

Team Skills Rescue Workshop

Bristol, UK

See RTR Open Schedule for Dates for this Program

Location: Bristol, Cheddar Gorge, and other Devon venues

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Waldo Etherington on expedition

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HISTORY of ROPES THAT RESCUE (RTR) in the UK:

In 2018, Reed Thorne of RTR taught two back-to-back 7 day long workshops on rope rescue and rigging in Devon/Somerset and also in Fort Williams, Scotland. These were the TEAM SKILLS RESCUE WORKSHOP and the MOUNTAIN RESCUE WORKSHOP respectively. Both are very popular for the intensity of rigging in the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Japan.

Ropes That Rescue is returning to the UK again. See the Open Schedule for Dates on these UK Programs. The TSRW is the program in Bristol through Remote Ropes. Waldo Etherington has a long history with Reed as well having participated in several RTR workshops.



Extensive work with the Arizona Vortex designed by Reed Thorne of RTR

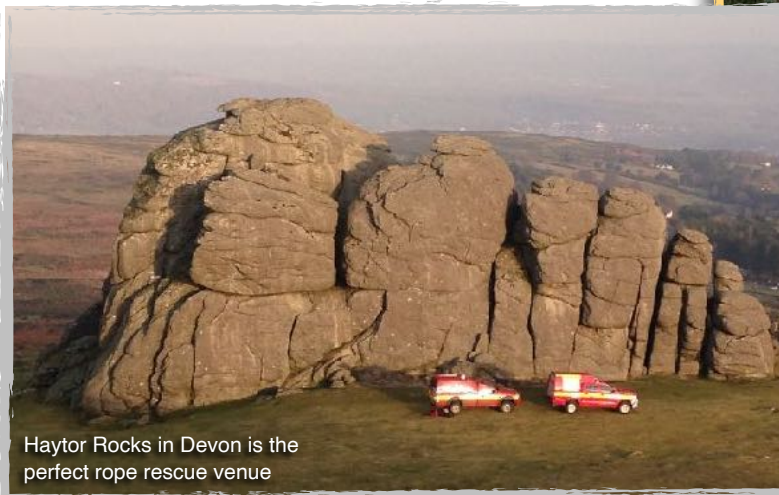
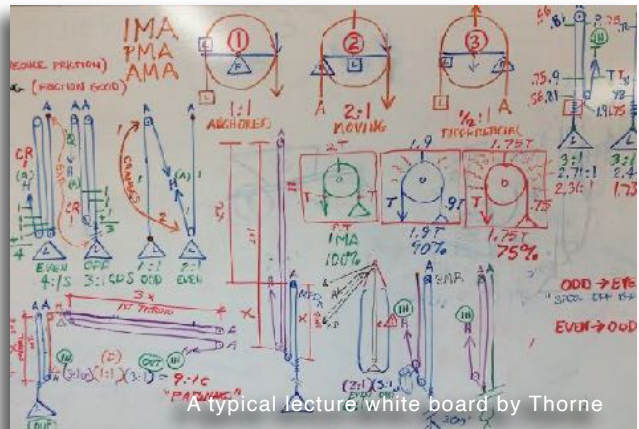
INFORMATION & REGISTRATION:

Use this flyer for registering for this intensive rope rigging programs. Detailed information on travel, lodging, camping and local restaurants can be obtained by contacting Waldo Etherington directly or his office staff. The program is limited so space will be by a first paid-first register basis. A minimum 50% deposit is needed to secure a spot on either workshop. The remaining balance is due within 30 days of the program start date (to avoid being placed on the waiting list). Please check with the liaison or RTR for space availability.

Bristol TSRW: \$1,450 USD (£1,105) which is paid directly to Remote Ropes Ltd. through a special PayPal account set up for this program only. See page 5 for the Application for this workshop ONLY. **NOTE:** This TSRW workshop is by no means a rope rescue course for beginners. It is a serious venture and complete immersion into advanced rope systems that can sometimes be overwhelming for some less experienced practitioners. If you are a rope rescue, rope access or rigging instructor or desire more depth of understanding, this 7 day program is one you should not miss.

