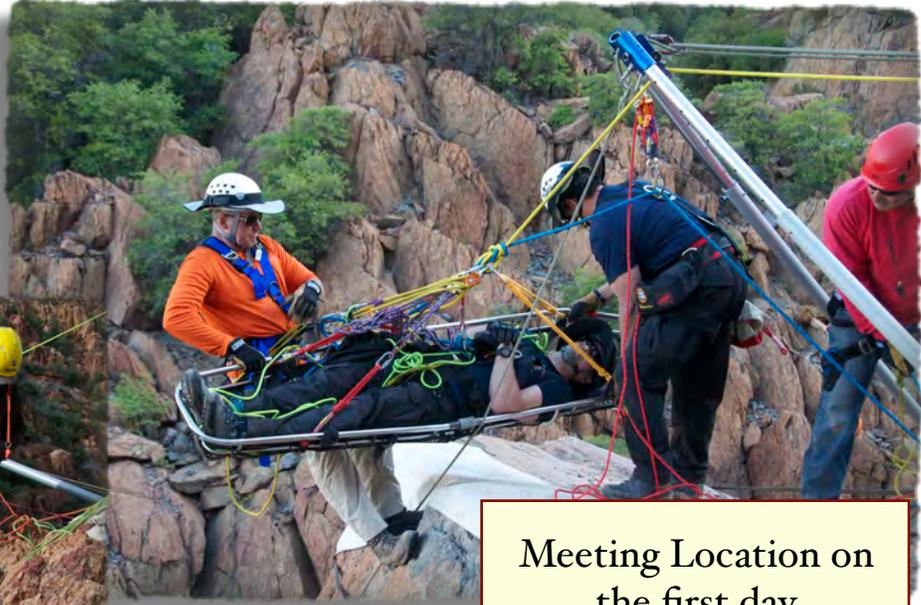
Meeting Location on the first day

We look forward to seeing you at 0800 the first morning at our meeting location: The Jerome Fire District Station is in the middle of town and not easy to miss. It is at the big bend in the road and look for the two story brick building. Please do not park in front of the station. Parking is farther down along the side road to the right of the station. The entrance to the station is in the rear. We are meeting upstairs in the multi-purpose room. Please bring a chunk of rope, a large carabiner and a prusik with you on the first day.

Greetings!

Ropes That Rescue is proud to announce Jerome Fire Department HOSTED programs! The historic town of Jerome, Arizona is filled with lots of awesome venues for all RTR programs. It is a very old copper mining town built in the late 1800's on the side of Cleopatra Hill on the Mingus Mountain range. It overlooks the Verde Valley, containing Sedona, Cottonwood and Clarkdale.

Many students fly into Phoenix Sky Harbor airport, rent a vehicle and drive for 2 hours north on I-17 to AZ Hwy 269 at Camp Verde exit. Take 269 over to Cottonwood and take Hwy 89A south to Jerome (which is up Mingus Mnt.). One or two days, we may be commuting to Prescott's Granite Dells (one hour driving time to the west over Mingus Mnt.) so be ready to commute and car pool if possible.

LODGING:

There are several hotels and bed & breakfasts in the Jerome/Cottonwood area. Some offer fire fighter discounts.

Jerome: Jerome Grand Hotel and the the haunted Ghost City Inn (B&B). Both of these are in old town Jerome within walking distance to the fire station (allow 15 minutes walking)

Cottonwood: Iron Horse Inn (strongly recommended as it had a great BBQ and central meeting location, patio). All the major hotel chains have accommodation in Cottonwood area. Drive from here to Jerome Fire is about 15 to 25 minutes up the hill on 89A (south).

Many many others which you can look into but the towns of Sedona and Prescott are too far away (45 minutes drive each way). Also, if you have two or more coming, look into VRBO and other vacation rentals to save money. There are many good options available.

For those on a budget, there is a shower at the Jerome Fire Dept. and places to bunk down there if you are needing inexpensive lodging. Contact the fire chief, Rusty Blair: blair@jeromefire.us or call his cell (928) 300-8701 during normal business hours. They ask for a $50 donation per night to the volunteer fund. These will go fast so do not delay.

Please plan on staying through the evening of the last day of the program as we do not get out early! IMPORTANT:: The final day of all RTR programs is Hawaiian shirt day. Please bring a Hawaiian shirt to receive a FREE RTR embroidered hat!

Be ready for a great week and it will surely be challenging! You will learn a lot and walk away with heaps of knowledge.

Classroom at Jerome Fire

KNOTCRAFT FOR THIS ROPES THAT RESCUE WORKSHOP

It is advised that you be familiar with some of the knots, bends and hitches we will be using in this workshop. It is always best to have some under your belt before arriving. Much of the workshop you are attending depends in large part on the roped and webbing connections YOU form! Don't worry so much at this time about the somewhat exotic knots like the retraced double bowline but concentrate on the easier figure of eights and simple bowlines. We will be going over many many different knots which are somewhat useful for rigging. Be prepared to tie some new ones!

Here is a list to get you started:
- Figure of eight on a bight
- Butterfly knot
- Double overhand stopper
- Double overhand noose
- Inside bowline with retrace
- Bowline with a bight
- Doubled long tail bowline
- Bowline on a bight
- Water knot in webbing
- Water bend in webbing
- Munter hitch
- Clove hitch