

Consider if you will

...the Old West Gun Works in the UK.

Gripple®

"One particularly damp day in 1986, a wire-salesman and budding entrepreneur named Hugh Facey found himself on a wet hillside in Wales discussing the woes of fencing with a frustrated farmer.Hugh, listened intently, convinced he could think up a better way of connecting two pieces of wire together. The seeds had been planted, and the idea for the Gripple was born."

True to form, after listening and responding to a need, Gripple® releases the 'Gripple® Lockable' - a friendly, adjustable wire rope termination specifically designed for challenge ropes courses.

The 'Gripple® Lockable' is now available to all experienced Ropes Course Builders in Australia.

...an old Pub in Dorset.

Powerfan®

"...it is a device that will safely and repeatedly control a person's descent, dissipating the potential energy by means of a fan. The fan is driven only by the descending person's mass and does not require an external power source. The POWERFAN® enables users to make a very rapid descent whilst ensuring a gentle landing. It is designed for use in either a recreational or developmental environment ..."

Vii is about to install a third Powerfan®. They can be installed on poles and structures of 10 to 100m!

... descending a cliff using just your mouth.

Universal Harness^{vii}

We are encouraged to see the continued support of the Universal Harness^{vii} (for people of all abilities) as operators become more 'ropes' confident and strive to be more inclusive.

... the village of Zermatt, located high in the Alps.

Continuous Belay

Removing the risk of 'human error'. Inspiring or numbing? Innovative uses include Vii's new teamTRAIL^{vii} a concept that can bring the traditional 'remote' commitment elements born from belaying to a more 'local' experience, as the elements themselves demand trust and responsibility directly from individuals within at-height teams.

There are many Continuous Belay systems rolling and sliding onto the market at present. Examples include the Super Self Belay®, AerialTech®, Expoglider®, Ultra Safe Belay™, Klipa, Altus®, Ecotrack, Niko®, Sky Trail®, and Vii's propriety rollTREK^{vii} and Guardian^{vii} systems.

Each system is different, for example some shuttles can be used as zipline (flying fox) pulleys, some have anti-rollback features and some even allow route changes and passing.

.... where's Matt Scott (Vii MD) (4/6/10) – flying back from Zermatt, Switzerland, birth place of Speedrunner® - the smoothest Continuous Belay System, with route change and fox ability, that we have seen.

... 50 elements, route choices and 10 of your best mates.

Adventure Parks and Treetop Adventures

It has begun! Hold on to your hat as Australia catches up to Europe and North America. The phenomena - commercial public accessible ropes courses. It's a challenging (sometimes nature based) outdoor activity option that Mum, Dad and the kids can share. Great for a weekend or during that holiday to a new location. What will it mean to traditional Ropes Course operators....what's your point of difference?

... being dissected by a traditional full-body harnesses

New PPE

The Ropedancer™ - a unique recreation full-body harness with sternum, dorsal and waist attachment point. The built-in traditional sit-harness allows you to climb, fly and leap in the one harness. Colour coded sizes of S, M-L, XL. Meets EN 361 & 813.

... all the differing opinions

An Australian Standard is born

AS 2316.1 – 2009 Artificial climbing structures and challenge courses. *We need Part 2 & Part 3!*