About the Team Skills Rescue Workshop (TSRW):

The TSRW is a demanding 7 day long program and is ideal for industrial, tower and wilderness rescue teams, riggers or rope access technicians while focusing on the ART of Clean Rigging based on sound principles and understanding. This program will fulfill the '90% solution' on most rope rescues. Lectures on intermediate physics and how it relates to rope rigging are common throughout the 7 day course. Emphasis is placed on 'why' we do something, rather than just 'how'. Students, as a team unit, learn how to build seemingly complex arrangements for reaching, treating and extricating a patient from the vertical high angle environment whether in industrial locations or in the wilderness. Also ideal for those who work on rope and are charged with moving materials or personnel. All the while, emphasis is placed on building everything from the basic materials most teams will have: rope, carabiners, pulleys, accessory cord, webbing and know-how. The more you know, the lighter your pack should get. The TSRW includes an extensive lecture and practical section on



alternatives to highlines in the form of 'offsets'. In the past 20 years, RTR was instrumental for championing high angle offsets as an alternative to training-intensive highlines. Offsets employ standard high angle techniques that most rescuers already know and so are more forgiving in the training curve than highlines.

The TSRW also details the use of AHD's ("Artificial High Directionals") and much of the program is spend using the ARIZONA VORTEX (AZV) from Rock Exotica, in Utah, USA. Multiple rigging pods are constructed during the TSRW using the AZV.

The ARIZONA VORTEX History:

The AZ Vortex (or AZV) is so named from its development in the rugged highlands of northern Arizona's Oak Creek Canyon through the rigging and rescue school, Ropes That Rescue. Reed Thorne, the school's owner developed the AZV with the help of Rock Thompson at Rock Exotica, in Utah in early 2003. The AZV was created from years of trial and error and of having worked with crude but functional lashed wood frames at RTR. It represents the essence of at-the-edge frames which no standard tripod can match today.

The ARIZONA VORTEX is manufactured from T-6 aluminum by Thompson Manufacturing Inc. ([Rock Exotica](#)) in Clearfield, Utah and is one of the most versatile and state of the art artificial high directional (AHD) available to rescue and rope access in industry. With training from Ropes That Rescue (the "Arizona" designer), you may use this frame in a variety of ways and in any number of environments from industry to wilderness. It is ideal for confined space rescue, mine rescue, cliff rescue and industrial rescue. It is also well suited to bridge inspectors, rope access, the construction trades and the movie industry.



Required Equipment and Mindset:

RTR programs are student-driven in what is covered. In seven short days (even though we are doing 10 to 12 hour days) we cannot cover it all. Students are encouraged to come forth with ideas given our available venues early in the class to help delineate the direction the program takes.

Also, make sure you have the [REQUIRED EQUIPMENT](#) for this program! The AZTEK is a must for this training. Other items can be substituted. Contact [Reed Thorne](#) or [Waldo Etherington](#) if you have any questions about equipment. It is VERY important.

Preparation for either program: TRY TO DO THIS!

Knots, bends and hitches are an integral part of every RTR program. You simply cannot be a good rigger without knowing extensive knotcraft—Pure and simple. To assist you in the mastery of these knots PRIOR to class we have assembled videos of Reed tying each one on camera with the help of Sequoia, the green-cheek conure.



Once you have registered for either program, you are invited to join our closed Facebook Page called "Arizona ART of Clean Rigging" for access to these videos. In this page (only open to past RTR alumni and current students) you will be able to watch all the knotcraft being performed. This will speed up the learning process during the classroom portion which will allow us to get to the field earlier. However, below is a short list of required knots. ...

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Instructions: CONTACT REMOTE ROPES FOR THEIR COURSE APPLICATION. DO NOT REMIT PAYMENT with their application! We will follow up on May 1, 2022 as COVID-19 restrictions ease up or cancel the program.

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS RTR APPLICATION BACK TO REMOTE ROPES LTD. AND TO ROPESTHATRESCUE LTD. VIA EMAIL info@ropesthatrescue.com

CONFIRMATION OF ACCEPTANCE WILL BE SENT OUT STRAIGHT AWAY WITHIN 15 DAYS.

PAYMENT INFORMATION - TEAM SKILLS RESCUE WORKSHOP Bristol/Devon July 26—Aug 1, 2022 (Note: This RTR Program does not include travel, per diem or lodging costs)

Course cost due in full on May 1, 2022: **\$1,450 USD (£1,105)** You **MUST** pay

We are NOT accepting any payments for tuition now. We are, however,

Due to COVID-19 uncertainty we will keep the

your full payment if this

Waldo in the

The Bristol 2023 UK Workshop is still pending approval. PLEASE check back with us later as details emerge. Contact REMOTE ROPES for current information

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Occupation

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EXPERIENCE and SKILL LEVEL:

List all your affiliations, including professional and recreational; mountaineering accomplishments, rock climbing level, caving, military, swiftwater, etc. Give amount of time in each field

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